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Re: Response to Comments to 2AM-DOH1335 Water Licence Amendment – Operational Update – Information Requests / Completeness Check

Dear Mr. Shaikh,

Agnico Eagle thanks the Nunavut Water Board for the opportunity to respond to comments regarding the 2AM-DOH1335 Water Licence Amendment – Operational Update – Information Requests / Completeness Check. Our comments are provided in the enclosed.

Based on the Information Requests received from Parties, Agnico Eagle strongly believes the Application can move to the next phase, Technical Review. The comments and requests do not impede moving forward to the next stage of the review process.

Agnico Eagle would like to provide clarity to general comments made by some Parties:

1) **Amendment vs Renewal**

Comments have been made "…that this is a renewal application, not an amendment, so all aspects of the project should be reviewed." (e.g., CIRNAC-IR-22)

This is an incorrect statement. Based on the Application put forward by Agnico Eagle, it is an Amendment as terms of the Licence are being changed.

Based on the NWB Guides, Guide 3, Part 7:

> *The Board may, upon application by the licensee, renew a licence. An application may be classified as a renewal only if all operations remain the same as previously licensed and only the term of the licence requires change.* ***Any requests for changes to terms and conditions of a licence require an amendment.***
>
> *The Board may, upon application by the licensee, amend a water licence. The Board may also amend a water licence on its own initiative to deal with a water shortage or where the Board*

considers the amendment to be in the public interest. Renewal and amendment applications may be combined and processes together.

2) Historical Documentation

Historical baseline reports from the 2017 Madrid-Boston FEIS have been requested from Parties. It is important to note that these documents can be provided; however, they have been previously reviewed and received conformity approval as part of the 2017 Madid-Boston FEIS submission, and then final approval under Project Certificate No. 009. Historical baseline reports remain unchanged and are not part of the scope review.

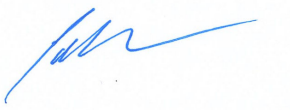
3) Updates to Management Plans

As part of a Water Licence Amendment process, it is typical for some management plans to be updated following approval of an Amendment. Updates to management plans following completion of the Water Licence Amendment ensures all technical comments are captured appropriately. Agnico Eagle anticipates the Water Management Plan, as an example, to be updated 60-days following approval of the Water Licence Amendment approval or 90-days prior to Operations.

Agnico Eagle encourages the Nunavut Water Board, based on the responses and evidence provided, to move to the Technical Review stage of the 2AM-DOH1335 Water Licence Amendment – Operational Update.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Regards,



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ATTACHMENTS

KITIKMEOT INUIT ASSOCIATION (KitIA)

Preamble

For background and context, Agnico Eagle has been working with the KitIA on the Operational Update since November 13, 2024, over 1 year before the submission to the NWB on January 30, 2026.

Agnico Eagle met with the KitIA on November 13 and 14, 2024 to present the scope of the Operational Update application, and agreement for technical discussions in 2025. Agnico Eagle first shared the Operational Update draft with the KitIA on January 28, 2025, which provided a timeline for sharing of information and raising of technical issues. Following the January 28, 2025 draft submission, Agnico Eagle:

- hosted a two-day in-person meeting with KitIA in February 2025
- addressed technical comments from KitIA between April-May 2025
- hosted a second in-person two-day meeting with KitIA in June 2025
- issued an updated draft document to the KitIA in July 2025 for additional review
- addressed technical comments through conference calls in August-September 2025

This pre-submission step went well beyond typical engagement and Agnico Eagle appreciates the time and review to work with the KitIA over the past year.

In addition, Agnico Eagle and the KitIA have met to review updates to the security associated with the Operational Update Water Licence Amendment, and have alignment on the global security amount and the use of RECLAIM 7.0.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-01**
Re:	**Missing Figure Labels**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Figure labels be added to the map figures

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Thank you for bringing this forward. In the future, Agnico Eagle will endeavor to include the figure number on figures. However, this comment does not require an update to the Main Application Document.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-02**
Re:	**Mislabeled table number**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

The table is labeled Table 2.2-2, however there is no Table 2.2-1 in Section 2.2. Relabel the table to Table 2.2-1

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle acknowledges this editorial error. The table in Section 2.2 of the Main Application Document should have been labelled as Table 2.2-1, not Table 2.2-2. This comment does not require an update to the Main Application Document.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-03**
Re:	**PDA area is not included in Section 1.2**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

The KIA requests:

- *The description of the PDA in section 1.2 be expanded to include the former PDA area and the % increase in the total PDA area due to the proposed project changes.*
- *Please add a figure showing the former and updated PDA or include a cross reference to an existing figure that shows the PDA*

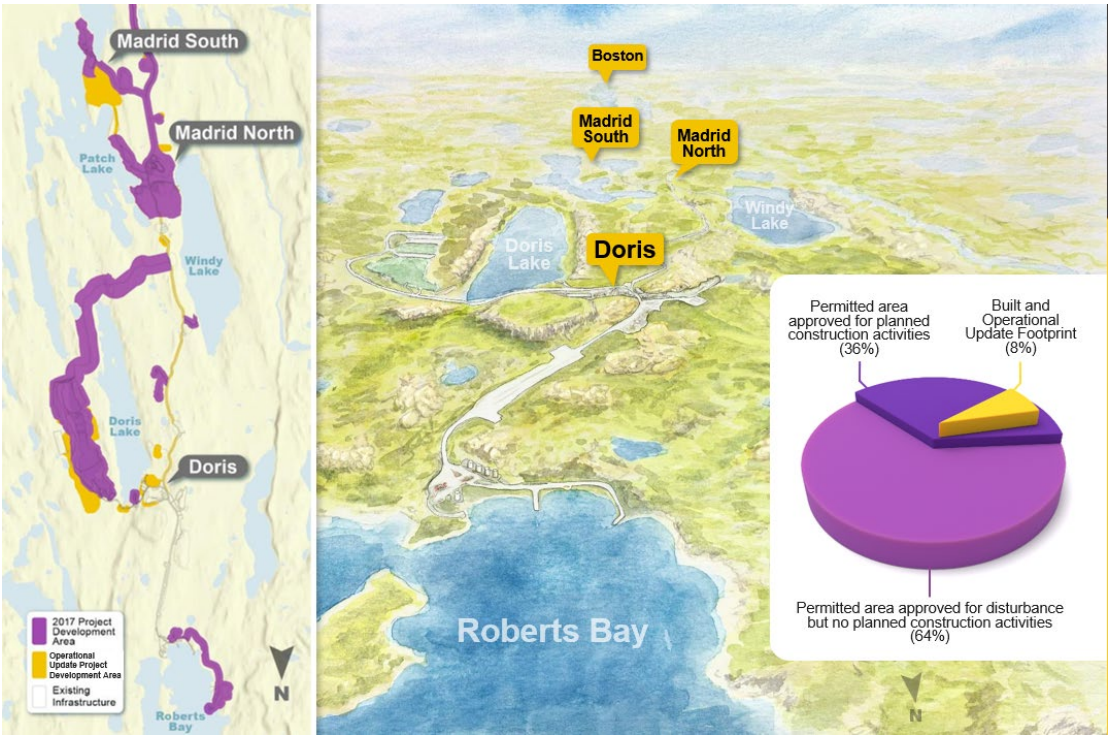
Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Response to bullet 1)

The following details were provided to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) in their determination of conformity. The total area of the Operational Update Project Development Area (PDA) is 229 ha. This is broken down by new infrastructure that will occur inside the existing and permitted PDA (69 ha of planned direct disturbance); and new infrastructure (143 ha of direct disturbance) that will occur outside of the existing PDA. Overall, the original expected footprint for the Hope Bay Belt project was 1,694 ha, and well within the 4,709 ha PDA assessed in the FEIS. This total area remains within the overall amount of land previously assessed by the NIRB.

Response to bullet 2)

The following figure was provided to the NPC in their determination of conformity.



Interested Party:	KitIA	Rec No.:	KitIA-IR-04
Re:	Outdated plan version numbers		

Request Made by Interested Party:

The KIA requests:

- *An update table 6.1-1 to the correct version numbers and dates*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle has noted a few small errors regarding version numbers and publication dates of management plans. These minor adjustments have been updated in blue in the table below. This comment does not require an update to the Main Application Document.

Management Plan Title for Hope Bay Water Licence Amendment	Current Plan Version
Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan	April 2018, v4
Domestic Wastewater Treatment Management Plan	March 2022, v8
Emergency Response and Crisis Management Plan	March 2024, v6
Explosives Management Plan	April 2022, v5
Groundwater Management Plan	March 2022, v4
Hazardous Waste Management Plan	March 2020, v7
Hydrocarbon Contaminated Material Management Plan	December 2017, v4
Incinerator and Composter Waste Management Plan	March 2023, v6
Interim Closure and Reclamation Plan Doris-Madrid	September 2024; v7.1
Non-Hazardous Waste Management Plan	January 2025; v2
Quality Assurance / Quality Control	March 2024; v14
Quarry Management and Monitoring Plan	September 2022; v7
Spill Contingency Plan	March 2025; v18
Tailings Impoundment Area - Operations, Maintenance, and Surveillance Manual (Phase 2, Doris)	March 2025; v8
Waste Rock, Ore and Mine Backfill Management Plan	March 2024; v11
Water Management Plan	January 2025; v19a
Conceptual Fish Offsetting Plan	v1

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-05**
Re:	**Missing Figure**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Please cite the plan within which the cited Figure 2.1-1 is to be found, to or add it to the Main Application Document.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle acknowledges this editorial error. The figure provided in response to KitIA-IR-03 provides the Project Development Area from 2017 and the Operational Update footprint which is referenced in Appendix 1-A of the Application.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-06**
Re:	**Document Request**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide a copy of the Doris Lake, Doris Creek, and Little Roberts Outflow Fisheries Assessment – Hydraulic Modelling Results (ERM 2015) or a link to the document to make this easier for reviewers to find and consider.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The requested document is available as Appendix V5-6S to Volume 5 (Freshwater and Marine Environment) of the 2017 Madrid-Boston FEIS package.

It is noted that the requested document was part of a previous review (2017 Madrid-Boston FEIS), and can be reviewed for context (NIRB Public Registry ID: 314770), but the contents of the report are not part of this submission.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-07**
Re:	**Document Request**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
The KIA requests:

- *Please provide the Doris- and Madrid Water Management Plan, the Boston Water Management Plan, and the Air Quality Management Plan or a link to these plans to make them easier for reviewers to find and consider.*
- *Please clarify what additional plans and standards were submitted alongside the three documents listed above.*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Response to bullet 1 and bullet 2)
Agnico Eagle confirms the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan was provided as Appendix 6-P of the Water Licence Amendment Application and is available on the NWB site: File server.

The Boston area is under a separate licence (2AM-BOS1835) and is not part of the scope of the Operational Update. The other two referenced documents (Boston Water Management Plan and Air Quality Management Plan) were not provided with the Application, as they are out of the scope of the review.

The Air Quality Management Plan is not a requirement under the 2AM-DOH1335 Licence. The plan is available on the NIRB site; however, as this is outside the NWB mandate the plan is not provided for review.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-08**
Re:	**Unclear Source**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please clarify the source document for the referenced appendices and provide the document or a link to the document to make it easier for reviewer to find and consider if required.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Yes, Appendices V5-4E and V5-4B which are cited in the AEMP are from the TMAC 2017 Madrid-Boston Project Final Environmental Impact Statement.

These historical documents are available on the NIRB site for reference and information (NIRB Public Registry Identification NOs: 314792 [V5-4E] and 314795 [V5-4B]).

It should be noted that the historical baseline reports referenced above were reviewed and received conformity approval as part of the 2017 Madid-Boston FEIS submission, and then final approval under Project Certificate No. 009. These baseline report remain unchanged.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-09**
Re:	**Management Plans, Environmental Policy, and Field Guide**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide the following documents or provide a link to where they are located on the NWB website to make it easier for reviewers to find and consider: Agnico Eagles' Environmental Policy and Field Guide, Oil Pollution Prevention Plan/Oil Pollution Emergency Plan, Dam Emergency Plan, and the Wildlife Mitigation and Management Plan.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle confirms the Dam Emergency Plan was provided with the Water Licence Amendment Application. It can be found in Appendix G of the Operations, Maintenance and Surveillance Manual: Doris Tailings Impoundment Area (Appendix 6-N of the Application) and is available on the NWB site: File server.

The other two referenced documents (Oil Pollution Prevention Plan/Oil Pollution Emergency Plan and the Wildlife Mitigation and Management Plan) were not provided with the Application, as they are out of the scope of the review and are not required under the 2AM-DOH1335 Licence. The plans are available on the NIRB site; however, as this is outside the NWB mandate the plans are not provided for review.

The reference to the Environmental Policy, is an overarching policy of Agnico Eagle and not part of the application for review. Further details are available on Agnico Eagle's website.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-10**
Re:	**Document Request**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide the document or link to the document for the Doris and Madrid Water Management Plan to make it easier for reviewers to fine and consider.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle confirms the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan was provided as Appendix 6-P of the Water Licence Amendment Application and is available on the NWB site: File server.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-11**
Re:	**Document Request**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide the following documents or links to documents to make it easier for reviewers to find and consider them: the Air Quality Management Plan and the Aircraft De-icing Management Plan.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
As outlined in response to KitIA-IR-07 the Air Quality Management Plan is not a requirement under the 2AM-DOH1335 Licence. The plan is available on the NIRB site; however, as this is outside the NWB mandate the plan is not provided for review.

The Aircraft De-Icing Management Plan was required under Water Licence 2AM-DOH1335 (2016 Amendment), and TMAC met this obligation by publishing the plan in November 2017, then amending it in March 2019 for the 2018 NWB Annual Report. The plan is no longer required under the 2AM-DOH1335 Licence and was not provided with the Application, as it is out of the scope of the review.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-12**
Re:	**Management Plans, Environmental Policy, and Field Guide**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide the following documents or links to documents to make it easier for reviewers to find and consider them: Air Quality Management Plan, Kitchen Food and Waste Handing Storage document, and the Incinerator Ash Sampling document.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
As outlined in response to KitIA-IR-07 the Air Quality Management Plan is not a requirement under the 2AM-DOH1335 Licence. The plan is available on the NIRB site; however, as this is outside the NWB mandate the plan is not provided for review.

As the KitIA note, an Incinerator Ash Sampling and Kitchen Food and Waste Handing Storage documents are referenced in the Incinerator and Composter Waste Management Plan (Appendix 6-H of the Application). These documents detail internal procedures for ash sampling for the site incinerators and burn pan, as well proper handling and storage procedures of food wastes on-site. The documents are not provided for review.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-13**
Re:	**Prevention of Wildlife Attraction**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide additional details of the program or the program intended to be used to educate site personnel on managing food waste and animal attractants.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The Non-hazardous Waste Management Plan (Appendix 6-J of the Application) considers the mitigation of wildlife attractants and is scalable. This plan includes details of the collection, segregation, handling, treatment, storage, transport, and disposal of non-hazardous waste that minimizes wildlife attraction to the Mine by implementing waste segregation, secure food waste storage, and routine monitoring of waste management facilities.

Mitigation and management to reduce the potential for wildlife to be attracted to the Mine include:

- Training for personnel on proper handling of food and wastes to limit the attractiveness of the Mine to wildlife.
- All buildings will be wildlife-proof.
- A no feeding wildlife policy.
- A waste management plan which includes maintaining the Mine site and waste management site in a clean and orderly state, and keeping wildlife out of wastes, including keeping the sea can doors shut at the waste management facility.

In addition, Site operations conduct daily ToolBox meetings, which is an opportunity for Site wide communications. Environmental topics are shared at these meetings including reminders on wildlife policies, best practices, and mitigation and management as noted above. Further, there are Supervisor daily site meetings where messages can be communicated at a different level.

To date, wildlife attraction to site, because of food waste, has not been an issue. Agnico Eagle will continue to monitor its process and procedures to minimize this risk.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-14**
Re:	**Missing Caption**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Figure 5-2 landfill design is missing a figure caption. Please update Figure 5-2 with a caption.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Thank you for bringing this forward. In the future, Agnico Eagle will endeavor to include the figure number on figures. This update can be made with the next update to the Non-Hazardous Waste Management Plan.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-15**
Re:	**Document Request**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide the following documents or links to documents to make it easier for reviewers to find and consider them : the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan, the Boston Water Management Plant, and the Boston Tailings Management Area – Operations, Maintenance Surveillance Manual.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle confirms the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan was provided as Appendix 6-P of the Water Licence Amendment Application and is available on the NWB site: File server.

The Boston area is under a separate licence (2AM-BOS1835) and is not part of the scope of the Operational Update. The other two referenced documents (Boston Water Management Plan, and the Boston Tailings Management Area – Operations, Maintenance Surveillance Manual) were not provided with the Application, as they are out of the scope of the review.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-16**
Re:	**Document Request**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide the following documents or links to documents to make it easier for reviewers to find and consider them : the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan, the Boston Water Management Plant, and the Boston Tailings Management Area – Operations, Maintenance Surveillance Manual.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle confirms the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan was provided as Appendix 6-P of the Water Licence Amendment Application and is available on the NWB site: File server.

The Boston area is under a separate licence (2AM-BOS1835) and is not part of the scope of the Operational Update. The other two referenced documents (Boston Water Management Plan, and the Boston Tailings Management Area – Operations, Maintenance Surveillance Manual) were not provided with the Application, as they are out of the scope of the review.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-17**
Re:	**Mislabeled figure numbers**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Figures are labeled 0-1 to 0-3 but referred to as Figures 1-1 to 1-3 in the text. Update either the figure labels or in-text cross references so they match.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle acknowledges this editorial error. This update can be made with the next update to the Spill Contingency Plan.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-18**
Re:	**Missing Conformity Item**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Update both Section 3.3 and the Immediately Reportable Spills section to specify releases of any quantity of harmful substances near or into a waterbody are reported to the NWT/NU Spill Line.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle will update Section 3.3 and the Immediately Reportable Spills section of the Spill Contingency Plan to specify any quantity of harmful substances near or into a waterbody are reported to the NWT/NU Spill Line. These updates will be made in the next version of the Plan.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-19**
Re:	**Missing Conformity Item**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
The required information be added to section A4 or update the cross reference to the correct section with the required information.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Spill prevention measures are more specifically outlined in Section A5. Agnico Eagle will update the cross reference to this section in future updates of the Plan.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-20**
Re:	**Mismatched Text**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Both sections should be updated to list both the marine environment and Navigable Waters (any size).

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle will update these sections with the next update to the Spill Contingency Plan.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-21**
Re:	**Mismatched Text**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
These sections of the E2 Regulations Cross-Reference Table include a cross reference to Module C Plate C.1 to C.4, however there are only Plates C.1 and C.2. There are also references to Module D Plate D.1 to D.3., however there are only Plates D.1 and D.2.

Both sections should be updated to list both the marine environment and Navigable Waters (any size).

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle acknowledges this error and will correct it with the next update of the Spill Contingency Plan.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-22**
Re:	**Fish and Fish Habitat (Offset)**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Provide assessments and related information in terms of specific life histories and specific freshwater fishes considered for fish passability assessment and implications due to water withdrawals.

Provide additional survey data and analysis to determine the net loss of wetted usable habitat for life-cycles stages and habitat use for fish species in Doris Lake, Windy Lake, Patch Lake, and Doris Creek.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Information related to the life histories of fish in the Operational Update project area, along with justification of freshwater species confirmed or reasonably expected to occur in affected waterbodies and watercourses, is provided in Appendix 6-Q – Section 2.1 (Conceptual Offsetting Plan) of the Water Licence Amendment application.

Fish passability and the implications due to water withdrawals were assessed using the Habitat Evaluation Procedure (HEP) to assess habitat losses and gains. Life-history functions considered included migration, spawning, nursery, foraging, and overwintering, with particular emphasis on migration, nursery, and overwintering stages that are most sensitive to changes in discharge, flow depth, wetted width, and duration of seasonal connectivity. The assessment considers species specific habitat uses across life stages to determine net impact. Implications of water withdrawals were evaluated on a waterbody specific basis using fish community surveys, habitat characterization, bathymetric and substrate data, and updated water-balance and hydraulic modelling. Appendix B of the Conceptual Offsetting Plan (Table B.1 and B.2) shows habitat suitability by affected species, and justification.

Survey data and analysis to determine the net loss of wetted usable habitat for life-cycles stages and habitat use for fish species in Doris Lake, Windy Lake, Patch Lake, and Doris Creek are summarized in Appendix 6Q – Section 2.1 (Conceptual Offsetting Plan) of the Water Licence Amendment application. These include fish community surveys documenting species presence and distribution, aquatic habitat characterization (littoral and channel morphology, substrate, and cover), and bathymetric surveys defining lake depth, wetted area, and potential overwintering habitat. Baseline surveys of wetted width, depth, habitat units, and known or potential passage barriers in streams were used to support life-stage-specific habitat evaluations.

Impacts associated with the Operational Update are anticipated to be limited to watercourses. Table 3.2 of the Conceptual Offsetting Plan provides a summary of predicted lost or altered fish habitat resulting from water withdrawal and use associated with the Operational Update.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-23**
Re:	**Fish and Fish Habitat (Offset)**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Provide offsetting measures for the 8 watercourses that are impacted due to operational updates.

If not offsetting, provide explanation and related implications for not providing offsetting fish habitats for the 8 watercourses

Provide explanation and rationales for changes in the current offsetting plans in relation to no habitat gains/offsets for the 8 watercourses that are impacted from previously submitted offsetting plan (ERM 2018).

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Appendix 6-Q (Conceptual Offsetting Plan) of the Water Licence Amendment application includes offsetting for the eight impacted watercourses (the same watercourses discussed through the 2017 FEIS and the current water licence), shown in the summary of habitat accounting in Table 3.8 of Appendix 6-Q.

The primary offset is habitat improvement to benefit fish and fish habitat (remediation of a barrier to fish passage, connector channel modifications, and habitat creation) in the Iqaluktuuttiaq East Outflow System, described in section 3.4 of the Conceptual Offsetting Plan.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-24**
Re:	**Fish and Fish Habitat (Offset)**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Provide offsetting measures for Lake Trout and Slimy Sculpin.

Provide scientific rationales for omitting offsetting plans for Lake Trout and Slimy Sculpin.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
In accordance with the DFO policy for applying measures to offset harmful impacts to fish and fish habitat, the Conceptual Offsetting Plan (Appendix 6-Q of the Water Licence Amendment application) is designed to produce a net gain in fish habitat across multiple species.

To assess the potential loss of fish habitat associated with the Operational Update relative to the planned gains of fish habitat created from the proposed offsetting measure, an assessment of equivalency is used to allow the current and post development fish productivity to be quantified. As a surrogate for fish productivity, a habitat units (HU) equivalency approach is employed. The approach uses a habitat evaluation procedure (HEP) to incorporate the habitat quality and quantity of pre- and post-development conditions such that the net change in productive fish capacity can be considered. The balance of habitat losses versus gains is considered together to provide for an overall assessment of change in fish productivity associated with the proposed undertaking.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-25**
Re:	**Fish and Fish Habitat (Aquatic Invasive species, Marine)**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Provide an AIS monitoring program that addresses how operational updates may influence marine habitats and evaluates any associated implications for fish and fish habitat in the freshwater environment.

Provide scientific rationales for omitting AIS monitoring and related impacts to freshwater environment

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
In the marine environment, Agnico Eagle contracts Transport Canada certified shipping companies that are using standard and acceptable practices common for all vessels in the Canadian Arctic, complying with the requirements and shipping regulations related to the concerns DFO has expressed, including Project Certificate Terms and Conditions, the Shipping Act, and the Ballast Water Regulations. The shipping companies (Woodward Group and Companies – Coastal Shipping Ltd., Groupe Desgagnés Inc., and Nunavut/Nunavik Eastern Arctic Shipping Inc. [NEAS]) servicing the Hope Bay Mine have confirmed that both monitoring and mitigation measures for aquatic invasive species is currently being done. Ballast water treatment is conducted by all contracted vessels, with procedures and systems complying with the D2 requirements indicated under the International Maritime Organization's Ballast Water Management Convention.

Agnico Eagle follows best management practices for the prevention of aquatic invasive species in the freshwater environment. All machinery undertaking in-water work is maintained in a clean condition and free of fluid leaks, invasive species, and noxious weeds. The Wildlife Mitigation and Monitoring Plan also states that all vehicles and mobile equipment are inspected for cleanliness prior to arrival at Hope Bay and inspected again prior to use at site.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-26**
Re:	**Groundwater Inflow Uncertainty from Limited Under Ice Lake Level Monitoring in 2024**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
To make up for this lost data, consideration could be given to the development of proxy or reconstructed hydrographs using snowpack, meteorological, and/or inflow/outflow relationship data. This assessment could help bound uncertainty in lake-level behavior to support future modelling work.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle monitors under-ice lake elevations on an annual basis, allowing for an understanding of general lake-level fluctuations throughout mine development. Data were not collected in 2024 due to hazardous field conditions at the time of data collection.

Agnico Eagle is still monitoring the under-ice lake elevations as reported in the 2025 Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan. Additionally, the hydraulic gradients between surface water bodies and mine workings are not only monitored through lake level elevations but also through groundwater inflow measurements to the mine.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-27**
Re:	**TIA Water Balance Calibration and Hydrologic Uncertainty**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Provide model calibration outputs for the site water and load balance model and include these in future site water and load balance model update reports.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Model calibration outputs are included in Appendix D of Appendix 4-F, showing monitoring data in comparison to model outputs. Calibration period performance is provided for all parameters where monitoring data is available.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-28**
Re:	**Erosion and Sediment Control Effectiveness (2024)**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Providing a sediment control performance summary documenting inspections, erosion events, BMP deficiencies, and corrective actions, as required.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle thanks the KitIA for this comment. Summary of construction and maintenance activities will be provided through the Annual Reports and are not part of the Operational Update Water Licence Amendment.

