

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT S.B.C. 2002, c.43
(ACT)
AND
AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE
RUDDOCK CREEK MINE PROJECT
ORDER UNDER SECTION 11**

WHEREAS:

- A. Ruddock Creek Mining Corporation (Proponent) proposes to develop the Ruddock Creek Mine Project, an underground zinc-lead mine with an estimated annual production capacity of 1,050,000 tonnes of ore, located in the Monashee Mountains approximately 155 km northeast of Kamloops (proposed Project);
- B. The proposed Project constitutes a reviewable project, pursuant to Part 3 of the Reviewable Projects Regulation (B.C. Reg. 370/02), because it is a new mine facility that would have a production capacity during operations of greater than 75,000 tonnes per year of mineral ore;
- C. On February 12, 2009, the Project Assessment Lead issued an Order under section 10(1)(c) of the Act, stating that the proposed Project requires an environmental assessment certificate and that the Proponent may not proceed with the proposed Project without an assessment.
- D. On June 18, 2009, the Project Assessment Lead issued an Order under section 11 of the Act, defining the scope, procedures and methods for the environmental assessment.
- E. On October 30, 2013, the Proponent requested that the project description dated December 2008 be withdrawn due to significant design changes. On November 13, 2013, the Environmental Assessment Office withdrew the project description and rescinded the June 18, 2009 section 11 Order.
- F. On May 20, 2014, the Proponent submitted a revised project description to the Environmental Assessment Office.
- G. The proposed Project also requires an environmental assessment under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012* (CEAA 2012), and on July 15, 2014, the federal Minister of the Environment granted substitution of the environmental assessment for the proposed Project to the Environmental Assessment Office; and,
- H. The Executive Director has delegated to the undersigned, certain powers and functions under the Act, including the power to issue Orders under section 11 of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE:

Pursuant to section 11 of the Act, I order that the environmental assessment of the proposed Project be conducted according to the scope, procedures and methods set out in Schedules A, B, C and D to this Order.



Tracy James
Project Assessment Manager

Dated October 6, 2014

Enclosures:

Schedule A: scope, procedures and methods for the environmental assessment

Schedule B: Aboriginal Groups - notification

Schedule C: Aboriginal Groups - east transmission line alternatives and potential impacts in the Revelstoke Lake watershed

Schedule D: Aboriginal Groups – all project components

**SCHEDULE A TO ORDER UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE BC ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT ACT**

**SCOPE, PROCEDURES AND METHODS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPOSED RUDDOCK CREEK MINE PROJECT**

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PART A - GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. DEFINITIONS

“Aboriginal Consultation Plan” means a plan, specified in section 12 of this Order, developed by the Proponent in consultation with the aboriginal groups listed on Schedules C and D and determined to be adequate by the Project Assessment Lead, which outlines how the Proponent will undertake procedural aspects of consultation with aboriginal groups listed on Schedule C and D on behalf of the Crown during the environmental assessment.

“Aboriginal Consultation Report” means the Proponent’s periodic reporting at times specified in section [14](#) of this Order, or at the request of the Project Assessment Lead, on the results of the consultation activities specified in the Aboriginal Consultation Plan.

“Aboriginal Interests” means asserted or determined aboriginal rights, including title, and treaty rights.

“Aboriginal Groups” means those aboriginal entities identified on Schedules B, C and D of this Order.

“Act” has the same meaning as on page 1 of the Order.

“Application” means the Proponent’s application for an environmental assessment certificate for the proposed Project, made under section 16 of the Act.

“Application Information Requirements” means the information that must be included in the Application, pursuant to sections 11(2) and 16(2) of the Act and section [6](#) of this Order.

“Application Review Stage” means that part of the environmental assessment that occurs after the Application has been accepted for review.

“Assessment Report” means the report, as defined in section 1 of the Act, and referred to in section [9](#) of this Order.

“Cumulative Effects” means the residual effects of the proposed Project that have the potential to interact with the effects of other past, present or reasonably foreseeable projects or activities.

“Environmental Assessment Office” means the office continued under section 2 of the Act.

“Executive Director” has the same meaning as Executive Director in section 1 of the Act.

“Electronic Project Information Centre” means the project information centre continued under section 25 of the Act, and operated as a website maintained by the Environmental Assessment Office.

“Ministers” has the same meaning as Ministers in section 1 of the Act.

“Order” means this Order, which is issued under section 11 of the Act, including all schedules.

“Pre-Application Stage” means that part of the environmental assessment that occurs after an Order under section 10 of the Act has been issued and before an Application has been accepted for review.

“Project Assessment Lead” means an employee of the Environmental Assessment Office who has been delegated certain authorities to conduct the environmental assessment of the proposed Project by the Executive Director under the Act.

