



Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Mary River Project

Surface Water and Aquatic Ecosystems Management Plan

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1. Introduction

In accordance with Part B, Item 15 of Baffinland's Type A Water Licence No. 2AM-MRY13245 for the Mary River Project, the licensee will update and revise this management plan within sixty (60) days of issuance of the Licence. This plan has been updated to take into account commitments made with respect to submission received during the preliminary and technical review of Application documents, as well as final submissions and issues raised during Public Hearing Process. The year 2013 is a regulatory transition year that will see the granting of a new Type B licence (8BC-MRY1314)) which allows for site preparation that includes the construction of limited infrastructure prior to the receipt of the Type A Water Licence (2AM-MRY1325). In consideration of this, project environmental management plans have been updated to support the 2013 Work Plan (see Appendix B) which spans the applicability between the existing Type B Water Licence(2BB-MRY1114),, proposed revised Type B Water Licence(8BC-MRY1314) as well as the incorporation of the Type A Water Licence(2AM-MRY1325).

The Surface Water and Aquatic Ecosystems Management Plan presented, herein, replaces the current Site Water Management Plan (Revision 5, dated March 2012) and is an update to the plan presented in the in the NIRB Annual Report March 29, 2013. This Plan supports activities of the 2013 Work Plan under the old Type B Water Licence, existing Type B and the transition to the new Type A Water Licence. The Plan presents site drainage plans for the Milne Port and Mine Sites as well as mitigation strategies which is a requirement under the Type A Water Licence. The monitoring points on the Site Drainage drawings presented in Appendix D have been updated and can be seen on Site Monitoring Drawings in Appendix E of this plan.

The Plan, herein, is also intended to address specific terms and conditions under the NIRB Project Certificate. To this end, a concordance table is provided in Appendix A.

1.1 Purpose

The "Surface Water and Aquatic Ecosystem Management Plan" (the plan) outlines the processes and procedures to document the quality and quantity of water that will interact with Project components over the life of the Project. It includes management practices to limit the potential for adverse impacts to receiving waters, aquatic ecosystems, fish and fish habitat. The Plan details the management of drainage and runoff systems at Project facilities and addresses point and non-point discharges to surface waters from Project components and discharge quality and quantity relative to the receiving water system.

The plan outlines specific mitigation measures required for stream/river crossings works as well as for general operation and construction activities in proximity of water courses. The Plan identifies the roles and responsibilities, specific requirements, and mitigation and management actions for erosion and sedimentation controls for the Project. The Plan includes methods for controlling erosion for both temporary and long-term stabilization efforts.





The Plan has been updated to support the 2013 Work Plan activities for the Project and will be updated subsequently throughout the Project life as a condition of the company's water licenses.

1.2 Regulatory Requirements

Water use is regulated by the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) through the water licensing process. As discussed in Section 1., The Year 2013 is a transition phase which will allow for site preparation involving the construction of minor infrastructure under the existing Type B water licence and will be followed by activities under the approved Type A Water Licence (2AM-MRY1325) Work Plan and related site plans for Milne Port and the Mine Site that illustrate the sequence of work for 2013 relative to the existing and future regulatory framework.

1.3 Relationship to Other Management Plans

This plan should be viewed in concert with all the other Environmental Monitoring and Mitigation Plans as it is an integral part of each EMMP. As well, this Plan should be viewed with the following management plans:

- Health, Safety and Environmental Management Framework, FEIS, Appendix 3B
- Environmental Design Basis (FEIS, Appendix 3B, Attachment 3)
- Environmental Protection Plan (FEIS, Appendix 3B, Attachment 5) to be updated after Type A Water Licence is issued.
- Comprehensive Environmental Monitoring Plan updated March 2013.
- Emergency Response and Spill Contingency Plan updated March 2013
- Milne Port and Steensby Port Oil Pollution Emergency Plan Milne Port OPEP to be updated prior to 2013 Shipping Season
- Explosives Management Plan to be updated after Type A Water Licence is issued.
- Waste Rock Management Plan (FEIS, Appendix 3B, Attachment 5, to be updated prior to commencement of mining operations)
- Borrow Pits and Quarry Management Plan (updated March 2013).

1.4 Baffinland's Commitment

Baffinland provides adequate resources to implement and maintain the EHS Management System including the necessary human, material and financial resources. Baffinland's Sustainable Development and Health, Safety & Environment Policies are presented in Section 2.0.

1.5 Update of this Management Plan

This Plan is intended to be a "living document" and its content reflects the activities described in the 2013 Work Plan (Appendix B) on the Project site as well as providing an overview of water management activities that are proposed and presented under the Project Description, FEIS Volume 3. Throughout the course of the Project, the Plan will be regularly updated on







the basis of Work Plan development and changes, management reviews (as outlined in Section 11), incident investigations, regulatory changes or other Project related changes. Commencement of the Construction Phase in 2013 is a major milestone for the Project.

2. Sustainable Development Policy



1.0 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT POLICY

At Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation, we are committed to conducting all aspects of our business in accordance with the principles of sustainable corporate responsibility and always with the needs of future generations in mind. Everything we do is underpinned by our responsibility to protect the environment, to operate safely and fiscally responsibly and to create authentic relationships. We expect each and every employee, contractor, and visitor to demonstrate a personal commitment to this policy through their actions. We will communicate the Sustainable Corporate Policy to the public, all employees and contractors and it will be reviewed and revised as necessary on an annual basis. These four pillars form the foundation of our corporate responsibility strategy:

- 1. Health and Safety
- 2. Environment
- 3. Investing in our Communities and People
- 4. Transparent Governance

2.0 HEALTH AND SAFETY

- We strive to achieve the safest workplace for our employees and contractors; free from
 occupational injury and illness from the very earliest of planning stages. Why? Because
 our people are our greatest asset. Nothing is as important as their health and safety.
- We report, manage and learn from injuries, illnesses and high potential incidents to foster a workplace culture focused on safety and the prevention of incidents.
- We foster and maintain a positive culture of shared responsibility based on participation, behaviour and awareness. We allow our workers and contractors the right to stop any work if and when they see something that is not safe.

3.0 ENVIRONMENT

- We employ a balance of the best scientific and traditional Inuit knowledge to safeguard the environment.
- We apply the principles of pollution prevention and continuous improvement to minimize ecosystem impacts, and facilitate biodiversity conservation.







- We continuously seek to use energy, raw materials and natural resources more efficiently and effectively. We strive to develop pioneering new processes and more sustainable practices.
- We understand the importance of closure planning. We ensure that an effective closure strategy is in place at all stages of project development and that progressive reclamation is undertaken as early as possible to reduce potential long-term environmental and community impacts.

4.0 INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND PEOPLE

- We respect human rights and the dignity of others. We honour and respect the unique culture, values and traditions of the Inuit people.
- We contribute to the social, cultural and economic development of sustainable communities adjacent to our operations.
- We honour our commitments by being sensitive to local needs and priorities through engagement with local communities, governments, employees and the public. We work in active partnership to create a shared understanding of relevant social, economic and environmental issues, and take their views into consideration when making decisions.

5.0 TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE

- We will take steps to understand, evaluate and manage risks on a continuing basis, including those that impact the environment, employees, contractors, local communities, customers and shareholders.
- We ensure that adequate resources are available and that systems are in place to implement risk-based management systems, including defined standards and objectives for continuous improvement.
- We measure and review performance with respect to our environmental, safety, health, socio-economic commitments and set annual targets and objectives.
- We conduct all activities in compliance with the highest applicable legal requirements and internal standards
- We strive to employ our shareholder's capital effectively and efficiently. We demonstrate honesty and integrity by applying the highest standards of ethical conduct.

Tom Paddon President and Chief Executive Officer September 2011









Mary River Project Health, Safety and Environment Policy

The Baffinland from Mines Corporation (BIMC) Many River Project Health, Safety and Environment Policy is a statement of our commitment to achieving a safe, healthy and environmentally responsible workplace. We will not compromise this policy for the achievement of any other organizational goal.

The Mary River Project implements this Policy through the following commitments:

- Continual improvement of safety, occupational health and anvironmental performance.
- Meeting or exceeding the requirements of regulations and company policies.
- Integrating sustainable development principles into our decision-making processes.
- Maintaining an effective Health, Safety and Environment Management System.
- Sharing and adopting improved technologies and best practices to prevent injuries, occupational illnesses and environmental impacts.
- Engaging stakeholders through open and transparent communication.
- Efficiently using resources, and practicing responsible minimization, reuse, recycling and disposal of waste.
- Rehabilitation of disturbed lands to a safe, acceptable, and localized etate.

Our commitment to provide the leadership and action necessary to accomplish this policy is exemplified by the following principles:

- All injuries, occupational illnesses and environmental impacts can be prevented.
- Employee involvement and active contribution is essential and required.
- Management is responsible for preventing Injuries, occupational illnesses and environmental
 impacts.
- Working in a manner that is healthy, safe and environmentally sound is a condition of employment.
- All operating exposures can be safeguarded.
- Training employees to work in a manner that is healthy, sefe and environmentally equind is essential.
- Prevention of personal injuries, occupational illnesses and environmental impacts is good businesses.
- Respect for the communities in which we operate is the basis for productive relationships.

We have a responsibility to provide a eafe workplace and utilize systems of work to meet this goal. All employees must be clear in understanding the personal responsibilities and accountabilities in relation to the tasks we undertake.

The Mary River Project has no higher priority than the health and safety of all people working on our behalf and the responsible management of the environment. In ensuring our overall profitability and business success every Berfinland and business pertner employee working at one of our work sites is required to adhere to this policy.

Tom Paddon

President and Chief Executive Officer

March 2013





3. Targeted VECS

The targeted VECs for the "Surface Water, Aquatic Ecosystem Management Plan" are:

- 1. Water quantity
- 2. Surface water quality
- 3. Aquatic ecosystems
- 4. Fish
- 5. Fish habitat.

Water is considered a valued ecosystem component and the protection of regional water quality and quantity is important to residents of Baffin Island. There are no reasonably foreseeable long-term downstream users (i.e. local residents), but there is potential for incidental water use by hunters and others using the land. There is also potential to affect fish and fish habitat from either water withdrawals that are too large, or by degrading water quality.

Project activities will interact with surface water through several means, examples of which are:

- Water intakes for potable water in camps and shorter-term construction needs.
- Tote Road stream crossings and road maintenance.
- Sewage treatment and disposal at camps.
- Railway watercourse crossing and diversions.
- Railway construction road (construction and maintenance).
- Operations phase runoff from waste rock and ore stockpiles (subject of the Waste Rock and Ore Stockpile Management Plan).
- Potential surface water runoff from Project developed areas at Milne Port, Mine Site and Steensby Port.
- General site runoff from land disturbances.

A complete matrix of Project interaction with these VECs is provides in Volume 7 of the FEIS (Freshwater Aquatic Environment).

4. Mitigation Measures

4.1 General Mitigation Measures for Sediment Control and Erosion

The sediment and erosion control measures described in this section will be applied throughout the duration of the Construction Phase of the Project and where any construction is required during the Operations Phase. Stream, river crossings, and lakes/ponds adjacent to construction activities will receive focussed attention in this respect. Depending on site









specific conditions, a variety of civil design structures may be used to prevent erosion. Such structures are described in the Railway Management Plan and the Roads Management Plan.

The construction and ongoing operations of the Mary River Project will result in soil disturbance and water diversions that require sediment and erosion control planning to prevent the discharge of soil contact water. Best management practices, including preventative measures, will be used throughout the duration of the Project to prevent and or minimize sediment loading in water. This section details measures that will be used to mitigate potential environmental impacts arising from the storage and discharge of site contact water.

Experience gained from the Bulk Sample Program, for example, during the upgrading of the Milne Inlet Tote Road has resulted in an improved understanding of the unique site conditions that factor into the selection of appropriate sediment and erosion control measures. The climate, topography, and limited vegetation combine to produce short term, high intensity discharge during May, June and July. Frozen conditions between September and May can result in sediment deposition that can be mobilized during freshet. Due to the extremely slow vegetation growth rate, sediment and erosion control techniques that involve vegetative covers (e.g., hydroseeding, bioremediation, erosion control blanket) have been dismissed as potential mitigation options. Also, straw bales are not permitted in the Arctic due to the possibility of introducing foreign species.

All water related infrastructure and facilities including the modification of culverts, diversion of watercourses, and diversion of runoff into watercourses along the railway, access roads, the Milne Tote Road, and other areas of the Project site, shall be designed and constructed in a manner consistent with those proposed in the FEIS in terms of type, location, and scope and such that the requirements of all relevant regulatory authorities are satisfied in advance of constructing those facilities.

Prior to the development of any new water related infrastructure and/or facilities geotechnical investigations will be undertaken to ensure that no sensitive landforms will be impacted (i.e. ice-rich soils or easily erodible soil). All infrastructure, camps and storage areas will not be erected on the surface of frozen streams or lakes including the immediate banks except what is for immediate use. All infrastructure shall be located such that impacts on surface drainage are minimized.

The deposition of debris or sediment into or onto any water body, with respect to the construction of access roads, site laydown pads and areas of other earthworks shall be prevented. The debris will be disposed of at a distance of at least 31 meters from the ordinary High Water Mark so that it does not enter the water body. Further to that point material shall not be removed below the ordinary High Water Mark of any water body unless approved by the Board.

All Project infrastructure in watercourses will be designed and constructed in such a manner that they do not unduly prevent and limit the movement of water in fish bearing streams and rivers and will be limited as much as possible to low water periods.







In the event that the erosion control measures presented in Section 4.2, 4.3, and 4.4 fail to prevent a siltation event, downstream fish bearing waters can be protected by various standard methods such as: silt fences, silt curtains, construction of temporary sedimentation sumps/ponds. These various methods are detailed in standard work practices.

4.2 General Mitigation Measures for Erosion Control

A description of the general mitigation measures for erosion control is provided in below.

Table 4-1: Sediment and Erosion Control Measures

Armouring	
Description	Armouring is used as a barrier between water flow and materials susceptible to erosion. Quarry rock and/or naturally occurring granular borrow material are used to protect underlying fined grained materials from scour and erosion.
Installation Locations	Armouring may be used in areas of cuts/excavations and for installation of culverts, typically on exposed erodeable slopes.
Substitute	Water diversion, berms, sumps and/or silt fencing may be used where armouring is impracticable or due to low risks of impacts to downstream receptors.
Riprap	
Description	A rock lining that can be installed on the ground surface or structures to prevent erosion of underlying material. Can be placed over non-woven geotextile to provide additional protection.
Installation Locations	On sides of road embankment. On upstream and downstream ends of culverts. At any location where flows exist than might cause erosion of the existing surface materials. In areas where there is concentrated flow.
Performance Issues	Shortage of available material (that can be used for riprap) at many locations at the Project site
Benefits	Constructed from local materials - if available. Effective in protecting embankments and preventing erosion. May be used in combination with non-woven geotextile.
Geotextile (Woven and Non-Wover	1)
Description	Low erodible material placed as temporary erosion protection.
Installation Locations	As a liner along water channels/ditches. Use on stream embankments often in combination with riprap.
Performance Issues	Needs to be well anchored or will be ineffective. Difficult to remove from streambeds, etc, when no longer required.
Benefits	Very effective as an erosion barrier on a variety of embankments. Ease of installation.





4.3 Stream Crossings

A description of the general mitigation measures for stream crossings is provided below.

Table 4-2: Stream Crossings, Culverts, Drains and Bridges

Pumping	
Description	Pump used to transfer water from one side of the road or structure to the other.
Installation Locations	At crossings where culverts were not installed, improperly installed or installed with insufficient capacity. Can be used prior to culvert installation to lower the water level. Use pumps as a temporary solution during freshet or prior to culvert installation. Siphons can be used as an alternative, but require a pump to prime the system, and adequate elevation difference between upstream and downstream locations.
Performance Issues	Ineffective if flows are high. Erosion control measures required at discharge point from the pump (e.g., energy dissipater). Risk of fuel spills. Secondary containment required. Temporary solution, labour and resource intensive.
Benefits	Effective temporary solution to lower water level in places where water level is high or prior to culvert installation. Useful at low flow locations where culverts not yet installed.
Culverts	
Description	Pipes install through embankments to allow the passage of water while maintaining access over the site. A hydraulic design study is conducted to assess suitable hydraulic design criteria to avoid flooding or washouts. Culvert capacities are assessed using hydraulic analysis methods assuming an appropriate return period with an allowance for ice accumulation.
Installation Locations	At points where roads intersect streams, rivers, or seasonal drainages. At locations where there is potential for water flow over road. To allow fish passage under road at crossings that are classified as fish habitat. At locations to minimize approach grades and where grades will be stabilized to control runoff, erosion and subsequent siltation to any water body.
Performance Issues	Some siltation is caused during installation. Require labour and equipment to properly install using compacted backfill. Water flow is concentrated which can create erosion at downstream discharge point. Clearing of snow/ice prior to spring freshet is required to minimize the potential for blockages.
Benefits	Can handle large amounts of flow - depending upon the size of the culvert. Maintains access while passing flows.





French Drain	
Description	A ditch or channel filled with rock to provide a flow path for water. The rock material can be covered with a non-woven geotextile to prevent the ingress of finer material which could reduce the permeability of the drain.
Installation Locations	At points where roads intersect streams/drainages and where fish passage is not a consideration. As an alternative to a culvert if pipes are not available. Use as a culvert substitute if culverts are not required or available.
Performance Issues	Ice blockage potential in French drains has not been adequately assessed. Long-term performance has not been assessed.
Benefits	Constructed of natural materials.
Bridges	
Description and Installation Locations	Bridges are required for the crossing of larger streams or rivers. For such cases, a hydraulic design study is carried out to assess suitable hydraulic design criteria to avoid flooding or any unexpected damage to the adjacent ground. Bridge locations are assessed using a river hydraulics analysis assuming an appropriate return period with an allowance for ice accumulation. The identification of appropriate engineering options for each river crossing is carried out using a systematic decision making process to evaluate each crossing. This process takes into account engineering and environmental factors at each crossing location. Screening and detailed evaluations are performed to aid in determining the optimum site-specific crossing at each location (i.e. culvert or bridge). Decision-making criteria which were used included: potential impacts to freshwater aquatics, hydraulic conditions, ease of construction and cost.





4.4 General Mitigation Measures for Fish and Fish Habitat

Table 4-3: Mitigation Measures for Fish and Fish Habitat

Freshet Mitigation

Extreme flows occurring during the freshet can result in significant erosion and damage to creek crossing structures and fish habitat. Several operating procedures have been developed to mitigate the negative impacts caused by freshet events. These measures include:

- Establishing/marking locations of susceptible crossings so that they can be identified in the spring, prior to snow/ice melt.
- Clearing of snow from roads where culverts/crossings are located.
- Excavate downstream and upstream of crossing prior to the onset of freshet.
- Monitor culverts for clearance of snow and ice.
- Where snow and ice blockage occur, ensure that the blockage is removed to re-establish adequate flow.
- Regular monitoring of crossing conditions to ensure acceptable conditions for fish migration.
 Perform repairs/modification to crossing structures as required, based on results of monitoring and assessment of risk.

Fish Habitat Protection

- For locations where there is a problem with culvert outlet scour and erosion, the construction of rocky ramps downstream of the crossings is considered. Occasionally reinstalling culverts is required, or the installation of additional overflow culverts will be required.
- During construction of the docks, for all works requiring the use of explosives (blasting) in or near
 water bodies, the "Guidelines for Use of Explosives In or Near Canadian Fisheries Water, 1998" will
 be followed. For any locations where the guidelines cannot be conformed with, the DFO will be
 consulted prior to commencing blasting.
- For dock construction (dredging, piling, backfilling), silt curtain may be used to prevent the dispersion
 of sediments in marine waters.
- Use of bubble curtains to attenuate noise in marine water.
- Baffinland shall adhere to the No-Net-Loss principle at all phases of the project to prevent or mitigate direct or indirect fish and fish habitat losses.
- Baffinland shall also engage with Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Qikiqtani Inuit Association in exploring possible Project specific thresholds for blasting that would exceed the requirements of Fisheries and Oceans Canada's Guidelines for the Use of Explosives In or Near Canadian Fisheries Waters (D.G. Wright and G.E. Hopky, 1998).







5. Hydrology, Water Supply and Surface Water Runoff

The region is characterized by long cold winters and short cool summers, with continuous daylight from approximately May to August, and continuous darkness from November through February. The ground is snow-covered from September to June and ice persists in the marine offshore throughout most of the year.

5.1 Regional Landscape

Surface landforms and deposits are associated with recent, widespread glaciation on Baffin Island. Surface geology consists of locally abundant Holocene glaciolacustrine sediments, fluvial sediments (alluvial deposits), marine and glacio-marine deltaic sediments, and end moraine till, with occasional outcrops of pre-Quaternary bedrock. The North Baffin region and Mary River area lies within the Committee Belt, a granite-greenstone terrain with intermixed rift basin sediments and volcanic rocks, and bounded by Precambrian mountains to the east and Palaeozoic lowland plateaus to the west. The Project lies within the zone of continuous permafrost, with an active layer thickness of up to two metres and a permafrost depth that may be as much as 700 m deep, based on extrapolation from temperature gradients measured in a 400 m-deep thermistor-instrumented drillhole located on site. The active layer throughout the Project area ranges from approximately 1 to 2 m thickness, but may be greater in areas where there is loose, sandy soil at the edges of lakes or ponds or at bedrock topographic highs.

The presence of permafrost greatly increases ground stability at depth but at surface it can affect the rates of soil erosion through the formation of ice wedges and patterned ground, pingos and palsas, massive ground ice, thermokarst, and mass wasting (i.e., solifluction).

5.2 Climate

Baffin Island is one of the northernmost and coldest parts of Canada and the Mary River Project is situated towards the northern end of the Island. Regional data near the Project site indicate a mean annual temperature of approximately -15°C. Mean daily temperatures are below -20°C from November through April, and are only above freezing (0°C) during June through August, with July mean daily maximum temperatures reaching only 6-10°C. The long length of the sub-zero degree temperatures in this region results in a very short runoff period that typically occurs from June through September, but may extend to late October in systems where large lakes are present. The frigid temperatures also result in very low precipitation values for northern Baffin Island, from the combined effect of the low moisture carrying capacity of cold air and the scarcity of liquid water for much of the year. According to Natural Resources Canada, the mean annual total precipitation ranges from 200 to 400 mm in the Project area, classifying it as semi-arid. Mean annual precipitation at the closest regional climate stations is closer to the 200 mm end of this range Pond Inlet experiences 24-hour darkness (with less than 2 hours of twilight) from November 12 to January 29, and continuous daylight from May 5 to August 7.







5.3 Regional Hydrology

The extremely cold temperatures of the region, combined with permafrost ground conditions, result in a short period of runoff that typically occurs from June to September and possibly October in watersheds with significant lake area. All rivers and creeks, with perhaps the exception of the very largest systems, freeze solid to the bottom during the winter months. For example, the Sylvia Grinnell River near Igaluit (watershed area of ~4000 km²), which has been monitored by Water Survey of Canada (WSC) since 1971, freezes solid by April every year. Streams and rivers usually begin to flow in late May with the melting of snow and ice, then peak in June or July with rising temperatures and rapid corresponding snowmelt, before dropping steadily through to September or October when flows essentially cease. The peak runoff period is quite short and the volume of the annual hydrograph is low, relative to the rest of Canada, due to the region's very low average annual precipitation of approximately 200 mm. However, the proportion of annual precipitation that is realized as runoff is very high. due to the low temperatures (low evaporation) and the permafrost ground conditions (low infiltration) and minimal vegetative cover (low transpiration). Correspondingly, surface water is abundant, and the region is dotted with thousands of small lakes and streams. Groundwater infiltration and storage in the region is limited due to the permafrost. The groundwater flow is restricted to the upper one to two metre summer active layer.

Peak instantaneous flows are quite large due to frozen ground conditions and lack of tall vegetation, which produces very rapid basin runoff response. In larger watersheds, peak instantaneous flows are typically produced by snowmelt during the freshet, but in smaller watersheds (less than a few hundred square kilometres) rainfall, or rain on snow may produce the largest events and may occur at any time during the non-freeze period. Flood water levels in the smaller watersheds typically rise and fall very quickly with run-off response.

Knight Piesold has updated the hydrology estimates with the most recent records. They conducted stream flow measurements in the study area and developed flow estimation equations for use. Their report is contained within Volume 7 'Freshwater Environment' of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS).

5.3.1 Surface Water Runoff Estimation – Mine Site

The data presented in this management plan are based on field data collected during the 2006 to 2010 field seasons. A summary of the unit surface water runoff rates for the Mary River area is presented on Table 5-1.