Control measures outlined in the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan will continue to be applied to prevent solids entrainment into receiving waters. Additionally, 60-day Design Reports submitted to the NWB to meet Water Licence requirements detail the standard practices implemented by site teams throughout construction. Likewise, 90-day Construction Summary Reports document the sediment and erosion control measures that were applied.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-29**
Re:	**Under-ice withdrawal compliance and lake storage effects**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Winter withdrawals can depress lake stage, delaying hydraulic connection to outflows and shortening the open-water window. Maintain ≤10% under-ice constraint. Evaluate the feasibility of a seasonally modulated schedule (reduced/paused late-winter to early-freshet) to protect June flows.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle has considered losses related to delays in the spring open water season in applicable streams, which may have implications for the timing of fish movement. Losses associated with delays in the open-water season are included in the habitat accounting in Appendix 6-Q (Conceptual Offsetting Plan) of the Water Licence Amendment application.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-30**
Re:	**Handling of discrete high-inflow features (i.e., exploration holes/structures)**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Prepare an adaptive response plan for discrete high-inflow features (i.e., exploration holes/structures) and maintain rapid grouting/isolation capability on site.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The Groundwater Management Plan includes the adaptive management plan for high-inflow features.

Pre-grouting drillholes and grouting during mining is the main method for mitigating the risk of encountering and managing high groundwater inflows. Modifications to the mine design or the schedule can also be made when it is suspected that existing grouting capabilities won't allow for proper control of suspected water inflows. If deemed necessary, the appropriate strategy may be to isolate a specific high risk inflow area. Additional details can be found in the Groundwater Management Plan (Appendix 6-E of the submission).

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-31**
Re:	**Mine Water Monitoring Frequency and Adequacy During Variable Flow Conditions**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

While not a critical item to complete at this time, differentiating these sources is important for predicting treatment demand, routing decisions, and segregation performance within SP1, SP2, and the TIA. Linking inflow chemistry trends to hydrogeologic source zones, seasonal variability, and mine development progression and the integration of major ion chemistry, chloride mass loading, and temporal concentration trends with inflow volumes would improve understanding of source contributions and support predictive inflow modelling.

Providing a synthesis of mine inflow chemistry that differentiates saline versus non-saline source contributions, supported by major ion ratios, chloride loading trends, and temporal variability analysis, would strengthen hydrogeologic interpretation. Linking these findings to routing and treatment strategies would further demonstrate alignment between geochemical characterization and operational management.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle appreciates KitIA's recommendation. Clarification regarding source terms from the underground workings may be provided via Annual Report.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-32**
Re:	**Hydrologic Connectivity and Runoff Routing Modifications Resulting from 2024 Construction**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Provide updated grading and drainage maps/drawings that incorporate all 2024 disturbance areas. Comparison of pre- and post-2024 hydrologic connectivity could be beneficial to identify changes in contributing areas, flow paths, and diversion effectiveness. Confirm that existing non-contact water diversion structures remain adequate or identification of required enhancements. Update AEMP monitoring requirements as needed.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle has provided a description of the watershed areas in Section 2.4 of Appendix B of Appendix 4-F. While there is additional infrastructure within the approved area planned under this operational update, as indicated by the water balance, existing water management infrastructure will remain adequate. Updates to monitoring stations are not expected but any updates will be reflected in the draft Water Licence Amendment (see response to ECCC-IR-12).

Interested Party:	KitIA	Rec No.:	KitIA-IR-33
Re:	Mean annual discharge in FEIS and the updated assessment for Doris, Patch and Windy Lakes		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Rationale for these differences should be provided. Arguments should also be provided to support or refute the conclusion that the current assessment is correct and that these data should be used in the final calculations of impact. Also, the discrepancy should be addressed.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The differences between the FEIS and the updated assessment are primarily due to the availability of a longer and more complete monitoring record and improved model calibration. The FEIS water balance model was calibrated to monthly average flows using data collected up to 2015 (12 years at Doris Lake and 5 years at Windy and Patch lakes). The updated assessment incorporates data collected up to 2023 (15 years at Doris Lake, 10 years at Windy Lake, and 9 years at Patch Lake) and is calibrated to mean daily flows. Improved site access following mine construction, better prediction of freshet timing, and installation of a year-round monitoring station at Doris Lake in 2017 resulted in more complete coverage of the open water season and freshet.

As a result, the updated assessment provides more refined estimates of baseline and Project-related flows and is appropriate for use in the calculations of effects to streamflow and habitat; flow predictions from the FEIS were conservative, and have been refined with additional data. Mean annual discharge estimates are higher than those reported in the FEIS (approximately 27%, 68%, and 122% higher at Doris, Patch, and Windy lakes, respectively), reflecting improved data coverage rather than a change in hydrologic conditions. Despite these higher baseline flows, the relative change from baseline to "With Project" conditions remains similar between assessments. This reflects recognition that more water moves through the system than previously understood and confirms that Project effects remain limited. Ongoing flow monitoring will continue to support and refine these conclusions.

A description of the water balance methodology used in the hydrology analysis is available in Section 2.1.1 of Appendix 4-C (Analysis of Increased Water Withdrawals at Hope Bay) of the Water Licence Amendment application.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-34**
Re:	**Edits identified in Document Control Table**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please review the report to be certain that the Document Control Table refers to the correct page and edit in the document.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle acknowledges this editorial error. Updates to the document control table can be made with the next update to the Interim Closure and Reclamation Plan.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-35**
Re:	**Missing item from legend**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please add the solid line to the legend or hatch the line to designate it as a Watershed boundary.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle thanks KitIA for their comment. The map will be updated with the next review of the Plan to clarify the pink hatched and solid pink lines in the legend.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-36**
Re:	**Water management and conveyance infrastructure**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Please incorporate a discussion of the sizing of water management and water conveyance infrastructure relative to the updated water balance into the water and load balance model update appendix or other document where Agnico Eagle suggests it may be better situated. If that exercise has been completed but not included in the Operational Update, please do so to provide the NIRB and reviewers additional confidence in infrastructure sizing.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

The updated water balance in the water and load balance model report predicts maximum pumping rates required to manage various infrastructure. This information is summarized in Table 5-2 of Appendix B in Appendix 4-F. Note that these flowrates include inflow design flood (IDF) and are not specifically tied to the climate series (SSP2-4.5) used in the water balance. The design-basis pumping capacities were selected so that each pond can be drawn down from its maximum storage volume to empty within 48 hours, with an IDF defined as the 100-year, 24-hour rainfall event combined with an average 30-day freshet snowmelt. Some of the infrastructure in Table 5-2 already exists on site, while others have yet to be designed and constructed. Results from the water balance will inform the sizing of these components. Volumes of all water management components modelled in the water and load balance are provided in the table below.

Pond/Sump	Main Contributing Catchment Types	Maximum Volume (m^3)
Doris Sediment Control Pond	Infrastructure Pad, Overburden	1,800
Doris Contact Water Pond	Waste Rock, Ore	1,500
Pad U Contact Water Pond	Waste Rock	8,600
Madrid North Sump 1	Waste Rock	20,500
Madrid North Sump 1B	Waste Rock	5,200
Madrid North Sump 1C	Waste Rock	2,500
Madrid North Sump 2	Infrastructure Pad	12,200
Madrid North Ore Sump 3	Ore	3,800
Madrid North Overburden Stockpile Sump 4	Overburden	16,200
Madrid North Sump 5	Infrastructure Pad	37,200
Naartok Pit Sump	Infrastructure Pad, Pitwall, Saline	38,900
Quarry D Contact Water Pond 3	Various	87,900
Patch 7 Infrastructure Pad Sump 6	Infrastructure Pad	13,500
Patch 7 Contact Water Pond 4	Waste Rock, Ore	63,100
Madrid South Contact Water Pond 1	Waste Rock, Ore	5,400
Madrid South Contact Water Pond 2	Infrastructure Pad	2,300
Quarry 3 Saline Pond 1	Saline	82,400
Quarry D Saline Pond 2	Saline	233,700

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-37**
Re:	**Climate Change impacts to Tailings Storage Approach**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Please provide a discussion supported by appropriate evidence (at Agnico Eagle's discretion) to clarify the potential risks climate change may incur to the long-term chemical stability of the TIA which will contain tailings that are not expected to be water capped (i.e., dry stacked tailings) and associated post closure discharges which will not be subject to treatment.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle will continue to evaluate closure options for the TIA to ensure long term chemical stability. Agnico Eagle does not currently have additional commentary on the matter, however Agnico Eagle does appreciate the climate trends, particularly those that predict warmer temperatures, in assessing its options for the closure of the TIA. Agnico Eagle will address further as mining advances and in future updates to the ICRP or the FCRP.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-38**
Re:	**Conservative Geochemical Source Terms**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please clarify how conservative geochemical source terms were incorporated into the Water and Load Balance Model and include graphical / numerical outputs to support a comparison between base case and conservative case model scenarios.

Accompany this clarification with an assessment of whether the current suite of contaminants of potential concern should be updated, and whether the proposed treatment approaches for both saline and fresh contact water streams remain appropriate to meet MDMER EQC in discharges to Robert's Bay.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Please refer to KitIA-IR-27 for calibration of the water and load balance model (WLB). The source terms incorporated into the WLB are appropriately applied to assess contaminant transport for both saline and contact water streams because it has monitoring data to calibrate against. These calibrations show great agreeability between monitoring data and modeled results, with some conservatism incorporated to ensure the model is not under-predicting values.

Predicted concentrations provided in Section 5.3 of Appendix 4-F are considered within the realm of treatability for typical coagulant/flocculant treatment systems for TSS and metals, and biological treatment systems for nitrogen species. This information is being used to assess treatment plant sizes which also include an additional degree of conservatism via safety factors and process redundancy.

Agnico Eagle will comply with all aspects of the MDMER.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-39**
Re:	**Pumping Rates**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Please clarify what evidence Agnico Eagle is relying upon to determine that the SRK 2024 pumping rates are sufficient to maintain dry sumps and ponds up to and including the inflow design flood over the life of the project, and present that evidence.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Specifications for water management infrastructure are provided via engineering technical reports, assessed during a 60-day notice application for construction. As part of this application, Agnico Eagle assessed the water balance resiliency by applying the SSP2-4.5 climate scenario, and there were no incidents of overtopping or overflowing any water management infrastructure. Please refer to KitIA-IR-36 for more information on water management sizing.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-40**
Re:	**TIA Parameter Concentrations Across Tailings Deposition Approaches**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please provide rationale for the three observed patterns in parameter concentrations within the TIA across the deposition of conventional, thickened and dry stacked tailings.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Please find a discussion of each concern summarized below:

- **Fl, Cl, Cd (anions) in TIA**: These parameters generally originate from groundwater and are initially predicted to be elevated in the TIA because of the presence of the Saline Water Storage pond (SWS) within the TIA. This pond has been used to store groundwater inflow to the Doris Mine prior to discharge to Roberts Bay and is planned to be replaced by Saline Pond 1. Once replaced by Saline Pond 1, the TDS and certain anions will begin to be diluted as the TIA water returns to a new steady state, with typical concentrations expected in mill effluent and contact water.
- **Cyanide & various metals in the TIA**: Saline water stream is characterized by low metals concentrations, but elevated ammonia and TDS. However, mill effluent carries a different chemical signature composed of high metals, low TDS, and slightly lower ammonia. Therefore, as saline water stored in the SWS is replaced with contact water and mill effluent, metals concentrations are expected to rise along with cyanide species. Finally, as deposition continues in the TIA, the reclaim pond size will also decrease. Passive decay of cyanide and its species are modelled based on pond surface area, so as this decreases, the passive decay rate also decreases, leading to higher concentrations.
- **Ammonia, nitrate, nitrite and sulphate in the TIA**: These concentrations initially decrease due to the depletion of the SWS, and the segregation of saline and contact water. They are then predicted to increase due to the reduction in size of the reclaim pond from tailings deposition, as is the case for ammonia, due to a reduction in the passive decay rate. Concentrations for nitrate and nitrite are then directly affected as biproducts of the nitrification reaction of ammonia. As for sulphate, it is predicted to decrease with the depletion of the SWS and maintain an equilibrium once the TIA is managed with contact water and mill effluent.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-41**
Re:	**Whole Effluent Toxicity Testing**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Can Agnico Eagle provide rationale as to why segregated effluent streams has been maintained as the preferred approach in the amendment application? Can Agnico Eagle further clarify whether saline effluent discharged from the site will be subject to A. tonsa toxicity test requirements under the MDMER?

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Segregated effluent streams remain the preferred approach due to continued uncertainties with the A. *tonsa* acute toxicity test, particularly its inconsistent performance at salinities below 10 ppt. Maintaining separation between the TIA and underground (UG) effluent streams supports more reliable onsite water management: TIA water is expected to remain within the freshwater range (below 4.5 ppt) and can be assessed using freshwater acute lethality species that provide consistent and dependable results. Conversely, keeping UG water above 10 ppt and closer to marine salinity reduces the risk of *A. tonsa* toxicity test failures.

Agnico Eagle will comply with all aspects of the MDMER.

Interested Party:	**KitIA**	**Rec No.:**	**KitIA-IR-42**
Re:	**Treatment of Hydrocarbons by Water Treatment Plant**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
Please clarify whether the TIA water treatment plant is able to treat hydrocarbon contaminated waters and provide evidence to support the position. If not, please clarify how hydrocarbon contamination in the TIA will be managed to mitigate impacts to the receiving environment.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The TIA is not relied upon as the primary treatment system for hydrocarbon-contaminated waters. As described in the *Hydrocarbon Contaminated Material Management Plan,* hydrocarbon-contaminated water is managed and treated at the source, primarily within the landfarm facilities, using an oil separation treatment system prior to any discharge consideration.

Specifically:

- Water accumulating in a soil pond is pumped through an oil separation treatment system to remove hydrocarbons before being transferred to a snow pond.
- Water in a snow pond is sampled and, where hydrocarbon contamination is known or suspected, is treated using the oil separation system and re-circulated until analytical results confirm compliance with applicable discharge criteria.
- No water is discharged to the environment unless laboratory results demonstrate compliance with the effluent quality limits specified in the applicable Water Licence, including limits for total oil and grease, BTEX parameters, TSS, and pH.

If water cannot be treated to meet discharge criteria through the oil separation system, or if analytical results indicate that discharge is not appropriate, the Plan provides for transfer of the water to the TIA for management in accordance with the approved Water Licence conditions. This approach ensures that hydrocarbon-contaminated waters are not released into the receiving environment unless compliance is confirmed, and that alternative containment and disposal pathways are available where treatment objectives cannot be achieved by the landfarm facilities.

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Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-01**
Re:	**Quantity of Water Involved**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant amend and resubmit the Application Form to include:

IR-01a) A description of the quality of water source(s) and the available capacity(s).

IR-01b) The estimated quantity(s) of water to be used from each source in cubic meters per day.

IR-01c) The estimated quantities to be used for each purpose (camp, drilling, etc.).

IR-01d) A description of the method(s) of extraction.

IR-01e) An accurate estimation of quantity(s) of water returned to source(s) including proposed changes.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle does not believe the Application Form needs to be updated and resubmitted. Based on SIG, which is a Guideline document, Block 13 was filled in and fields were addressed.

Response to bullet 1a)

As per Block 13 of the Application Form, the quality of the water source and/or its available capacity does not change from the current Licence; therefore, additional information is not required.

Response to bullet 1b)

Estimated quantity of water per source were provided; however, in cubic metres "per year" not "per day". This was done based on Conditions within the existing Water Licence.

It is important to note that per Part E, Item 1 of Water Licence, total Water Use is based on cubic metres per YEAR not per day. Agnico Eagle is not limited to its Water Use per day, but is obligated to respect the total Water Use per year

Response to bullet 1c)

The requested totals per lake were provided in Table 3.3-1 of the Main Application Document. The table below provides a general breakdown by use type. This information can be provided in the Water Management Plan. Agnico Eagle will respect the total volume requested from each Lake.

	Doris Lake	Patch Lake	Windy Lake	Proximal Sources	Total
Total Volume Requested for Water Licence Amendment (m^3/year)	2,637,125	59,860	159,870	60,000	2,916,855
Potable	90,000				
Process Plant	2,200,000				
Dust Suppression	25,000				
Other Industrial Uses	115,713				
Subtotal	*2,430,713*				
Contingency	20%				
TOTAL	**2,916,855**				

Response to bullet 1d)

As per Block 13 of the Application Form, for existing water intakes, the extraction methods do not change from the current Licence; therefore, additional information is not required.

For future intakes, similar extraction methods would be used. Design of new water intake infrastructure is currently underway. Agnico Eagle will submit a 60-day notice to the NWB (Part D, Item 1 of the Water Licence) and a Request for Review to DFO, where applicable, for all water taking infrastructure designs.

Response to bullet 1e)

An estimation of water quantity is provided in section 5.2 of Appendix 4-F. Tables 5-2 and 5-3 represent water quality and not quantity. Water quantity is instead summarized in Table 5-1. These are consistent with the general total daily discharges cited by CIRNAC.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-02**
Re:	**Detailed Site Maps**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

IR-02a) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a map at a 1:50,000 scale based on the National Topographic Series indicating the location of the undertaking, watercourses and the location of waste deposits.

IR-02b) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a map or image (or a series of maps or images) that show and label all of the components listed in section 4.1a through 4.1y of the SIG. CIRNAC recommends that the map(s) be created at a scale such that the distance between objects can be determined, and that any temporary or proposed components are differentiated from permanent existing components.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Response to bullet 2a)

Agnico Eagle notes the Operational Update does not change location of the scope. The Operational Update is within the same Project Development Area, which includes watersheds and watercourses (refer to response to KitIA-IR-03).

Response to bullet 2b)

The SIG notes (*emphasis added*) "…to provide maps and/or aerial photos of all project infrastructure for the Local Project Area (LPA) and/or the Regional Project Area (RPA) *where applicable*". Agnico Eagle feels appropriate maps were included; however, overall site layouts are provided through Annual Reports which clearly depict new infrastructure built annually and existing infrastructure. The as-constructed drawings (as provided in the 2025 NWB Annual Report) are provided in Attachment A of this response package.

With respect to new water or waste infrastructure, design reports are submitted 60-days prior to construction (per Part D, Item 1 of the Water Licence). These reports will include the infrastructure location on-site. Once an infrastructure is constructed, the facility will be included in Annual Report As-built drawings.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-03**
Re:	**Items Listed as NA**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends updating and resubmitting the SIG to change all instances where the response has been listed as "NA" with the justification of "No change from current Licence", "Current practices will be applied" or "No change from current Annual Reporting". If the Applicant maintains that the requirement is not applicable, CIRNAC recommends providing justification of how it does not apply to the project. Otherwise, CIRNAC recommends providing the requested information to allow the application to proceed.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
As per the following excerpts of NWB Guidelines (Guide 4, Part 1, item 6):

> *The applicant should address the SIG to the best of their ability, recognizing that some of the information requested may not be relevant to the project under consideration. If specific information is requested by the SIG that does not relate to the project, the applicant is requested to indicate "N/A" (Not Applicable) in the concordance table and provide a justification.*

Agnico Eagle did provide our justification to the fields listed as "N/A" in Appendix 1-B of the Water Licence Application. Based on the Guidelines, Agnico Eagle has provided justification.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-04**
Re:	**Missing Documents**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends submitting all documents referenced in the SIG table that were not provided in the original application package.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The historical 2017 Madrid-Boston FEIS and associated Water Licence Amendment files are located on the NIRB and NWB registries. It should be noted that these historical baseline reports were reviewed and received conformity approval as part of the 2017 Madid-Boston FEIS submission, and then final approval under Project Certificate No. 009. These baseline reports remain unchanged.

The following 2017 Madrid-Boston FEIS documents were referenced in the SIG and are available on the NIRB registry:

- Volume 2, Section 3 – NIRB ID: 314922
- Volume 2, Section 4 – NIRB ID: 314921
- Volume 4, Section 7 – NIRB ID: 314902
- Volume 4, Section 8 – NIRB ID: 314901
- Volumes 4-6 – NIRB ID: 314723 to 314908
- Volume 5, Section 3 – NIRB ID: 314854
- Volume 5, Section 4 – NIRB ID: 314853
- Volume 5, Section 6 – NIRB ID: 314848
- Volume 6. Section 4 – NIRB ID: 314742

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-05**
Re:	**Design Assumptions and Limitations**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends the Applicant describe what assumptions and limitations, if any, were used to design Saline Water Pond 1, CWP 4, and Sump 6A.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Design reports were submitted for: Saline Pond 1 (SP1) (provided as Appendix 3-B), and Contact Water Pond 4 (CWP4) and Sump 6A (provided as Appendix 3-C). Any assumptions and limitations related to these ponds have been included in the design reports.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-06**
Re:	**Annual Reporting Template**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a template for future annual reports, including sections to address:

a. *Water related monitoring results*
b. *Comparison of water quality and quantity monitoring data with the water quality and quantity predictions presented in the application*
c. *A description of how conditions in the NIRB project certificate related to the NWB mandate have been implemented*
d. *Project changes under adaptive management*
e. *Any actions taken in response to direction provided by the Inspector*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

As per Part B, Item 2 of the Water Licence, Agnico Eagle files an Annual Report in accordance with Schedule B of the Licence.

Annual Reports submitted under the 2AM-DOH Licence have been meeting the Conditions of the Licence; therefore, as Agnico Eagle addressed in the SIG (Appendix 1-B of the Application), there is no change from the current Annual Report and will maintain the current reporting structure.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-07**
Re:	**Compliance Assessment**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a complete compliance assessment which accurately details the status of compliance for each condition of the existing water license, taking into consideration inspector dialogues and inspector directions, responses to inspector dialogues and inspector directions, spills that may have occurred, and any reporting requirements. CIRNAC recommends that this compliance assessment also include an overview of all inspections and spills, including location on a map, that have occurred since the last license amendment.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Compliance is an ongoing effort, including site inspections, and day-to-day management. Agnico Eagle has a tracking system for all compliance obligations. The contents are/will be rolled out to each team to ensure they are aware and actioning their obligations. Further, internal audits are part of our system and we do them; however, regular monitoring, sampling, site inspections, and regulatory inspections continue to occur and we respond to regulatory input when it is received.

Spill reporting is documented in detail in the NWB Annual Reports, and includes date of occurrence, date of notification to Inspector, details of event including follow-up activities, and the date the follow-up report was provided to the Inspector. All reportable spill reports contain GPS locations and site descriptions. At the request of the NWB in 2025, starting this year (2025 Annual Report), follow-up reports will be provided in Annual Reports. All spill event follow-up actions are closed or being actively tracked to closure.

Since the last amendment in 2018, site inspections with CIRNAC have completed every year except for 2020 and 2025. A summary of CIRNAC inspections, as reported in the NWB Annual Reports, is provided in Table CIRNAC-1.

Table CIRNAC-1: Summary of CIRNAC Inspections (2019 to 2025)

Date	Summary	Follow-up	Response
2019: Summary of Annual CIRNAC Inspection Activities (Hope Bay under ownership of TMAC)			
May 7-8	Inspection to verify compliance with the Type A water license, 2AM DOH1335. The inspection focus was on fuel storage, waste and water management, site infrastructure as well as drilling and mining activities. Inspection of Crown Lease 77A/3-1-2 was also conducted.	The inspector noted multiple snow piles within the Single Tank Farm at Roberts Bay. Inspector wants TMAC Resources to stop pushing snow into the berm at the Bulk Fuel Storage at the Single Tanks Farm	TMAC would like to clarify that snow is not pushed into any of the secondary containment berms on site. Snow within the secondary containment berms are routinely consolidated into piles to be removed from the secondary containment berms in order to maintain a 110% volumetric storage capacity of the fuel tank in the event of a tank failure.
Aug 13-15	Inspection to verify compliance with water licenses 2AM DOH1335, 2BB-BOS1727 and 2BE-HOP1222. The inspection focus was on fuel storage, waste and water management, site infrastructure as well as drilling and mining activities. Inspection of Crown Leases 77A/3-1-7 and 77A/3-3-2 were also conducted.	No follow up items identified.	
Nov 12-14	Inspection to verify compliance with water licenses 2AM DOH1335. The inspection focus was on fuel storage, waste and water management, site infrastructure as well as drilling and mining activities. Inspection of Crown Leases 77A/3-1-7 and 77A/3-3-2 were also conducted.	During the inspection of this facility the inspector noted silt screen was still on this berm. The Inspector requested this material be removed from the Marine outfall berm to prevent the material from freezing to the surface of the berm. No further concerns were identified during the inspection.	TMAC removed the silt fence from the berm immediately.
2020: Summary of Annual CIRNAC Inspection Activities (Hope Bay under ownership of TMAC)			
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, regulatory inspections were limited at Hope Bay due to travel restrictions within Nunavut. Inspections were not conducted by CIRNAC, NIRB or KIA in 2020. A virtual site tour was completed as requested by NIRB, with a series of site photos provided to NIRB by TMAC staff.			
2021: Summary of Annual CIRNAC Inspection Activities			
Sept 27	Inspection to verify compliance with water licenses 2AM DOH1335, 2BB-BOS1727 and 2BE-HOP1222. The inspection focus was on fuel storage, waste and water management, site infrastructure as well as drilling and mining activities. Inspection of Crown Leases 77A/3-1-7 and 77A/3-3-2 were also conducted.	No follow up items identified.	
2022: Summary of Annual CIRNAC Inspection Activities			
Jun 20	Inspection to verify compliance with water licenses 2AM DOH1335, 2BB-BOS1727 and 2BE-HOP1222. The inspection focus was on fuel storage, waste and water management, site infrastructure as well as drilling and mining activities. Inspection of Crown Leases 77A/3-1-7 and 77A/3-3-2 were also conducted.	A few concerns regarding hazardous material storage and updates to the hazardous waste management plan, an un-reported spill, contamination of fill material used for construction, flow meters and erosion control measures. A follow-up inspection was planned for the fall	Follow-up items have been addressed and a response to the inspector was provided.

