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3 CO-FACILITATOR MARK CLIFFE-PHILLIPS:

4 Hello, everybody. I'd like to welcome you to the
5 Mackenzie Valley Review Board's Prairie Creek all-
6 season access road project technical session. I'm
7 Mark Cliffe-Phillips. I'm the executive director with
8 the -- the Review Board.

9 We just have a few introductory slides
10 that we want to talk about, the -- the purpose of the
11 technical session. I'm going to pass it off to our --
12 our facilitators sort of partway through the -- the
13 presentation. And they're going to go over more
14 details on -- on things like questioning and -- and
15 the likes.

16 But the -- the true purpose of the
17 technical session here is -- one (1) is to encourage
18 open discussion between parties and the developer on
19 scientific and -- and traditional knowledge
20 information.

21 We want to try and keep this as
22 informal as possible. It's -- it's a little difficult
23 when we have a setting like this with microphones, and
24 transcription, and -- and the likes, but we do want to
25 try and keep this a -- a light conversation as -- as

1 best as possible.

2 We -- we'd like to seek clarification
3 on responses to Information Requests, on the
4 developers -- on the -- the developer's assessment
5 report adequacy -- adequacy responses or other evidence
6 on the -- the public record. And we want to clarify
7 the project description in scope.

8 And the developer today will -- will
9 have a -- a presentation to -- to describe that in
10 greater detail. And -- and throughout the -- the days
11 here, we'll -- we'll have further presentations from
12 the -- the developer.

13 We'd like to describe the scheduling of
14 activities for all the project phases, identify
15 impacts from the project on the environment and the
16 people, and reduce unknowns related to potential
17 impacts.

18 Importantly, we want to describe the
19 value components the development will impact and how.
20 And going back to the -- the role, and responsibility,
21 and mandate of the -- the Review Board itself is we
22 want to focus on which parts of the development are
23 likely to cause significant impacts.

24 And just to give a little bit of
25 refresher for people or for individuals who haven't

1 been involved in the Review Board process, I'm just
2 going to hand it over to Alan Ehrlich. And he's just
3 going to describe a little bit about the -- the likely
4 significant impact.

5 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: Good morning,
6 everyone. I -- I can keep it really brief. The word
7 -- the phrase 'significant impacts' is one that you
8 will hear a lot in environmental impact assessment,
9 and is an important part of the Act because if the
10 Board finds that significant adverse environmental
11 impacts are likely for a project, it has the ability
12 to create mitigation measures, which can reduce or
13 avoid those impacts.

14 But the question of what is a
15 significant impact is something that comes up a lot.
16 Our Board's decision focusses largely on potential
17 significant impacts. So we want this to be a
18 constructive session, and for it to be an effective
19 use of time, it's really important the parties focus
20 on the impacts that matter to them, the ones that
21 matter in terms of acceptability.

22 So there are some factors that lead to
23 a significant impact. You probably all know the --
24 the technical aspects of an impact. The change in
25 magnitude. The change in extent of an impact. How

1 long the impact lasts. Is it reversible? That kind
2 of stuff.

3 But there's a question after the impact
4 has been predicted that the Board has to ask, which
5 is: Is it acceptable? All right. Is it okay? Is
6 that impact likely to be significant? When they're
7 thinking about significance, they're looking at what
8 is acceptable, and they're considering parties' views
9 on the threshold of what is acceptable and what is
10 not.

11 And, you know, the different parties
12 have different views on that. The Board is interested
13 in the Developer's views and parties' views. The
14 Board has asked questions in the terms of reference
15 for the Developer about that.

16 But I -- I just want to emphasize the
17 significant stuff now, because although there are a
18 myriad of tiny changes that any human activity will
19 cause, the stuff that the impact assessment wants to
20 focus on is significant stuff. Stuff that matters
21 enough to -- impacts that matter enough to need
22 minimizing or avoiding through measures.

23 And so I just want to put that out as -
24 - as a context. Thank you very much.

25 CO-FACILITATOR MARK CLIFFE-PHILLIPS:

1 Thanks, Alan. Mark again. On top of what Alan
2 discussed there, one -- one of the other purposes of
3 the technical session is where there is likely to be
4 significant impacts in the view of the -- the parties
5 here.

6 We also want to -- to hear from parties
7 on what their proposed mitigation would be. So again,
8 it's not just identifying impacts, but also mit -- how
9 -- how best, in your opinion, that we could mitigate
10 those impacts. And -- and that's a discussion that
11 we'll be having here today, as well.

12 So I just want to have a little
13 refresher on the scope of the development in -- in
14 terms of this particular EA, EA1415-01. There --
15 there was a -- a Reasons for Decision that was put out
16 by the Board regarding the scope of the assessment.
17 There have been previous environmental assessments
18 associated with this development. And we're required
19 under the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act to
20 consider these -- these previous environmental
21 assessments.

22 So the -- this particular EA excludes
23 project components which have been previously assessed
24 and are permitted, most recently after EA0809-002,
25 which was the environmental assessment for the mine

1 and the winter road. Kilometre zero to 37.4 was
2 permitted for all-season use in the past.

3 Upgrades in this 37.4 kilometre section
4 are part of the scope of this development, and the
5 upgrades that are being considered include road design
6 standards, upgrades to any features, any realignments,
7 and any stream crossings, as previously there were no
8 fixed stream crossings. It was all winter road or ice
9 crossings.

10 Previously assessed components of the
11 project will be considered through the cumulative
12 effects assessment of this EA. Relevant materials
13 from the previous EA, and others prior to the EA0809-
14 002, will be used in support of this current
15 environmental assessment. And just as a reminder,
16 airstrips within the Nahanni National Park
17 Reserve are not part of the scope of the development
18 for this EA, and will not be considered.

19 In terms of responses to Information
20 Requests, the Review Board is aware parties have not
21 had the opportunity to ask questions or Information
22 Requests about adequacy responses that were submitted
23 by the Developer after December 21st, 2015.

24 And this is an opportunity for you to
25 continue to question, if you do have questions,

1 regarding the -- the adequacy information items that
2 were submitted by Canadian Zinc. And again, this is
3 just the beginning point, and -- and there will be --
4 and when we go through the next steps, there will be
5 further opportunities for questioning regarding those
6 -- those items after the technical session.

7 So just as a little bit of a refresher
8 how we got here, the project itself was referred to EA
9 in May of 2014. The Review Board did hold community
10 scoping meetings in June of 2014 in Fort Simpson,
11 Nahanni Butte, and Fort Liard.

12 They -- the Review Board finalized
13 their terms of reference and issued that in September
14 2014. The DAR was submitted by Canadian Zinc in May
15 of 2015, and the Board issued its reasons for decision
16 on the adequacy of the DAR and the requirements for
17 outstanding information in December 2015.

18 We did receive Information Requests by
19 all the parties by the end of February 2016, and we
20 received the Developer's responses to outstanding
21 adequacy items in April -- the -- the last of the
22 outstanding adequacy items in April 2016, and the
23 Developer's response to the party IRs in May, leading
24 us here to the technical sessions.

25 So in terms of the next steps, after

1 the technical sessions here this week, we will likely
2 have some undertakings that follow up from this
3 particular technical session. Following the -- the --
4 those undertakings coming in, there will be another
5 round of Information Requests, likely dates to be --
6 to be finalized, but in July of 2016. The responses
7 to those Information Requests will be in August.

8 The Board is also planning/scheduling a
9 community technical session on cultural impacts.
10 We're still working through the details on that, and
11 if you have questions regarding, that you could
12 contact staff or speak to staff here during the
13 technical sessions.

14 But it -- it is a -- a new step that
15 we're adding, which is looking at getting information
16 on cultural impacts directly in the communities, as we
17 found these technical sessions aren't always the most
18 conducive way of receiving that information.

19 After that, we'll move into the hearing
20 phase, where we do have a -- a risk assessment report
21 from Oboni Riskope. And we do have Oboni Riskope
22 here, which is our third-party independent consultant
23 that is producing a -- a -- an independent risk
24 assessment for all parties, including the Board and
25 the Developer. They will be asking questions

1 throughout the -- the sessions here. And feel free to
2 have conversations with Cesar during the -- the three
3 (3) days here -- or the four (4) days here.

4 We will add the Developer's response to
5 the -- the Oboni report, and then technical reports --
6 or interventions from parties after that. All those
7 dates will be finalized once we -- we have a better
8 understanding of the outstanding information
9 requirements are.

10 So... Hello. I'll move to the other
11 mic. I'm going to pass it over to our two (2) Co-
12 Facilitators here from Stratos. We have Barb Sweazey
13 and we have Stefan Reinecke. And they'll go through a
14 -- a little bit more about the actual structure of the
15 -- the technical session today.

16 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
17 Thanks very much, Mark. So I -- thank you for the
18 opportunity to work with you over the next few days.
19 And I thought that perhaps the best way we might get
20 started today, because we're going to spend a lot of
21 time together over the next four (4) days, is just
22 find out who is in the room.

23 And so to do that, I suggest that we do
24 a little bit of a round table of introductions. So
25 perhaps you could share with us, when we go around,

1 and maybe we'll do them by little -- the teams and the
2 gatherings that we have here, your name, and your
3 organization that you're with, and if there's a
4 particular area of responsibility that you might have.

5 And also, perhaps either one (1) of
6 your favourite spots or one (1) of your favourite
7 features about the Northwest Territories.

8 So, for instance, my name is Barb
9 Sweazey, and I am director of Organizational
10 Effectiveness at Stratos. And one (1) of my favourite
11 features of the Northwest Territories is the very
12 strong artistic community that I experience when I
13 come to visit this -- this territory.

14 So who is ready to go? I'm looking at
15 Parks Canada. You guys look like you're all ready to
16 go. Okay.

17 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Thank you. My
18 name is Jonathan Tsetso. I am the park superintendent
19 in Nahanni National Park Reserve. And my favourite
20 spot in the NWT I think is Nahanni National Park.

21 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Hi. My name's
22 Audrey Steedman. I'm an ecologist with Nahanni
23 National Park Reserve. I'm a vegetation specialist,
24 and it probably goes without saying, but my favourite
25 spot in the NWT is also Nahanni National Park.

1 MR. GARY SCRIMGEOUR: Good morning.

2 My name is Gary Scrimgeour. I'm an aquatic ecologist
3 with Parks Canada. I've seen the vast majority of the
4 south Nahanni watershed. I have a number of wonderful
5 fishing spots which I cannot share with you.

6 MS. ALLISON STODDART: Great. Good
7 morning, everyone. My name is Allison Stoddart. I'm
8 an environment assessment specialist with Parks
9 Canada. I'm going to go off a little bit of the
10 tangent here that Parks is going on. I'm going to say
11 one (1) of my favourite spots -- I have a bit of a
12 soft spot actually for Yellowknife, so...

13 MS. LAURA JAMES: Hi. My name's Laura
14 James. I'm also with Parks Canada as an environment
15 assessment specialist, and I think my favourite thing
16 about the NWT is that there's still a lot of
17 wilderness available.

18 MR. DOUGLAS TATE: Hi. My name is
19 Douglas Tate, ecologist with Nahanni National Park
20 Reserve. My background is mostly in wildlife, so
21 that's what I'll be talking about here. My favourite
22 spot or feature, probably Rabbit Kettle Lake area
23 within Nahanni National Park.

24 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Morning. It's
25 David Harpley. I'm the VP Environment for Canadian

1 Zinc, and I'd have to say my favourite spot is Prairie
2 Creek Mine.

3 MR. ALAN TAYLOR: Good morning. It's
4 Alan Taylor. I'm the chief operating officer for
5 Canadian Zinc. My second home is Prairie Creek, and
6 it is still my second favourite place.

7 MR. WILBERT ANTOINE: Wilbert Antoine,
8 manager, northern development, Canadian Zinc out of
9 Fort Simpson. I left the north for a number of years,
10 but the north never left me. 2002, I returned to
11 heaven, and when I die, I'll still be in heaven.

12 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Rick Walbourne.
13 I'm with ENR Water Resources Division, regulatory and
14 science officer. My favourite places are a lot of the
15 lakes around Yellowknife for fishing in the summer or
16 skiing in the winter, so either way.

17 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Right,
18 and I'm just going to pause you right there to get the
19 two (2) other folks ...

20 MS. KARLA LANGOIS: Hi. I'm Karla
21 Langois. I'm a biologist with Tetra Tech EBA. And I
22 think my favourite spot is probably the Yellowknife
23 ski club.

24 MR. DAVE NICKERSON: My name is Dave
25 Nickerson. I'm a director of Canadian Zinc. I'll be

1 popping in from time to time. I'm not a technical
2 expert so I won't be here all the time, but I used to
3 be chairman of the Northwest Territories Water Board
4 when a technical advisory committee would have a
5 meeting with five (5), six (6), seven (7) at the most
6 people there, not the fifty-five (55) we have
7 assembled around the table today.

8 MR. BILL PAIN: Bill Pain, ENR, the
9 water regulatory group. Favourite feature, I'll try
10 something different. Kind of the open landscapes,
11 kind of -- yeah, we'll go with that.

12 MS. VERONIQUE D'AMOURS-GAUTHIER:
13 Veronique D'Amours-Gauthier, department of land with
14 the GNWT. I'm with the project assessment branch.
15 We're coordinating environment assessment. And my
16 favourite part in Inuvik and DNWT.

17 MR. ADRIAN PARADIS: Hello. My name
18 is Adrian Paradis. I am with Canor. Great Slave
19 Lake.

20 MS. CAMILIA ABDELMEJID: My name is
21 Camilia Abdelmejid. I'm a summer student with Canor,
22 and I'd say just the beauty of Yellowknife, the
23 nature.

24 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: First,
25 I'm going to get you to introduce yourselves when you

1 speak, okay. We're going to go right here.

2 MS. JULIE MARENTETTE: Hi, everyone.

3 I'm Julie Marentette. I'm a fisheries protection
4 biologist with Fisheries and Oceans Canada. And my
5 favourite aspect of the NWT is the endless daylight we
6 have in the summer.

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.

8 Thank you.

9 MR. BRADLEY SUMMERFIELD: Thanks. Hi.

10 My name's Bradley Summerfield, with Environment and
11 Climate Change Canada, an environmental assessment
12 coordinator. I think my favourite spot is Hidden
13 Lake.

