Water Licence Inspection Report

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☐Follow-Up Report

Authorization	Representative
WhiteCliff Minerals	**Eric Sondergaard**
Authorization No. / Expiry	**Representative's Title**
2BE-RCE2532	
Inspection Date	**Inspector**
July 02, 2026	**Isaiah James Bolt**
Other Authorization/s	
N2024C0029	
Activities Inspected	
☐**Municipal** ☒ **Camp, Commercial** ☐ **Drilling** ☐ **Mining** ☐ **Construction** ☐ **Reclamation** ☒ **Fuel Storage** ☐ **Roads/Hauling** ☐ **Winter Hauling** ☐ **Camp, Private** ☐ **Other** Click or tap here to enter text.	

Section 1 Comments

On July 02, 2026 Resource Management Officer Isaiah James Bolt (Inspector) for Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC), conducted an inspection of 2BE-RCE2532 (License) issued to Whitecliff minerals (Proponent) to ensure compliance against their license.

Preliminary Information

Part C #1 of 2BE-RCE2532: *"Total camp Water use shall not exceed twenty (20) cubic metres per day. Water for drilling shall be obtained from source(s), proximal to the drilling targets and shall not exceed two hundred and seventy-nine (279) cubic metres per day. The total volume of Water obtained for all purposes under this Licence shall not exceed two hundred (299) cubic metres per day."*

Observations

1. Arrival to Hope Lake camp at 9:15am.
2. All garbage from site is stored in wooden bins and then flown out of site. No Incinerator is on site.
3. All Sewage is packaged via pacto toilet, stored in containers and then flown out of site.
4. Aerial Photo taken (photo #1).
5. Engine oil, Hydraulic oil and bags of calcium chloride were observed outside of secondary containment on the edge of the airstrip. (Photo #2).
6. Fuel storage berms on the end of the air strip were compromised. Some of the walls were collapsed, one of the berms was folded upwards (Photo #3). One fuel berm had a hole in it (Photo #4). Each of the berms were placed on improper substrate. Insta-Berms should be placed on compacted dirt or sand cleared of any rocks, roots and sharp debris that may puncture the berm under load.
7. Inspector noted multiple instances of failed secondary containment throughout the camp, (Photo #5, #6, and #7) all show failed secondary containment berms. Each of them are used to contain the fuel for the accommodation tents. In the RAE Copper Project Spill Contingency Plan #3 Spill Prevention Measures: *"Any bulk fuel containers used will be designed, or supplied, with 110% containment. Spill kits will be located wherever fuel is stored or transferred. Portable drip trays and appropriately sized fuel transfer hoses with pumps will be used when refuelling to avoid any leaks/drips onto the land. Spill containment and trays may be equipped with a rain drain or otherwise managed to ensure rain or meltwater buildup is minimized. The Camp Manager, or designate, will conduct daily visual inspections to check for leaks or damage to the fuel storage containers, as well as for stained or discoloured soils around fuel storage areas and adjacent motorized equipment."*
8. Grey water discharge location was observed. No concerns noted (Photo #8).
9. A photo of the water usage log was taken (Photo #9). Based on the water logs and the total allowable withdrawal limits found in the license the proponent is well within their daily limits.
10. The water flow meter was observed (Photo #10).
11. The grease trap in the kitchen was observed (Photo #11).
12. Water intake location was not visited this inspection. A fish screen was present on site, no concerns noted.

Section 2 Non-Compliance

Part H #2 of 2BE-RCE2532: *"The Licensee shall prevent any chemicals, petroleum products or wastes associated with the project from entering water. All Sumps and fuel caches shall be located at a distance of at least thirty-one (31) metres from the ordinary High-Water Mark of any adjacent water body and inspected on a regular basis."*

Section 3 Action Required

1. **Ensure all hazardous chemicals are placed into secondary containment.**
2. **Inspect all fuel storage containment berms to ensure all the side walls are up right and are not broken. Ensure all fuel drums or other hazardous materials containers are inside the berm completely without sitting on the berm walls compromising their structure.**
3. **Inspect the bottoms of fuel berms for holes and replace all broken and compromised insta-berms.**
4. **Ensure all secondary containment berms are 110% capacity of the fuel containers within them.**

