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22-HCAA-01011

Licence Administrator  
Nunavut Water Board  
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Dear Mr. Dwyer:

**Subject: Comment Request for the Hood River Project Type B Water Licence Amendment**

The Fisheries Protection Program (the Program) of Fisheries and Oceans Canada received the Hood River Project proposal for a Type B Water Licence Amendment for Blue Star Gold Corp on March 29, 2022.

The proposal has been reviewed to determine whether it is likely to result in:

- the death of fish by means other than fishing and the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat which are prohibited under subsections 34.4(1) and 35(1) of the *Fisheries Act*; and,
- effects to listed aquatic species at risk, any part of their critical habitat or the residences of their individuals in a manner which is prohibited under sections 32, 33 and subsection 58(1) of the *Species at Risk Act*.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada does not have sufficient information to determine whether the proposed work will result in the death of fish and/or the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat. Additional information regarding the specific location, depth, and volume of each source waterbody to be used for camp/municipal and industrial purposes, is required in order to properly assess potential impacts to fish and fish habitat. Additionally, we recommend the proponent review the Interim Code of Practice for End-of-pipe fish screens (<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/codes/screen-ecran-eng.html>) and the Measures to Protect Fish and Fish Habitat (<http://www.dfo->

[mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/measures-mesures-eng.html](http://mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/measures-mesures-eng.html)) to ensure that all appropriate mitigation measures are implemented in the proposed project.

It remains the responsibility of the proponent to remain in compliance with the *Fisheries Act*, the *Species at Risk Act* and the *Aquatic Invasive Species Regulations*. It is also the proponent's *Duty to Notify* DFO if they have caused, or are about to cause, the death of fish by means other than fishing and/or the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat. Such notifications should be directed to [fisheriesprotection@dfo-mpo.gc.ca](mailto:fisheriesprotection@dfo-mpo.gc.ca) or 1-855-852-8320.

If you have any questions with the content of this letter, please contact Deborah Silver at [deborah.silver@dfo-mpo.gc.ca](mailto:deborah.silver@dfo-mpo.gc.ca) or 365-323-0247.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Adrienne', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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