14 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Good morning.

15 I'm Loretta Ransom. I'm a senior environmental
16 assessment coordinator with Environment and Climate
17 Change Canada. And there's too many spots to choose
18 from, but right now, I'm just loving the rain.

19 MS. SHANNON MOORE: Hi. I'm Shannon
20 Moore, with Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society. I
21 think my favourite spot is -- or my favourite feature
22 is also the daylight right now.

23 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: It's
24 Barb here. I'm actually going to go to the phone
25 because I believe there's one (1) representative from

1 Enercan. So perhaps the person on the phone could
2 introduce themselves at this time.

3 MS. ROCHELLE BEZNER (BY PHONE): Yes,
4 it's Rochelle Bezner, from Enercan. I'm part of the
5 environmental assessment group based out of Ottawa.
6 So my favourite part of the Northwest Territor --
7 Territories is the airport because that's the only
8 place I've been to in the NWT at this point.

9 MR. CLIMATE MUYAMBO: Hi. My name is
10 Climate Muyambo. I'm in finance. And my favourite
11 spot is Seven -- Seven Spruce Golf Course.

12 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Thank you. My name
13 is Deal Holman. I'm with the Liidlíi Kue First Nation
14 in Fort Simpson. I think the favourite spot I have is
15 just at the Camsell Range there, Camsell bend where I
16 grew up. Masi.

17 MS. CARRIE BRENNEMAN: Thank you. My
18 name's Carrie Breneman. I'm an environmental
19 consultant for Dehcho First Nations. My favourite
20 feature spot of the NWT is the Mackenzie River,
21 particularly around Fort Simpson.

22 MR. CESAR OBONI: Hi, everyone. My
23 name is Cesar Oboni. I'm here with Oboni Riskope
24 Associates. And my favourite things about the
25 Northwest Territories are also undisclosed fishing

1 grounds.

2 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Chuck Hubert, with
3 the Review Board. And I'll go with this room.

4 MS. STEFAN REINECKE: Stefan Reinecke,
5 with Stratos. I've main spent time in Yellowknife, so
6 it would probably around -- running around the lakes.

7 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
8 with the Review Board. And I'm going to go with the
9 light in wintertime.

10 MR. BRETT WHELER: Brett Wheler, with
11 the Review Board. Lots of favourite spots. I'm going
12 to say the Nicholson River.

13 MR. MARK CLIFF-PHILLIPS: It's Mark
14 Cliff-Phillips again. My favourite spot is the
15 ramparts on the Mackenzie River.

16 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: Hi. It's Alan
17 Ehrlich. It's a tie between Yellowknife Bay and the
18 dump.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: I'm
20 going to need to know more about that.

21 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: What's that?

22 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: I said
23 I'm going to need to know more about that.

24 MR. CHRIS ROSE: Okay. Chris Rose, a
25 policy advisor with the Review Board here. One of my

1 favourite things about nor -- the North and
2 Yellowknife is the big, open sky. It -- I didn't
3 really know what people meant by it, but now that I've
4 moved here, I understand.

5 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Good.
6 Well, thank you very much and welcome to everyone.
7 And for those of you who haven't -- are on the out --
8 yes, sorry? You can use your mic, m-hm.

9 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Oh. It's Loretta
10 Ransom again. My apologies. There are one (1) or two
11 (2) people on the line from Environment and Climate
12 Change Canada. I really forgot to mention that.

13 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Oh,
14 okay. We didn't realize they were connected yet, so
15 we'll check. Okay, so, folks -- other folks from ECCC
16 on the line, could you introduce yourselves, please?

17 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): I'm
18 with Environment and Climate Change Canada. And I'm a
19 senior -- senior engineer with expert support. And I
20 am in Toronto. And, unfortunately, I have yet to
21 enjoy the Northwest Territories.

22 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: And is
23 there one (1) other person or is that it, Loretta?
24 That's it. Okay, good. Welcome. Thank you. And for
25 -- yes. Okay, so if there's a question at the back,

1 you just need to come and introduce yourself. You
2 just have to sort of --

3 MS. LORRAINE SEALE: Lorraine Seale,
4 with Department and Lands. I just want to clarify, is
5 there anyone from Nahanni Butte Dene First -- Dene
6 band here or on the line?

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: I'll let
8 Chuck answer that question, please.

9 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Chuck Hubert, with
10 the Review Board. Not today. But tomorrow around
11 4:00 p.m. members from Nahanni Butte Dene band will be
12 speaking.

13 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
14 They're going to call in tomorrow around 4:00. That's
15 the -- that's the plan as for their involvement, yeah.
16 Oh, are -- yes?

17 MR. DARRELL BETSAKA: I'm from Nahanni
18 Butte.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Oh,
20 you're from Nahanni Butte. Well, come on up and
21 introduce yourself then. We're -- we're delighted
22 that you're here. We didn't expect to have you in
23 person. Thank you.

24 MR. DARRELL BETSAKA: Darrell Betsaka,
25 Naha Dehe Consensus Team, joint collaborative

1 management with Parks Canada. And my favourite part
2 is probably Nahanni National Park. Thank you for your
3 time.

4 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great,
5 thank you. Is there anyone else here that should be
6 introducing themselves, or are you -- is it okay for
7 you to introduce yourselves when you come up to the
8 table?

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10 (BRIEF PAUSE)

11

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
13 I'm going to leave that as your -- your thing to do.
14 Okay. So we know who's here and in the room. You
15 have a detailed agenda that you've been given. The
16 way -- and I'm sure many of you who have participated
17 in technical sessions before know that there's large
18 time chunks with several bullets.

19 So we're going to go through the
20 bullets to the best that we can based on what
21 information needs that you have. So we will use this
22 set of agenda bullets as our guide, and we'll try and
23 make progress. In some instances if we're able to get
24 through some of the items a little bit earlier we'll
25 bump some of -- the agenda items that are to come

1 later, we'll bump them forward.

2 So we'll just do a little bit of back
3 and forth, and assessing how we're doing depending on
4 what information needs you're still needing to
5 address, and how we -- how we're able to progress
6 through the day.

7 This -- today we're particularly going
8 to have an opening presentation by CanZinc to set the
9 context and the lay of the land for us. And then
10 before lunch our focus of the questions is really
11 going to be about that project overview, particularly
12 around access control, the road components, and also
13 the closure and reclamation.

14 So we're going to try and do that piece
15 before lunch. After lunch, we're going to open it up
16 to talk about more of the biophysical side of things.
17 So the fish, the water, the water quality, and the
18 vegetation. That's where we're going to focus on
19 today, and I've got a little bit of a roadmap posted
20 on the side wall so that as we're making progress we
21 can tick them off as we advance through the workshop
22 today -- the -- the meeting today.

23 Are there any questions that you have
24 about this agenda, and the way it's structured?

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1 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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3 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

4 So in terms of how can we make this session
5 productive, Mark very kindly walked through some
6 suggestions. I have a few additional things that I
7 would invite you to think about, and perhaps some of
8 these are very familiar to you but I -- I found it
9 helpful just to put them out in front for us to
10 consider.

11 So throughout our conversation over the
12 next four (4) days, we are going to be tracking
13 specifically commitments and undertakings, and as we
14 start to identify the need for a commitment or for an
15 undertaking we're going to be pausing to identify that
16 we have a need for it. And, in fact, I've got some
17 sticky notes so that if there's a few key words -- so,
18 for instance, if there's an undertaking that we need
19 more information on 'X', 'Y', or 'Z' we might just jot
20 it up and put it on a sticky note on the side wall.

21 And in the meantime, we have a couple
22 of folks here who are actually going to work on the
23 detailed wording of those undertakings, those homework
24 assignments essentially, or the commitments so that we
25 can agree as a group before we move on what those

1 commitments or what those undertakings are so that we
2 are -- we're comfortable to progress to the next
3 conversation topic.

4 If there's a situation where we're not
5 able to land a commitment or undertaking but there's
6 still an outstanding question that -- that does need
7 some attention, we'll capture it in the currently
8 unknown, the pink category. So for those ones that
9 there isn't a clear response and a clear direction,
10 that's how I invite us to handle those particular
11 ones.

12 When a question is asked, I invite a
13 timely response to the extent that's possible. If
14 it's possible to put your thoughts and responses
15 together in one (1) to two (2) minutes to help us
16 allow to get through as many information questions as
17 we can, we'll be -- I will be trying to hopefully
18 (AUDIO ISSUES) in that thought. And if it's not
19 possible within a couple minutes to put your (AUDIO
20 ISSUES) that's a -- that's a perfect place to flag it
21 as an undertaking.

22 We also invite you to have sidebar
23 conversations. As David pointed out, there are a lot
24 of people in this room and there's a lot of times for
25 lunch breaks and coffee breaks to have those side

1 conversations. Your -- your job today is to make sure
2 that you get the information that you need in order to
3 advance your work. So, please, make sure that you
4 chat with one another to try and sort through the
5 outstanding questions that you might have if we're not
6 able to resolve them here.

7 And if there are differences in opinion
8 on what information is required during the EA phase
9 versus the regulatory, I'm going to invite the Review
10 Board staff to help weigh in on that -- on shaping
11 what do we do in that instance of difference of
12 opinion.

13 In terms of -- in terms of some of the
14 logistics, I -- we're going to try and stay on time.
15 So you will hear my little bell from time to time, at
16 break time and lunch time. That's inviting you to
17 come back as promptly as possible because we have a
18 lot of information to get through.

19 As Mark said, this is designed to be
20 informal and to be open. It's an opportunity to learn
21 from one another and so I hope that we can do that to
22 the extent that is comfortable when we have
23 microphones and when we have to introduce our name at
24 the beginning of each time we -- we make a -- a
25 comment, but it's here for the -- for the conversation

1 that needs to happen.

2 We have folks at the back of the room
3 who are making the transcriptions. And in order for
4 them to do that well they need to have your name
5 spoken at the beginning of each time that you make a
6 comment into the microphone, so that the verbatim
7 tracking is -- is kept accurate.

8 If there are additional agenda items
9 that we can't get through we will flag them and put
10 them up in a parking lot so that if we have time at
11 the back end, particularly at Thursday, or if we can
12 bump it up into the end of one (1) of our days earlier
13 we will do that.

14 I also invite you to be mindful of the
15 fact that we do have a few people joining us remotely
16 by the phone. So I will try to remember to invite
17 their participation, but when you're giving your
18 comments and your questions, please -- please do
19 remember there are some remote folks joining us.

20 I didn't actually check where the
21 bathrooms are for housekeeping. So can someone point
22 them -- down the hall and to the left. Okay. And
23 lunch options are basically the two (2) restaurants in
24 this hotel? Is that the best options, or where you
25 wish to do? Okay.

1 And I generally have a little bit of a
2 house rule about phones. So if you do need to take a
3 -- a call, I invite you just to step out at your
4 convenience to do that so that we can continue the
5 flow of the conversation here in the room.

6 Any questions about the logistics?
7 Okay. So before we launch into the first -- first
8 item for -- where we'll have Canadian Zinc do the
9 presentation, I'd like you to just spend a moment
10 thinking about how it is that we would like to work
11 together over the next four (4) days.

12 So we do have four (4) days to work
13 together. That's a lot of time. You probably have a
14 lot of experience of what has worked well. Think back
15 to a meeting or technical session that you though,
16 That was great. What was it about it that worked
17 really well?

18 Or conversely, think about a meeting or
19 a workshop you went to that was a complete disaster.
20 What was it that we would like to avoid here today.
21 So in little groups of two (2) or three (3) around
22 your table, and I would normally mix you all up, but
23 because you're kind of huddled in like groups, maybe
24 talk to someone you don't know if you can, if you're
25 on the edges.

1 Come up with one (1) or two (2) things
2 about how you'd like us to work today. You know,
3 things we want to avoid or things that we definitely
4 want to see -- have as our good practice and we'll
5 collect a few ideas in two (2) minutes.

6 Talk amongst yourselves.

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8 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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10 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
11 Have you got some ideas? Okay. I've got a couple of
12 head nods. Do you guys -- and GNWT, do you have
13 something to add to the conversation? All right. Get
14 busy. Do you guys have something? Yes. Yes, you're
15 ready? Okay.

16 MR. ALAN TAYLOR: Well, I just need to
17 make a comment that's all.

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

19 MR. ALAN TAYLOR: It's Alan Taylor.
20 You -- you mentioned shuffling the agenda somewhat.
21 Well, you notice that we have a few people here,
22 that's because we have a number of consultants that
23 are coming at designated times and appearing on the
24 phones at designated times. So those slots need to be
25 protected. Thanks.

1 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: And so
2 to the extent that we can -- we need to make sure the
3 right people are in the room, at the right time, for
4 the right topic. Yes? Okay. Good.

5 Okay. In terms of our meeting conduct
6 today, has -- have anyone got some ideas about how we
7 should run our conversations? Okay. We'll start
8 here.

9 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Rick Walbourne,
10 ENR. I just think, you know, questions should be
11 clear and concise, and we should show each other a
12 certain level of respect. I know it's always
13 difficult sometimes when we get a lot of different
14 people in the rooms, but somewhat -- I would say we
15 all have really the same agendas, to get to.

16 We want to be at the same place, but we
17 don't always go about it the same way. So we just
18 need to show each other a certain level of respect, I
19 think, to -- to help these things go a little
20 smoother.

21 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Right.
22 Thanks very much, Rick.

23 Other people have something to add to
24 this discussion?

25 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: It's Loretta

1 Ransom, Environment and Climate Change Canada. I know
2 you're encouraging sort of sidebar conversations, but
3 if those do happen, that that information is shared
4 with all the other parties as well.

5 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So what
8 Loretta shared with us is the need to report back to
9 plenary. If there's been a sidebar conversation and a
10 learning that's happened, that needs to come back into
11 plenary, particularly when it's related to one (1) of
12 the undertakings. Great. Thanks.

13 Did you say -- was it Alan or Chuck?

14 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Chuck Hubert, with
15 the Board. We will post a sample example meeting
16 report for interested parties and the Developer in how
17 to write one (1) of these things up and as an example
18 for everybody.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
20 Good. Other comments in terms of how we should
21 conduct ourselves today? How about this table up here
22 at the front? Did you have anything to add?