Date	Summary	Follow-up	Response
Nov 16	Inspection to verify compliance with water licenses 2AM DOH1335, 2BB-BOS1727 and 2BE-HOP1222. The inspection focus was on fuel storage, waste and water management, site infrastructure as well as drilling and mining activities. Inspection of Crown Leases 77A/3-1-7 and 77A/3-3-2 were also conducted.	During a follow-up inspection, a few additional concerns regarding hazardous material storage were noted. Flow meter and erosion control measures were corrected.	Follow-up items have either been addressed and a response to the inspector was provided
2023: Summary of Annual CIRNAC Inspection Activities			
Feb 28	Inspection to verify compliance with water licenses 2AM-DOH1335, 2BB-BOS1727, and 2BE-HOP2232. The inspection focus was on fuel storage, waste and water management, site infrastructure as well as drilling and mining activities. Inspection of Crown Leases 77A/3-1-7 and 77A/3-3-2 were also conducted.	There were some concerns regarding hazardous waste storage and management. CIRNAC noted some spillage of drilling slurry, and improper storage of hazardous waste containers.	Follow-up items have been addressed and a response to the inspector was provided.
2024: Summary of Annual CIRNAC Inspection Activities			
Apr 10[a]	Inspection to verify compliance with Water Licence 2AM-DOH1335. The focus of the inspection was on fuel and chemical storage.	There were some concerns regarding hazardous waste storage and management. CIRNAC noted improper storage of Jet A and Jet B as well as hazardous waste containers.	Follow-up items have been addressed and a response to the inspector was provided.
2025: Summary of Annual CIRNAC Inspection Activities			
Despite best efforts of organizing a visit, a regulatory inspection by CIRNAC was not completed in 2025			

a) Expired Jet A has been backhauled since the 2024 Inspection

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-08**
Re:	**Drainage Pathways**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

IR-08a) CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide an outline of the drainage basin and drainage patterns within the RPA.

IR-08b) CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide an outline of the drainage basin and drainage patterns within the LPA, including the existing and proposed water management infrastructure.

IR-08c) CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide a detailed depiction of the drainage patterns within the solid waste disposal area(s).

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Figures 1.2-1 to 1.2-4 referenced under Section 4-1c of the SIG highlights the areas of infrastructure for the Water Licence Amendment. In addition, the local and regional project areas for the Operational Update are the same areas as those from the 2017 FEIS and the current water licence. The reader is referred to drawings from the FEIS that show local and regional watershed boundaries.

Response to bullet 8a)

Regional watersheds are available in Volume 5, Section 1 of the Madrid-Boston 2017 FEIS (Fig 1.2-2; NIRB ID: 314856).

Response to bullet 8b)

Local watersheds are available in Volume 5, Section 1 of the Madrid-Boston 2017 FEIS (Fig 1.2-2; NIRB ID: 314856). Drainage patterns in the LPA are available in Figure 3.1 of Appendix 6-Q of the Water Licence Amendment application.

Response to bullet 8c)

Figure 3-1 of Appendix 4-F provides drainage patterns associated with the mine infrastructure, including solid waste disposal areas.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-09**
Re:	**Geology and Minerology**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

IR-09a) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant verify whether Arsenopyrite present at the Doris deposit, and if so, provide the percentage.

IR-09b) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant update Table 1.1 of the Quarry Management Plan to indicate which test methods were performed for each quarry.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Response to bullet 9a)

Presence and quantities of arsenopyrite at the Doris deposit are mentioned in the report of the geochemical characterization of the Doris deposit referenced in the Waste Rock, Ore and Mine Backfill Management Plan submitted with the 2017 FEIS.

Arsenopyrite was present in 17 samples from the Doris deposit. The percent arsenopyrite varied from 0.00026 AS%eq. to 0.019 AS%eq. Results from the 2015 SRK report are shown below:

Appendix B3 - SRK Humidity Cell Test MLA Dataset

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Kinetic Test ID	Sample ID	Albite	Albite/Andesine	Amphibole	Andesine	Anhydrite	Anhydrite/Gypsum	Ankerite	Apatite	Arsenopyrite		Barite	Biotite
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	As % eq.	%	%
HC-36	08TDD631-SRK-WR-435	2.9	--	0.27	bd	bd	bd	12	0.52	bd	0.019	bd	bd
HC-42	208828	7.5	--	1	bd	bd	bd	5	0.16	bd	0.00037	<0.001	0.11
HC-43	208885	5.6	--	0.38	bd	bd	bd	17	0.38	bd	0.0045	<0.001	0.26
HC-44	208888	7.2	--	0.9	bd	bd	bd	14	0.14	bd	0.0027	bd	0.067
HC-45	202734	3.3	--	0.2	bd	<0.001	bd	21	0.62	bd	0.011	<0.001	<0.001
HC-46	202736	17	--	1.2	bd	bd	bd	14	0.17	bd	0.0017	bd	0.013
HC-47	202713	27	--	13	bd	bd	bd	0.48	0.051	bd	0.0003	bd	0.032
HC-48	202708	29	--	29	bd	bd	bd	1.4	0.025	bd	0.00074	bd	0.3
HC-49	178784	7.4	--	0.74	bd	bd	bd	22	0.19	bd	0.00048	bd	<0.001
HC-50	178823	4.9	--	0.17	bd	bd	bd	28	0.34	bd	0.014	bd	<0.01
HC-51	178814	0.61	--	0.15	bd	bd	bd	37	0.14	bd	0.01	bd	<0.01
HC-52	178769	0.027	--	<0.01	bd	<0.001	bd	5.4	0.017	bd	0.0091	bd	<0.01
HC-53	178719	0.015	--	<0.01	bd	bd	bd	0.65	<0.01	bd	0.00057	<0.001	<0.01
HC-54	178726	0.075	--	<0.001	bd	bd	bd	4.1	<0.001	bd	0.0017	bd	<0.001
HC-65	HB-214522	--	12	51	--	bd	bd	bd	0.1	bd	0.00026	bd	3.4
HC-6 / Barrel W5	08-DOR-WR-05	--	--	3.1	--	bd	bd	14	0.17	bd	0.0007	bd	0.026
HC-7 / Barrel W1	08-DOR-WR-02	--	--	bd	--	bd	bd	19	0.26	bd	0.00037	bd	0.031

'bd' indicates below detection
'--' indicates not reported

Reference: *SRK 2015. Kinetic Testing of Waste Rock and Ore from the Doris Deposits, Hope Bay. Report prepared for Hope Bay Mining Ltd. by SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc., June 2015.*

Response to bullet 9b)

A summary of geochemistry testing was provided in Section 4.1 of the Main Application Document; this section also referenced updated reports which were appended and reports from the 2017 FEIS.

Quarry testing methods are summarized in Section 3.1.3 of the Quarry Management Plan. The actual testing for each quarry depends on the sulphur content of the sample; when quarry activities occur in a year, the results are included in the annual report.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-10**
Re:	**Mill Plant Operations**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
IR-10a) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant indicate the intended production rate of the mill

IR-10b) CIRNAC recommends specifying which reagents are being added at each step of the mill flow sheet.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Response to bullet 10a)
Production rates are summarized in Section 4.2 of Appendix B of Appendix 4-F. As described in the application, the maximum milling rate is assumed to be 8,000 dry tonnes per day.

Response to bullet 10b)
Reagents to be used in the mill are those typically used in carbon-in-leach and flotation processes, including cyanide, lime, surfactant and polymer. The process plant design is being finalized, so details are not yet available, however reagent usage rates based on metallurgical testing and past operational data have been applied to the water quality model. The most significant reagent is cyanide, which is a source of total cyanide, thiocyanate, cyanate, ammonia, nitrate and nitrite predicted in the model (N species reactions).

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-11**
Re:	**Camp and Mine Site Population Projections**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant estimate the camp and mine site population projections for all phases of the project and provide these estimates based on the proposed construction schedule from opening through construction and finally into commercial production.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

The maximum occupancy is 1050 people and will vary between Construction and Operations. During the Construction phase it is estimated for approximately 800 people; while during Operations phase up to 1050.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-12**
Re:	**Predicted Climate Trends**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a description of the predicted future climate trends at the project site. CIRNAC recommends that all projections include worst-case scenario projections using the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's Shared Socioeconomic Pathway – Representative Concentration Pathway 5-8.5.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle considers climate change in all modelling activities. As it pertains to this application, Agnico Eagle determined that SSP2-4.5 climate scenario was the most appropriate given the timeline of the modelling (2030's to 2040's). In general, IPCC's SSP models are relatively similar in this century up until the 2070's when they begin to diverge. A sensitivity analysis of flowrates was completed to directly compare SSP2-4.5 to SSP5-8.5, and this analysis concluded that process water discharge increased by 2.9% and saline discharge increased by 0.02%. From a water quality standpoint, concentrations varied by – 3.9% to 4.9%. Therefore, the lack of difference between models indicated that modelling under SSP5-8.5 is not necessary. Such modelling would be examined for long-term assessments such as closure and post-closure modelling, but not in the context of this application.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-13**
Re:	**Information on Affected Water Courses**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant indicate the slope of the banks and the meander pattern for the water courses affected by this application.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle recognizes that the document section referenced in Section 5-9 and 5-10 of the SIG is incorrect. The SIG should have referenced Volume 5, Appendices 6C and 6D.

Detailed fish habitat assessments of watercourses including stream morphology, bank stability, and figures of meander patterns are available in the 2017 Madrid-Boston FEIS Appendices V5-6C (NIRB Ref No.314786) and V5-6D (NIRB Ref No.314785).

The Hope Bay Operational Update will not affect the Aimaokatalok watershed, as the Boston area is not included in the scope of the current Water Licence Amendment application.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-14**
Re:	**Watercourse Flow Rates**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide the mean annual flood, maximum summer flood and mean summer flood in cubic metres per second for Doris Lake outflow, Patch Lake outflow, and Windy Lake outflow.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle thanks CIRNAC for the recommendation and will address this IR through the technical phase of the Water Licence Amendment application.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-15**
Re:	**Source Water Quality**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a description of the quality of the water from each of Windy Lake, Patch Lake, and Doris Lake for each season (summer, fall winter, spring).

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle acknowledges the SIG incorrectly referenced the wrong document. Water quality samples have been collected from lakes within the local study area and regional study area dating back to 1992. Volume 5, Section 4.2 of the 2017 Madrid-Boston FEIS provides historical details of water quality from various lakes (NIRB ID: 314853), and provides information on seasonality and sampling results.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-16**
Re:	**Water Intake Pump**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
IR-16a) A description of the operating capacity of the pump(s) used.

IR-16b) The distance between the pump(s) and the ordinary high water mark of the watercourse.

IR-16c) A description of the condition of any existing water intake facilities, and a rating of the facility as satisfactory or unsatisfactory with an explanation of the rating.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Response to bullet 16a)
A description of freshwater usage is provided in Section 5.3.1 of Appendix B of Appendix 4-F. Also see response to CIRNAC-IR-01.

Response to bullet 16b)
Please note that there are no requirements for minimum distance between a pump and the ordinary high-water mark.

Response to bullet 16c)
Existing water intake facilities are located in Doris and Windy lakes.

The existing Doris Lake Freshwater Pumping Station is rated satisfactory for current use, but unsatisfactory for long-term operations. While the facility is currently operational, it does not provide sufficient capacity or redundancy to reliably meet design flow requirements under all anticipated operating conditions. To ensure a robust and reliable freshwater supply consistent with future operational needs, a new freshwater pumping station is planned to replace the existing facility. Replacement date is to be confirmed.

The existing Windy Lake South Freshwater Pumping Station is located a significant distance south of the Potable Treatment Plant (PTP). The facility is equipped with a suction line and redundancy. The current station fills tanker trucks that transport fresh water to the PTP, where it is subsequently treated to produce potable water. The pumping system relies on diesel-powered pumps.

The existing Windy Lake facility is rated satisfactory for current use, but unsatisfactory for long-term operations due to dependence on truck hauling and the requirement for diesel pump use. For this reason an update to the intake will be completed.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-17**
Re:	**Water Management Plan**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide an updated water management plan that demonstrates consistency between the text and its flow diagram. CIRNAC recommends using the same names for facilities between the text and the flow diagram to ensure comparability.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle appreciates the comment from CIRNAC and assumes an update to management plans will be required following completion of the Water Licence Amendment to ensure all technical comments are captured appropriately. For this application (Operational Update, and plans to restart operations) refer to the Water and Load Balance Model (Appendix 4-F) and the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan (Appendix 6-P).

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-18**
Re:	**Ice Road Construction**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant clarify whether or not they intend to build ice roads as a part of this project. If so, CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant indicate the quantities of water required for ice road construction and provide a description of the methods of ice road construction, monitoring and safety.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Ice roads are not considered as part of this Amendment. However, Agnico Eagle is authorized under Part E, Item 1 to draw water for winter ice road construction. Details would be communicated to NWB should this be required.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-19**
Re:	**Water Storage Facilities**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide the following information for all water reservoirs that are part of the project:
IR-19a) The water storage volume in cubic metres.

IR-19b) An indication of whether reservoirs are lined, the type of liner and when it was or will be installed.

IR-19c) An indication of whether existing storage reservoirs are in a natural channel. If applicable, provide plan and profile drawings of the reservoir including the size of the drainage basin upstream of the reservoir, topographical plan showing the drainage area boundary, number of hectares flooded, surface area of the reservoir at full capacity, storage capacity, and details of shoreline protection.

IR-19d) A plan showing representative cross sections of the reservoir.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
It is assumed the reviewer is looking for information on the water ponds or sumps.

Response to bullet 19a)
See response to KitIA-IR-36 for a table of ponds and the maximum storage volumes.

Response to bullet 19b)
Contact Water Ponds are generally unlined ponds and utilize the permafrost and naturally low permeability of the foundation materials to contain contact water within the pond footprint. Contact Water Ponds intended for storage of saline water, and those located in areas where low-permeability materials are absent, will be designed with High Density Polyethylene HDPE geomembrane liner and a non-woven geotextile where applicable to provide protection from crushed rock. All materials used for earthworks are free from acid generation/metal leaching potential.

Response to bullet 19c and 19d)
This is a Water Licence Amendment application intended to describe the changes to infrastructure. This application is not a renewal of previously approved and constructed infrastructure. Drawings for SP1 and CPW4 were provided with the Application (Appendix 3-B and 3-C, respectively). Any future planned constructions for ponds will be provided as part of the 60-day notice of construction. Otherwise, all existing infrastructure have been assessed and approved.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-20**
Re:	**Water Distribution**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide a description of the general condition of all existing distribution systems and provide an explanation if it is unsatisfactory.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
As per the SIG (Appendix 1-B of Application), the request is for existing distribution systems. As outlined in the SIG, details are provided through the Annual Report. The existing distribution systems do not change as part of the Application.

In addition, systems are inspected, repaired if necessary, and replaced if unsatisfactory.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-21**
Re:	**Watercourse Crossings**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a description of all watercourse crossings including pipelines, bridges, culverts or roads. CIRNAC recommends that the description include the water crossing's purpose and a cross section of the crossing including elevations.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
As per the following excerpt of NWB Guidelines (Guide 4, Part 1, item 6):

> *The applicant should address the SIG to the best of their ability, recognizing that some of the information requested may not be relevant to the project under consideration. If specific information is requested by the SIG that does not relate to the project, the applicant is requested to indicate "N/A" (Not Applicable) in the concordance table and provide a justification.*

Agnico Eagle notes that fields in the SIG (Appendix 1-B of the Application) were entered as "N/A" with description as "no change from current Licence". There are no new watercourse crossings (bridges or culverts) associated with the Operational Update; therefore, the SIG information is not relevant to the project under consideration.

Watercourse crossings (bridges and culverts) have been assessed through previous applications and are in place and/or have approval to be built. Where applicable, Agnico Eagle has gone through the appropriate channel with DFO for approvals. Should a bridge or culvert be required in the future, Agnico Eagle will provide the NWB with a 60-day notice per Part D, Item 1 of the Licence, as well as work with DFO where applicable.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-22**
Re:	**Watercourse Trainings**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a description of any watercourse trainings including channel and bank alterations, culverts, spurs, erosion control, and artificial accretion, and its purpose.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle notes that fields in the SIG (Appendix 1-B of the Application) were entered as "N/A" with description as "no change from current Licence". There are no changes to the category of effects (reduced streamflow) on watercourses associated with the Operational Update; therefore, the SIG information is not relevant to the project under consideration. Slight changes to the amplitude of the streamflow effects are anticipated due to the requested water withdrawal volumes, as shown in Appendix 4-C and 6-Q

Regarding the comment that this is a renewal not an amendment – please refer to the cover letter.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-23**
Re:	**Water Diversions**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a description of any diversions including ditches and dikes and their purposes.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle submitted a *water license amendment* application, not a license renewal application. All existing water management infrastructure have been vetted and reviewed by parties. All future planned construction for diversions, ditches, and/or dikes (if any) will go through the 60-day notice of construction review process. Detailed engineering drawings will be provided at that time.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-24**
Re:	**Operations and Maintenance Plans**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends providing operation and maintenance plans for all major infrastructure associated with the project, including but not limited to the Milling and Processing Plant, the RBDS Pumphouse, the Effluent Water Treatment Facility, the Landfarm, the Sewage Processing Plant, the Landfill, Doris Mine and Madrid Mine.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
As per the response provided by Agnico Eagle in the SIG (Appendix 1-B of the Application), Agnico Eagle did provide the OMS available for the site.

Based on the other facilities listed by CIRNAC:

- Milling and Processing Plant: A new process plant is being designed and built as part of the Operational Update. No OMS exists; however, a Design Basis will be developed which will detail the whole process.
- RBDS Pumphouse: No OMS document for this facility.
- Effluent Water Treatment Facility: No OMS document for this facility.
- Landfarm: No OMS document for this facility; however, the Environment and E&I departments are developing a standard operating procedure for this facility.
- Sewage Processing Plant: No OMS document for this facility; however, the Environment and E&I departments are developing a standard operating procedure for this facility.
- Landfill: No OMS document for this facility; however, the Environment and E&I departments will develop a standard operating procedure for this facility.
- Doris / Madrid Mines: No OMS document for this facility.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-25**
Re:	**Waste Generation: Quality and Quantity**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide the composition, chemical characteristics and quantity generated for all waste types produced as a part of this project. CIRNAC requests that these quantities take into account the projected increase in camp production and personnel under the Construction and Operational Phases.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Additional details were provided in Block 15 of the Application Form. Where possible, Agnico Eagle can provide further information during the Technical Comment phase.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-26**
Re:	**Sewage Processing Capacity**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends the Applicant detail how it plans to accommodate the increased sewage and greywater treatment demands associated with increasing camp size.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle submitted a notice of construction to the NWB on July 29, 2025 for the construction of the Sewage Water Treatment Plant (STP). This Design Report was issued for public review, which included CIRNAC. CIRNAC confirmed on August 30, 2025 that their concerns were addressed by Agnico Eagle's responses. The STP can accommodate the future camp size.

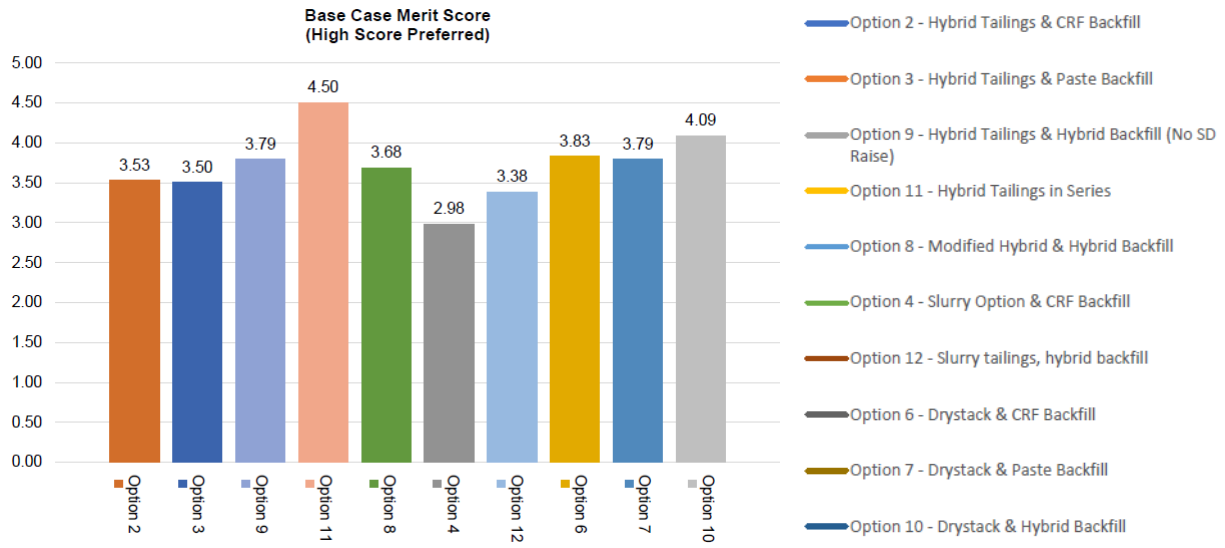
Interested Party:	CIRNAC	Rec No.:	CIRNAC-IR-27
Re:	Tailings Alternatives Assessment		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide the 2024 Multiple Accounts Analysis by SRK as a part of the amended application package.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle confirms that a Multiple Accounts Analysis (MAA) was completed by SRK in 2024 to evaluate tailings management alternatives for the Hope Bay Project. The outcomes of this assessment informed the selection of the preferred tailings management approach (Option 11) that was submitted as *Appendix 3-A: Tailings Impoundment Area Filtered Tailings Conceptual Design Assessment*. The MAA was completed as an alternatives screening exercise to inform project decision-making, with the results summarized and carried forward into the application documentation prepared for regulatory review. The below summarizes the alternatives considered and the results, with drawings of each option provided in Attachment B.



Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-28**
Re:	**Discharge Criteria Rationale**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide rationale for all discharge criteria applicable to the current license, including a description of how they were developed, what reference material was used in the development of the discharge criteria and how they will prevent negative effects to the receiving environment.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle has not proposed any changes to discharge criteria in this Water Licence Amendment.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-29**
Re:	**Emergency Response and Spill Contingency Plans**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends the Applicant amend The Spill Contingency Plan, the Dam Emergency Plan, and the Emergency Response Plan to address all phases of the project including construction, operation, and care & maintenance.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

The NWB can have surety that Plans will be updated (where applicable) to reflect the operational phase, either after the Water Licence Amendment approval, or 90-days prior to Operations.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-30**
Re:	**Permafrost Protection**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide information on how they will protect permafrost at the site throughout the continued duration of the project.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The *Doris–Madrid Interim Closure and Reclamation Plan* describes measures to address potential permafrost degradation, while the *Annual Geotechnical Inspection* reports on inspections of surface infrastructure to confirm that it is functioning as designed and that the integrity of the continuous permafrost is preserved.

Measures to limit permafrost degradation include infrastructure design considerations, such as the use of rock fill pads, appropriate road fill thickness, backfilling of excavations, and the design of surface infrastructure with permafrost protection as a key objective. Following closure, freezeback of the tailings and underground mine is anticipated. Permafrost conditions under surface infrastructure are monitored annually through the collection and review of thermistor data and reported in the Annual Geotechnical Inspection.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-31**
Re:	**Sampling Personnel**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends providing the contact information and level of training for the environmental supervisor, the environmental superintendent, and any other personnel responsible for sampling.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
As per the following excerpts of NWB Guidelines (Guide 4, Part 1, item 6):

> *The applicant should address the SIG to the best of their ability, recognizing that some of the information requested may not be relevant to the project under consideration. …*
>
> *… Applicants must decide what level of detail is required in responding to the SIG, while realizing that if the NWB determines that information is lacking, the NWB may request additional information.*

While Agnico Eagle notes that field 8-g of the SIG was inadvertently excluded from Appendix 1-B of the Application the information is not relevant (e.g., level of training) to the project under consideration (i.e., the Operational Update Water Licence Amendment). Hope Bay is not a new site or a new operation. CIRNAC should have confidence in the level of training of our employees and the understanding that contact information is shared on-site.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-32**
Re:	**Laboratory Contact Information**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends the Applicant update the document "260130 2AM-DOH1335_HopeBay-WLAmendment-App6-K_QAQCPlan_Nov2025_V15" to include the contact information for the certified laboratories

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Details of four Accredited Laboratories are provided in Section 5 and Appendix B of QA/QC Plan (Appendix 6-K of the Application).

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-33**
Re:	**Expected Water Quality and Quantity**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a summary table of the expected quality and quantity of waters, over time in all sumps, monitoring stations, and discharge points (including tundra discharge points), along with i) if applicable, adaptive management criteria to benchmark if mitigation/contingency are to be implemented, ii) if applicable, water quality criteria, and iii) management action.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The framework of the water and load balance model depicts water management through the Hope Bay mine site during different stages of development (see the process flow diagrams; Appendix 4-F, Appendix A, Figures 1 to 3). The prediction nodes are provided in the process flow diagram and summarized in the table below.)

Table CIRNAC-2: Summary of all predictive nodes in the Water and Load Balance

Contact Water Pond 3 to TIA	Roberts Bay TIA Pump House to Roberts Bay
Contact Water Pond 4 to TIA	Wolverine Lake to Patch Lake
Contact Water Pond 5 to TIA	Patch Lake to PO lake
Contact Water Pond 6 to TIA	PO Lake to Ogama Lake
Doris Lake Freshwater to Doris Mine	Windy Lake to Glenn Lake
Doris Lake Freshwater to Little Roberts Lake	Glenn Lake to Roberts Bay
Patch Lake Freshwater to Madrid Mine	Madrid Mine to Saline Pond 2
Saline Pond 1 to Saline Effluent Treatment Plant	Saline Pond 2 to Saline Pond 1
	Roberts Bay Saline Pumphouse to Roberts Bay

The water and load balance model developed water quality predictions for saline and contact water for discharge to the environment. The water quality criteria used to evaluate the model were the Water Licence discharge criteria and the MDMER. Discharge to the environment is stopped if licence limits are not met.