The locations of the stream gauging stations are shown in Figure 7-1.1 in the Appendix. The stations are identified as hydrology stations. The limits of the catchment areas are presented in Figures 5.1, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6 of the Appendix C. The runoff values indicate that from October to May there should be no runoff and that approximately half of the flows occur in July.

A discussion on water management by area is presented in later sections of this document. The surface water direction and expected quantities (where possible) for each catchment area impacted by the Project are discussed.







Table 5-1: Mary River Monthly Unit Runoff Summary

	Drainage	Unit Runoff (I/s/km2)										
Station	Area	2006					2007					
	(km²)	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	
H1	250	-	63.3	21.8	17.2	1.2	15.7	27.7	15.1	4.5	0.1	
H2	210	1	92.4	25.2	16.2	0.0	21.1	36.8	18.8	4.9	0.0	
H3	30.5	1	145.4	27.2	18.0	0.0	26.9	48.2	15.4	3.3	0.0	
H4	8.3	1	101.4	34.5	19.1	0.1	13.0	25.5	16.1	4.2	0.0	
H5	5.3	1	76.6	29.0	17.8	8.0	19.2	19.3	18.4	5.0	0.0	
H6	240	1	105.1	38.2	25.5	8.0	22.2	50.8	23.8	7.4	0.0	
H7	14.7	1	118.0	25.2	14.8	0.3	23.7	43.0	16.7	4.2	0.0	
H8	208	1	86.9	20.4	13.0	0.0	20.1	45.9	18.4	3.2	0.0	
H9	158	1	23.3	11.0	13.0	8.0	11.9	15.8	6.1	4.8	0.7	
H11	3.6	1	ı	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	
BR11	52.7	1	ı	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	
BR25	113	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	
BR96-2	30.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	
BR137	314	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Mary River (06SA001)	690	-	-	-	20.6	1.4	9.3	43.5	15.9	6.8	0.4	
Ravn River (06SA002)	8219	-	-	-	31.6	5.7	2.5	44.9	21.8	11.2	1.7	
Isortoq River (06SB001)	7172	-	-	-	-	1.2	5.5	99.3	65.0	9.8	0.6	
Rowley River (06SB002)	3499	-	-	-	-	1.1	0.9	52.3	15.4	7.7	0.5	
Average		-	90.2	25.8	18.8	1.0	14.8	42.5	20.5	5.9	0.3	
5 th Percentile		-	39.3	14.8	13.0	0.0	1.8	17.9	11.5	3.3	0.0	
Minimum		-	23.3	11.0	13.0	0.0	0.9	15.8	6.1	3.2	0.0	





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	Drainage	Unit Runoff (I/s/km2)											
Station	Area	2008						2010					
	(km²)	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.		
H1	250	44.3	41.2	29.7	11.3	0.3	50.6	37.8	13.6	12.3	1.3		
H2	210	57.6	58.3	31.7	12.0	0.0	39.6	68.3	11.1	12.5	0.0		
H3	30.5	71.1	72.1	34.3	15.7	0.0	45.0	92.2	11.5	15.1	0.0		
H4	8.3	86.2	45.6	30.5	10.4	0.0	84.0	42.6	13.7	13.3	0.1		
H5	5.3	61.6	41.5	42.2	12.9	0.0	72.2	35.6	15.1	14.7	0.9		
H6	240	61.7	70.7	34.2	15.8	0.0	38.7	78.1	15.4	14.7	8.0		
H7	14.7	62.5	62.5	18.7	9.3	0.0	42.3	81.1	6.5	9.7	0.3		
H8	208	57.0	60.4	24.1	9.4	0.0	35.6	70.3	8.0	8.2	0.0		
H9	158	27.2	14.9	29.0	11.1	1.0	-	-	-	-	-		
H11	3.6	-	-	-	1	-	-	•	ı	-	-		
BR11	52.7	84.4	83.8	33.3	13.9	0.0	-	•	ı	-	-		
BR25	113	74.0	70.8	32.9	11.9	0.0	-	•	ı	-	-		
BR96-2	30.7	50.0	34.4	42.2	13.4	0.0	-	•	ı	-	-		
BR137	314	30.7	33.2	44.3	27.6	1.1	31.7	45.8	15.6	12.1	2.5		
Mary River (06SA001)	690	35.5	59.7	32.2	17.0	0.8	-	1	ı	-	-		
Ravn River (06SA002)	8219	20.0	60.9	35.9	18.0	2.9	-	1	ı	-	-		
Isortoq River (06SB001)	7172	51.9	101.7	60.5	10.6	0.6	-	-	ı	-	-		
Rowley River (06SB002)	3499	34.3	59.7	28.5	13.0	0.9	-	-	-	-	-		
Average		53.5	57.1	34.4	13.7	0.5	48.9	61.3	12.3	12.5	0.6		
5 th Percentile		25.7	29.5	23.0	9.4	0.0	33.3	36.5	7.1	8.8	0.0		
Minimum		20.0	14.9	18.7	9.3	0.0	31.7	35.6	6.5	8.2	0.0		





	Drainage	Unit Runoff (I/s/km2)					
Station	Area	2011					
	(km²)	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	
H1	250	33.4	12.4	5.0	2.1	0.0	
H2	210	52.9	14.2	6.4	1.9	0.0	
H3	30.5	73.4	17.3	5.3	1.4	0.0	
H4	8.3	35.1	7.8	4.0	1.0	0.0	
H5	5.3	32.1	9.5	4.7	1.3	0.0	
H6	240	61.3	22.0	9.7	4.2	0.0	
H7	14.7	63.6	14.9	5.2	2.2	0.0	
H8	208	55.3	15.4	3.5	0.5	0.0	
H9	158	-	-	-	ı	1	
H11	3.6	-	5.3	4.2	4.8	1	
BR11	52.7	-	-	-	ı	ı	
BR25	113	-	-	-	ı	1	
BR96-2	30.7	-	-	-	ı	1	
BR137	314	-	31.6	14.1	6.9	1.5	
Mary River (06SA001)	690	-	-	-	-	-	
Ravn River (06SA002)	8219	-	-	-	1	1	
Isortoq River (06SB001)	7172	-	-	-	-	-	
Rowley River (06SB002)	3499	-	-	-	-	-	
Average		50.9	15.1	6.2	2.6	0.2	
5 th Percentile		32.6	6.5	3.7	0.7	0.0	
Minimum		32.1	5.3	3.5	0.5	0.0	

5.3.2 Surface Water Runoff Estimation – Milne Port

Streamflow estimates presented in this section are based on site data collected during 2006 to 2008 and 2010 field seasons and regional data collected by Water Survey of Canada (WSC). The locations of the stream gauging stations are shown on Figure 7-1.2 in the appendix. A mean annual unit runoff for the Milne Inlet area of 7.5 L/s/km² was selected based on the estimated long-term mean annual runoff at streamflow gauging station H1 (Knight Piésold, 2009). The monthly flow distribution was also based on the long-term average hydrograph shape estimated at streamflow gauging station H1. Given this, surface water runoff rates were estimated for six watersheds in the Milne Port area. These estimates are presented on Table 4-2 and the limits of the catchment areas are presented in Figure 5.3





in the Appendix C. The runoff values indicate that runoff is negligible from October to May and the majority of runoff occurs in June and July.

Discussion regarding water management is presented by Project areas in later sections. These sections discuss surface water flow direction and estimated quantities (where possible) for each catchment area impacted by the Project.

Table 5-2: Milne Port Area – Estimated Catchment Runoff Rates

Catchment No.			MI-02	MI-03	MI-04	MI-05	MI-06
Catchment Area (km2)			3.59	4.11	62.32	5.61	7.96
			7.0				
Runoff Distribution	Unit Runoff Rate	Runoff Rate					
(%MAUR)	(l/s/km2)	(m3/s)	(m3/s)	(m3/s)	(m3/s)	(m3/s)	(m3/s)
0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
600%	42.0	0.22	0.15	0.17	2.62	0.24	0.33
335%	23.5	0.12	0.08	0.10	1.46	0.13	0.19
180%	12.6	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.79	0.07	0.10
80%	5.6	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.35	0.03	0.04
0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Note:

5.3.3 Surface Water Runoff Estimation – Steensby Port

Streamflow estimates presented in this section are based on site data collected during 2006 to 2008 and 2010 field seasons and regional data collected by Water Survey of Canada (WSC). A mean annual unit runoff for the Steensby Port area of 7.5 L/s/km2 was estimated based on hydrologic conditions (e.g. elevation, lake area, latitude, aspect etc.) at Steensby Port compared to hydrologic conditions at the monitored sites. The monthly flow distribution was estimated from flow records measured at streamflow gauging station BR137 during 2008 and 2010. Given this, surface water runoff rates were estimated for three watersheds in the Steensby Port area. These estimates are presented on Table 5-3 and the catchment areas



^{1.} The above runoff distribution was derived using data collected at hydrometric monitoring station H4. The distribution applies only to watersheds near Milne Inlet with drainage areas less than 100 km2.

^{2.} The above mean annual unit runoff was derived from data collected at hydrometric monitoring station H1, within the Phillips Creek watershed.





are shown on Figure 5.4 in Appendix C. The runoff values indicate that runoff is negligible from November to May and runoff volumes are relatively high from June to September due to the high proportion of lakes in the area, which attenuate runoff patterns.

Table 5-3: Steensby Port Area – Estimated Catchment Runoff Rates

Catchment No.			SI-01	SI-02	SI-03
Catchment Area (km2)					1.99
Mean Annual Unit Runoff (l/s/km2) 7.6					
	Runoff Distribution Unit Runoff Rate Runoff Rate			ate	
	(%MAUR)	(l/s/km2)	(m3/s)	(m3/s)	(m3/s)
January	0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
February	0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
March	0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
April	0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
May	0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
June	550%	41.8	0.57	0.91	0.08
July	310%	23.6	0.32	0.51	0.05
August	235%	17.9	0.24	0.39	0.04
September	100%	7.6	0.10	0.17	0.02
October	0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
November	0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
December	0%	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00

Note:

5.3.4 Catchment Areas for the Milne Port Tote Road

Figure 5.6 in Appendix C presents the watershed catchment areas along the Milne Port Tote Road.

5.3.5 Catchment Areas for the Proposed Railway Corridor

Figure 5.5 in Appendix C presents the watershed catchment areas for the proposed railway corridor.

5.4 Water Supply

The project fresh water requirements are detailed in the Freshwater Supply, Sewage and Wastewater Management Plan.



^{1.} The above runoff distribution was derived using data collected at hydrometric monitoring station H5. The distribution applies only to watersheds near Steensby Inlet with drainage areas less than 100 km2.

^{2.} The above mean annual unit runoff was derived from data collected at hydrometric monitoring station BR137, located at the outlet of 10km Lake near Steensby.





6. Water Management – Construction and Operation Phases

The water management structures will be built at the onset of the construction phase and will remain in operation until the related facility is decommissioned, that is, at the end of useful life of the facility or end of Project life (closure). General drainage arrangement drawings which were considered largely conceptual in nature were first provided for the sites in the FEIS. During 2013, the Work Plan will be focussed on Milne Inlet and the Mine Site infrastructure locations, with minor work being undertaken on the Tote Road based on upgrades that are to be identified. The updated site drainage drawings and water management structures that are applicable for the 2013 Work Program for Milne Port and the Mine Site are provided in Appendix D of this document. Site water balance figures are also provided in Appendix D for Milne Port, Mine Site and Steensby Port. The water balances show the relative flow inputs and outputs during construction and operation for each site. A summary of the balances provided follows:

Figure 1	Mine Site Water Balance - Construction
Figure 2	Mine Site Water Balance - Operation
Figure 3	Mine Site Water Balance - Closure
Figure 4	Milne Port Water Balance - Construction
Figure 5	Milne Port Water Balance - Operation
Figure 6	Steensby Port Water Balance - Construction
Figure 7	Steensby Port Water Balance – Operation

Note that the wastewater flows during 2013 will be smaller than those shown on the site water balances for the future construction and operation phases. This is due to the limited extent of the 2013 Work Plan which is limited to site capture and the construction of limited site infrastructure.

For-construction engineering design and drawings, specifications and engineering analysis to support design shall be provided to the respective regulatory authorities, for review and acceptance, in advance for constructing those facilities. Once project facilities are constructed, copies of the appropriate as-built drawings and design shall be provided to the appropriate regulatory authorities in accordance with future Type A Water Licence terms and conditions.

Baffinland is committed to collecting and treating, if required, contact water generated from mining activities to ensure relevant effluent criteria are met as established in the Water Licence.







6.1 Milne Port

Milne Port and the Milne Port Tote Road will be the main transportation hub for supporting construction at the Mine Site. During 2013, equipment and materials will be delivered to Milne Port by conventional sealift during the open water season and transported overland by trucks to the Mine Site over the Milne Port Tote Road. The existing facilities at Milne Port will play a key logistical support role for receiving sealift materials at Milne Port destined for Mary River (Mine Site).

A temporary construction dock will be installed to facilitate the timely offloading of equipment and materials from ships and the existing camp will be expanded to accommodate the peak personnel estimated to be needed during the construction and operation phases.

The Milne Port Site Plan for 2013 along with the locations of potential quarry sites and borrow pits are shown in the Milne Inlet Site Layout drawing in Appendix B of this document. The 2013 Work Plan document together with the site layout presents the facilities that will be constructed during 2013.

Table 6-1 provides an overview of the major facilities required for the construction and operation phases for the project. Detailed list of facilities and activities to be undertaken during 2013 are provided in Appendix B. Although additional facilities may be added or decommissioned throughout the life of the Project, relevant mitigation measures will be incorporated as required in the design, construction and operation of such facilities.

Table 6-1: Overview of Facilities at Milne Port

- Temporary floating dock for sealift unloading
- Bulk fuel storage facilities (existing bladder tank farms (to be decommissioned) and new steel tanks, barrels—installed within lined containment)
- · Camp facilities (existing) for a peak capacity of approximately 150 people
- Waste water treatment systems (sewage and oily water treatment)
- Communication systems
- Domestic water supply from Phillips Creek during the summer months and an unnamed lake along the Milne Inlet Tote Road at km 32 during the winter season
- · Power generation
- Air strip upgrade
- · Multiple laydown areas
- Waste storage areas (hazardous, solid waste and tires)
- · Contaminated snow treatment pond and contaminated soil/land farm
- Truck maintenance facility
- · Quarries and borrow pits (existing).







List of Facilities for the Milne Inlet Tote Road & Refuge Station

- Milne Inlet Tote Road (existing and upgraded), the historic dirt road constructed in the mid 1960's from Mary River to Milne Port was upgraded to support transport of the bulk sample from Deposit No. 1
- Quarries and borrow sources (existing)
- Minor upgrades to the Tote Road in the interest of improving safety and environmental performance
- Communication systems
- Two temporary refuge stations, one at km 33 and one at km 68 consisting each of a half size trailer and 4 drum fuel storage area (described below in the section Milne Inlet Tote Road Refuge Stations)
- Temporary 49 person camp to support construction (water supply, sewage disposal, and waste disposal facilities to be supplied by Milne Port or Mine Site facilities.

Runoff from areas of intense vehicular activities is susceptible to contamination from small spills/leakage of machinery and equipment. As a general rule, the mitigation measures identified in Section 4.0 will divert non contaminated runoff away from these areas. During the design and site preparation of such areas, efforts will be made to channel runoff from these areas to polishing ponds which will enable monitoring of runoff quality (visual inspection) prior to discharge to the receiving environment. The discharge will be equipped with the appropriate erosion prevention measures and adequate silt control structures as outlined in Section 4.0. Fuel storage, explosives storage, and hazardous substances storage will be confined within impermeable bermed structures (lined with geomembranes). Runoff from these contained areas will be collected and treated if required (refer to specific sections on bulk fuel storage, explosives and laydown/stockpile areas in this section).

6.1.1 Contaminated Snow Pond and Contaminated Soil Landfarm

Lined ponds will be constructed to receive snow contaminated by accidental fuel and oil spills. Water will be collected from this pond during the summer month and treated, as required, to removal contaminants. A contaminated soil landfarm facility will be constructed to receive and treat hydrocarbon contaminated soils. Treated soils that meet appropriate criteria will be used as landfill cover material or other acceptable purposes.

6.1.2 Surface Water Direction and Quantity

The surface water at the site is ultimately directed to Milne Port. Refer to Table 4-2 for the estimated surface water runoff quantities. The direction of surface water flow can be seen in the site drainage plan which has been provided in Appendix D.

6.1.3 Mitigation Measures

Where appropriate, the environmental protection measures implemented during construction will be retained for the useful life of the facilities (until closure). During 2013 drainage structures will be installed with the direction of runoff to specific points of discharge where it can be monitored as shown on the Milne Port Site Layout Drainage Plan in Appendix B. Based on historical experience during construction activities in 2007, 2008, and 2011, there were very few problems observed related to erosion and sediment control. During the operation period, the Milne Port is not expected to have significant areas of disturbed soils and as such should not have sediment and erosion issues. The site is regularly monitored







(Table 10-1). If mitigation measures are required to control sediment and erosion they are selected and installed as previously discussed Section 4.0, Mitigation Measures.

A minimum 100-metre naturally-vegetated buffer shall be maintained between the high-water mark of any fish-bearing water bodies and any permanent quarries with potential for acid rock drainage or metal leaching except where authorized by the authority having jurisdiction.

6.2 Milne Port Tote Road

The Milne Port Tote Road will be upgraded to support traffic volume during construction. Sediment and erosion control measures are installed and monitored. The road is maintained and regularly monitored (Table 10-1). Creek and stream crossings have been designed and constructed to minimize the potential loss of fish habitat.

The upgrade will include some realignment:

- To improve gradients (currently as high as 16%)
- To improve visibility
- To improve drainage
- To reduce ongoing maintenance requirements, to facilitate snow clearing
- To reduce road washouts during freshet periods.

6.3 Mine Site

The Mine Site Milne Port Site Plan for 2013 along with the locations of potential quarry sites are shown in the Mine Site Layout drawings in Appendix B of this document. The 2013 Work Plan document together with the site layout presents the facilities that will be constructed during 2013. The locations of potential borrow pits near the Mine Site are shown in the Type A Water Licence application (FEIS, Appendix 3B).

Table 6-2 provides an overview of the major facilities required for the construction and operation phases for the project. Detailed list of facilities and activities to be undertaken during 2013 are provided in Appendix B. Although additional facilities may be added or decommissioned throughout the life of the Project, relevant mitigation measures will be incorporated as required in the design, construction and operation of such facilities.

Table 6-2: Overview of Facilities at Milne Site

- Construction camp and associated support facilities and Contractor offices
- · Quarry and borrow sites for rock, sand and gravel and related access roads
- Temporary and permanent fuel storage (iso-containers and manufactured tanks)
- · Aggregate crusher and stockpiles
- Concrete batching plants (post 2013)
- Multiple mobile power generators and temporary fuel storage (double wall iso-containers)
- · Heavy equipment parking and maintenance facilities
- Ore crushing facilities and conveyor systems (post 2013)
- Ore stockpiles with associated runoff water polishing ponds (post 2013)
- Contaminated snow holding pond (post 2013)







- Landfarm for treatment of contaminated soil (post 2013)
- Non-hazardous Landfill
- · Hazardous waste, recyclable waste, used tires and other miscellaneous waste storage area
- Waste management building
- Ore crushing and screening facilities for railway transportation (post 2013)
- Ore stockpiling facilities and runoff water ponds (post 2013)
- Railway loading and unloading facilities (post 2013)
- · Operation worker accommodations
- Communication systems
- · Site roads
- · Heavy equipment fleet parking and heavy equipment maintenance facilities
- Multiple laydown areas
- · Airstrip existing and upgraded to accommodate Boeing 737s and similar sized aircraft
- · Helicopter landing pad and hangar
- · Bulk fuel storage and distribution facilities
- · Bulk AN storage building and explosive manufacturing and storage
- Domestic water supply from adjacent Camp Lake
- · Power generation for the camps
- · Main waste water treatment facilities discharging to either storage ponds or Mary River
- Waste water treatment facilities for old exploration/bulk sample camp facilities discharging to storage ponds/Sheardown Lake.

Runoff from areas of intense vehicular activities is susceptible to contamination from small spills/leakage from machinery and equipment. As a general rule, the mitigations measures identified in Section 4.0 will divert non contaminated runoff away from these areas. During the design and site preparation, efforts will be made to channel runoff from these areas to polishing/sedimentation structures which will enable monitoring of runoff quality prior to discharge to the receiving environment. The discharge will be equipped with the appropriate erosion prevention measures and adequate silt containment structures as outlined in Section 4.0. Fuel storage, explosives storage, and hazardous substances storage will be confined within impermeable bermed structures (geomembrane). Runoff from these contained areas will be collected in a sump and treated if required (refer to specific sections on bulk fuel storage, explosives and laydown/stockpile areas in this chapter).

6.3.1 Ore Stockpile, Crushing Plant and Maintenance Facilities

These facilities will cover a significant area of a small watershed north of Sheardown Lake. The water management structures constructed to capture runoff from disturbed areas and from the ore stockpile will divert this runoff to Mary River. As a result, potential impacts (reduction in flows) have been identified for the small streams that are presently draining this sector and flowing to Sheardown Lake. As discussed in Volume 7, some of these streams may have good fish habitat. Additional data will be collected during the construction phase to assess more accurately whether or not this is a potential impact (i.e., follow-up). Once this information is available, the Project will adopt a tiered mitigation strategy as follows:







- a) Monitoring/Fish Salvage: Monitor the streams during late summer and fall to determine if Arctic char are becoming stranded and, if so, conduct a salvage fishery to move the fish downstream to Camp/Sheardown lakes.
- b) Potential Channel Enhancement: If the potential for stranding is identified in a particular stream, assess the potential for improving connectivity between upstream habitat and Camp/Sheardown Lake and, if feasible improve connectivity.
- c) Install Fish Barriers: If stranding is identified as a serious and chronic issue in a particular stream, and restoration of connectivity is not considered possible/feasible, as a last resort, consider the installation of a fish exclusion barrier at the mouth of the stream.

6.3.2 Contaminated Snow Pond and Contaminated Soil Landfarm

Lined ponds will be constructed to receive snow contaminated by accidental fuel and oil spills. Water will be collected from this pond during the summer month and treated, as required, to removal contaminants (refer to the Fresh Water Supply, Sewage and Wastewater Management Plan, Oily water treatment).

A contaminated soil landfarm facility will be constructed to receive and treat hydrocarbon contaminated soils. Treated soils that meet appropriate criteria will be used as landfill cover material or other acceptable purposes.

6.3.3 Surface Water Direction and Quantity

Ultimately the surface water at the site is directed towards Camp, Sheardown and Mary River. The estimated surface water runoff quantities for each catchment area are shown on Table 4-1. The direction of surface water flow can be seen in the site drainage plan which has been provided in Appendix A.

6.3.4 Mitigation Measures

Sediment and erosion control measures may be required and will be installed as per Section 4.0, Mitigation Measures. The site will be regularly monitored (Table 10-1). The stockpiles will be located a minimum of 30 m from the normal high water mark of water bodies.

A minimum 100-metre naturally-vegetated buffer shall be maintained between the high-water mark of any fish-bearing water bodies and any permanent quarries with potential for acid rock drainage or metal leaching except where authorized by the authority having jurisdiction.

6.4 Railway Construction

Figure 1.1 of the Borrow Pit and Quarry Management Plan presents the alignment of the railway along with locations of potential borrow sites and quarries, and, the location of the railway construction camps. The creek and river crossings subject to an authorization under the Fisheries Act or, an approval under the Navigable Waters Protection Act have been identified. The associated potential loss of fish habitat is the subject of Baffinland's Fish Habitat Compensation Plan (Appendix 10D-7). No construction is planned along the rail alignment during 2013.







6.4.1 Railway Construction Camps

Construction camps will be established along the railway alignment, one near the major crossing of Cockburn Lake and the other north of Cockburn Lake mid-way to Ravn River. These camps will have an occupancy ranging in the order of 100 to 200 people. Consideration is being given to locating two smaller construction camps at key bridge locations. A partial list of the facilities required for the construction and operation phases is presented in Table 6-3.

Table 6-3: List of Facilities for Railway

Temporary (Construction Phase)	Permanent (Operation Phase)		
Construction access roads	Railway embankment		
Quarries and borrow sources	Train loading and unloading facilities		
Construction camps	Communication systems		
 Refuelling depots at camps and quarries 	Tunnels, bridges		
Explosives magazines	Rail sidings		

6.4.2 Mitigation Measures

The Railway Camp Sites are not expected to have significant areas of disturbed soils and as such should not have sediment and erosion issues. The sites will be regularly monitored (Table 10-1). Where mitigation measures are required to control sediment and erosion they are selected and installed as previously discussed in Section 4.0, Mitigation Measures.