23 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: From my
24 perspective, I think people have captured things quite
25 well. Anybody else?

1 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.

2 Anything else to add on this side here? No. Yes, at
3 the back.

4 MS. LORRAINE SEALE: Hi. Lorraine
5 Seale, GNWT. We always have scheduling challenges
6 with these things, and we're already behind, so really
7 think that's part of the respect for everybody, too,
8 is trying to balance getting the input and staying on
9 schedule.

10 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
11 Good. And with that, that's a perfect segue to move
12 into our opening presentation. So, folks from
13 CanZinc, you're going to make an overview of the
14 project. Is that correct?

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16 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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18 PRESENTATION BY CANADIAN ZINC CORPORATION:

19 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Good morning.

20 I'll stand. If anybody wants me to sit, that's --
21 that's fine, but I find it easier to be galvanized
22 standing up. So I'll just give a quick overview of
23 the salient points of the project.

24 For most of the regulatory people here,
25 I think you should know all this anyway. So this is

1 really an overview for those people who are not
2 particularly familiar with the project.

3 So these are the items we'll cover
4 briefly. We're going to just describe the general
5 alignment and the major crossings of our water
6 courses. We'll then spend a little bit of time
7 discussing the construction approach. Best to do that
8 right after the alignment so you're familiar with some
9 of the locations.

10 And then we'll get into some more finer
11 points such as where the proposal season road differs
12 from the -- the winter road, and what changes we've
13 actually made during the course of this EA to date
14 since we submitted our Developer's Assessment Report.

15 We'll mention what other infrastructure
16 is related to the road, and lastly we'll just consider
17 the general timing of road operation and closure. And
18 I'll apologize to my Parks Canada folks that I'm --
19 rudely got my back to, but it's a little difficult to
20 talk and see the screen at the same time.

21 So this is basically the -- the whole
22 area and the road in total. And you can see here that
23 we've got the Nahanni Park boundary, the eastern
24 boundary of the expanded Nahanni Park Reserve --
25 National Park Reserve. And here's the mine here in

1 what we fondly call the 'island in the park'. And
2 that's where we basically call the 'kilometre zero'
3 being the mine. And here the road -- this red line is
4 the -- the alignment of the access road snaking its
5 way down here, crossing the Liard River, and then
6 joining the Liard Highway at this location here.

7 So here's Nahanni Butte. So in a -- in
8 a general fashion, the mine is along the -- on the
9 bank of the Prairie Creek. And the road starts by
10 heading north up Prairie Creek, and then it heads east
11 up one of the tributaries. And right at the park, the
12 kind of the internal park boundary here at kilometre
13 17, is where the road actually enters the park. And
14 it's also the -- the highest elevation in the -- the
15 Headless range of the Macken -- the Mackenzie
16 Mountains in here.

17 Then it traverses down parallel to
18 Sundog Creek, departs from the creek here and crosses
19 the Ram Plateau. The Ram is actually a much larger
20 area in here, so the road crosses in -- in this kind
21 of location.

22 And right about at this point, it
23 descends into the lowlands of the Tetcela River. It
24 crosses a wetland area here, and then climbs a
25 relatively small mountain range called the Silent

1 Hills. And it climbs up a -- a fairly steep slope to
2 go through a pass which is called Wolverine -- called
3 Wolverine Pass. Then through another lowland stretch.
4 It goes through -- there's another -- there's a front
5 range in here -- front range mountains. The road goes
6 through what's called Grainger Gap, formed by the
7 Grainger River. And then it traverses along the
8 foothills of the front range to cross the river right
9 here.

10 So in a little more detail, and also
11 considering water course crossings, here again is the
12 mine down here. And, as I say, it traverses north.
13 The -- the tributary that it goes up to head east is
14 Funeral Creek. And the first major water course
15 crossing is -- is here at kilometre point 6.2. And
16 this is Casket Creek. That's a tributary of Prairie.

17 The next one in the Sundog drainage is
18 at this location, twenty point five (20.5). And then
19 a -- a larger one here at twenty-three point four
20 (23.4) is another tributary of Sundog. But it's --
21 it's almost the same size, so it's a fairly
22 substantial crossing. Then we have two (2) further
23 tributary crossings on Sundog here, twenty-five point
24 three (25.3) and twenty-eight point six (28.6). Both,
25 again, tributaries.

1 So when I'm talking, I -- I notice when
2 I'm slightly away, can you still hear me clearly? No.
3 So you need -- I need to be there? Okay.

4 So continuing down Sundog, where the
5 road parallels the creek -- okay. How's that? I
6 almost need to hold it on my chin to get the right --
7 yeah. So Jonathan was just asking me what is the blue
8 line, and I was going to explain that on a later
9 slide. But given that it's on here, the red line is
10 the proposed all-season road. The blue line is the
11 currently permitted winter road.

12 So just finishing off this section.
13 There's another tributary here of Sundog, 39.4. And
14 you can actually see the -- the catchment of this
15 tributary in here, so it's another fairly substantial
16 crossing before we actually leave the Sundog Creek
17 valley and head across.

18 So here we are back to where we left
19 off. There's a -- there's a tributary of Sundog in
20 here, forty-three point two (43.2). Then here is the
21 Ram in -- basically in here. And the road skirts
22 along the edge of the -- the Ram. It crosses what we
23 call Polje Creek, but in the park, it's locally known
24 as Bubbling Springs Creek.

25 Then it climbs the slide of the slope

1 in here to cross the plateau proper, if I can call it
2 that. So this is basically all the plateau. And --
3 and the road essentially follows a height of land
4 between these two (2) streams in here, so very little
5 in the way of crossings.

6 And it's only when we get down here
7 just off the plateau and into the lowlands again where
8 we're crossing first a -- a fairly sizeable tributary
9 of -- of Tetcela River, which is this one. And then
10 we cross the main stem of the river itself here at
11 eighty-nine point eight (89.8). And after that, the
12 road crosses that wetland section that I mentioned.

13 So the last section in here -- after
14 the wetland section here is the cross -- climbing the
15 slope. And you can see there's a couple of
16 switchbacks in here to gain elevation, and then
17 through the pass. And then you can see that we've
18 actually got three (3) colours in here now. The blue
19 I mentioned was the primitive winter road. The red
20 was the all-season road alignment that we had in the
21 Developer's assessment report.

22 And since we submitted the DAR, for
23 reasons that I'll get into later, because I'm sure
24 it'll come up, we -- we came up -- we did some more
25 fill work and we came up with this alternative, which

1 we think is a -- a better alignment and it's the one
2 we currently prefer.

3 It -- it crosses the wetland valley
4 here in this location. And then it basically skirts
5 the -- the toe of this range, the front -- the back of
6 the front range, and joins up with the alignment again
7 down here just on the west side of the gap, and then
8 through the gap and heading south towards the river.

9 So in terms of how we propose to build
10 the road, basically, in order to build the road, in
11 addition to borrowing material for construction, you
12 also have to have manpower, and you have to have
13 equipment.

14 So the logical way to -- to effect the
15 construction is basically to -- to build from the
16 east, because that's where your access is. So you
17 come in initially in the wintertime and bring in your
18 personnel, and equipment, and supplies.

19 So the -- the -- in year one, we would
20 basically propose to start building the -- the
21 subgrade. And -- and the subgrade is basically the --
22 the bottom section of the road, the -- the embankment
23 section of the road, if you like. The top surface, or
24 the gravel would be the running surface. So when we
25 talk about subgrade, it's -- it's basically the

1 bottom. And then the top surface would be the gravel.

2 So the -- also, the general idea is you
3 want to place your subgrade first. You want to give
4 that a period to settle in. There will be some settle
5 -- settlement, no doubt. So the idea is we -- you
6 want to have some separation between placement of
7 subgrade before you place the top surface.

8 So when you -- when you put the top
9 surface in, you would hope that whatever significant
10 settlement is going to happen has already occurred.
11 Yeah.

12 MS. ALLISON STODDART: Hi. This is
13 Allison Stoddart, with Parks. Just a quick question.

14 When you refer to the winter road here,
15 are you referring to the winter road alignment or are
16 you referring to just building a -- a winter-style
17 road on the all-season road alignment?

18 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yeah. So to what
19 -- to our way of thinking, for the most part, if the
20 all-season road is approved, the all-season road
21 alignment, for the most part, will become the winter
22 alignment, because it doesn't make any sense to us to
23 develop two (2) alignments.

24 So the idea would be that we would
25 develop a -- a winter road on the all-season alignment

1 to allow a) access into the mine so we can start
2 construction at the mine, and at the same time, allow
3 us access to actually build the all season road. So
4 it'll be -- they'll -- the two (2) will be basically
5 next to one other within the same right-of-way.

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7 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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9 MS. ALLISON STODDART: So you're --
10 you're essentially saying there'll be a winter road
11 and an all-season road side-by-side, or will it just
12 become the same road? Like, will you build the winter
13 and then slowly build up the grade so that it becomes
14 an all-season road? No? Okay.

15 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yeah. So the
16 winter road would essentially be next to the all-
17 season road. Because as you're building the -- the
18 all-season road, you obviously can't be driving on it.
19 And also initially, you have a subgrade. You don't
20 have a top surface.

21 So, I mean, theoretically, you could
22 drive on it, but it would probably be pretty heavy
23 going, because it hadn't been smoothed. It hasn't
24 settled yet. You haven't smoothed it out. This is
25 probably a question you should ask again when we have

1 our engineers here on Wednesday and Thursday.

2 But, you know, we have a -- nominally a
3 20 metre wide -- wide right-of-way. It's -- it's more
4 than wide enough to have a single lane winter road
5 adjacent to a -- the footprint of where we want to put
6 the actual all-season road so that the -- you can
7 still have access at the same time as you're -- you're
8 building the thing.

9 So schedule-wise, initially, we're
10 going to be starting with subgrade from kilometre 174
11 to the Liard River. The reason kilometre 174 is
12 significant is that's the distance from the mine at
13 which the all-season road leaves the current existing
14 Nahanni access road. So that's already built, so
15 that's basically where we're starting our construction
16 from.

17 And we would build roughly the 14
18 kilometres distance from the Nahanni access road to
19 the Liard River. Most of that section also has been
20 previously developed as a winter road. It was an old
21 logging road that the community used for felling
22 trees. So for the most part, we'll be using that
23 alignment, which is -- I mean, obviously it was
24 cleared before, but there's -- there's now some more
25 clearing to be done.

1 In the first year in the winter, we
2 need to build the ice bridge along -- across the
3 river, and at the same time, we'd also start to build
4 the -- the ramps on both sides of the river where
5 we're going to operate a barge. And as winter
6 progresses, we would continue with the subgrade north
7 along the front range, taking us up to Grainger Gap,
8 and that's about kilometre 125. So from the river to
9 the gap is about 35 kilometres.

10 While the subgrade work is continuing
11 and after we've completed the ice bridge, then the
12 winter road construction to the mine will continue.
13 The object being that before the end of winter, we
14 want to have a -- what we call a -- a tote road --
15 tote winter road to the mine, which is just sufficient
16 to allow supplies and some equipment to be taken in.

17 It's not going to be a -- a winter road
18 that would allow frequent traffic, or any significant
19 amount of traffic. It's basically enough to get some
20 -- you know, several loads of equipment and supplies
21 into the mine on a basically a once -- once in and
22 once out situation, and then the road -- the winter
23 road will be closed.

24 And again, as winter progresses, and
25 depending on how -- how the settling has occurred on

1 the section from one seventy-four (174) to the Liard
2 River, then we may commence surfacing that section, so
3 that -- that piece may be done. But it depends on --
4 on how things progress and how -- you know, what --
5 how the settling goes.

6 What's a little confusing in this
7 slide, because there's no -- there's no boundaries to
8 these, but year 2, the fall here is year 2. It's not
9 part of year 1. So we're basically saying after the
10 first winter, there'll be a gap until we get to the
11 fall of year -- year 2 before we continue the work.
12 And at that point, we'd continue with our surfacing,
13 or indeed start it if conditions weren't suitable. On
14 the east side of the river, we'd continue the
15 surfacing up to Grainger Gap.

16 This work would be contingent on
17 equipment and supplies being available, so they would
18 have to have been left. Otherwise, we would have to
19 wait until the ice bridge is completed the following
20 winter, and then continue with that work. So I --
21 I've been given the five (5) minute signal, so I'm
22 going to have to speed up here a little bit.

23 So year 2, basically, the winter,
24 obviously, we have to get the ice bridge in again
25 before we can continue with significant equipment and

1 supplies.

2 We'd still need to build the -- the
3 winter road to the mine again because we would need
4 more supplies in the second year. And also at that --
5 at that point, we'd be taking in what we call 'long-
6 lead items' that took longer to acquire, and we would
7 take them in so that we then basically have everything
8 in at the mine we'd need to complete the construction
9 and actually commission the mill.

10 After that, we're basically continuing
11 the subgrade further west. We'll -- we'll continue up
12 to kilometre point 102, which is basically the Silent
13 Hills. And then on the other side of the Hills,
14 continuing the gravelling up to the -- more or less
15 the midpoint of the -- the Ram Plateau. The reason
16 there's a gap in there between ninety-five (95) and
17 one-o-two (102), is that's the west side of the Silent
18 Hills, which is -- which is very densely treed. And
19 it would take some time to fully clear out that right-
20 of-way so that it's suitable for activity for all-
21 season road construction.

22 In -- also in that winter, we can start
23 installing some of our crossings from the east up to
24 KP 87, which is basically the Tetcela River. So
25 roughly halfway of the trip.

1 Year 2 continues in the summer. Now we
2 have subgrade for a good stretch, so we can continue
3 our surfacing on -- on the subgrade. And in that
4 respect, we're not using the winter road. We're
5 actually using the subgrade that's been placed. And
6 we continue our subgrade placement, again using the
7 all-season road, not the winter road.

8 Continuing with our crossings, here --
9 these are the ones in Sundog. This we may do with
10 equipment and supplies from the mine. So -- and
11 actually, at this point, we may be working both ends
12 of the road. There's some work we can do based from
13 the mine.

