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Waste Management Plan

Somerset Trough Project

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REVISION HISTORY

The table below is a revision history table that outlines the revisions made by Bronzite Exploration Corporation to this document.

Version	Date	Section	Summary of Changes
0	December 18, 2023	All	Support document for project proposal submission to the NPC.
1.1	May 20, 2024	2.0	Added applicable legislation and guidelines
		3.0	Added additional waste types
		4.0	Specified that staff will be trained on waste handling and waste disposal
		5.0	Additional commentary on preventing wildlife access to waste
		3.0	Table 1 updated to include projected 2024 waste totals for entire 2024 field season
		5.0	Added estimated full 2024 season incinerator waste total
		3.0	Added definitions for waste and hazardous waste

1.0 Introduction

Bronzite Exploration Corporation (Bronzite) is a mineral exploration company holding mineral claims in the Western Somerset Island Watershed of Somerset Island, Nunavut. Bronzite's exploration project, known as the "Somerset Trough Project" (or the "Project"), involves constructing a small camp on the claim block and conducting early exploration activities such as geophysical surveys and mapping in 2025.

This Waste Management Plan (the Plan) has been developed in support of Bronzite's project proposal to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC), land use permit application to Crown-Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC), and water use authorization from the Nunavut Water Board. The Plan has been developed to describe waste management practices for the proposed 2025 camp and exploration activities, and the Plan will be updated in the future to account for additional waste management considerations as the project advances through 2026.

The 2025 field program will consist of airborne helicopter and fixed-wing surveys, prospecting, geological mapping, rock and channel sampling, and ground-based electromagnetic geophysical surveys. No drilling will take place during the 2025 field season, but drills will be mobilized to site to begin drilling in 2026 or 2027. During 2025, an exploration camp consisting primarily of Weatherhavens will be constructed on Crown Land within the Western Somerset Island Watershed and will include:

- 6 shared sleeper tents
- 1 kitchen/dining hall
- 2 camp dry tents
- 1 storage tent
- 1 first aid tent
- 1 washroom with 2 Pacto toilets and small handwashing sink
- 1 sample processing tent
- 1 incinerator building
- 1 generator building

See Figures 1 to 3, incl., for the general location and layout of the exploration camp, as well as the full extent of the Project area where exploration activities may take place. There are currently no plans to conduct ground-based work on Inuit Owned Lands during the 2025 field season. Ground-based work on Inuit Owned Lands would only proceed with the proper authorizations from the Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA) and/or the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA).

