

EA 1112-001 Debogorski - Diamond Exploration, Drybones

### Notes from Community Information Session Chief Drygeese Conference Centre July 20, 2011

#### **Meeting Summary**

On July 20, 2011, Review Board staff held an Information Session in Dettah, NT at the Chief Drygeese Conference Centre. The sessions was scheduled from 1:30 to 4:00 and 7:00 to 10:00 pm, however the full time was not taken. The purpose of this afternoon and evening session was to facilitate an exchange of information between all parties and the developer, to gain a better understanding of the project. The meeting was translated and recorded.

The meeting commenced at 1:46 Alex Debogorski led the opening prayer. Alan Ehrlich, Review Board staff gave opening remarks. Darha Phillpot, environmental assessment lead for the EA, continued with an overview of the environmental assessment process and the current work plan of the Debogorski file.

A representative from YKDFN delivered a message on behalf of YKDFN elders and community members explaining why members were not in attendance. She explained that the community leaders and elders were away travelling, and some community members were not in attendance due to medical reasons. It was stressed that the absence of community elders and members was not an indication of lack of interest in the assessment. They asked that information be left for community members who were not at the session. A binder has been put together by Review Board Staff and will be provided.

Alex Debogorski gave a PowerPoint presentation describing the project. The slide show indicated the location of the initial two holes of his ten-hole program. The presentation included pictures illustrating where they would be located and how they would be drilled. During the presentation, and the subsequent discussion, the following information was provided:

#### Camp description/location

• The developer will use the Snowfield camp if it is still available for use i.e., still permitted. If not, the developer will need a small tent for two to three people. The tent would be set up on the site of the former Snowfield Camp

### Access Issues

- The developer will transport items to the site including food and fuel for up to three people.
- If winter drilling occurs the developer may make use of the Avalon winter road if it is available. No winter roads will be built. A quad would be used to get to site if need be.

### Drilling Details:

- Developer initially plans to drill two holes located on land in already disturbed areas or very near disturbed areas (just off the dirt road). He has applied to drill up to 10 holes.
  - Page 3 of the slide shows an air-photo with the two drill hole locations indicated
  - Page 10 shows the site of drill hole Location #1
  - Page 4 & 5 shows a photo of drill hole Location #2
  - $\circ$   $\,$  The location of the 8 remaining drill holes have not been identified.
- Developer committed to provide GPS coordinates as soon as possible for the two initial drill holes.
- The drilling will be on and angle targeting anomalies under the water body (Shallow Cove) and under a swampy area. Drilling will be to a maximum of 300 foot depth although the length of the drill hole will be longer than 300 feet because of diagonal drilling.
- Drill cuttings will be disposed of as per regulation "wherever INAC determines they should be".
- Developer will follow regulatory processes for fuel storage, hunting in area, disturbing vegetation and will take direction from YKDFN.
- During the drilling operation water will be taken from best possible depth and location as per regulatory direction.
- Developer agrees not to disturb any plants or animals in area.
- Drill water waste will depend on the make-up of the land that is being drilled. That is unknown at this time.
- No fish will be disturbed as there will be no drilling in or near water for the first two holes.

- Will start work on two drill holes this summer ideally, depending upon how long this process takes.
- One hole will take approximately 1 week to drill drilling about 10 hours a day. Therefore two holes will take two weeks.

### <u>Clean -up:</u>

- Upon completion, the developer will transport any items that "do not belong there" that he is responsible for i.e., that he has transported there.
- Developer will leave the area better than he found it.

### Future Plans for the area:

- Depending on findings, the developer may sell off the claim including Land Use Permit to drill an additional 8 holes. He may do the drilling himself.
- Developer has not spoken to anyone about selling off claim area.

#### Additional questions and comments from the session:

Q: How did the developer select these particular targets?

A: Anomalies were detected in the geo-surveys. Also other kimberlite deposits have been located in the area, suggesting these targets are a logical choice. In addition, the specific targets are in an area is already disturbed and no new disturbance is needed.

Q: What does the developer know about the history of Snowfield. Are they currently doing any exploration, are they licensed?

A: Snowfield is exploring for diamonds half a KM east of Debogorski's proposed project. Snowfield has a camp located in the developer's mineral claim. It is a legal camp which he is hoping to use. If the camp is removed or is unusable, he will put a small tent on the premises with permission and not disturb any new area.