14 In -- in the later part in the fall or
15 -- or in the winter, depending on conditions, we can
16 start getting into things like the Sundog Creek
17 realignment, where we're -- want to adjust the -- the
18 alignment of the creek over roughly a one 1 kilometre
19 stretch. At this time, we're also finishing our
20 construction at the mine and starting to commission
21 the mill for actual production.

22 Then year 3 is basically the period
23 when we're finishing off the road. We're starting
24 again in the winter with an ice bridge to bring in
25 more equipment. And we're finishing off all the

1 subgrade work, installing the -- the final crossings,
2 and in the summer of that year, the final surfacing.
3 And we're basically -- have our finished road, and we
4 can commence trucking operations.

5 So very quickly, differences between
6 the -- an all-season road -- the all-season road and
7 the permitted winter road. This is the Sundog
8 section. Currently, the winter road is on the north
9 side of this section of Sundog, between roughly KP 24
10 and 29.

11 We're proposing to realign the road to
12 the south side, because there's very significant talas
13 slopes on the north side, and also there's a rather
14 unstable area right at this corner here on the north
15 side.

16 So we're proposing to come onto the
17 other side. It will mean a couple more crossings of
18 tributaries, and it will also mean some rock work in
19 this section, but we think overall, it's a better
20 alignment.

21 There's some slight differences along
22 Sundog in this section, whereas the -- the winter road
23 basically goes up the centre of the -- of the -- the
24 canyon, whereas the all-season road, we propose to put
25 -- tuck it up against the toe of the slope, here.

1 Crossing the Ram Plateau, we've --
2 we've made some adjustments to -- to minimize cut and
3 fill in here, and also because of a -- a few spots
4 where the ground has been indicated as potentially
5 having some instability based on terrain mapping.

6 This is where we had proposed to build
7 the -- actually, it was here, was the Tetcela transfer
8 facility. We've moved it here, because we've actually
9 changed the alignment. This ground is quite wet,
10 which is good for winter, but not good for all
11 seasons. So that's -- that's why we've realigned
12 here. And the same situation on the east side of
13 Tetcela River.

14 We've also found what we think is a
15 better alignment crossing -- climbing the slope of the
16 Silent Hills here. Coming down the -- crossing the --
17 the valley here -- actually, I've already covered
18 this. Rather than go along the -- the toe of the
19 Silent Hills, we propose to come across and -- and run
20 along the -- the backside of -- of the front range,
21 here, to the gap.

22 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: I think it would
23 just be important to note -- oh, sorry, my name is
24 Jonathan Tsetso. I'm with Parks Canada. I think it
25 would just be important to note for the alignments

1 along the slope of the Silent Hills aren't actually
2 cleared, just from an impacts perspective.

3 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yeah, that's
4 correct. There is actually -- I mean, the old --
5 there -- there was a winter road here originally that
6 Cadillac put in back in the '80s, and there -- there
7 is still visible parts of the old winter road
8 alignment crossing -- I mean, climbing that slope, but
9 it's mostly vegetated now. So it would -- it would
10 still require quite a bit of clearing.

11 But the new alignment we're proposing
12 would need full clearing. That's correct.

13 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: Carrie Breneman,
14 Dehcho First Nation. The slopes that you're
15 describing for the Silent Hills, is that the same
16 alignment that's presented in the DAR?

17 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yes, it is. And
18 this is the front range. Again, we've -- we've just
19 tweaked the alignment a little bit from -- from the
20 winter alignment just to find better ground, but
21 generally, the alignment is much the same.

22 So changes we've made since the DAR.
23 And I'm trying to go through these pretty quick,
24 because I know I'm over time already. This is Sundog.
25 This is kilometre 29. We -- in the DAR, we had

1 actually pro -- proposed to cross the main stem of
2 Sundog. I think it's in here, and skirt along here
3 using the old winter alignment, and crossing again at
4 this location.

5 Terrain mapping found an in -- unstable
6 section of the -- the mountain in this location, so
7 we've revised the alignment since the DAR, and are
8 staying on the south side, which avoids these two (2)
9 crossings. It means we've got to cross this
10 tributary, but it's fairly small.

11 We've also got some rock work in here,
12 but overall, we actually think it's a better
13 situation.

14 We haven't made any significant changes
15 crossing the -- this section just before the Ram
16 Plateau. There's just been a few tweaks to avoid some
17 unstable spots. The same on this slide. I'm -- I'm
18 just going to skip over this.

19 As I mentioned, this was quite a
20 significant change from the DAR and was as a result of
21 some interaction we had with the community and some
22 further engineering consideration we -- we undertook.

23 Again, we -- we -- just a few tweaks
24 because of some issues. There's a couple of spots
25 where the road was a little close to the -- the river

1 is eroding. So we've just shifted it over a little
2 bit, and here we're actually cutting the corner.

3 Other infrastructure related to the
4 road, construction camps. I've listed them here.
5 You've -- you've -- you may have this printed out, but
6 it's on -- it's on the registry if you want to refer
7 to it. Certain of these camps we may retain -- I've
8 starred them here -- just for support for road
9 maintenance during operations.

10 There is an airstrip, an old airstrip,
11 that was used by Cadillac back in the '80s. This
12 rather horrible looking map gives you a rough
13 location. This -- here's the airstrip I'm -- I'm
14 referring to. It's -- it's basically -- we call it
15 the Wolverine Airstrip.

16 This is the Silent Hills here, which is
17 also the park boundary, so it's outside the park. And
18 here it is again. Here's the -- the park band is
19 roughly in here. This is -- this is the Silent Hills,
20 and this is roughly where the airstrip is.

21 So I'm not going to dwell on this very
22 much. Again, you have this information, but we
23 envisage currently a seventeen (17) year mine life.
24 That's also a bit of a change since the DAR because
25 we've continued to work on the -- the project in terms

1 of resource. And of -- we can see that it will -- it
2 will go for longer than we originally projected.

3 Basically, we're going to have to have
4 an ice bridge construction over the river to allow
5 winter hauling, and that's the period we estimate.
6 And similarly, there'll be a summer barge operation
7 across the river after break-up and before freeze-up.

8 So we're expecting roughly two (2)
9 years of actual reclamation of the mine, and then
10 following that, a similar period for reclamation of
11 the road. And then there will be a period of
12 monitoring both for the mine and the road and with --
13 with kind of decreasing intensity based on things
14 stabilizing and starting to revegetate.

15 And I'm going to stop there. This was
16 in the presentation originally, but thankfully it's
17 not now because it would be very much longer. But I
18 think this is also on the registry and for -- for
19 reference. We may use this later during the week.

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21 QUESTION PERIOD:

22 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
23 you very much. It's Barb, from Stratos. So at this
24 point in our meeting, we have as -- our first
25 conversation item is around the project overview. And

1 the first set of questions that we would like to open
2 up the floor is related to access control.

3 So perhaps I'll turn to the Review
4 Board to see if you have an initial question related
5 to access control. And others can formulate their
6 questions as they're ready.

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8 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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10 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
11 So there -- I don't think there's any questions from
12 the Review Board. Are there questions from other
13 parties related to access control that you would like
14 to raise at this time? Parks...? Yes, you do,
15 Jonathan? Okay, go ahead.

16 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Jonathan Tsetso,
17 from Parks Canada. There was a note sent from the
18 Review Board to Parks Canada just with regards to
19 access controls and how we deal with that. So perhaps
20 before I get into this, I'll just provide a little
21 context for our organization and kind of where some of
22 our comments are coming from, just very quickly.

23 So it's a large park. It's about
24 30,000 square kilometres. And we're responsible for
25 protecting and preserving and presenting the natural

1 and cultural heritage of the park for future
2 generations.

3 So really what does this mean? Really
4 it's a very broad mandate and we're responsible for
5 protecting the ecological and cultural integrity of
6 the park. And really, in carrying out this mandate,
7 we rely on positive relationships with our indigenous
8 communities.

9 We are cooperatively managed with the
10 park, Dehcho First Nations and Nahanni Butte, through
11 the Naha dehe consensus team. And Darrell Betsaka's
12 here from Nahanni Butte, as well, so we're -- we're
13 happy to have him here.

14 And we also rely heavily on traditional
15 ecological knowledge and science-based research based
16 on monitoring projects and programs that we have
17 ongoing in the park. So that's really forming the
18 foundation for pretty much everything that we do.

19 So with regards to access control, it's
20 -- it's very quite simple. All access into the park
21 will be controlled through permitting. And part of
22 what we're discussing here today is permits would look
23 like in the context of a -- of a mining road. So we
24 do extend that for -- for other things, as well, a
25 potential for recreational use and things like that.

1 And we would really have to work
2 closely with, obviously, the proponent because they
3 would be having activities on the road, but also with
4 the community of Nahanni Butte. They've brought
5 forward a number of concerns with regards to access in
6 that area.

7 Now, having said that, the park
8 boundary is a considerable distance from the Liard
9 Highway. So with regards to access control, is it
10 more closer to the terminus of the road, we would kind
11 of be more in an observe -- observe type of capacity
12 there.

13 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Go
14 ahead, Chuck.

15 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Chuck Hubert, with
16 the Review Board. Thanks for that answer. You
17 mentioned a permitting system in other parks. Do you
18 have examples of -- of that permitting method in other
19 wilderness parks?

20 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Thanks, Chuck.
21 Jonathan Tsetso, for Parks Canada. Yeah, we do,
22 actually. I mentioned we're a large park. We're
23 30,000 square kilometres. And when the park was
24 established in 2009 there were two (2) existing
25 interests. Which we made special provisions in the

1 Canada National Parks Act to allow for sections of
2 mining roads to pass through a park or the newly
3 expanded area to their mineral claims.

4 So the other example we have is the --
5 the Howard's Pass Access Road with the Howard's Pass
6 property. So that road now approximate -- covers
7 approximately almost 40 some kilometres through two
8 (2) national parks. We do have a gate there. The
9 road has become seasonally operational as of 2014, so
10 there has been some work done there.

11 So there again we do work very closely
12 with the proponent in our communities for access
13 controls. The road is just being used very minimally
14 by the Company right now and there's some traditional
15 subsistence harvesting facilitated by the road, but,
16 otherwise, very minimal use.

17 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Thanks. Chuck
18 Hubert again. Just a followup question. By
19 permitting, I was actually trying to get at permitting
20 for other uses, say permits -- do you give permits for
21 tourism companies, guide outfitters, yeah, other --
22 other types?

23 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Yeah, sorry,
24 maybe I missed the first part of your question there.
25 I apologize. Yeah, absolutely. So any tourists that

1 do have an interest in -- in using the road, the road
2 goes adjacent to the little Nahanni River, which is
3 kind of a small, little lesser travelled river in the
4 Nahanni.

5 So for repeat visitors, they'll come
6 and use that area. Other areas are in the Alpine
7 areas where people might access -- use the road to
8 access hiking opportunities, things like that.

9 So, yeah, in those ins -- instances we
10 do permit those activities. We work closely with them
11 to ensure that the road is safe and, you know, there's
12 no -- if there are any issues, that we do communicate
13 that to the visitors so they're well prepared.

14 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Chuck Hubert,
15 Review Board. Last question. Does Parks anticipate
16 any adverse impacts to wildlife vegetation or
17 ecological integrity into the park without access
18 control?

19 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: So your question
20 was: Was there any impacts to the wildlife vegetation
21 with current access?

22 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: In -- in the
23 context of this proposed project, does Parks Canada
24 anticipate adverse impacts to wildlife, vegetation,
25 water, ecological integrity, if there is no access

1 control?

2 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: So that's for
3 the Howards Pass access road you're talking about?

4 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Oh, sorry. Chuck
5 Hubert, Review Board. No. I'm talking about this
6 project, and the proposed Prairie Creek Mine all
7 season road.

8 Should this project proceed, does Parks
9 Canada anticipate adverse impacts to park values,
10 which are quite numerous, in the absence of some type
11 of access control?

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13 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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15 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Jonathan Tsetso,
16 Parks Canada. Yes.

17 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
18 Thank you. Are there any other questions? So
19 Dave...?

20 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: I think maybe it's
21 appropriate for CanZinc to give a bit of an update on
22 the access control issue because there has been some
23 recent information. So if you're amenable it probably
24 means me getting back on my feet and pointing again,
25 but it'll probably be more efficient to do that.

1 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

2 Thank you. Do you want me to -- do we need to go back
3 to one of your maps, Dave?

4 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yes, please. Just
5 go back to the big map.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: To the
7 big one?

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9 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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11 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: So, Jonathan, is
12 correct that one of the main concerns of particularly
13 Nahanni Butte with the all season access road is the
14 potential for unintended access, if I can call it
15 that.

16 So it's a -- it's a vexing question
17 that we've been working on, and the reason it's vexing
18 is basically at least -- at least in the territory,
19 once you build a road it becomes a public road. So
20 there are some things you can do, and can't do. For
21 example, we can't legally deny access.

22 So we've been working on a premise of
23 operating a -- what we call a check point, which is
24 merely a location where we would want to record who's
25 coming and going, what their intentions are for -- for

1 a couple of reasons.

2 One is when the road is operating,
3 obviously there's going to be traffic on the road. So
4 clearly from a safety perspective you want to know
5 who's intending to come up the road, and where they're
6 going to go.

7 Secondarily, if there are people coming
8 in with the intent of hunting, then from an
9 environmental standpoint you want to know what their
10 intentions are and where they're going to go, and
11 particularly if they're going to be shooting
12 approximal to the road.

13 So we've maintained for some time that
14 we want to operate a check point staffed by members of
15 the Nahanni Butte Dene band. We feel it's their
16 territory. They're the best people to actually be
17 manning the check point. So they can "deter access"
18 of unauthorized users. In other words, people we
19 really don't want on the road because of the safety
20 issues and the environmental concerns.

21 Now, at this point we've suggested the
22 best location for the control point to be roughly
23 here, halfway along this stretch between the river and
24 the gap. And the reason we've picked this location is
25 if we had a check point on the east side of the river

1 on this section, the -- the thinking is it would not
2 stop people who are really intent on using the road
3 from putting their watercraft in somewhere like Black
4 -- Blackstone Park, for example, and coming down the
5 river and actually accessing the road and bypassing
6 the check point.