A minimum 100-metre naturally-vegetated buffer shall be maintained between the high-water mark of any fish-bearing water bodies and any permanent quarries with potential for acid rock drainage or metal leaching except where authorized by the authority having jurisdiction.

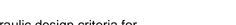
6.4.3 Railway Route and Tunnel

The railway will be constructed from Steensby Port by first building the construction access road, then establishing construction camps to facilitate construction of the railway from multiple faces. The location of proposed quarries, construction camps and the construction access road is shown on Figure 1.1 of the Borrow Pit and Quarry Management Plan (Appendix 10D-6). A list of the facilities required for the construction and operation phases is presented in Table 6-3.

6.4.4 Water Crossings

A number of crossing structures are required along the route, including large bridges, smaller single-span bridges and culverts.

A hydraulic design study was carried out to assess suitable hydraulic design criteria for culverts and bridges in order to avoid flooding of the railway infrastructure or any unexpected damage to the adjacent ground (Dillon, 2008b). Culvert capacities and bridge locations were assessed using a river hydraulics analysis software package assuming an appropriate return period (as determined in the associated Hydrology Design Brief (Dillon, 2008c)) with an allowance made for ice accumulation.



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The identification of appropriate engineering options for each crossing was carried out using a systematic decision making process to evaluate each of the 214 crossings presented in the Mary River Development Proposal (Baffinland, 2008). This process took into account engineering and environmental factors at each crossing location. Screening and detailed evaluations were performed to aid in determining the optimum site-specific crossing at each location (i.e. culvert or bridge). Decision-making criteria which were used included: potential impacts to freshwater aquatics, hydraulic conditions, ease of construction and cost.

A preliminary assignment of crossing structures for each drainage crossing along the railway has been completed. At the majority of locations corrugated steel pipe (CSP) culverts will be used. Alternatively, corrugated structural plate pipe (CSPP) culverts will be used, as required. Corrosion protection will be provided using rip rap.

In addition to major bridges, several shorter bridges will be required over smaller watercourses. These short bridges will likely be simple single-span structures. Standard arctic foundation construction techniques similar to those used in northern Canadian mining and infrastructure projects, such as embedding piles in bedrock or the use of ad-freeze piles, have been assumed. Additional geotechnical investigation is planned to facilitate the final foundation designs to be developed in the detailed design phase. Special consideration, especially for foundations, will also be given to the potential effects of climate change, which could increase the depth of the permafrost active layer.

Culverts have been designed in accordance with AREMA. Corrugated steel pipe is recommended for ease of construction and to avoid any major maintenance needs. In general, a minimum of 1-m cover shall be provided above all culverts.

Conceptual drawings of 24 bridges for the Mine Site, Cockburn Lake, Ravn River and BR-137 (un-named) watercourses are included in the EIS Volume 3, Project Description (Appendix C5). Several shorter bridges will be required over smaller watercourses and the majority of drainages to be crossed using culverts. Typical open deck single span bridges and culvert designs in thaw-stable and thaw-sensitive ground are also included.

6.4.5 Spoil Deposits for Railway

Spoil material excavated during the construction of the railway will be placed in deposits. This spoil material will consist of materials unsuitable for construction (i.e., silty and ice rich soils). The Spoil Deposits will be located and constructed with the following considerations:

- Located in natural depressions or in spent quarries or borrow areas.
- Located a minimum of 31m from all water bodies.
- Constructed sufficiently far from the railway and road alignments to avoid changing the thermal regime of these structures.

6.4.6 Surface Water Direction and Quantity

The catchment areas for the Railway Route are shown on Figure 5.5 of the Appendix. The surface water along the corridor is ultimately directed to Cockburn River, Cockburn Lake, Ravn River and Angajurjualuk Lake. Specific surface water runoff quantities were not







calculated for the transportation corridor due to the large catchment area and the minimal quantity of water required.

6.4.7 Mitigation Measures

Sediment and erosion control measures may be required and will be installed as per Section 4.0, Mitigation Measures. The site will be regularly monitored (Table 10-1). The stockpiles of spoil material will be located a minimum of 30 m from the normal high water mark of water bodies.

Fuel required will be transported in fuel drums or double walled day tanks. Drip pans are used under the tanks to prevent spills.

All bridges and culverts crossings have been designed for an appropriate hydraulic event return period with allowance made for ice accumulation.

For all construction works requiring the use of explosives in or near water, Baffinland and its EPCM contractor will adhere to the Guidelines for Use of Explosives In or Near Canadian Fisheries Waters.

For each stream/river crossing an assessment is made regarding the potential loss of fish habitat. Some of these crossings will result in the Harmful Alteration, Disruption or Destruction (HADD) of fish habitat under Section 35(2) of the Fisheries Act, and an authorization will be sought from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. HADDs are expected at a portion of the watercourse crossings, for water intake and sewage outfalls. The compensation plan for the HADD is the subject of the Fish Habitat Compensation Plan.

A minimum 100-metre naturally-vegetated buffer shall be maintained between the high-water mark of any fish-bearing water bodies and any permanent quarries with potential for acid rock drainage or metal leaching except where authorized by the authority having jurisdiction.

6.4.8 Borrow Pits and Quarries Required for the Railway Construction

Locations of the potential borrow sites and rock quarries are shown in the "Quarry Management Plan" for the railway (Appendix 3B, Attachment 6). As stated in the EPP and the Borrow Pit and Quarry Management Plan, the following guidelines will be applied for sourcing borrow material and quarries:

- Surficial borrow materials will be obtained by stripping and excavation of the active layer.
- Processing of borrow materials will be limited to screening using a grizzly and segregation of material into temporary stockpiles.
- Excavation will not occur within 31 m of a watercourse, and seasonal drainage ways will be re-established during pit development.
- Rock quarries may be developed for various construction purposes.
- Rock will be obtained through drilling and blasting, and crushing if necessary.
- Quarrying will not occur within 31 m of a watercourse, and drainage will be re-established during quarry development.







 Acid rock drainage (ARD) and metal leaching (ML) tests have been conducted on rock samples, with results indicating that, due to the physical environment and the geochemistry of the rock, ARD and ML are very unlikely to occur from quarry materials. If samples from any quarry indicate a potential to generate ARD then that quarry will not be developed.

6.5 Steensby Port

The Steensby Port and the locations of potential borrow pits and quarry sites are shown in the Type 'A' Water License application , Attachment 9 (FEIS, Appendix 3B) in the drawing titled 'Steensby Inlet Temporary Works Site Layout', Doc. No. H337697-4690-10-014-0001. An overview of the facilities required for the construction and operation phases is presented in Table 6-4. Although additional facilities may be added or decommissioned throughout the life of the Project, relevant mitigation measures will be incorporated as required in the design, construction and operation of such facilities. No construction work is planned during 2013.

Table 6-4: Overview of Facilities at Steensby Port

- Construction docks
- · Quarry and borrow sites, and related access roads
- Concrete batch plant(s)
- Bulk fuel storage and distribution facilities
- Power plan
- Construction workshops and maintenance shops
- Warehouses/stores
- Temporary power generators
- Laydown areas/freight storage
- Parking areas for construction fleet
- Temporary fuel storage (iso-containers)
- Explosives plant and magazines
- Airstrip
- Construction worker accommodation and related facilities

- Ore stockpiling facilities
- · Ore, freight and tug docks
- Ship loading and unloading facilities
- Cargo (container) handling facilities
- Permanent worker accommodations
- Rail shops and maintenance infrastructure
- Buildings and offices
- Communication systems
- Site roads
- Causeway
- Laydown areas/freight storage
- Water supply facilities
- Waste management facilities
- Navigational aids (shipping lane and port)

Runoff from areas of intense vehicular activities is susceptible to contamination from small spills/leakage from machinery and equipment. As a general rule, the mitigations measures identified in Section 4.0 will divert non contaminated runoff away from these areas. During the design and site preparation, efforts will be made to channel runoff from these areas to polishing ponds which will enable monitoring of runoff quality prior to discharge to the receiving environment. The discharge will be equipped with the appropriate erosion prevention measures and adequate silt containment structures as outlined in Section 4.0. Fuel storage, explosives storage, and hazardous substances storage will be confined within impermeable bermed structures (lined with geomembrane). Runoff from these contained areas will be collected in a sump and treated if required prior to release to the receiving environment.







6.5.1 Steensby Port Docks Construction

6.5.1.1 Construction Docks

To provide rapid and efficient unloading of a large volume of equipment and materials at Steensby Port early in the construction phase, two construction docks will be installed during the open water season in Year 1 of construction. One dock will be situated on the island to facilitate construction of the ore dock and ore handling systems, and the other on the mainland to support all other construction activities at Steensby Port.

The docks will be constructed by placing a concrete caisson out into the water, and backfilling a ramp or causeway to the caisson. Concrete caissons will have been mobilized to Steensby Port during the previous open water season. A level pad will be prepared for the caissons by placing aggregate, the caissons will be moved into place and ballasted (backfilled) with local aggregate. The ramp to the caissons will be constructed by placing and compacting local aggregate (refer to FEIS Volume 3, Project Description for construction dock details).

The docks will allow barges and shallow draft ships to go dockside and mobile handling equipment and cranes to operate from the dock. At the end of construction, the ballast will be removed from the caissons and the caissons removed for re-use at another location or disposal. The ramp will be left in place permanently, adding structure to the seabed and improving fish habitat.

6.5.1.2 Ore Dock

The ore dock will consist of a dock structure on discrete caissons. The dock will be constructed by blasting and dredging level pads for each of the caissons, placing and backfilling the caissons, and completing the dock superstructure. The levelling of the seabed at the -25 m contour will be carried out through blasting and dredging. Dredged materials are likely to be contained on barges until used as backfill. Concrete caissons will be floated into place and then backfilled with dredged and excavated materials as well as local aggregate.

In-water blasting will be carried out by an experienced contractor following a blasting plan to be developed and filed with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, meeting their published overpressure guideline of 100 kPa.

6.5.1.3 Freight Dock

A freight dock to support the Project during the operation phase will be constructed. The freight dock will allow for the safe and efficient unloading of the large volumes of fuel, ammonium nitrate to manufacture explosives, and other consumables and replacement equipment to be delivered each year of operations.

The freight dock will be constructed by installing a row of four caissons for the dock face and backfilling behind the caissons to provide a large dock for turnaround of equipment. The dock will be constructed by placing fill to form level pads for each of the caissons, placing and backfilling the caissons with locally quarried aggregate, and completing the dock superstructure and backfilling the land side. Unlike the ore dock, construction of the freight dock will not involve underwater blasting.







The dock will have a minimum draft of -13 m below the low water level. In addition to a large working area for vehicles and cranes for off-loading, a fuel off-loading manifold will be located on the dock to allow for dock to shore fuel transfers.

6.5.1.4 Mitigation measures for dock construction

Construction of the docks will necessitate piling, installation of casing and backfilling. Detailed construction methods will be established by the EPCM contractor and the contractor undertaking the construction of the docks.

During construction of the docks, for all works requiring the use of explosives (blasting) in or near water bodies, the "Guidelines for Use of Explosives In or Near Canadian Fisheries Water, 1998" will be followed. For any locations where the guidelines cannot be conformed with, the DFO will be consulted prior to commencing blasting.

Bubble curtains may also be used to attenuate the noise generated during blasting and piling.

During dock construction (piling, backfilling), silt curtain may be used to prevent the dispersion of sediments in marine waters.

6.5.2 Crossing to Island

A causeway structure will be constructed to provide the necessary link between the ore dock, stockpiles and ship loading facilities on Steensby Island, and all other infrastructure on the mainland. The crossing structure will support conveyors that will move ore from the railway car dumper to the ore stockpiles on the island. The structure will also allow for the movement of vehicles between the island and the mainland.

The causeway will be built from both directions by placing blasted rock that is appropriately sized to withstand ice loading. Construction of the causeway will take place during the open water season, and no blasting will be required during its construction.

6.5.3 Contaminated Snow Pond and Contaminated Soil Landfarm

Lined ponds will be constructed to receive snow contaminated by accidental fuel and oil spills. Water will be collected from this pond during the summer month and treated, as required, to removal contaminants (refer to Appendix 10D-3, Fresh Water Supply, Sewage and Wastewater Management Plan, Oily water treatment).

A contaminated soil landfarm facility will be constructed to receive and treat hydrocarbon contaminated soils. Treated soils that meet appropriate criteria will be used as landfill cover material or other acceptable purposes.

6.5.4 Surface Water Direction and Quantity

The catchment areas for the Steensby Port are shown on Figure 5.4 of Appendix C. The surface water at the site ultimately reports to Steensby Port. The estimated surface water runoff quantities are shown on Table 4-3.

6.5.5 Mitigation Measures

Where appropriate, the environmental protection measures implemented during construction will be retained for the useful life of the facilities (until closure). Several sedimentation pond







and drainage structures will be installed at the on-set of construction. During the operation period, the Steensby Port is not expected to have significant areas of disturbed soils and as such should not have sediment and erosion issues. The site is regularly monitored (Table 10-1). If mitigation measures are required to control sediment and erosion they are selected and installed as previously discussed Section 4.0, Mitigation Measures.

Shallow groundwater monitoring stations will be established downstream of major infrastructure (i.e. landfill, landfarm, etc.) to draw samples from the subsurface ~ 2 meter deep active zone to ensure that groundwater has not been impacted. Samples will be taken from the monitoring stations once a year during the period of greatest active zone thickness (late August). Standard well installation monitoring and sampling methods will be followed.

6.6 Bulk Fuel Storage Areas

During construction and operation, the handling and storage of fuel is one of the highest risks of potential impact to the receiving environment. The following section provides a brief overview of the bulk fuel facilities. Detailed requirements for management of the bulk fuel depots are presented in the Emergency Response Plan, the Milne Port OPEP and the Steensby Port OPEP.

6.6.1 Description

6.6.1.1 Milne Port Fuel Delivery during Construction

Tankers of 10 to 20 ML capacity will enter Milne Inlet during the open water shipping season and fill the tank farm by the floating hose method. The ship to shore fuel transfer operation is subject of the Milne Port OPEP (Appendix 10C-2).

6.6.1.2 Milne Port Fuel Storage and Distribution

The existing 8 ML bladder fuel storage facility will be decommissioned and replaced with a new tank farm.

Local fuel use will be dispensed at the tank farm, and remote work sites along the road such as borrow areas will likely be serviced by positioning 20,000 L double-walled iso-containers with contained dispensing areas. Fuel will be transported to the Mine Site by 30,000 L capacity truck tankers over the Milne Inlet Tote Road.

Additional lined storage capacity will be added, if required, to contain additional bulk lubricating oils and antifreeze delivered by sealift.

6.6.1.3 Mine Site Fuel Storage and Distribution

The existing bladder farm will be decommissioned. A new tank farm will be constructed. The tank farms will be equipped with an engineered containment system lined with geosynthetic liners. Day-to-day refuelling of vehicles will be carried out at a fuel filling depot. Aircraft and the equipment in the pit will be refuelled using a fuel truck.

A separate diesel storage tank and dispensing facility will be provided for the mining equipment located at the mining area. Fuel trucks will be used to transport diesel fuel from the main tank farm to the mine storage tank.







Various diesel fuel day tanks ranging in size from 1,000 L to 40,000 L will be located across the mine site as required, such as the power plant, boilers, mine dry, water intake pump house, incinerator, and explosives emulsion plant. With the exception of remote locations such as the water pump house and explosives plant, the diesel day tanks will be supplied by the fuel distribution pipeline from the tank farm.

Jet fuel required for turbine engine aircraft and helicopters will be stored in a storage tank, located within a lined containment area.

Bulk antifreeze and heating glycol fluids will be stored in the power plant and maintenance complex. The storage capacities will be based on the anticipated consumption required for a minimum operating period of 12 months. The annual antifreeze quota will be stored in the same area as the lubricant storage tanks, based upon the following estimated requirements:

- 1. Antifreeze (coolant) tank
- 2. Power plant glycol initial fill of heat recovery and distribution systems.
- 3. Building heating circuit.

The premixed glycol solution will be transported to the port by sea and then by rail to the mine where the system will be filled directly.

Lubricating oils for the power plant and maintenance shop will be stored in bulk tanks ranging in size from 12,000 L to 200,000 L. Waste oil will be collected in a common sump linked to a receiving tank from which it will be pumped to the above waste oil storage tanks. Every year, the waste oil will be sent back to the supplier for recycling. Approximately 1 ML of used lubricating oil will be produced annually, with approximately 440,000 L used for fuelling the secondary chamber of the incinerators and the remainder being shipped back south to a refinery for recycling.

A dedicated bulk fuel storage facility will store and dispense Aircraft fuel to fixed wing aircraft and helicopters. De-icing facilities, provided at the airstrip, will consist of a portable discharge pump for the application of de-icing fluid from 200 L drums. De-icing will be carried out to the side of the runway, with propylene glycol, a biodegradable fluid which requires no treatment. Alternately, aircraft may be refuelled directly from a mobile fuelling truck.

6.6.1.4 Fuel Transport to Mine Site for Operation Phase

Fuel will be re-supplied to the Mine Site using a fleet of tanker trucks capable of self loading and discharging. The Mine Site tank farm will be re-supplied from the tank farm at Steensby Port; railway fuel cars will transport fuel to the mine on a weekly basis. A fuel unloading facility will be provided to facilitate quick unloading of diesel rail tankers, five at a time. This unloading facility will be mounted on a concrete spill containment pad equipped with a collection sump to contain fuel spills.

Fuel tanker cars will be used to transport fuel, and most freight will be transported in containers to facilitate handling from ship to shore to rail.







6.6.1.5 Railway Construction Phase - Fuel Storage and Distribution

The primary fuel storage supporting railway construction will be the large tank farms at the Mine Site and Steensby Port. Smaller temporary tank farms, consisting of multiple 20,000 L capacity double-walled iso-containers, will be established at construction camps, quarries and major bridge sites. These smaller tank farms will be re-supplied using tanker trucks. Equipment at the railway construction camps will be refueled using smaller fuel trucks.

6.6.1.6 Steensby Port Fuel Storage and Distribution

A large volume of fuel will be required at Steensby Port early in the construction phase. The development of fuel storage capacity at the port site will occur in stages.

Fuel will be brought in double-walled skid mounted 100,000 L capacity ISO tanks until the permanent tank farm is constructed and operational. Temporary storage for fuel will consist 2 ML in double-walled 100,000 L capacity ISO tanks. Secondary storage during this period, at quarries and other work areas, will consist of 20,000 L double-walled storage tanks.

The permanent tank farm will consist of four 40 ML capacity steel tanks. A pipeline will be installed from the tank farm to the permanent freight dock to allow for dockside fuel deliveries. Before the freight dock is constructed, the tank farm will be re-supplied from tankers using the floating hose fuel transfer method.

Ore carriers will not be re-fuelled at Steensby Port, and fuel will be delivered to the freight dock as part of normal operations. One 7.5 ML storage tank will nevertheless be located on Steensby Island to supply the tugs and ice management vessels. Fuel will be delivered to this table by truck from the main tank farm.

The main tank farm fuel system will distribute fuel to the following locations:

- Power plant
- Heavy and light equipment fuel pumps
- Heating boiler building
- · Railcar fuel loading station.

In addition to the main tank farm, a number of day tanks will be required within the port site, ranging in size from 2,000 to 50,000 L in capacity and located in- and outside of the power plant, boiler building, at fuel dispensing stations for light vehicles, and the incinerator.

6.6.2 Mitigation Measures

Temporary and permanent storage facilities will be erected within a bermed and impermeable lined containment area in compliance with applicable regulations and best management practices. These containment areas will have a capacity of 110% of the largest tank. The design of tank farms is consistent with the document entitled "Design Rationale for Fuel Storage and Distribution Facilities" published by the Department of Public Works of the North West Territories. The lining within the bermed area is an impervious HDPE liner membrane.







Refuelling stations are equipped with a lined and bermed area to contain minor spills or leaks during refuelling. The liner (e.g., 40 mm hypolon liner or equivalent) is protected by sand bedding. Vehicles and mobile equipment drive onto this bedding for refuelling. All fuel transfer is done by pumps.

Smaller temporary tank farms and secondary storage consisting of multiple 20,000 L capacity double-walled iso-containers will be established at construction camps, quarries and major bridge sites. These smaller tank farms will be re-supplied using tanker trucks. Equipment at the railway construction fronts will be refuelled using smaller fuel trucks.

For each method of fuel storage and transfer, specific procedures related to fuel storage and transfer will be developed, and proper containment and emergency response equipment will be provided to meet or exceed regulatory requirements (Refer to EPP procedures, Appendix 10B). The Emergency and Spill Response Plan will govern land-based operations, and a Transport Canada approved Oil Handling Facility (OHF) Plan (Milne Port OPEP and Steensby Port OPEP) will govern ship to shore fuel transfers.

6.7 Explosives Storage

The Explosives Management Plan outlines the requirements for the management of explosives for the Mary River Project.

6.7.1 Mitigation Measures

All permanent and temporary explosive storage facilities will be designed and constructed in compliance with regulations (refer to Explosive Management Plan). As per regulatory requirements, the storage sites will be fenced, and erected within secondary containment structures (berms). The EPP (Appendix 10B) will outline handling procedures for handling, storage and use of explosives.

6.8 Laydown

6.8.1 Description

For the construction phase, several laydown areas will be constructed at Milne Port, Mine Site, along the railway temporary construction road and Steensby Port, to enable storage of equipment and material required for the construction of the facilities. The EPP (Appendix 10B) provides procedures and guidance for the preparation of laydown areas.

6.8.2 Mitigation Measures

Contouring, berms and silt fences will be applied as necessary for sediment and erosion control. Sediment and erosion control measures will be required and will be installed as per Section 4.0, Mitigation Measures.

6.9 Ore Stockpile at Steensby Port

Ore will be transported to Steensby Port for shipment. The Mine Site and Steensby Port will have significant ore stockpiles (refer to EIS volume 3, Project Description). The locations of these stockpiles along with the water management structures associated with them are presented in the Type 'A' Water License application, Attachment 9 in the drawings numbers







H337697-4210-10-014-0009 (Mine Site Proposed Drainage Works), and H337697-4610-07-042-0003 (Steensby Inlet Environmental Monitoring Plan Site Layout – Appendix 3B, FEIS).

At each location, the runoff from the ore stockpile will be routed to sedimentation pond prior to discharge to the receiving environment. The discharge will be subject to water quality as established in later sections of this management plan.

7. Water Management – Mining Operation

For the mine infrastructure, the runoff management structures will have been established during the Construction phase. Where required, these structures will be maintained for the life of the project. However, the open pit mine and the waste rock stockpile will progress over time and the water management strategies and structures will have to be adapted to the terrain as these facilities expand. For a description of run-off management refer to "Stormwater Management and Drainage System Design" (H337697-0000-10-122-0001) included as Annex 1 of the Waste Rock Management Plan (FEIS, Appendix 10D-5). The Type 'A' Water License Application, Attachment 9 (FEIS, Attachment 3B), drawing titled 'Mine Site Permanent Works Water Supply and Wastewater Disposal GA Plan', Doc. No. H337697-4310-10-042-0001 presents the site plan of Mine Site for the Operation phase. This will be updated closer to Mine Operation.

7.1.1 Mitigation Measures

Sediment and erosion control measures may be required and will be installed as per Section 4.0, Mitigation Measures. Berms and other drainage control measures will be established as needed to limit erosion and maintain positive drainage to minimize water ponding. Contouring, berming and silt fences will be applied as necessary for sediment and erosion control.

7.2 Open Pit and Related Facilities

During operations the open pit and mine site will consist of:

- Mine haulage roads
- Run of mine (ROM) ore stockpile
- Ore stockpiles (lump and fines) including stacker/reclaimer system
- Primary crusher
- Secondary crushing
- · Explosives magazines and emulsion plant
- Waste rock dump.

The open pit will be excavated using a conventional bench configuration with access via ramps. Movement of vehicles within the pit will be monitored by a central dispatching system in order to ensure worker health and safety and operational efficiency. The general







dimensions of the final open pit based on the preliminary design presented in the FEIS will be:

Maximum length: 2.0 km

Maximum width: 1.2 km

Depth ranging from 465 m (northern side) to 195 m (southern side).

7.2.1 Groundwater Inflows into the Pit

The general consensus is that groundwater inflows are likely to be minimal below the active zone. Comparison have been made with operations at three mine sites at northern latitudes including the Polaris, Ekati, and Diavik mines, of which the Ekati mine is most similar to the Mary River. The Ekati pits were developed in competent granite that was cut by moderate faults. The base of permafrost at the Ekati mine was encountered at approximately 350 to 400 meters. Other than near the surface, groundwater was not encountered in the pits until mining was below permafrost. Based on this data, the Mary River pit is not likely to have much groundwater inflow below the active layer because it also will be developed in competent bedrock, has generally colder mean temperatures, is topographically higher, has minimal faulting, and has a deeper permafrost zone.

