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Your file - Votre référence  
2BE-GOO1520  
Our file - Notre référence  
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**Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada Comments on Sabina Gold and Silver Corp. Renewal and Extension Application for the Goose Bay Property, Back River Project, Licence No. 2BE-GOO1520.**

Dear Ms. Carter,

Thank you for your December 6, 2019 invitation for Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) to comment on Sabina Gold and Silver Corporation's (Sabina) renewal and extension application for the Goose Exploration Project, Licence No. 2BE-GOO1520. CIRNAC examined the submission and provides the following comment pursuant to CIRNAC's mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Act*.

### **1. NPC and NIRB Approvals**

Sabina submitted an application to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) and the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) in October for a determination of whether a land use plan conformity review and a screening by NIRB are required. These determinations have not yet been provided.

#### Recommendation:

CIRNAC recommends that the NPC Conformity and NIRB Screening (or exceptions from these reviews) be attained prior to licence renewal.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at (867) 975-4282 or [bridget.campbell@canada.ca](mailto:bridget.campbell@canada.ca).



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bridget Campbell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bridget Campbell,  
Water Resources Coordinator