7 So by having a check point here, we
8 basically have it as a catch all for all traffic. We
9 would propose to put it in a location where it would
10 be very difficult to bypass. You basically have to go
11 through the check point, or you don't get up the road
12 at all.

13 The reason we haven't actually
14 officially put it on a map at this point is we're
15 still in discussions with Nahanni Butte and until we
16 get to a point where they're satisfied with our
17 suggestion, and we come to basically a meeting of the
18 minds as to where we want to put this checkpoint, we
19 don't want to actually bring it forward formally in
20 the process.

21 Now, just recently there's been a
22 further development, which you may have seen in the
23 material on the -- the registry. But this section
24 right in here that the road crosses is what's called
25 'IAB lands'. And basically they're lands held by INAC

1 for the community. And just recently we've confirmed
2 that there are mechanisms within the IAB lands
3 framework that the community can actually put a gate
4 on the road and deny access to people they don't want
5 using the road.

6 So it -- it seems likely there will be
7 a gate in here. Whether or not we still have a
8 checkpoint remains to be seen at this location.
9 That's a discussion ag -- also we need to have the
10 with the band. But I think that's kind of relevant
11 access control issues that you all need to know about.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
13 you very much. Does that help to clarify the
14 questions, Chuck and Jonathan? We're okay for the
15 additional follow-up?

16 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
17 with the Review Board. So under this -- what was just
18 explained is there's two (2) possible locations where
19 there could be access control. At this point in time
20 given what you -- was stated earlier that essentially
21 roads that are built are public, there is still the
22 potential that even with a manned gate you can't
23 actually say, No, you can't get onto the road, there's
24 that potential exists.

25 With that in mind, who would be

1 responsible for public members, so non-mine related
2 traffic on that road? So if a tourist was on that
3 road, whether it's the GNWT por -- portion, or the
4 Parks Canada portion, how would -- if someone got in
5 trouble what would happen in that situation? And
6 that's -- Sachi, with the Board -- that's for Parks,
7 Canadian Zinc, and GNWT at this point in time.

8 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: I'll -- I'll have
9 the first shot, but I'll pass it over to my
10 colleagues. But I think the pretext needs to be
11 cleared up a little bit. The assumption is that where
12 the -- as far as I understand it, with a gate on the
13 IAB lands you can deny access. So the -- I think --
14 don't think the pretext is entirely correct. But the
15 question is probably more, I think, specific to, okay,
16 somebody breaks down the gate or bypasses the gate,
17 say from using the river. And if I'm not mistaken you
18 -- you're kind of coming at this from a risk to the
19 user perspective and how it would be addressed.

20 Is that right?

21 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Yes.

22 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: So I'll -- I'll
23 let others cover that for...

24 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi, with the
25 Board. I just wanted to add one (1) thing. I

1 understand that if it -- there's the potential to --
2 to put a -- a controlled gate on IAB lands. I think
3 at this point in time in the EA we don't have
4 certainty that that's going to happen. The discussion
5 just happened last week. So the possibility exists
6 that it could be -- that could be where the gate goes.
7 There's a possibility it goes somewhere else. And so
8 it's important that we just understand what can happen
9 under different options. And with that just -- you
10 said there's a point between Grainger Gap and the
11 Liard River.

12 About what kilometre was that idea,
13 just roughly?

14 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: So the kilometre
15 point we have in mind is roughly kilometre 142, I
16 believe. The road traverses between two (2) small
17 lakes and the ground in between is pretty marshy. So
18 in summertime it would be almost impossible to bypass.
19 If I can just add one (1) other thing related to my
20 ramble just now, also a fairly recent development.
21 You may remember from my presentation that we made an
22 adjustment to the alignment on -- just on the east
23 side of the river to -- to get to the crossing to
24 avoid part of the riverbank, which is eroding.

25 That -- that portion actually crosses

1 the IAB lands. And we've had some discussion with the
2 band just recently about that realignment and shown it
3 to them on the map. And they had a council meeting a
4 few days ago and unanimously approved the alignment.
5 They actually want it. Their -- their message to us
6 is, We want you to put the road in the middle of the
7 lands so that in the future we can potentially use it
8 for access to all parts of the lands.

9 So we gave them the map with the
10 alignment that we proposed, and they unanimously
11 agreed to that location.

12 And -- and also, I should add, in the
13 meeting that we had about a week ago in the community,
14 it was them specifically who -- who asked the
15 question: Can we put a gate on the road? So it seems
16 pretty clear to me that that's their intention, and --
17 and we fully support that because it's something we
18 collectively have wanted all along.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
20 you. Is there something from GNWT to add to this
21 conversation?

22 MR. ANDREW MATTHEWS: It's Andrew
23 Matthews. I work in legislation for the Department of
24 Lands, GNWT. Just to respond to Mr. Tsetso's question
25 regarding the -- the risk that people will be

1 undertaking, because I think we were mentioned in your
2 question, effectively, if -- if people use a road,
3 they're then -- they would be entering into their --
4 their own kind of responsibility, same as any other
5 part of the Northwest Territories.

6 It would be the same kind of risks they
7 would assume on any other road, so it wouldn't be
8 different in this situation.

9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
10 you. Was there anything else to add from Parks Canada
11 in response? Yes?

12 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: I -- I think you
13 meant to say, "road."

14 MR. ANDREW MATTHEWS: Sorry, did I --
15 did I use a different term?

16 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: I -- I think you
17 said, "park."

18 MR. ANDREW MATTHEWS: Oh, yeah. My --
19 my apologies. It would be the same as any other road
20 -- any other road.

21 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Okay. Jonathan
22 Tsetso, Parks Canada. Just with regards to -- to
23 access control and who would be responsible for, say,
24 somebody who got in trouble on the road, it is our
25 view that, you know, any use on the road, recreational

1 or otherwise, would have to be done by permit.

2 So we would look at, you know, what's
3 happening on the road and provide enough mitigations
4 in place so that, if somebody's on the road, that they
5 would be responsible for their own safety and fully
6 contained. You know, they would have all the
7 equipment they need to handle, you know, the blowout
8 or mechanical problem or fuel. You know, they would
9 be responsible for all of that on their own.

10 And if somebody would enter the park
11 without a permit, then we have a group in our law
12 enforcement branch that would investigate that.

13 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Okay. Again, I'm
14 just kind of adding more information as I think about
15 it. I'm trying not to hold the mic here, but I think
16 a question that some people might ask or wonder about
17 is, How do you actually police use of the road when it
18 crosses the park? And issues come up in terms of
19 staffing and, you know, money and that kind of thing.

20 I just wanted to make everyone aware
21 that we had already made the commitment to Nahanni
22 Butte that we would have environmental monitors on the
23 winter road when we went through that process several
24 years ago.

25 What we've done in our recent

1 conversations with the band is we've told them that we
2 fully intend to extend that commitment to the all-
3 season road. So in addition to the checkpoint, we
4 expect that there will be monitors on the road
5 whenever the traffic, mine traffic, is in operation.

6 So the reason I'm mentioning that is I
7 think per -- potentially there's a case to be made for
8 one (1) or more of these monitors potentially having a
9 dual role whereas they -- I don't know whether they
10 can have some sort of liaison with the park, whether
11 you want to have them as a -- I don't know the right
12 terminology.

13 You might consider them a surrogate
14 ranger, for example, but essentially instead of -- I
15 think it would be kind of a little silly to have a
16 park warden sitting at the park boundary.

17 But I think it's entirely feasible that
18 you might have some liaison with the road monitors so
19 that you -- you actually know who's coming up the road
20 and -- and theoretically going into the park without
21 your knowledge or permitting.

22 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
23 Thank you. So are there -- I'm wondering whether or
24 not we need to write this and record this as a
25 commitment. I'm looking to -- the Review Board for a

1 little bit of guidance on that recommendation.

2 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: It's Sachi De
3 Souza, with the Review Board. So if I understand
4 correctly, CanZinc is committed to use environmental
5 monitors on the access road to -- for the purpose of
6 monitoring wildlife and potential hunting of wildlife
7 along the road?

8 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: In -- in a general
9 sense, yes, but more specifically for the monitoring
10 of traffic that might affect wildlife adversely. And
11 -- and also again as I mentioned, for safety reasons.

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13 --- COMMITMENT NO. 1: CanZinc is committed to use
14 environmental monitors on the
15 access road for the
16 monitoring of traffic that
17 might affect wildlife
18 adversely, and for safety
19 reasons

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21 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So we're
22 just working on drafting some suggested wording for
23 that particular commitment, which we'll put up in one
24 moment. I just want to, before we break for lunch and
25 to -- to firm up that commitment, are there any other

1 questions that parties do have related to access
2 control?

3 MS. CARRIE BRENNEMAN: Carrie Breneman,
4 Dehcho First Nations. I'm just making sure that I
5 understand this correctly. So your proposal is with
6 Nahanni Butte. You'd have a manned checkpoint that
7 would be gated. Is that correct?

8 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley
9 here again. Not exactly. We had previously proposed
10 a checkpoint on the west side of the river, which
11 would be manned but not gated because we're not
12 allowed to put a gate on a public road because that's
13 territorial land.

14 With the recent discussion around these
15 IEB lands on the east side of the river, that's
16 federal jurisdiction still. That can be gated. We
17 support the band in their own intention to gate it,
18 and we haven't got to the point of discussing manning,
19 per se. But so there -- there could be two (2)
20 locations where there would be "control."

21 MS. CARRIE BRENNEMAN: Okay. So in
22 terms of having a gated site, have you thought about
23 how you're going to monitor access? Like if you're
24 going to put up -- have you -- have -- anyways.

25 Have you thought about how you're going

1 to monitoring access into the road?

2 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yeah. During the
3 -- well, during the road operations we would have the
4 checkpoint in operation. So that would be the primary
5 location where we'd be monitoring traffic.

6 In addition to that, we're going to
7 have maintenance crews on the road. One of their
8 tasks would be to check who's coming by and basically
9 say, you know, who are they, where are they going,
10 that type of thing. They'll all have radios, so I
11 think pretty much anybody who gets on that road
12 straight away we're going to know about it, and
13 everybody else is going to know about it because the
14 maintenance crews will have radios, the checkpoint
15 will have radios, the mine will have radios.

16 During the summertime when the ferry is
17 operating, the ferry operator is going to have a radio
18 as well. So if anybody is coming up that road, the --
19 I -- I'm pretty sure we're going to know, and -- and
20 we'll respond as -- you know, accordingly.

21 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: Are you going to
22 be -- I mean, a lot of times other developers put out
23 let's say like a yearly annual report. Will you be
24 reporting on what road access looks like along the
25 road so to say like on a yearly basis we had, you

1 know, two (2) tourists, or we had hunters, or like
2 these are the amount of people that we saw travelling
3 the road on a yearly basis?

4 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yes, Dave Harpley,
5 again. Almost certainly we're going to have a
6 recording of road use. I mean, we plan to have a
7 fairly rigorous and regimented recording system just
8 for road operations. So that kind of information
9 would also be collected and -- and reported on.

10 MS. CARRIE BRENNEMAN: And is that a
11 commitment that you have within the -- within the DAR,
12 or could we have that as a commitment of a yearly
13 reporting of -- of what you saw for road access other
14 than for mine operations?

15 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: I -- I think it's
16 mentioned in the DAR in terms of the -- the monitoring
17 of road operations. It may not be completely specific
18 to unauthorized use of the road, and -- but -- but --
19 yeah. I mean, it -- it's part and parcel of what --
20 how we intend to operate the road so, yes.

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22 --- COMMITMENT NO. 2: CanZinc to commit to a yearly
23 reporting of road access not
24 related to the mine

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1 MS. CARRIE BRENNEMAN: And then as a
2 side note, I mean if we are -- if you are seeing
3 significant numbers of vehicle traffic on the off
4 chance that you are, have you thought about adaptive
5 management around -- I mean, it seems fairly unlikely
6 but on the off chance that either the gate doesn't go
7 through or the checkpoint becomes unmanned and you are
8 seeing a lot of people who suddenly want hunting
9 access for caribou or that you have safety concerns,
10 have you thought about how you're going to manage
11 that?

12 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: I think, as with
13 most things, we're going to respond based on what
14 activities actually occur. And we're certainly
15 expecting to have folks that are basically on our
16 payroll operate a checkpoint. If they're not doing
17 that, then clearly we're going to have to change staff
18 or take a different approach or maybe an addif --
19 additional approach to make sure the checkpoint's
20 operated.

21 It's a little hard to speculate on what
22 kind of issues might arise if -- if -- I mean, it
23 might be possible that some people are still avoiding
24 the checkpoint. And we may have to make some
25 adaptation possibly in the location of the checkpoint

1 itself, or even additional measures, like additional
2 monitors.

3 But, as you say, I think it's kind of
4 unlikely. But until we actually get to the situation
5 it's hard to be specific on how we would re --
6 respond.

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
8 you. So we've actually done a little bit of drafting
9 of some potential wording for commitment. Was this an
10 appropriate time to put it up in front of the group to
11 make sure that we are all in agreement with the idea
12 that it'd be exchanged here? It's okay for us to try
13 that?

14 Yeah, okay, Jonathan, Parks Canada.

15 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Jonathan, Parks
16 Canada. I'd just like to make a quick clarification
17 on a few of the discussion points from earlier. So we
18 would have signage at the park boundary indicating
19 that people are required to have a permit to -- or
20 contact Parks Canada prior to going into the park.

21 And then, also, you know, we're talking
22 about shared responsibility for safety for potential
23 visitors on the road in a park. You know, in -- in an
24 instance where somebody does have a serious emergency,
25 obviously Parks Canada would -- would provide

1 assistance.

2 Now, how we already operate and manage
3 the park is a very practical approach. We have river
4 outfitters out on the river with some of the
5 canoeists. We have pilots out there.

6 So as -- as occurrence or incidents
7 happen, we certainly tap into those relationships.
8 And I'm -- and I'm glad to hear that Canadians Inc.
9 has been thinking about, you know, a cooperative and
10 shared approach to monitoring the road.

