

Community Scoping Hearing for the Environmental Assessment of DeBeers Canada Inc. Proposed Gahcho Kue Diamond Mine

Presentation of Issues
North Slave Métis Alliance
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Overview

NSMA has determined its priority issues for the DeBeers Gahcho Kue Environmental Assessment.

Issues have been summarized into 3 categories:

1. Socio-economic Concerns
2. Human Health, Safety, and Wellbeing Concerns
3. Ecological Concerns



1. NSMA Socio-economic Concerns

- 1.1. Unresolved land claims ****
- 1.2. Equity, full cost accounting, cost-benefit analysis, and market efficiency ***
- 1.3. Training and education ***
- 1.4. Depletion of non-renewable resources ***
- 1.5. Capacity ***



1. NSMA Socio-economic Concerns

1.6. Inflation, unpaid work, and resource shortages **

1.7. Post-closure socio-economic impacts **

1.8. Interference with exercise of rights *

1.9. Cost of participation *



2. Human Health, Safety, and Well-being Concerns

- 2.1. The influx of workers and increase in traffic from south to north ****
- 2.2. Uncontrolled economic growth ****
- 2.3. Rotational work schedules ***
- 2.4. Lifestyle changes ***



2. Human Health, Safety, and Well-being Concerns

2.5. Injuries **

2.6. Discrimination or racism **

2.7. Changes in water level *



3. Ecological Concerns

3.1. Human / Wildlife relationship ***

3.2. Watershed impacts ***

3.3. Increased human access **

3.4. Airshed impacts *

