

Alistair MacDonald

From: Lynne FitzGerald [lfitz@ns.sympatico.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 1:20 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

i AM concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Lynne FitzGerald
6051 Shirley St
6051 Shirley St
Halifax, NS B3H2M9 ✓

Alistair MacDonald

From: Fred Cepela [fmcepela@juno.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 1:12 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I visited the Nahanni area last year and am very concerned about the impacts the proposed Prairie Creek mine would have on the area. I urge you to make sure that a thorough environmental assessment be conducted and include a review of the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Fred Cepela ✓
10197 S. Lake Ct.
Traverse City, MI 49684

Alistair MacDonald

From: Elaine Misick [elainemisick@yahoo.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 11:57 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Elaine Misick
29 Louvain Ave. #110
Toronto, ON M4M 2k5 ✓

Alistair MacDonald

From: Darren Widenmaier [darren@quadrant.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 11:52 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

Hi there. I'm concerned about mining development in the Nahanni area. I hope that the environmental assessment of the mine and road (and of course effects on the watershed) is rigorous.

In my opinion, the value of the park region is of greater value to Canadians and the world over multiple generations, vs. the single-generation benefit of a mine.

Thanks.

Darren Widenmaier /
77 Homewood Avenue
Hamilton, ON L8P 2M3

Alistair MacDonald

From: Beverley Fenton [fentonbeverley@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 11:58 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

*I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. Actually I know it will and so does everyone else. It strikes me as odd that knowing the environmental impacts the company would even consider this now.

* As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

* A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

CPAWS is asking that the assessment reviews the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road, and that it is the most rigorous environmental assessment possible.

What is done today impacts all our tomorrows. Please reconsider and leave the Nahinni alone.

Water is the oil of tomorrow and we are all approximately 70% water. Think about it. How does water affect all our lives?

Sincerely and with every hope that the Prairie Creek Mine will not operate above the Nahinni.

Beverley Fenton
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Arnprior, ON K7S 3G7 ✓

Alistair MacDonald

From: maya march [outdoor@mcmaster.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:01 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I have been working as a guide on the Nahanni River for the past 5 years. During that time I have witnessed shocking floods in the PrarieCreek Watershed, where half the alluvial fan was under water from the creek overflow. These floods wash unsightly and disturbing debris onto the alluvial fan and into the Nahanni River below. I have found rusted oil drums, spill kits and machinery on the fan and below the creek outflow.

Please understand that this mine sits in a highly dynamic environment subject to frequenet flash floods. It is incomprehensible to me that a mine would be approved in such an area.

I have also spent a great deal of time speaking personally with members of the Nahanni Butte Band. While there are some vocal supports for this mine, most of the community silently is opposed to it, but is intimidated to speak out and have their voices in opposition to the band leaders.

If you have any doubts as to the feasability of this mine site, I urge you to visit the area for yourself and see first hand the significance of what is at risk.

Sincerly,
Maya Lily March

maya march)
78 Locke St N
Hamilton, ON L8R 3A6

Alistair MacDonald

From: Lenny Rodriguez [yswprov@yahoo.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:12 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

Canadian Zinc has applied for permits to operate the proposed Prairie Creek mine, upstream from Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site. The proposal has been sent to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board for an environmental assessment. CPAWS is asking that the assessment reviews the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road, and that it is the most rigorous environmental assessment possible.

The review board is required to consider public concern in its decisions. If you would like to voice your concern about the potential impacts of the proposed Prairie Creek mine, please send a brief and polite email to Alistair MacDonald of the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board to let them know. A few sentences will suffice.

You are concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Lenny Rodriguez
1198 kingsholm Dr. ✓
Mississauga, ON L4Y 2H2

Alistair MacDonald

From: Anne Morris [willae@uleth.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:16 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am one of thousands of Canadians who are concerned about the Nahanni National Park Reserve and look forward to its expansion.

I am gravely concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek zinc mine could have significant environmental impacts on this National Park Reserve and the World Heritage Site downstream. I strongly believe that as Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generation.

I urge that a proper environmental assessment be carried out at the most rigorous level possible, and that it include a review of the whole mine operation as well as its components and the access road.

Anne Morris ✓
281 - 8 St. NE
281 - 8 St. NE., Salmon Arm, BC
Salmon Arm, BC V1E1G9

Alistair MacDonald

From: Elizabeth Guptill [bethguptill@eastlink.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:23 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

As a lover of Canadian wilderness I am most concerned re the proposed operation of Prairie Creek zinc mine.

This drainage from this site will impact the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site.

It is our duty to protect this area from environmental degradation for future generations

I urge you to organize an environmental assessment that is far reaching in its overview considering all the impacts this operation would have including all aspects of the mining process , and the environmental impact of an access road

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Guptill ✓
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42 Glen Allen Drive, Suite 204
Bridgewater, NS B4V3N2

Alistair MacDonald

From: Susan Ellis [ellisinc@telus.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:30 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am very concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

According to the Tectonic investigation of Nahanni earthquake area NWT; Moon, W.M.; Singhroy, V.; Yamauchi, Y.; Kuoda, R. in 1995 presented a paper on Quantitative Remote Sensing for Science and Applications which stated: "The Nahanni region, NWT, Canada is a seismically very active remote area. There have, recently, been several large earthquakes near the North Nahanni River." Quakes have been recorded up to Ms 6.9. Past operations have left steel drums, found shredded with any contents spewed into the river, the combination of past operations and quakes.

While industrial standards are higher, active seismic zones are not conducive to mining operations. Access alone compromises the area which should be one of our most pristine.

The eco-logical value of this region is priceless, worth far more than society could possibly receive from industrial activity in the region.

Please act in the public interest and uphold our Canadian responsibility to preserve the health of our critical eco-systems and the gems of our great nation.

Please have a proper environmental assessment conducted at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

The Nahanni is a unique area in our universe. Some places truly are just too special to compromise and necessary for the health of the planet, which is our health too.

