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**Re: March 2018 – Monthly Monitoring Report for Water Licence 2AM-DOH1323**

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This report is comprised of monitoring requirements as set out in Part J and Schedule J of water licence 2AM-DOH1323 Amendment 1, and additional requirements from INAC.

During the subject period of this report the focus of activities at Doris North was underground mining, construction, ore processing, water management and environmental compliance. Sampling locations monitored under this licence (seasonally or when facilities are operational) are provided in Figure 3 at the end of this report.

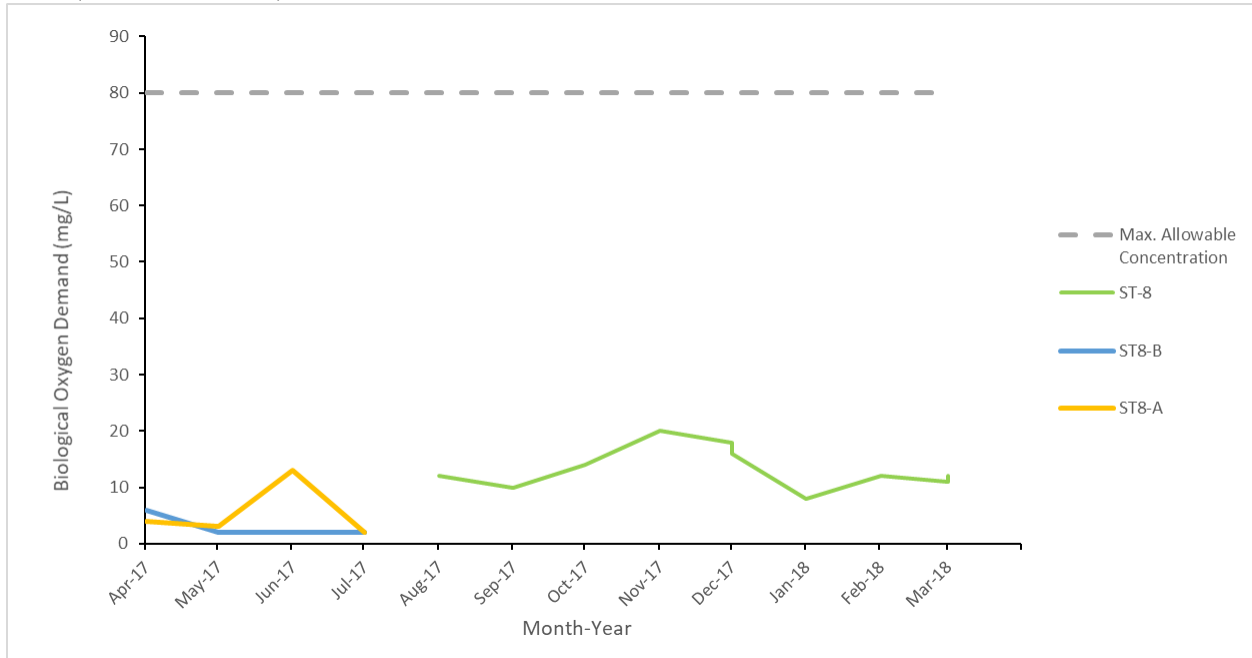
**Site Wide Water Quality Monitoring Program (Part J Items 3, 8, and Schedule J)**

Water quality sampling was conducted in March at monitoring stations identified in Schedule J of the licence (ST-1 through ST-13, TL-1 through TL-12). Water quality samples were not collected for monitoring stations that were inactive during the month being reported (e.g., facilities that had not yet been constructed, were frozen during the month, or were not operationally active). All parameters were compared to the applicable effluent quality limits outlined in Part G of the licence and no exceedances were observed. Results of this monitoring are attached to the report in Appendix A.

In March, groundwater inflow accumulating underground from mine development occurring in the Doris Connector zone continued to be discharged to the Tailings Impoundment Area. Water quality samples of this effluent (TL-12) were collected from the discharge line and submitted for analysis. Results of this monitoring are provided in Appendix A of this report.