Figure 1. Project Location

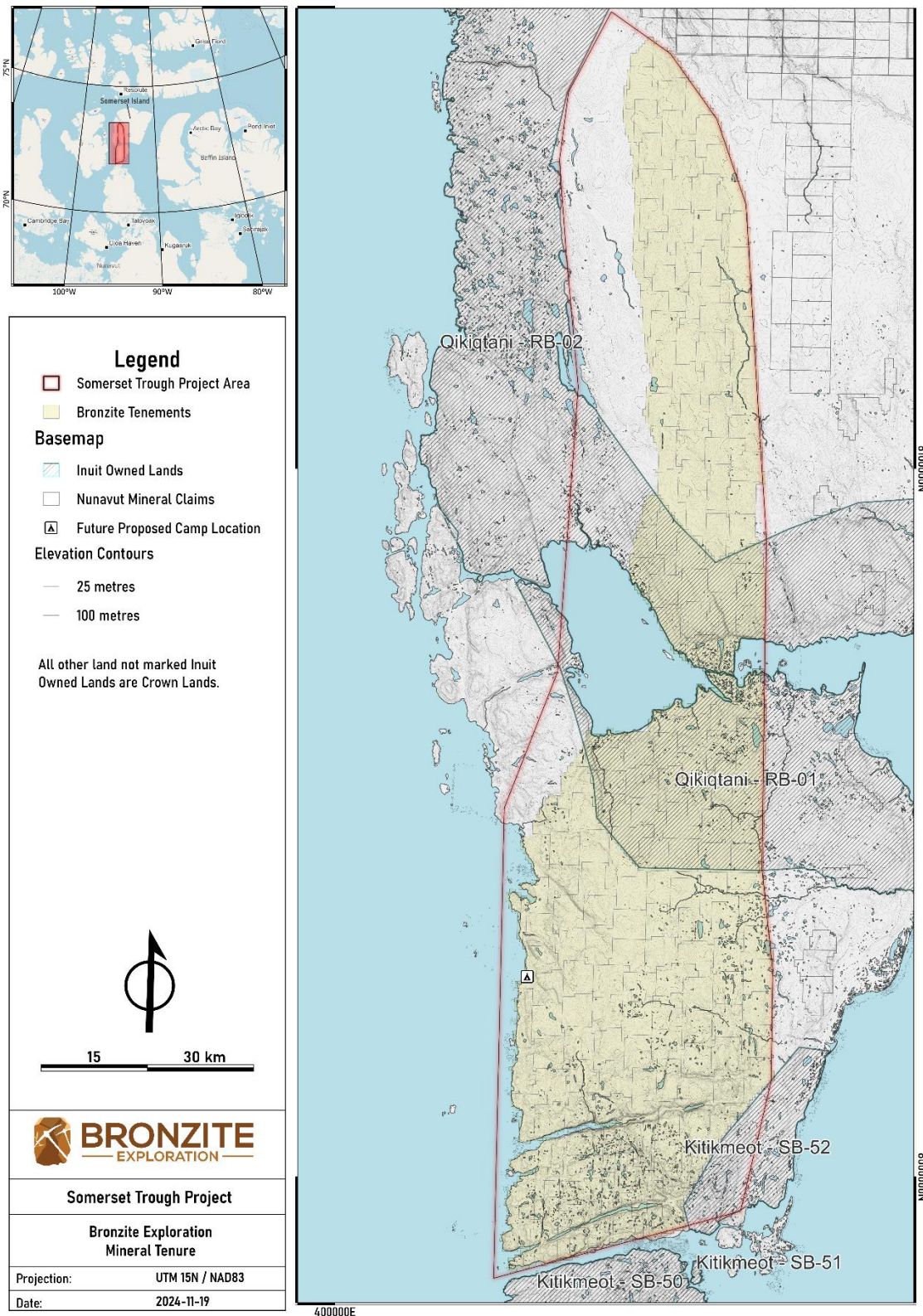


Figure 2. Camp Area