J
Susan Ellis
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Calgary, AB T3H 1S1

Alistair MacDonald

From: Anna Johnston [anna79johnston@yahoo.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:25 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am writing to express my concern over the proposed Prairie Creek Mine. Such an undertaking could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Canadian courts have verified the need to adhere to the precautionary principle when considering such works, and I urge you to take all steps to ensure that the potential environmental impact of the mine is fully understood and respected before any work is done.

Sincerely,

Anna Johnston

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Anna Johnston
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Alistair MacDonald

From: Julianna Enns [enns.je@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:25 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream;

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations;

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

It is vitally important that the Prairie Creek Mine, which is upstream from Nahanni National Park, not be allowed to go proceed.

Julianna Enns
721 Townsend Avenue ✓
Winnipeg, MB R3T2V5

Alistair MacDonald

From: Patricia De Lorenzi [delorenzi.rinaldi@sympatico.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:49 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

The proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site. Our national parks and world heritage sites need to be protected for future generations.

Patricia De Lorenzi ✓
2359 Youngstown St.
Windsor, ON N9E 4L6

Alistair MacDonald

From: Saskia Adams [saskia@chrisandsaskia.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:58 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

As a voting Canadian citizen, I am very concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

At a minimum, a proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road. Issues that I would like to be addressed and responded to by the government are as follows:

- 1) How are the mining interests going to safely remove/clean up the toxic chemicals, including sodium cyanide (40 tonnes), PCBs and diesel fuel, that have been stored on site, next to Prairie Creek for over 20 years?
- 2) How to mitigate the risks associated with the fact that the mine site is in an unstable region with a high risk of earthquakes and flash flooding?
- 3) How can the government justify approve further mining in the area when mining can cause serious long-term damage to water quality through heavy metal leaching into waterways, and potential acid mine drainage?
- 4) How can the government justify approving further mining in the area when a government study has already documented elevated zinc levels in the waters flowing into Prairie Creek? Additionally, the ores at Prairie Creek have high levels of mercury, arsenic and antimony ? all of which have toxic properties.
- 5) Bull trout, a species in decline through much of its range and sensitive to stream disturbance, resides in Prairie Creek and its tributaries. The trout will almost certainly be detrimentally effected by this mining proposal.
- 6) The proposed mine haul road to the site threatens the integrity of the Nahanni karst features, wildlife, the wilderness values of the Nahanni watershed, and could result in spills that would contaminate groundwater. Once the park is expanded, the mine haul road will likely cross right through the national park, meaning heavy trucks would haul chemicals, fuel and metal concentrates across park lands.

These issues must be thoroughly addressed at a minimum by the Canadian government.

Keeping Prairie Creek and the surrounding area pristine is the best gift and legacy that we, as parents, can leave our children.

Regards,
Saskia Adams, CA /

Saskia Adams
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Cupertino, CA 95014

Alistair MacDonald

From: Ursula Fuller [ursula@pipsara.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:59 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Ursula Fuller

Ursula Fuller
96 Central Avenue
Canvey Island
Canvey Island, ot SS89QP ✓

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Chris Miller [chrismillerhalifax@yahoo.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 12:58 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream;

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations;

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Nahanni is a treasure for the world, and we must work tirelessly to defend its ecological integrity.

Chris Miller ✓
85 Spinnaker Drive, apt. #510
Halifax, NS B3N3E3

Alistair MacDonald

From: Hans Grim [hggrim@craftwood.on.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:39 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

For me, The proposed Prairie Creek Mine operations have been a possible threat to the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage site since I first paddled the Nahanni river from the Moose Ponds in 1987. Having paddled it again in 2002 I was relieved that it was still as majestic and pristine as when I first journeyed along the river. Now in 2008 the fact that the threat is still very real is bothersome.

Being from Ontario I know for a fact that the Nahanni Park System is the jewel in the crown of our parks systems and as such needs to be preserved at all costs. We must realize that once the resources have been extracted we will have to live with the resultant damages forever. As stewards we have the opportunity to not let this happen.

The environmental assessment process is one of the ways that we can ensure that rights and responsibilities will enure to future generations.

I ask that you ensure me, a Canadian citizen, that the processes that have forever spoiled so many of Ontario's waterways will not be repeated on the Nahanni.

A wilderness environment like this must not be ruined by mine operations, road building and vehicular traffic, or un-checked releases to the environment from the operations and we must take into account the possible results of seemingly insignificant releases from such an operation into such a fragile environment.

Living in Yellowknife as you do, even if you don't like the cold that much, you must be affected by the immensity of the natural world around you. I know I feel it every time I step off the plane at the Yellowknife airport (which is starting to feel like a second home to me).

I hope you agree with me that we must not let any special interest groups circumvent or bend the rules of the environmental process. The results will be forever!

Thank you

Hans Grim
hggrim@craftwood.on.ca

Hans Grim
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Oshawa, ON L1H7K4

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Donald Robert Donaldson [DDON7836@rogers.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:40 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

It is TIME to stand up for the FUTURE!!

Donald Robert Donaldson
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Pt. Stanley, ON N5L1H5 /

Alistair MacDonald

From: Darrell Tomkins [djoant@telus.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:41 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Thank you for your consideration,
Darrell J. Tomkins
Professor Emeritus
University of Alberta

Darrell Tomkins
137 Port Augusta Street
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Comox, BC V9M 3N8

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Lauren Phillips [lauren_phillips_@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:46 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: concerns re Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I have concerns about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine. I'm not anti-development by any means - as a forester I understand the economic impetus behind any new project. I do encourage you, however, to fully consider the potential impacts on the environmental integrity of the site itself and of the downstream National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site.

All aspects of the mine's development and operations should be analysed prior to making a decision, in an in-depth assessment process. The key here being that the assessment is completed within a purely scientific framework PRIOR to decision-making and conclusions drawn afterwards, rather than proceeding with the project and doing an "assessment" as just another hoop to jump through.

Canadians have spoken of their desire to protect these downstream sites; please respect those wishes in considering all aspects of this project.