“Proponent” has the same meaning as on page 1 of the Order.

“proposed Project” has the same meaning as on page 1 of the Order.

“Public Consultation Plan” means a plan, specified in section 15 of this Order, developed by the Proponent and approved by the Project Assessment Lead, which outlines how the Proponent will undertake consultation with the public during the environmental assessment.

“Public Consultation Report” means the report(s) required under section [17](#) of this Order.

“Valued Components” means specific environmental, economic, social, heritage, and health attributes that may be potentially impacted by the proposed Project and that will be assessed during the environmental assessment.

“Working Group” means an advisory group established under section [4](#) of this Order, including representatives of aboriginal groups identified on Schedule C and D, and federal, provincial and local government agencies and focusing on the scope of the proposed Project as outlined in section 2.1 and 2.2 of this Order.

PART B - SCOPE OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT

2. ON-SITE AND OFF-SITE COMPONENTS

- 2.1** Pursuant to section 11(2)(a) of the Act, the main facilities and components of the proposed Project are [refer to a figure if appropriate]:
- 2.1.1 Underground mine and ancillary components and activities;
 - 2.1.2 Mineral processing facility and ancillary components and activities;
 - 2.1.3 Waste management and ancillary components and activities, including waste rock and tailings;
 - 2.1.4 Water management and ancillary components and activities; and
 - 2.1.5 Other surface infrastructure, including concentrate shed, maintenance facilities, assay lab, accommodation facilities and offices, explosives storage, equipment laydown areas, fuel storage and new and/or upgraded site haul roads.
- 2.2** Pursuant to section 11(2)(a) of the Act, the associated off-site facilities and activities related to the proposed Project are [refer to a figure if appropriate]:
- 2.2.1 New and/or upgraded access roads and bridges;
 - 2.2.2 Electricity transmission line from the mine site to the Avola substation (preferred route);
 - 2.2.3 Electricity transmission line from the mine site to a connection point on the existing Mica line (alternative routes); and
 - 2.2.4 Transportation of concentrate, supplies and personnel from mine site to Vavenby.
- 2.3** Exploration activities or activities required to prepare the Application are not part of the reviewable project for the purposes of the assessment.

PART C – SCOPE OF THE ASSESSMENT

3. SCOPE OF THE ASSESSMENT

- 3.1** Pursuant to section 11(2)(b) of the Act, the scope of the assessment for the proposed Project will include consideration of:
- 3.1.1 Potential adverse environmental, economic, social, heritage, and health effects of the proposed Project, including Cumulative Effects, and practicable means to mitigate such potential adverse effects; and
 - 3.1.2 Potential adverse effects of the proposed Project on an Aboriginal Group's Aboriginal Interests, and, to the extent appropriate, ways to mitigate or otherwise accommodate such potential adverse effects.

- 3.2** The factors under section 19(1) of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012*, including, but not limited to, any environmental effects as defined by section 5 of that Act.

PART D – THE WORKING GROUP AND AGENCY CONSULTATION

4. THE WORKING GROUP

- 4.1** Aboriginal Groups identified on Schedule D, local government bodies and other provincial and federal government agencies identified by the Project Assessment Lead, will be invited to participate as members of the Working Group.
- 4.2** The Project Assessment Lead may form sub-committees of the Working Group to discuss specific issues in the environmental assessment, and may invite Aboriginal Groups identified on Schedule C and/or D to participate.
- 4.3** The purpose of the Working Group and sub-committees identified in section 4.1 and 4.2 of this Order is to provide input as requested by the Project Assessment Lead on aspects of the environmental assessment, including:
- 4.3.1 The information required for the environmental assessment;
 - 4.3.2 The conformity of the Application with the Application Information Requirements;
 - 4.3.3 The information and conclusions in the Application;
 - 4.3.4 Potential mitigation measures, including those which may be included in certificate conditions;
 - 4.3.5 Potential impacts on Aboriginal Interests and measures to avoid, address or mitigate such potential adverse effects; and
 - 4.3.6 The draft Assessment Report.
- 4.4** When required by the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must participate in meetings of the Working Group or any sub-committees.
- 4.5** The Proponent must consult with federal, provincial and local government agencies through the Working Group members, as required by the Project Assessment Lead.
- 4.6** The Proponent must prepare and submit to the Project Assessment Lead and Working Group members, within any set time limits, responses to comments received from any Working Group members.

