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# EXPLORATION/ REMOTE CAMP SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUEST

	cant: Wolfden Resources Inc. Licence No: NWB2HIG0305  (For NWB Use Only)
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3.	Does the applicant hold the necessary property rights?
	Yes
4.	Is the applicant an 'operator' for another company (i.e., the holder of the property rights)? If so, please provide letter of authorization.
	No
5.	Duration of the Project  One year or less Start and completion dates:  Multi Year:
	If Multi-Year indicate proposed schedule of on site activities Start: April 1, 2007Completion: April 1, 2012
CAMI	P CLASSIFICATION
6.	Type of Camp  Mobile (self-propelled)  Temporary  Seasonally Occupied: from March 1 to December 1 annua  Permanent  Other:

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7. What is the design population of the camp and the maximum population expected on site at one

time? What will be the fluctuations in personnel?

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The planned population of the camp is 34 people, this may fluctuate as low as 20 and as high as 38 for short periods of time (several days).

8. Provide history of the site if it has been used in the past.

The camp has existed at its present location since the discovery of the mineral deposits at High Lake and beginnings of exploration on and around the High Lake showing in the 1950's. It has been expanded over time to include more structures in order to accommodate larger field crews. First discovered in the mid 1950's, the area has been historically worked through the 1970's and 1990's. Wolfden Resources obtained the property in 2000 and began work in 2001. Wolfden has had continuing exploration programs throughout the 2001 field season.

## **CAMP LOCATION**

9. Please describe proposed camp location in relation to biogeographical and geomorphological features, and water bodies.

The Wolfden Resources High Lake Project is a mineral exploration project focused on base metal exploration in the High Lake volcanic belt. The High Lake Project is located in the Kitikmeot region of Nunavut, approximately 550 km north-northeast of Yellowknife, NWT. The closest population center is Kugluktuk, located 175 km west-northwest of the property. The property is approximately 45 km south of the Coronation Gulf, and is bordered on its eastern edge by the Kennarctic River.

The existing camp is located at the southern end of High Lake on its western shore. The lake itself sits high above the Kennarctic drainage which lies immediately to the east, and the surrounding area has lots of topographic relief including escarpments formed by basaltic cliff forming units, deep valleys and canyons cut into softer meta-sediments, and prominent hills formed by rock units more resistant to erosional forces.

Topography renders the area difficult for surface travel and therefore the region is void of the seasonal migrations of larger mammals.

10. How was the location of the camp selected? Was the site previously used? Was assistance from the Regional Inuit Association Land Manager sought? Include maps and/or aerial photographs.

The camp location was originally selected for its proximity to the main showings at High Lake discovered in the 1950's, these are easily discernable on the accompanying photograph as the oxidation at surface is quite extensive. The Regional Inuit Association was not in existence at this time and therefore was not consulted in its placement. The site was not previously used as far as we can determine from historical records.

11.	Is the camp or any aspect of the pro	oject located on:
	Crown Lands	Permit Number (s)/Expiry Date: N 200100017/ Nov. 2006
	Commissioners Land	Permit Number (s)/Expiry Date:
	Inuit Owned Lands	Permit Number (s)/Expiry Date: KTL 3030006/ April 30,
		2007

\* New application in progress.

12. Closest Communities (distance in km):

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Kugluktuk, Nunavut is the closest community and is located approximately 175 km. west-northwest of the property.

13. Has the proponent notified and consulted the nearby communities and potentially interested parties about the proposed work?

The local Inuit Administration in Kugluktuk has been notified as to our continued work at High Lake and we actively employ several individuals from Kugluktuk, Cambridge Bay, and Bathurst Inlet.

14. Will the project have impacts on traditional water use areas used by the nearby communities? Will the project have impacts on local fish and wildlife habitats?

The proposed work will not in any way impact traditional water use areas of nearby communities. Direct impacts on local fish and wildlife habitats will be minimal. As outlined in the accompanying water license application, High Lake has been shown to be void of fish life and the surrounding area is not used by large mammals for migration due to the difficult nature of the terrain. Aside from localized noise around camp and drill sites there will be minimal impact.