The Polaris underground mine, also located in Nunavut, had problems with groundwater coming into the mine which caused temporary closure of the mine. However, the water inflows were due to thawing of permafrost in ice-rich rock (shale) due to the ventilation system, rather than natural groundwater inflow. The ventilation system was subsequently renovated and there were no additional problems with underground water accumulations in the mine as it was extended to a total depth of approximately 450 meters. The mine was not extended deeper due to incompetence of the shale, rather than groundwater inflow problems.

For the Mary River mine pit, geotechnical investigations have included the drilling of a 400 m deep drillhole that was instrumented with thermistors along its length. The thermistors report ground temperatures at various depths within the hole. Extrapolation of temperature gradients with depth suggests that permafrost conditions (i.e., below zero degrees Celsius for two consecutive years) extend to approximately 700 m, well below the planned mine depths. As such, water inflows into the pit are expected to be minor, consisting of shallow seasonal groundwater flows and direct contribution from precipitation events.

Drifting snow is not expected to contribute significantly to in-pit water volume. A snow fence will be erected around the perimeter of the pit to minimize intake of drifting snow.

Pit water quality will be monitored and transported to a sedimentation pond prior to discharge to the receiving environment.

7.2.2 Surface Water Direction and Quantity

The catchment areas for the Mine Site are shown on Figure 5.1 of the appendix. Ultimately the surface water at the site is directed towards Camp, Sheardown and Mary Lakes. The estimated surface water runoff quantities for each catchment area are shown on Table 4-1.







7.3 Waste Rock Pile

The waste rock stockpile is located directly north of the mine pit as shown in the mine site layouts provided in the Type "A" Water License Application, Attachment 9. The Waste Rock Management Plan (Appendix 10D-5) addresses the specific requirements for management of the waste rock and includes the document "Stormwater Management and Drainage System Design".

The total capacity of the waste rock stockpiles is expected to be on the order of 640 Mt. Any waste rock classified as potentially acid-generating will be stored in designated areas within the waste rock stockpile to limit its potential for contact with meteoric water and also its exposure to oxidizing conditions.

7.4 Mine Site Crushing Operations

Crusher locations are provided in drawing Mine Site Infrastructure Site Layout, Doc. No. H349000-4000-00-014-0003 in attachment XX. Ore from the open pit or the ROM stockpile will be processed by crushing to a suitable size for transportation. The primary objective of the crushing systems is to maximize the production of lump product (-30 mm/+6 mm), while at the same time, keeping ore fines (-6 mm) at a minimum, since lump product has a greater value for sale.

The crushers material handling equipment, including reclaimers, stackers and conveyors are installed outdoors. Conveyors will be enclosed to reduce wind exposure and potential for ore fines to be blown off the conveyors. Dust collectors will be installed at transfer points and other required areas to limit fugitive dust emissions.

Runoff from the area will be directed to surface drainage and appropriate sediment control structures will be installed as required.

7.4.1 Surface Water Direction and Quantity

The catchment areas for the stockpiles and crusher operations in the vicinity of the Mine Site are shown drawing Mine Site Infrastructure Site Layout, Doc. No. H349000-4000-00-014-0003 in attachment XX. Surface water in this area is first directed to a sedimentation pond and then release to the receiving environment if it meets discharge water quality guidelines.

7.4.2 Mitigation Measures

Sediment and erosion control measures may be required and will be installed as per Section 4.0, Mitigation Measures.

7.5 Railway Route

The railway will be used to transport iron ore from the mine site to the port located at Steensby Port, it will be approximately 150 km long. The basic design is for a heavy haul mineral railway, although the line will also carry some mixed general freight traffic to supply the mining operation. The proposed railway system will consist of:

- Rail line and embankment including tunnels, bridges and sidings
- Crossings across watercourses and drainages







- Yards and terminals including rail loop, coupling and turn-around
- Supporting facilities including maintenance and emergency facilities
- Train including locomotives (engines) and cars
- Cargo
- Signalling and telecommunications.

7.5.1 Mitigation Measures

The railway corridor will be inspected weekly. Necessary repair to the railway bed, bridges, stream and creek crossings will be scheduled as required.

8. Roles and Responsibilities

8.1 Organisation Chart for Environment

The Baffinland environmental team is organised into two parts, on site as well as off site. The organisational structure for the Mary River Project in relation to the environment discipline, is shown in Figure 8-1 below. Communication channels are described as liaisons in the tables outlining the responsibilities and accountabilities in the following sections.

8.1.1 Environmental Project Team

8.1.1.1 The Baffinland Environmental Team

The Baffinland Environmental Team will oversee all environmental and community works on and off site. The Baffinland Corporate Environmental Team responsibilities are summarized in Table 8-1.

Table 8-1: Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Senior Management

Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Senior Management				
Position	Responsibilities and Accountabilities			
Project Director	 Reports to Baffinland's CEO Overall accountability for the Project execution Allocation of resources (human and financial) for the implementation of Baffinland's commitments and objectives related to health, safety and environment during Construction of the Project Accountable for on-site environmental, health and safety performance during construction of the Project 			







Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Senior Management				
Position	Responsibilities and Accountabilities			
VP Operations	 Reports to Baffinland's CEO Overall accountability for the Operation of the Project once constructed Allocation of resources (human and financial) for the implementation of Baffinland's commitments and objectives related to health, safety and environment during Operation Accountable for on-site environmental, health and safety performance during Operation 			
VP Sustainable Development, Health, Safety and Environment	 Reports to Baffinland's CEO Establish corporate environmental policies and objectives Monitors and reports on Baffinland's performance related to environmental, health and safety policies and objectives Community liaison Liaise with regulatory authorities Obtains necessary permits and authorizations Monitors compliance with terms and conditions of permits and licences Routine EHS audit of contractor performance while on site 			
Manager Purchasing and Contract	 Reports to Baffinland's Project Director Accountable for procurement and purchasing Ensure that environmental commitments, policies and objectives are included in all contract documents 			
VP Corporate Affairs	 Reports to Baffinland's CEO Accountable for external communication (Governments, media, NGO, others) related to Baffinland's press release and overall communication of site incidents/events 			

The Baffinland Environmental Team will oversee all environmental activities on site. These responsibilities on site are outlined in Table 8-2.

Table 8-2: Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation On-Site Management Team

Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation On-Site Management Team			
Position	Responsibilities and Accountabilities		
Construction Manager	 Reports to the Project Director Responsible for daily on-site management of construction activities Accountable to the Project director for site environmental, health and safety performance Organize and provides necessary induction, safety and environmental training for all employees Ensure that all contractors on-site abide by Baffinland's policies, EHS commitments 		





Baffinland Iron	Mines Corporation On-Site Management Team
Environmental Manager	 Reports to VP Sustainable Development, Health, Safety and Environment Liaises with the Project Director, Construction Manager and the Emergency Response Team Monitors environmental performance of contractors on site Monitors compliance with permits, licences and authorizations Regulatory environmental monitoring and reporting (monthly, annual) Routine audit of contractor's environmental performance on-site Initiate/supervise environmental studies Investigate and reports on accidents and incidents when they occur Review and update environmental management plans
Environmental Supervisor (s)	 Reports to Environmental Manager Specific accountabilities for environmental monitoring and reporting Provides induction and environmental awareness training to new employees and contract workers
Environmental Support Groups	 Reports to the Environmental Manager Environmental database management Various sampling, monitoring and reporting activities as required by permits, licences and environmental management plans Prepare updates to environmental protection plan and management plans
Environmental Monitors	 Reports to the Environmental Manager Conduct monitoring activities as per the management plans
QIA Monitors	 Various monitoring and follow up activities Roles will be defined in the IIBA agreement

8.1.1.2 Construction Contractor's Environmental Team

The Construction Contractor will have their own organisational structure which is yet to be defined, but at a minimum the responsibilities for the environmental portion are summarized in Table 8-3 below.

Table 8-3: Construction Contractor(s)

Construction Contractor(s)				
Position	Position Responsibilities and Accountabilities			
Construction Manager	 Reports to the Baffinland's Construction Manager Accountable for the EHS components of his scope of work Accountable for implementation of the Construction Environmental Protection Plan Co-ordination/interaction with Baffinland and Baffinland's 			







Construction Contractor(s)				
Representative Environmental Monitors.				
 Reports to the Contractor's Construction Environmental Manager Liaise with Baffinland's Environmental Supervisors and monitors. Holds daily EHS briefing Monitors and ensures that Contractor complies with requirements of management plans, terms and conditions of all authorization, licences and permits associated with the Contractor's scope of work Investigate, reports and follow up on environmental accidents and incident Provides site specific environmental monitoring Daily supervision of construction activities for environmental performance Attendance at all environmental meetings/Project meetings (as required). Routine interaction with construction crews to ensure all construction activities are in compliance with requirements of the CEPP and Contractors Environmental Method Statements. Monitor the environmental permitting status of the Project to ensure that no work proceeds until appropriate and complete permitting is received for the applicable facility. 				

8.2 Monitoring and Inspection

The monitoring and inspection requirements are described in Section 10 of this Plan and will be discussed in detail in the Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan which will be updated as per Part I Condition number 1 of the Type A Water Licence (2AM-MRY-1325).Responsibilities have been assigned to various personnel on the Project team. Where required, third party resources will be retained to supplement in-house resources and capabilities.

8.3 Training and Awareness

Staff and sub-contractors working on site will receive environmental training as part of the Site Orientation, to achieve a basic level of environmental awareness understanding of their obligations regarding compliance with regulatory requirements, commitments and best practices.

Operations superintendents and contractor supervisors will be provided with this Management Plan, and will receive additional orientation with respect to the requirements outlined in this Plan. In addition, all supervising level staff and sub-contractors will be provided with the Operational Standards (the EPP, Appendix 10B) as a written guidance for their work.

Targeted environmental awareness training will be provided to both individuals and groups of workers assuming a specific authority or responsibility for environmental management or those undertaking an activity with an elevated high risk of environmental impact. These will be delivered in the form of toolbox/tailgate meetings or other means as appropriate.

The content of the environmental component of the site induction will include at a minimum:







- a) Location of environmental sensitivities.
- b) Location of additional information on environmental matters.
- c) Due diligence responsibilities.
- d) Responsibilities related to waste management, minimizing noise as necessary, road traffic rules, etc.
- e) Principles and necessary steps to avoid encounters with bears or other wildlife and what to do if one such encounter occurs.

8.4 Communication

The types of communications for which members of the team will participate include the following:

- a) Formal written correspondence and meetings with stakeholders.
- b) Site visits by community representatives.
- c) Design, construction and planning meetings.
- d) Field inspections and monitoring reports disseminated by the Environmental Manager.
- e) Electronic communications.
- f) Tailgate/toolbox meetings.
- g) Formal written correspondence and meetings with government regulatory bodies.
- h) Formal environmental awareness training.

Communications will be appropriately recorded and filed for future reference. Where appropriate, the copies of communications will be forwarded to the Operations Manager(s), and Environmental Manager.

8.5 External Communications

Effective forms of communication include the proactive notification to external stakeholders of Project activity. Project activity updates will be provided to the communities of North Baffin through various means including regular meetings, public notices and radio announcements as appropriate. Baffinland will maintain Community Liaison Offices to assist in this regard.

8.6 Construction

During the construction phase of the Project, the Baffinland Environmental Manager and EPCM (Engineering Procurement and Construction Management) contractor will be responsible for implementing this Plan.

This Management Plan will be updated to take into account the numerous construction sites, and types of construction equipment utilized. The organizational structure of the EPCM contractor will reflect the complexity of the construction phase.







The EPCM contractor and its subcontractors will appoint a Construction Phase Environmental Supervisors who will oversee the application and adherence to all of Baffinland's EMMP. They will report to the site Construction Manager as well as to the Environmental Manager or his designate.

8.7 Operation and Closure

For the operations and closure phases, Baffinland will revise its organizational structure to reflect the realities of the operation. The Environmental Manager will be responsible for subsequent updates and implementation of the Plan.





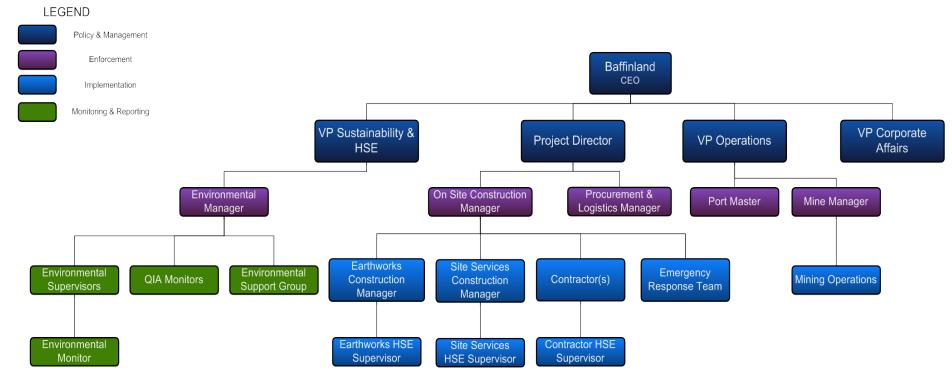


Figure 8-1: Organizational Chart







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9. Performance Indicators, Thresholds and Quantities

In terms of water quantity, the performance indicator is the on-going compliance with the terms and conditions of the Type A Water Licence (2AM-MRY1325). The Tables below indicate the permitted quantities of Freshwater for domestic camp and industrial purposes during Construction and Operation Phase of the Project. During the Construction phase the Project will not exceed one thousand five hundred and eighty-nine (1,589) cubic meters per day or five hundred and eighty thousand (580,000) cubic meters per year total water use from all sources. During Operation phase the Project will not exceed six hundred and thirty (630) cubic meters per day and two hundred and thirty thousand (230,000) cubic meters per year for total domestic camp and industrial water use.

Table 9-1: Water Use for Domestic and Industrial Purposes During the Construction Phase

Site	Source	Volume	Combined Volume
Milne Port (Milne Inlet)	Phillips Creek (summer)	68.5 m ³ /day	25,000 m ³ /year
	Km 32 Lake (Winter)		
Mine Site (Mary River)	Camp Lake	657.5 m ³ /day	240,000 m ³ /year
Steensby Port	ST 347 Km Lake	435.8 m ³ /day	155,400 m ³ /year
(Steensby Inlet)	3 Km Lake		
Raven River			
Mid-Rail	Nivek Lake (Summer)	79.5 m ³ /day	
	Ravn Camp Lake (Winter)		
Cockburn North (Tunnels Camp)	Cockburn Lake	101.4 m ³ /day	
Cockburn South Camp	Cockburn Lake	111.1 m ³ /day	
	TOTAL	1,589 m ³ /day	580,000 m ³ /year

^{*}Source: Type A Water Licence (2AM-MRY1325)

Table 9-2: Water Use for Domestic and Industrial Purposes During the Operations Phase

Site	Source	Volume (m³/day)		Combined Volume
		Domestic	Industrial	m ³ /day
Milne Port (Milne Inlet)	Phillips Creek (summer)	14.8	16.2	31
	Km 32 Lake (Winter)			
Mine Site (Mary	Camp Lake	203.8	151.6	335.4
River)				
Steensby Port	ST 347 Km Lake	101	142.6	243.6
(Steensby Inlet)	3 Km Lake			







*Source: Type A Water Licence (2AM-MRY1325)

In terms of surface water quality, both visual inspection and sampling/analytical results are used as indicators. During routine inspections, any indication of elevated TSS level or visible oil sheen will result in immediate corrective action. The current surface water quality performance indictors under the Type A Water Licence (2AM-MRY1325) are presented in the table below.

Table 9-3: Effluent Quality Limits for Surface Runoff

Parameter	Maximum Average Concentration (mg/L)	Maximum Concentration of Any Grab Sample (mg/L)
Total Suspended Solids	50	100
Oil and Grease	No Visible Sheen	No Visible Sheen
рН	Between 6.0 and 9.5	Between 6.0 and 9.5

For all other effluent discharge quality criteria that falls within the recently received Type A Water Licence (2AM-MRY1325) refer to the Freshwater Supply, Sewage and Wastewater Management Plan (Rev 1).

10. Monitoring and Reporting Requirements

In addition to specific monitoring and reporting requirements under the regulatory approvals such as the water license, QIA land lease, land use permits and fisheries authorization, routine inspections of various aspects of the operations will be undertaken. Routine water management related inspections will be conducted at drill sites, camp sites and related infrastructure, roadways, and landforms generated in association with the Project development.

10.1 Routine Inspections

Routine inspections and water license monitoring is outlined in the table below.

Table 10-1: Routine Inspection and Monitoring

Site	Routine Inspection		
Milne Port Mine Site Steensby Port facilities Rail camp locations Milne Port Tote Road and Refuge stations	- Water management systems - Sediment and erosion control structures - Evidence of hydrocarbon staining or leaks from containment devices - Full-time supervision of fuel transfer operations - Water intakes - Flow meter readings - Rutting by vehicles		
Milne Port Tote Road Railway Construction Road Railway	- Sediment and erosion control structures - Fuel leaks - Drip Pans and Equipment condition - Any rutting by vehicles		







Site	Routine Inspection		
Spoil Deposit locations Tunnelling locations	Sediment and erosion control structures Evidence of hydrocarbon staining or leaks from containment devices Fuel leaks Drip Pans and Equipment condition Rutting by vehicles		
Borrow sites and rock quarries	 Evidence of hydrocarbon staining or leaks from containment devices Full-time supervision of fuel transfer operations Sediment and erosion control structures Drip Pans and Equipment condition 		
Drill sites	Pre-drilling - Drillhole coordinates - Water source coordinates - Site photo - Water source photo - Distance to nearest water source - Archaeological approval - Completed wildlife survey	- Fuel leaks - Sediment and erosion control structures - Drip Pans - Equipment condition - Any rutting by vehicles - Water intake - Water management - Flow meter reading	Post drilling - All materials and debris removed from site - Quantity of equipment, rods or casing left in the hole - Site photo - Water source photo - Water use assessment - Environmental concerns - Wildlife concerns
Waste Rock Stockpile	- Sediment and erosion control structures - Evidence of hydrocarbon staining or leaks from containment devices - Evidence of ARD and ML - Drip Pans - Equipment condition		
Bulk Fuel Storage Facilities Milne Port Mary River Steensby Port	Primary containment structure Evidence of hydrocarbon staining or leaks from containment devices Equipment condition Spill kit		
Explosives Storage Mary River Steensby Port	- Primary containment structure - Access and security - Equipment condition - Rutting by vehicles		
- Sediment and erosion control structures - Evidence of hydrocarbon staining or leaks from containment devices - Fuel leaks - Drip Pans - Equipment condition - Rutting by vehicles			
Routine inspection and site monitoring will be undertaken by the Construction Contractor's EHS Supervisor under the direction of the Baffinland Environmental Supervisor. The effects of the project on the permafrost along the railway and other project affected areas shall be monitored the integrity of the permafrost. Preventative measures will be undertaken to ensure that the integrity of the permafrost is maintained.			







10.2 Water Quality and Quantity Monitoring

Existing monitoring station locations, parameters, and Type A Water Licence criteria for the Project are presented in the updated Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan.

An exploration drill water quality monitoring program has been undertaken since 2005 at selected locations upstream (reference), downstream along the Mary River (potentially affected), and along steep seasonal flow channels that drain the rugged topographic terrain that characterizes the land surface in the vicinity of Deposits 1,2 and 3. The main objective of the monitoring program is to identify and measure *Contaminants of Potential Concern* in Mary River, both upstream at locations unaffected by drilling activities, and downstream at locations that may be potentially affected by drilling activities. Each year, the water quality monitoring program is dependent and specific to the planned scope of the drill program. The Environmental Superintendent will, in consultation with Operations personnel the annual exploration drill water quality monitoring program and ensure that it is implemented. The results of the monitoring program will be used to guide adaptive management measures, as appropriate.

10.2.1 Monitoring Stations

Signs will be posted in appropriate areas at Surveillance Network Program (SNP) Monitoring Stations, and will be located and maintained to the satisfaction of the Inspector. Monitoring Stations will be maintained at the locations identified. Existing monitoring station locations, parameters, and water licence criteria for the existing Type A Water Licence will be presented in the updated Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan. During the site preparation activities that are planned during the May to July period under a new Type B licence, new monitoring stations have been established and are presented in the 2013 Site Drainage Plans for Milne Port and for the Mine Site and in Table 4-2 of the Comprehensive Environmental Monitoring Plan (CEMP). New SNP Monitoring Stations established under the Type A licence and plans will be updated to reflect the monitoring stations and sampling/monitoring regime under a new Type A Licence.

10.2.2 Groundwater Monitoring

Shallow groundwater monitoring stations will be established downstream of major infrastructure (i.e. landfill, landfarm, etc.) where there are identified unacceptable risks to the receiving environment. Samples will be retrieved from the subsurface active zone which is typically less than two metres below grade at most locations. Field parameters will be measured and samples retrieved and sent for select analyses, depending on location and potential contaminants of concern. Typically samples would be collected once per year during the period of greatest active zone thickness (late August). Standard well installation monitoring and sampling methods will be followed. The groundwater monitoring network will be established and monitors installed in 2014. A terms of reference for a shallow groundwater study will be submitted to the NWB for review and comment prior to implementation.

10.3 Construction and Operation Phases

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB) water license is the main regulatory instrument specifying the scope and details of the water quality monitoring program. The water quality monitoring







will be conducted in accordance with a QA/QC Plan filed with the NWB. Baffinland's current QA/QC Plan is presented as an attachment to Comprehensive Environmental Monitoring Program.

11. Data Management and Reporting

11.1 Data Management

The Environmental Manager is responsible for data management and reporting related to waste management. The data management system includes conducting routine inspections and monitoring, and providing these results to appropriate parties as required.

11.2 Water Licence Reporting

- Monthly water license reporting requirements.
- Project annual report that addresses Water Licence, NIRB and other's annual reporting requirements.
- Review results in comparison to predictions.
- Opportunity for continuous improvement.

Since water is regulated by the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) through the water licensing process, there will be monthly water license reporting requirements. An annual Project report will be prepared that addresses requirements specified by the Water Licence, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB), and the landowners.

11.3 Stakeholder Reporting

Future arrangements regarding reporting could be made through the Inuit Impact Benefits Agreement (IIBA) or other mechanisms; this will be incorporated in future Plan updates.

12. Adaptive Strategies

Baffinland is committed to continual improvement in its work activities in the aim of reducing risks to the environment and improving operational effectiveness. The strategy employed at Baffinland is regular monitoring supported by operational change and adoption of other mitigating measures as warranted.

As per the requirements of Baffinland's HSE Management Framework, the company will conduct and document management reviews of its "Surface Water and Aquatic Ecosystem Management Plan" on a regular basis. Such reviews will ensure the integration of monitoring results for the waste management plan are integrated with other aspects of the Project and that necessary adjustments are implemented as required. These reviews also provide a formal mechanism to assess the effectiveness of the management in achieving the company's objectives and maintaining on-going compliance with Project permits and authorizations.







