

RE: 2BE-GOO2028 Trench Proposal

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Thu, Jun 4, 2020 at 2:40 PM

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

Thank you for your May 5, 2020 invitation to comment on the Goose Exploration 2020 Trenching Plan by Sabina Gold & Silver Corp. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) has conducted this review pursuant to its mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Act*, and other associated legislation and policies. Please find CIRNAC comment and recommendation below.

Comment: With reference to the Water Quantity, Monitoring, and Management section of the 2020 Trenching Plan, it states 'Upon verification of any water questionable for discharge, a water quality test will be taken and reviewed for acceptability prior to release to the natural environment'. There is no clarity on the method for identification of the referenced questionable discharge before the decision to conduct testing.

Recommendation: CIRNAC recommends that the applicant provide clear methods of identification for the questionable water for discharge before testing will be done.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to communicate them with me.

Thanks and best regards,

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Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2020 1:33 PM

To: Merle Keefe

Subject: 2BE-GOO2028 Trench Proposal

Good morning,

The Nunavut Water Board acknowledges receipt May 5, 2020 of Sabina Gold & Silver Trenching Proposal, **attached**, for 2BE-GOO2028 it has been saved to the ftp site at the link below:

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Interested parties are invited to submit comments by June 5, 2020.

Regards,

Richard



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