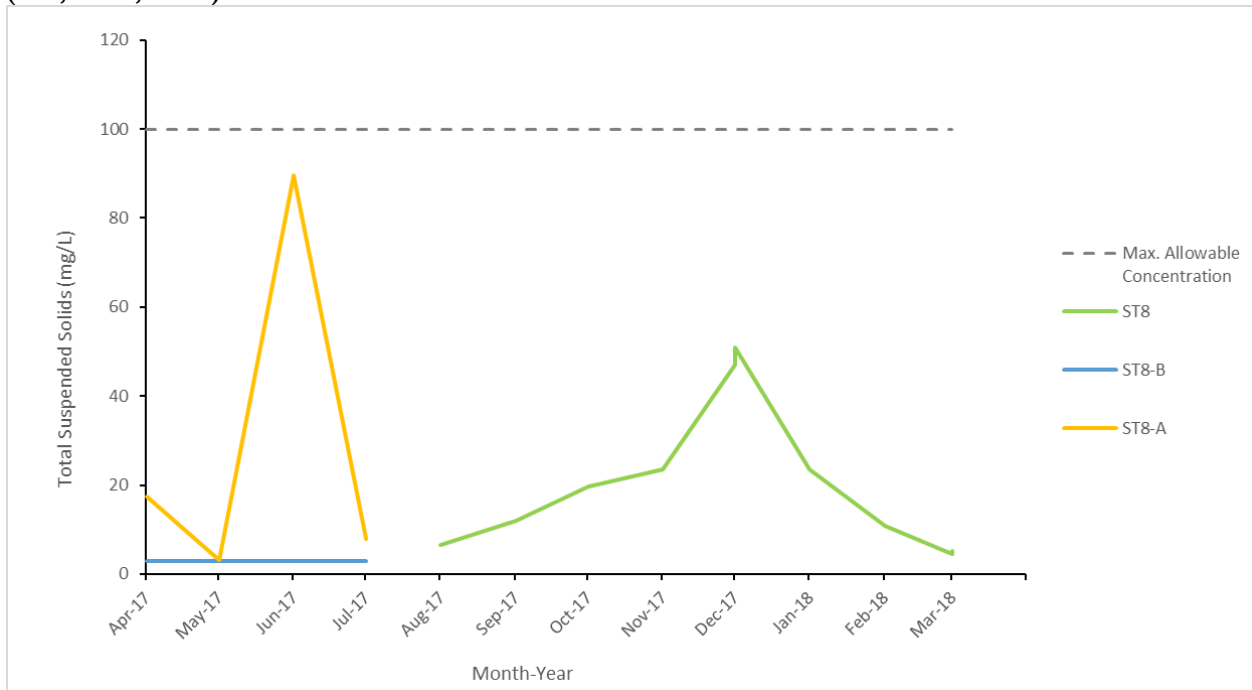
Figure 1 and 2 illustrates effluent quality characteristics for parameters of interest at select monitoring stations.

**Figure 1. Biological Oxygen Demand Results Consistently Below Discharge Criteria for Wastewater Treatment Plant (ST8, ST8A, ST8B)**



Note: Maximum Average Concentration as per Part G Item 4(b).

**Figure 2. Total Suspended Solids Results Consistently Below Discharge Criteria for Wastewater Treatment Plant (ST8, ST8A, ST8B)**



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## Flow and Volume Measurements (Part J Items 11, 12, and Schedule J)