Lauren Phillips
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Prince George, BC V2N 6N6

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Virginia Smith [vs8@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:37 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. With one in four species of mammals endangered, and bird populations plummeting worldwide, out national parks are more important than ever.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations, and this should be done by our governments, rather than through pressure from citizens on a government that either doesn't care or is not paying attention.

I urge you to do a proper environmental assessment at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, including its components and the access road.

The Alberta Tar Sands have already put Canada at the top of the list of the world's polluters, and given us a shameful reputation. Please try to clean up our environment and our reputation.

Virginia Smith
755 Towner Park Road
Street 2
North Saanich, BC V8L5L7 ✓

Alistair MacDonald

From: Evans Pauline [evans866@telus.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:35 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I have made a voyage by canoe down the Nahanni River. This is one of the most beautiful rivers in Canada. I am asking the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board do a comprehensive review of the cumulative impacts of the whole mine operation. The National Park downstream is too valuable to risk.

Thank you.

Pauline Evans

Evans Pauline ✓
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Athabasca, AB T9S 1P9

Alistair MacDonald

From: christopher dunne [christopher.dunne@uleth.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 11:03 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

Nahanni National Park Reserve is a world heritage site. Development in this area is a terrible idea. I expect the most complete and thorough environmental review possible. Dont be a patsy for development.

christopher dunne ✓
31 england cres
yellowknife, NT x1a3n5

Alistair MacDonald

From: Gordon Miller [gordon@premieregroup.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 11:03 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

I have personally explored the region of the Prairie Creek Mine and I can attest to the critical sensitivity of the environment in this area.

I am deeply concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine will have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream;

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment needs to be conducted and must address the most rigorous possible standards. Moreover, in addition to the whole mine operation, it must also include the access road.

All Canadians will be looking to you to safeguard this important Canadian Heritage.

Thank you,
Gordon Miller
3 Graham Avenue
Ottawa, ON K1S 0B6

Gordon Miller
President
3 Graham Avenue
Ottawa, ON K1S 0B6

Alistair MacDonald

From: Judy Gibson [adlib@nf.sympatico.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:35 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I find it very difficult to believe that our government is considering allowing a mining company access to a world-class national park, the Nahanni River and Valley Nature Reserve. My husband, a retired fisheries scientist emeritus, has long been vocal on the dangers of permitting such environmental exploitation, and I too have been active as a retired editor, and committed environmentalist, trying to elicit honesty and fair play in government. I may add, that I have found little willingness to act ethically on the part of any government for a considerable time. Please consider this proposal long enough to toss it in the direction of the wastebasket...and others like it. Our fragile ecosystems are more valuable to future economic and social wellbeing than any corporate plan.
Thank you.

Judy Gibson ✓
58 The Boulevard
St. John's, NL A1A1K1

Alistair MacDonald

From: Leanne Jaeb [leanne_jaeb@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:34 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. The trend in today's world has been to rush ahead projects that appear 'good for the economy' without fully assessing the environmental and social effects of them. Without the environment we won't have any economy, therefore I believe a proper environmental assessment should be done at the most rigorous level possible. I believe the review should include the whole mine operation, all of its components and the access road.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

Thank you.

Leanne Jaeb
1435 Gitzel Street
Yellowknife, NT X1A2C9

Alistair MacDonald

From: Carles Roch-Cunill [roch@ashlu.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:40 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am appalled to learn the proposal of developing a mine operation in the Nahanni National Park Reserve. This pristine are belongs to all Canadians and humankind, and nobody has the right to spoil it.

Mining operations are disruptive at best and destructive at worst. Very, very, few mine operations in the world have a clean environmental record. It is difficult to believe or trust this one will be different.

Please, do not make of the environmental assessment process a mockery of itself.

Sincerely,

Carles Roch-Cunill
crochcunill@ashlu.ca

Carles Roch-Cunill
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Alistair MacDonald

From: Dawn Macdonald [dawnmacd@ualberta.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:39 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am writing this letter as a concerned citizen. I am opposed to a mine site at Prairie Creek. Putting a mine so close to a national reserve and a world heritage site is not a wise decision. A mine will have an impact on this site and could jeopardize its status as a world heritage site. Please review the entire mining process and keep our future in mind.

Dawn Macdonald
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Edmonton, AB T6G0R7

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Dave Rafla [drafla@live.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:47 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

Both the foreseeable and unforeseeable consequences of the development of the Prairie Creek Mine ought to be of great concern to all Canadians. Our heritage, our worldwide image of natural beauty and untouched wilderness, and most importantly, our desire to conserve and protect our most valuable national assets, should be upheld to the strictest and most exhaustive measures available to us.

While it is tempting to rush forward in an attempt to increase development, job creation and financial gain, it is foolhardy and sets a dangerous precedent to forgo an intensive and impartial environmental assessment of the impact of the proposed mine.

As a Canadian and a concerned individual, I urge you and your colleagues to consider the desires of all Canadians who have send you their concerns.

Dave Rafla
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Mississauga, ON L5R 2G8

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Sarah Plumb [sarasvati3@wildmail.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:44 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned about the proposed Prairie Creek mine. The impacts of this mine would be environmentally devastating to the Nahanni National Park Reserve. As Canadians, we have a responsibility and a privilege to protect our national parks for future generations. I appeal to you to ensure that a proper, thorough and rigorous environmental assessment be completed that will include a review of all components of the operation.

Please take this into serious consideration.

Sarah Plumb
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Windsor, ON N9A6T2

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Catriona Sinclair [catsinc@nexicom.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:50 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road. I hope that this will be carried out.

Catriona Sinclair
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Millbrook, ON L0A 1G0

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Linda Kellar [lkellar1@sympatico.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:49 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine and the possible impact its operations, including the access road, will have on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site. Since these are downstream from the proposed mine, they are at great risk of contamination and damage.

I urge you to order a proper environmental assessment that reviews the whole mine operation and that the assessment be as rigorous as possible.