Q: What about the remaining 8 holes? How will they be identified?

A: The developer is hoping to option the claim depending upon results. He said he would sell the holes to anyone who wished to buy them. It depends on the anomalies and they would have to be tested. He may do the remaining drilling himself.

Q: Has Mr. Debogorski considered potential impacts to heritage resources pertaining to where the two holes are located?

A:He indicated that the area is already disturbed and that he was not going into any new places.

Q: Has Mr. Debogorski had engaged the YKDFN or PWHRC regarding archaeological resources in the area?

A: A meeting had taken place with government agencies including PWNHC. This information is on the record.

Q: What process will be used to ensure there will be no impact on the additional 8 holes?

A: Mr. Debogorski stated that there are various regulatory processes regarding disturbing the land and water and that he will follow all of them. He would and always has gone out of his way to not disturb nature.

Q: What mitigation is being considered so as not to interfering with YKDFN traditional land use practices?

A: There would only be two or three people there. The developer noted he did not not understand how they would hurt anything. They would not hunt and they would be less impact than a tourist.

Q: Clarification that the drill site would be on land?

A: The drill would angle from the land position and go out under the water body. There will be no water access at all in these two drill holes.

Q: What are the plans for water for the project?

A: Water will be taken from Great Slave Lake; he will take direction from agencies in authority.

Q: What are Debogorski's future plans for his claim?

A: Mr. Debogorski indicated that in the future after the two holes have been drilled and depending on the outcome, he may option off the holes/property to interested parties. Or, he may keep the claim and do the remaining drilling himself. He also indicated, after being asked if YKDFN had been informed of this plan, that he had not spoken to anyone about this yet.

Q: Where in relation to Drybones Bay is the claim located?

A: Drybones Bay is approximately 3 km from claim area.

Q: What is the composition of the drill cutting water?

A: cuttings will be disposed of following INACs rules with respect to distance from water and how they are collected and stored. The specific composition of the drill cuttings depends on the area and that the driller would know, but he did not. The 2 holes being drilled are intended to be 300 feet deep.

Q: how long will the drill run?

A: The drill will run for 1 week with a 10 hour shift per day, per hole. So two weeks total in the summer preferably.

Q: how will he access the site in winter?

A: The winter road that will be used, the developer said that he would not be building a new road but would be using the winter road to Avalon that is already there. The road is about 0.25 of a mile but it depends on conditions.

Q; has Kimberlite been found in the area?

A: Kimberlite on the property line, in Drybones Bay which is 3 km away, and at the bottom of the Snowfield pit.

Q: What is Mr. Debogorski's involvement with Snowfield?

A: Mr. Debogorski worked for Snowfield for about 6 months in 2005. That same year he got his current claim. Mr. Debogorski also stated when asked about the Snowfield site that he did not know much about the permits they have. When asked about the drill he will use he said that he will use the drill that is already on the site. If that permit is expired or the drill not available he will obtain another one and get in the best way he can.

Q: When/how did Mr. Debogorski obtained his prospecting license?

A: His first license was obtained back in 1978 for another claim.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm

### <u>Attachments</u>

Debogorski Powerpoint Presentation

Community Information Session Sign-in Sheet



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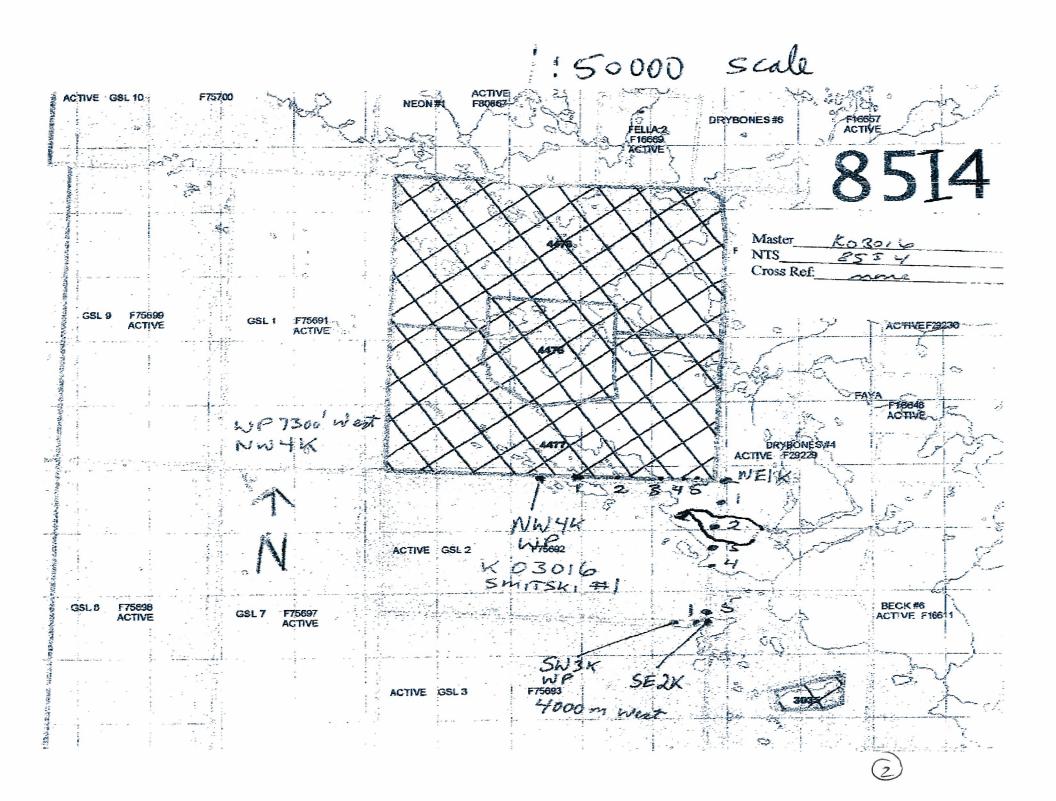
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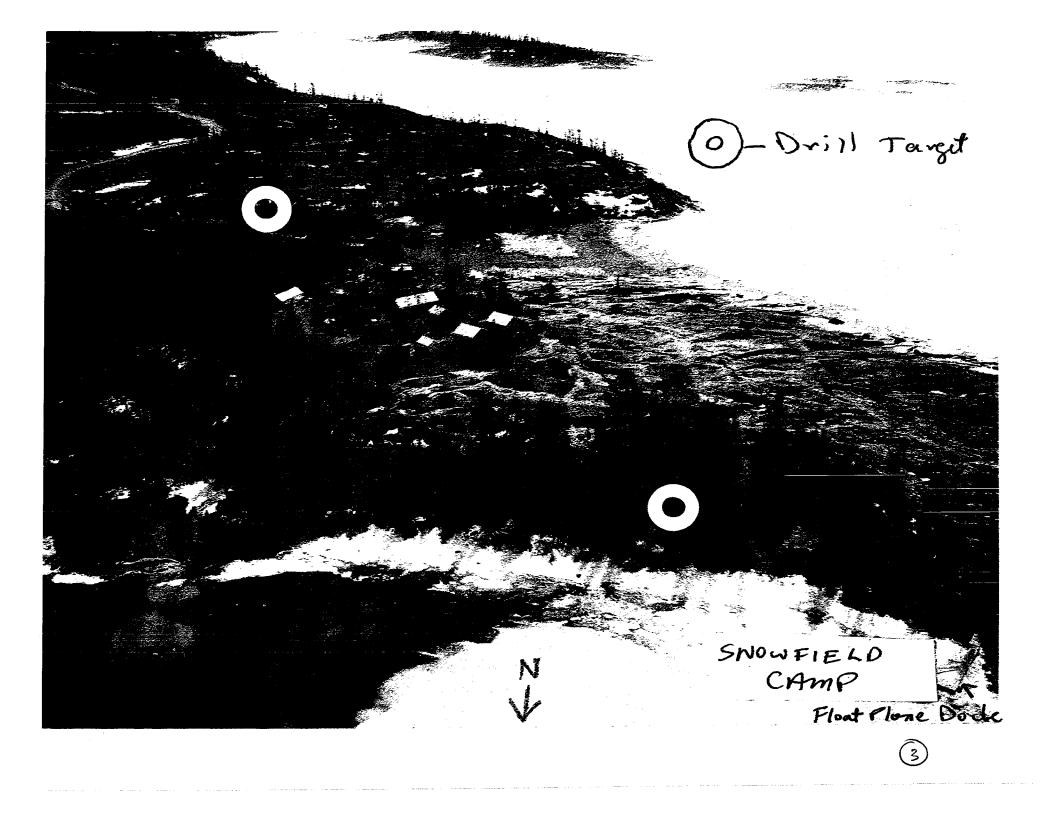
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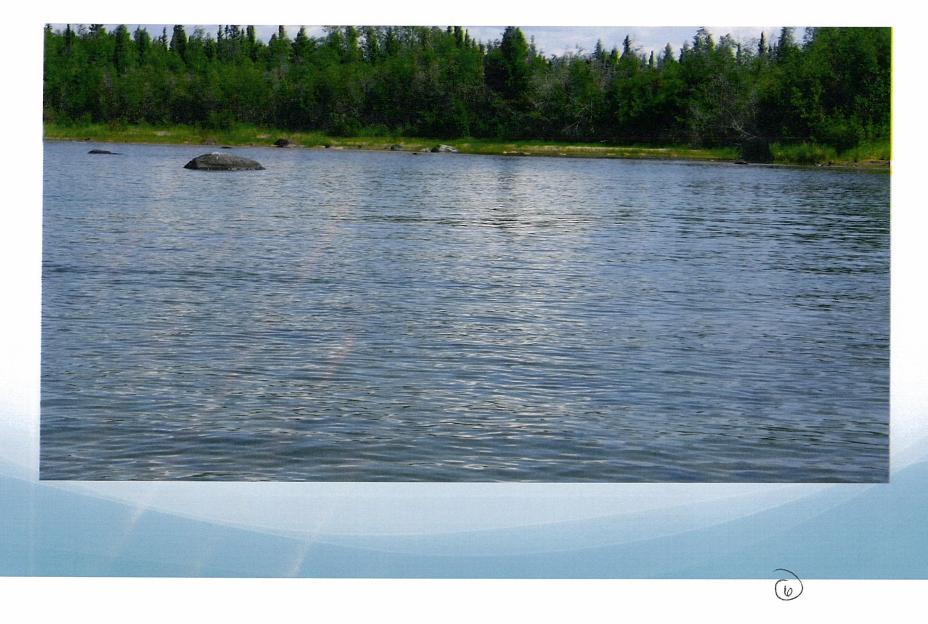