PART E – ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES – PRE-APPLICATION STAGE

5. VALUED COMPONENTS

- 5.1** In accordance with this Order and any additional guidance provided by the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must prepare a document that sets out the Valued Components it proposes to be considered for inclusion in the draft Application Information Requirements, having regard to the requirement to assess the potential of the proposed Project to result in adverse environmental, economic, social, heritage, and health effects.
- 5.2** The Proponent must submit the draft Valued Components to the Project Assessment Lead, who will make it available to the Working Group and public for review and comment.
- 5.3** The Proponent must respond to comments received from Working Group members, the Aboriginal Groups listed on Schedules B, C and D, and the public on the proposed Valued Components, in the form specified by and to the satisfaction of, the Project Assessment Lead.
- 5.4** The proposed Valued Components and the methods for how the effects on Valued Components will be defined and assessed must be included in the draft Application Information Requirements prepared pursuant to section [6](#) of this Order.

6. APPLICATION INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1** In accordance with this Order and any additional guidance provided by the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must prepare draft Application Information Requirements.
- 6.2** The Proponent must submit the draft Application Information Requirements to the Project Assessment Lead, who will make it available to the Working Group and Aboriginal Groups listed on Schedules C and D for review and comment.
- 6.3** The Proponent must respond to comments received from the Aboriginal Groups listed on Schedules C and D, and Working Group members on the draft Application Information Requirements, in the form specified by and to the satisfaction of, the Project Assessment Lead.
- 6.4** Upon approval of the revised draft Application Information Requirements, the Project Assessment Lead will issue the final Application Information Requirements to the Proponent and make it available through the Environmental Assessment Office's website.

7. PREPARING AND SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION

- 7.1** The Proponent must prepare the Application in accordance with the Application Information Requirements, and must submit it to the Project Assessment Lead for evaluation and decision on whether to accept the Application for review.

- 7.2** Prior to submitting the Application to the Project Assessment Lead under section 7.1 of this Order, the Proponent must ensure that copies of the Application in the required formats have been delivered to the members of the Working Group and Aboriginal Groups listed on Schedule C and D, as specified by the Project Assessment Lead.

8. APPLICATION EVALUATION

- 8.1** The Project Assessment Lead will evaluate and decide whether the Application contains the information required in the Application Information Requirements.
- 8.2** If, in the opinion of the Project Assessment Lead, the Application does not include the information required by the Application Information Requirements, the Project Assessment Lead will identify the deficiencies in writing to the Proponent and the Proponent may revise the Application to address the deficiencies and re-submit the revised Application.
- 8.3** If the Application is accepted for review, the Project Assessment Lead will advise the Proponent, and the Proponent must supply copies and quantities of the Application to the Project Assessment Lead.

PART F – ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES – APPLICATION REVIEW STAGE

9. PREPARING THE ASSESSMENT REPORT

- 9.1** The Project Assessment Lead will prepare an Assessment Report, taking into consideration the Proponent's Application and input provided by the Working Group and the public.
- 9.2** Members of the Working Group and the Proponent will have an opportunity to provide to the Project Assessment Lead their comments on a draft of the Assessment Report within timelines established by the Project Assessment Lead.

10. MINISTERIAL REFERRAL AND DECISION

- 10.1** The Project Assessment Lead will advise the Proponent, Aboriginal Groups and the Working Group of the date that the final Assessment Report is referred to the Ministers.
- 10.2** The draft and final Assessment Report will be provided to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency in accordance with section 7 of the March 6, 2013 Memorandum of Understanding between the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency and the British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office.
- 10.3** The Assessment Report will be made available to the public by the Environmental Assessment Office after a decision has been made by the Ministers under section 17(3)(c) of the Act.

- 10.4** In accordance with section 17(4) of the Act, the Project Assessment Lead will deliver to the Proponent the decision of the Ministers and the environmental assessment certificate, if granted. The Project Assessment Lead will inform Aboriginal Groups and other members of the Working Group of the Ministers' decision.

PART G – CONSULTATION WITH ABORIGINAL GROUPS

11. ASPECTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OFFICE

- 11.1** Following the issuance of this Order, Aboriginal Groups on **Schedule B** will be consulted as follows:

11.1.1 The Environmental Assessment Office will provide notification at the following milestones, so that such Aboriginal Groups can be informed of the progress of the environmental assessment and have the opportunity to raise any issues to the Environmental Assessment Office for discussion:

- 11.1.1.1 Issuance of the section 11 Order and any section 13 Orders;
- 11.1.1.2 Public comment period for the proposed Valued Components;
- 11.1.1.3 Approval of the final Application Information Requirements document;
- 11.1.1.4 When the Application has been accepted and the start of the review of the Application has commenced;
- 11.1.1.5 Public comment period for the Application; and
- 11.1.1.6 Decision on the Application.