Linda Kellar
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Kitchener, ON N2E 2N9

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Marian White [naturewatch@nucleus.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:52 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

The proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant adverse environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

Please therefore ensure that a full and independent environmental assessment at the most rigorous level is undertaken, of the whole mine operation, all its components, and the access road.

Sincerely,

Marian White,
Calgary, Alberta

Marian White
804 Coach Bluff Crescent SW
Calgary, AB T3H 1A8

Alistair MacDonald

From: Gwendolyn Gall [ggall@cyberus.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:51 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; # As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; # A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Gwendolyn Gall
362 Sunnyside Avenue
Ottawa, ON K1S0S4

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Amy Harlib [aharlib@earthlink.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:10 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

STOP THE PRAIRIE CREEK MINE!

As an inhabitant of this planet, I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians and citizens of Earth, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and must include review of the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Amy Harlib
212 West 22nd St. #2N
212 West 22nd St.#2n
New York, NY 10011

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Ana Davidson, PhD [davidson@unm.edu]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:10 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

As an ecologist, I object to the the proposed Prairie Creek Mine, as it will have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. Humans impact 83% of the worlds land surface and just this week that 1 in 4 mammals are in danger of extinction and 52% of all mammals are in decline.

As such, we have a responsibility to protect the worlds remaining protected areas for the health of both humans and the millions of species we share the Earth with. Travel around the world and you will see how rare natural areas are. See this map of Anthropogenic Biomes of the World for for starters:
http://www.eoearth.org/article/Anthropogenic_biome_maps

Please protect one of the last pristine areas on earth and not allow the mine to occur in this area.

Sincerely,

Ana Davidson, PhD

Ana Davidson, PhD
21 forest rd
Tijeras, NM 87059

Alistair MacDonald

From: Judy-Anne Wilson [wilsonjj@telus.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:02 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Judy-Anne Wilson
9348 Cameron Ave
edmonton,ab, AB T5H 3R6

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Kathryn Vine-Smith [fargone@rogers.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:01 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Kathryn Vine-Smith
396 Imperial Road S
Guelph, ON N1K 1K3

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Nancy Allan [nca681@mail.usask.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:58 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that, if the proposed Prairie Creek Mine goes ahead, it could have significant, harmful environmental impact on the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream from it.

Canadians have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites, and all that they contain, for future generations.

Please ensure that a thorough and rigorous environmental assessment is carried out by independent assessors before any permit is given for the Mine. This means that the entire mine operation, including components and access road, is included in the assessment.

Nancy Allan
909 Main Street
Saskatoon, SK S7H 0K4

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Terry McNeil Purdon [purdon1@telus.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:01 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am writing to you to voice my concerns that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine will have many significant environmental impacts on the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. I believe that one of the most important resources Canada has is our national parks and world heritage sites, these should be vigorously protected for future generations.

It is important that a very rigorous and proper environmental assessment should be done and all aspects of its operation, all its components and the access roads be studied very very thoroughly.

These heritage sites are not replacable or cannot be fixed once they are damaged. It is our responsibility to guard and protect them.

I hope you will take my concerns to heart and consider this when you are reviewing the application for the mine.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Terry McNeil Purdon
23 Chaisson Crossing
Whitecourt, AB T7S 1B8

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Alistair MacDonald

From: RAYLENE HUXTER [raylenehuxter@yahoo.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:16 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am truly concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.


We don't need another mine. We need to protect what we have now before its lost forever.

The very rich mining companies do not have any concern over the impacts they only see the gold lining their pockets.

Sincerely,

Raylene Huxter

RAYLENE HUXTER
2 HANOVER RD #1404
BRAMPTON, ON L6S4H9



Alistair MacDonald

From: Stephan Donovan [stephandonovan@aol.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:12 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As a visitor to Canada, we all have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Stephan Donovan
4851 North Bernard Street
Chicago, IL 60625

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Kelly Bourassa [kbourassa@golder.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 7:58 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am very concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; The best possible, all encompassing, Environmental assessment needs to be done on this mine. Historically most tailings dams fail because of being poorly built or built to the minimum specifications. Considering the location of the Prairie Creek tailings dam (right next to a tributary of the Nahanni), this needs to be rigorously tested.

Kelly Bourassa
9-4905- 48th st.
Yellowknife, NT X1A 3S3



Alistair MacDonald

From: John McIvor [jbmedm@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 7:57 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

We are concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; We can not believe that our government would allow any mine UPSTREAM of the GEM they have presented to the world!

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations and the world; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

John McIvor
10506 139 Street NW
Edmonton, AB T5N 2K7

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Sarah Thomson [sttoronto@sympatico.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:05 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

My preference is to reject the application outright. The mine will only have negative environmental consequences, and the continued and short-sighted exploitation and degradation of our precious natural world is breaking my heart.

S. Thomson, Peterborough, Ontario

Sarah Thomson
1293 Hazeldean Avenue
Peterborough, ON K9J5Z5



Alistair MacDonald

From: LARRY WILLIAMS [larryzary@mac.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:09 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am a visual artist so the natural world as had a huge impact on me and my work. This proposed Praire Creek Mine concerns me greatly.

The Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream could be affected by this project. There is not enough land protected in this country and those that already are should not be under threat.

A full and thorough environmental assessment should be carried out reviewing the whole mine and all its components and the access road.

I am a father of three children and I want them to see that we are all doing our part in trying to protect our precious Park Reserves for now and for always!

Sincerely
Larry Williams

LARRY WILLIAMS
231 RUE PRINCIPAL P.O. 62

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ST.ADELME, QC G0J 2B0

Alistair MacDonald

From: derrick mcburney [derrickmcburney@yahoo.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:34 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am very concerned about the proposed Praire Creek Mine and the significant enviromental impacts it will have on the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site. We in Canada need to protect and preserve these natural wonders for many generations to come. After all why give these designations if they mean nothing at all. It is my fervent hope that a proper enviromental assessment at the most rigours possible level. At the same time a review of the whole mine operation,all it's components and the access road in my humble opinion needs to be completed before any permission should be considered.

derrick mcburney
466 south st suite4
london, ON N6B1C3

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Evalynne McDougall [remcdougall@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:35 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned about the environmental impact the Canadian Zinc Corporation,s Prairie Creek mine will have on the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage site.