## PURPOSE OF THE CAMP

15.	<ul> <li>✓ Mining</li> <li>☐ Tourism (hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, adventure/expedition, etc.)</li> <li>(Omit questions # 16 to 21)</li> <li>☐ Other</li> </ul>
16.	Activities (Check all applicable)
	<ul> <li>□ Preliminary site visit</li> <li>□ Prospecting</li> <li>□ Geological mapping</li> <li>□ Geophysical survey</li> <li>□ Diamond drilling</li> <li>□ Reverse circulation drilling</li> <li>□ Evaluation Drilling/Bulk Sampling (also complete separate questionnaire)</li> <li>□ Other: Engineering and Environmental Studies</li> </ul>
17.	Type of deposit:  Lead Zinc Diamond Gold Uranium Other: Silver and Copper

## **DRILLING INFORMATION**

18. Drilling Activities

| Land Based drilling

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- Drilling on ice
- 19. Describe what will be done with drill cuttings?

Water used during drilling is conserved with a closed system of circulation. Drill cuttings are collected in a sludge recovery system that allows them to settle out and accompanying water to be returned down the hole. The cuttings are then bagged and transported to natural sumps chosen as to be located more than 50 m. from the closest water source and with sufficient opportunity for filtration through local soils.

20. Describe what will be done with drill water?

All water involved in drilling is re-circulated within a closed system. A small amount of water is actually consumed at the bit face but the majority returns to surface where it is passed through settling tanks to remove any particulate matter (cuttings) and then is returned down the hole. When drilling ceases, overflow from the settling tanks will run off and percolate into local soils, providing further filtration before eventually returning naturally to local water courses as ground water. A small amount surface run off is to be expected during this period and occasionally during the drilling process as well, and this will be contained or channeled so as not to directly enter any water courses and provide some filtration.

21. List the brand names and constituents of the drill additives to be used? Includes MSDS sheets and provide confirmation that the additives are non-toxic and biodegradable.

A list of the possible drill additives that may be required by Major Drilling are:

Brand Name
Poly-Drill O.B.X.
Poly-Drill 133-X
Poly-Drill 1330
Westcoast Drilling Supplies
Peladow

Constituent
Liquid Polymer
Liquid Anionic Polymer
Liquid Anionic Polymer
Linseed Soap
Calcium Chloride salt

MSDS Sheets are contained in the Spill Contingency Plan (attached to this application)

22. Will any core testing be done on site? Describe.

Core will be transported from the drill to the core shack where it is logged by geologists. Geologically significant intersections will be split with a core saw. One half of the core remains stored on site and the other half is bagged and sent off-site for laboratory assaying.

## SPILL CONTINGENCY PLANNING

23. The proponent is required to have a site specific Spill Contingency Plan prepared and submitted with the application. This plan should be prepared in accordance with the NWT Environmental Protection Act, Spill Contingency Planning and Reporting Regulations, July 22, 1998 and A Guide for Spill Contingency Planning and Reporting Regulations, June 2002. Please include for review.

The Spill Contingency Plan for the High Lake Project, exploration activities is attached.

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24. How many spill kits will be on site and where will they be located?

There are 6 (six) emergency spill kits on site at this time. Two are located in the fuel cache area, there is a spill kit at each of the 3 diamond drills, and one is maintained in camp near the generator shack.

25. Please describe the types, quantities, and method of storage of fuel and chemicals on site, and provide MSDS sheets.

All liquid fuels stored on site are contained in 45 Gal. (205 L) steel drums. An existing fuel cache area is located approximately 250 m to the North of the camp location and sits approximately 150 m from the lake shore on a high bench. We typically store approximately 1500 drums of fuel in this cache. Predominantly JP-4 helicopter fuel and Diesel although a small amount of Gasoline will be included as well. This cache is continuously monitored for leaks. A full count is completed every three days. Individual drums of diesel fuel are located behind each tent or building in the camp to provide fuel for the heaters, and there are commonly 2 or 3 drums located at the generator shack. The helicopter pad will normally have no more than 6 drums of fuel located at it for immediate use. Individual drums of gasoline are located in camp near the workshop in order to fuel snowmobiles in the winter. All drums are kept a minimum distance of 30 m from the lake shore at all times.

