

Northquest Ltd Pistol Bay Project Overview

The purpose of Northquest Ltd's program is to explore for gold in rocks found just to the north and northwest of Whale Cove.

Any potential environmental effects this program could have are expected to be minor, affecting only a very small area. These effects will be addressed by following a number of steps that are described in detail in Northquest's Water Licence Application and Land Use Permit Application. It is unlikely that this program will have any short term effects on birds or wildlife. It will have no long term effects.

Northquest Ltd is committed to carrying out safe and environmentally sound exploration programs.

All activities in this program are initial stage exploration activities. The activities will include prospecting and mapping, rock sampling, and diamond drilling of approximately 15 diamond drill holes per year.

All of these activities will be conducted by a crew of up to 17 people housed in a temporary camp. Five of the people will be hired from Whale Cove. The camp will be located approximately 20 km north of Whale Cove and will consist of 11 tents.

All activities including building the camp will be carried out in a manner that will minimize health and safety risks to employees and limit possible environmental impacts. To ensure this, Northquest Ltd will follow the best practises available to the exploration industry. The following documents provide an overview of Northquest's plans:

Pistol Bay Emergency Response Plan

Pistol Bay Spill Contingency Plan

Pistol Bay Health and Safety Plan

Pistol Bay Abandonment and Restoration Plan

Northquest Ltd will strictly conform to the rules and procedures set out in these documents.

A lightweight diamond drill will be used to obtain core samples from the bedrock. Each drill hole will be about 8 cm (3 inches) wide and 100 to 200 metres (328 to 660 feet) deep. They will be widely spaced throughout the project area. The drill will be moved by helicopter to all locations. Each drill site will affect an area of about 10 by 10 metres or 33 by 33 feet. Any oil or grease that is produced by the drilling will be trapped by absorbent matting that will be placed beneath all potential drip locations. Drip trays will be used at all fuelling areas at the drill and at the water pump location. All used absorbent matting and garbage will be disposed of at the Whale Cove municipal dump site. Empty drums will be returned to Churchill, Manitoba.

No used water or drill cuttings will be allowed to enter any water bodies. All of the drill core samples will be flown to camp where they will be sampled and properly stored for future studies.

All fuel in drums will be stored in portable lined fuel storage units called “Insta Berms” located at the main campsite. If any drums leak, the fuel will be contained in the storage unit where it can easily be pumped out into an empty drum. Fuel in drums will be transported to the drill as it is needed.

All potential environmental impacts resulting from this program are expected to be limited to very small areas and will be addressed by using the safest exploration practices available.

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