Appendix A

Table of Concordance for NIRB Project Certificate and Type A Water License (2AM-MRY1325) Conditions







1. Table of Concordance

Project Certificate Terms and Conditions

Hydrology and Hydrogeology

No.	Term and Conditions	Comments
16	The Proponent shall ensure that the water related infrastructure or facilities that are designed and constructed, including the modification of culverts, diversion of watercourses, and diversion of runoff into watercourses along the railway, access roads, the Milne Tote Road, and other areas of the Project site, are consistent, with those proposed in the FEIS in terms of type, location, and scope and that the requirements of all relevant regulatory authorities are satisfied advance of constructing those facilities.	Refer to section 4.1
17	The Proponent shall develop and implement effective measures to ensure that effluent from project-related facilities and/or activities, including sewage treatment plants, ore stockpiles, and mine pit, satisfies all discharge criteria requirement established by the relevant regulatory agencies prior to being discharged into the receiving environment.	Refer to site drainage plans in the Appendix D for monitoring and sampling locations. Also refer to Table 10-2 and Section 6.
18	The Proponent shall carry out continued analyses over time to confirm and update, accordingly, the approximate fill time for the mine pit lake identified in the FEIS.	This shall be included in the updated abandonment and reclamation plan.
19	The Proponent shall ensure that it develops and implement adequate monitoring and maintenance procedures to ensure that the culverts and other conduits that may be prone to blockage do not significantly hinder or alter the natural flow of water from areas associated with the proposed mine. In addition, the Proponent shall monitor, document and report the withdrawal rates for water removed and utilized for all domestic and industrial purposes.	Refer to section 4.3 and section 10.2 for Water Quality and Quantity Monitoring and Table 10.2

Groundwater and Surface Waters

No.	Term and Conditions	Comments	
20	The Proponent shall monitor the effects of explosives residue and related by-products from project-related blasting activities as well as develop and implement effective preventative and mitigation measures, including treatment, if necessary, to ensure that the effects associated with the manufacturing, storage, transportation and use of explosives do not negatively impact the Project and surrounding areas.	Refer to Borrow Pit and Quarry Management Plan (dated March 2013) and Quarry Management Plan – Milne Inlet Quarry Q1 (dated March 2013) Refer to the Explosives Management submitted as part of the FEIS (Refer to Explosives Management Submitted as part of the FEIS).	
21	The Proponent shall ensure that the scope of the Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan (AEMP) includes, at a minimum, monitoring of non-point sources of discharge, selection of appropriate reference sites, measures to ensure the collection of adequate baseline data and the mechanisms proposed to monitor and treat runoff, and sample sediments.	Refer to the AMEP Framwork (dated March 2013) and the monitoring section of the Comprehensive Environmental Monitoring Plan (March 2013)	
22	The Proponent shall develop a detailed Sediment and Erosion Management Plan to prevent and/or mitigate sediment loading into surface water within the Project area.	Refer to drainage drawings in Appendix A as well as section 4.1 and 4.2	
23	The Proponent shall develop and implement a Groundwater Monitoring and Management Plan to monitor, prevent and mitigate the potential effects of the Project on groundwater within the Project area.	Refer to section 10-2.2	
24	The Proponent shall monitor as required the relevant parameters of the effluent generated from Project activities and facilities and shall carryout treatment if necessary to ensure that discharge conditions are met at all times.	Refer to section 10-2 and Table 10-2	
25	The Proponent shall undertake the additional geotechnical investigations to identify sensitive landforms, modify engineering design for Project infrastructure, develop and implement preventative and/or mitigation and monitoring measures to minimize the impacts of the Project's activities and infrastructure on sensitive landforms.	Refer to section 4.	
26	The Proponent shall develop and implement a comprehensive erosion management plan to prevent or minimize the effects of destabilization and erosion that may occur due to the Project's construction and operation. Refer section Table 10.1		
28	The Proponent shall monitor the effects of the Project on the permafrost along the railway and all other Project affected areas and must implement effective preventative measures to ensure that the integrity of the permafrost is maintained.		
29	The Proponent shall provide to the respective regulatory authorities, for review and acceptance, for-construction engineering design and drawings, specifications and engineering analysis to support design in advance for constructing those facilities. Once project facilities	Refer to section 6	







	are constructed, the Proponent shall provide copies of the as-built drawings and design to the appropriate regulatory authorities.	
30	The Proponent shall develop site-specific quarry operation and management plans in advance of the development of any potential quarry site or borrow pit.	Refer to Borrow Pit and Quarry Management Plan (dated March 2013) and Quarry Management Plan – Milne Inlet Quarry Q1 (dated March 2013)

Groundwater and Surface Waters

No.	Term and Conditions	Comments Refer to sections 6.1.3, 6.3.4, 6.4.2 and 6.4.7	
41	The Proponent shall maintain a minimum 100-metre naturally-vegetated buffer between the high-water mark of any fish-bearing water bodies and any permanent quarries with potential for acid rock drainage or metal leaching.		
42	The Proponent shall maintain minimum a 30-metre naturally-vegetated buffer between the mining operation and adjacent water bodies.	Refer to section 6.3.4	
43	Prior to the start of construction, the Proponent must submit a Site Drainage and Silt Control Plan to the appropriate regulatory authorities for approval.	Refer to site drainage plans in Appendix D, Table 4.1 and section 6.	
44	The Proponent shall meet or exceed the guidelines set by Fisheries and Oceans Canada for blasting thresholds and implement practical and effective measures to ensure that residue and by-products of blasting do not negatively affect fish and fish habitat.	Refer to Borrow Pit and Quarry Management Plan (dated March 2013) and Quarry Management Plan – Milne Inlet Quarry Q1 (dated March 2013)	
45	The Proponent shall adhere to the No-Net-Loss principle at all phases of the project to prevent or mitigate direct or indirect fish and fish habitat losses.	Refer to Table 4-3.	
46	The Proponent shall ensure that runoff from fuel storage and maintenance facility areas, sewage and wastewater other facilities responsible for generating liquid effluent and runoff meet discharge requirements.	Refer to site drainage plans in the Appendix D, Table 10-2 in this document and the Comprehensive Environmental Monitoring Plan (dated March 2013)	
47	The Proponent shall ensure that all Project infrastructure in watercourses are designed and constructed in such a manner that they do not unduly prevent and limit the movement of water in fish bearing streams and rivers.	Refer to section 4.4, Table 4-3	
48	The Proponent shall engage with Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Qikiqtani Inuit Association in exploring possible Project specific thresholds for blasting that would exceed the requirements of Fisheries and Oceans Canada's Guidelines for the Use of Explosives In or Near Canadian Fisheries Waters (D.G. Wright and G.E. Hopky, 1998).	Refer to Table 4-3.	

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No.	Subject	Commitment	Action
6	Environmental Design (Contact Water)	Baffinland is committed to collecting and treating, if required, contact water generated from mining activities to ensure that relevant effluent criteria are met as established in the water licence.	Refer to section 6.
40	Monitoring (Abandonment and Restoration)	Baffinland is committed to undertaking environmental effects monitoring during the mine life mine as well as after closure.	Addressed in Abandonment and Reclamation Plan
57	Management Plans	Baffinland is committed to updating its management plans to reflect new information, new practices and changes to operating conditions.	Refer to page 1 for date of update and Section 1.5
66	Monitoring	Baffinland is committed to the development and implementation of a monitoring program during the construction and other phases of the Mary River Project.	This management plan addressed the Surface Water and Aquatic Ecosystems components. Refer to Section 10.2 and the Comprehensive Environmental Monitoring Plan (dated March 2013)







Table A-1 shows the Part, number and Condition of the Type A water License (Water Licence No: 2AM-MRY1325) and the location where the condition is located within the Surface Water and Aquatic Ecosystems Management Plan

Table A-1: List of Commitments Identified and Location of the Corresponding Answers

Part	Number	Condition	Section
В	15c	The Licensee shall update and revise, for submission to the Board for review, within sixty (60) days of issuance of this Licence, the following management plans. The updates are to take into account commitments made with respect to submissions received during the preliminary and technical review of the Application documents, as well as final submissions and issues raised during the Public Hearing Process, where applicable. Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Mary River Project Attachment 5:Surface Water and Aquatic Ecosystems Management Plan dated March 2013.	Plan has been updated from March 2013 Version
В	18	The Licensee shall review the Plans or Manuals referred to in this Licence as required by changes in operation and/or technology and modify the Plans or Manuals accordingly. Revisions to the Plans or Manuals are to be submitted in the form of an Addendum to be included with the Annual Report required by Part B, Item 4, complete with a revisions list detailing where significant content changes are made.	Update in the next revision of the Annual Report
D	2	The Licensee shall submit to the Board for review and acceptance, at least sixty (60) days prior to construction or in a timeframe otherwise approved by the Board in writing, final design and for-construction drawings, stamped and signed by a Professional Engineer, for all infrastructure and/or facilities designed to contain, withhold, divert or retain Water and/or Waste including the following: - Bulk Fuel Storage Facilities - Explosives Facilities - Incineration Systems - Landfarm Facility - Oily Water and/or Wastewater treatment Facilities - Sewage Treatment Facilities - Site Drainage and Surface Water Management Systems - Waste Management Facilities (including temporary and permanent structure for hazardous and non-hazardous waste) - Water Supply Facilities - Water crossings including, pipelines, bridges, and roads - Water course training, flood control, diversions	6 (60 days prior to construction If more immediate timeline required, will issue letter to NWB with early drawings)
D	5	The Licensee shall implement sediment and erosion control measures, as required, prior to and during the Construction and Operation Phases of the Mary River Project to prevent and/or minimize sediment loading Water.	4, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and 6







Part	Number	Condition			Section
D	10	The licensee shall locate equipment storage areas on gravel, sand or other durable land at a distance of at least thirty-one (31) meters above the ordinary High Water Mark of any Water body in order to minimize impacts on surface drainage and Water quality.			4, 6.3.4
D	16	All surface runoff during the Construction Phase of flow may directly or indirectly enter a Water body, s Weekly and not exceed the following effluent qualit Table 1: Effluent quality limits for surface runoff during the construction of the const	mpled	9	
		Parameter	Concentration	Maximum Concentration of Any Grab Sample (mg/L)	
		Total Suspended Solids Oil and Grease	No Visible Sheen	No Visible Sheen	
		рН		Between 6.0 and 9.5	
D	21	The Licensee shall not erect camps or store materi frozen streams or lakes including the immediate ba for immediate use. Camps shall be located such the surface drainage are minimized.	nks excep	t what is	4.1
D	22	The Licensee shall undertake necessary corrective mitigate impacts on surface drainage resulting from activities.			4, 6.1.3
D	26	The Licensee shall prevent the deposition of debris entering into or onto any water body, with respect to of access roads, site laydown pads and areas or of These materials shall be disposed of at a distance (31) metres from the ordinary High Water Mark in sthey do not enter the water.	o the cons her earthy of at least	struction vorks. thirty-one	4.1
Е	12	The Licensee shall not remove any material from b High Water Mark of any water body unless authorize		ordinary	4.1
Е	13	The Licensee shall not cause erosion to the banks Water and shall provide necessary controls to prev			4, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4
E	19	The Licensee shall undertake appropriate correctiv mitigate impacts on surface drainage resulting from operations.			4, 7.1.1,7.4.2 and 7.5.1





Part	Number	Condition	Section
E	20	The Licensee shall limit any in-stream activity, as much as possible, to low water periods. In-stream activity is prohibited during fish migration.	4.1, 4.4 and Table 4.3
E	21	The Licensee shall locate stream crossings to minimize approach grades. Approaches shall be stabilized during construction and upon completion of the project, to control runoff, erosion and subsequent siltation to any water body.	4.3, Table 4.2 and 6.4.7
F	13	The Licensee shall, unless otherwise approved by the Board in writing, discharge effluent at a distance of least thirty-one (31) metres above the Ordinary High Water Mark of any Water body, where direct flow into the Water body is not possible, such that surface erosion is minimized and no additional impacts are created.	4
J	8	The Licensee shall, unless otherwise identified within the approved Plan under Part J,item 1, remove all Culverts and open the natural drainage channel. In carrying out this activity, measures shall be implemented to minimize erosion and sedimentation.	4 for sedimentation and erosion control measures





Appendix B Work Plan and Site Layouts

2013 WORK PLAN

1.0 Introduction

The following document presents the activities Baffinland intends to undertake as part of its 2013 Work Plan. In the event the Project does not advance, all work items described and constructed as per the 2013 Work Plan will be subject to reclamation, as per relevant regulatory and permit obligations.

2.0 Overview of Site Activities for March 2013 to December 2013

This 2013 Work Plan provides for:

- 1) The development and construction of infrastructure required for site capture at Milne Port and the Mine Site for the launching of the 18 MT Mary River Project.
- 2) Ongoing environmental baseline data collection and geotechnical drilling in order to sustain the development of the 18 MT Project. These activities will resume at the Milne Port site, along the Tote Road, at the Mine Site, at numerous quarry sites and at other Project development areas.

The specific scope of activities to be undertaken at each Project site is presented in Section 3 of this Work Plan. The Work Plan is presented within the context of the applicable regulatory authorizations and schedule.

Baffinland holds, or will soon hold, all the permits and authorizations required to carry out the 2013 Work Plan. The main regulatory instruments that allow for the 2013 Work Plan activities include:

- Project Certificate
 - o All works and activities proposed have been screened by the NIRB and have been considered in the Project Certificate issued by the NIRB on December 28, 2012.
- Type B Water Licence
 - The current Type B Water Licence (2BB-MRY1114) authorizes Baffinland to operate the existing sewage treatment plants, incinerators, landfill, wastewater treatment and other facilities regulated by the Nunavut Water Board. A request for a modification to this licence will be submitted shortly, for the construction of an additional 5ML fuel tank construction within the existing secondary containment as well as for the construction of a second PWSP pond at Milne Port (these work items are discussed in section 3.1.2 of this letter). The Type B Water Licence also authorizes Baffinland to undertake mineral exploration and geotechnical drilling programs. Prior to March 31st 2013, Baffinland will submit to the NWB an update of all the environmental management plans associated with the Type B water Licence.
- Type A Water Licence
 - The final hearings for the Type A Water Licence associated with the Project Certificate are scheduled for April 23 to 25, 2013, in Pond Inlet. Baffinland expects that the Type A Water Licence will be granted by mid June 2013. The scope of the Type A Water Licence exceeds the requirement of the 2013 Work Plan for all

activities considered in this 2013 Work Plan. Following the issuance of the Type A Water Licence, Baffinland will submit to the NWB updates for the environmental management plans associated with this Water Licence.

Use and Storage of Explosives

 Baffinland's Explosives Contractor will obtain the necessary permits and authorizations from NRCan for the use and storage of explosive at the Project sites.
 It is anticipated that these permits will be obtained prior to commencement of the 2013 Work Plan (expected in mid April 2013).

Quarry Permits

- o Schedule 'B' Quarry Concession Agreement under IOL Commercial Lease Q10C3001.
 - It is anticipated that quarrying of rock and gravel from permitted quarry locations (as shown on Schedule "A1") of this Lease will continue. In addition, Baffinland will be applying for access and quarry permits to extract rock and gravel material adjacent and near the existing Milne Inlet Tote Road by means of an Amendment to the existing Schedule 'B' to the Lease.
- The Project Certificate included the detailed assessment of 5 quarries. Two of these quarries will be developed at the onset of the 2013 Work Plan:
 - Quarry Q1 located at Milne Inlet a site specific Quarry Management Plan was provided in the FEIS (Volume 3, Appendix 3B, Attachment 6: Operation and Management Plan Milne Inlet Quarry). The surface area of the quarry is 200,000 m² and the volume of material to be extracted is approximately 300,000 m³.
 - Quarry QMR2 located at the Mary River Mine Site a site specific Quarry Management Plan was provided in the FEIS (Volume 3, Appendix 3B, Attachment 6: Operation and Management Plan Mary River Mine Site Quarry). The surface area of the quarry is 252,700 m² and the volume of material to be extracted is approximately 538,000 m³.
- o AANDC Land Use Permit and Quarry Permit to access existing and possibly new borrow and rock quarries adjacent and near the Tote Road.

3.0 Scope of 2013 Construction Activities

3.1 Pre-Sealift Activities – mid April to June 30, 2013

Construction activities will commence in April 2013. Equipment already on site will be used to begin earthworks and site preparation. Beginning in April 2013, key activities will include:

3.1.1 Mary River Mine Site

 Operate the Mary River Exploration Camp and increase occupancy as of mid April 2013. The camp with its associated sewage treatment plant and incinerator will operate in accordance to the terms and conditions of Baffinland's Type B Water Licence.

- Fly in pre-packaged explosives to the Mary River airstrip and transport to explosives magazines at Milne Port for storage and use in quarry operations.
- Construct camp pad and begin installation of construction camp.

3.1.2 Tote Road

Routine maintenance of the Tote Road will continue in 2013. The following activities will be undertaken prior to the sealift:

- Open the Tote Road (snow clearing) in early April;
- Relocate crusher train from the Mary River mine site to Milne quarry site (the crusher will be transported across river ice at four locations where box culverts are now in place);
- Follow up on the requirements pursuant to the Fisheries Authorization for the Tote Road Not Net Loss and Monitoring Program, QIA lease, and AANDC land permit and quarry permit requirements;
- Implementation of a freshet management plan for the Milne Inlet Tote Road to minimize associated environmental risks;
- Develop laydown areas for storage of explosive magazines (3 areas) in proximity of Q1 quarry at Milne Inlet. Position explosive magazines.

Milne Port

- Open the Milne Port camp site (mid April) and operate at full capacity (60 beds). Restart and operate the existing sewage treatment plant at Milne Port and the camp incinerator. The camp will operate in accordance with the terms and conditions of Baffinland's Type B Water Licence.
- Construct a second polishing waste stabilization pond (PWSP) at Milne in preparation for larger off-specification sewage treatment capacity during construction ramp up.
- Begin development of quarry Q1 1+100 (submitted with FEIS) to generate crushed and screened aggregate for the development of the Milne Port site. An estimated aggregate volume of 100,000 m³ will be required for Milne Port site development.
- Earthworks at Milne Port prior to the sealifts will focus on the following areas:
 - Develop laydown area B (used for Owner/Contractor laydown);
 - Develop laydown area A for storage of material and equipment to be received during the 2013 sealift;
 - Develop pad for the expanded camp facilities;
 - Upgrade (extend) the airstrip runway;
 - Construct fuel tank farm secondary containment area;
 - o Construct one 5ML diesel fuel storage tank within the secondary containment constructed in 2011 (same construction as existing 5 ML tank);
 - Construct laydown area for waste storage/transfer;
 - Development of parking areas for heavy equipment and rolling stock fleet to be delivered during the sealifts.

3.2 2013 Sealift – July 1st to October 1st, 2013

For Milne Port, it is expected that sealifts will occur between July 1st and October 1st, 2013. An estimated 14 barges/ships (dimension of barges approximately 35 m x 140 m) will be necessary to transport the equipment and material required for the execution of the 2013 Work Plan and execution of the work planned for January to June of 2014.

Material, equipment, fuel and supplies required for construction activities at the Mine Site and the operation of the Mary River facilities will be transported to the Mine Site via the Tote Road during the fall of 2013 and the winter of 2014.

The material, equipment, supplies, buildings and machinery received at Milne Inlet during the sealifts will consist of the following:

3.2.1 Prefabricated Buildings and Fold-away Structures

- Camps complete with dormitories, kitchen facilities, washrooms, laundry facilities;
- Pre-assembled sewage treatment facilities;
- Camp incinerators;
- Emergency services building;
- Power generation equipment with electrical distribution system (several generators ranging from 50 kW to 500 kW);
- Two concrete batch plants;
- Boiler modules:
- Temporary emulsion plant;
- All modular buildings and fold-away structures to be used for offices during the 2013-2014 period. A preliminary list is presented in the table below:

Facility	Quantity
Maintenance shops	3
Trade shops (electrical, carpentry, piping, mechanical)	3
Warehouses	3
Parking garages	3
Tire shops	3
Office complexes	3
Lunchrooms	3
Wash cars	13
Field offices and lunch rooms	10
Fold-away structures	5

3.2.2 Heavy Equipment and Rolling Stock

 All heavy equipment and rolling stock required for the construction activities scheduled from July 2013 to July 2014 (next sealift). An overview of the rolling stock is presented in the table below:

Description	Quantity	Description	Quantity	
Loader	26	Emulsion Delivery Trucks	3	
Grader	7	Loader Snow Blower Attachments	5	
Track Dozer	13	Development Rock Drills	2	
Excavator	11	Production Rock Drill	2	
Haul Trucks 23		Crusher 6000 Ton/Day 6" (Cone Crusher)	2	
Service trucks (pick-ups)	27	45ft Van Trailer Generator	2	
Skidsteer	5	Hot Box	4	
Highway Tractor Truck	4	Frost Fighters	12	
Low Boy Trailers	8	Drive on Compactor	8	
Boom Truck	3	Walk Behind Compactor	4	
80 Ton Mobile RT Crane	2	Plate Compactors	4	
200 Ton Track Mount	2	Trash Pumps	8	
Crane RT	1	Development Drills	4	
Crawler Crane	1	Roll Off Truck	2	
Vac Truck - Roll Off	2	Potable Water Tank	1	
Potable Water Tanks	2	Water Truck	2	
Raw Water Tanks	2	Snow Cat	2	
Sewage Vac Tanks	4	Fuel and Lube Truck	4	
Garbage Bins	25	Tractor Truck	2	
Container Handler	2	Low Boy Float	2	
Telehandler	4	Low Boy Drop Deck	2	
Ambulance	2	Portable Concrete Batch Truck	2	
Fire Truck	2	10 cu.yd Mixer Truck	6	
Dewatering Pump	4	100ft Pump Trucks	2	
Plow/Sand Truck	4	320000BTU Frost Fighter	20	
Buses	8	8kW Light Towers	10	
Manlift	6	20kW Whisper Watt Gen Set	7	
Scissor Lifts	4	185cfm Air Compressor	2	
Maintenance Truck c/w Pick	2	400 Amp Welding Machines		
Fuel Delivery Truck - B-Train	2	Portable Grout Plant (3 off Sea Cans)		
Camp Power-Genset(1250)	10	Ice Profiler		
Boiler Modules	1	4" Ice Auger		
Solution Modules	1	4 ton Propane Bullet c/w Refill Station		
Bob Cat	1	10,000 L Gasoline ISO Container		
Air Compressors	2	Rock Breaker		
Magazines	15	Spray Equipment		

3.2.3 Fuel Delivery

At least two bulk fuel deliveries will occur during the 2013 sealift. At the onset of the shipping season, arctic diesel will be delivered to fill the existing 5 ML storage tank and the newly constructed 5 ML steel tank located at the Milne tank farm. In addition, 1.5 ML of jet A fuel will also be included in the initial fuel delivery.

Throughout the summer months, construction will continue on two additional 10 ML steel tanks (within the confine of the tank farm secondary confinement) for the storage of diesel fuel.

Towards the end of the open water season, a second fuel delivery will occur to fill all tankage available at Milne Port. It is expected that this second fuel delivery will consist of 25 ML of arctic diesel and 1.5 ML of jet A fuel.

In addition to bulk fuel delivery, an estimated twelve 100,000L double wall isocontainer fuel storage tanks will be delivered to Milne Port. These isocontainers will provide the fuel storage at various quarry sites and construction sites for the execution of the 2013 Work Plan and the work scheduled for the Tote Road upgrade and bridge construction during the winter of 2014.

3.2.4 Material and Supplies

To the extent practicable, all materials and supplies required to execute the 2013 Work Plan and the work scheduled for January to June 2014 will be received during the 2013 sealifts. This includes:

- Delivery of ammonium nitrate (1.5 million kg);
- Delivery of pre-package explosives;
- Delivery of cement (12,000 tonnes);
- Delivery of construction material (generators, cabling, control centres, etc.);
- Delivery of consumables (lubricants, grease, detergents, dry goods, food, household supplies, etc.);
- Delivery of twelve 100,000L double wall isocontainers for fuel.

3.3 Construction Activities from July 1 to December 31, 2013

As mentioned in Section 2.1, Baffinland expects to be granted its Type A Water Licence by mid June 2013. As equipment and material is delivered by sealifts, additional construction activities will begin. These include:

3.3.1 Milne Port

During the sealift, most of the activities at Milne Port will focus on unloading the barges and positioning received equipment and material in designated laydown areas. In addition, the following construction activities will continue:

- Install emergency response building;
- Construct and commission two 10 ML diesel fuel steel tanks at the tank farm (construction completion before the end of sealift season);
- Construct and commission two additional 10 ML diesel fuel steel tanks at the tank farm;
- Install and commission fuel dispensing system for bulk fuel facility;
- Install and commission camp extension (100 person camp) including sewage treatment plant and incinerator;
- Install concrete batch;
- Construct landfarm;

- Ongoing decommission of the bladder farm;
- Install maintenance shops;
- Install trade shops;
- Install warming shed and parking garage;
- Install warehouses;
- Install administration buildings and field offices.

3.3.2 Tote Road

During the second half of 2013, all equipment, material, fuel, and supplies required for construction activities at Mary River will be transported from Milne Port to the Mine Site via the Tote Road.

The upgrade of the road will commence late in 2013 and is expected to take 8 to 10 months. In order to improve construction efficiency, contractors have expressed the need for establishing a temporary 49 person camp mid-way along the Tote Road.

Should this camp be required, it will be erected in the later part of 2013. Water required for the camp operation would be trucked to this camp from the Mine Site or Milne Port water supply (approved under Type A and current Type B). All sewage generated from this camp would be trucked to either the Mine Site or Milne Port sewage treatment plants. Finally, all waste generated at the camp would also be transported to either the Mine Site or to Milne Port for ultimate disposal. There will be no local discharge from this camp.