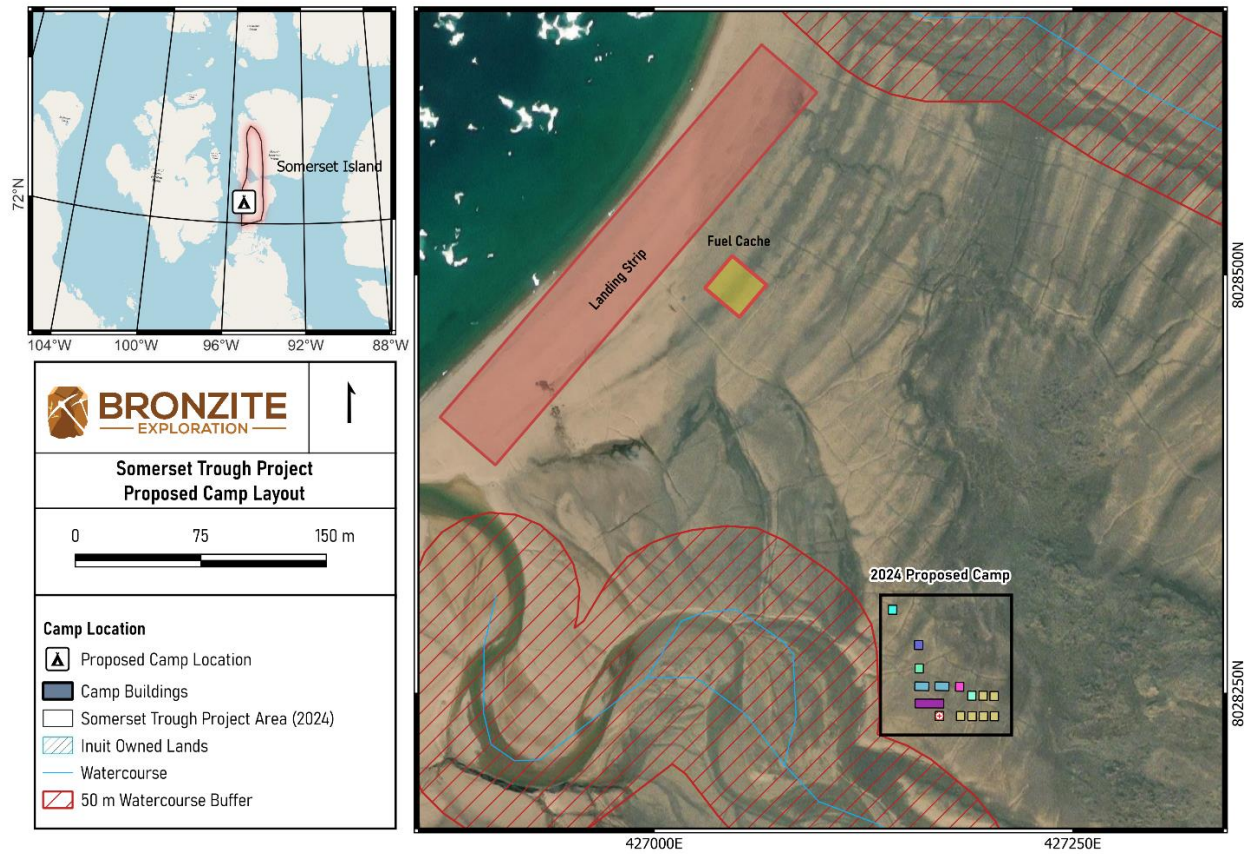
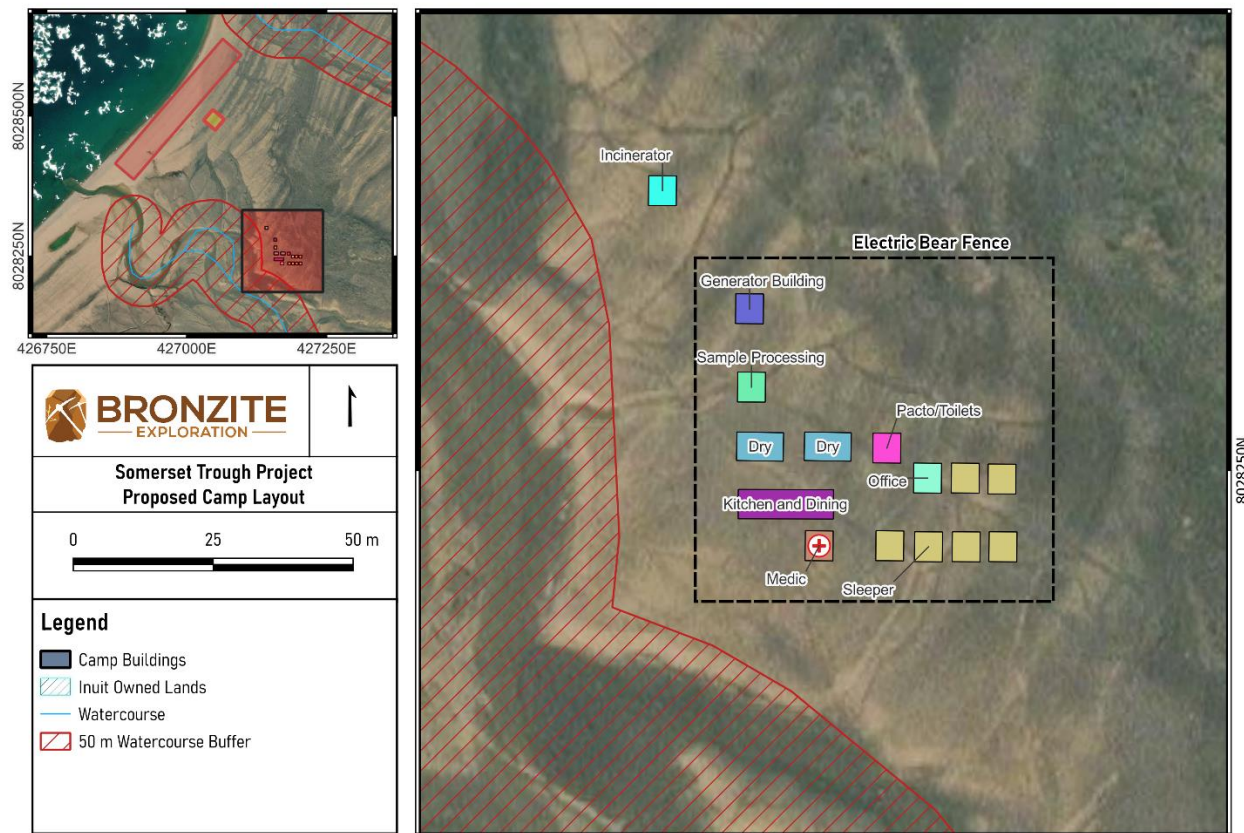


