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# APPLICATION FOR LAND USE PERMIT DEMANDE DE PERMIS D'UTILISATION DES TERRES

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1.	Applicant's name and mailing	address (Full name, no initials) -	Nom et adresse du ou des requ	uérant (s)	Nom au complet	t, pas d'initiales)
	Meliadine West Gold Proj Comaplex Minerals Corp. 901, 1015 - 4th Street SW					
	Calgary, AB Attn.: Mark Balog Fax no NE de télécopieur 403 - 265 - 7488 Telephone no NE de télépho 403 - 265 - 2846	T2R 1J4				
2.	Head office address - Address SAME AS ABOVE Fax no NE de télépieur SAME AS ABOVE Telephone no NE de télépho SAME AS ABOVE	Ū				
	Field supervisor - Chef de cha Comaplex personel to be a	•	Téléph	one-radi	o Telephone	no NE de téléphone
3.	Other personnel (Subcontractor Please see Project Description	or, contractors, company staff, etc.	) - Autre personnel (sous-Trai	tants, ent	trepreneurs, perso	nnel desociété, etc.)
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4.		l Land Use Regulations lement sur l'utilisation des terres t 143, NAT11-F18144, NAT 82-F5 a(iii) □ b □	NE territoriales			ol claims - if applicable on minière, s'll y a lieu
5.	Regulations). (Use last page o Résumé des opérations (expos	cribe purpose, nature and location f form if additional room is requir ez le but, la nature ainsi que l'emp s terres territoriales). Utilisez la de	ed). placement de toutes les activité	és - consi	ultez l'article 22 (	
	Open quarry on island in M on Inuit Owned Land as sho	eliadine Lake and haul approxir wn on map provided.	nately 11,000 cubic meters g	granular	materials to nea	rby road alignment
	b) Please indicate if a camp is Indiquez si un camp doit être a	to be set up (Use last page to prov aménagé (Utilisez la demière page	vide details).  pour donner des détails).			
	This project will be based at	an existing camp.				

Summary of potential environmental and resource impacts (Describe the effects of the proposed program on land, water, flora & fauna and related socio-economic areas (Use separate pages if necessary)
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Résumé des conséquences possibles sur l'environnement et les ressources (décrire les effets du programme proposé sur les terres, l'eau, la flore etla faune et les domaines socio-économiques

connexes (Utilisez des pages supplémentaires au besoin)

Summary following below is extracted from Project Description included on CD provided.

# 5.0 Potential Interactions of Project with the Environment

This project is small road construction job that will keep physical disturbance effects to as small an area as possible. Potential interactions between the project proposed and the environment in the project area will be reviewed in the sequence and issues developed in Section 3 above. Mitigation measures for potential impacts are discussed in Section 7 below.

#### 5.1 Physical Environment

The sequence and schedule of the project is season dependant in that the project site does not have all season overland access. Mobilizing heavy equipment and bulk materials can be done only under winter conditions when terrain conditions allow overland transport.

#### Geology

It is the geology of the area that is the central focus of the overall exploration program. No covered bedrock is expected to be exposed in the course of quarrying materials for road construction.

#### Climate

The project area is located in an area of continuous permafrost and so development logistics sequence and schedules are weather and climate dependant. All overland access to the project area by overland transport to/from Rankin Inlet will be restricted to "winter freeze-up" conditions when terrain disturbance and associated erosion and water quality effects can be prevented.

#### Terrain

The primary interaction between the project and terrain in the area will be the disturbance required to establish a quarry and lay down sand and gravel for surface access roads connecting the exploration site and camp. Preliminary estimates of the area of habitat alteration as follows:

quarry 1.0 ha road 1.75 ha **Total 2.75 ha** 

#### Hydrology

Overland transport will be initiated after fall/winter freeze-up and no stream crossings will be altered in the course of mobilizing equipment and materials from Rankin Inlet to the project area. Overland transport in the March to May 2005 period will use the winter resupply route that has served the project for the past 10 years.

One stream crossing is required along the road alignment. A timber bridge will be placed to cross the channel approximately 1 m wide. The bridge will be designed and placed so that it will not encroach on the channel or impede the flow as is shown in Figure 4 in Project Description on CD.

#### Air

Project operations will consume 28,000 litres of diesel fuel releasing 1.653 tonnes of NOx and 0.472 tonnes SOx , plus 76.54 tonnes of greenhouse gasses ( $CO_2$ ,  $CH_4$ , and  $N_2O$ ).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Assumes conversion factors of .84 for density with 0.070 and 0.02 for NOx and SOx resp. and 2.73416 kg/l for greenhouse gasses.

# **5.2** Aquatic Environment

Water quality

Quarry development will require working from the ice of Meliadine Lake to start the quarrying for road materials. Sand and gravel spillage onto the ice will be removed to the quarry on completion of road building.

#### Fish Habitat

No direct interactions by any aspect of the project and related support activities with fish habitat are required or expected. The water intake on Meliadine Lake is screened; there will no waste water discharges into fish habitat.

# Fish Populations

No direct interactions by the project and related support activities with fish populations are required or expected. Recreational fishing by project personnel will comply with existing laws and regulations. "Catch and release" recreational angling will be encouraged as it has been during the exploration program to date.

## **5.3** Terrestrial Environment

## Vegetation and Wildlife Habitat

Quarry development and road construction will alter 5 ha of terrestrial habitat. Site development will be completed in winter conditions and so no active nests will be affected. Habitats affected are well drained transition communities midway between dry ridge and wet meadow. No declared plant species are known for the project area.

