

2019-09-02 MBK Goose Pit Tailings

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report (2019-361) submitted September 2, 2019 by Agnico Eagle Meadowbank division. This detailed report is submitted to the Inspector in compliance with the conditions under the Nunavut Water Board License 2AM-MEA1526, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

During an inspection of the goose pit tailings deposition point at Meadowbank, it was observed that some tailings had splashed outside of the berm surrounding the goose pit tailings storage facility.





Location Coordinates of the spill: Northing 65'00'23" Easting 96'03'11" on IOL

There were no off site impact or discharge to any receiving watercourses. The distance to the closest lake is estimated at 125 meters.

Cause of Spill

High winds were causing some of the tailings to splash over the berm of the goose pit TSF.

Remediation Actions

The berm receiving the tailings splash back from the wind was immediately excavated and placed back inside the goose pit TSF (approximately 24m3). New material was placed on the ground so a higher and longer berm could be constructed around the deposition point. The discharge pipe will also be extended further into the TSF to reduce the potential for splash back during high winds.





Corrective measures

Any future deposition points along the upper bench of the goose pit TSF will have a similar berm constructed to prevent any tailings splash back during high winds.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Meadowbank site on September 2, 2019 and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

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