Figure 3. Camp Layout



2.0 Applicable Legislation

Waste management in Nunavut, and specifically at the Somerset Trough Project, is governed by legislation and site-specific authorizations. There are also guidelines available to assist proponents and reviewers with best waste management practices in the territory. The following are applicable legislation, authorizations, and guidelines that apply to waste management at the Somerset Trough Project:

2.1 Legislation

- *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*
- *Fisheries Act*
- *International Air Transport Association (IATA) Regulations*
- *North Baffin Region Land Use Plan*
- *Nunavut Occupational Health and Safety Regulations*
- *Safety Act*
- *Territorial Lands Act 1985 and Territorial Land Use Regulations*

- *Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG) Act*

2.2 Guidelines

- *Guideline for the General Management of Hazardous Waste*
- *Guidelines for Spill Contingency Planning*
- *Technical Document for Batch Waste Incineration*
- *Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS)*

3.0 Waste Types

As per the Government of Nunavut’s *Guideline for the General Management of Hazardous Waste*, “waste” is defined as materials that are no longer wanted or are unusable for their original intended purpose. “Hazardous waste” is defined as a dangerous good that is no longer wanted or is unusable for its original intended purpose and is intended for storage, recycling, treatment, or disposal. Given the limited scope of activities proposed for the 2025 field season, a limited number of waste and hazardous waste types will be generated at the project site. Depending on results of the 2025 field season, Bronzite plans to mobilize drills to site and begin drilling in 2026 or 2027. See Table 1 below for a list of wastes the project will generate and potential environmental impacts of each.

Table 1. Project Waste Types

Waste Type	Source of Generation	Estimated Waste Generated	Potential Environmental Impacts
<i>Aerosol cans</i>	Camp kitchen and camp personnel	5 kg total	Wildlife attractant Litter on the tundra or nearby watercourses
<i>Batteries</i>	Camp kitchen and camp personnel	5 kg total	Litter on the tundra or nearby watercourses
<i>Domestic refuse</i>	Camp kitchen	50 kg / day 3,750 kg total	Wildlife attractant
<i>Glass</i>	Light bulbs Broken glass from camp kitchen	5 kg total	Litter on the tundra or nearby watercourses

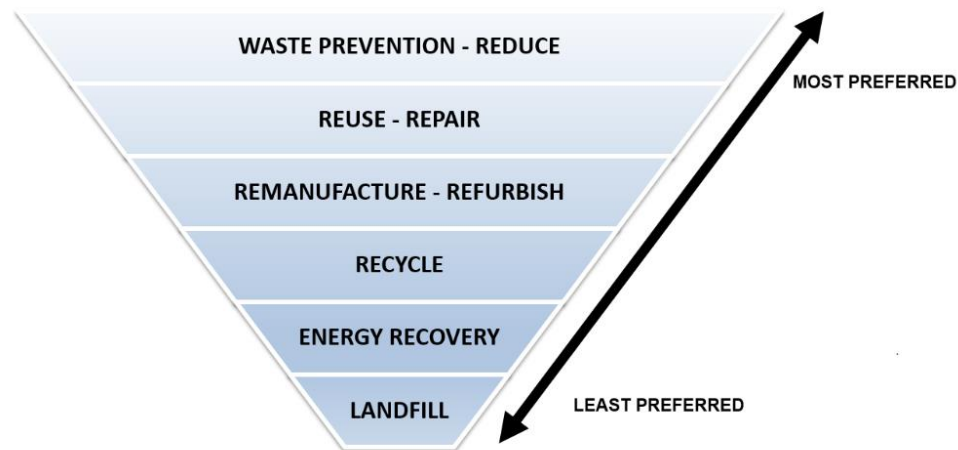
Waste Type	Source of Generation	Estimated Waste Generated	Potential Environmental Impacts
<i>Inert construction debris (rubber, scrap metal, scrap wood)</i>	Camp construction and teardown	5 m ³ total	Litter on the tundra or nearby watercourses
<i>Contaminated soils</i>	Fuel leaks and spills	< 1 m ³ total	Contaminant release to the surrounding environment
<i>Sewage</i>	Camp personnel	10 kg / day 750 kg total	Release to nearby water courses Wildlife attractant
<i>Recyclables and Plastics</i>	Camp kitchen Camp construction and teardown Empty containers	< 0.1 m ³ / day 7.5 m ³ total	Litter on the tundra or nearby watercourses
<i>Bottom ash or incinerator residue</i>	Incinerator	5 kg / day 375 kg total	Wildlife attractant Ash blowing onto the tundra or into nearby watercourses
<i>Used oil, fuels, lubricants, greases, and solvents</i>	Equipment maintenance	< 10 L / day 375 L total	Potential to leak or spill onto the tundra
<i>Chemical wastes – liquids or solids</i>	Cleaning solutions	< 1 L / day 25 L total	Potential to leak or spill onto the tundra
<i>Drilling waste</i>	Drill cuttings and water	TBD based on details of 2026 drill program and conditions of water licence	Silty water discharge to downstream water bodies