- 11.2** Following the issuance of this Order, the Environmental Assessment Office will consult with the Aboriginal Groups listed on **Schedule C** as follows:

11.2.1 Provide notification at the following milestones:

- 11.2.1.1 Issuance of the section 11 Order and any section 13 Orders;
- 11.2.1.2 Public comment period for the proposed Valued Components;
- 11.2.1.3 Approval of the final Application Information Requirements document;
- 11.2.1.4 When the Application has been accepted and the start of the review of the Application has commenced;
- 11.2.1.5 Public comment period for the Application; and
- 11.2.1.6 Decision on the Application.

11.2.2 Invite such Aboriginal Groups to be members of a sub-committee for east transmission line route alternatives and potential project effects in the Revelstoke Lake watershed;

- 11.2.3 Ensure that such Aboriginal Groups have the opportunity to provide comments on the draft Valued Components and draft Application Information Requirements relating to the east transmission line route alternatives and potential project effects in the Revelstoke Lake watershed and will consider any such comments;
 - 11.2.4 Ensure that such Aboriginal Groups receive a copy of the applicable sections of the Application and invite comments from Aboriginal Groups during the applicable legislated time period in regard to the conformity of the relevant sections of the Application with the Application Information Requirements;
 - 11.2.5 Provide such Aboriginal Groups the opportunity to submit comments on the relevant sections of the Application;
 - 11.2.6 Determine the adequacy of the Proponent's responses to the comments received from such Aboriginal Groups;
 - 11.2.7 At the request of any of these Aboriginal Groups, meet to discuss its Aboriginal Interests in relation to the east transmission line route alternatives and potential project effects in the Revelstoke Lake watershed for the proposed Project and measures to avoid, mitigate, or otherwise address or accommodate potential adverse impacts on Aboriginal Interests, as appropriate;
 - 11.2.8 Provide such Aboriginal Groups with an opportunity to comment on the Environmental Assessment Office's draft Assessment Report and Aboriginal consultation report, within established timelines; and
 - 11.2.9 Provide the opportunity for Aboriginal Groups to provide to the Environmental Assessment Office a submission regarding their views on the Assessment Report. Any such submission must be provided within the timeline established by the Project Assessment Lead and will be included in the package of materials sent to Ministers when the proposed Project is referred to Ministers for decision.
- 11.3** Following the issuance of this Order, the Environmental Assessment Office will consult with the Aboriginal Groups listed on **Schedule D** as follows:
- 11.3.1 Provide notification at the following milestones:
 - 11.3.1.1 Issuance of the section 11 Order and any section 13 Orders;
 - 11.3.1.2 Public comment period for the proposed Valued Components;
 - 11.3.1.3 Approval of the final Application Information Requirements document;
 - 11.3.1.4 When the Application has been accepted and the start of the review of the Application has commenced;
 - 11.3.1.5 Public comment period for the Application; and
 - 11.3.1.6 Decision on the Application.

- 11.3.2 Invite such Aboriginal Groups to be members of the Working Group pursuant to section 4 of this Order and to attend Working Group meetings and/or subcommittee meetings;
 - 11.3.3 Ensure that such Aboriginal Groups have the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed Valued Components and draft Application Information Requirements and will consider any such comments;
 - 11.3.4 Ensure that such Aboriginal Groups receive a copy of the Application and invite comments from Aboriginal Groups during the applicable legislated time period in regard to the conformity of the Application with the Application Information Requirements;
 - 11.3.5 Provide such Aboriginal Groups the opportunity to submit comments on the Application;
 - 11.3.6 Determine the adequacy of the Proponent's responses to the comments received from such Aboriginal Groups;
 - 11.3.7 At the request of any of these Aboriginal Groups, meet to discuss its Aboriginal Interests in relation to the proposed Project and measures to avoid, mitigate, or otherwise address or accommodate potential adverse impacts on Aboriginal Interests, as appropriate;
 - 11.3.8 Provide such Aboriginal Groups with an opportunity to comment on the Environmental Assessment Office's draft Assessment Report and Aboriginal consultation report, within established timelines; and
 - 11.3.9 Provide the opportunity for Aboriginal Groups to provide to the Environmental Assessment Office a submission regarding their views on the Assessment Report. Any such submission must be provided within the timeline established by the Project Assessment Lead and will be included in the package of materials sent to Ministers when the proposed Project is referred to Ministers for decision.
- 11.4** The Project Assessment Lead may at any time, notify the Proponent that one or more Aboriginal Groups are to be added to Schedules B, C or D of this Order, and in doing so may identify any modifications to any of the procedures and obligations contained in this Order, having regard to the status of existing procedures and obligations at the time the additions are made.

12. ASPECTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE PROPONENT

- 12.1** The Proponent will, within specified timelines, provide to the Project Assessment Lead an Aboriginal Consultation Plan that will guide consultation activities and reporting with Aboriginal Groups during the Pre-Application and Application Review Stages of the assessment. The Consultation Plan is subject to the approval of the Project Assessment Lead. Once approved, the Project Assessment Lead may make the Aboriginal Consultation Plan available through the Environmental Assessment Office's website.

- 12.2** Prior to submitting the Aboriginal Consultation Plan to the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must provide the draft Consultation Plan to the Aboriginal Groups listed on Schedule C and D. When submitting the Aboriginal Consultation Plan to the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must advise the Project Assessment Lead how such groups were consulted and what feedback was provided on the draft Plan. The Project Assessment Lead will assess the Aboriginal Consultation Plan and determine whether the proposed activities are adequate. The Project Assessment Lead may order additional consultation activities within prescribed time limits;
- 12.3** With respect to consultation with Aboriginal Groups listed on Schedules C and D of this Order, the Proponent must identify potentially affected Aboriginal Interests raised by such Aboriginal Groups and identify measures to avoid or mitigate such potential adverse effects and/or to otherwise address or accommodate the concerns of such Aboriginal Groups, as appropriate;
- 12.4** Must implement additional measures for consultation and accommodation of such Aboriginal Groups as appropriate, where required by the Project Assessment Lead, and revise the Aboriginal Consultation Plan upon request by the Project Assessment Lead; and
- 12.5** The Project Assessment Lead may direct the Proponent to provide a response to comments related to the environmental assessment of the proposed Project received from any Aboriginal Group listed on Schedules B, C and D, to the satisfaction and within the timeframe specified by the Project Assessment Lead.

13. POTENTIAL CONSULTATION WITH THE MÉTIS

- 13.1** Consultation activities conducted with Métis groups listed on Schedule B will be conducted on behalf of the Government of Canada and are not an acknowledgement by British Columbia that it owes a duty of consultation or accommodation to the Métis in British Columbia under section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.

14. PROPONENT REPORTING

- 14.1** The Proponent must provide the Project Assessment Lead with Aboriginal Consultation Reports, consistent with the approved Aboriginal Consultation Plan and any other requirements directed by the Project Assessment Lead, that:
- 14.1.1 Summarize the efforts undertaken by the Proponent to consult with Aboriginal Groups on Schedule C and D, and also summarize the efforts undertaken by the Proponent to consult with any other Aboriginal Groups, if directed to do so by the Project Assessment Lead;
- 14.1.2 Identify the feedback and information received during consultation;

- 14.1.3 Identify the potential adverse impacts of the proposed Project on Aboriginal Interests;
 - 14.1.4 Identify how the potential adverse impacts of the proposed Project will be avoided, mitigated, addressed or otherwise accommodated, as appropriate, including any changes to the proposed Project design or other mitigation measures; and
 - 14.1.5 Provide next steps/future consultation activities, other than those outlined in the approved Aboriginal Consultation Plan.
- 14.2** The Proponent must submit their Aboriginal Consultation Reports to the Aboriginal Groups listed on Schedule C and D for review and comment prior to submitting the reports to the Project Assessment Lead. When submitting the Aboriginal Consultation Reports to the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must advise the Project Assessment Lead how such groups were consulted and what feedback was provided on the draft Reports. The Project Assessment Lead will assess the Proponent's Aboriginal Consultation Report and determine the adequacy of the Aboriginal Consultation Report as well as responses to address any comments received from Aboriginal Groups regarding the Aboriginal Consultation Report.
- 14.3** The Proponent must submit an Aboriginal Consultation Report to the Project Assessment Lead at the following times:
- 14.3.1 30 days after the deadline for working group comments on the Application Information Requirements;
 - 14.3.2 No later than 30 days prior to submission of the Application as per section 7.1 of this Order;
 - 14.3.3 No later than 120 days from the commencement of the Application Review Stage; and
 - 14.3.4 At any other time specified by the Project Assessment Lead.

PART H – PUBLIC CONSULTATION

15. PRE-APPLICATION STAGE

- 15.1** For the purposes of developing the Application, the Proponent must consult with the public in the vicinity of the proposed Project on their issues and perspectives with respect to the proposed Project.
- 15.2** The Proponent must, within timelines established by the Project Assessment Lead, provide the Project Assessment Lead with a Public Consultation Plan, for approval.