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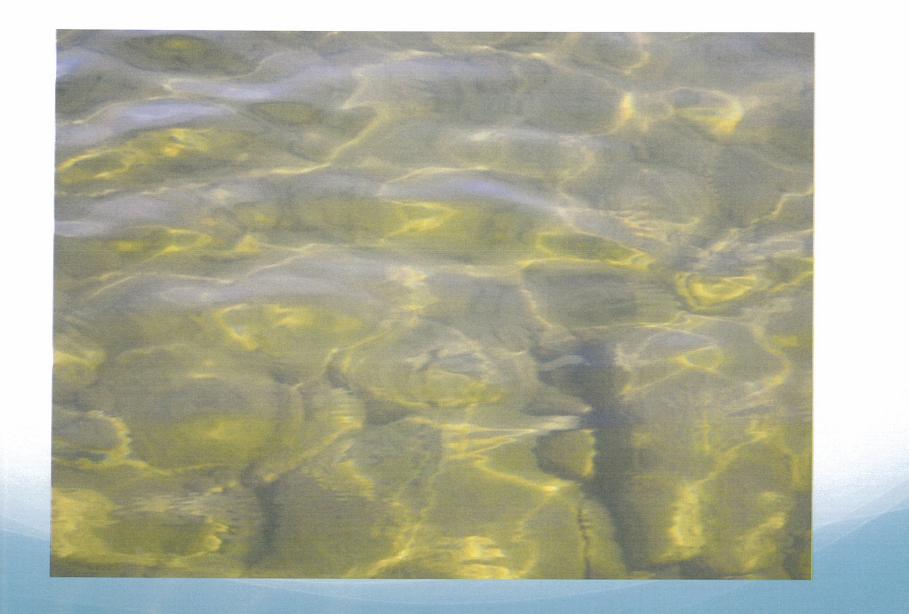


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## **Shallow Cove**



### **Shallow Cove Close-up**



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# Road to Pit Facing Pebble Beach



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# Road To Pit



# **Drill Hole Location #1**