3.3.2 Mine Site

Construction activities at the Mine Site will begin shortly after the first sealift. The activities will consist of:

- Development of the quarry QM2 at Mine Site (submitted with FEIS). The expected volume of aggregate required at the Mine Site for the 2013 work is 200,000 m³;
- Complete construction camp pad and installation of the 400 person construction camp facility including sewage treatment plant, incinerator and treated sewage storage pond(s) and discharge pipeline to Mary River;
- Upgrade (extend) of the Mary River airstrip;
- Development of equipment laydown areas for Owner/Contractor;
- Development of parking area for mobile equipment. Mobile equipment fleet will include:
 - Flat bed trucks;
 - Boom trucks;
 - o Fuel Tanker trucks;
 - Water tanker trucks;
 - o Cranes;
 - o Excavators;
 - o Graders;

- o Pick-up trucks;
- Erect/install:
 - Emergency response building;
 - Concrete batch plant;
 - Emulsion plant;
 - Maintenance shop (including truck wash facility);
 - o Trade shops;
 - Warming shed and parking garage;
 - o Warehouses:
 - Administration buildings and field offices.
- Construct fuel tank farm secondary containment structure;
- Install 4 x 500,000L double wall diesel fuel tank (tank complete with fuel dispenser);
- Install one 50,000L double wall jet A fuel tank;
- Transfer fuel from Milne Port tankfarm to newly install fuel tanks at the Mine Site;

4.0 Ongoing Exploration and Geotechnical Activities

It is anticipated that the 2013 field work program would include the following items:

- Potentially seasonal occupation of Steensby Inlet and Mid-Rail Camps;
- Fixed wing aircraft and helicopter to support general site activities including environmental monitoring and potentially additional exploration drilling and regional exploration;
- Geotechnical drilling and surveys at project development areas, as required to support Project design requirements:
 - The Tote Road alignment and bridge crossings, a portion of the drilling for bridge design being on ice as well as near water bodies;
 - o Port site(s), with land based drilling as well as possible barge based and ice based drilling on the sea ice in Steensby Inlet;
 - Waste rock and ore disposal areas;
 - Milne Inlet Tote Road and bridge crossings, a portion of the drilling for bridge design being on ice as well as near water bodies;
 - Prospective quarry sites and borrow areas along the Tote Road.
- Continue archaeological surveys at project component areas as required.

5.0 Progressive Reclamation of the Exploration and Bulk Sample Project

There will be continued progressive reclamation of areas of current and past use in association with drilling, bulk sample, and historical exploration programs. In addition, progressive reclamation plans will include:

 Development of an action plan to address concerns from stakeholders about long term salt storage;

- The completion of a program to test and dispose of incinerator bottom ash and the development of a plan to management and dispose of ongoing generation of ash;
- Continuing with the ongoing decommissioning of the existing bladder farm at Milne Inlet and the transport of hydrocarbon impacted soils to the planned landfarm facility;
- Development and implementation of a long term multi-year plan to address localized areas of permafrost melting associated with current borrow areas, and taking into consideration the longer term plans for Tote Road upgrades and new quarry development;
- Continued progressive reclamation of areas of current and past use in association with drilling, bulk sample, and historical exploration programs;
- Demobilization of equipment and supplies not required for near term activities, as well as the current inventory of hazardous waste and other materials by means of sealift from Milne Port:
- Continued development of the Mine Site landfill and deposition of non-hazardous wastes in accordance with the landfill operations and maintenance manual; and,
- Discharge of treated sewage stored in PWSPs at Mary River Camp and Milne Inlet after treatment as required. Two periods of discharge are planned, the first corresponding to freshet (May-June), and the second later in the summer if required.

6.0 Workforce and Employment Opportunities

The site work program is expected to begin in April 2013. Until material and equipment are received by sealifts, to a large extent, development activities are limited by availability of equipment currently on site. The work force is expected to peak during the sealifts period. Current estimates of the work force are as follows:

- Milne Port:
 - o Pre-sealift period: 70 person
 - Sealift period; 60 to 120 persons
 - Post sealift period: ramp up to 150 person (full camp capacity)
- Mine Site Construction personnel:
 - o Pre-sealift period: 8 to 12 persons
 - o Sealift period; ramp up to 250 persons
 - Post sealift period: ramp up to 180 person

The 2013 work program will offer employment opportunities for many residents of northern Baffin Island. Baffinland will endeavor to maximize Inuit employment throughout 2013. Baffinland's "Work Ready Program" along with site specific training will prepare potential Inuit employees for these job opportunities. Job advertisements for a number of positions are currently posted in all the North Baffin communities. In addition, Baffinland will provide guidance to all its Contractors for training requirements and Inuit employment in the contract documents.

7.0 Early Revenue Phase (ERP) Environmental Impact Assessment

As stated in correspondence to the NIRB on January 13, 2013, due to various business drivers, Baffinland proposes to make changes to the schedule and some activities in the initial stages of project development associated with the Mary River Project Proposal for which the NIRB recently issued Project Certificate No. 005 (the 'Project Certificate').

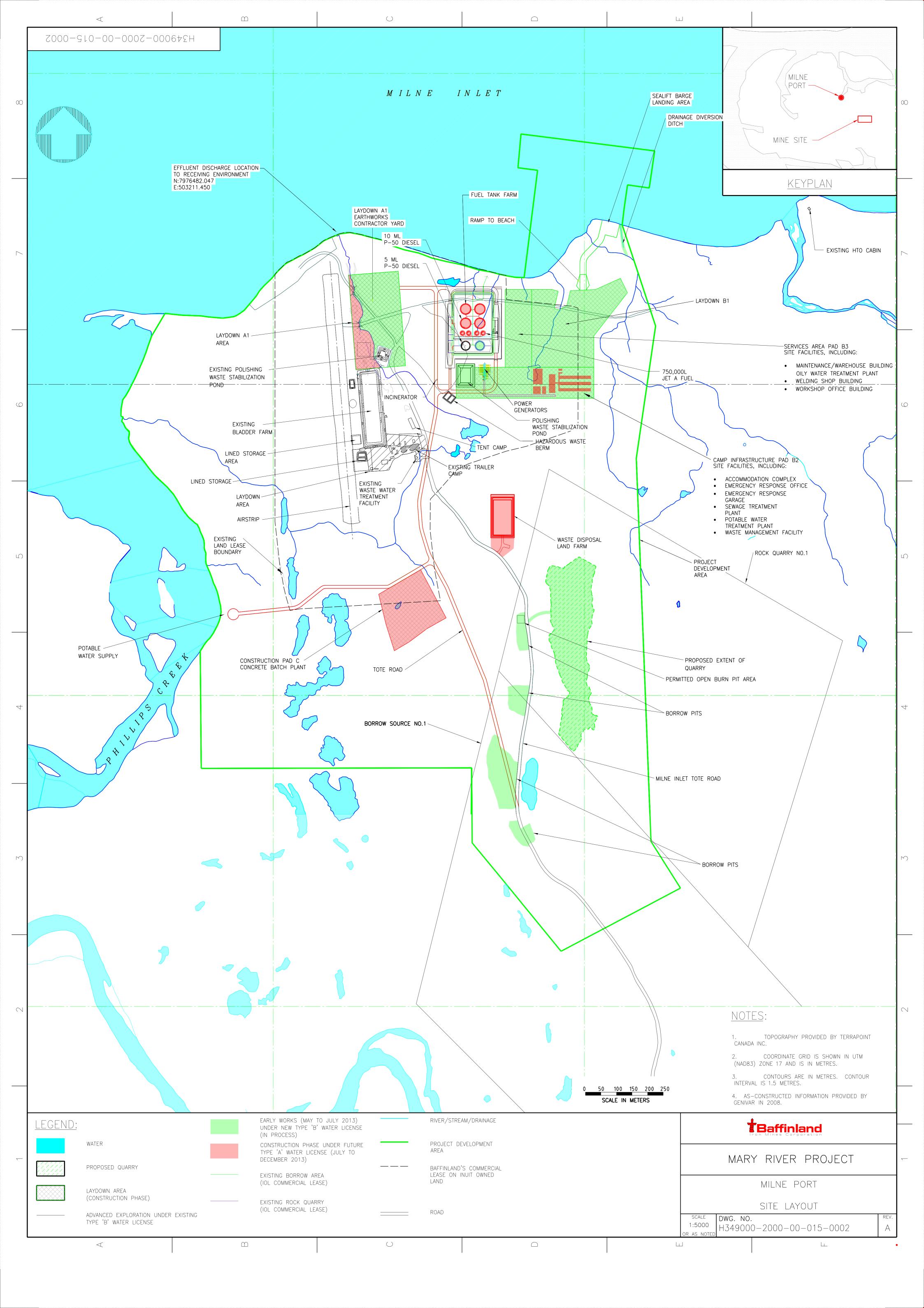
In its request to the NIRB, Baffinland indicated that although the Proponent remains committed in the long-term to developing the Project as authorized in the Project Certificate, in the short term Baffinland proposes to change some development activities and project timelines to accommodate a proposed "Early Revenue Phase" which would include development of a nominal 3.5 million tonnes per annum (Mt/a) road haulage operation from the Mary River mine site to a port facility at Milne Inlet for shipping of iron ore during the open water season. As noted by Baffinland, this development option was presented previously as a project alternative, and was included within the initial technical review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Mary River Project Proposal.

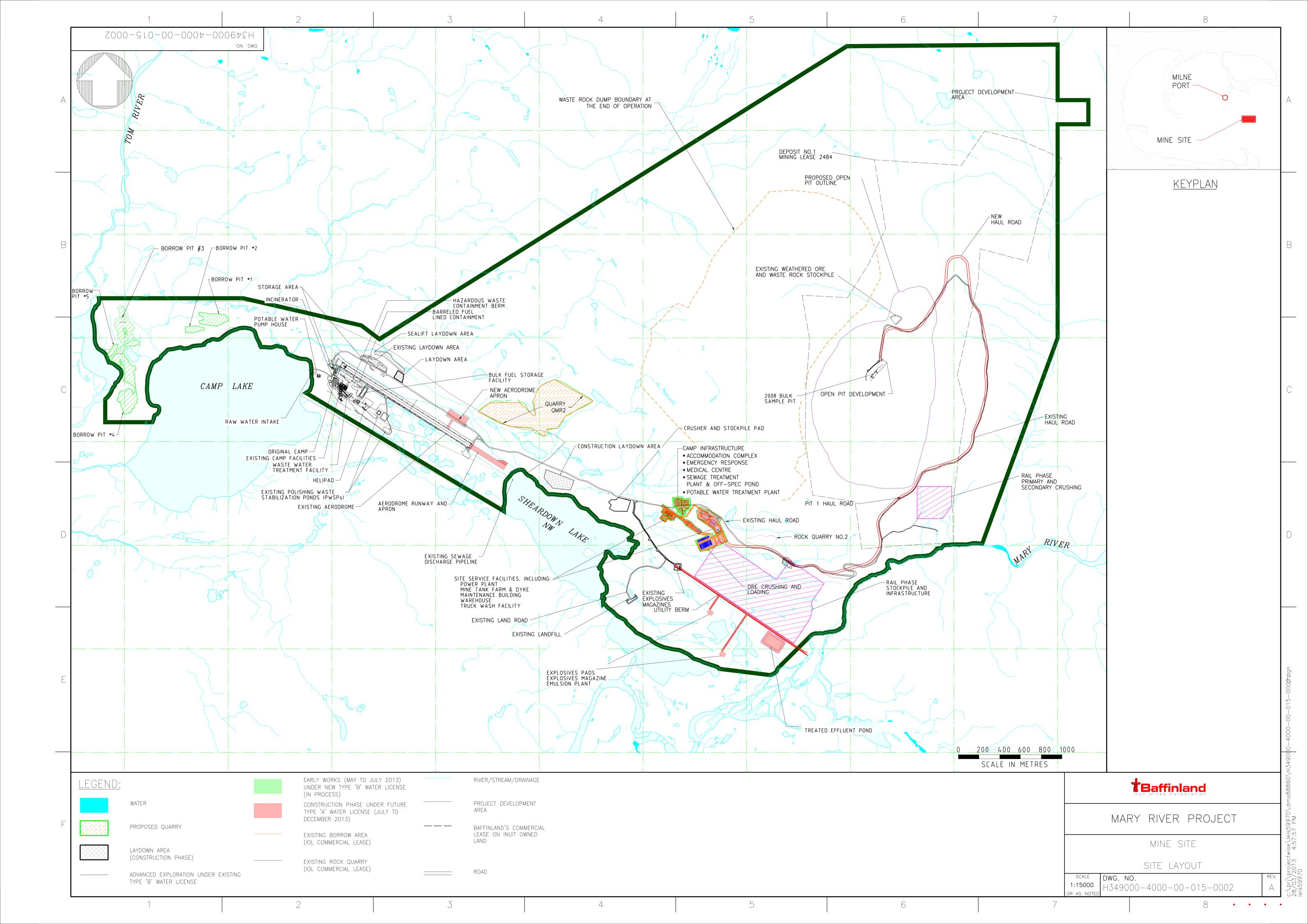
Baffinland recognizes that this Early Revenue Phase will require an amendment to the Project Certificate which in turn requires the submission and review of an Environmental Impact Assessment. In accordance to the directives issued by the NIRB, Baffinland expects to complete its Environmental Impact Assessment for the Early Revenue Phase (ERP) of the Project by June 2013. It is anticipated that this EIA will be submitted to the NIRB by June 30, 2013, and the proposal will be subjected to the NIRB review process which is expected to be completed by the first quarter of 2014.

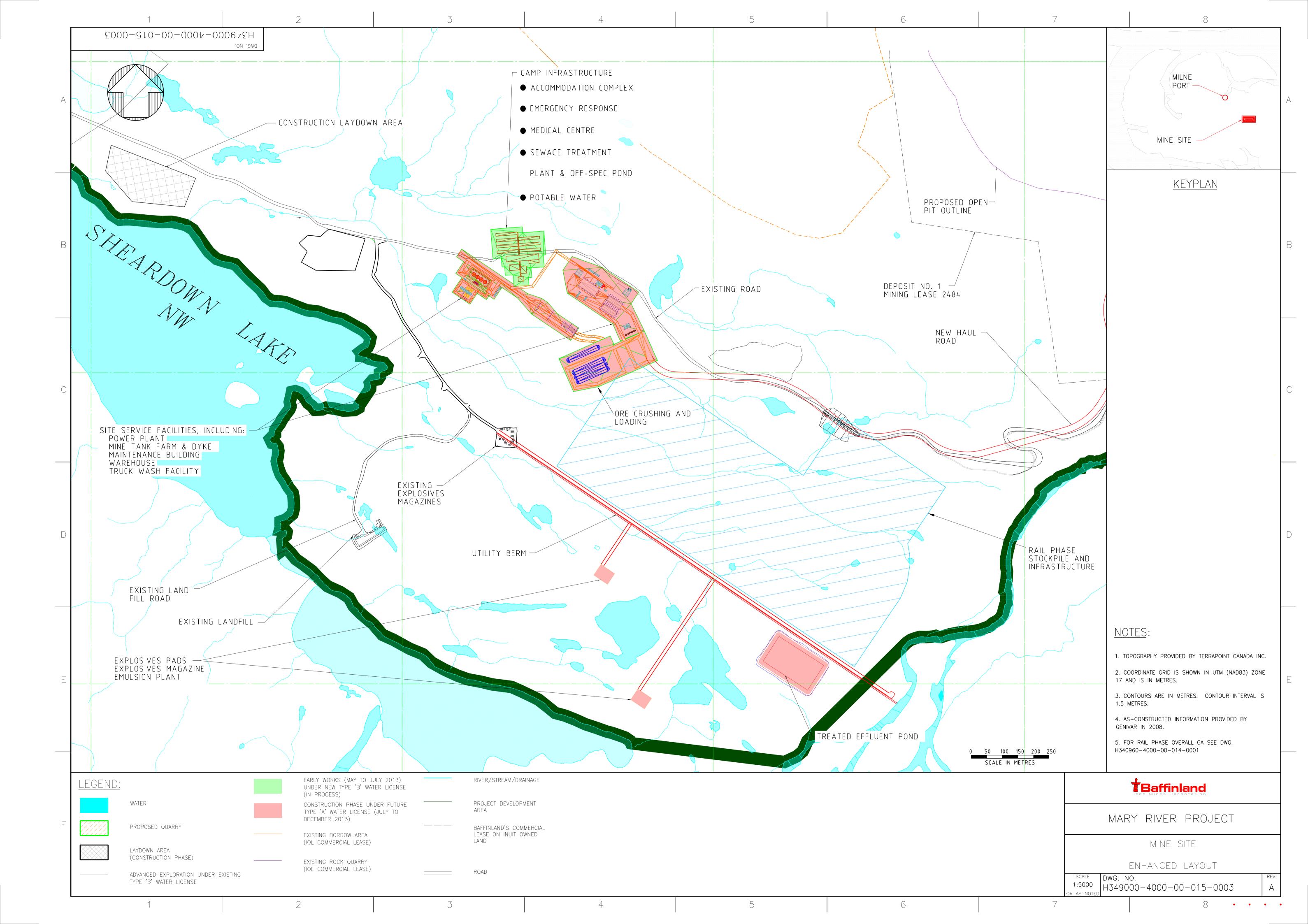
Once a favorable decision is granted from the Minister of AANDC with respect to the ERP, and subject to obtaining any amendments (if any) which might be necessary to the Water Licence, Baffinland will proceed with the construction of facilities required for the completion of the ERP. This work will be included in the 2014 Work Plan, once the Project Certificate has been amended.

8.0 Potential 2014 Bulk Sampling Campaign

In addition to the scope of activities described herein, Baffinland is also considering the undertaking of a second "bulk ore sampling" campaign. This campaign would consist of mining up to 500,000 tonnes of ore for shipment to potential customers via Milne Port during the 2014 open water season. A feasibility study is in progress and a decision by Baffinland's Board of Directors on whether to proceed with this bulk sampling campaign is expected by the end of March 2013. Should the decision of the Board be favorable, an addendum to this 2013 Work Plan will be submitted in April 2013. This addendum will highlight additional activities that must be undertaken in 2013 in order to execute the 2014 bulk sampling campaign.











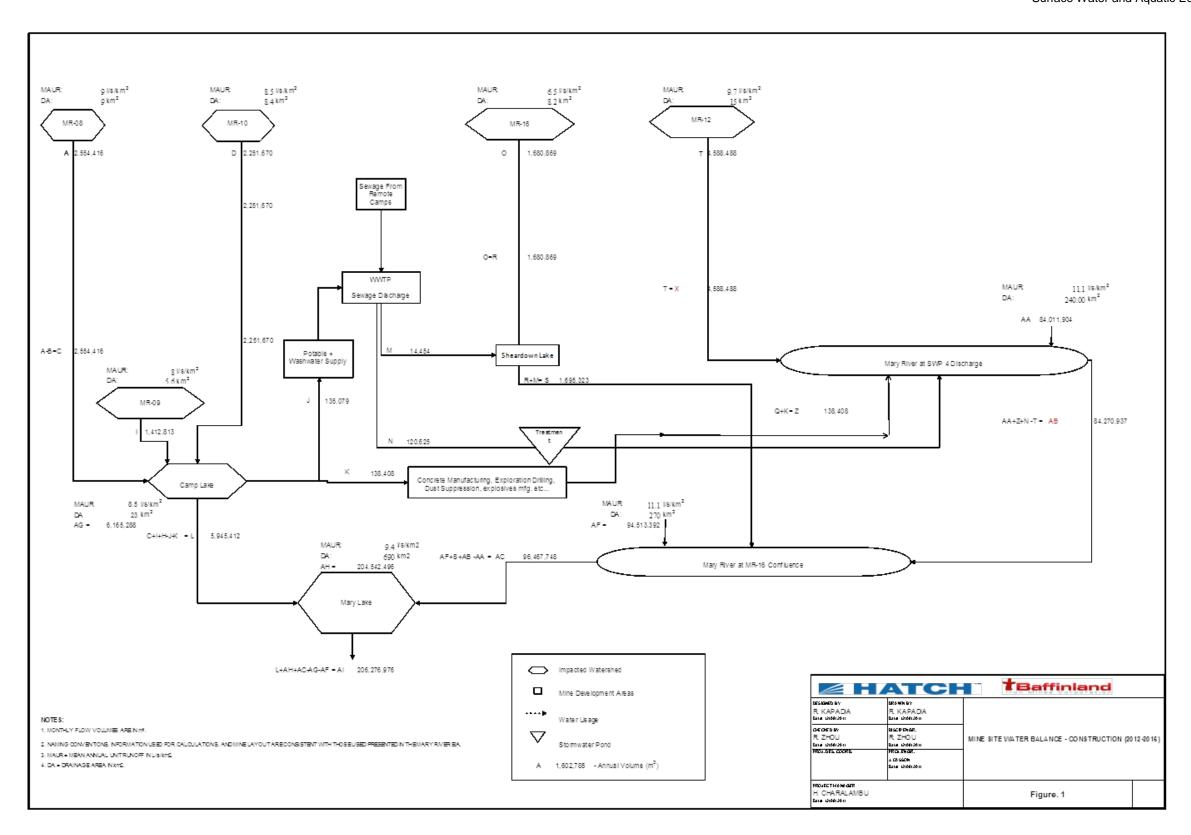
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Appendix C Site Water Balances