- 15.3** The Project Assessment Lead will assess the Proponent's Public Consultation Plan and determine if the proposed activities are adequate. The Project Assessment Lead may order that additional consultation activities be undertaken within time limits set by the Project Assessment Lead.
- 15.4** Once approved, the Project Assessment Lead will make the Public Consultation Plan available through the Environmental Assessment Office's website.
- 15.5** During the Pre-Application Stage of the assessment, the Project Assessment Lead will provide a public comment period of at least 30 days on the proposed Project and the draft Valued Components for the environmental assessment.
- 15.6** The Project Assessment Lead may require an open house(s) to seek feedback from the public on the proposed Project and the draft Valued Components. At the direction of the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent may be required to attend one or more of these open houses.
- 15.7** During a public comment period, the public may comment on the proposed Project and draft Valued Components by providing comments through the Environmental Assessment Office's website.
- 15.8** The Proponent must respond to public comments received during the public comment period pursuant to section [15.7](#) of this Order, unless the Project Assessment Lead informs the Proponent that a comment:
- (a) Is not within the scope of the assessment; or
 - (b) Contravenes the Environmental Assessment Office's Public Comment Policy.
- 15.9** All public comments, received pursuant to section [15.7](#) of this Order, will be posted to the Electronic Project Information Centre within seven days of being received, unless a comment falls within the conditions referred to in section [15.8\(a\)](#) or [15.8\(b\)](#) of this Order.
- 15.10** The Proponent must prepare and submit to the Project Assessment Lead, within any time limits set, responses to comments received during the public comment period that the Project Assessment Lead has notified the Proponent are within scope of the assessment. Responses will be posted on Environmental Assessment Office's Electronic Project Information Centre.

16. APPLICATION REVIEW STAGE

- 16.1** During the Application Review Stage, the Project Assessment Lead will provide for a public comment period of at least 30 days on the Application.
- 16.2** The Project Assessment Lead may require an open house(s) to provide the public with an opportunity to review the Application. At the direction of the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent may be required to attend one or more open houses.

- 16.3** The Proponent must make the Application available at accessible public locations as specified by the Project Assessment Lead, and the Project Assessment Lead will make the Application available on the Electronic Project Information Centre.
- 16.4** During a public comment period, the public may comment on the Application by providing comments through the Electronic Project Information Centre.
- 16.5** The Proponent must respond to public comments received pursuant to section [16.4](#) of this Order, unless the Project Assessment Lead informs the Proponent that a comment:
- (a) Is not within the scope of the assessment; or
 - (b) Contravenes the Environmental Assessment Office's Public Comment Policy.
- 16.6** All public comments, received pursuant to section [16.4](#) of this Order, will be posted to the Electronic Project Information Centre within seven days of being received, unless a comment falls within the conditions referred to in section [16.5\(a\)](#) or [16.5\(b\)](#) of this Order.
- 16.7** The Proponent must prepare and submit to the Project Assessment Lead, within any time limits set, responses to comments on the Application received during the public comment period that the Project Assessment Lead has notified the Proponent are within scope of the assessment. Responses will be posted on the Environmental Assessment Office's Electronic Project Information Centre.

17. PROPONENT REPORTING

- 17.1** The Proponent must provide the Project Assessment Lead with Public Consultation Reports, consistent with the approved Public Consultation Plan, that:
- 17.1.1 Summarize consultations with the public that the Proponent has carried out, in relation to the proposed Project, information, questions and comments received from the public, within scope of the environmental assessment and how those were resolved; and
 - 17.1.2 Provide next steps for public consultation activities.
- 17.2** The Proponent may be required to undertake additional public consultation activities as required and within a time limit set by the Project Assessment Lead.
- 17.3** The Proponent must submit a Public Consultation Report at the following times:
- 17.3.1 Within 30 days of the close of a public comment period;

17.3.2 No later than 30 days prior to submission of the Application as per section 7.1 of this Order; and

17.3.3 At any other time specified by the Project Assessment Lead.

17.4 The Proponent may be required to implement additional measures for public consultation, where appropriate, as required by the Project Assessment Lead.

17.5 The Proponent may be required to update the Public Consultation Plan, upon request of the Project Assessment Lead.

18. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS

18.1 Prior to the start of any formal public comment period, the Proponent, by means acceptable to the Project Assessment Lead, must provide public notice of:

18.1.1 The availability of the draft Valued Components or Application for public review and comment and the time limits for the formal public comment period provided for in this Order; and

18.1.2 The date, time and location of any open houses held.

18.2 The Proponent must obtain approval from the Project Assessment Lead for the content, format and publication schedule for advertisements required under section [18.1](#) of this Order.

18.3 When one or more notices of an event are to be given, then, in accordance with section 5 of the Public Consultation Policy Regulation (B.C. Reg. 373/02), the first notice must appear:

18.3.1 In the case of a formal public comment period, at least seven days prior to the date on which the formal public comment period commences; or

18.3.2 In the case of an open house, at least seven days prior to the date on which an open house is scheduled.

18.4 Information and records listed in section 6 of the Public Consultation Policy Regulation (B.C. Reg. 373/02) that pertain to the assessment of the proposed Project will be made available to the public through the Electronic Project Information Centre.