Evalynne McDougall
261 Scenic Drive
Coldstram, BC V1B2X4

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Janet Lipner [j-lipner@neiu.edu]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:30 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I urge you to be certain that a proper environmental assessment takes place to discover the impacts that the Prairie Creek Mine could have on the Nahanni Nat'l Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. Even though I am not a citizen of your beautiful country, we are all connected. You can set a good example for us.

Janet Lipner
2529 W. Belden Ave.
Chicago, IL 60647



Alistair MacDonald

From: David Tavares [dtava078@uottawa.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:34 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am writing to urge you to conduct the most rigorous possible Environmental Impact Assessment of the proposed Prairie Creek Mine, taking into account how the mine and its access road would affect the Nahanni Watershed. Please bear in mind that this project has the potential to adversely affect a watershed of not only regional, but also national and global significance. I urge you to consider the bigger picture in your decision making process and bear in mind that an intact watershed will be far more valuable to local communities - in terms of tourism revenues, environmental quality, and cultural continuity - than any mine ever could be. I thank you for your interest.

David Tavares
2-240 Powell Ave
Ottawa, ON K1S 2A5

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Erica Heuer [wallymaltz@northwestel.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:27 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Mining in Nahanni

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am distressed that we continue to consider resource extraction interests in our wildernesses, especially one like Nahanni that is known to be of value to all Canadians, and known to be on the boards for protection! How can a proposal for mining in the middle of a proposed Nahanni National Park expansion be considered while a final decision on park expansion is being made? It seems strange and counter-intuitive, at best.

At the very least, please ensure a rigorous environmental assessment is made that reviews the whole mine operation including ALL its components and the access road. We should be very clear by now that reviewing any part of any operation in isolation is not a proper assessment of its environmental impacts.

Thank you,

Erica Heuer
7 Cassino St. ✓

Whitehorse, YT Y1A 3B9

Alistair MacDonald

From: Diane McNally [dmcnally@pacificcoast.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:29 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am a British Columbia resident and Canadian citizen who is concerned about proposed mining upstream from the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site. The proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts downstream.

As citizens and stewards of the land and ecological zones in our country, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. And for generations right now.

Citizens expect an environmental assessment at the most rigorous possible level, and a public review of the whole mine operation including all its components and the access road.

Diane McNally
353 A Linden Avenue
Victoria , BC V8V 4G1

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Elizabeth Clayton [elizabeth@vincysurf.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:27 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am opposed to the Prarie Creek Mine. The proposed mine would have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

We have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. That is the whole purpose of them,

Elizabeth Clayton
Firefly
S. Green Street
Mustique, BC 28655

Alistair MacDonald

From: Dale Godson [dale.godson@usask.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:26 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Dale Godson
32 Kirk Cres
Saskatoon, SK S7H 3B2

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Richard Mutzke [rmutzke@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:24 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Kind regards,
Richard Mutzke

Richard Mutzke
17 Kluane Ridge
Ottawa, ON K2M 1Z7

Alistair MacDonald

From: Alexandra Costa [alexandracosta@yahoo.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:24 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am writing about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine because I am concerned it could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and the World Heritage Site downstream. We all have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Alexandra Costa
387 Glengrove Ave. W.
2752 Ernest Hemingway Ave.
Toronto, ON M5N1W7

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Don Vipond [donandclare@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:20 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I appreciate you taking into account public concerns about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine. Allow me to reigister mine. This mine, were it to be developed, could have a truly toxic environmental impact downstream on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site. Mines tend to spew poisons. It's the nature of their production process.

We are so blessed as Canadians but it seems to me that with those blessings comes a responsibility to rigorously protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

An environmental assessment of this proposed mine should be at the most rigorous possible and I believe it is essential to review the entire mine operation, every component including the access road.

You have a critical responsibility and I wish you well in meeting it.

Donald Vipond, Saanichton, BC

Don Vipond
301 - 7865 Patterson Rd.,
Saanichton, BC V8M 2C7

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Alistair MacDonald


From: Guy Major [major.guy@gmail.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:20 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I'm concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Guy Major
2-102 Spadina ave
2-102 Spadina ave
Ottawa, ON K1Y2C4



Alistair MacDonald

From: Ron Martin [romarti@sasktel.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:19 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am increasingly concerned about the ongoing Praire Creek mine proposal, which I believe will have adverse environmental effect on the Nahanne Park reserve.

All of Canada has a responsibility to protect not only all of our national parks but their extremely inportant watersheds as well.

I would ask that during review you consider the overall environmental assesment of not only the entire mine operation but all other access and infrastructure which accompanies such development.

Your decision will be far reaching for generations to come- it is time to say NO.

Ron Martin
336-325 Keevil Cr
Saskatoon, SK S7N 4R8

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Terry Lawson [terrylawson@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 10, 2008 8:18 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am very concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. Therefore, a proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Terry Lawson
9259 - 148 Street
Edmonton, AB T5R 1A4

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Tyhson Banighen [tyhson@sunwave.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:30 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Tyhson Banighen
5404A Sunnybrae
Canoe Point Road
Tappen, BC V0E2X1



Alistair MacDonald


From: Michelle Rhode [michelle.rhode@gmail.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:29 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I do not support the proposal for the Prairie Creek Mine project. I think it will create a dangerous risk to the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. I think we MUST start protecting these areas even in the face of the dwindling natural resources and pressures from big energy companies and other corporations. We no longer have the luxury of limitless wild, protected spaces in this country. It is crucial to fully protect the ones we have left. I need to have confidence that something is sacred in the eyes of government - our future.