# Wildlife Populations

Potential interactions between the proposed project and wildlife species will occur only in winter at the site or along the resupply routes. Wildlife will always have the "right of way" as the principal mitigation measure to reduce project related interactions with surface traffic.

Specific potential interactions with wildlife that will be the subjects of ongoing mitigation measures relate to scavengers (fox, wolverine, and bear), and caribou.

#### WOLVERINE AND BEAR

Very diligent garbage management will continue to be practised to avoid attracting scavengers (fox, wolverine, and bear) to the camp. This includes incinerating all kitchen garbage and other wastes which may attract scavengers as required in the Meliadine West Environmental Management Plan (Appendix 4 on CD).

## CARIBOU (AND ALL OTHER SPECIES)

In all interactions with caribou the most effective mitigation measure will be the strict adherence of a "wildlife has the right of way" policy for all vehicular traffic. Not only will this reduce collisions and related injuries and road kill, it will also reduce the attraction to scavengers that occurs when carrion is available. In the event that road kills occur, they will be reported to the wildlife officer in Rankin Inlet and, regulations permitting, disposed of by incineration.

Project and contractor employees will be prohibited from harvesing wildlife while employed on site.

#### **Summary - Environmental Effects**

1. The environmental effects of the project on fish and wildlife habitat will not alter the carrying capacity, but will be observable for a long time. Habitat disturbance will be mitigated to the extent practicable in the project's abandonment and reclamation measures that will be developed in consultation with KIA.

- 2. There will be no waste water discharges into fish habitat.
- 2. There will be no direct interactions with fish populations.
- 3. Known mitigation practices that are effective for discouraging scavengers that have been applied by the project to date will continue.
- 4. The most effective mitigation measure for managing environmental effects on wildlife is to ensure that a "wildlife has the right of way" policy is rigorously practised to avoid vehicle collision injuries and road kills

# 5.4 Interactions with the local/regional social and economic environment

## **Project Labour Needs**

Quarry development and road construction will be contracted to a local Inuit firm. The project will apply the same criteria to this contractor that it has with other contractors to date with respect to employment for local residents and services and supplies by local businesses. The period between awarding the contract (March 2005) and initiating underground work (January 2006) may be suitable for additional worker training. The following list outlines the expected labour force requirements for the road construction:

Function	Number
Supervision and administration	2
Operations	9
Equipment servicing and maintenance	5
Survey and inspection	1
Camp operations and catering	3
Total	20

Of this crew, approximately 80% would be recruited from the local workforce.

#### Goods and services

The goods and services to be supplied by local suppliers for the camp and project is expected to be similar to that of the project's exploration program to date. All the fuel needs can be met locally as well as camp provisioning. Goods and services that would be required include:

Transportation Services into and out of the site

Fuel and lubricants:

28,000 litres of fuel

500 litres of lubricants

Groceries and supplies for a 20 person camp.

Approximately 75% of the total construction costs will be spent in the local economy.



11. Fuels - Combustibles

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Proposed restoration plans (please use last page if required) - Plans proposés de remise en état des terres (au besoin, utilisez la dernière page).

All abandonment and decommissioning activities for works on Inuit Owned Land will depend on the feasibility of commercial gold production at Meliadine West. Final plans will be developed in consultation with the land owner, KIA. In the event that further development and exploration on the Meliadine West grounds are suspended or terminated, site reclamation at Meliadine West will be based on the following conceptual closure plan:

- everything with salvage value will be removed from the site;
- all combustible materials with no salvage value will be burned and the residue removed to the Rankin Inlet landfill;
- all non-combustible waste and scrap will be removed to the Rankin Inlet landfill;
- the timber bridge over the stream below camp will be removed;
- the road will be contoured and scarified to reduce erosion and encourage moisture retention that will enhance natural revegetation.

The quarry on Federal Land will not take ma will be contoured to prevent ponding, erosion		3				
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Granular materials will be placed Inuit Owned Lands b Project camp and the advanced exploration site. Please						
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10. Equipment (includes drills, pumps, etc.) (Please use Matériel (comprend foreuses, pompes, etc.) (Utilise:	z la dernière page au besoin)					
Type & Number - Type et nombre	Size - Dimension	Proposed use - Utilisation propose				

Number of containers - Nombre de réservoirs

Capacity of containers - Capacité des réservoirs

- Diesel		
- Gasoline – Essence		
- Aviation Fuel - Carburant aviation		
- Propane		
- Other		

Table 1. Fuel and lubricants required for road construction

Consumable	Storage Capacity	Project Consumption
Diesel Fuel	400,000	28,000 litres
Lubricants/ hydraulic oil	n/a	500 litres

Table 2. Construction equipment fleet for road building

DESCRIPTION	FUNCTION	Units	SOURCE
Trucks - Tandem	Haul and place road material	4	local
Dozers	road levelling; material handling	2	local /contractor
Loader	material handling	1	local / contractor
Grader	Road levelling	1	local /contractor
Compactor	Road bed compaction	1	local /contractor
Picker truck	Heavy lifting and deliveries	1	local /contractor
Passenger van	Worker transfer	1	local /contractor



12.	Containment fuel spill contingency plans (Please attach separate contingency plan if necessary) Plans d'urgence d'isolement de carburant en cas de déversement (veuillex joindre un plan d'urgence distinct au besoin)				
Please	e see Appendix 4	of Project Description o	n CD.		
13.	Methods of fuel transfer (To other tanks, vehicles, etc.) - Méthodes de transfert des combustibles (vers d'autres réservoirs, véhicules, etc.)				
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