4.0 Management of Each Waste Type

All waste generated at the Somerset Trough Project will be managed in accordance with applicable territorial and federal laws, regulations, guidelines, and project authorizations such as the land use permit and Nunavut Water Board Authorization.

Bronzite will use the Waste Management Hierarchy to guide waste management practices at the Somerset Trough Project. Waste prevention and reduction is the preferred approach to waste management. Bronzite will make every reasonable attempt to reduce the volume of materials flown into site and thereby minimizing waste generation. Bronzite will reuse construction materials and recycle where possible (e.g., pop cans and plastics).

Figure 2. Waste Management Hierarchy



Below is a list of waste streams generated at the Somerset Trough Project and how Bronzite proposes to manage the various waste types. All personnel will be provided training on how to safely and properly handle, package, and store the various waste streams.

Aerosol cans

Aerosol cans generated by site personnel and in the camp kitchen will be placed in a sealed, UN-rated drum, labelled as per TDG and IATA requirements (Aerosol, Flammable, Class 2.1 UN 1950), and shipped off site by air to an accredited recycling or disposal facility. Aerosol cans must NOT be disposed of in the incinerator, as they pose an explosion hazard.

Batteries

Batteries will be collected in small receptacles located in common areas such as the camp dining hall and camp dry. At the end of the field season, the batteries will be collected and flown off site for final disposal at an accredited recycling or disposal facility. Dry household batteries are generally not classified as hazardous except for lithium ion and wet (lead-acid) batteries. Batteries must NOT be disposed of in the incinerator, as they pose an explosion and environmental hazard.

Recyclables and plastics

Recyclable items such as pop cans and clean plastics will be collected in a designated bin within the confines of camp kitchen. When possible, recyclable items will be flown off site for appropriate processing.

Construction debris

Bronzite will plan appropriately and only fly in the construction materials necessary for camp construction and maintenance during the field season. All unused materials will be flown off site at the end of the land use operation. Where possible, Bronzite will reuse construction materials and avoid creating waste during construction.

Glass

Waste glass, including used lightbulbs, glass containers, and broken glass will be placed within a sealed drum or a mega bag and shipped off site at the end of the field season.

Sewage and greywater

Pacto toilets will be used to manage human waste generated at the Project. The toilets will be located more than 31 metres away from the Ordinary High-Water Mark of any water course. Waste collected from the Pacto toilets will be incinerated on site or alternatively, collected in sealed, lined drums and shipped off site at the end of the field season to an accredited disposal facility. The goal will be to eliminate, to the extent possible, the potential for animal attractants through elimination of the waste or secure storage.

Greywater generated in the camp kitchen will run through a grease trap before being deposited to a sump. The sump will be located more than 31 metres away from the Ordinary High-Water Mark of any water course. At the end of the 2024 field season, the sump will be buried.

Combustible waste and incinerator ash

Combustible waste including food, paper, cardboard, untreated wood, human waste from the Pacto toilets, and some food-impacted plastics will be incinerated with a diesel-fired, dual-chamber incinerator. See Appendix A for the specification sheet of the model Bronzite will use at the Somerset Trough Project. Waste will be incinerated daily in accordance with federal and territorial regulations and Nunavut Department of Environment Guideline for the Burning and Incineration of Solid Waste. Incinerator waste will be collected in designated waste bins inside of the camp kitchen tent and collected daily for incineration.