Michelle Rhode
#107 - 825 East 7th
Vancouver, BC V5T 1P4



Alistair MacDonald

From: Xanthe Walker [nax_xan@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:06 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have negative environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Sincerely,
Xanthe Walker

Xanthe Walker
Box 1120
Shellbrook, SK S0J2E0

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Alistair MacDonald

From: marilyn thorsteinsson [patmar1@telus.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:02 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

It is with great regret that I read of the development you proposing which will have an environmental impact on the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. Surely we can all relate to the necessity of preserving and protecting our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

I urge you and your colleagues to rigorously asses the situation and reveew the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

marilyn thorsteinsson
4050 Pine Crescent
Vancouver, BC V6J 4K5

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Alistair MacDonald

From: E. Barker [emark@telusplanet.net]
Sent: October 10, 2008 10:14 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

I am appalled that applications can even be submitted in areas of this classification. This has to be changed. Our National Parks and reserves and in this case world heritage sites, should be off limits to any sort of application that would disturb it's habitat.

E. Mark Barker
530 5 Street
Canmore AB
T1W 2G3
Canmore AB

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E. Barker
530 5 St
530 5 Street
Canmore, AB T1W 2G3

Alistair MacDonald

From: Deborah Prenger [dprenger@dentsucanada.com]
Sent: October 10, 2008 9:54 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am very concerned about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine.

It could have significant environmental impacts on our treasured Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As a Canadian, I believe we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

I would prefer that the proposal be simply rejected to avoid any possible risks but at the very least a proper environmental assessment needs to be performed. It should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Deborah Prenger
12 Ottawa Street
Toronto, ON M4T2B5



Alistair MacDonald

From: Jane Manchee [goldnbee@yahoo.com]
Sent: October 14, 2008 12:06 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am writing to urge you to consider very carefully the permit Canadian Zinc is after for it's proposed Prairie Creek mine.

I, like many of my fellow Canadians, am concerned that a zinc mine upstream from the pristine Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site could have significant irreversibly negative environmental impacts on it and sites further below.

It is our duty as stewards of the land to make sure these sites are available for the enjoyment of future generations...that means not just mine but also your children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and beyond.

While a proper environmetal assessment at the most rigorous possible level is a given, not to mention reviewing the whole mine operation,all it's components and any access roads, it would be best if no mine were permitted.

Given the fragile and complex nature of ecosystems in many parts of the world, and the continual burden of global warming on all of them, adding more pressure to one of Canada's last frontiers seems nothing short of criminal.

Sincerely,

Jane W Manchee

Jane Manchee
4025 SW 6th Ave. Dr.

Portland,OR, OR 97239

Alistair MacDonald

From: Peter Fasano [peter.c.fasano@maine.gov]
Sent: October 14, 2008 11:07 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

My wife and I are Americans who own a second home in Nova Scotia and spend a lot of time traveling throughout your country. Canada's scenery and wilderness have always been a strong attraction for us.

Recently I was dismayed to read of a proposed mine upstream of Nahanni National Park at Prairie Creek. Mining sites have the potential to do significant damage and I hope that this particular mine is given the most stringent and comprehensive review possible. Nahanni is a world class park and deserves nothing less.

Peter Fasano
727 Gardiner Road
Jefferson, ME 04330

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Joseph Coneybeare [joe.coneybeare@sympatico.ca]
Sent: October 14, 2008 10:27 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine application by Canadian Zinc and the environmental impact this will have on the Nahanni National Park Reserve.

The road and the mine operation are not compatible with this treasured National Park which needs all possible protection.

Thanks for your attention.

Joseph Coneybeare
247 Garden Ave
Toronto, ON M6R 1J2

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Alistair MacDonald

From: maureen grier [mlouise44@yahoo.ca]
Sent: October 14, 2008 10:25 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am very concerned that Canadian Zinc has proposed to operate the Prarie Creek Mine upstream from the Nahani World Heritage Site.

As Canadians we have a responsibility to be good stewards of the land so that our children and grandchildren can enjoy the spectacular beauty of places like the Nahani.

A mine upastream from the Nahani will have a significant environmental impact. I urge you to require a rigorous and thorough environmental impact study before deciding to grant the permit to operate Prarie Creek Mine.

maureen grier
2302B
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Calgary, AB T3A2C9

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Twyla Douaire [tdouaire@flemingc.on.ca]
Sent: October 14, 2008 6:57 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

Therefore, a proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Twyla Douaire
General Delivery
Harwood, ON K0K2H0

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Enrica Valle [shawnee_goa@yahoo.it]
Sent: October 14, 2008 8:08 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I have learned about the permits applied for by Canadian Zinc and I'm concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

Canadians do have a responsibility to protect national parks and world heritage sites for future generations and for the benefit of the whole world.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Please ensure that completion of the Nahanni National Park Reserve expansion is meaningful.

Thank you in advance for your kind attention.

Best regards,

Enrica Valle
Via Tabarca 7/3
Via Tabarca 7/3
Genova, ot 16147

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Allison Hill [allisone@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 9:49 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Allison Hill
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Edmonton, AB T6M 1H1

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Alistair MacDonald


From: arnold timmerman [arnold@thejourney.com]
Sent: October 14, 2008 6:32 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; We all have a responsibility to protect national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

arnold timmerman
7, hillhead
llantwit major, u.k., ot cf61 1sf



Alistair MacDonald

From: Diane Pinkerton [diane550@rogers.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 9:17 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level. A review of the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road must be part of the assessment.

Thank you
Diane Pinkerton

Diane Pinkerton
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Kitchener, ON N2N 1N1

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Lauri Desmarais [lauridesmarais@yahoo.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 8:25 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

When approaching decisions on this Prairie Creek Mine, please consider the significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

I am not a Canadian citizen, though my family is from Canada, and as a human on this earth, we share a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations and for the species inhabiting these areas.

* A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Thank you for listening.

Lauri Desmarais
320 Trinity Ridge Drive
Innsbrook, MO 63390



Alistair MacDonald

From: Greta Borick-Cunningham [tejinashi289@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 7:50 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

I am extremely concerned about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine and the environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park and the World Heritage site that is located downstream.

