

Hackett River Project Summary

The Hackett River Project (Project) is located in the West Kitikmeot region of Nunavut. The property is situated on Crown Land and on Inuit-Owned Land within the West Kitikmeot Regional Land Use Plan Area. The Project is located approximately 300 km south of Cambridge Bay and 80 km southwest of Bathurst Inlet. The Project is owned and operated by Glencore Canada Corporation. The Project includes operation of a seasonal camp and an airstrip (on ice in winter, on land in summer). The Project is currently under care and maintenance however an exploration program including operation of diamond drills may occur during the proposed water licence renewal term. During care and maintenance progressive reclamation and camp clean-up will occur during the summer months. Should exploration drilling activities proceed, they will be the same as previously authorized activities and infrastructure. During exploration it is expected that environmental studies related to the proposed mine development will also take place.

Given that the proposed activities and much of the infrastructure has been previously authorized, Glencore Canada Corporation is applying for a renewal to the existing water licence for Hackett River (2BE-HAK0915). Exploration activities have previously been screened and determined to be exempt from environmental assessment (NIRB files 04EN012, 06EN033 and 08EA084). There is no request to amend the allowable daily volume of water [currently 299 m³/day: total camp (domestic) water usage not to exceed 30 m³/day; Drill water shall be obtained from lakes and ponds, proximal to the drilling targets not exceed 269 m³/day].