11 Would we necessarily have park staff
12 just sitting at a manned gate out there? No,
13 obviously not. Our -- our law enforcement personnel
14 would probably do periodic patrols. And then, also,
15 they would be very reactive. So anything that comes
16 up that they think might trigger an investigation,
17 they would go out.

18 And then obviously we would have staff
19 working very closely with the Company and contractors
20 doing any type of compliance inspections under the
21 land use permit and water licence, as well.

22 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
23 you. So shall we go ahead and put something up? So
24 if you'd just give us one (1) moment just to switch
25 the cords to the projector, please.

1 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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3 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So there
4 was a suggestion just to read it instead of put it
5 onto the screen. So, Stefan, can I turn it over to
6 you to read --

7 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE: Okay.

8 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: -- your
9 wording?

10 I turn it over to you to read --

11 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE: Okay,
12 so Stefan Reinecke, with Stratos. Just I need a
13 little bit of clarification here because it seems like
14 we potentially have questions related to an
15 undertaking, and also a commitment.

16 So I'm just wondering, if we state a
17 commitment, if it will be complete at this stage.

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: I think
19 it will.

20 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE: Okay.
21 So CanZinc will establish traffic monitoring on the
22 all-weather road to -- and this will address the
23 location of checkpoints with the possibility of one
24 (1) at the crossing as well as at the midpoint between
25 the river and Grainger Gap, monitoring by maintenance

1 crews, the data collection reporting of incidence and
2 incidence response measures.

3 So that's just a rough take to capture
4 some of the questions and details that people have
5 raised.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb
7 Sweazey. Are there -- are there any concerns with the
8 wording of that -- that concept for the commitments
9 and does it address the questions and concerns that
10 you have raised?

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12 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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14 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So there
15 was a suggestion from the Review Board, folks, that we
16 will just work a little bit on smoothing out the word.
17 Perhaps we can just do that over lunch and put that
18 back in front of you after lunch and then that might
19 be easier to respond to.

20 Is that okay? Are there any concerns
21 with that approach?

22 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: I -- I don't
23 really have an objection to that. I was actually
24 going to offer to do the same thing, but -- and I
25 would maybe still do that, because there may be some

1 tweaks we'd like to make.

2 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
3 you for that offer. Perhaps we can just have a little
4 working session over lunch. Thank you for that.
5 Okay. So I'm going to suggest that unless there's any
6 other questions on access control that we break now
7 for lunch.

8 I know that we still have a couple of
9 other agenda items related to the project overview
10 that we'll do immediately following lunch. So it is
11 about thirteen (13) minutes after 12:00. Could I ask
12 you to be back just by one o'clock or a couple minutes
13 after one o'clock, ready to go by 1:05.

14 Thank you.

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16 --- Upon recessing at 12:13 p.m.

17 --- Upon resuming at 1:21 p.m.

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19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: I'm
20 sorry that we're a bit late starting, but we are happy
21 to have everyone back in the room. So again it's --
22 sorry, Barb, from Stratos. So over the lunch hour
23 there was a little bit of thinking that was done
24 around two (2) commitments that relate to access
25 control that were being explored before the lunch

1 hour.

2 And so some draft wording has been
3 proposed, and I wonder if I could have someone from --
4 are you going to read it -- Stefan will read out this
5 -- this language. And make sure that it sort of
6 addresses the concerns and questions that had
7 surfaced, and that CanZinc is okay with the proposed
8 wording.

9 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE:

10 Stefan, from Stratos. So two (2) commitments. The
11 first CZN will monitor and record non-mining traffic
12 activity on the all weather road, including through
13 the establishment of a checkpoint and report this
14 information annually.

15 And the second one is CZN will have
16 local environmental monitors on the all season road
17 during periods of mine traffic.

18 So I'm seeing a nod. CanZinc reat --
19 comment?

20 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yes, that's fine.
21 Thanks.

22 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Chuck Hubert, with
23 the Review Board. With the exception that the Review
24 Board will use the short form CanZinc for CanZinc
25 Incorporation rather than the symbol. The -- the

1 Review Board doesn't want to be associated with the
2 stock symbols. Thanks.

3 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Okay.

4 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: And,
5 Carrie, is that okay?

6 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: Carrie
7 Breneman, Dehcho First Nations. Yes, that's fine.

8 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
9 Thank you very much. So I'm going to suggest that we
10 wrap this section of the conversation on access
11 control. We are running behind, which we flagged
12 earlier. Today would be one of our biggest
13 challenges. So -- but I do want to give the -- the
14 opportunity for any questions that may relate to the
15 second agenda item in the eleven o'clock time slot but
16 just related to road components.

17 And there's two (2) sub bullets there.
18 One (1) related to temporary camps, and one (1) to the
19 Tetcela transfer facility. So I suggest that if there
20 are any questions related to temporary camps, this
21 would be a good time to -- to raise those questions.
22 And I believe someone from Parks Canada I know had one
23 (1) question to kick off the discussion.

24 So I'll turn it to Parks Canada first.

25 MR. GARY SCRIMGEOUR: Gary Scrimgeour,

1 Parks Canada. I'd like to take the opportunity to
2 talk about the use of soak away sumps at the temporary
3 camps, specifically for some context.

4 There are four (4) construction camps
5 within Nahanni National Park Reserve. The -- Canadian
6 Zinc has identified the use of soak away sumps for
7 both grey water and sewage at two (2) of those sites.
8 Excuse me. And for soak away sumps for solely grey
9 water at the remaining two (2).

10 Soak away sumps are a standard approved
11 recognized method. We think disposal of grey water at
12 soak away sumps minimized any environmental impacts.
13 We would like to make a -- a request, or a com -- a
14 request that the Canadian Zinc consider, or are able
15 to commit to on site sewage containment and off site
16 disposal for all four (4) camps.

17 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Canadian
18 Zinc, can I ask you to respond to that or do you need
19 a moment?

20 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: No, I think I can
21 respond. Or I guess I'd kind of like to put the
22 question back as to why that's being asked for. It's
23 the -- the assumption would be that sumps are
24 considered such a risk that we can't use them.

25 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Parks

1 Canada...?

2 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Certainly.

3 Just additional clarity. On site sewage storage
4 combined with off site disposal is becoming a
5 predominant way to address potential effects due to
6 sewage. They've committed to it at two (2) sites.

7 We think that any potential concerns
8 related to sewage disposal could be totally avoided or
9 eliminated by offsite disposal.

10 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Okay. So as far
11 as I understand, Garry, what you're saying is you
12 don't have a problem with grey water at specific
13 sites, it's -- the problem is brown water, if I can
14 call it that.

15 I think what I'd prefer to do at this
16 point is just to say we'll go away and think about it
17 some more and get back to you on that one.

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So could
19 we shape that as an undertaking then? I'm looking to
20 Review Board staff. Yes. So could one (1) of you,
21 perhaps Dave or Garry help just articulate what that
22 followup investigation would look like in your own
23 words, please?

24 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Absolutely,
25 happy to do so.

1 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Do we
2 want to try and -- try and do that right now, right,
3 get the wording of the undertaking. Could -- how
4 would we shape that? David, when you said you would
5 be happy to look into that and get more information,
6 can you just articulate to us what that would be,
7 please?

8 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Well, I have to --
9 David Harpley. We will go away and think how much of
10 an impediment it might be to the operation to
11 undertake to store and dispose of sewage elsewhere,
12 brown water, in other words.

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14 --- UNDERTAKING NO. 1: Canadian Zinc Corporation to
15 go away and think how much of
16 an impediment it might be to
17 the operation to undertake to
18 store and dispose of sewage
19 elsewhere, brown water, in
20 other words and advise.

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22 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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24 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
25 with the Board. Right now the intended deadline for

1 undertaking responses is two (2) weeks from next Fri -
2 - from this Friday, so June 30th, I think, off the top
3 of my head. Can you have that -- is that an okay
4 timeline for you providing that response?

5 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Probably, but
6 that's kind of pointing a gun to my head right now.

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: David,
8 is there a better time frame, or what -- what is your
9 thinking on time?

10 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Well, I mean, most
11 likely we -- we won't have a problem with it, but I
12 just -- you know, I'm relu -- I'm reluctant to commit
13 before I know I can speak to the relevant people and
14 we can consider it and get back to you, but most
15 likely yes.

16 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
17 from Stratos. Thank you. Are there -- sorry?

18 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Actually, if I
19 could -- Garry Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. In two (2)
20 weeks, I don't think this is a simple evaluation. We
21 certainly -- we're not -- we would not object to
22 providing David with a suitable amount of time to
23 consider this option.

24 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: Thanks. It's Alan
25 EHRLICH, with the Review Board. I have a question for

1 Parks Canada on that.

2 Could you please describe if and what
3 the potentially significant impact is that you're
4 hoping to mitigate with this?

5 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Briefly, we
6 know that -- thank you. Garry Scrimgeour, Parks
7 Canada.

8 We think that any potential
9 environmental risks could be eliminated, avoided,
10 through off-site disposal. It's that simple.

11 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: Alan Ehrlich, with
12 the Review Board again. So can I -- are -- are you
13 saying that part of this risk is a potentially
14 significant environmental impact?

15 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: It's a -- it is
16 an issue of concern to Parks Canada.

17 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: Thank you.

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yes, go
19 ahead.

20 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
21 Maybe it would help to kind of frame this issue a
22 little -- a little better. There are certain camp
23 locations that automatically we've alr -- we've
24 already decided there's too much of a risk of either
25 grey or brown water. So we just simply wouldn't

1 operate a -- a sump at that particular location
2 because it's right by a creek, for example. What
3 we're saying is that there are certain locations, and
4 one (1) I can think of is near the Tetcela. You know,
5 it's a lowland area. It can be very distant from a
6 river. It's very flat. There's -- any -- any
7 discharge from a sump's just going not to travel
8 anywhere very quickly. So I think the risk is very --
9 very minimal.

10 However, with a soak away, the water
11 has to soak away. So, you know, if we're in a lowland
12 area, and it's not doing that, then it's not going to
13 work effectively anyway. So that's -- those are the
14 kind of issues we're going to need to wrestle with and
15 -- and come up with a -- an answer of whether we
16 should just abandon the idea or -- or, no, we really
17 do want a sump.

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
19 from Stratos. Thank you, David. So is it safe to say
20 that we have flagged this as an undertaking requiring
21 further investigation, but that we don't necessarily
22 need to have it within the two (2) week timeframe,
23 given the complexity of the issue at hand? I'm just
24 wondering if that's what we've agreed to here. Yes?
25 Yes, David, Garry? Okay. Great. Thank you.

1 So are there any other questions
2 related to the -- to temporary camps that folks either
3 on the phone or others around the table would like to
4 ask at this time?

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6 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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8 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Is there
9 another question from Parks Canada? Possibly? And
10 Barb, from Stratos.

11 While they are just deciding if there's
12 a question, just as a heads up, the next questions
13 we'll be tackling are related to the Tetcela transfer
14 facility.

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16 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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18 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Jonathan Tsetso,
19 Parks Canada. Just -- I guess it's more of a -- a
20 question for the Proponent CanZinc. In the project
21 description, there are only four (4) proposed camp
22 locations at kilometre 23.2, 40, 65, and 87.5. But
23 there was some loose language in there about potential
24 other sites.

25 So I just want to be clear if -- if

1 those are the -- the four locations that you're
2 proposing for camps in -- in the park. Thanks.

3 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
4 I think the -- the general assumption is correct that
5 -- but with one (1) possible exception. I think we
6 were kind of vacillating a little bit on the -- the
7 Tetcela 87 camp, because there's a possibility we
8 might combine that with the Tetcela transfer facility
9 site. So at one (1) -- one (1) of those two (2)
10 locations, we would propose to have a camp.

11 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
12 from Stratos. Are there any follow-up questions from
13 Parks Canada? No. Okay. Great. So at this time,
14 I'm going to open it up for the next piece, which is
15 on the Tetcela transfer facility.

16 Are there questions from anyone on the
17 phone line or anyone in the room related to that
18 topic?

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20 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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22 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Jonathan Tsetso,
23 Parks Canada. So I'd just like to note that we're
24 pleased that Canadian Zinc has provided certainty and
25 clarity regarding the development, the description of

1 the proposed all-season road.

2 Canadian Zinc has indicated that phase
3 1 and phase 2 approaches will be abandoned and that
4 the TTF will no longer be constructed or operated.
5 Parks Canada is satisfied with your response, and this
6 will reduce the potential impacts associated with
7 long-term storage of concentrates in the park, and
8 also reduces complexity and increases efficiency for
9 assessment.

10 Now that the TTF is no longer required
11 by Canadian Zinc, it is Parks Canada's view that the
12 permits will not be required to construct and operate
13 the facility. It is our view that the TTF, the
14 Tetcela transfer facility, should be scoped out of the
15 assessment.

16 If this is the case, Parks Canada will
17 rescind IRs 5 through 7, as they are no longer
18 relevant to the project description. However,
19 Canadian Zinc has also indicated that they now intend
20 to develop a road maintenance yard at the previously
21 proposed TTF location. And to that, we will respond
22 with new Information Requests for Canadian Zinc, and
23 we'll be asking the following:

24 1) Please identify the activities,
25 precise location, and space requirements asso --

1 associated with the newly proposed road maintenance
2 yard.

3 2) Please identify all potential
4 impacts to wildlife, vegetation, water quality and
5 cultural resources. Include all baseline research
6 that would provide clear evidence to support the
7 findings.

8 And, 3) Identify these proposed
9 mitigations to effectively manage any potential
10 impacts to wildlife, vegetation, water quality, or
11 cultural resources.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So
13 CanZinc, is there a response to that request?

14 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
15 Before I get to the request, I just want to be clear
16 on where we believe we are in terms of the TTF and
17 phase 1 and phase 2. It is true that we entered the
18 EA on the assumption that we might develop the road in
19 two (2) phases. That's where the phase 1 and phase 2
20 came from.

21 The reason it came in that nature was
22 because initially, we thought it would make sense to
23 at least have an all-season road from the mine to the
24 TTF, because then we could start hauling year-round to
25 that location.

1 For a number of reasons, through the EA
2 process as it's evolved, that approach is no longer
3 workable from a project perspective, because we're
4 dealing with concentrate not only in bags, but also in
5 bulk. And we don't want to get in a situation where
6 we're dumping bulk, and then reloading bulk offsite.