All lubricants and drill additives are contained in 5 Gal. (20 L) pails and are stored in a small shed where they are protected from the weather. At any one time there is approximately 1000 L of various lubricants and drill additives on site.

Propane is transported and stored in 100 lb. cylinders which are located approximately 100 m from camp in a specifically designed storage area where they are stored vertically and chained to prevent tipping. On average there are approximately 20 cylinders onsite at any one time. Individual cylinders are used at the kitchen and the dry to power hot water tanks, stoves, and laundry facilities. These cylinders are also vertically standing and housed in small sheds to prevent accidental tipping.

In addition small amounts of soaps and cleaning fluids are located in the kitchen and dry areas.

MSDS Sheets for the fuel and lubricant products used on site are provided in the Spill Contingency Plan, attached to this application.

#### WATER SUPPLY AND TREATMENT

26. Describe the location of water sources.

A variety of small water bodies will supply the water for the drilling. Some of these are outlined on the map provided with this application that shows proposed drill hole locations. These are chosen for their proximity to the drill, minimizing the pumping distance and therefore the risk of freezing hose lines. Water supply for the camp will come directly from High Lake.

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27.	Estimated demand (in L/day * person):
	<ul> <li>Domestic Use: 100 L/day/person Water Source: High Lake</li> <li>□ Drilling Units: 180,000 L/day Water Source: Various small Lakes and ponds</li> <li>□ Other: Water Source:</li> </ul>
28.	Describe water intake for camp operations? Is the water intake equipped with a mesh screen to prevent entrapment of fish? Describe:
	Water is pumped from the lake with a submersible Jacuzzi pump that has a mesh screen attached to the intake, although environmental base line studies have determined High Lake to be void of fish. The water then passes through approximately 60 meters of insulated and heat traced hoseline before entering the holding tanks.
29.	Will drinking water quality be monitored? What parameters will be analyzed and at what frequency?
	Water quality is tested several times per year for metals, Ph, and fecal colliform bacteria content.
30.	Will drinking water be treated? How?
	Drinking water is treated with a small amount of bleach in the holding tanks before passing through a filtration system and entering general camp use. The amount is approximately 1 cm <sup>3</sup> of bleach for every 1m <sup>3</sup> of water.
31.	Will water be stored on site?
	Water is pumped from the lake daily into 5 holding tanks located within two structures onsite. Each of these tanks holds approximately 1m <sup>3</sup> of water.
WAS'	TE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL
32.	Describe the characteristics, quantities, treatment and disposal methods for:  Camp Sewage (black water)
	The sewage system currently in place eliminates waste through incineration, i.e. No black water is produced.
	Camp Grey water  Grey water from the kitchen and showers drains into a series of settling tanks before being pumped to a natural depression (sump) behind camp and providing for further natural filtration through percolation before re-entering local water courses as ground water.
	Solid Waste  Burnable solid waste is incinerated in a diesel powered forced air furnace capable of disposing of 64 Kg of refuse per hour.