Table 1. Effluent discharge, March 2018

Facility	Station Code	Discharge Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Exceedances of Discharge Criteria	Discharge Location	Licence Reference
Sedimentation Pond	ST-1	0	0	Tailings Impoundment Area	Part G Item 22
Pollution Control Pond #1	ST-2	0	N/A	Tailings Impoundment Area	Part G Item 22
Landfill Sump	ST-3	0	0	Facility not constructed	Part G Item 24 (a, b, g)
Landfarm Sump	ST-4	0	0	Tundra Discharge 13W 432450 7559600	Part G Item 24 (c, d, g)
Doris Tank Farm	ST-5	0	0	Tundra Discharge 13W 432960 7559270	Part G Item 24 (e, f, g)
Rob Bay 5ML Tank Farm	ST-6a	0	0	Tundra Discharge 13W 432973 7563440	Part G Item 24 (e, f, g)
Rob Bay Three 5ML Tank Farm	ST-6b	0	0	Tundra Discharge 13W 432730 7563200	Part G Item 24 (e, f, g)
Wastewater Treatment Plant, Effluent	ST-8	1,184	0	Tundra Discharge 13W 432933 7559057	Part G Item 23(b-d)
Wastewater Treatment Plant, Sewage Sludge	N/A	28.4	N/A	Tailings Impoundment Area	Part J Item 12 (g)
Reagent and Cyanide Storage Facility Sump	ST-11	0	0	Tailings Impoundment Area	Part G Item 23 (a)
Pollution Control Pond #2	ST-13	0	0	Facility not constructed	Part G Item 22
Mine Water Discharge	TL-12	9,264	N/A	Tailings Impoundment Area	Schedule J Table 2

Records of visual monitoring of discharge to tundra are maintained on file as per Part J Item 18.

Table 2. Discharge from TIA to Doris Creek, March 2018

Month	Number of days of discharge	Discharge Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Exceedances of Discharge Criteria*
January	0	0	0
February	0	0	0
March	0	0	0
<b>Annual Cumulative</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

\* Discharge criteria outlined in Part G Items 29, 30, 31 and Part J Item 8.

A comparison of flows between TL-4 and TL-2 as per Part G Item 32 of the licence was not conducted as no water was discharged for the Tailings Impoundment Area to Doris Creek this month.

**Table 3. Water usage, March 2018**

Month	Windy Lake (ST-7A)	Doris Lake (ST-7)					Mine Inflow	Total Usage
	Domestic Water* (m³)	Domestic Water* (m³)	Surface Exploration (m³)	Industrial Usage** (m³)	Dust Suppression (m³)	Winter Track (m³)	Industrial Usage ^ (m³)	
January	1,051	0	0	0	0	119	433	1,603
February	1,277	0	0	34	0	136	0	1,447
March	1,231	0	0	29	0	0	0	1,260
<b>Annual Total</b>	3,559	0	0	63	0	255	433	4,310
<b>Annual Allowance</b>	<b>22,995</b>							<b>480,000</b>

\* As permitted by water licences 2BE-HOP1222 and 2AM-DOH1323

\*\* Includes industrial uses such as underground drilling, core processing, concrete batching, etc.

^ Discharge of groundwater inflow from mine development in the Doris Connector zone to the Tailings Impoundment Area began in February. Mine water inflow is no longer being recycled into underground sumps for use in mining activities. The volume of inflow discharged to the TIA is presented in Table 1 above.

**Table 4. Volume of Reclaim Water from the TIA, March 2018**

Month	Reclaim Water (m³) *
January	82,577
February	69,744
March	78,864
<b>Annual Cumulative</b>	<b>231,185</b>

\* As per Part J Item 11(d)

Numbers rounded to the nearest cubic meter.

Table 5. Waste Rock and Process Volumes, March 2018

Month	Waste Rock Management					Underground Void Space			Ore Processing and Tailings Management		
	Produced from Mining Activity (tonnes)*	Backfilled Directly to Underground Stopes (tonnes)*	Returned Underground from Temporary Waste Rock Pile* (tonnes)	Moved to Temporary Waste Rock Pile (tonnes)*	Cumulative on Temporary Waste Rock Pile (tonnes)	Volume Created from Mining Activities (tonnes)	Cumulative Volume Available for Backfill (tonnes)	Cumulative Volume Available for Backfill (m³)	Quantity of Ore Processed** (tonnes)	Total Dry Tailings Placed in TIA** (tonnes)	Total Dry Cyanide Leach Tailings Placed Underground** (tonnes)
December Balance	-	-	-	-	542,884	-	774,674	277,762	-	-	-
January	22,951	25,584	0	0	542,884	10,632	785,306	281,559	25,219	23,916	1,304
February	21,415	20,308	0	1,107	543,991	8,058	793,364	284,437	27,036	25,615	1,434
March	27,092	20,360	0	6,732	550,723	13,547	806,911	289,096	31,375	30,366	1,008
Cumulative Total	71,458	66,252	0	7,839	550,723	32,237	806,911	289,096	83,630	79,897	3,746

\* As per Part J Item 11(e, f)

\*\* As per Part J Item 12.