Agnico Eagle follows the procedures outlined in the Doris-Madrid Water Management Plan (Appendix 6-P) to monitor water quality. The results of the monitoring program are provided in the annual report mitigation plans, if necessary, is described.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-34**
Re:	**Proposed Water Works**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
IR-34a) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide rationale for the design flow flood chosen.

IR-34b) CIRNAC recommends the Applicant indicate a tentative start and completion date for each proposed work.

IR-34c) CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide detailed sedimentation and erosion measures to be used for each proposed work.

IR-34d) CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide construction monitoring plans.

IR-34e) CIRNAC recommends the Applicant suggest post construction monitoring plans for each proposed work.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle notes that the design reports provided in the Application (Appendix 3-B and Appendix 3-C) followed the Conditions of the Licence (per Schedule D, Part 1) and not all the points listed above are required.

Response to bullet 34a)
CWP4 was designed to contain the 1:100 yr 24-hour rain event plus the average snow melt (per Agnico Eagle design basis), assuming no loss (100% runoff).

Saline Pond 1 was sized to manage its catchment area plus contingency volume for the SETP shutdown and high flow contingency (per Agnico Eagle design basis).

Response to bullet 34b)
Construction of CWP4 and Saline Pond 1 will be initiated after approval of the Water Licence Amendment.

Following completion of construction per facility, Agnico Eagle will provide a Construction Summary Report following the Conditions of the Licence (Schedule D, Part 2).

Response to bullet 34c)
As outlined in the Water Management Plan, effective erosion and sediment control measures will be installed prior to construction work commencing to minimize the potential for the introduction of sediment into watercourse or waterbodies. An adequate supply of erosion and sediment control contingency supplies will be maintained at the site, including silt fence, tarps, polly sheeting, sandbags, hand tools, geotextile erosion control matting (with anchors), and trash pumps (with suitable lengths of hose).

Response to bullet 34d) and 34e)

As per Schedule D of the 2AM-DOH Licence, this is not a requirement. Agnico Eagle provided information in the report based on the conditions of the current Licence.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-35**
Re:	**Saline Effluent Treatment Plant**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

IR-35a) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a description of the proposed Saline Effluent Treatment Plant including tentative construction timelines, the proposed treatment methods, and the proposed treatment goals.

IR-35b) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant indicate whether the treatment plant will be finalized before the project re-enters its Operational Phase. If not, CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant indicate whether the current saline water treatment capacity is sufficient to manage the anticipated increase in saline water volumes during the planned Operational Phase and if not then what other options are being explored to meet requirements.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Response to bullet 35a)

As of the submission of this Water Licence Amendment, Agnico Eagle has not yet determined the full scope of the treatment plant design basis. However, to address CIRNAC's question, the SETP is intended to treat mine effluent from Doris Mine and Madrid Mine, collected in Saline Pond 1. Agnico Eagle intends to submit a 60-day notice of construction in due time when the detailed engineering of the Saline Effluent Treatment Plant (SETP) is available.

Response to bullet 35b)

The SETP is planned to be operational prior to commencement of production. Until this time, development underground is limited and existing infrastructure are assessed to be appropriate to manage saline water.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-36**
Re:	**Blasting Quantities**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant indicate what proportion of the 3,650,000 kg/year of blasting will be conducted at the Madrid and Doris sites.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

In response to CIRNAC's recommendation, the proportion of the proposed 3,650,000 kg/year of blasting allocated to the Madrid and Doris sites is provided in the table below.

Site	Explosives Consumption	
	Consumption per day (kg/day)	**Annual usage (kg/year)**
Doris, underground	2,000	730,000
Madrid, underground	8,000	2,920,000
	ANNUAL TOTAL	**3,650,000**

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-37**
Re:	**Water from Proximal Sources**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

IR-37a) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant provide a detailed list of proposed proximal sources, a map of the sources, and volume measurements of each source to ensure none of these sources are drawn down during periods of operation in winter conditions under ice.

IR-37b) CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant clarify what measures it will take to minimize the impacts of withdrawals from 'proximal sources' on water levels and flow rates.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

The withdrawal of water from proximal sources is an existing Condition of the Licence (as amended in 2018 Water Licence Amendment 2).

As per the 2AM-DOH1335 Licence (Part E, Item 1):

> *The Licensee shall obtain fresh Water for domestic camp use from Windy Lake designated using the designated fresh Water Intake at Monitoring Program Station ST-7a, with the volume not exceeding forty-three thousand eight hundred (43,800) cubic metres per year. The Licensee shall obtain fresh Water for mining, milling, and associated industrial uses from Doris Lake using the designated fresh Water Intake at Monitoring Program Station ST-7, with the volume not exceeding one million nine hundred thirty thousand (1,930,000) cubic metres per year. Drill Water may also be obtained from locations proximal to the drilling targets.* ***Water for winter ice road construction may be obtained from proximal sources and shall not exceed sixty thousand (60,000) cubic metres per year.*** *The total volume of Water use from all sources and for all purposes shall not exceed two million thirty-three thousand eight hundred (2,033,800) cubic metres per year.*

Sources would have to be within the project extents listed in Part A, Item 1 of the Licence. Agnico Eagle reports with withdrawal use through its Annual Report.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-38**
Re:	**Widening of Windy Road**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide the anticipated footprint and alignment for the widened Windy Road, and describe how they will prevent sedimentation and erosion during construction activities.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Details of the widening of the Windy Road, would be provided in the 60-day Construction Notice, including sedimentation and erosion controls.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-39**
Re:	**Quarry 2 Landfill**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends that the Applicant clarify whether the landfill at Quarry 2 is already operational, or whether it is being requested as part of the current renewal and amendment application. If it is part of the amendment request, CIRNAC recommends that Applicant provide:

- *an anticipated construction timeline*
- *clarification on whether it is expected to be in service before the mine re-enters Operations.*
- *The necessary geotechnical information required to approve a Quarry for use as a landfill.*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

In January 2025, documentation was provided to the NWB regarding the landfill in Quarry 2, which included an update to the Non-hazardous Waste Management Plan. A review process was done at that time. The landfill would be utilized as part of the Operational Update; however, is not a new scope activity to this Water Licence Amendment and is already approved.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-40**
Re:	**Wolverine Lake**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
CIRNAC recommends the Applicant clarify whether or not they are applying to source water from Wolverine Lake under this Water License. If so, CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide all the relevant supporting information, including the intended withdrawal volumes and hydrological information about Wolverine Lake.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Thank you for bringing this forward. This is an error in the Water Management Plan and will be corrected in the next update to the Plan.

Wolverine Lake is not a source of freshwater for mining, milling, domestic, or industrial uses. Doris Lake, Windy Lake, and Patch Lake are the three sources of freshwater.

Interested Party:	**CIRNAC**	**Rec No.:**	**CIRNAC-IR-41**
Re:	**Security**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

CIRNAC recommends the Applicant provide an estimated timeline of when the security review will begin and when they anticipate it will be completed. It is CIRNAC's opinion that given the complexity of the file that initial discussions with the KIT IA and the proponent on the development of foundational agreements need to be initiated as soon as possible to ensure that the Environmental liability estimates and the global securities process is not holding up the any decisions by the Board on the recommendations to be made to the Minister.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle has initiated a review with the KitIA and has proposed a workshop in May with CIRNAC and the KitIA to discuss security. Files associated with security updates will be provided to CIRNAC for review in advance of the meeting. There is alignment between Agnico Eagle and the KitIA to use RECLAIM 7, and agreement on the global security number.

ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE CANANDA (ECCC)

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-01**
Re:	**Disposal of Contaminated Soils**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

ECCC recommends the Proponent where landfarming does not achieve applicable soil quality objectives, the Proponent consider alternative or complementary remediation methods rather than disposing of contaminated soils in an underground mine. The following remediation options may be appropriate for the project soil conditions and should be evaluated based on site-specific characteristics:

1. *Biopiles (engineered bioremediation cells): Excavated contaminated soils arranged in engineered piles with controlled aeration, nutrient addition, and moisture management to enhance biodegradation;*
2. *Nutrient biostimulation and bioaugmentation: Enhancement of indigenous microbial activity through nutrient amendments and/or the introduction of cold-adapted hydrocarbon-degrading microbial consortia;*
3. *Soil vapor extraction (SVE) and air sparging: SVE applies a vacuum to remove volatile and semi-volatile hydrocarbons from unsaturated soils, while air sparging injects air into saturated zones to volatilize contaminants for subsequent capture via SVE;*
4. *Low-temperature thermal desorption (LTTD) or in-situ thermal enhancement: Application of heat, either ex situ or in situ, to volatilize or desorb hydrocarbons for capture and treatment; or*
5. *Soil amendments (e.g., biochar or compost): Addition of amendments to improve soil physical properties and microbial habitat, potentially enhancing degradation processes, including within frozen or partially frozen soil environments.*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle thanks ECCC for their feedback and comments of the key technical considerations to consider during the design of the contaminated soil containment and remediation plan. Further details will be provided in the FCRP.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-02**
Re:	**Emergency Response Guidebook Version**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

Revise the spill contingency plan and ensure all on-site resources reference and utilize the most recent edition of the Emergency Response Guidebook (2024).

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle thanks ECCC for their review and will correct this with the next update of the Spill Contingency Plan.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-03**
Re:	**Burning at the Boston Site**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
ECCC recommends that the Proponent confirm that any usage of the burn pan at the Boston site follows the Nunavut Environmental Guideline for the Burning and Incineration of Solid Waste.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle notes that the Boston area is under a separate licence (2AM-BOS1835) and is not part of the scope of the Operational Update; however, confirms that there is no burn pan or incineration currently at Boston.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-04**
Re:	**Proposed Changes to Water and Wast Management**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

ECCC recommends the Proponent provide:

1. *A detailed table of the proposed changes to water and waste management infrastructure. This should clearly outline which components have been eliminated, relocated, or are new as part of this water licence amendment;*
2. *Figures to support the tables requested in recommendation 1 that clearly depict the differences between currently approved water and waste management infrastructure and proposed changes for the operational update.*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Response to bullet 1)

Process flow diagrams were provided in Appendix A of Appendix 4-F that show existing infrastructure that remains unchanged (black), existing infrastructure that will be changed (green) and new infrastructure to be constructed (purple). Three separate process flow diagrams are included covering development, production and active closure phases of the mine life.

Response to bullet 2)

As stated in the response above, process flow diagrams have been provided that show changes in water and waste management infrastructure.

For additional information on site layouts, please refer to CIRNAC-IR-02.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-05**
Re:	**Sewage Effluent**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

ECCC recommends the Proponent:

1. *Discuss conditions/criteria that inform the decision of whether sewage effluent is discharged to the tundra or transferred to the TIA; and*
2. *Discuss how proposed project changes will impact the volume of sewage effluent discharged to the tundra and whether tundra discharge is still proposed with the increased volumes. If tundra discharge is to continue, discuss how erosion and sedimentation will be managed given the increased volumes.*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Response to bullet 1)

The design report for the STP provided effluent operational limits; these are the same as discharge criteria in the water licence for station ST-8. If the effluent is above the discharge criteria, effluent would be diverted to the TIA.

Response to bullet 2)

Agnico Eagle is undergoing an upgrade to the current STP, as described in the design report submitted and reviewed in July 2025. The upgrade increases treatment capacity and improves system reliability but does not change the approved effluent discharge configuration. Treated effluent will continue to be discharged to tundra at the approved location, with the ability to divert flows to the TIA retained as a contingency. Potential erosion and sedimentation associated with increased discharge volumes will be managed in accordance with the Doris–Madrid Water Management Plan and the Domestic Wastewater Treatment Plan. To further mitigate erosion, a rip-rap flow dissipation pad will be installed at the tundra discharge outlet prior to commissioning of the upgraded STP.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-06**
Re:	**Clarification for Table 4.3-2**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

ECCC recommends the Proponent review Table 4.3-2 and clarify what the numeric values are intended to communicate.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

There was an error in the units in Table 4.3-2. The units were supposed to be "m^3/day" and not "mg/L". This was a typing error. The table intends to show the predicted groundwater inflow to the mine, assuming two different sensitivity scenarios. The corrected table with the appropriate units can be found below:

Table 4.3-2: Results of the Hydrogeologic Model Sensitivity Scenarios

Sensitivity Scenario	Doris Max. Groundwater Inflow (m^3/day)	Madrid Max. Groundwater Inflow (m^3/day)
Hydraulic conductivity profile is cutoff with a low value of $1x10^{-9}$ m/s (due to higher certainty of historical field data collected).	2,329	1,021
The permafrost model is modified to place the contacts between permafrost and open taliks approximately 100 m inland from shorelines.	2,383	827

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-07**
Re:	**Water Management – Patch 7**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
ECCC recommends the Proponent clarify the correct water management pathway for runoff at Patch 7 and provide an updated water management flow diagram for Doris-Madrid that depicts the configuration proposed for the operational update.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle would like to clarify that the final destination for all CWPs will be the TIA.

The model and process flow diagram provided in Appendix 4-F are intended to show the overall strategy and provide specific prediction nodes for these ponds. As indicated in the water management approach, and the process flow diagram, in the Madrid area, contact water is collected in sumps and ultimately transferred to the TIA.

As it pertains to the CWP4 design report, the pipeline is not currently constructed connecting the pond to the TIA, so water will be transferred to CWP3 instead.

As indicated in this Application, there are some changes to water management planned in preparation for the resumption of production at Hope Bay. Therefore, there may be slight changes to water management to what is provided in Appendix 4-F as Agnico Eagle transitions during the development phase. Agnico Eagle would like to clarify, once all infrastructure are in place, CWP3 and CWP4 will have their own distinct pipelines directed to the TIA.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-08**
Re:	**Emergency Outlet to Doris Lake**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

ECCC recommends the Proponent provide the following details related to the proposed Emergency Overflow Channel:

1. *Rationale for the addition of the Emergency Overflow Channel;*
2. *Conditions under which the Emergency Overflow Channel is proposed to be used;*
3. *Specific location where the EOC is proposed to discharge in Doris Lake; and*
4. *Any proposed updates to the Water Licence and/or site monitoring program (Table 3 of the Water Licence) required for the addition of the EOC.*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Response to bullet 1)

To mitigate the risk of overtopping failure at the North Dam of the TIA, an Emergency Overflow Channel was designed to pass the PMP and 30-day snow-melt. Construction of the overflow channel is scheduled for when deposition in the TIA resumes.

Response to bullet 2)

The emergency overflow channel is to be used during an emergency to prevent overtopping of the North Dam.

Response to bullet 3)

Specific location of the channel is provided in Figure 3-1 of Appendix 4-F.

Response to bullet 4)

The Emergency Overflow Channel has already been incorporated into the Doris North TIA Operation Maintenance and Surveillance plan, and it will be incorporated into the water management plan accordingly. The water licence is not expected to be amended as the construction of spillways are covered under Section 1a of Part A of the licence, however Table 3 is expected to include the new monitoring station. A similar update will be reflected in the water management plan. Detailed engineering of the spillway will be provided via 60-day notice prior to construction.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-09**
Re:	**Effluent Quality Predictions**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

ECCC recommends the Proponent provide:

1. *A summary of predicted effluent quality for all parameters including a screening of all parameters to identify parameters of potential concern for each effluent stream; and*
2. *A discussion of whether the water and load balance modelling identified any additional parameters of concern not captured by the MDMER.*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Response to bullet 1)

A screening for all parameters has already been completed; results from all modelled parameters are provided in Appendix D of Appendix 4-F. Any parameters with applicable water quality criteria have been screened, and only those parameters that exceeded or were close to exceedances were provided in the body of the water and load balance report (Appendix 4-F). Please note that these predictions are also for untreated effluent; however, Agnico Eagle will comply with all licence discharge limits and MDMER criteria and thus will plan for treatment, as required.

Response to bullet 2)

There are no other parameters of concern noted by the water and load balance, other than those already identified in Appendix 4-F.

Interested Party:	ECCC	Rec No.:	ECCC-IR-10
Re:	Model Calibration		

Request Made by Interested Party:
ECCC recommends the Proponent provide rationale for only calibrating the model for constituents with existing discharge criteria. Consideration should be given to further calibration to increase the accuracy of the predictive modelling for all constituents.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Load balance source terms and concentration inputs are derived from monitoring data and geochemical analyses. To avoid adding uncertainty, the model applies few post-input load modifications unless they can be attributed to real-world mechanisms with adequate justification.

Calibration of water quality predictions focused on constituents for which predictive accuracy is particularly important for water-management planning - mainly those with applicable MDMER criteria or other discharge constraints. Most constituents (including most trace metals) were left unadjusted where predictions were conservative and well below applicable water quality limits. For constituents routinely reported as below method detection limits (e.g., Be, Cr, Fe, Ag, Tl, V), variable method detection limits (MDL) make calibration to sub-detection-limit values unreliable.

The underprediction seen in Appendix D plots is primarily associated with nitrogen- and cyanide-containing species (namely, total and free cyanide, cyanate, thiocyanate, and total ammonia) during the Care and Maintenance period (2022 onward). Degradation rates (Appendix B, Table 3-4) were calibrated over the full record, with emphasis on active operations when reagent inputs and TIA concentrations were higher. At the lower concentrations characteristic of Care and Maintenance, these rates can overestimate removal, producing modelled concentrations below observations. They have not been adjusted because Care and Maintenance is considered transitional and not representative of the long-term operating conditions used in predictive scenarios. Water management decisions during this transitional period account for this potential underprediction and, as appropriate, may use additional sensitivity analyses or more detailed evaluations.

The WLB model will be updated as new monitoring data becomes available. If systematic underprediction is identified, particularly during operational periods, source terms, degradation rates, and other key parameters will be reviewed and refined.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-11**
Re:	**Federal Environmental Quality Guidelines**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
ECCC recommends the Proponent review the available FEQG for applicability to the site and update the AEMP benchmarks accordingly.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle will review the FEQG and determine if they are applicable for use as AEMP benchmarks.

Interested Party:	**ECCC**	**Rec No.:**	**ECCC-IR-12**
Re:	**Water Management Plan – Additional Monitoring Stations**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

ECCC recommends the Proponent:

1. *Provide a water management figure that includes monitoring points, including future monitoring points associated with the operational update; and*
2. *Provide a summary of proposed monitoring that will be added to Table 3 of the licence as a result of the operational update*

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle commits to providing the requested information in its mark-up to the Draft Water Licence Amendment, which Agnico Eagle will provide to Parties during the Technical Comment period.

FISHERIES AND OCEANS CANADA (DFO)

Interested Party:	**DFO**	**Rec No.:**	**DFO-IR-01**
Re:	**DFO Permitting Required**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

DFO and the Proponent have discussed the required approval process and timelines associated with the proposed amendment. Once the RFR is received, DFO will review the proposed works based on our mandate under the Fisheries Act and work with the proponent directly regarding issues pertaining to fish and fish habitat, potential offsetting options, and ensuring all permitting is in place before the work takes place.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle will submit a Request for Review for the Operational Update, and work with DFO to advance the Conceptual Offsetting Plan towards finalization prior to submission of a possible *Fisheries Act* Authorization application.

Interested Party:	**DFO**	**Rec No.:**	**DFO-IR-02**
Re:	**Offsetting Plan**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

DFO has not approved the current proposed offsetting in the Iqaluktuuttiaq Lake East Outflow System (EOS). Based on DFO's Offsetting Policy, offsets should last over the long term. As such, DFO recommends the Proponent reconsider the installation of a clear span bridge rather than the modification of existing culverts at the EOS.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Impacts associated with the Operational Update (reduction of stream flow from withdrawals) are anticipated to be temporary; however, Agnico Eagle is investigating lasting options for the offsetting in Cambridge Bay's East Outflow System that balance the requirements of Agnico Eagle, DFO, and the community on a lasting time scale. Agnico Eagle will continue to advance the offset design in collaboration with DFO, the Kitikmeot Inuit Association and the Hamlet of Cambridge Bay.

Interested Party:	**DFO**	**Rec No.:**	**DFO-IR-03**
Re:	**Under-ice Lake Level Measurement in Doris Lake**		

Request Made by Interested Party:

DFO requests the Proponent confirm that under-ice lake level monitoring of Doris Lake will be included in the year-round lake station monitoring and if not, requests Doris Lake be added to the list of lakes for under-ice lake level monitoring described above.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:

Agnico Eagle confirms that Doris Lake water levels are measured year-round, and data is downloaded monthly under the AEMP (Appendix 6A, Section 3.2.1).

Interested Party:	**DFO**	**Rec No.:**	**DFO-IR-04**
Re:	**Response Framework / Action Levels for Water Quantity – Lake Levels and Stream Flow**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
DFO requests the Proponent provide an updated AEMP that includes a response framework and action levels for water quantity, if lake levels or stream flow go below the predicted levels in the water license amendment application, should it be approved.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
The approved AEMP currently includes monitoring of water level, stream flow and ice thickness to validate water loss predictions related to the mine. Intake rates may be adjusted based on monitoring results to mitigate unanticipated effects to fish and fish habitat.

Interested Party:	**DFO**	**Rec No.:**	**DFO-IR-05**
Re:	**Increased Shipping Associated with the Operational Update**		

Request Made by Interested Party:
DFO recognizes that this issue may not fall under the purview of the Nunavut Water Board or be captured by this water license amendment. However, DFO requests the Proponent provide further information on the increase shipping servicing the project. An assessment of shipping related impacts associated with the increased number of vessels, updated shipping management plan, marine mammal monitoring program, underwater noise, and aquatic invasive species monitoring plans should be provided to regulators for review.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
Agnico Eagle agrees that shipping does not fall under the purview of the NWB mandate. However, it is important to note that Agnico Eagle will continue to operate in compliance with the approved Shipping Management Plan and Terms and Conditions under Project Certificate No.003 and No.009. To address DFO's comments:

Shipping Management Plan
The approved Shipping Management Plan covers applicable legislation, regulations, and guidelines designed to address potential adverse ecosystemic effects of shipping activities (including *Canada Shipping Act*, *Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act*, *Navigable Waters Protection Act*, and more). The approved Plan outlines contracting provisions imposed by Agnico Eagle on contractors used for project-related shipping, procedures for providing advance notice of shipping activities to communities, and updates to shipping activities.

The Shipping Management Plan was first approved in August 2019 and Version 3 (the current version) was approved in March 2024. The Plan is reviewed annually and includes general project shipping activities, as per PC No.009, Term and Condition 29. Updates to project shipping activities are reported annually in the Hope Bay Annual Report, as per PC No.009, Term and Conditions 30, 31, 32, and 33. The Annual Report provides the number of vessels (fuel and cargo) that arrived as part of sealift operations every year.

All vessels supplying the Hope Bay Mine are required to avoid sensitive habitat, as identified in the Shipping Management Plan, and to report any vessel strikes.

The same approved shipping lane will continue as part of the Operational Update. Further, as per commitments made in the past, Agnico Eagle will not break ice.

Shipping activities will continue to comply with legislation, commitments, and terms and conditions.

Marine Mammal Monitoring Program
Hope Bay does not have a specific requirement in the Project Certificate for a Marine Mammal Observer Program (MMSO). The Terms and Conditions of the Project Certificate do not require a marine mammal

monitoring program on board the vessels. That said, for the Hope Bay Mine, Agnico Eagle requests vessel operators to document sightings of marine mammals and marine birds. Results are reported to NIRB in the Annual Report. It is Agnico Eagle's intention to continue on-board monitoring from vessel operators and strengthen details of monitoring, where applicable.

Non-indigenous species/aquatic invasive species

Agnico Eagle contracts Transport Canada certified shipping companies that are using standard and acceptable practices common for all vessels in the Canadian Arctic, complying with the requirements and shipping regulations related to the concerns DFO has expressed, including Project Certificate Terms and Conditions, the Shipping Act, and the Ballast Water Regulations. The shipping companies (Woodward Group and Companies – Coastal Shipping Ltd., Groupe Desgagnés Inc., and Nunavut/Nunavik Eastern Arctic Shipping Inc. [NEAS]) servicing the Hope Bay Mine have confirmed that both monitoring and mitigation measures for aquatic invasive species is currently being done. Ballast water treatment is conducted by all contracted vessels, with procedures and systems complying with the D2 requirements indicated under the International Maritime Organization's Ballast Water Management Convention.

Underwater Noise Monitoring

In compliance with Project Certificate No.009 Term and Condition #33, a baseline monitoring program was developed in 2023, and the Shipping Management Plan was updated to include monitoring for marine wildlife in Roberts Bay during the shipping season to assess disturbance to marine wildlife resulting from mine-related underwater noise. The Marine Mammal Monitoring Standard Operating Procedure (SOP; ERM 2023) was developed to guide this baseline monitoring in Roberts Bay, with results of the surveys being reported in the Annual Wildlife Mitigation and Monitoring Program compliance reports. It is the opinion of Agnico Eagle that the intent of Term & Condition #33 has been met; however, monitoring will be continued and reevaluated on an annual basis, in particular with the increased ship activity during the heavy construction period.

Further, Desgagnés, Woodward, and NEAS are Green Marine certified and as of 2024 have achieved a ranking of Level 5, Level 3 and Level 5 respectively in the Underwater Noise category. The objective of this category is to "Reduce underwater noise made by ship operations to reduce impacts to marine mammals.". A Level 5 ranking indicates that Desgagnés and NEAS exhibit "excellence and leadership" and Woodward exhibits "integrated management and quantified impacts".