Please conduct a thorough and proper environmental assessment that should be rigorous to the highest standards possible to review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

All Canadians have a responsibility to protect our National Parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

Greta Borick-Cunningham
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Vancouver, BC V5T-1K9



Alistair MacDonald

From: Steven Hemstreet [divemaster2@mac.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 8:14 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

Two words - Global Warming
Two more words - children and grandchildren

Steven Hemstreet
5109 Green Creek Terrace
5109 Green Creek Terrace
Glenn Dale, MD 20769

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Alistair MacDonald

From: sylvia curtis-norcross [sylviacurtisnorcross@yahoo.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 6:21 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am writing with faith that a thank you is in order. Thank you for considering that the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream are national treasures in themselves and for their role in the ecology of our continent. Thank you for bringing to bear the best that science and common sense has to offer to the environmental assessment process, establishing exemplary international standards that add to my pride at being Canadian.

Thank you also for, for taking on this often thankless role of working on the lines between employment and conservation, industry and heritage, short term gain and long term destruction.

Thank you,
Sylvia, Kevin and Lilly Curtis-Norcross

sylvia curtis-norcross
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london, ON N6C1A4

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Jill Ilsley [jilsley@uniserve.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 6:25 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine upstream of the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site.

As a member of the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board, please ensure that the environmental assessment is at the the most rigorous possible level. Please review how the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road will impact the environment of this national park and world heritage site.

Jill Ilsley
9854 Canal Rd.
Pender Island, BC V0N 2M3

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Brian Turner [brian-nelda@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 5:06 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I feel I have two applicable reasons for expressing myself on this issue.

First, I'm a retired professional biologist, so I have a strong background in understanding ecosystems, and how the imposition of a potential severe risk such as the Prairie Creek mine could irrevocably potentially destroy this remarkable heritage landscape.

Secondly, I paddled the Nahanni with some friends a number of years ago, and we were all aware that there had been a mine on Prairie Creek, and that there was the potential that it may reopen, given the 'right' set of circumstances from the mining perspective.

The entire watershed must be reserved in perpetuity, for its most remarkable characteristics, and commercial resource extraction should definitely not be allowed. We simply cannot allow the mining industry access to every mineral deposit they may find. I experienced the mining perspective at Land and Resource Management Plan round tables in BC, and they were completely unwilling to ever compromise anything, expressing the perspective that any mineral deposit, regardless of its location, should be open to their industry. Other resource extraction industries must obey restrictions, so should mining. We have seen the effects of access roads in BC (generally for logging), and the drastic changes to the environment that follow their construction.

Brian Turner, Victoria BC

Brian Turner
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Victoria, BC V8X5A5

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Susan MacLeod [info@muskokaresource.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 5:12 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I urge the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board to conduct the most thorough environmental assessment regarding the Prairie Creek Mine, including the whole mine operation, all of its components and the access road. For the sake of the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream and all the generations of Canadians to come who will benefit, the committee must exercise its responsibility in protecting the Nahanni and all world heritage sites.

Susan MacLeod
General Delivery
Kearney, ON P0A 1M0

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Connie Raper [ckraper@nc.rr.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 4:50 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, you have a responsibility to protect your national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Connie Raper
2614 Woodmont Dr
Durham, NC 27705

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Connie Raper [ckraper@nc.rr.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 4:42 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream; As Canadians, you have a responsibility to protect your national parks and world heritage sites for future generations; A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Connie Raper
2614 Woodmont Dr
Durham, NC 27705

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Alexander Briggs [briggsag@uvic.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 4:31 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have major negative environmental effects on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

We have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

A thorough environmental assessment should be carried out to review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Alexander Briggs
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Victoria, BC V8W 3V6

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Carmen Burrows [carmen@recn.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 4:02 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. We have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations. I therefore would insist that a proper environmental assessment should be done and at the most rigorous level possible as well as review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road. Thank-you Carmen Burrows

Carmen Burrows
Box 54
Sointula, BC V0N3E0

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Susan Ostapowich [Cateye@mts.net]
Sent: October 13, 2008 1:58 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am deeply concerned about the impact that the Prairie Creek Mine - if allowed to proceed - will have on the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site which lies downstream from the mine location. This is a matter of the utmost urgency as the natural environment around the globe dwindles and is laid waste through humanity's resource exploitation. I believe Canada must become a leader in preserving the environment for future generations. One way is to ensure that all aspects of proposals be assessed as to their effect on the environment prior to any approvals to proceed to ensure that no harm is done. Damage is often irreparable and we may lose more than we ever believed possible since a change in one aspect of a landscape or ecosystem usually results in changes throughout. I implore you and your committee to utilize your power to ensure we do not have regrets in this matter! I urge you to ensure that all aspects of this project are assessed as to the threats it poses on the area, the watershed, and it's flora and fauna.

Thank-you for hearing my plea,
Sue Ostapowich,
Winnipeg, MB

Susan Ostapowich
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70 Whellams Lane
Winnipeg, MB R2G 2G8

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Andrea Jones [craftthefuture@yahoo.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 3:21 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

Please let it be known that I do not support any mining activities in Nahanni National Park Reserve or in any other National Park for that matter. These areas should be protected from resource extraction - that's the point of establishing protected areas.

Please do not approve this mine.

Andrea Jones
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Edmonton, AB T5M 0G3

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Lisa Isaacman [theblue1_ca@yahoo.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 12:51 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am deeply concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine will have significant environmental impacts on the Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our remaining intact natural areas, especially our national parks and world heritage sites for current and future generations of all species to prosper and enjoy.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, with sustainability (environmental, social and economic) as the primary decision criterion, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Thank you for your consideration for the environment.

Sincerely,

Lisa Isaacman
197 Glen Cedar Rd.
Toronto, ON M6C 3G9



Alistair MacDonald

From: jody holmes [joddles77@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 1:26 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

I believe protecting the environment of Canada is of the utmost importance. I also understand the need for economic development for the well-being of the families in Canada who need jobs to take care of themselves. With that said I think companies that want to exploit resources should make every effort to develop mines or other projects in areas outside protected parks. I would also like to see minimal impact on the environment due to resource exploitation no matter where the projects are developed. For this to happen there has to be strict regulations put in place by the government and frequent assessments on the developers to ensure they are obeying the regulations. We cannot allow people to treat our country like a dumping ground.