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	Bulky Items/Scrap Metal Scrap metal and any other non-combustible refuse is collected and sealed in 45 Gal drums and then transported to Yellowknife for eventual disposal by the appropriate means.
	Waste Oil/Hazardous Waste Waste oil is collected and sealed in 45 Gal drums clearly marked for this purpose and then transported to Yellowknife for eventual disposal by the appropriate means. Lead-Acid batteries are also contained in appropriate sealed containers, clearly marked, and returned to Yellowknife for disposal.
	Other:
33.	Please describe incineration system if used on site. What types of wastes will be incinerated?
	All burnable solid and semi-solid wastes will be incinerated, as well as human wastes. This will include sewage, kitchen refuse, plastics, cardboard and paper, and any fuel soaked material (ie. Rags, absorbent mats etc.)
34.	Where and how will non-combustible waste be disposed of? If in a municipality in Nunavut, has authorization been granted?
	As stated above, non-combustible waste is sealed into 45 Gal drums and flown back to Yellowknife for appropriate disposal.
35.	Describe location (relative to water bodies and camp facilities) dimensions and volume, and freeboard for sumps (if applicable).
	The sump which handles the grey water discharged on a daily basis from camp is approximately 200 m from the kitchen and dry. It has a 3m <sup>3</sup> holding capacity, and this amount of water would take approximately 6-8 hours to filter into the ground. It is approximately 300 m from the closest water course, a small creek, which drains into the South end of High Lake.

No leachate is expected to be developed at the site at this time.

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frequency?

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Will leachate monitoring be done? What parameters will be sampled and analyzed, and at what

#### **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

37. Have the water supply and waste treatment and disposal methods been used and proven in cold climate? What known O&M problems may occur? What contingency plans are in place?

All of these water supply and waste treatment and disposal measures have been used in previous years and have proven to be effective even during the coldest of temperature extremes. Possible problems which may arise are freezing hose-lines. Water intake lines are heat traced and insulated to ensure flow in cold temperatures. Grey water disposal hose-lines are self draining and need not be heat traced. Water moves through them fast enough when being pumped that no freezing can occur. In the event that grey water lines were to freeze, sufficient hose line is on hand to run a new line until the original can be dismantled and thawed.

## ABANDONMENT AND RESTORATION

38. Provide a detailed description of progressive and final abandonment and restoration activities at the site.

After each drill hole is completed any trash and litter is gathered up and transported back to camp for either burning or flying out to Yellowknife. Capped casing pipes are used to mark hole locations were significant mineralization was intersected. Natural re-vegetation is expected to eventually reclaim drill sites. At the close of the field season rented equipment is removed and flown back to Yellowknife for storage. The camp is left in a clean and tidy state and the remaining camp structures would be secured for the winter as consistent with their use.

#### **BASELINE DATA**

89.	Has or will any baseline information be collected as part of this project? Provide bibliography		
	Physical Environment (Landscape and Terrain, Air, Water, etc.)  Biological Environment (Vegetation, Wildlife, Birds, Fish and Other Aquatic Organisms, etc.)		
	Socio-Economic Environment (Archaeology, Land and Resources Use, Demographics, Social and Culture Patterns, etc.)		
	Other:		

A document titled – High Lake Project Proposal was submitted to the Nunavut Impact Review Board and other involved parties, including the Nunavut Water Board in support of applications for permits for a future mine development at High Lake in November of 2006. This document provides a complete description of the Physical Environment, Biological environment and Socio-Economic Environment for the High Lake Project. The Project Proposal presents the results of field data collection studies, impact assessments and mitigation and monitoring plans in all these areas for the project. An electronic copy of this document is provided with this application on CD ROM. A full paper copy was provided to the Nunavut Water Board in November of 2006.

## REGULATORY INFORMATION

40. Do you have a copy of:

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- ✓ Article 13 Nunavut Land Claims Agreement
- √ NWB Water Licensing in Nunavut Interim Procedures and Information Guide for Applicants
- √ NWB Interim Rules of Practice and Procedure for Public Hearings
- √ NWTWB Guidelines for the Discharge of Treated Municipal Wastewater in the NWT
- ✓ NWTWB Guidelines for Contingency Planning
- √ DFO Freshwater Intake End of Pipe Fish Screen Guideline
- √ Fisheries Act s.35
- ✓ RWED Environment Protection- Spill Contingency Regulations
- √ Canadian Drinking Water Quality Guidelines
- √ Public Health Act Camp Sanitation Regulations
- √ Public Health Act Water Supply Regulations
- ✓ Territorial Land Use Act and Regulations

You should consult the above document, guidelines, and legislation for compliance with existing regulatory requirements.

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