Interested Party:	**DFO**	**Rec No.:**	**DFO-IR-06**
Re:	**Blast Vibration Monitoring**		

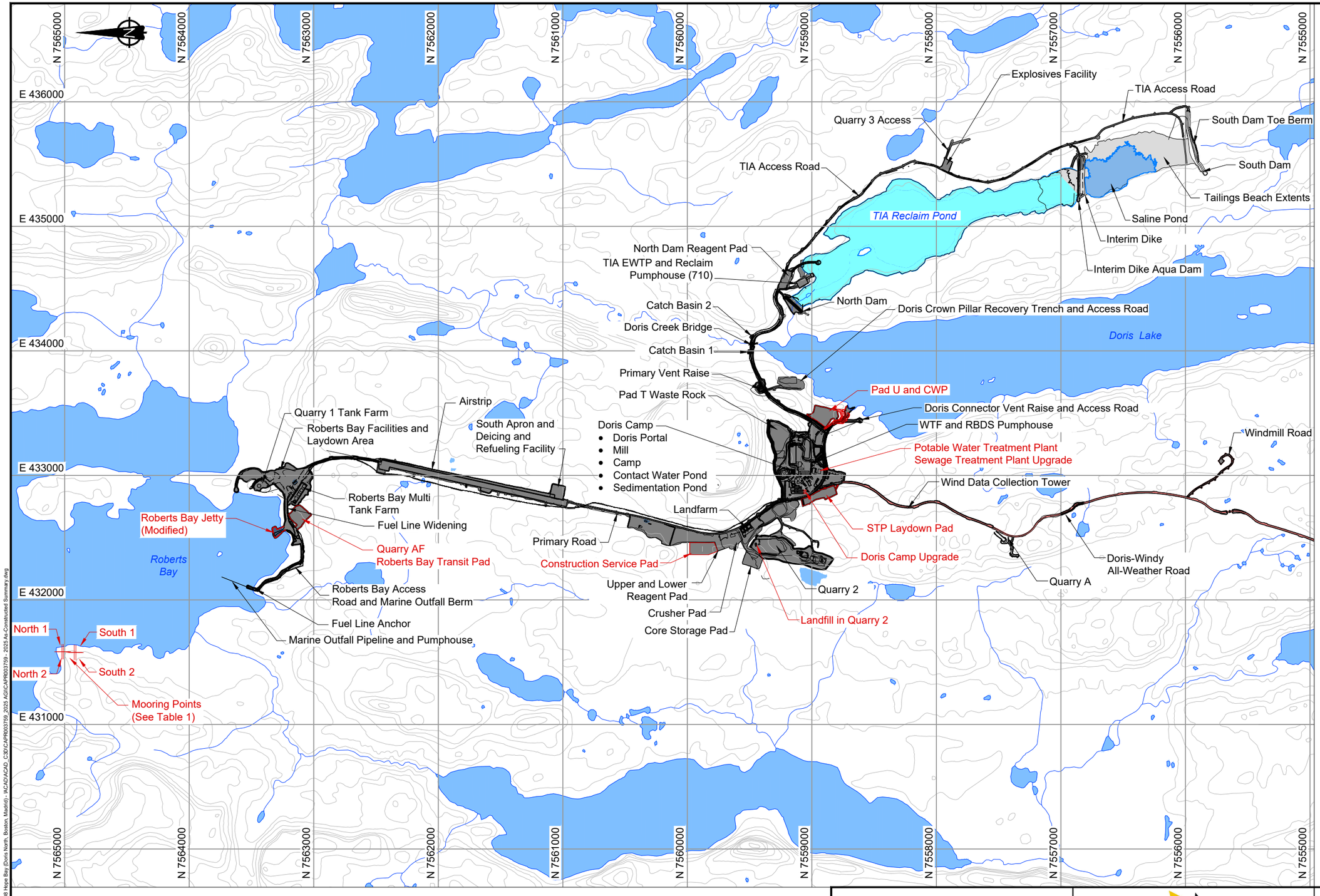
Request Made by Interested Party:
DFO requests the Proponent provide further information on the methods, frequency, and locations of blast monitoring taking place to ensure blast vibrations do not exceed DFO guidelines. Detailed blast monitoring plans should be provided to DFO for review for all blasting activities taking place near fish bearing waters.

Agnico Eagle's Response to Request:
For blast monitoring, Hope Bay follows DFO guidelines for blasting and mitigations for fish habitat and does not believe a specific monitoring plan is required.

As part of work activities (e.g., construction / blasting) on-site, Hope Bay implements an Internal Environmental Permit (IEP) prior to the activity taking place. This is an internal process to ensure compliance with permits, regulations, and environmental considerations are validated prior to an activity taking place. Within the Hope Bay IEP, blasting and DFO guidelines are part of the process and discussion.

Agnico Eagle maintains records of compliance data, refers to the document Guidelines for any required mitigation, and reports annually through Annual Reports.

Attachment A: 2025 As-Constructed Drawings



LEGEND

- Existing As-Constructed Infrastructure
- 2025 As-Constructed Infrastructure
- Disturbed Tundra Extents
- Tailings Beach Extents
- TIA Reclaim Pond

NOTES

1. All units are in meters unless otherwise specified.
2. Contours are shown at 10.0 m intervals.

REFERENCES

NAD83 CSRS UTM Zone 13.
2025 As-constructed linework derived from drawings provided by Client.

Known Points

Table 1

ID	Northing	Easting
North 1	7565021.85	431583.71
North 2	7565010.92	431583.94
South 1	7564909.55	431577.05
South 2	7564923.58	431578.96

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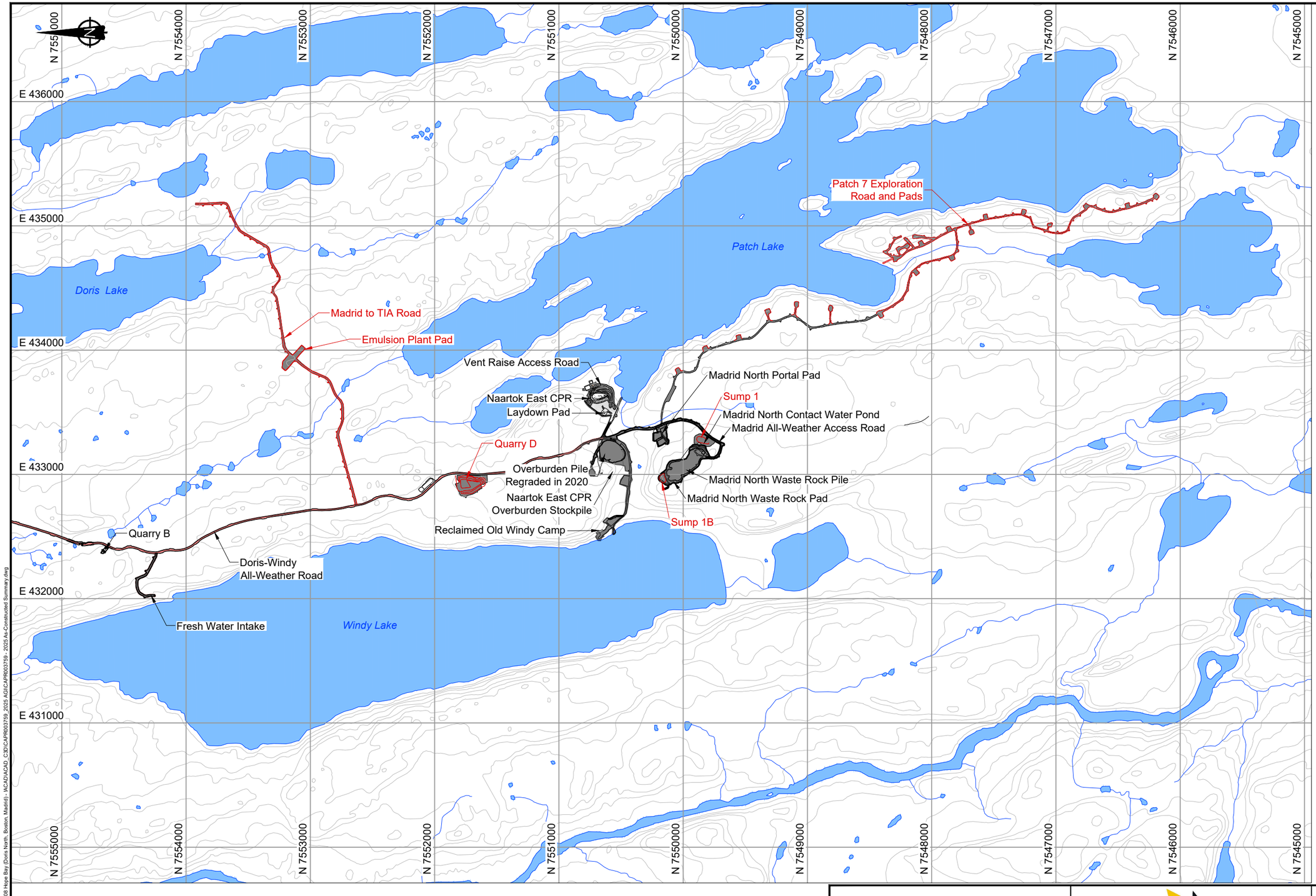

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- Existing As-Constructed Infrastructure
- 2025 As-Constructed Infrastructure
- Disturbed Tundra Extents

NOTES

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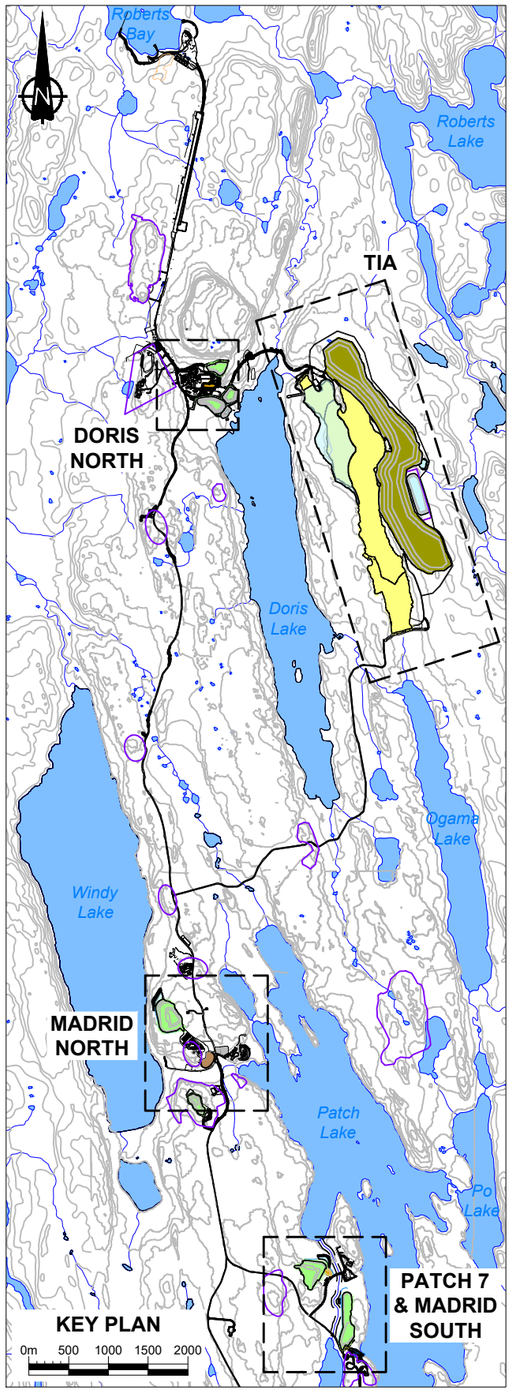

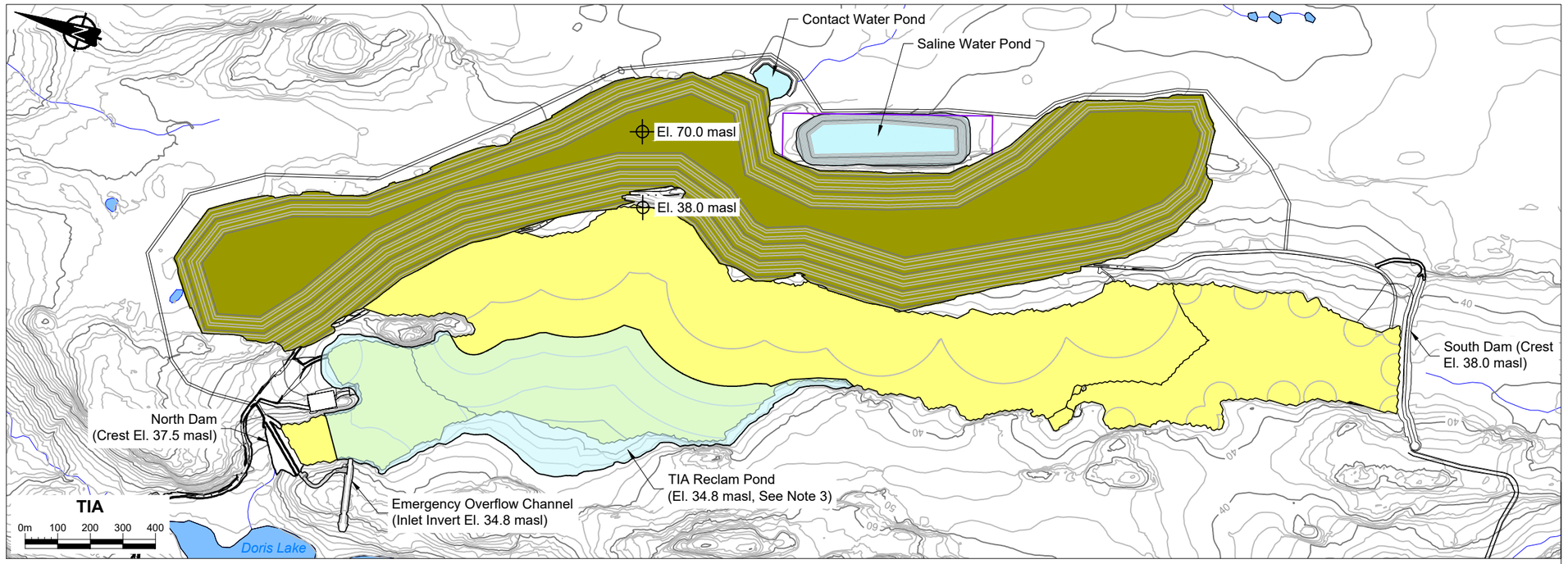

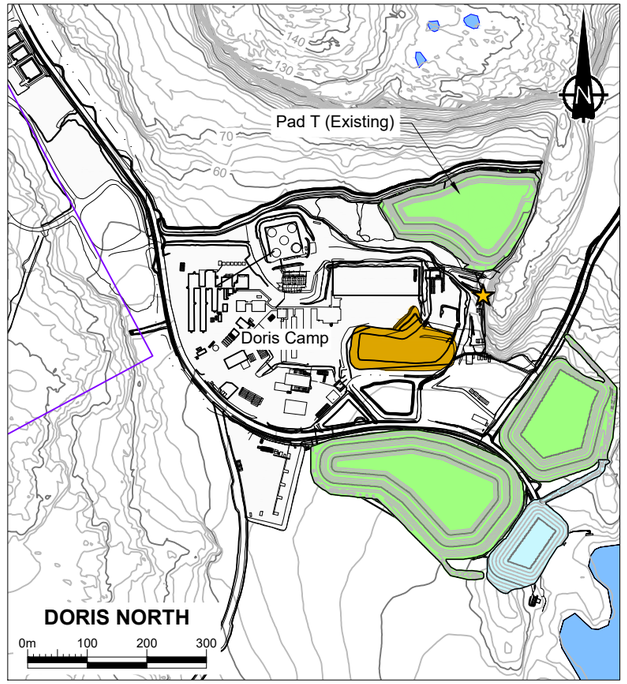

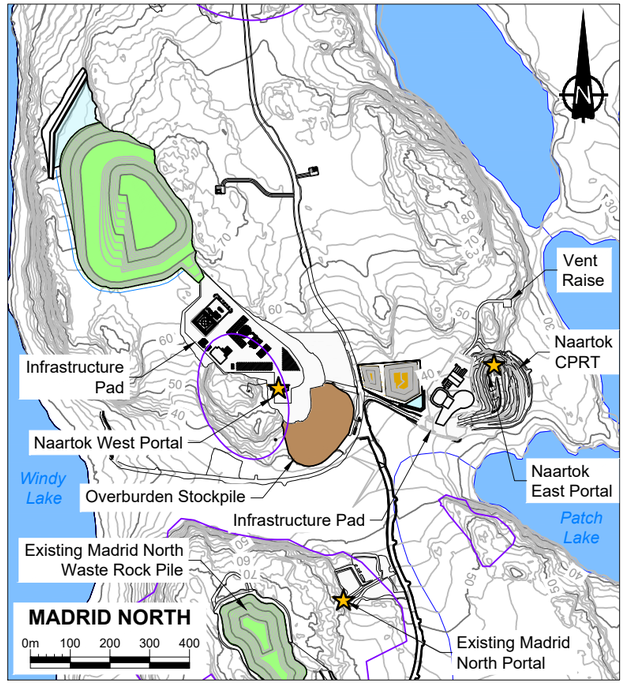

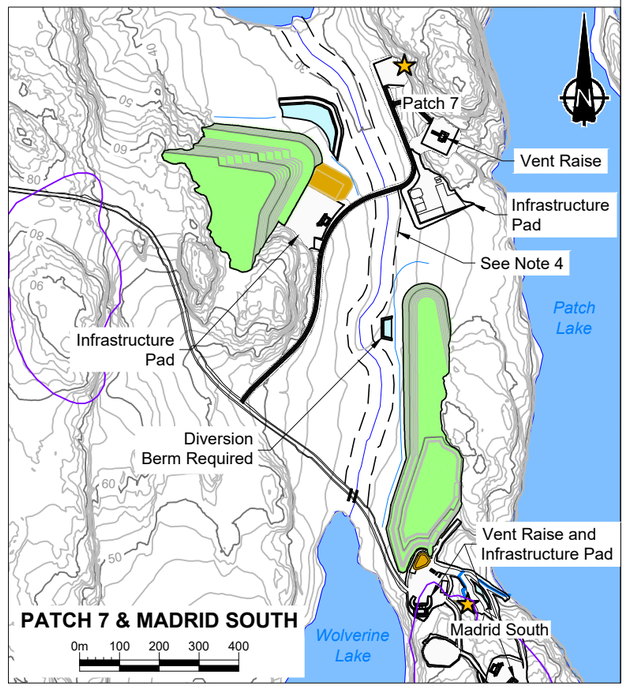

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Option 2 – Hybrid Tailings and CRF Backfill

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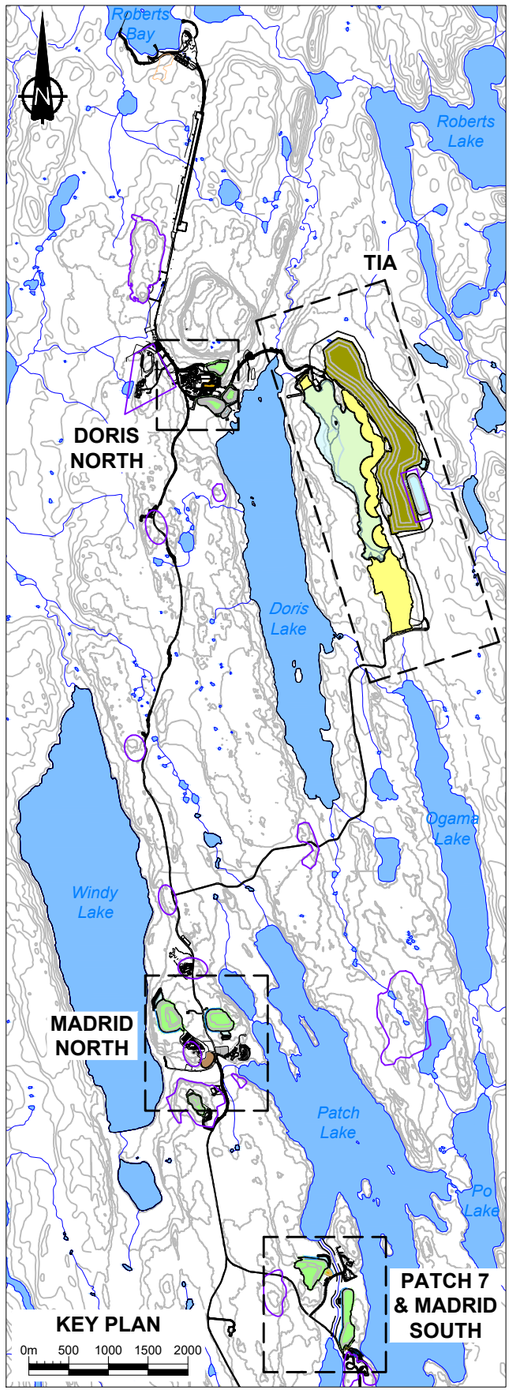

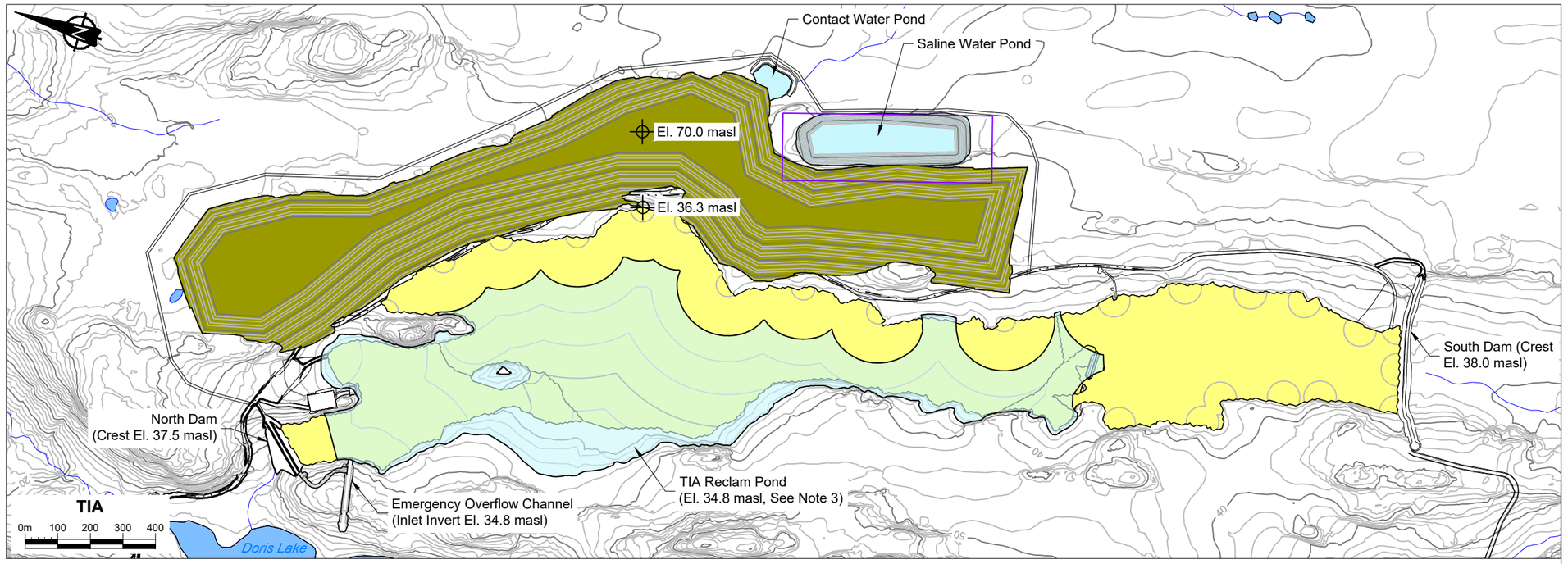

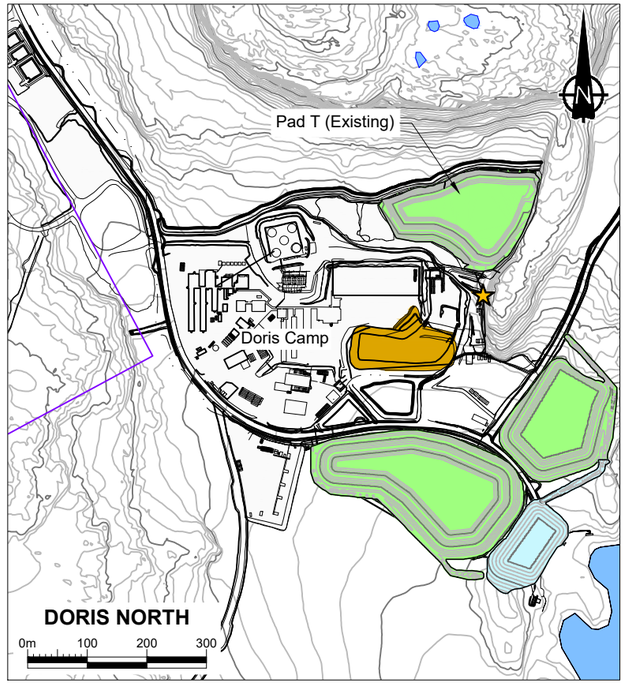

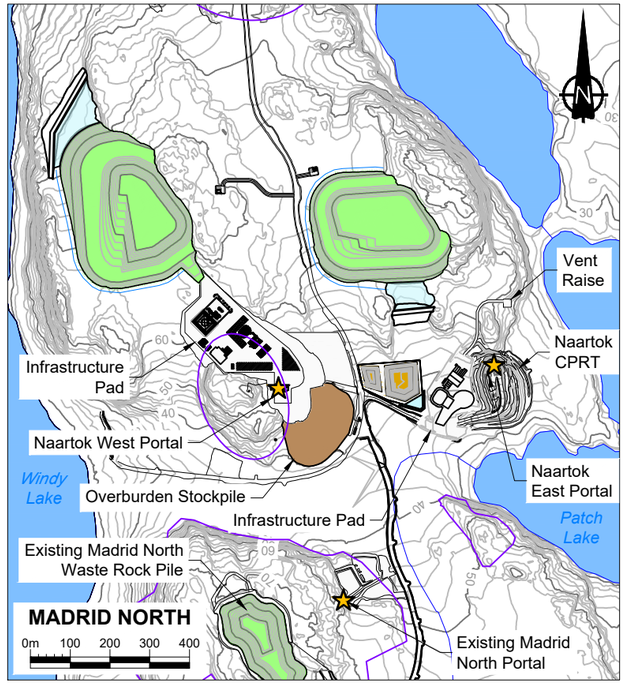

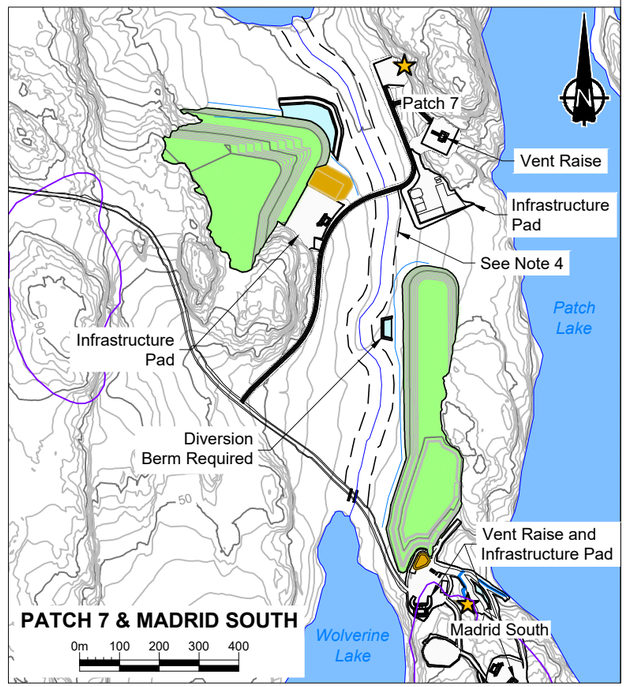

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Option 3 – Hybrid Tailings and Paste Backfill