Protect and Preserve,

Jody Holmes

jody holmes
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langley, BC V2Y1B4

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Carmen Rico [carmenrico@animail.net]
Sent: October 13, 2008 12:02 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream

Carmen Rico
300 rue Elgar
Montreal, QC H3E1C9



Alistair MacDonald

From: Katy Holm [kholm@gmail.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 12:04 PM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I visited the Nahanni this summer. We flew in over the Prairie Creek mine and access road. The road is extensive traveling through sensitive wilderness areas and unstable mountainous terrain. The mine tailings pond sits immediately adjacent to Prairie Creek. I am very concerned about environmental impacts in this area.

The Karst landscape in which the mine and road are situated is very sensitive, because the underground aquifers carry run off/and any pollution through an extensive area. Nahanni National Park is a very unique and immensely important area now and in a future when pristine wilderness becomes more and more rare. We paddled past the mouth of Prairie Creek on the Nahanni River. Since the Nahanni area is prone to earthquakes I am very concerned about the breaches in the tailings pond and impacts on the Nahanni watershed: the wildlife and the people who live downstream.

Please ensure that the mine is required to do the most rigorous environmental assessments process for both the mine site and road. I am familiar with mining operations and know that even the best mines have major impacts on the landscapes in which they are situated, including many unrecorded pollution incidences and habitat loss. This mine site will be enclosed in a World Heritage site, sits in a Karst landscape of underground aquifers, and is in an area prone to earthquakes. Please ensure the most rigorous environmental assessment process because even 'the best' will result in major impacts on the area.

Sincerely,

Katy Holm
38277 Northridge
Squamish, BC V8B 0A9

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Jacqueline Robinson [jacquelinermike@yahoo.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 10:38 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

This place need to be protected for future generations so please protect the park.

Jacqueline Robinson
4843 Stately Oaks Ct.
4843 Stately Oaks Ct.
Powder Springs, GA 30127

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Alistair MacDonald

From: lillian barrs [lcdbarrs@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 11:12 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

I do not agree to the necessity of a mine in beautiful country like the Nahanni Area, or more roads. The area should be left as it is for the animals and the odd visitor who cares about the environment.

lillian barrs
323-3061 Battleford Rd.
Mississauga
Mississauga, ON L5N6R7

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Claudia Boecking [claudia_boe@hotmail.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 10:01 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine will have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream. The protection of our national parks and world heritage sites should always take precedence over the exploitation of natural resources.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road, as CPAWS has demanded.

Please ensure that future generation will have the opportunity to enjoy the Nahanni Park as much as we can today.

Thank you,

Claudia Boecking
Box 23
Bluffton, AB T0C 0M0

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Sharon Charneksy [scharnesky@shaw.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 10:21 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

My Concern would be the waste created from this operation...what controls will be in place and how would it be controlled diligently?..

Sharon Charneksy
36 Matthews Street
Thunder Bay, ON P7A 3K6 ✓

Alistair MacDonald

From: Andrew Cashman [acashman@yahoo.com]
Sent: October 13, 2008 8:15 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

Please ensure that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine is subjected to the most thorough environmental assessments. As the potential for environmental degradation within the Nahanni National Park Reserve is high, it is imperative that this project be given the utmost scrutiny.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Kindly,

Andrew Cashman

Andrew Cashman
1-111 Dowling Ave
Toronto, ON M6K3A1

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Alistair MacDonald

From: Robert Klei [rjaklei@telus.net]
Sent: October 13, 2008 9:54 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream;

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations;

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most vigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, all its components and the access road.

Robert Klei
4202 Fairwinds Drive
Osoyoos, BC V0H 1V0

A handwritten signature mark consisting of a single, slanted stroke that curves slightly at the bottom.

Alistair MacDonald

From: Tim Farr [tim.farr@sympatico.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 6:29 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald, ,

I am concerned that the proposed Prairie Creek Mine could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and the World Heritage Site downstream.

Specifically, I am concerned about toxic chemicals, including sodium cyanide (40 tonnes), PCBs and diesel fuel which have been stored on site, next to Prairie Creek, for over 20 years.

I understand that the mine site is in an unstable region with a high risk of earthquakes and flash flooding. I am also aware that mining can cause serious long-term damage to water quality through heavy metal leaching into waterways, and potential acid mine drainage.


Grizzly bears, Dall's sheep and woodland caribou frequent the area and access road and would therefore be vulnerable to disturbance.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

On that basis, I believe that a proper environmental assessment must be done at the most rigorous possible level, and this review should include the whole mine operation, all its components as well as the access road.

Tim Farr
124 Brighton Avenue
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0T4

Tim Farr
124 Brighton Avenue
Ottawa, ON K1S0T4



Alistair MacDonald

From: Marianne Wyllie [mwyllie@staff.ednet.ns.ca]
Sent: October 13, 2008 7:01 AM
To: Alistair MacDonald
Subject: Prairie Creek Mine

Alistair MacDonald,
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Dear Mr. MacDonald,,

As a caring, concerned, Canadian citizen, I am very concerned about the proposed Prairie Creek Mine and how it could have significant environmental impacts on Nahanni National Park Reserve and World Heritage Site downstream.

As Canadians, we have a responsibility to protect our national parks and world heritage sites for future generations.

A proper environmental assessment should be at the most rigorous possible level, and review the whole mine operation, and all of its components and the access road. Anything less would be viewed as "unresponsible" or "ignorance".

I sincerely hope that you do everything in your power to follow all the proper steps and go beyond the minimum guidelines to help protect and preserve this beautiful place in Canada.

A very concerned Canadian citizen
Marianne Wyllie

Marianne Wyllie
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Halifax, NS B3H13L

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