PART I – PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

19. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

19.1 Without limiting any of the requirements in this Order, the Proponent must, at the request of the Project Assessment Lead, provide the Project Assessment Lead with any information or address any issues that the Project Assessment Lead considers necessary in order to complete the environmental assessment of the proposed Project.

Figure 1. Location Map - Regional

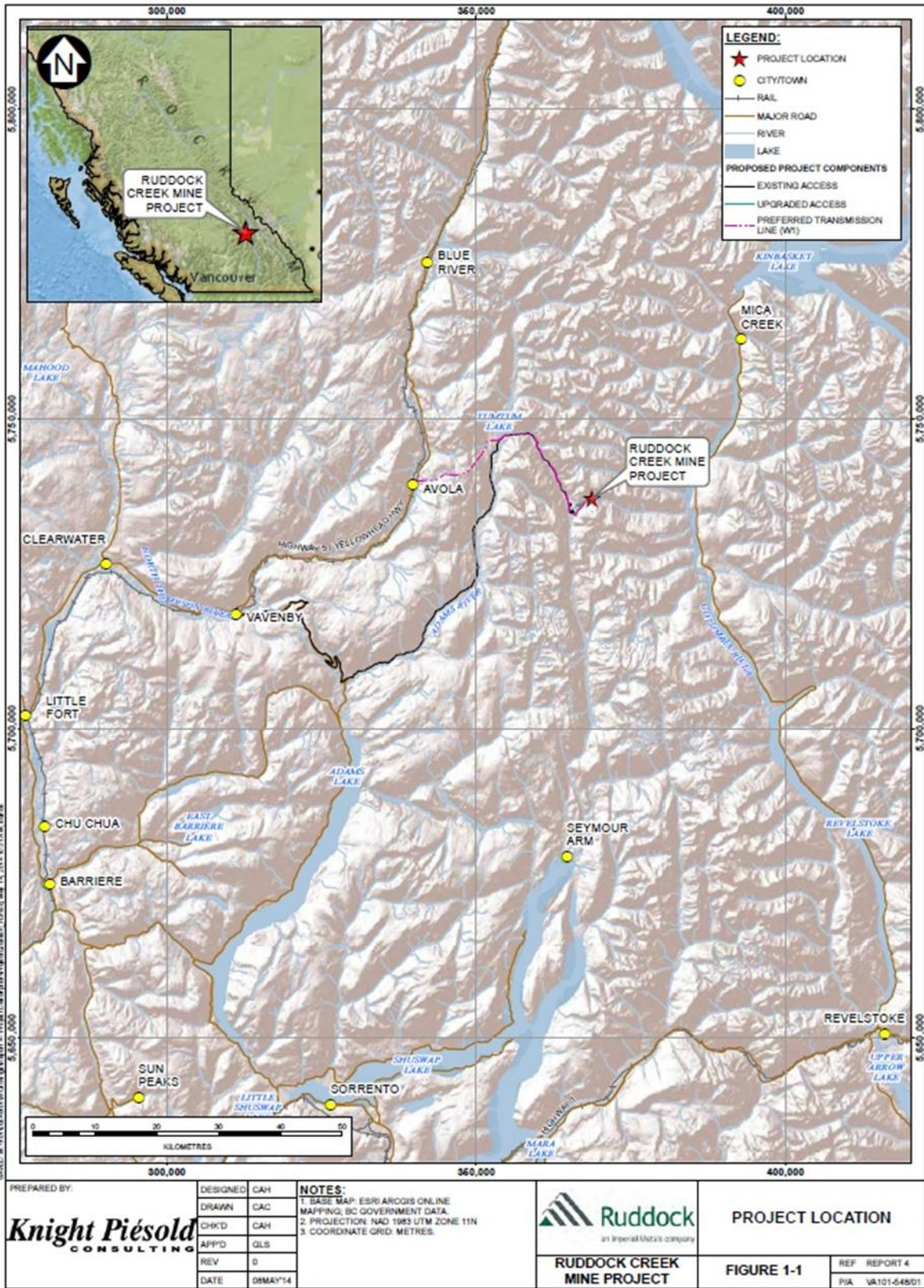
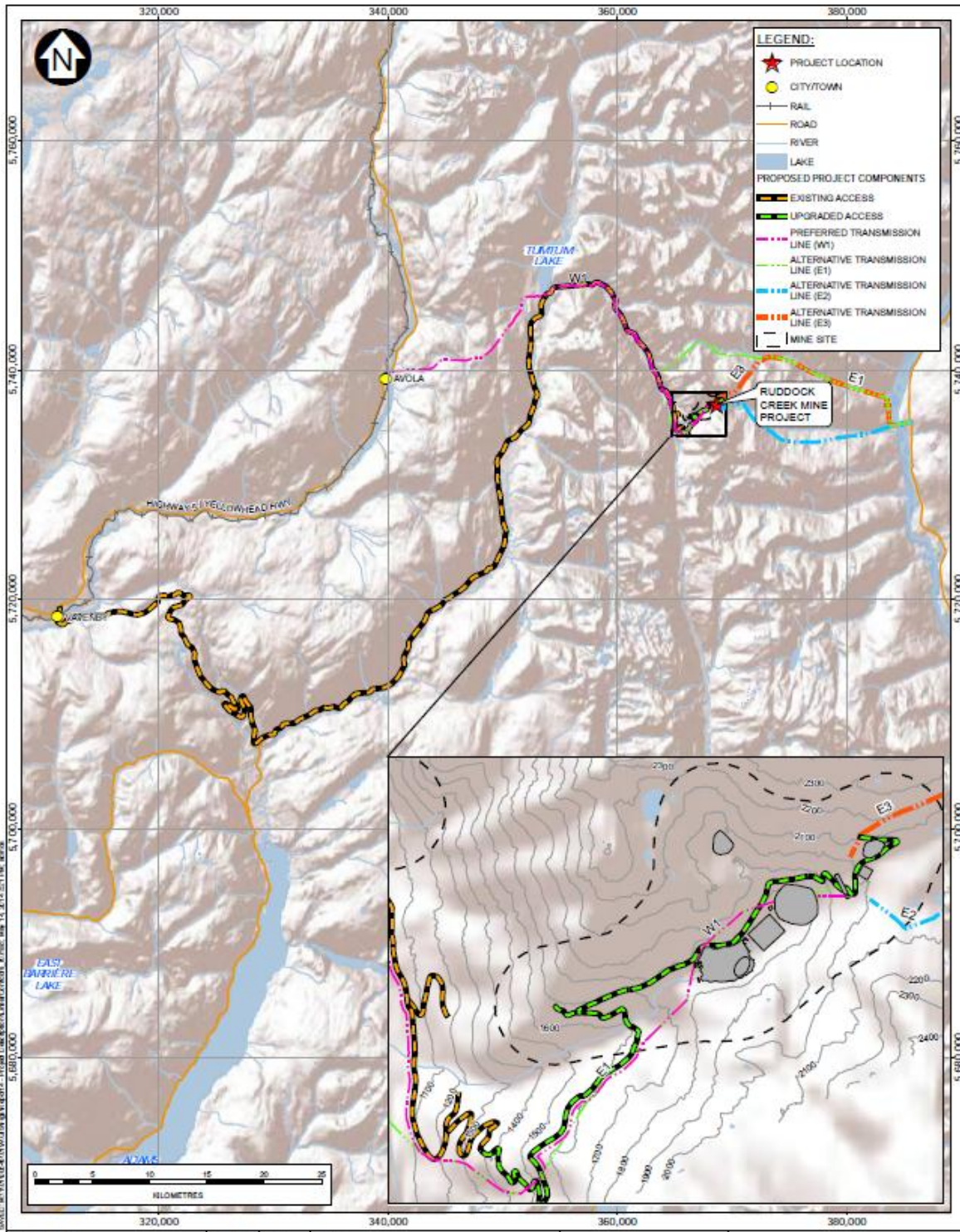


Figure 2. Location Map – Project Components



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SCHEDULE B: ABORIGINAL GROUPS - NOTIFICATION

- Bonaparte Indian Band
- Ktunaxa Nation Council, including member bands of Tobacco Plains Band, St. Mary's Band, Lower Kootenay Band, and ?Akisq'nuk First Nation
- Lower Similkameen Indian Band
- Metis Nation BC
- Okanagan Indian Band
- Okanagan Nation Alliance
- Osoyoos Indian Band
- Penticton Indian Band
- Skeetchestn Indian Band
- Stoney Nakoda Nation
- Tk'emlups Indian Band
- Upper Nicola Indian Band
- Upper Similkameen Indian Band
- Whispering Pines/Clinton Indian Band

SCHEDULE C: ABORIGINAL GROUPS – EAST TRANSMISSION LINE ALTERNATIVES AND POTENTIAL IMPACTS IN REVELSTOKE LAKE WATERSHED

- Shuswap Indian Band
- Splatshin First Nation

SCHEDULE D: ABORIGINAL GROUPS – ALL PROJECT COMPONENTS

- Adams Lake Indian Band
- Little Shuswap Lake Indian Band
- Neskonlith Indian Band
- Simpcw First Nation