Bottom ash from the incinerator will be emptied in accordance with manufacturer recommendations and placed into sealed, labelled 205L metal drums or lined mega bags for eventual shipment and disposal off site at authorized and accredited disposal facilities.

Used fuels and chemicals

Contaminated or expired fuels will either remain in their original containers or be placed inside an empty fuel drum. The drums will be clearly labelled and segregated as hazardous waste. The drums will be shipped offsite for disposal with a registered hazardous waste receiver.

Waste chemicals will be packaged in clearly labelled, tightly sealed containers and stored for eventual backhaul.

Contaminated soil and water

As per Bronzite's Spill Contingency Plan, contaminated soil will be cleaned up immediately and placed within sealed 205 L metal drums. Similarly, any contaminated water, snow, or ice will be cleaned up immediately and placed in sealed 205 metal drums for shipment off site.

Drilling waste

When drilling commences (2026 or 2027) drilling waste such as cuttings and greywater will be managed in compliance with future land use permits and water licence and in accordance with Section 3.5 of the current Environmental Protection Plan (Exploration Drilling Operations).

5.0 Waste Management Infrastructure

Sumps

Pursuant to the *Nunavut Waters Regulations*, Bronzite will not deposit waste to surface water or within thirty-one (31) metres of the Ordinary High-Water Mark of any water body. No waste with a visible hydrocarbon sheen, or suspicion of hydrocarbon contamination, will be deposited to the sump.

Waste management station

A waste staging area will be set up inside of the bear-fenced perimeter of the Somerset Trough camp location. Drums of waste will be clearly labelled and staged for shipment off site by air. Depending on the volume of waste, the drums will either be shipped off site as one load at the end of the 2024 field season or removed in multiple backhauls over the course of the 2024 field season. The station will be located within the bear-fence and all drums and containers will be securely sealed to prevent wildlife interactions with the waste and within proper spill containment.

Incinerator

Bronzite will install and operate a dual-chamber incinerator to manage combustible waste at the Somerset Trough Project. The model chosen for the site (see Appendix A), was selected because it can manage the volume of waste that will be generated by the project and will achieve a high temperature burn to break down pollutants such as dioxins and furans. Bronzite estimates that only 50 kg of waste will be incinerated daily, though the amount may fluctuate day to day during the field season. The unit features a secondary chamber with an additional burner to ensure that combustion gases are exposed to the appropriate temperatures for the appropriate holding times. The unit is equipped with a timer and a thermocouple to automatically control unit temperature during operation.

The incinerator will be installed in accordance with manufacturer recommendations and placed away from accommodations tents. The unit will be operated by trained personnel that are aware of safe operating procedures, the personal protective equipment required for operation, and the types of waste the unit is designed to incinerate to remain compliant with federal and territorial regulations.

In the event that the incinerator breaks down or is not operating properly, domestic waste will be placed in mega bags and flow off site to a certified waste receiver as frequently as possible until the unit can be repaired. Pseudo toilet waste will be placed in sealed 205 L metal drums and flown off site as hazardous waste.

6.0 Roles and Responsibilities

Bronzite Senior Management - Responsible for ensuring that the site supervisor is aware of the Waste Management Hierarchy, as well as proper waste management procedures on site. The Senior Management team will ensure that management plans are properly implemented and that the site supervisor is familiar with the conditions of site authorizations such as the land use permit.

Site Supervisor – Responsible for ensuring employees and contractors on site are aware of waste management procedures and safe operation of the incinerator. The site supervisor is responsible for implementing management plans such as the Waste Management Plan to minimize environmental impacts and wildlife interaction with the Project. The site supervisor will ensure that waste is properly packaged, labelled, and shipped off site during routine backhauls and at the end of the field season.

Staff and Contractors – All personnel working on site must be familiar with the Waste Management Plan and understand how to properly manage waste generated on site. Staff and contractors must adhere to the Waste Management Plan to help minimize wildlife attractants and environmental risks created by the Project.