7 So the project as we currently envisage
8 it -- envisage -- just get my tongue around it,
9 envisage the project right now is that we will not
10 have a phased project. We will not have a need for a
11 TTF.

12 But whether we can go to the point of
13 abandoning it, I think that's, I think, maybe what the
14 Review Board needs to be comfortable that the phased
15 approach has been abandoned, and they're happy to just
16 consider the -- the one (1) project, because it's --
17 it's part of the scope currently. And we can't just
18 decide to change the scope. That's up to the Board.

19 But, you know, as -- as we said on the
20 record, and in -- and in writing in our responses,
21 currently we don't envisage a phased development. And
22 -- and, therefore, we don't have a need for a TTF.

23 So given we don't develop a TTF, there
24 would be no sense trying to preserve that location for
25 road maintenance. All we're saying is that, at -- at

1 certain of the locations we develop for camps to
2 support road construction, we would want to maintain
3 some of them to support road maintenance.

4 So, in that respect, we're happy to
5 obviously entertain IRs and bring as much clarity as
6 we can.

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So I
8 look to the Review Board to comment on that question -
9 - or the response from David.

10 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Yeah, Chuck Hubert,
11 with the Review Board. The -- the Board requests that
12 CanZinc describe its scope of development in its
13 entirety for clarity for the Board and other parties.

14 So if CanZinc requests that the phased
15 approach is no longer required, and it -- that it's
16 simply build -- building from east to west, please,
17 state that. If the TTF is no longer required, please,
18 say that for clarity for everybody.

19 If there's -- so in other words, it's a
20 -- the Board relies on the Developer to describe the
21 project so that everybody is clear. Does that help?

22 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yeah. Dave
23 Harpley. Yeah, I mean, that's fine. But, in fact, I
24 think we've done exactly that in our recent
25 submissions.

1 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: So it's Sachi De
2 Souza, with the Review Board. So just to make sure
3 all of us are on the same page, and Parks Canada
4 stated this very well. If a phased approach is no
5 longer the approach for the Development, it's going to
6 be constructed as a whole, the Tetcela Transfer
7 Facility is no longer needed to store concentrate.

8 It will -- however, there will be a
9 camp location in that vicinity, and there is wording
10 for an undertaking to clarify what that camp is needed
11 for. And just for my own clarity, in the presentation
12 from Canadian Zinc on -- I don't know what slide
13 number this is -- there is a Tetcela Transfer Facility
14 located on this slide.

15 So is this really the location of a
16 camp as opposed to a concentrate storage location?

17 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
18 It was -- or it is the location of the TTF if we were
19 to build it. If we're not going to build it, which is
20 currently our position, then it would likely not be
21 the location for a camp.

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23 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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25 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: Okay. It's Alan

1 Ehrlich, for the Review Board. Can you just confirm
2 that the first statement that Sachi made about your
3 project and intentions are also correct?

4 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
5 You mean that we no longer intend to build the road in
6 a phased manner, and that it's going to be one (1)
7 project? Yeah, I just said that. And also it's in
8 our submissions that we've put in recently.

9 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Thank you. Sachi
10 De Souza, with the Board. So understood and
11 confirmed. I'm still a little bit unclear about what
12 you're saying with the Tetcela Transfer Facility here.

13 In the presentation you gave earlier to
14 -- this morning, you said the location of the Tetcela
15 Transfer Facility has moved from what was proposed
16 with the winter road alignment, and now you stated you
17 don't intend on constructing it.

18 So is it a possibility you need it, and
19 if so is -- it is still in the scope of development.
20 If you don't need it at all, we will make the
21 assumption that what's on the slide in your
22 presentation is -- is no longer accurate, and no
23 Tetcela Transfer Facility for storing concentrate is
24 needed.

25 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.

1 We're belabouring this, aren't we. I -- I showed the
2 TTF location because in the permitted winter road the
3 location of it is in a different location, and that
4 most certainly would be needed for the operation based
5 on winter because the development -- the -- the
6 project description for the winter only road relies on
7 having the midway point for storage so that we can
8 start haul -- hauling early in the winter.

9 If we now go to all weather and build
10 the whole thing as one phase, we no longer need a TTF
11 and we wouldn't build it. I simply showed it -- where
12 it would be based on the current scope of development,
13 which includes a phased approach.

14 So it -- it's not that it wasn't
15 accurate, it's just that we've now moved on and we're
16 obviously discussing modifying the scope of
17 development officially.

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Are
19 there any other comments from the Review Board?

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21 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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23 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: I would
24 just like to thank you for your -- it's Barb, from
25 Stratos -- for your response. And just to clarify,

1 with the three (3) undertaking suggestions to follow
2 up around impacts -- activities, impacts, and
3 mitigation that was suggested by Parks Canada, is
4 CanZinc -- I -- I think, David, you earlier agreed
5 that you would go ahead and search -- search up those
6 pieces of information in the new model.

7 Is that right? When they said if the
8 TTF is not going to be there but it's a road
9 maintenance area, if you could clarify the activities
10 that would occur, the impacts related to those
11 activities, and the related mitigation measures? I
12 believe that's what Parks Canada was requesting as
13 follow-up. I may be putting your -- words in your
14 mouth, but I just want to clarify.

15 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Okay. Thanks.
16 Jonathan, from Parks Canada.

17 Perhaps what would help my -- my logic
18 on this a little bit is, so we have the four (4)
19 locations at -- that are identified for camps in the
20 park. And then -- then we have the currently
21 permanent TTF at kilometre 86, correct? Yeah? Okay.

22 So one (1) of the kilometre markings
23 that we were given for the camps was eighty-seven
24 point five (87.5). So, I mean, eighty-six (86) and
25 eighty-seven point five (87.5) are pretty close. So I

1 guess if there's no need for the TTF and there will be
2 a camp at eighty-seven point five (87.5) then that's
3 already scoped into the EA. So I think I'm okay with
4 that approach.

5 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
6 from Stratos. So then no additional follow-up
7 investigation is required? No -- no undertakings are
8 required then or requested at this time?

9 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Jonathan, from
10 Parks Canada. I guess the only additional question I
11 would have for the Proponent is because this is, like
12 as you mentioned, kind of that midway point, are there
13 certain requirements or needs from the camp at -- in
14 this area, eighty-seven (87), that are over and above
15 now with this new scenario where the TTF is not in?
16 Are there any additional requirements for that space?

17 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
18 So the -- the idea here, the camps, in general, for
19 the whole road are roughly about 20 kilometres apart.
20 So, I mean, you -- you would understand that the
21 purpose of the camp is that you be proximal to the
22 location of work activity, so you're not travelling a
23 great distance every day. So the camps are going --
24 the camps are going to ebb and flow. You know, one
25 (1) camp will become the main camp. Then it'll be

1 scaled down and basically closed. They're -- they're
2 really meant to support construction.

3 So our id -- our idea for operations is
4 that perhaps we can have a nominal camp location
5 approximately every 40 kilometres. And that was the
6 purpose of putting the stars on those camp locations
7 in the slide I showed this morning, to indicate which
8 camps we think are the right kind of location and
9 distance as -- as camps to be maintained for
10 operations. But -- but these are going to be much,
11 much lesser activity than -- than during construction.
12 We're literally talking about maybe a trailer and a --
13 and a space to park a couple of vehicles, and maybe
14 stockpile a little bit of borrow material.

15 And the other thing to bear in mind is
16 that in developing these camps we're going to prefer,
17 where possible, to develop the camps in borrow
18 locations. So we're not actually creating a --
19 another disturbance. We're -- we're keeping the
20 disturbance to an area where we're already disturbing.

21 CO-FACILITATOR SWEAZEY: Barb, from
22 Stratos. Thank you, David. Parks Canada, are there
23 any additional questions or follow-ups required?

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25 (BRIEF PAUSE)

1 MS. ALLISON STODDART: Hi. This is
2 Allison Stoddart, with Parks. Oh, okay. There.
3 Allison Stoddart, with Parks. So just to clarify, the
4 -- the camps that you're talking about right now, the
5 ones that you are asking about to be 40 kilometres
6 apart, where you can store some things for -- for
7 construction stuff.

8 So these are not the current con --
9 construction camps that you've already referenced in -
10 - in the DAR?

11 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. No,
12 they are. They're the same. We're not proposing to
13 develop different sites. We're just maintaining some
14 of the construction camp locations in a smaller
15 capacity to support maintenance during operations.

16 MS. ALLISON STODDART: Oh, okay. So
17 Allison Stoddart, with Parks. So just to clarify, so
18 these are the same locations you've already proposed,
19 but you're just proposing to keep them operational in
20 a -- in a sort of small sense for maintenance
21 purposes?

22 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.
23 Correct.

24 MS. ALLISON STODDART: Okay.

25 CO-FACILITATOR SWEAZEY: Barb, from

1 Stratos. So just to confirm with Parks Canada, no
2 request for any additional undertakings required at
3 this time?

4 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: No. Jon, from
5 Parks. No.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
7 Are there any other questions related to road
8 components? If not, I'm going to suggest then that we
9 move to the last section of this agenda which is
10 related to closure and reclamation.

11 Are there questions that we have
12 related -- yes, go ahead, please.

13 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: On slide number
14 8 of your presentation -- oh, sorry, Carrie Breneman,
15 Dehcho First Nations.

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17 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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19 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: You had the --
20 the schedule and timing of road construction and I
21 just didn't see it on here, so I just wanted to ask
22 for clarity. I don't see on here, this or the
23 previous slide, when you have surfacing from kilometre
24 39 to the mine.

25 Does that area require surfacing?

1 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.
2 First off, you're correct, it's not on there. I -- I
3 guess I will say that I tried to simplify this to
4 minimize the number of words and -- and how much
5 material. But for the most part that section's
6 already in a condition that it's not going to require
7 much material.

8 Certainly there's a road bed that
9 exists from the mine to approximately kilometre 23.
10 And then beyond that we -- we're going to have to
11 develop a bed, but it's -- it's largely gravelly or --
12 or -- in fact, rock material. So the reason I left it
13 out is it's just not going to require a significant
14 amount of work in terms of subgrade and gravel.

15 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
16 you, Dave. Are there any followup questions from
17 Dehcho?

18 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: You mentioned
19 the winter --

20 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Name,
21 please.

22 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: Oh, sorry.
23 Carrie Breneman, Dehcho First Nations.

24 In your presentation you mentioned the
25 preferred alternate alignment. And I was wondering

1 has the kind of wildlife, veg, and fish assessment
2 work been done on that new proposed alignment?

3 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. I
4 don't have my consultants behind me to confirm, but --
5 and we can come back to this, but it's my
6 understanding that in their revised assessments in the
7 adequacy materials they were aware of the realignment
8 and have incorporated that into their reporting, or
9 adjusted it as necessary, or -- or deemed it isn't --
10 doesn't require adjustment.

11 So right now the best I can say is, I
12 think so, yes.

13 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: Carrie Breneman,
14 Dehcho First Nations. This is my final question. In
15 this you mention that there'll be a winter road
16 that'll be right beside the all-season road. Is --
17 I'm just confused about this, just because you've
18 already been permitted for a winter road.

19 So will that -- but -- but in some
20 sections the alignment's different than what you're
21 proposing for the all-season road.

22 Will you also be applying for a winter
23 road in this application or is that covered under the
24 previous permit?

25 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.

1 It gets a little complicated, I guess. Maybe the best
2 answer I can give you is that I think when you have an
3 all-season -- to my -- to my knowledge at least, when
4 you have an all-season road permit you can pretty much
5 build either type of road. You can -- you can build a
6 winter road or an all-season road, because winter road
7 impacts aren't going to be as great as an all-season
8 road.

9 But as I said this morning, it's --
10 it's not our intention to go out and build the winter
11 road on the alignment that we provided to the Review
12 Board and to the permitting agencies, because we would
13 just be creating more impact by doing that and then
14 going and building an all-season road on a different
15 alignment.

16 So in general terms, we're going -- our
17 intent at least is to build the -- the winter road
18 access right adjacent to the footprint of where we're
19 building the all-season road. Apart from two (2)
20 specific locations where we still intend to stick to
21 the intended winter road, because the -- the all-
22 season road wouldn't have advanced to those locations
23 by the time we would want to put the winter road in.

24 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: And then --
25 sorry, Carrie Breneman, Dehcho First Nations. Just to

1 follow up, like my understanding was that your
2 original road that you're permitted for was a snow-
3 capped road. It's not an ice road. So would you be
4 using the same -- like, first of all, is that correct?

5 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.

6 Essentially, that's correct. And -- and to -- I can -
7 - I -- I think I know what your next question's going
8 to be, but the -- the approach to construction on the
9 winter road is going to be for -- to support the --
10 the all-season road construction would be the same as
11 we had proposed before for the winter road.

12 I mean, it -- it's ice over -- over
13 large water courses and it's -- it's snow fill for the
14 rest, so.

15 MS. CARRIE BRENNEMAN: Okay. The only
16 reason I asked is I was just curious, if you were
17 planning to use ice, if you were going to use water
18 and where those water sources would be if there was
19 any change from the original project. That was my
20 only question. So you've answered that. Thank you.

21 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
22 you. Are there any additional questions related to
23 road -- the closure and reclamation?

24 People on the telephone, are there any
25 questions related to this topic?

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CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So at
this time I think I will just Mark, did you want to
just make one (1) remark?

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MR. MARK CLIFFE-PHILLIPS: Mark
Cliffe-Phillips, with the Review Board. Just in
following up to some of Carrie's questions and the --
the responses from -- from David.

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In terms of any winter road alignment
or winter road being constructed within the all-season
road alignment, if that is a consideration, we will be
considering any of the -- the potential impacts
associated with the winter road construction. Even
though you do have a permit for a winter road, it's
within a certain quarter from the previous permit and
previous environmental assessment.

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CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Is there
a -- Barb, from Stratos. Is there a response
required?

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Mark, were you looking for a particular
response? It was a just a comment. And one (1)
additional question, I understand.