Please have all actions required completed by September 25, 2026. Please send updated photos of correctly installed fuel containment berms to James.bolt@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca

Licensee or Representative	Inspector's Name
David White	Isaiah James Bolt
Signature	**Signature**
D White	James Bolt
Date	**Date**
2026-10-05	2026/09/17

Office Use Only: Follow-up report to be issued by Inspector ☐ Yes ☐ No

PHOTO LOG

Date:	Authorization Number:	Camera/Model:	Inspector
July 02 2026	2BE-RCE2532	Olympus Tough TG-6	James Bolt

Photo # 1 **Coordinates:**



Description:

Hope Lake Camp (White Cliff Minerals)

Photo #	2	Coordinates:	



Description:

Hydraulic Oil, Engine Oil, Calcium Chloride stored outside of containment.

Photo #	3	Coordinates:	



Description:

Compromised Secondary containment storage.

Photo #	4	Coordinates:	



Description:

Insta-Berm with a hole in the bottom.

Photo #	5	Coordinates:	



Description:

Compromised secondary containment.

Photo #	6	Coordinates:	



Description:

Compromised secondary containment.

Photo #	7	Coordinates:	



Description:

Compromised secondary containment.

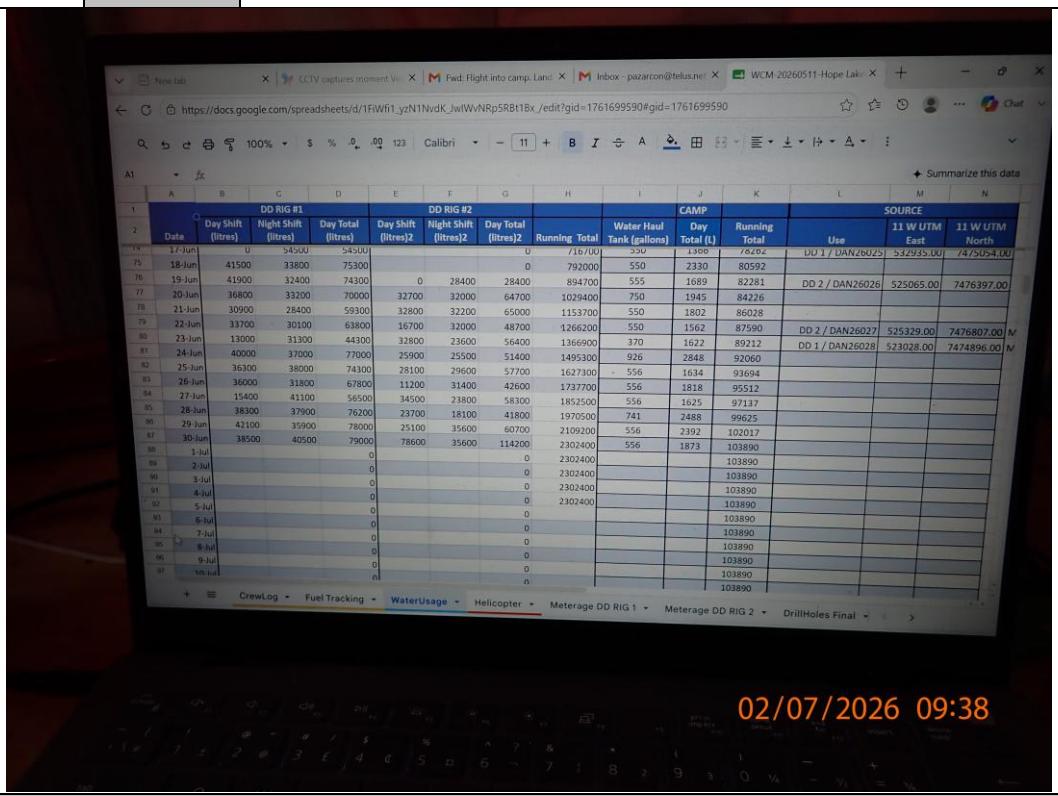
Photo #	8	Coordinates:	



Description:

Grey Water discharge location.

Photo #	9	Coordinates:	



Description:

Water Usage Log, including drills and camp.

Photo #	10	Coordinates:	



Description:

Water flow meter.

Photo #	11	Coordinates:	



Description:

Grease Trap in the kitchen.