



NWB Tools

Richard Dwyer &lt;richard.dwyer@nwb-oen.ca&gt;

---

**[2022-KIV17-CW] 2BE-MPM2126 Water Licence Inspection Form 11.10.22**

---

**Wilson, Christine** <Christine.Wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca>

Mon, Nov 28, 2022 at 1:34 PM

To: Tara Gunson &lt;tgunson@apexgeoscience.com&gt;, "Fraser, Jeremy" &lt;jeremy.fraser@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca&gt;, "Licensing Department (NWB)" &lt;licensing@nwb-oen.ca&gt;, "Amsel, Kyle" &lt;Kyle.Amsel@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca&gt;

Cc: "Fabio Capponi (Western Atlas Resources)" &lt;fcapponi@westernar.com&gt;, "Susan Rubin (Western Atlas Resources)" &lt;srubin@westernar.com&gt;

Hi Tara,

Thanks for taking my call today. As discussed, I've attached two pictures that show the metal pipes but were too blurry to include in the report. They do show a metal pipe at both locations, may it be an anchor or a casing. Please have the Permittee confirm this when they are in the field next season.

I ask companies working in location that are active with exploration to record the site condition immediately following completion of drill site reclamation. This ensures that the reclamation is complete and that the information in the annual report is correct.

As for remediation efforts at WA5, the site has likely stabilized, any efforts may cause further environment impacts. The Permittee should review cutting management practices. We will note this concern on file for future inspections.

Please provide pictures to Kyle Amsel (cc'd) of the drill sites once reclamation is completed.

Regards,

Christine Wilson, EP

Water Resource Officer

Kivalliq Region, Field Operations Unit

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada

[Christine.Wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca](mailto:Christine.Wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca) / Tel: (867) 645-2830 / Mobile: (867) 222-6482Crown-Indigenous Relations  
and Northern Affairs CanadaRelations Couronne-Autochtones  
et Affaires du Nord Canada

This communication, including any or all attachments, is intended only for the use of the person or entity to which it is addressed and may contain confidential and/or privileged material. If you are not the intended recipient of this communication, any use, review, retransmission, distribution, dissemination, copying, printing, or other use of, or taking of any action in reliance upon this communication, is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please contact the sender and delete the original and any copy of this communication and any printout thereof, immediately.

---

**From:** Tara Gunson <[tgunson@apexgeoscience.com](mailto:tgunson@apexgeoscience.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 22, 2022 5:54 PM  
**To:** Wilson, Christine <[Christine.Wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca](mailto:Christine.Wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca)>; Fraser, Jeremy <[jeremy.fraser@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca](mailto:jeremy.fraser@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca)>; Licensing Department (NWB) <[licensing@nwb-oen.ca](mailto:licensing@nwb-oen.ca)>  
**Cc:** Fabio Capponi (Western Atlas Resources) <[fcapponi@westernar.com](mailto:fcapponi@westernar.com)>; Susan Rubin (Western Atlas Resources) <[srubin@westernar.com](mailto:srubin@westernar.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: [2022-KIV17-CW] 2BE-MPM2126 Water Licence Inspection Form 11.10.22

Good Afternoon Christine,

After review of the inspection report we are wondering if there may have been a mistake with respect to the drill casing remaining at the drillpads and they are actually the wooden posts that were inserted into the holes when the casing was removed?

The attached 2020 annual report which states "*After completion of drilling at each hole, the casing was removed, the drill holes were plugged and marked using a wooden stake (60 cm in length) showing the orientation and dip of the drill hole*" and has close up photos of the pads which show the casing has been removed. Please let us know if in fact there was a mistake on our end and the casing is still in place and it will be cut off at, or below, ground level and capped at the same time the remediation work for the cuttings at drillpad WA5 occurs.

Western Atlas will address the drill cuttings at WA5 as soon as weather and ground conditions allow. A sump will be hand dug with shovels and the drill cuttings will be buried. The sump will be dug at 90 degrees to the direction of potential flow into the waterbody, essentially additionally acting as a trench.

The proposed remedial action at drill pad WA5 will be completed in the spring of 2023 when the ground is still hard enough to access the drillsites by overland travel by quad. In the event that ground conditions due not allow for overland travel when the ground will be able to be shovelled by hand (e.g. possible for rutting to occur), the drillpad will be accessed by helicopter during the next field program.

Please let me know if you have any questions, require any additional information or would like to follow up with a call.

Warmest Regards,

Tara

*Tara Gunson B.Sc. P.Geo*



**100, 11450 160 Street NW**

**Edmonton, Alberta**

**Canada T5M 3Y7**

**(780) 467-3532 - Office**

**(780) 604-3282 - Cell**

[www.apexgeoscience.com](http://www.apexgeoscience.com)



---

**From:** Wilson, Christine <[Christine.Wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca](mailto:Christine.Wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca)>

**Sent:** November 10, 2022 11:01 AM

**To:** Tara Gunson <[tgunson@apexgeoscience.com](mailto:tgunson@apexgeoscience.com)>; 'Fabio Capponi' <[fcapponi@westernar.com](mailto:fcapponi@westernar.com)>; 'Licensing Department ([licensing@nwb-oen.ca](mailto:licensing@nwb-oen.ca))' <[licensing@nwb-oen.ca](mailto:licensing@nwb-oen.ca)>

**Cc:** Fraser, Jeremy <[jeremy.fraser@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca](mailto:jeremy.fraser@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca)>

**Subject:** [2022-KIV17-CW] 2BE-MPM2126 Water Licence Inspection Form 11.10.22

Hello,

Please find attached an inspection report for Meadowbank Precious Metals Property water licence 2BE-MPM2126.

Thank you,

Christine Wilson

Water Resource Officer (Inspector)

[Christine.wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca](mailto:Christine.wilson3@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca)

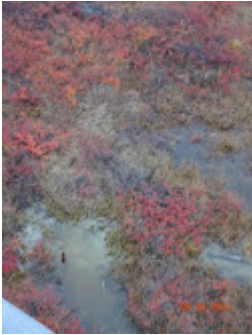
T: (867) 645-2830

C: (867) 222-6482

---

**2 attachments**

**DSC00760.JPG**  
4481K



**DSC00765.JPG**  
4388K



09 09 2022



09 09 2022