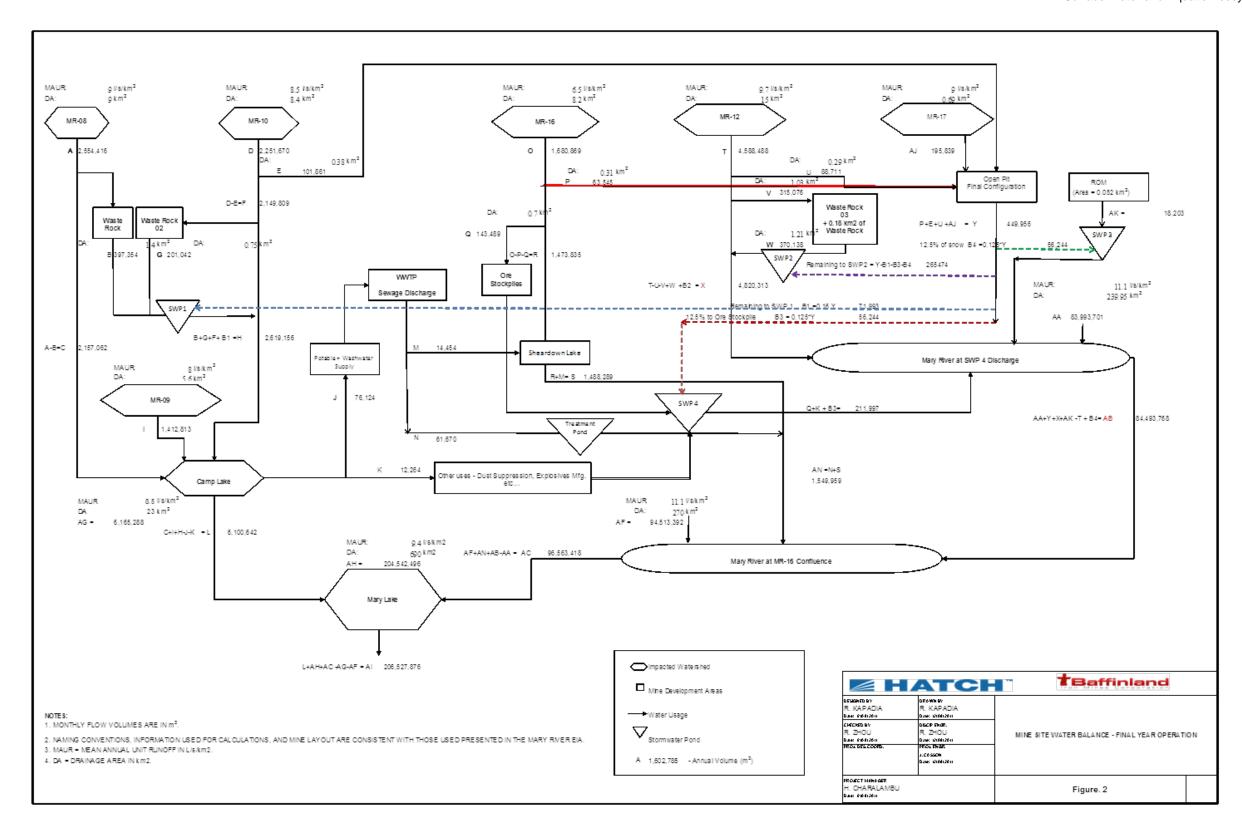








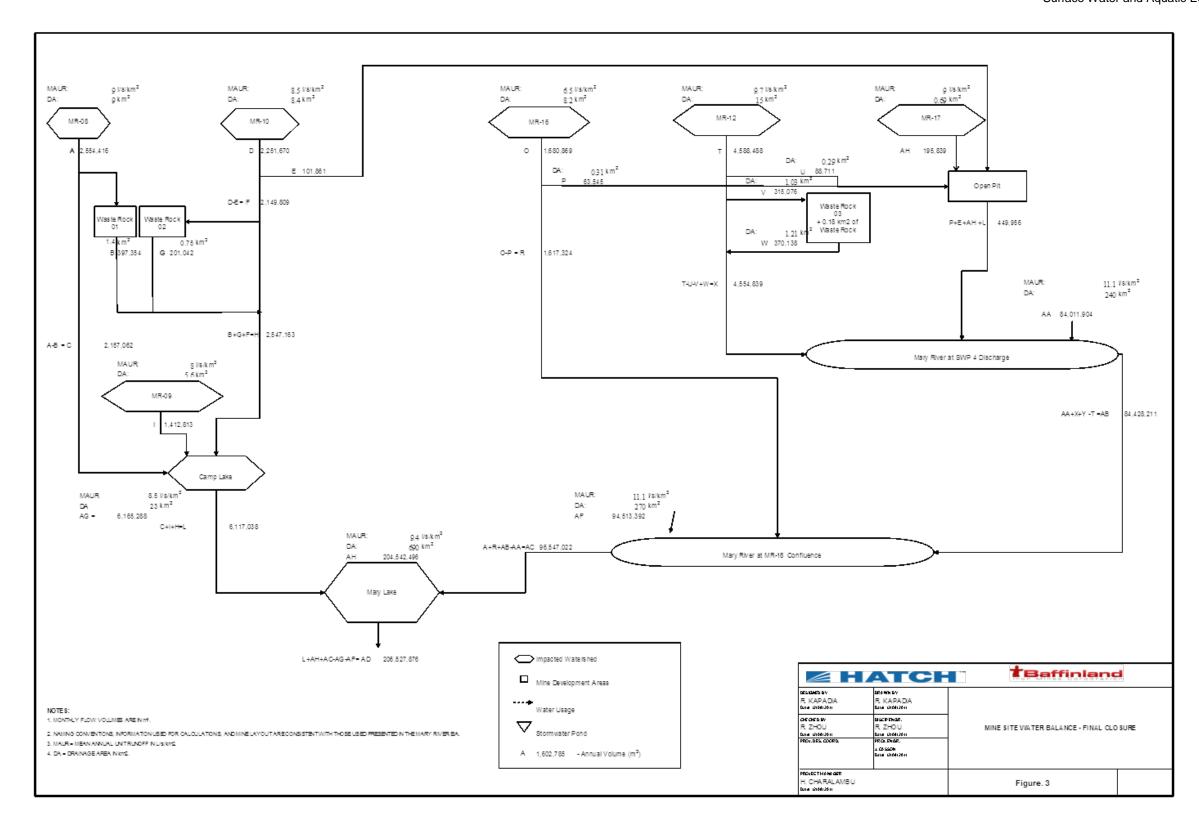






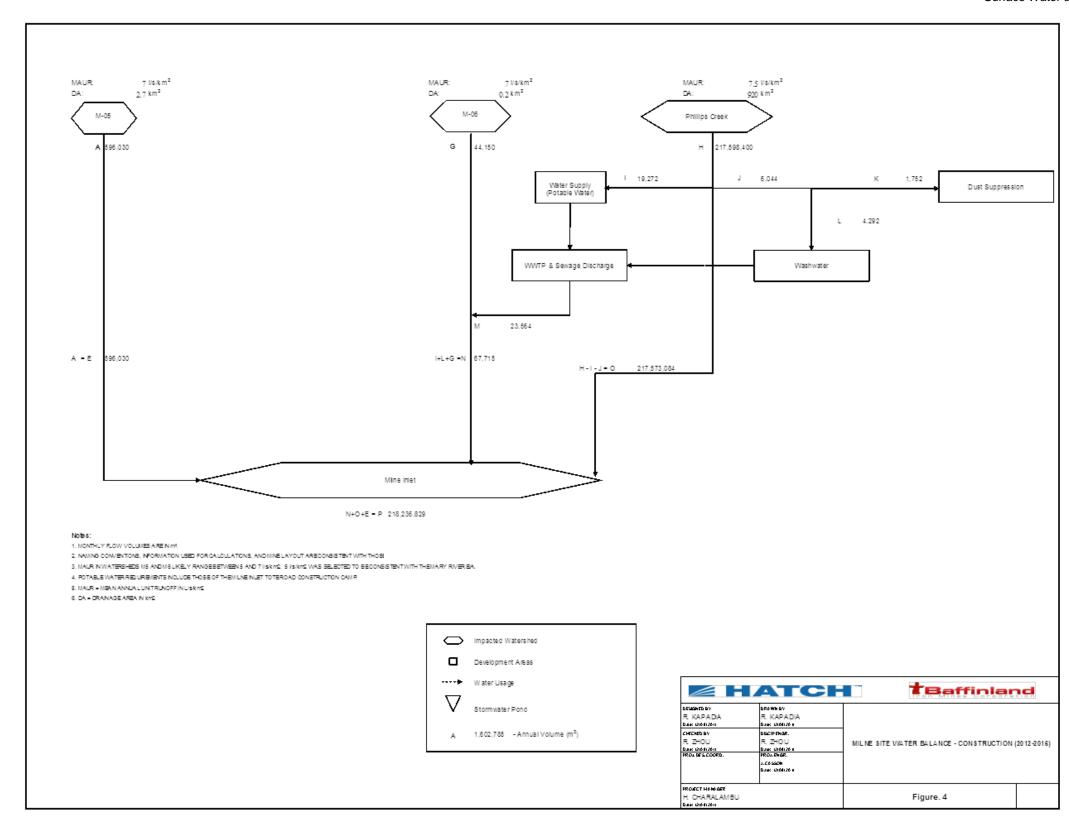






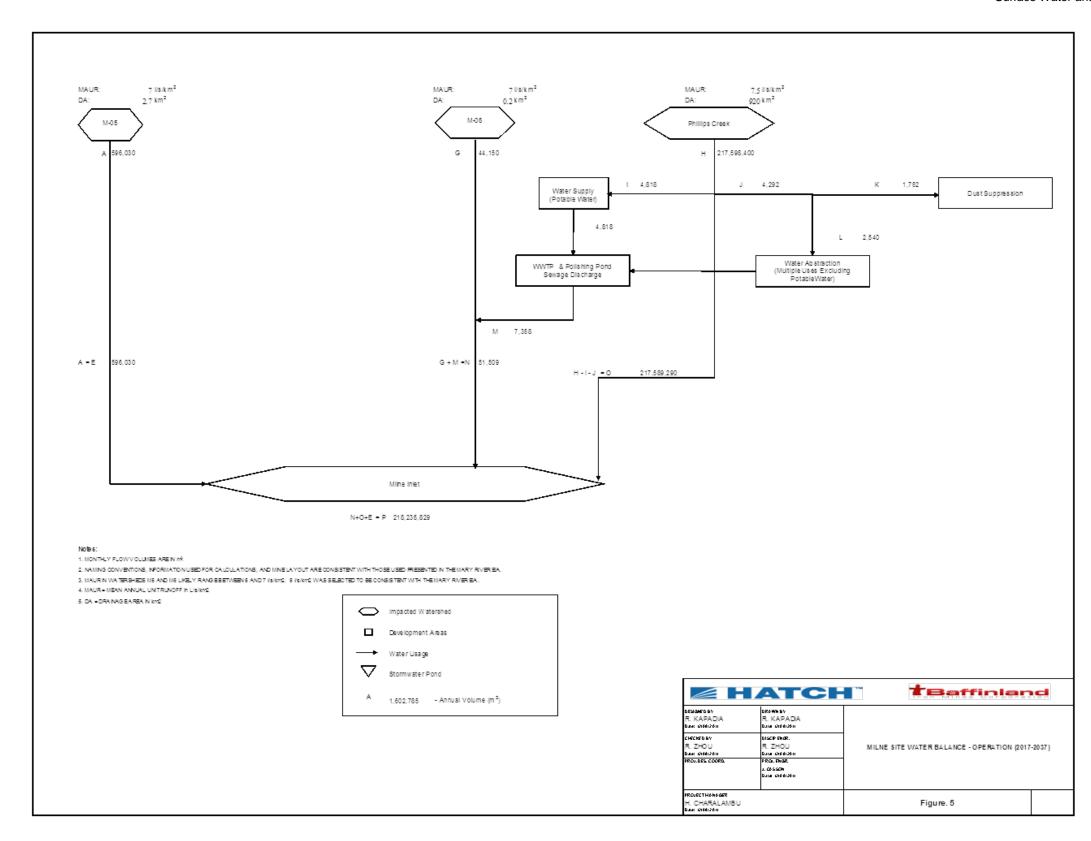






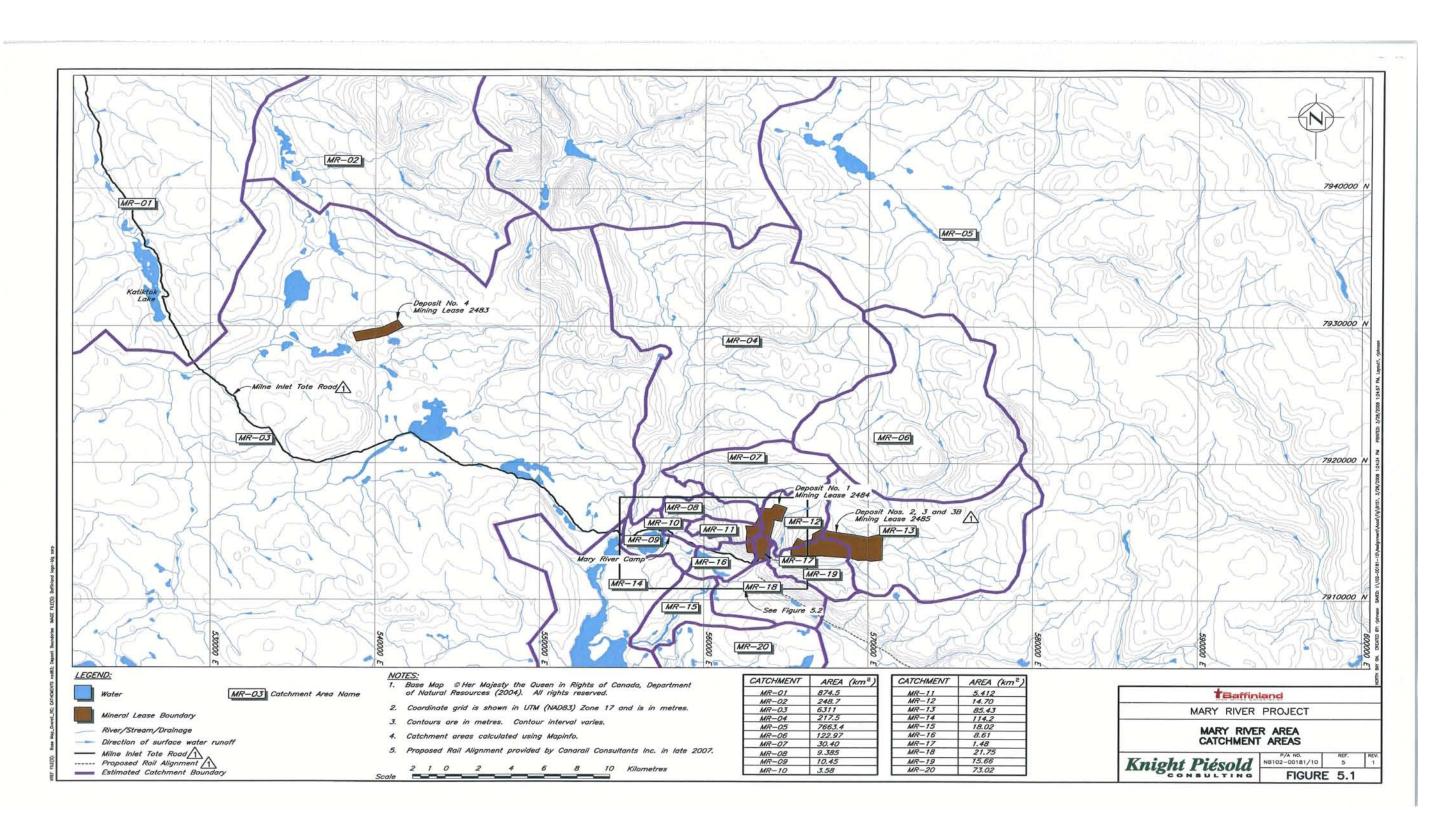






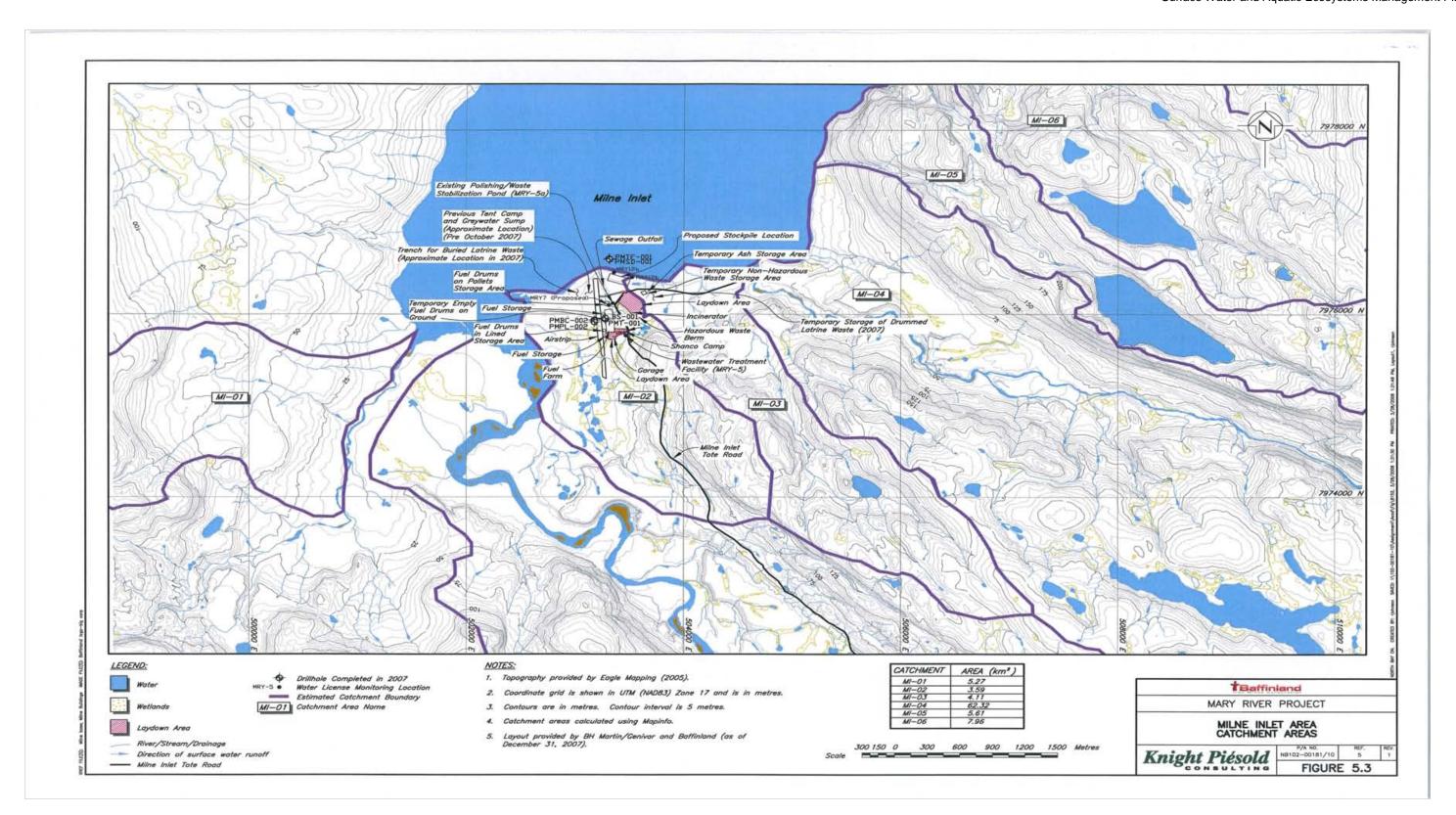






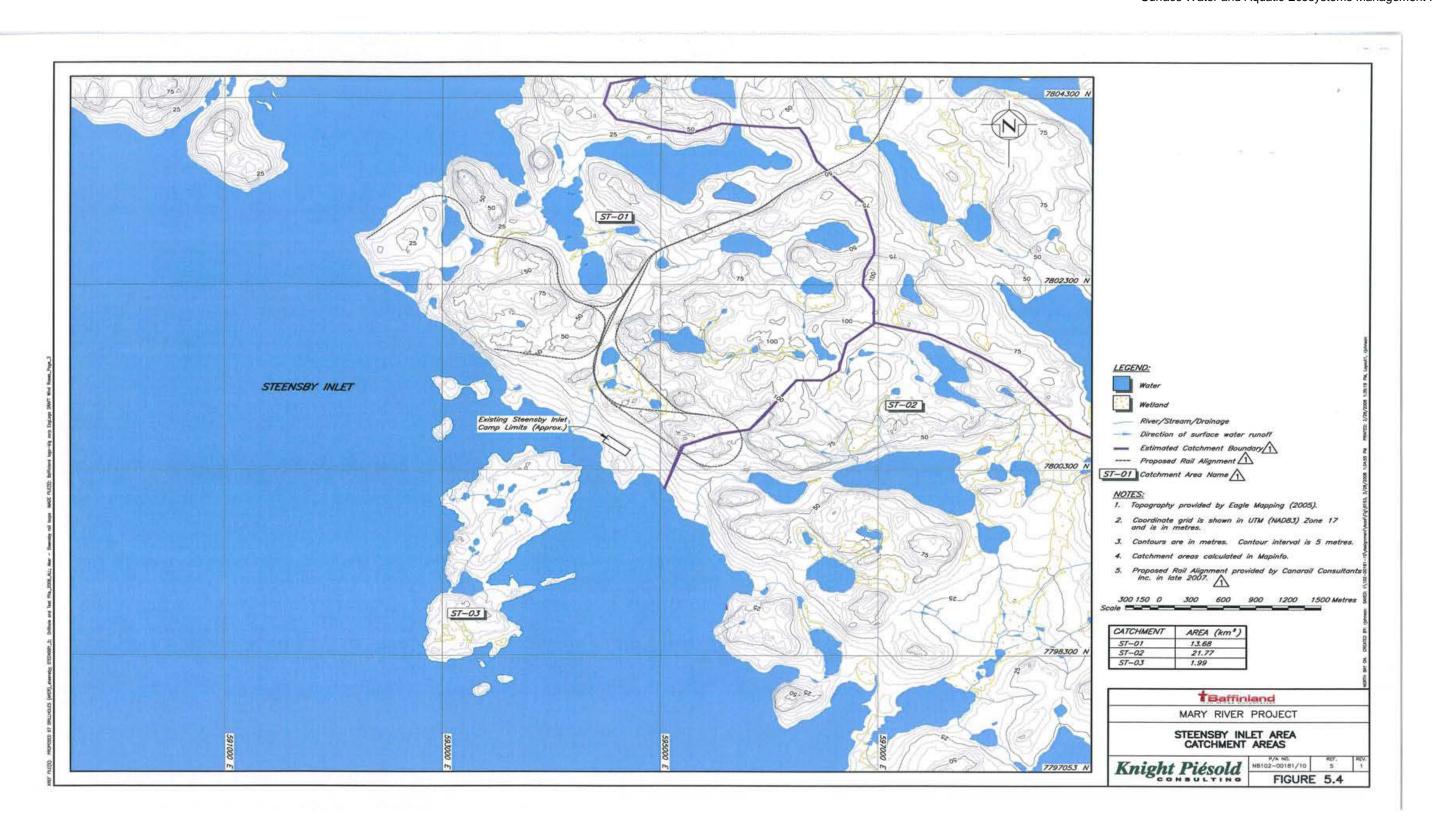






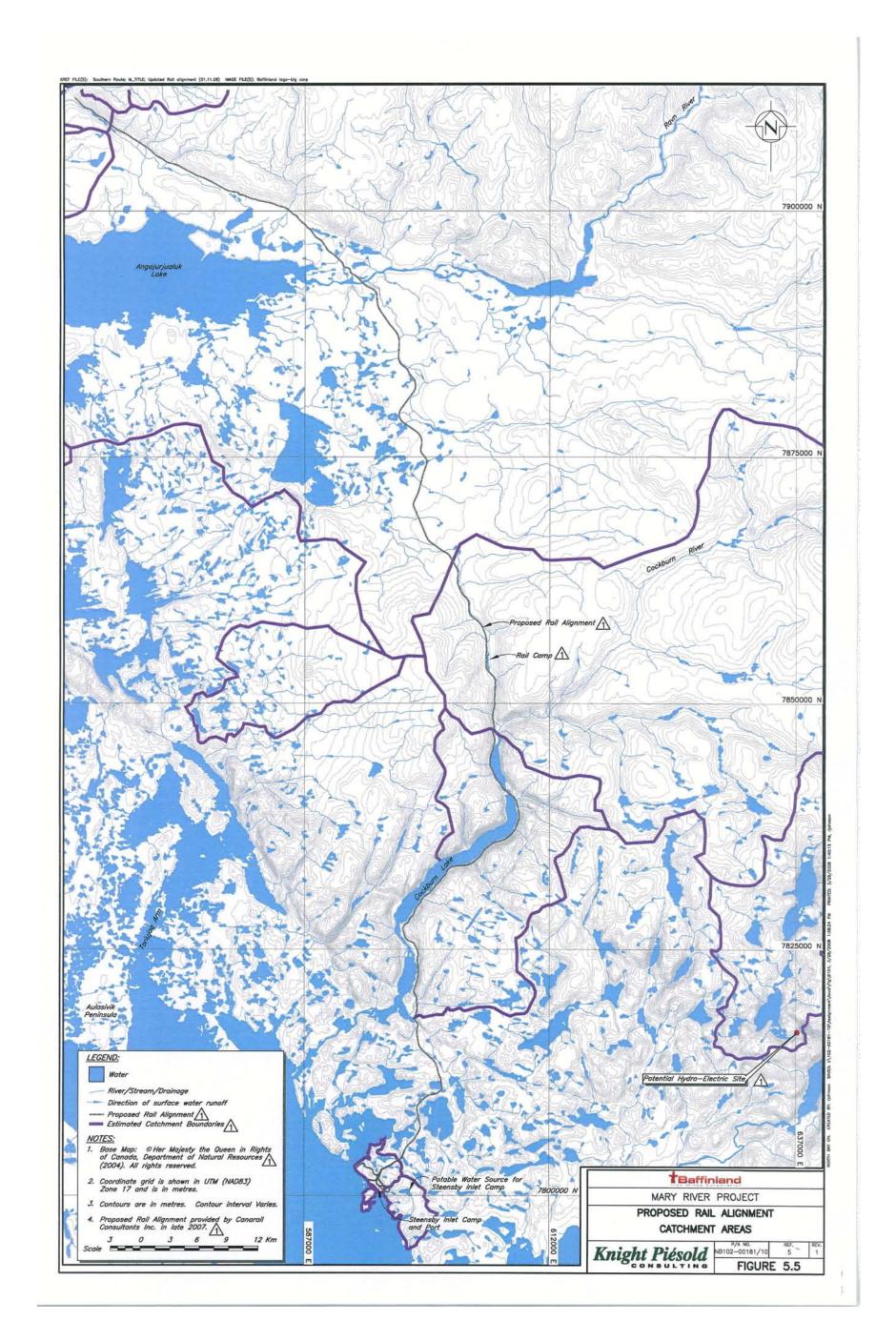




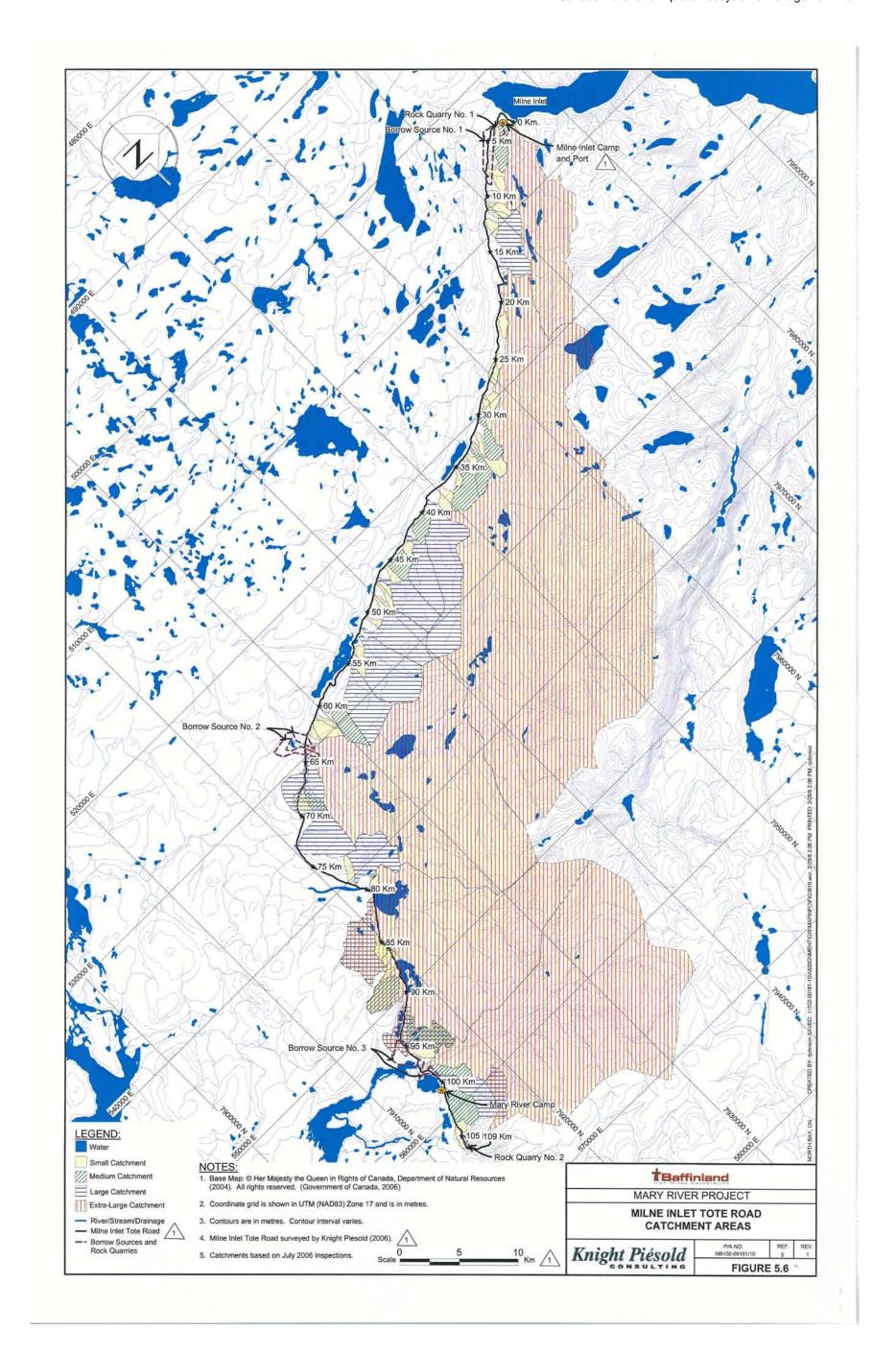