Appendix A: Incinerator Model

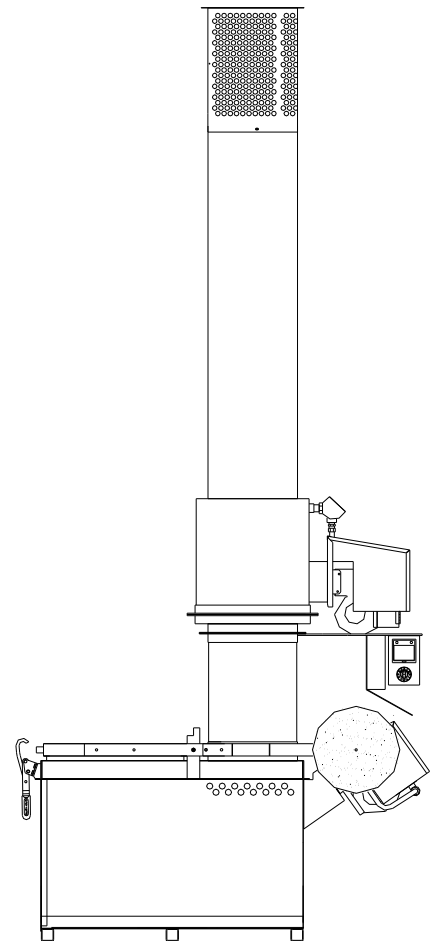


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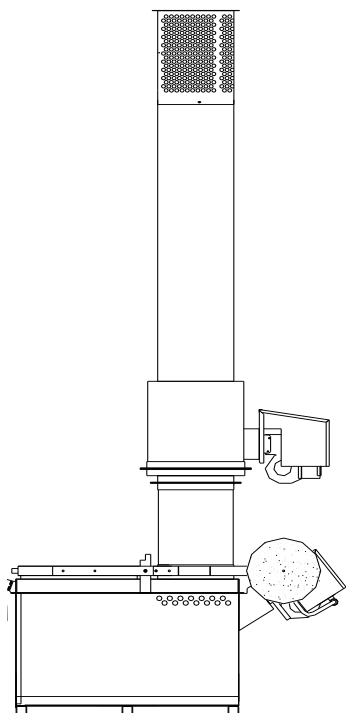
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A400X Propane, Natural Gas, or Diesel Fired Incineration System complete with two burners, thermocouple and control, secondary burn chamber, stainless and / or refractory lined stack and chambers, and manual operating timer.

WASTE CHAMBER			INSTALLATION Must be installed in accordance with local codes and ordinances, subject to regulatory agencies. Outside installation is recommended with a simple metal roof or three-sided metal shelter, providing a minimum of four foot clearance from any combustible roof materials. Minimum of 18” clearance is required for penetration of combustible roof materials. Inside installations may have special insurance requirements.		
Chamber capacity					
(Type 4 waste-pathological)	400 lbs	182 kg			
Chamber volume (approximate)	12.6 cu. ft.	.36 cu. m.			
Chamber size (inside)	Width	29” 74 cm			
	Height	22” 56 cm			
	Length	42” 106 cm			
Door opening	22”W x 29”L	56 cm x 74 cm	GENERAL Electrical service Standard – 115 volt, 60 HZ, 20 amp Also available – 220 volt, 50 HZ, 10 amp BURNERS LP or Natural or Diesel burner(s) with spark ignition and flame safety shut-off. OPERATION Manual timer and temperature control TOTAL WEIGHT 2400 lbs. (approximate) 1000 kg		
Height to door	30.5”	77 cm			
Overall dimensions	33” W x 13’ H x 51” L	0.8 meter x 4 meter x 1.3 meter			
Suggested min. slab size (l x w x thick)	8’ x 6’ x 4”	1.8 m x 2.4m x 10cm			
STACK					
Diameter	14” 35.5 cm				
Material	14 gauge (2 mm) lined Aluminized Steel and/or unlined stainless steel				
REFRACTORY THICKNESS					
Primary	3.0”(2800F)	7.6 cm			
Secondary	1.5”(2800F)	3.8 cm			
Stack	1.5”(2800F)	3.8 cm			
APP. FUEL CONSUMPTION					
Upper burner	<u>A400 LP</u>	<u>A400 NATURAL GAS</u>			<u>A400 Diesel</u>
Lower burner	0.83 GPH	83 CFH			0.5 GPH
	3.0 GPH	275 CFH	2.5 GPH		

* Fuel consumption approximate. Actual fuel use depends on BTU content of waste.

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