

RE NIRB confirmation for NWB applications\_Goose  
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Attachments: 060515-06EN033-Screening\_D~1.pdf (203 KB) ; 091204  
2BE-G000510 Receipt~1.PDF (28 KB)

Hi Dan -

I'd like to follow up to the correspondence sent from the NWB to Sabina Gold & Silver Corp (Sabina) dated December 4, 2009 (attached) regarding Sabina's application to renew water license 2BE-G000510 and to have the license amended to reflect their companies' recent name change.

The NWB letter requires that Sabina provide a NIRB Screening Decision or confirmation that NIRB screening is not required and also that the NPC provide confirmation that a conformity determination is not required.

As is the case for "water uses that do not require a public hearing under Section 13.7.3" of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (Schedule 12-1, Item 5), the water license renewal for the Goose Lake type B license (No. 2BE-G000510) is exempted from screening by the NIRB. The original water license application was also exempted from NIRB screening pursuant to Schedule 12-1, Item 5. As such, there is no screening decision which pertains to a water license for this project per se. The NIRB has, however, screened the Goose Lake project and affiliated activities which require KIA permits for Access to Inuit Owned Lands and also which require Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Land Use Permits. A screening decision report for these activities was released on May 15, 2006 and has been attached for your information (NIRB File No. 06EN033 incorporated activities at Goose Lake).

Additionally, I have copied the Nunavut Planning Commission with this email in hopes they may provide some clarification regarding the project location (Kitikmeot Region) and any determination that may pertain to conformity with a land use plan. Please note that no conformity determination was required for the initial screening of this project.

I hope this will assist with your current amendment and renewal application. Should you require anything further, please contact me.

Best regards,

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