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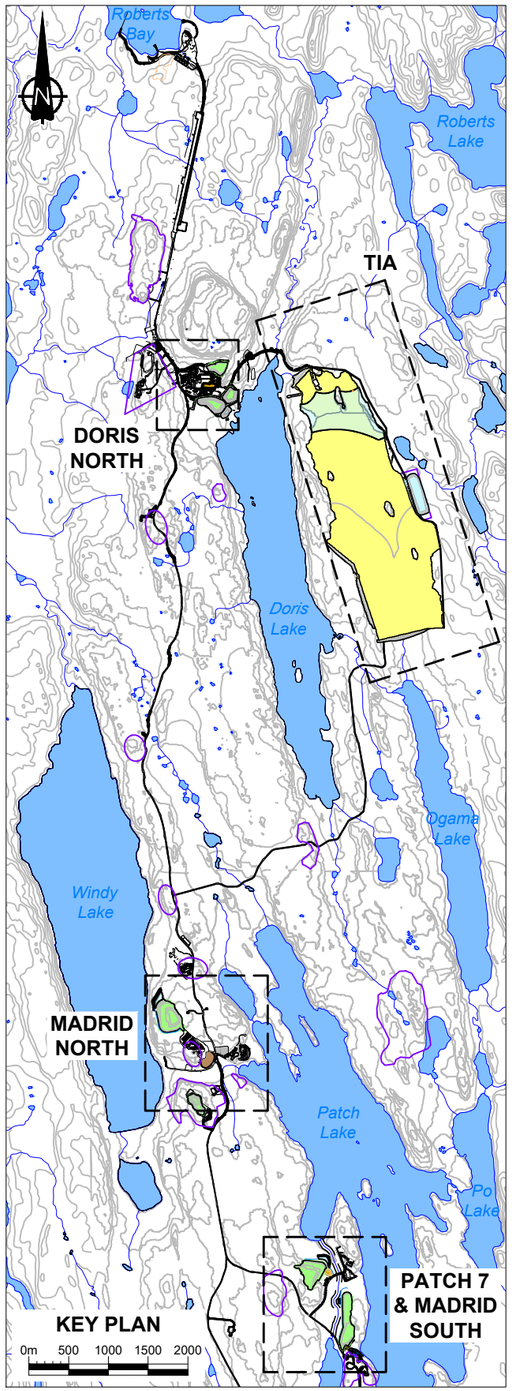

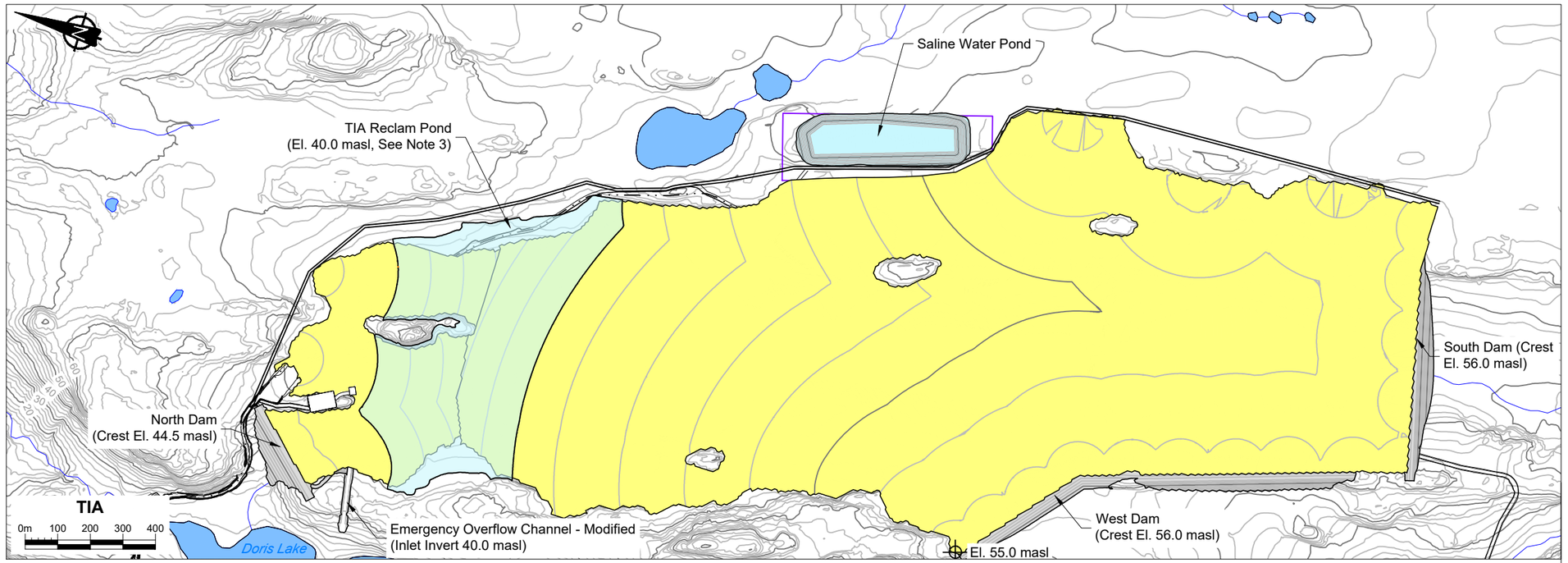

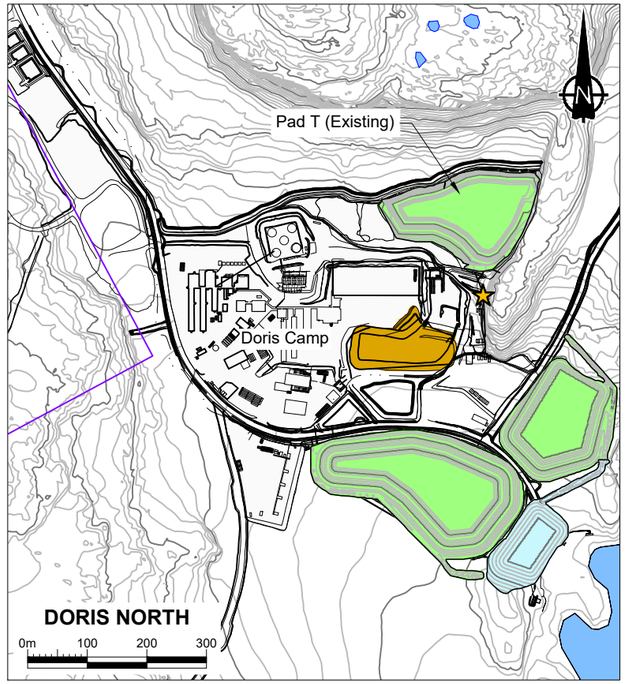

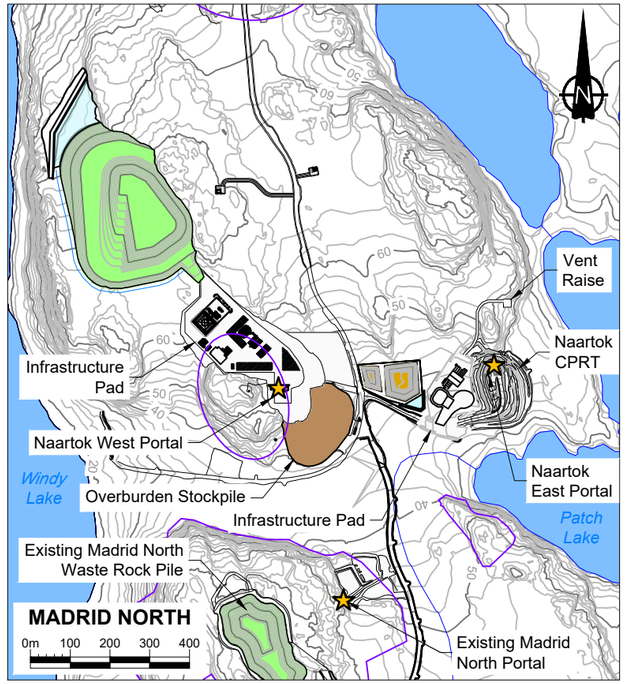

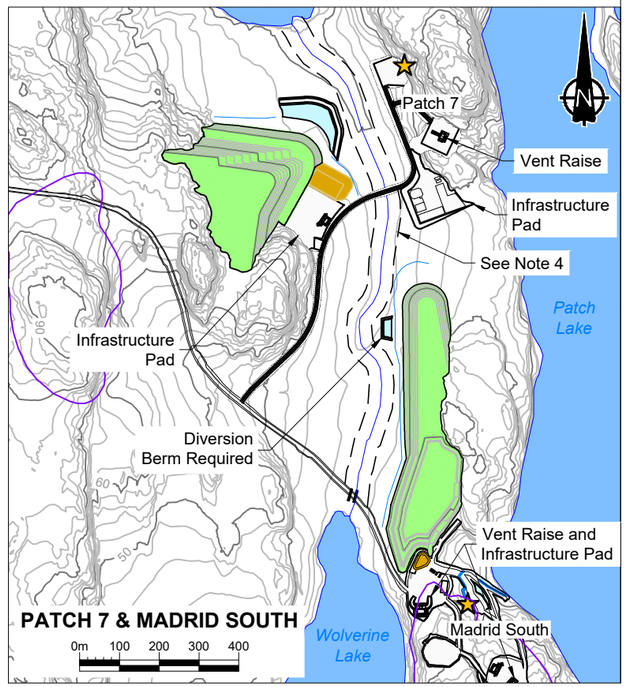

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Option 4 – Slurry Tailings and CRF Backfill

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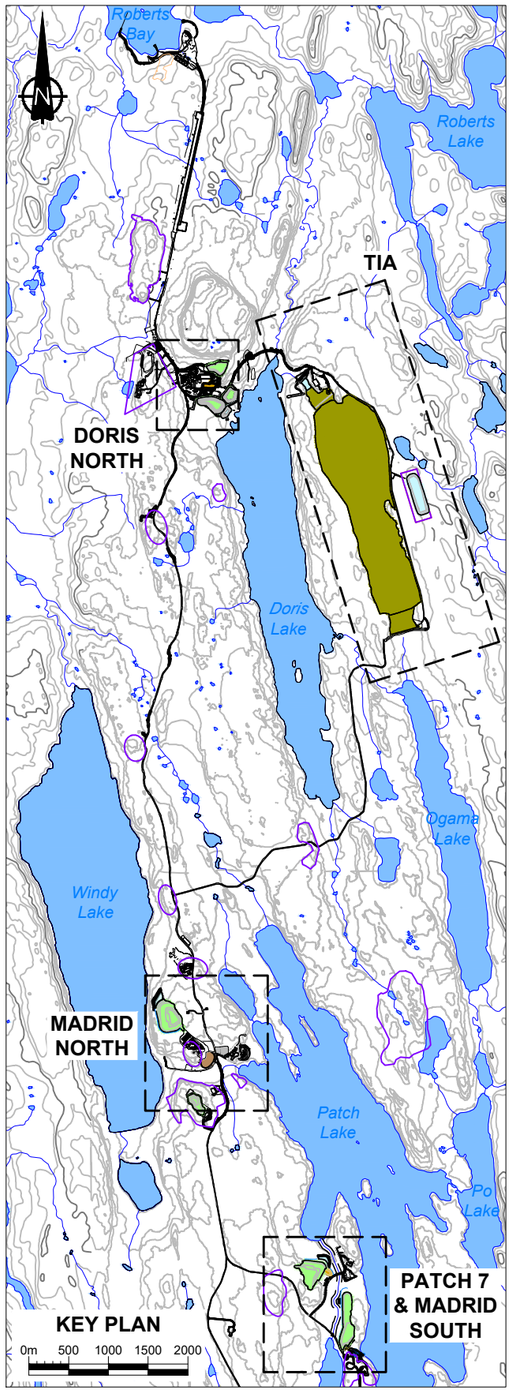

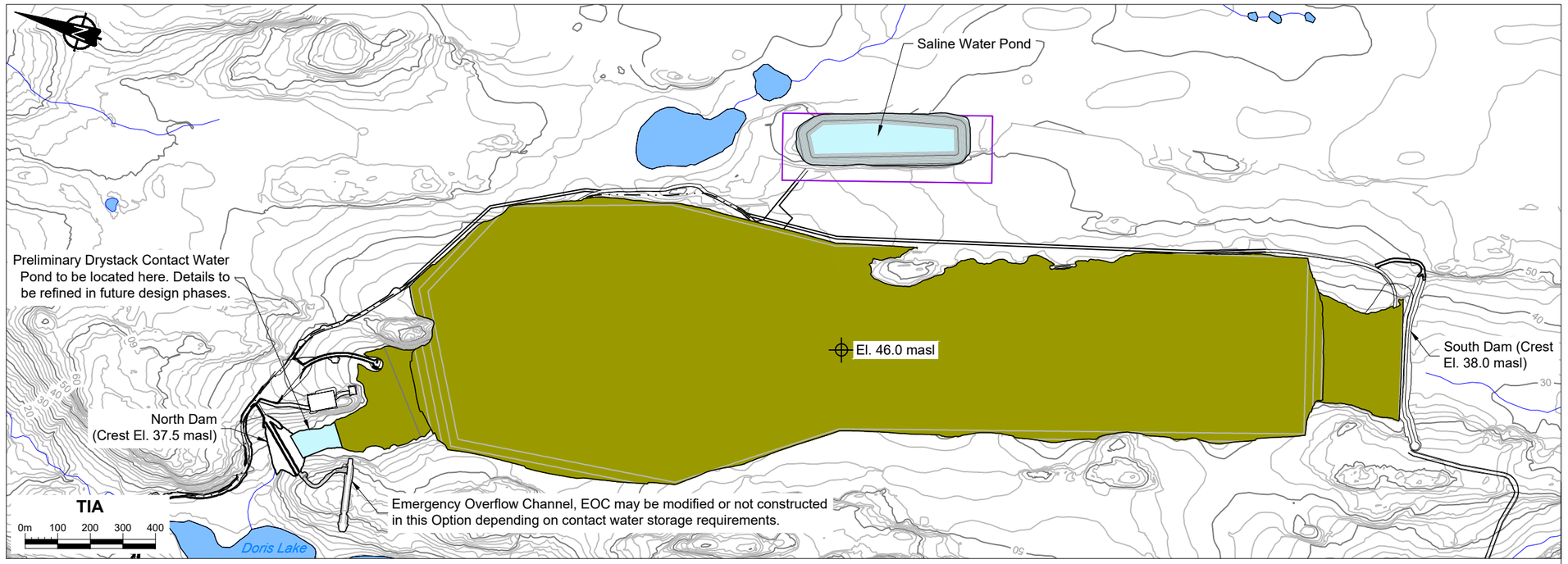

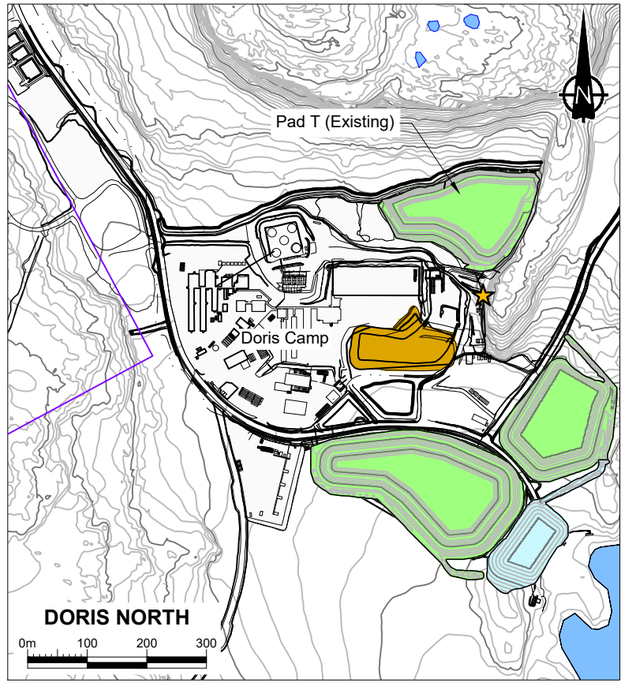

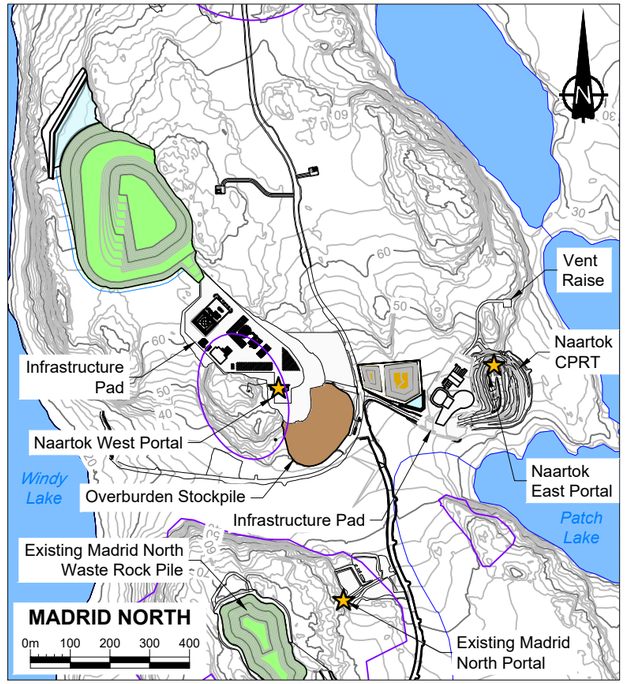

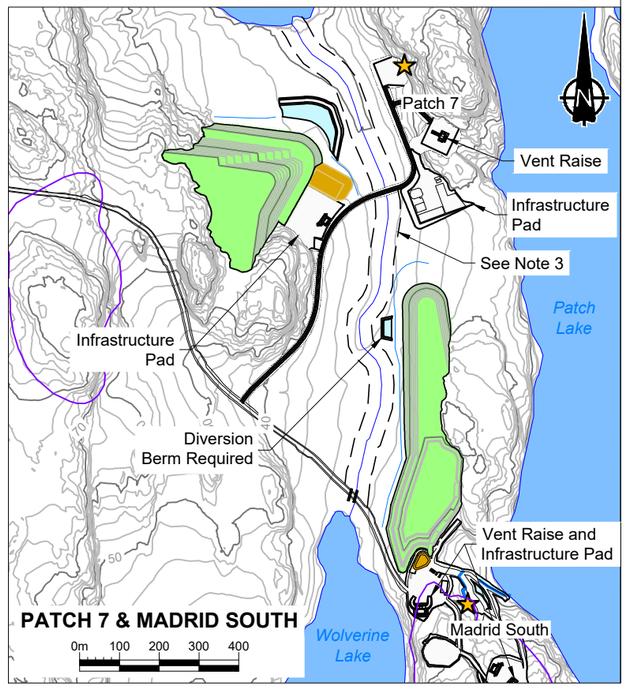

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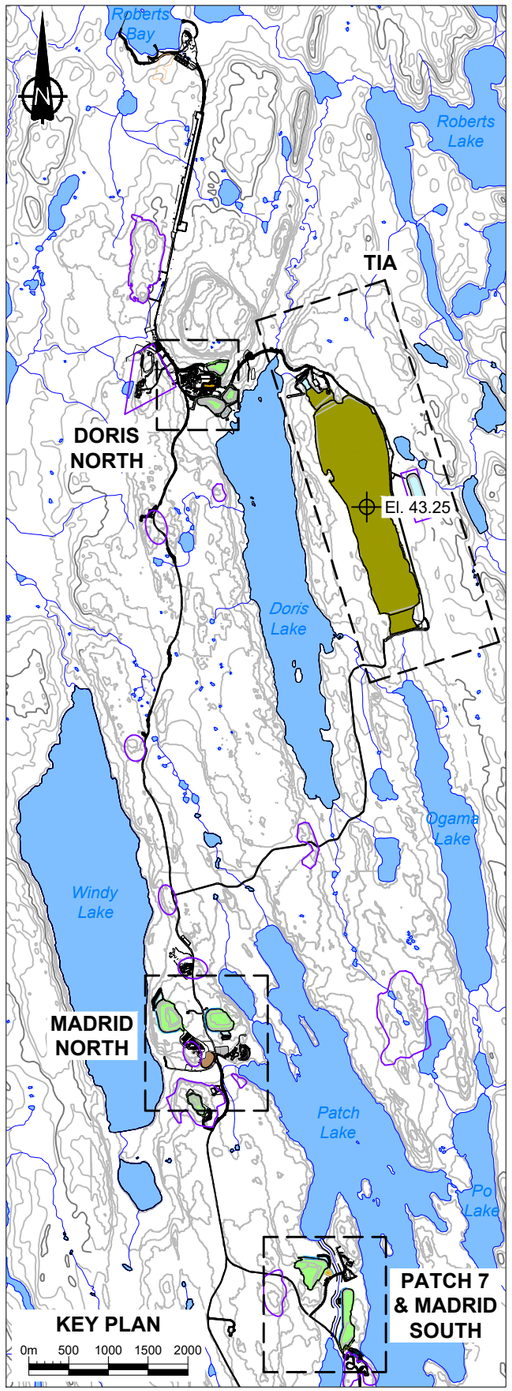

