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Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 5:20 PM
To: Merle Keefe
Cc: Matthew Pickard
Subject: RE: 2BE-GOO2028 Trench Proposal

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Hi Merle,

Thanks for your response to CIRNAC's comments. The response you have provided is adequate. Further to the response, CIRNAC will recommend that you consider including this information in the referenced section of the plan.

Thanks and best regards,

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Subject: RE: 2BE-GOO2028 Trench Proposal

Hello Godwin,

I hope you're having a good weekend – I believe you are new on our file, so welcome! Sabina submitted a similar Trenching Proposal in 2019, and CIRNAC at the time asked the exact same question re. water quality – clearly CIRNAC thinks alike!

This was the answer provided to Richard Dwyer (NWB) following my conversation with Bridget Campbell last year (I have attached that email correspondence):

“Following a conversation with CIRNAC, where we discussed the comment raised in their June 13, 2019 correspondence, Sabina confirmed that the waste water monitoring program outlined in Sabina's Trenching Application (2BE-GOO1520) will consist of daily visual inspection for evaluation of suspended sediments (i.e. murkiness) and confirmation of gravity separation. Should efficient settling not occur, and additional mitigation

measures be required, the rinse water will not be discharged to the receiving environment and instead redirected to Sabina's existing cuttings sump and excavation."

Will this similarly answer your question and concerns Godwin? Essentially, if Sabina identifies water is murky (i.e. muddy) and has not had adequate time to settle out, we will not discharge it to the environment but rather our existing permitted sump which stores drilling cuttings water.

Thanks,
Merle

From: Okonkwo, Godwin (AADNC/AANDC) <godwin.okonkwo@canada.ca>
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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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