Note: Void space created from mining activities is determined as the sum of the initial void space as calculated in March 2017 and void space created each month from mining activities. A negative volume of void space created in a month indicates that a higher volume of waste rock and dry cyanide leach tailings was returned underground compared to the volume of void space created from new mining activities.

**Table 7. Doris Lake Water Level (ST-12), March 2018**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Minimum Water Level (masl)</b>	<b>Maximum Water Level (masl)</b>	<b>Mean Water Level (masl)</b>	<b>Monthly Water Level Variation (masl)**</b>	<b>Comparison of Mean Water Level from Month to Month (masl)^</b>	<b>Low Action Level Trigger (masl)*</b>
January	21.672	21.689	21.679	0.017	0.003	21.346
February	21.674	21.689	21.681	0.015	0.002	21.346
March	21.681	21.694	21.686	0.013	0.005	21.346

\* Low action level trigger is relative to the average water level value (September 10-30, 2017) measured in Doris Lake. Low action level trigger (-0.42 m) outlined in Section 5.4 of the Doris Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan, September 2016.

\*\* Monthly Water Level Variation is calculated as the difference between the Maximum Water Level and the Minimum Water Level measured during the month.

^ Comparison of the change in water level from month to month. This value is calculated by subtracting the Mean Water Level of the current month from the Mean Water Level of the previous month (e.g. February Mean Water level - January Mean Water level). A positive value from this calculation indicates a rise in water level since the previous month; a negative value from this calculation indicates a drop in water level since the previous month.

### **Summary of Assessments of Water Balance and Water Quality Model (Part G Item 34)**

Average monthly water quality, hydrologic, and climatic monitoring data were collected while in operations during March. Data will contribute to the assessment of the water and load balance model, and will be compared to the predicted water quality and elevation within the TIA and will be reported in the annual report for 2018.

### **Thermal Monitoring (Part J Items 13 and 14)**

Thermal monitoring undertaken as per Part J Items 13, 14 and Schedule J is reported in the annual Geotechnical Report.

### **Doris North Camp Diversion Berm Effectiveness (Part J Item 19(d))**

Visual monitoring was conducted during March to evaluate the diversion berm's efficacy of diverting runoff away from the camp pad. The diversion berm was observed to be functioning as per its design purpose.

### **Incident Reporting**

**Spill #18-066** - On March 2, 2018 the Wastewater Treatment Plant operator was conducting routine checks of the kitchen lift-station and discovered pooling water inside the lift-station enclosure on the east side of the kitchen building. The spill occurred from a heat-traced, insulated PVC pipe used to drain the kitchen dishwasher into the lift-station. The PVC pipe had been in place since the original installation and it is believed that the high temperatures of the commercial dishwasher caused the pipe to deteriorate over time causing it to break and release the spill.

Upon discovery of the spill, a sump was dug inside the lift-station enclosure and a small pump was used to recover the pooling greywater into plastic totes. An estimated 1500L of kitchen greywater was released. This material was treated through the wastewater treatment plant.

TMAC internally reviewed the incident and identified the following corrective actions:

- The PVC drain pipe has been replaced with a pipe made of appropriate heat resistant material; and
- Appropriate heat resistant pipe will be selected in all future commercial dishwasher installations.

Should there be any questions regarding this monthly report, please contact Oliver Curran at [Oliver.Curran@tmacresources.com](mailto:Oliver.Curran@tmacresources.com).

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Figure 3. 2AM-DOH-1323 SNP Monitoring Locations