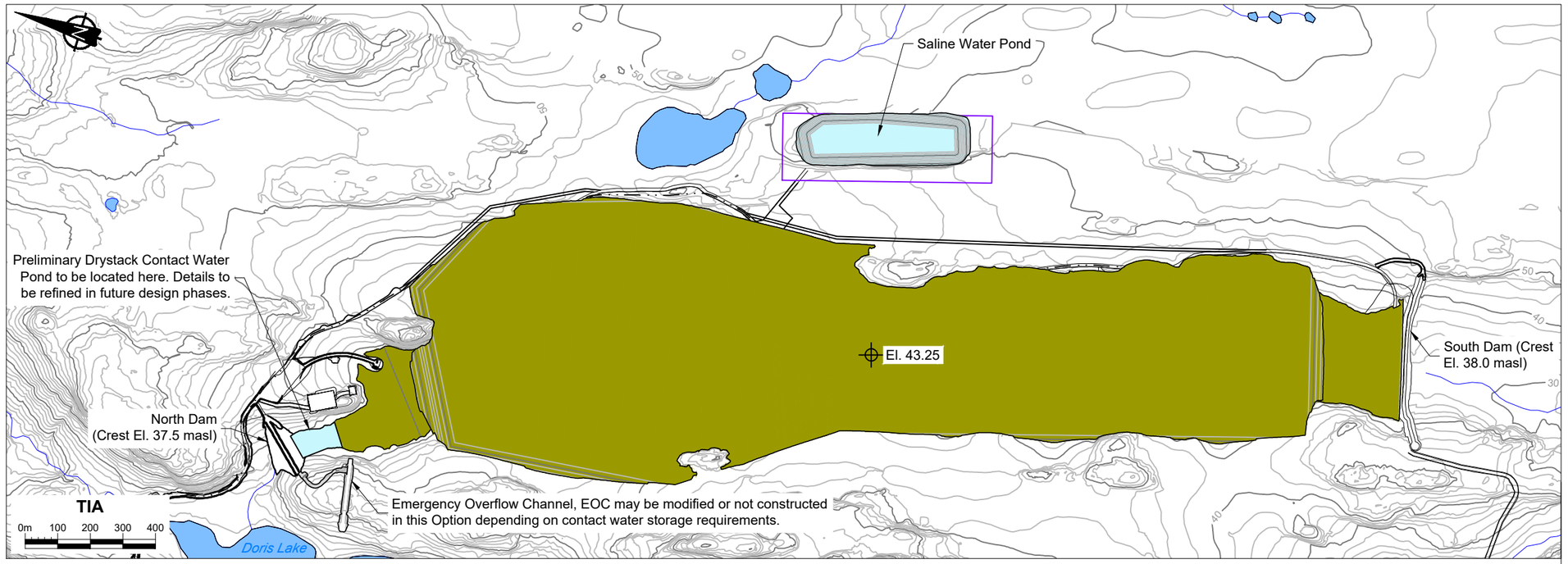

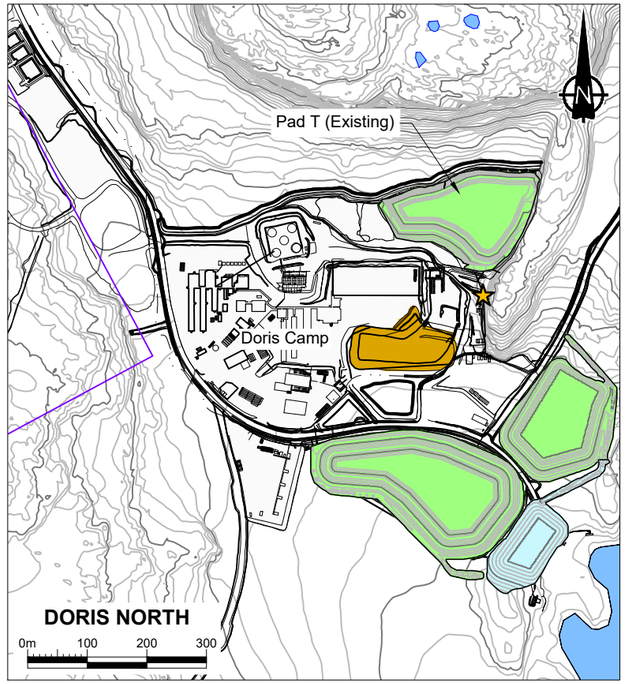

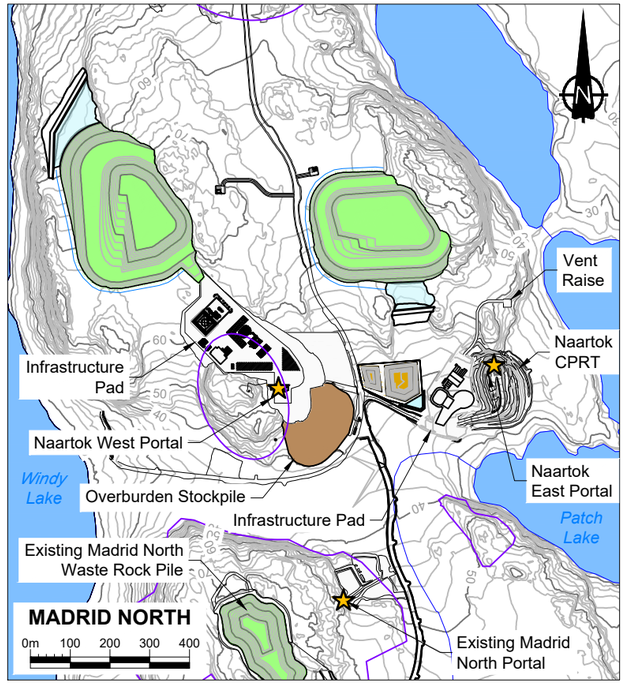

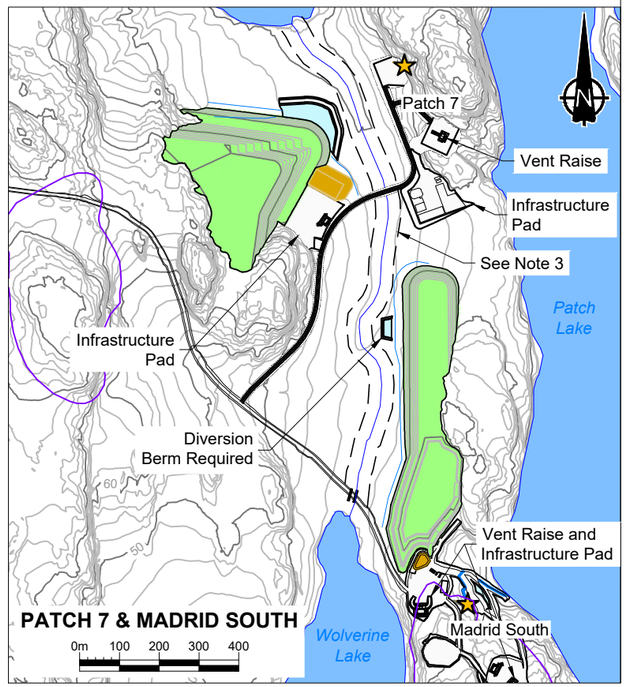

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Option 7 – Dry Stack Tailings and Paste Backfill

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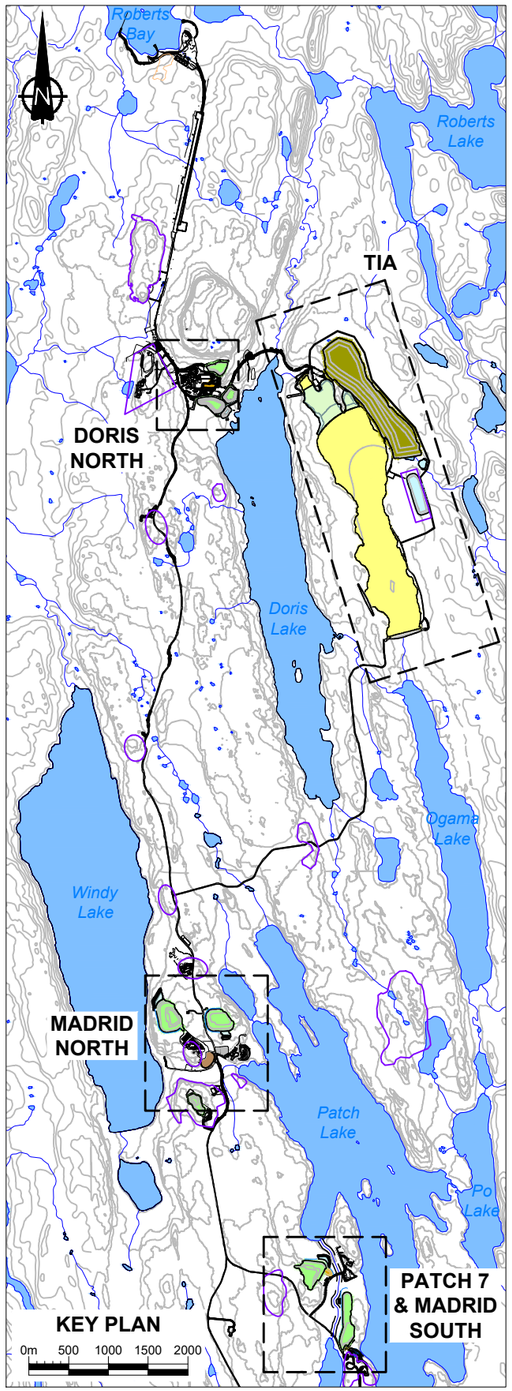

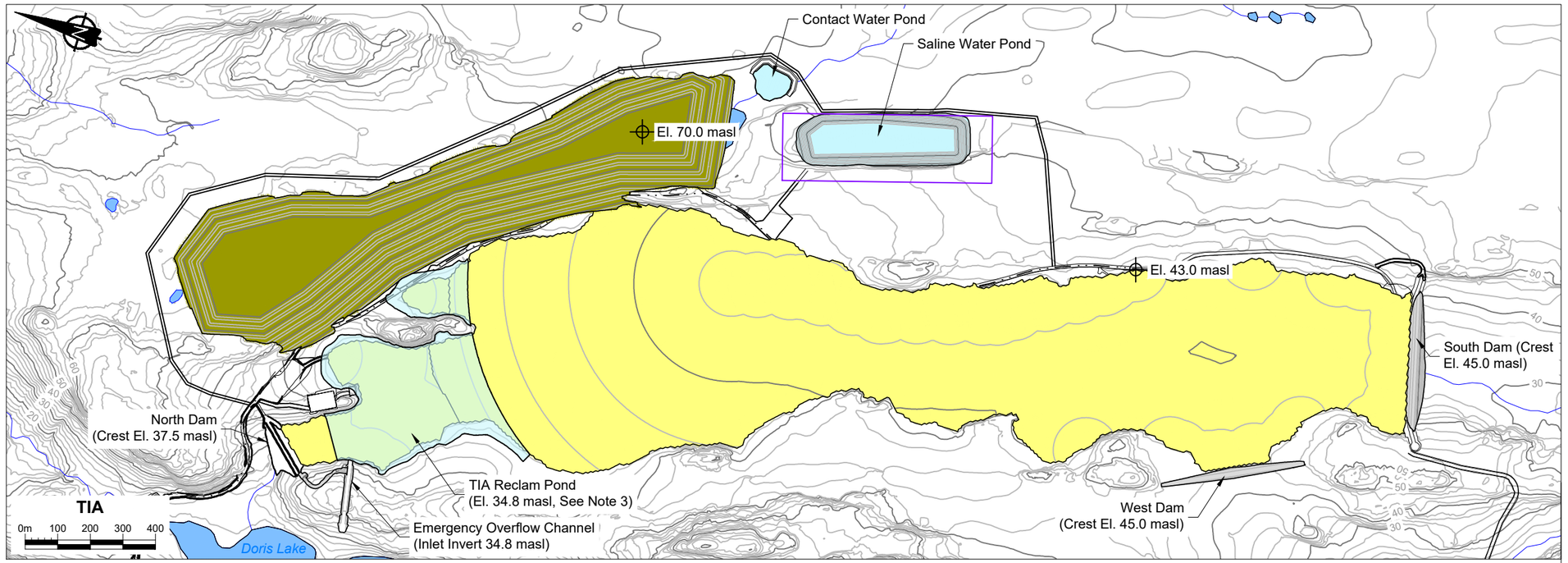

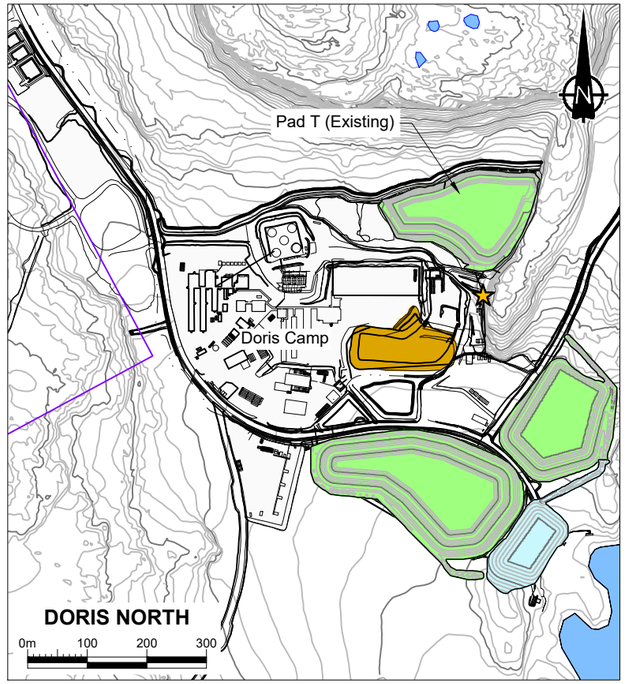

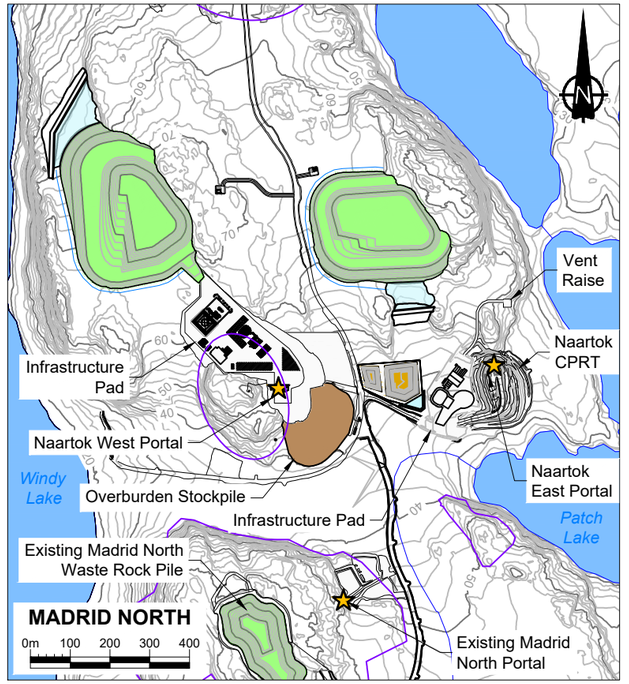

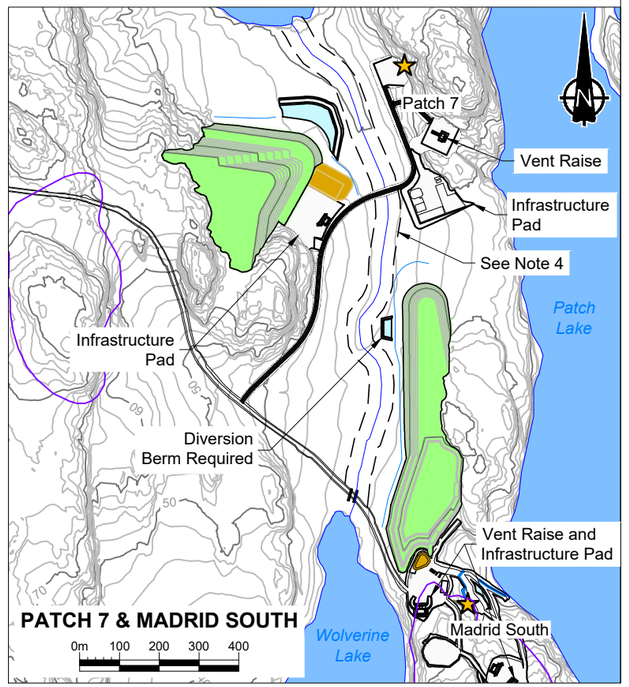

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Option 8 - Hybrid Tailings and a Hybrid of CRF and Paste Backfill

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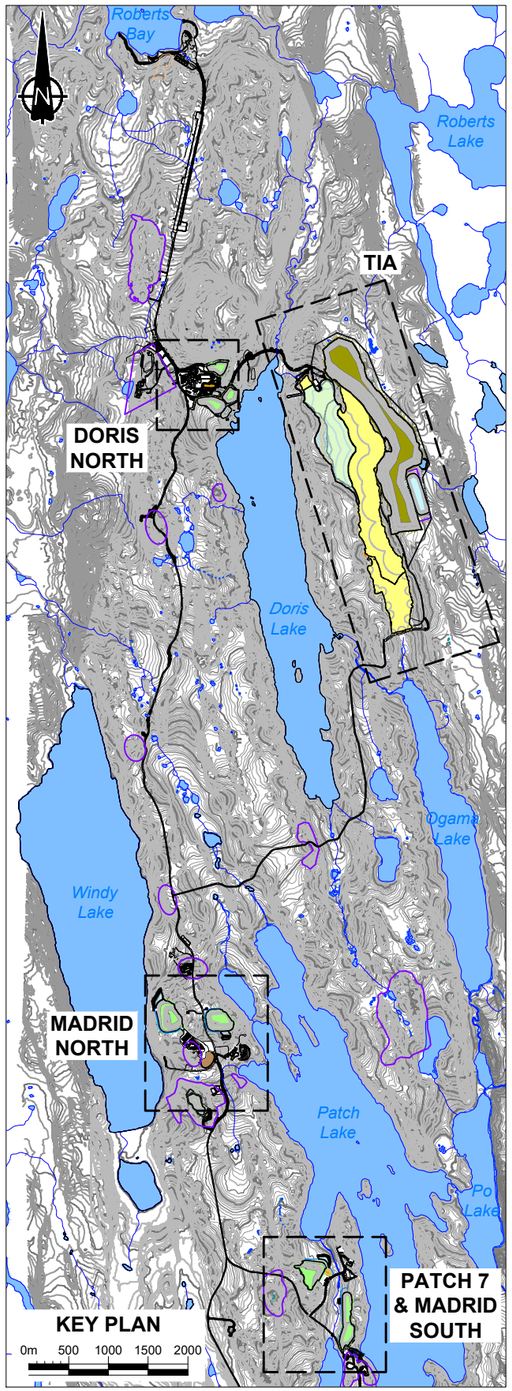

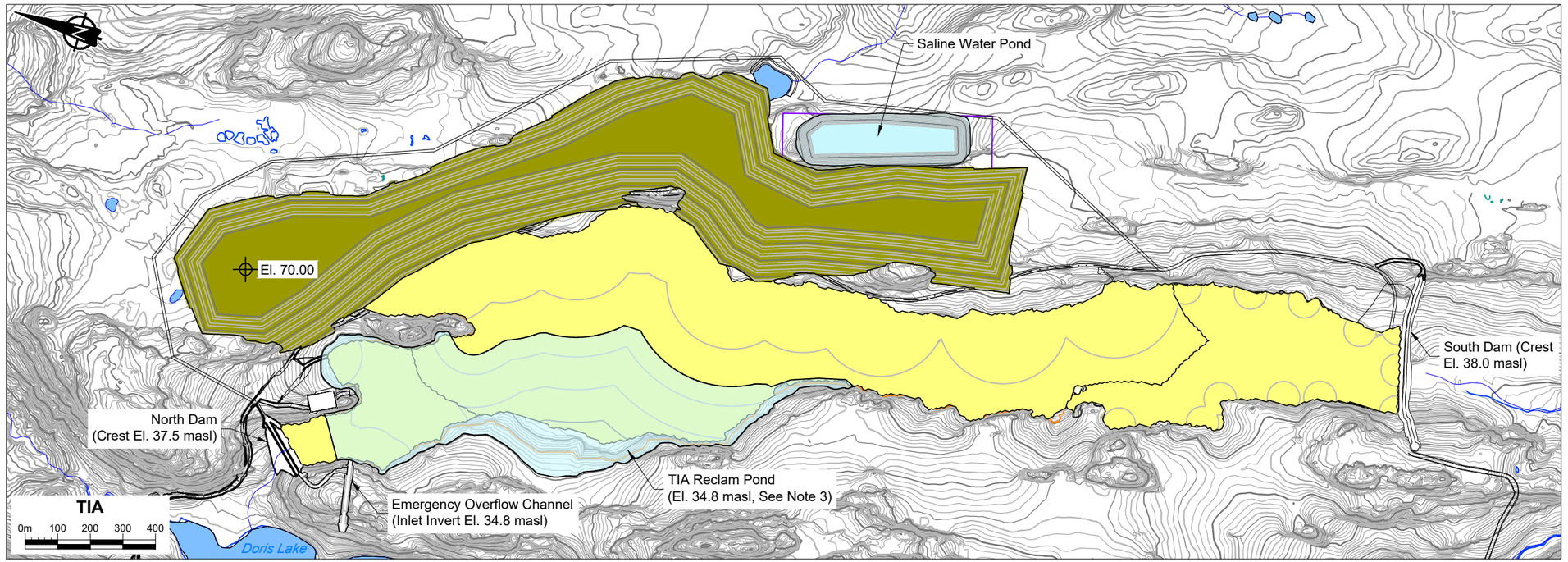

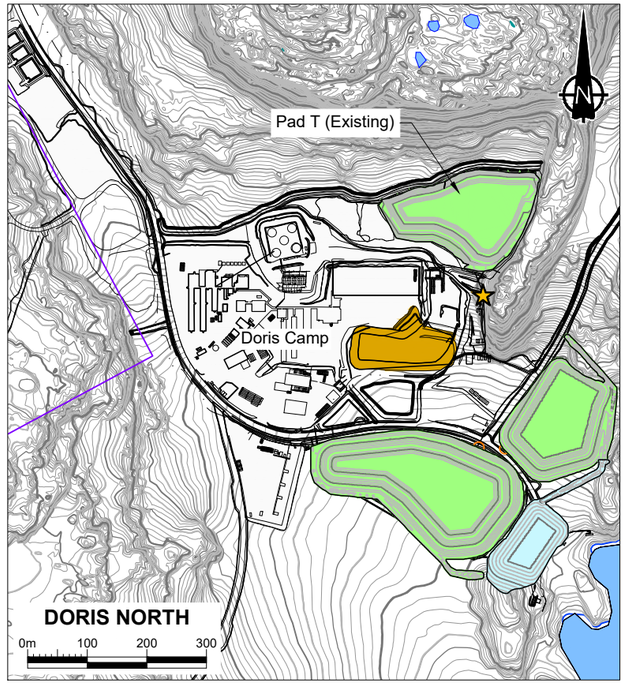

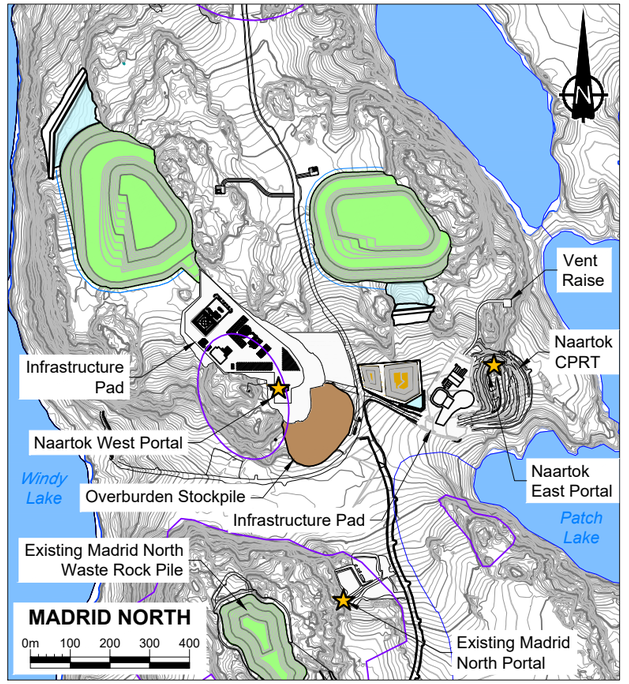

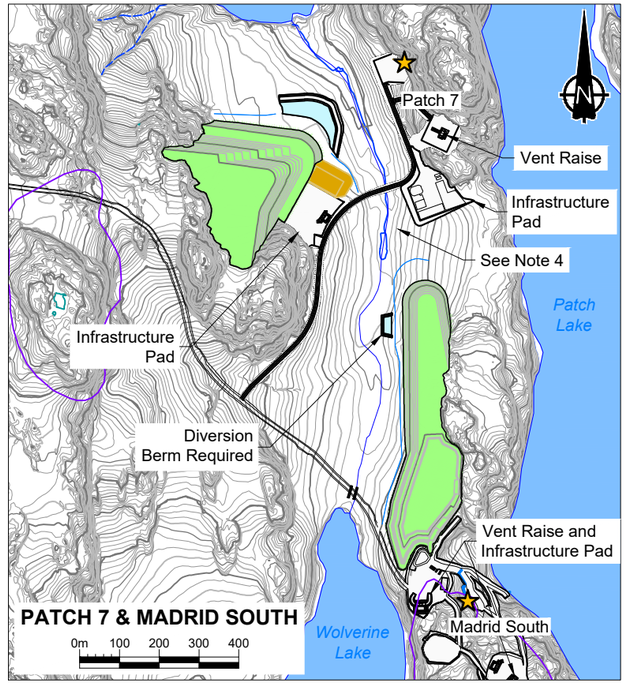

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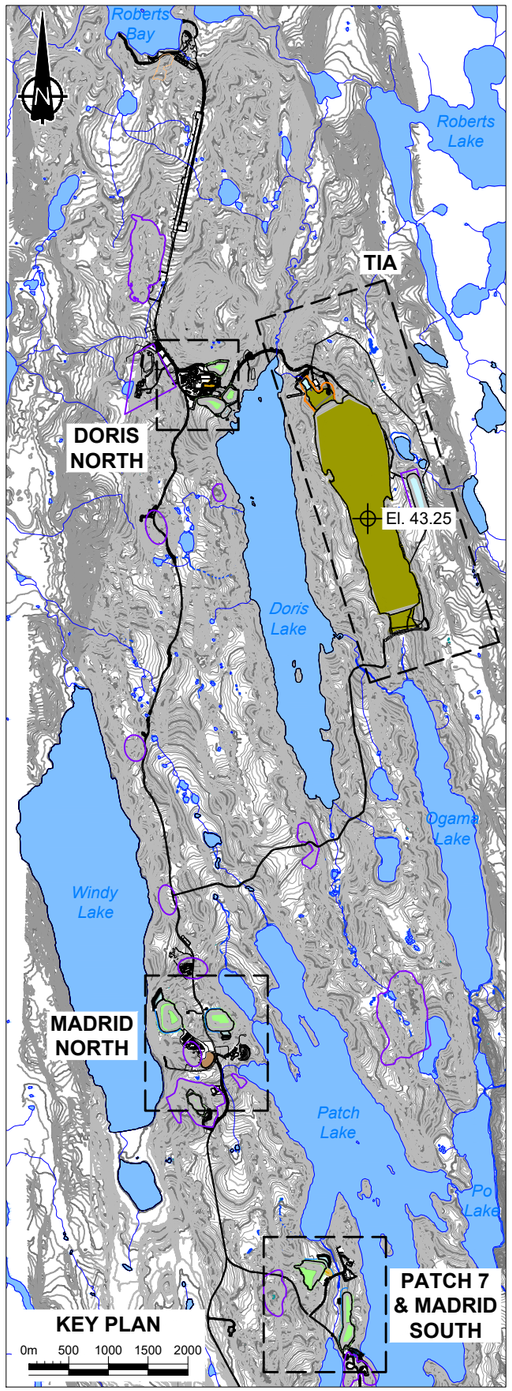