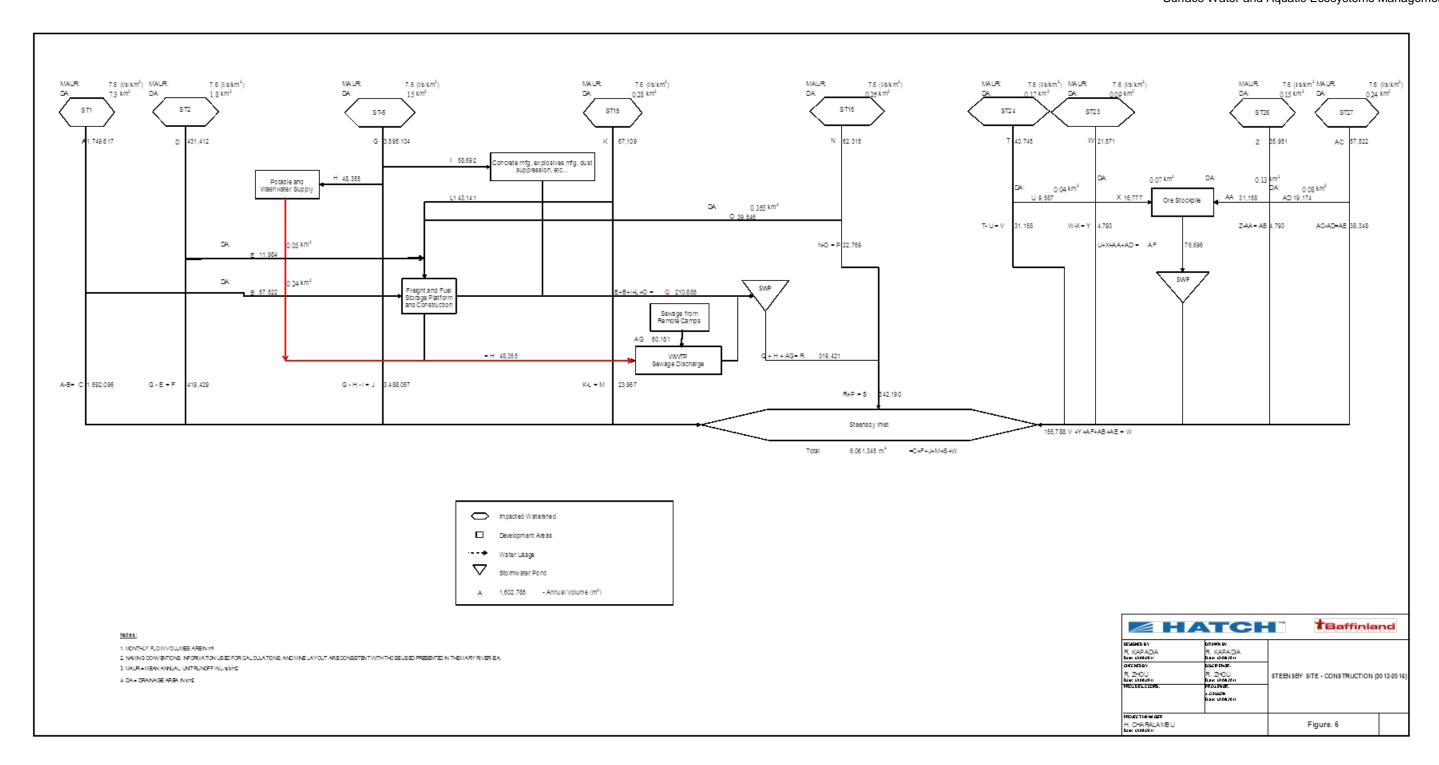






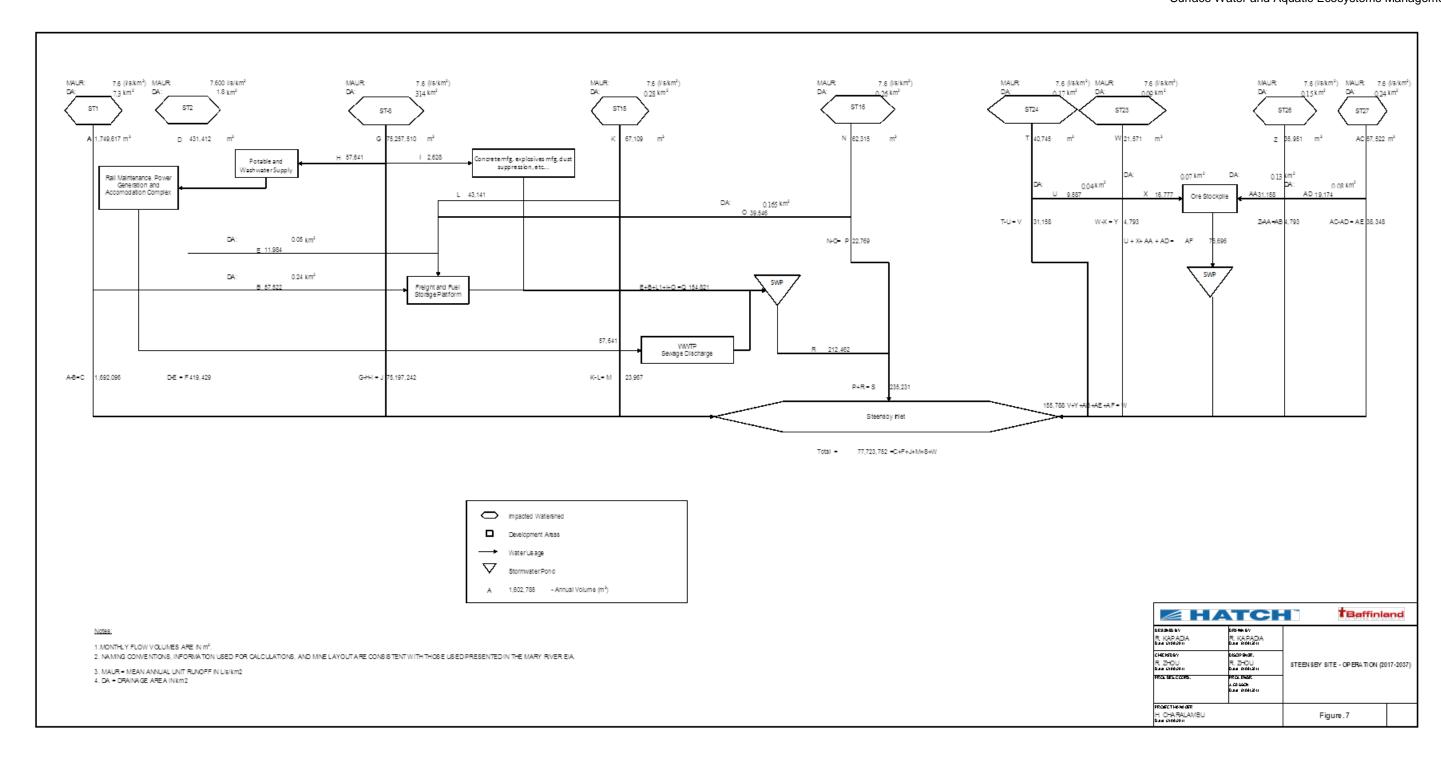






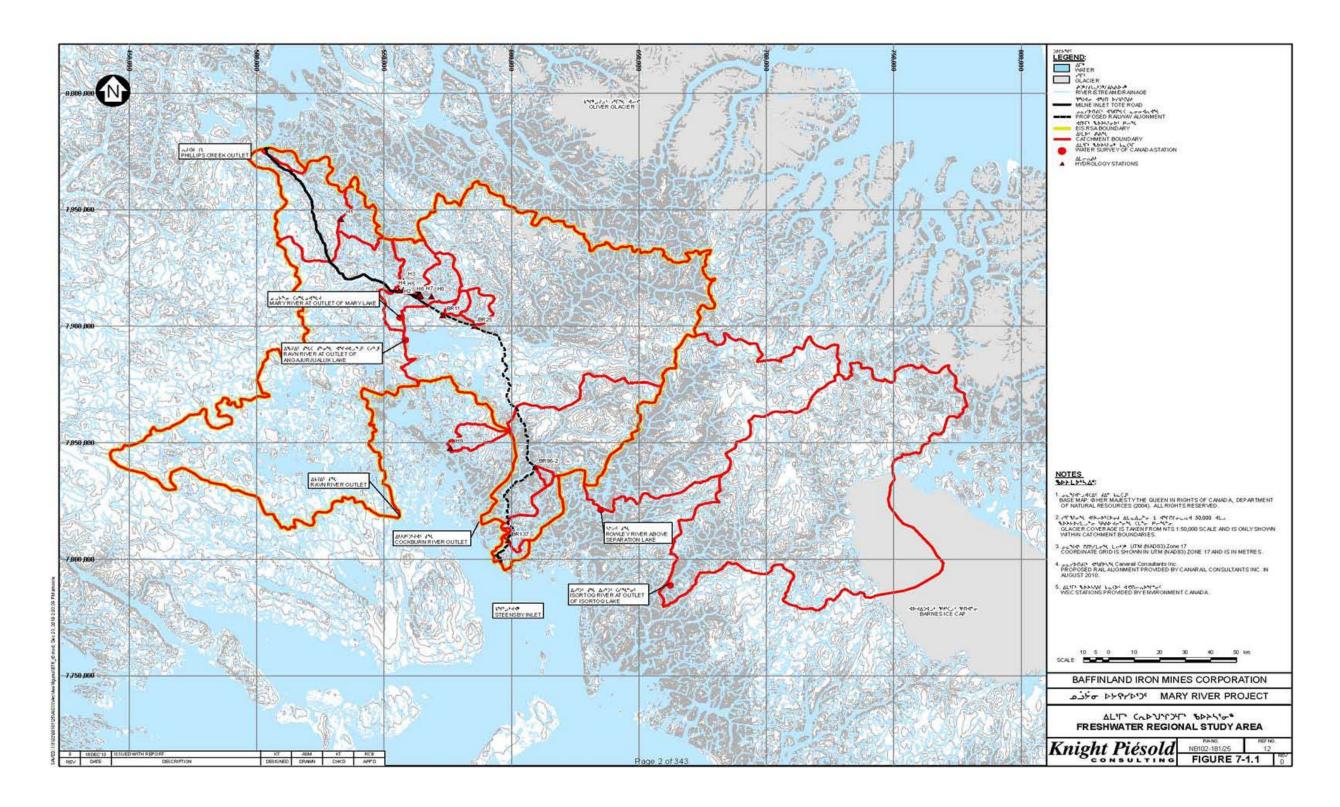






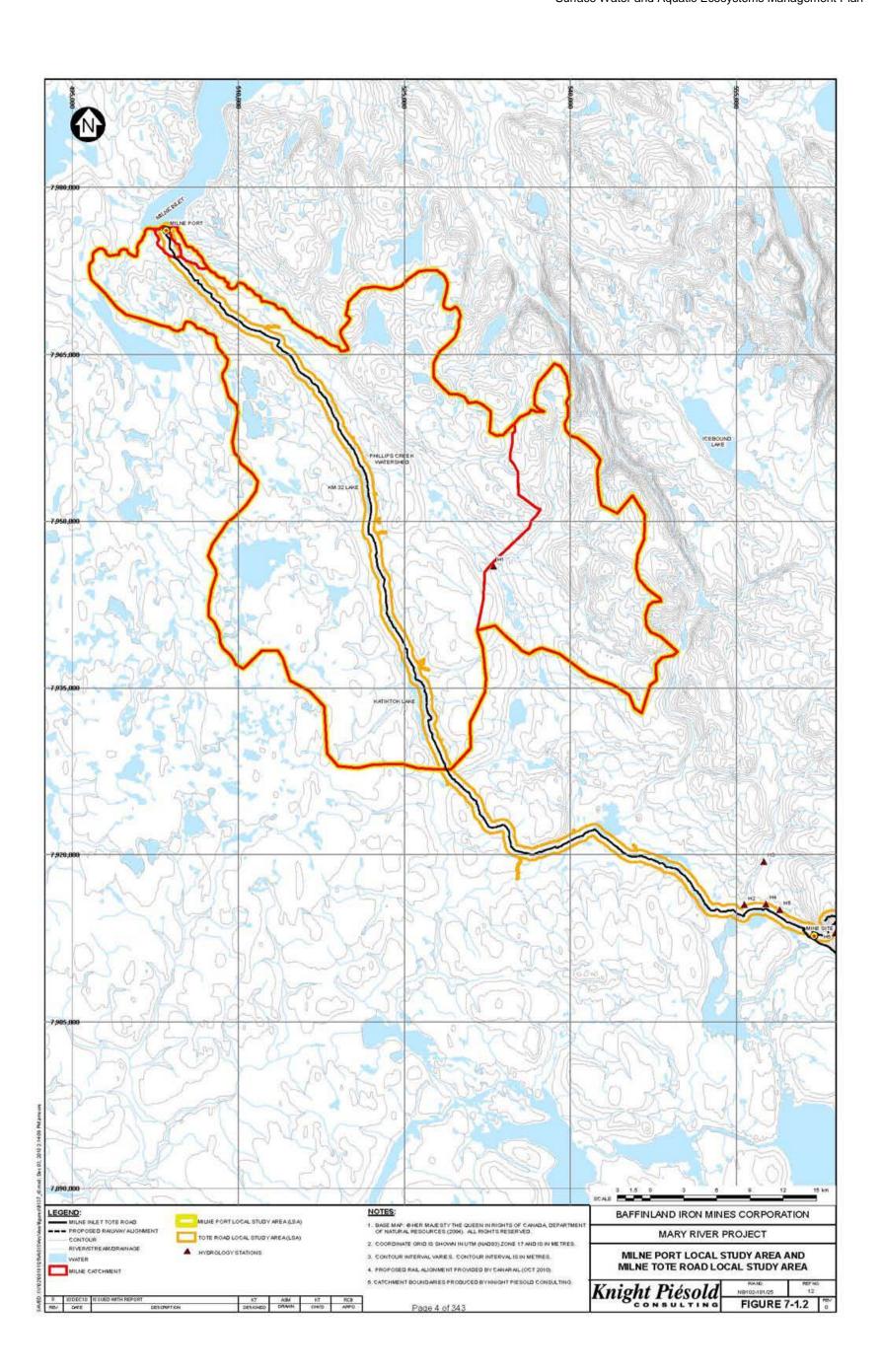












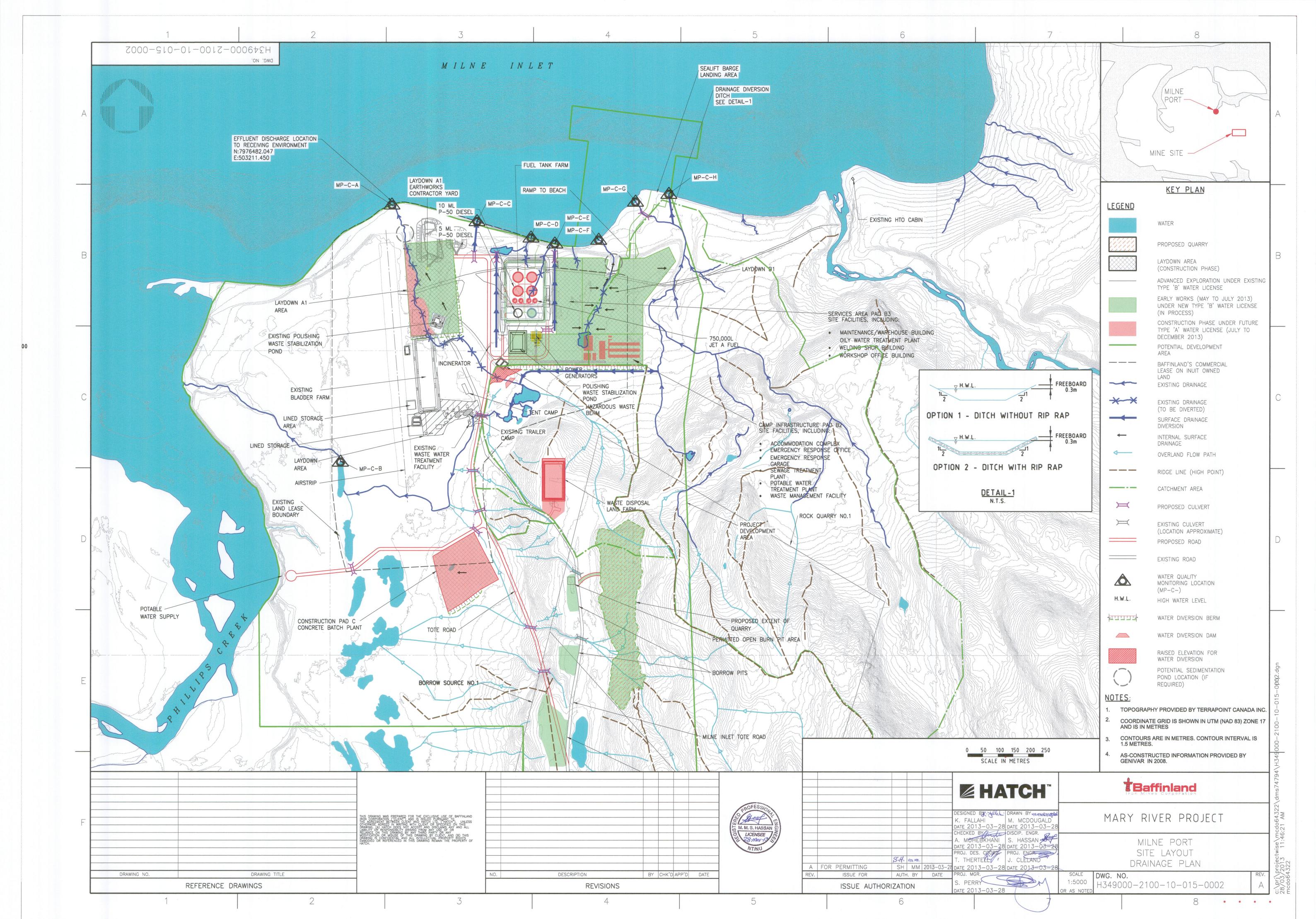


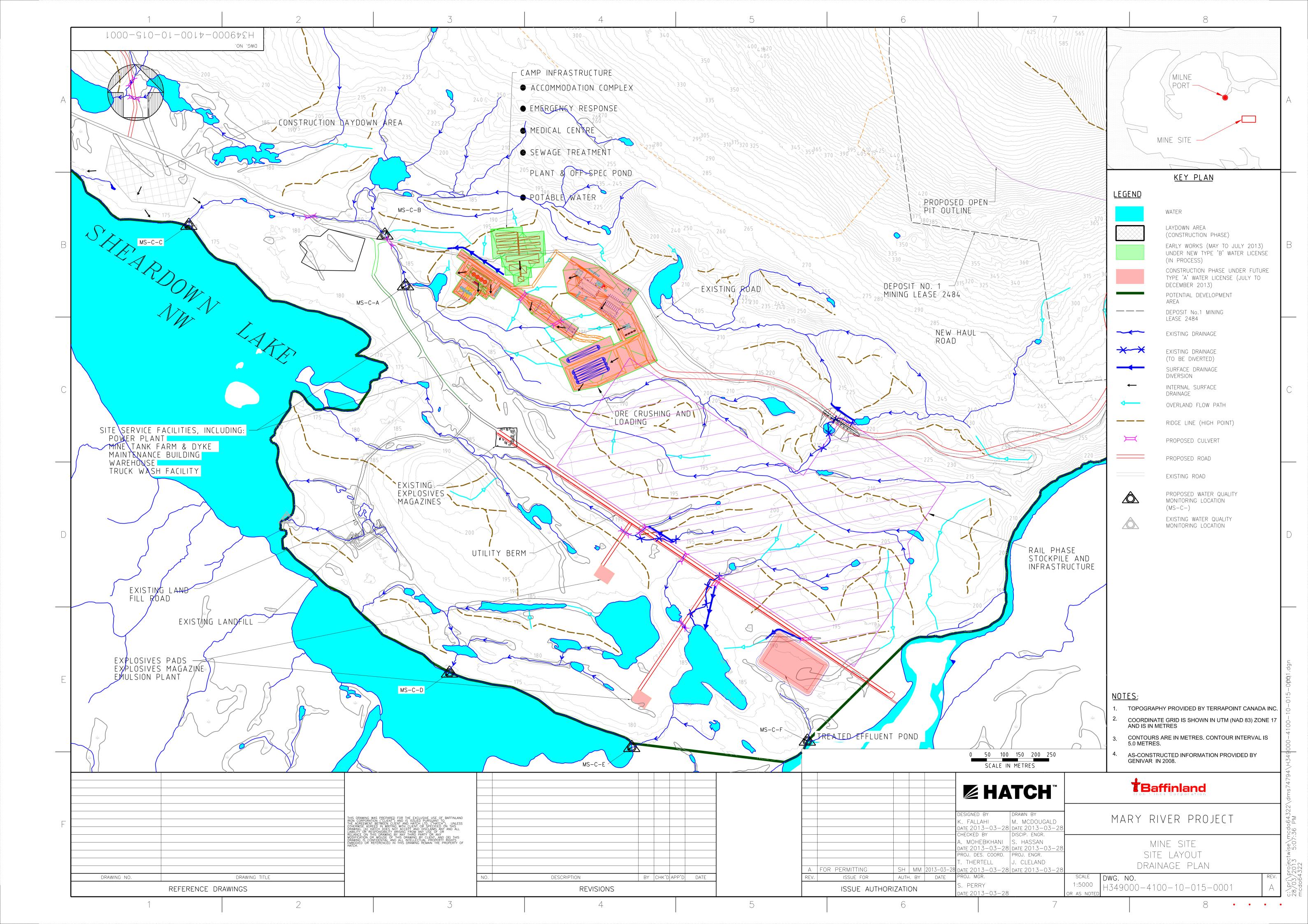


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Appendix DSite Drainage Plans











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Appendix ESite Monitoring Plans