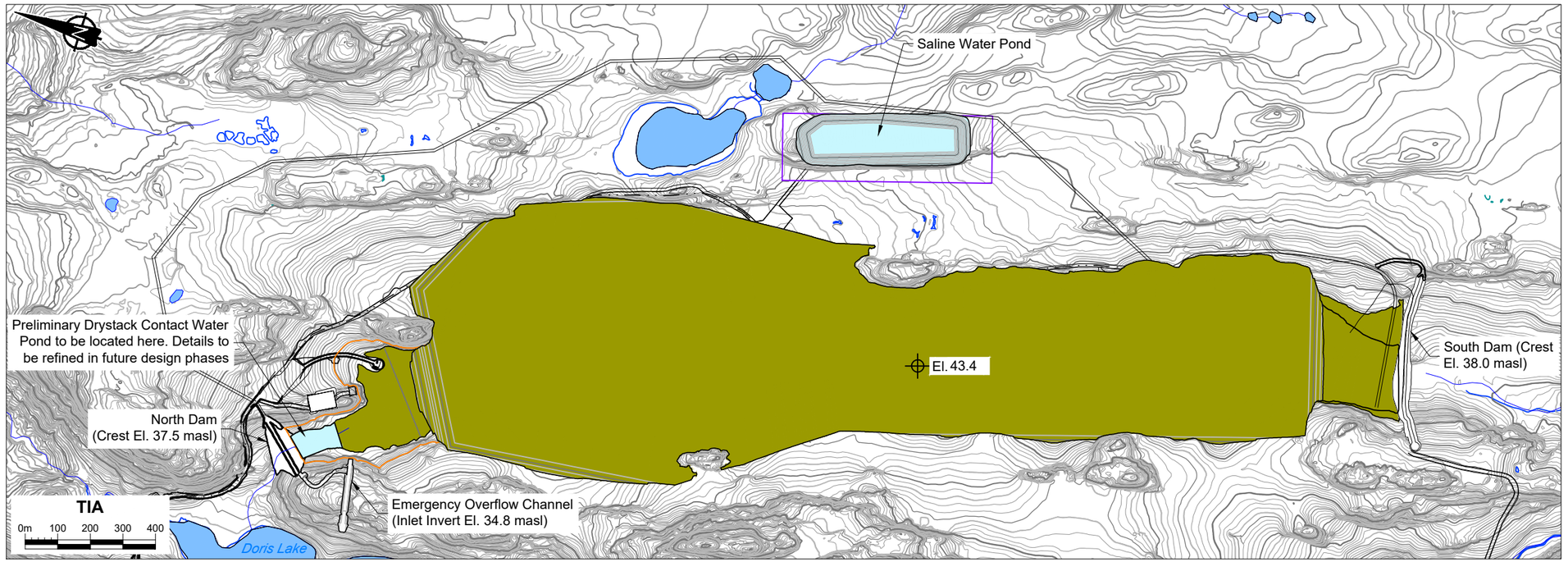

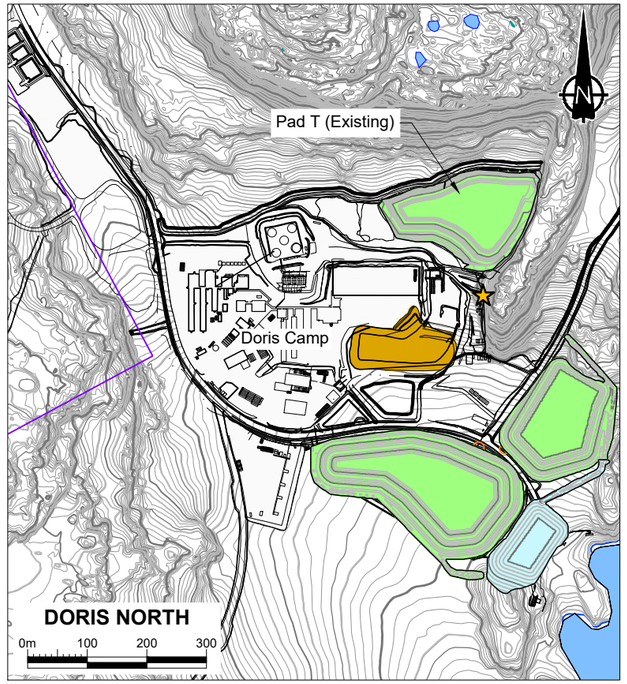

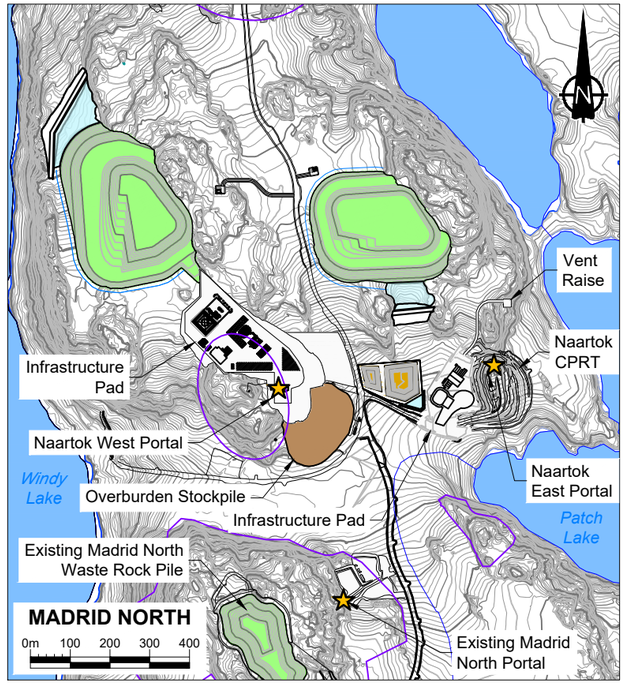

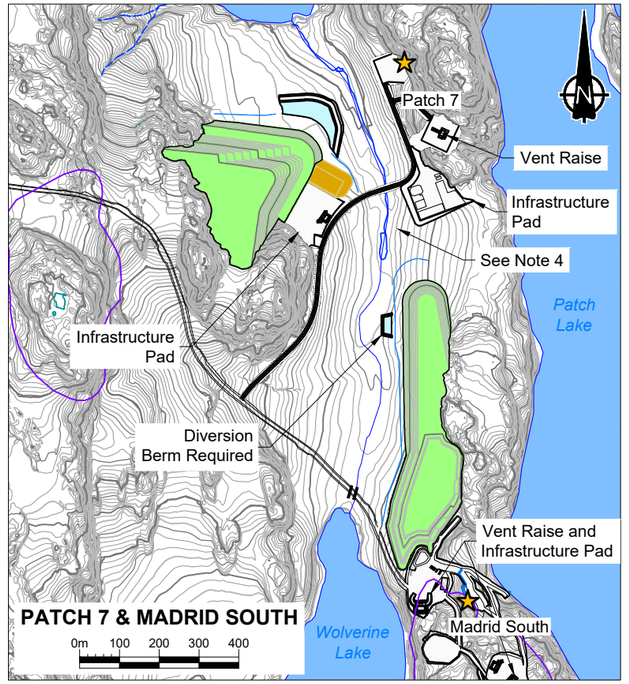

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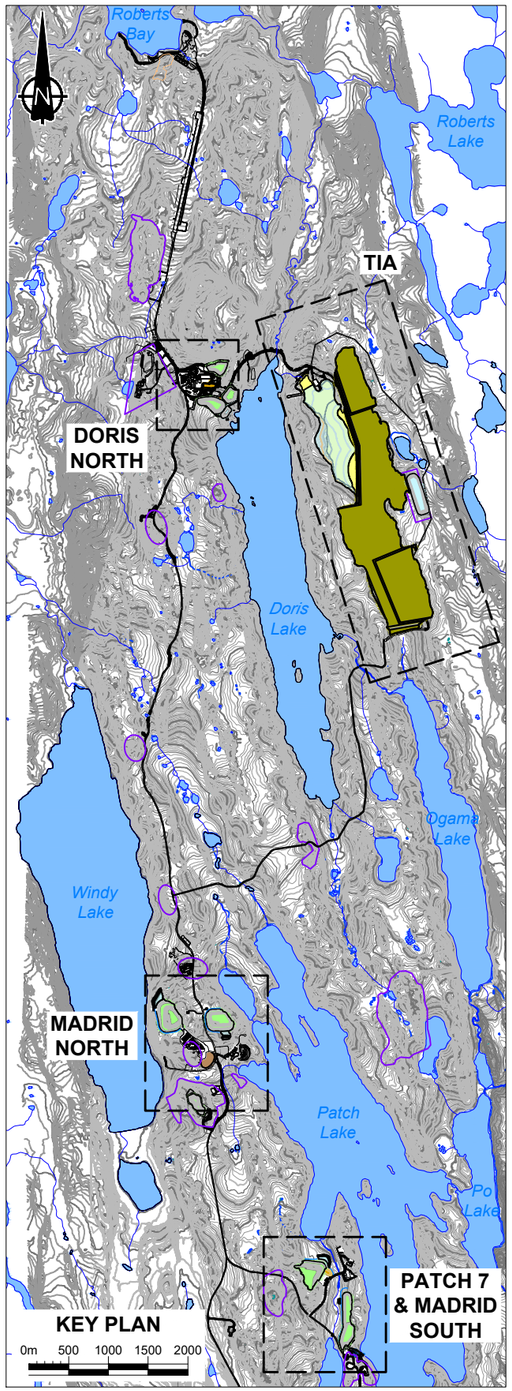

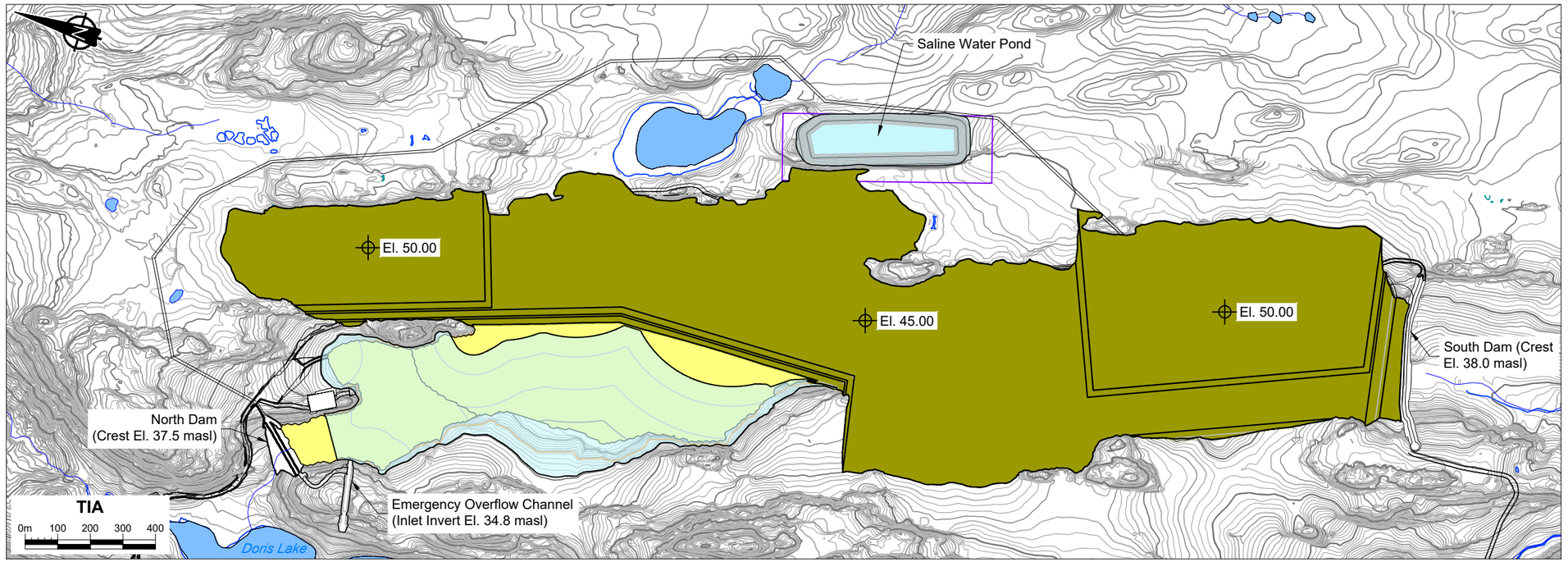

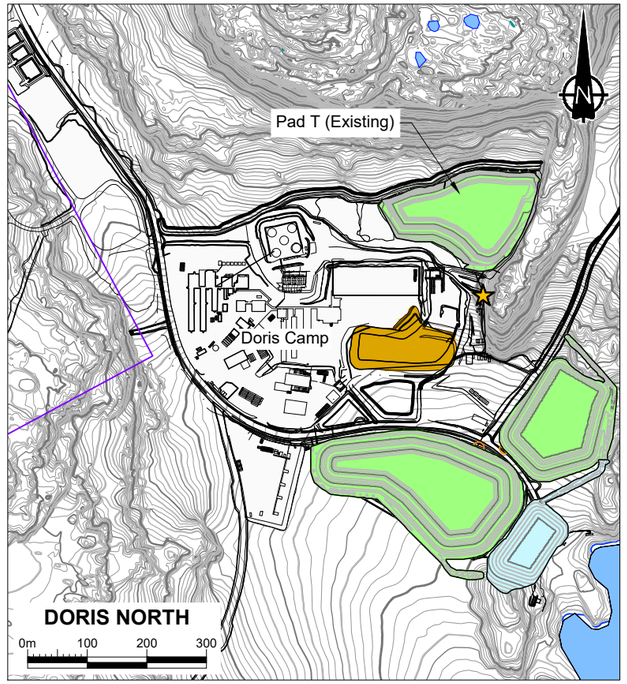

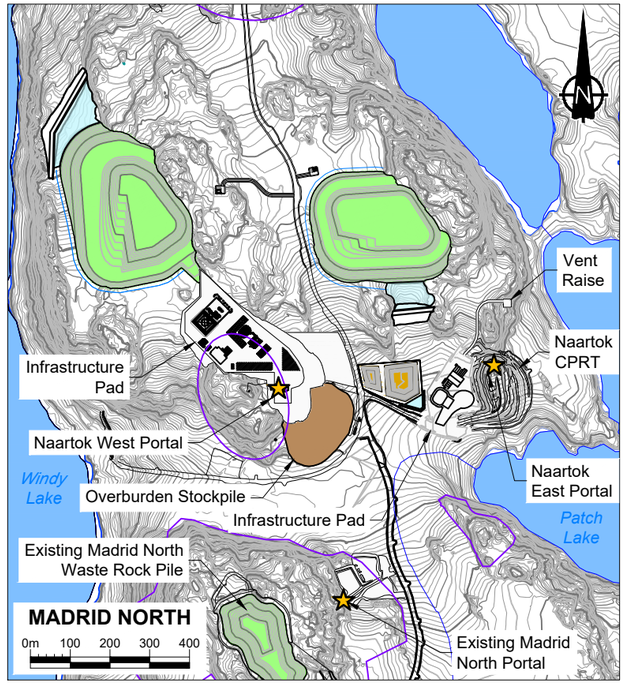

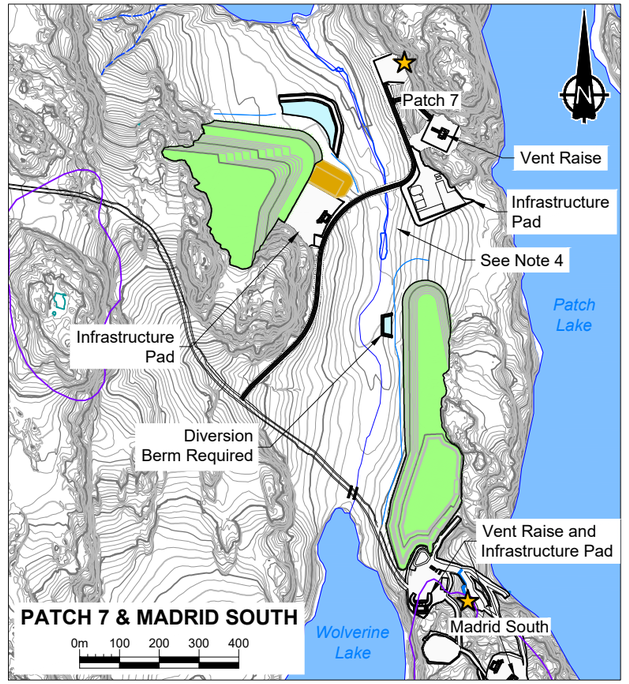

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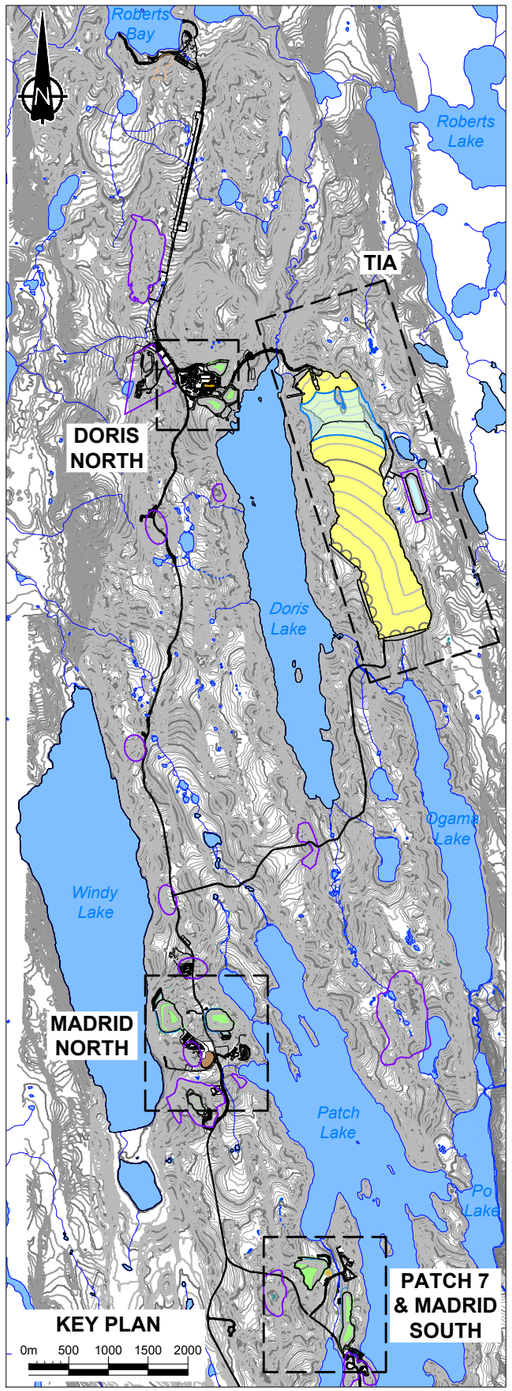

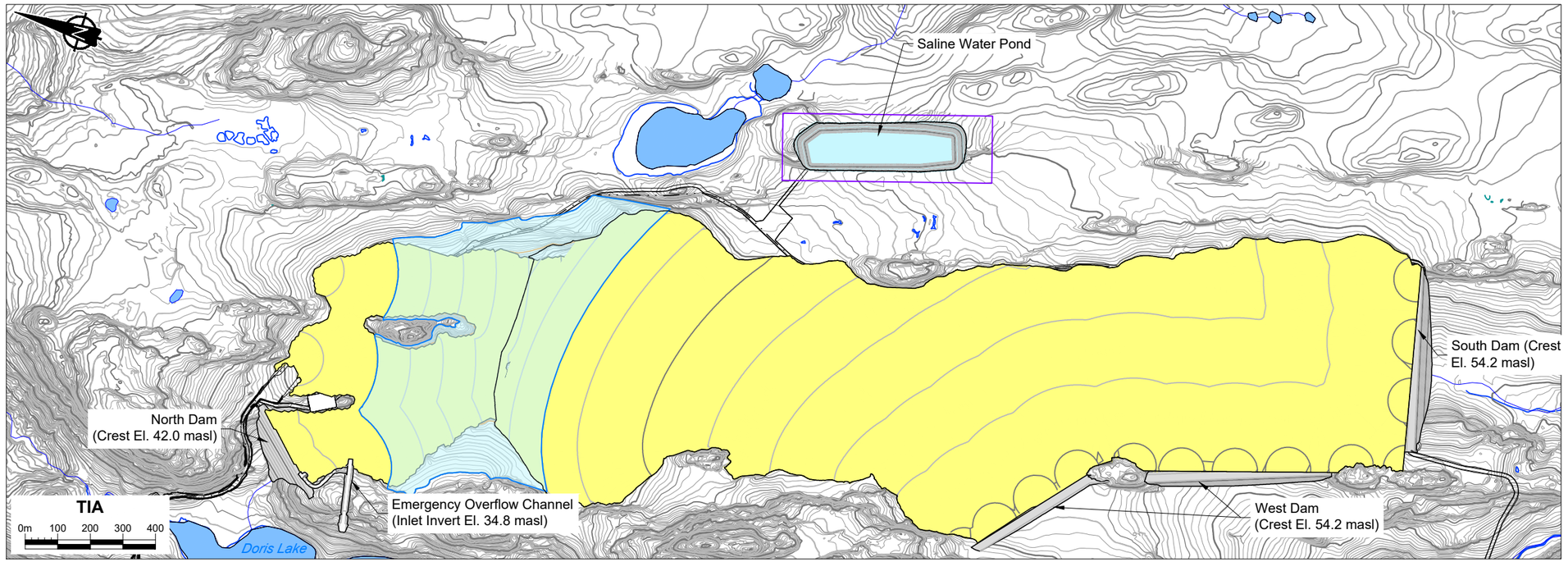

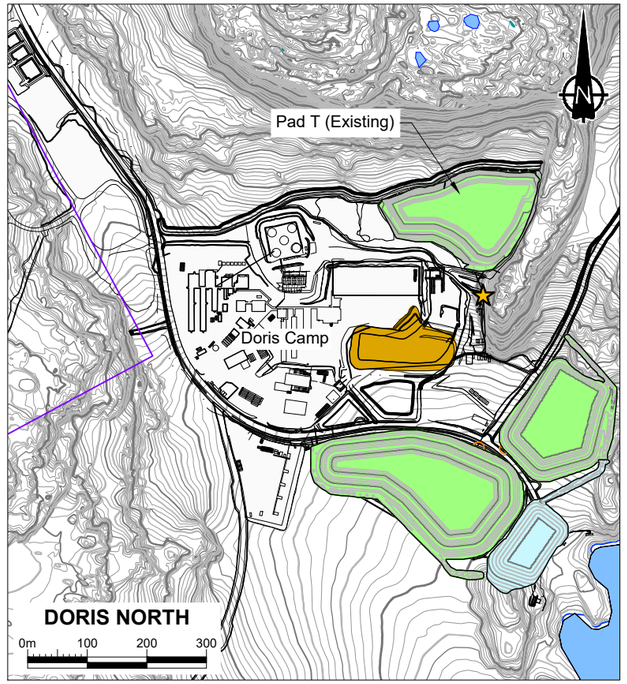

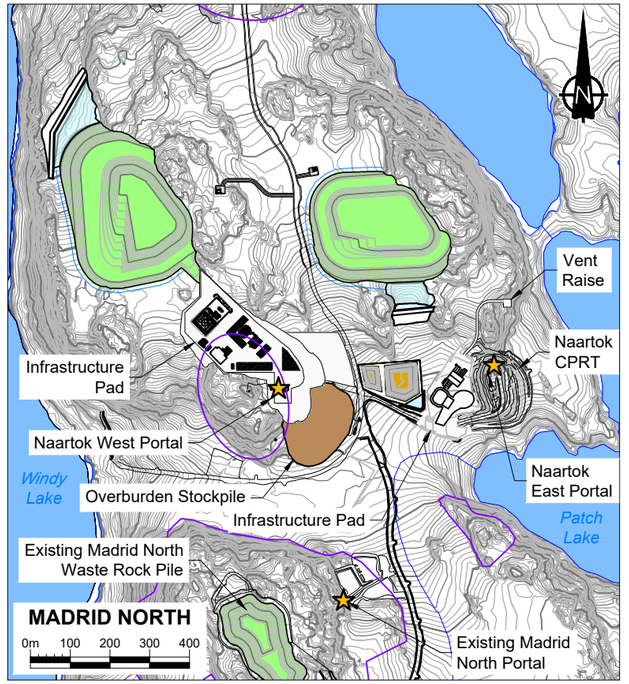

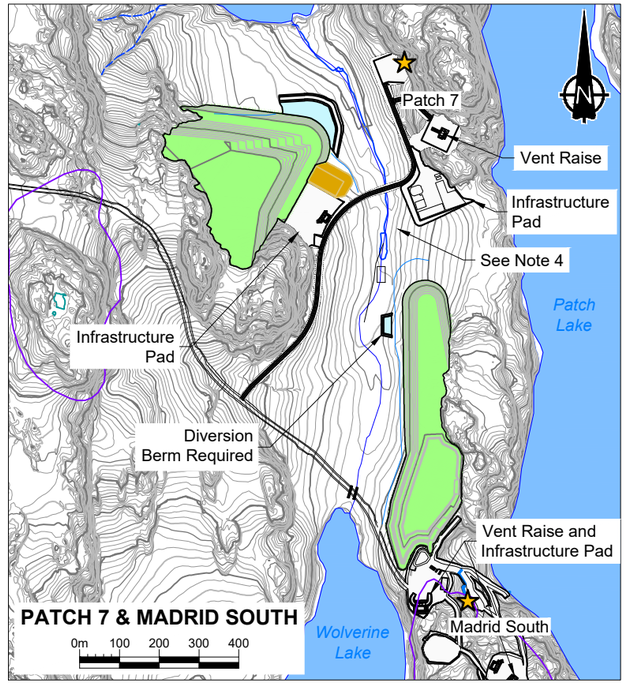

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