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MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi, with the

1 Review Board. So the first -- I just have a couple of
2 questions related to the closure and reclamation. So
3 I would -- was hoping CanZinc could confirm their
4 overall closure and reclamation goal or what they
5 intend the area to look like and what would be -- what
6 they want it to be after the road is closed and
7 reclaimed.

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9 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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11 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
12 And the pause is because I'm -- I'm trying to remember
13 what was in our draft closure and reclamation plan
14 which was in the Allnorth report, and I can't remember
15 if that was in there or not.

16 But I think our general intent is --
17 which I -- I'm almost certain we've spelled out
18 somewhere, is that we want to return the ground in a
19 condition that it can over time develop vegetation and
20 stability comparable to the surroundings. How we go
21 about that? It varies depending on the location.

22 There are some locations that I think
23 we did note where that wouldn't be possible. These
24 would be sections where we're going to need to do some
25 blasting to provide for appro -- approaches to

1 crossings, for example. So they will be -- they will
2 be necessarily left as blasted rock shapes.

3 But for the rest then, you know, for --
4 for ground that -- where we have fill or granular
5 material, then we're going to grade and scarify and
6 contour as best we can to -- to, you know, match --
7 blend with the local landscape and promote
8 revegetation.

9 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi, with the
10 Review Board. So in the Allnorth report it was in the
11 -- appendix A from the DAR addendum. And Allnorth
12 described certain activities that were going to be
13 done at closure, and we are aware of those.

14 With what was described in the Allnorth
15 report, it wasn't necessarily clear what the intent
16 was. So if returning the ground to similar conditions
17 is the goal that it's good -- it's -- it will return
18 to a wildlife habitat again that is -- has similar
19 uses to what it has now?

20 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. I
21 think, yes, in -- in general, that's the intent.

22 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Okay, Sachi De
23 Souza, with the Review Board. Thank you for that.

24 And the last thing was, it was unclear
25 because it was in as -- written as Appendix A to the

1 DAR Addendum, Allnorth described specific things that
2 were going to be done, such as removing man-made
3 materials and removing bridges and culverts. And they
4 were specific about areas where they wouldn't be able
5 to reclaim.

6 Is CanZinc committing to doing those
7 items listed in Appendix A of the DAR Addendum
8 outlined by Allnorth?

9 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. I
10 think you can assume that if it's in a consultant's
11 report that we've included in a submission then we're
12 standing behind that as an approach, yes.

13 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Okay. Thank you.

14 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Any
15 further questions related to closure and reclamation?
16 Yes, one (1) from Parks Canada, please.

17 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Audrey Steedman,
18 Parks Canada. So we do have a couple points to raise
19 about reclamation and re-vegetation. Most of it's
20 related to Parks Canada IR-46.

21 So we do want to acknowledge that in
22 some terrain types along the winter road alignment
23 natural re-vegetation over about thirty (30) years has
24 been effective at restoring ecosystem structure and
25 function but the -- the literature shows that there

1 have been examples of persistent changes in structure
2 and function. And so the -- the study I'm citing here
3 is Emily Cameron's thesis in 2015. And so they
4 provided some good explanation for the mechanisms for
5 this, and some other supporting literature.

6 So we would just like to re-iterate
7 that all season road construction has the potential to
8 alter permafrost hydrology in plant communities along
9 and near the road. And in cases where these impacts
10 are likely to be -- be persistent, they're probably
11 going to result in persistent changes in ecosystem
12 structure and function. So Parks Canada does have
13 guidelines for ecological restoration within park
14 boundaries. We can provide that document through the
15 public registry.

16 And so basically our -- our request for
17 IR-46, we're still requesting that information. And
18 just to refer back to that, we're looking for details
19 on predicted reclamation outcomes by terrain type
20 based on information that has been illustrated by the
21 winter road access -- or sorry, the winter access road
22 case study.

23 And we'd like impacts to ecosystems to
24 be accurately characterized, and in cases where
25 reclamation needs to be tailored to those terrain

1 types to restore ecosystem structure and function, we
2 would like to see reclamation strategies that address
3 those terrain types.

4 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
5 you. So just to clarify, is what you're requesting,
6 Parks Canada, is an undertaking for further research
7 above and beyond what has been asked already of
8 CanZinc? Just -- just so I understand the process
9 there.

10 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: It's not clear
11 if additional field studies would be required. The
12 first step would be, you know, a synthesis of the
13 existing information and literature that's out there,
14 yeah.

15 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So is
16 there a response from CanZinc on that request?

17 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
18 This is something we will have to consider further,
19 depending on what's being requested. So I -- it would
20 be premature for me to make any meaningful comment on
21 that at this point.

22 I would perhaps say that I think it --
23 it's accurate to say that the vast majority of the old
24 winter road alignment has naturally re-vegetated quite
25 well, and is pretty comparable to the surroundings.

1 There may be some isolated locations that are somewhat
2 different.

3 But thirty (30) years is -- okay, it's
4 a significant time period but it's still virtually
5 short in terms of how long this assemblage has taken
6 to develop to this point. So, I'm not sure we can
7 classify those isolated examples right now as, quote,
8 "persistent."

9 Persistent in a thirty (30) year time
10 frame may be but perhaps if we come back in a hundred
11 years we wouldn't notice them as being any different.
12 So that's all I can say for now.

13 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
14 from Stratos. So I'm wondering whether or not, just
15 to get clarity on what the ask is, is it -- would it
16 be helpful for Parks Canada and CanZinc just to have a
17 -- a side conversation about what your expectations
18 are and what information exists, and decide whether or
19 not it needs to be formally rolled into an
20 undertaking.

21 Like, is that something that we could
22 do during the day at some point today? Is that an
23 appropriate approach?

24 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Yeah, we're
25 comfortable with that approach, either today or

1 sometime in the near future. Yeah.

2 CO-FACILITATOR SWEAZEY: David, is
3 that okay for CanZinc?

4 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yeah, that's fine.
5 Thanks.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
7 Great. Thank you. Any other questions -- Barb here,
8 from Stratos.

9 Any questions still related to closure
10 or reclamation?

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12 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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14 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yes,
15 from Parks Canada.

16 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Yes, just one
17 (1) point of clarification. I'm going to --

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Just --
19 may you state your name again? Pardon me.

20 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Sorry. Audrey
21 Steedman, Parks Canada.

22 Some of the persistent changes that
23 have been researched in that study that I referenced,
24 they seem to be related to permafrost degradation in
25 certain terrain types. And those -- those impacts

1 are, in fact, persistent as the changes to hydrology
2 result from that permafrost degradation, and that is a
3 permanent change in the ecosystem as it won't reform.
4 So that's where we're coming from for -- for some of
5 those persistent impacts, that perspective.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
7 Any other response or comment?

8 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
9 Well, I -- I don't think we need to get into a lengthy
10 discussion at this point.

11 But again, I'm not sure you can
12 consider it permanent because if you're assuming that
13 the permafrost is changed because you've changed the
14 vegetation, then eventually the vegetation re-
15 establishes as it was before. Then presumably the
16 permafrost will re-establish as it did before. But,
17 like I say, I don't know if we want to just continue
18 this technical discussion, but I just didn't want to
19 leave that hanging.

20 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thanks.
21 It's Barb, from Stratos. So what I've just put up on
22 the side board is for a -- a side conversation between
23 the two (2) parties to see if you can scope that out a
24 little bit more and come back to us. We'll -- we'll
25 follow-up on that one (1) either later today, or if it

1 can't get addressed in the next four (4) days then we
2 can perhaps flag it as an undertaking for -- for a
3 shared understanding to occur. Okay. Chuck...?

4 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Chuck Hubert, with
5 the Review Board. And if Parks Canada could please
6 submit that study that was referenced.

7 What -- what was the name of it,
8 please?

9 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Audrey Steedman,
10 Parks Canada. It's on the public registry.

11 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Then scratch that.
12 Thanks.

13 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
14 So Barb, from Stratos. Looking to our agenda now, I
15 think we should move on to our next topic, which is
16 related to fish, water, and water quality, the
17 biophysical. There's a bundle of five (5) or six (6)
18 bullets there, and at this point let's -- let's take -
19 - let's -- let's take a kick at the can for, you know,
20 half an hour, forty-five (45) minutes and then we'll
21 take a little break, and then we'll come back at it.

22 So I -- I'm actually going to start
23 with folks on the phone to see if folks from ECCC or
24 NRCAN have a question to start us off related to this
25 category of biophy -- oh, pardon me, sorry -- before

1 we go to the phones, David?

2 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
3 I just want to confirm that our aquatic biologist
4 consultant is on the line.

5 MR. JOHN WILCOCKSON (BY PHONE): Yeah,
6 this is John Wilcockson, with Hatfield Consultants.

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So --
8 so, John? Is that the name?

9 MR. JOHN WILCOCKSON (BY PHONE): Yes.

10 CO-FACILITATOR SWEAZEY: Will be
11 answering some of these questions. Okay.

12 And what about Carla, who was here
13 earlier? She doesn't have -- related to these
14 questions? No. Okay.

15 Okay. So folks from ECCC on the line,
16 are there any questions to start with you? Or in the
17 room? Loretta...?

18 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Hi. It's Loretta
19 Ransom, Environment and Climate Change Canada.

20 I think -- I believe that we have two
21 (2) ECCC people on the line. And maybe I'll just ask
22 them to introduce themselves, please.

23 MR. REJ EJECKAM (BY PHONE): Rej
24 Ejeckam, Environment Canada Climate Change.

25 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): And

1 David Laverdiere.

2 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Loretta Ran --
3 Loretta Ransom again with Environment and Climate
4 Change Canada. I believe what we are going to do for
5 now, unless David or Reg do have some questions right
6 now, but we would probably, as the discussion moves
7 along, provide some comments, or questions, or input
8 as things move along.

9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
10 you. Are there other questions from folks in the room
11 related to this topic, the biophysical components?

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13 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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15 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
16 Dean...?

17 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Thank you. Dean
18 Holman, from the Liidlíi Kue First Nation. I'm just
19 bringing to light -- let me see, CZN had contracted
20 Golder Associates to conduct a study to det -- to
21 determine the caribou distribution along the proposed
22 road during the non-winter period.

23 My -- I guess a question or a concern
24 would be, was there indigenous knowledge? Was
25 indigenous knowledge an aspect of this study or not?

1 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: It's
2 Barb here. There's a request that perhaps that
3 question might be a better fit for the -- the day that
4 we deal with the caribou population, specifically
5 tomorrow. Is that okay, Dean, that we pause that
6 question until tomorrow?

7 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Yeah, that's --
8 that's fine.

9 I -- I did want to mention something
10 else with a sidebar on -- on -- between Parks Canada
11 and CZN if -- because -- because the -- the intent --
12 the intent of the agreement between Parks Canada and
13 the -- and the expansion of the park itself is highly
14 dependent on the aquatic resources and the
15 biophysical, but more importantly, the aquatic
16 resources, I'm wondering if the First Nations in the
17 room here could accompany it in that discussion.
18 Thanks.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Are --
20 are you directing that question particularly to
21 someone from CanZinc, or to First Nations colleagues,
22 Dean?

23 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: It's Dean Holman,
24 again. It's -- it's directed to the Board. I think
25 that the Board is the one -- is the -- the -- you

1 know, the coordinate body here, so that's for you guys
2 to decide. Thanks.

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4 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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6 MR. MARK CLIFFE-PHILLIPS: Mark
7 Cliffe-Phillips, with the Review Board. Is that okay
8 with Parks Canada and Canadian Zinc to have
9 representation from DFN, or -- or Dehcho First Nation,
10 or -- or Liidlili Kue in those conversations?

11 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley,
12 Canadian Zinc. I think I'm -- I'm a little confused
13 as to what is being asked of us. And it seems to me
14 Parks are in a similar position, so.

15 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Dean Holman, here
16 again. Because -- okay. The -- the original park
17 expansion was highly dependent on protecting the
18 waterways and protecting the -- the hydrology, the
19 aquatic ecosystem, and all that's pretty much under
20 the sun, and the sky, and the mountains.

21 What we were -- what I'm -- why I'd
22 like to be involved or like the First Nations to be
23 involved in the conversations is to -- is because we
24 still are actively in -- are sitting at a table
25 discussing what the values of the park would be from a

1 First Nations perspective, not just a Parks Canada
2 perspective.

3 And so, you know, I -- I think that the
4 information that the First Nations may be able to
5 provide would only add -- add some value to the
6 conversation.

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
8 you, Dean. It's Barb.

9 So just perhaps if I could ask a
10 follow-up question, are there particular ways that
11 First Nation involvement could occur that isn't
12 occurring that you can see that you would like to
13 discuss here?

14 Are there specific ways or
15 opportunities that -- that could exist for you that
16 you haven't been able to participate in? Is that the
17 question you're getting at?

18 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: The -- sorry, Dean
19 Holman again. The LKFN has -- has been engaged in
20 various discussions from a regional perspective, from
21 a Park's perspective, nationally. But also, from the
22 community perspective, there are a lot of information
23 sources that haven't necessarily been tapped into.
24 And this is as a result of the -- of just not being --
25 being included in some of the discussion and topics.

1 Again, you know, like, there -- there
2 was -- for an example, there was a -- there was
3 discussions on where to -- where the Review -- Review
4 Board would be having a -- a community session to
5 discuss the community perspectives. Liidlii Kue
6 wasn't -- wasn't one (1) of those places with on the -
7 - with -- or sorry, on the list.

8 So, you know, I think just for the
9 benefit of everybody here, if we have -- you know,
10 keep this transparent, we shouldn't have, you know,
11 just one (1) organization or one (1) government
12 organization that's also supposed to be in -- in a way
13 representing the First Nations' interests, speaking
14 directly with the com -- proponent without the First
15 Nation being there.

16 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
17 I -- I won't speak for other parties, it's -- it's not
18 our place. But what I will say, Dean, is that a
19 number of things have happened to get us to this point
20 that you may or may not be aware of.

21 And -- and we can certainly sit with
22 you and go through the details of what transpired and
23 what the outcomes were. For example, there were the
24 studies that were completed to support the EA for the
25 mine several years ago.

1 And there was also -- we had to rebuild
2 the road in several sections near the mine because it
3 had eroded. And in that reconstruction, we -- we had
4 to also build compensation for habitat lost.

5 So there were a number of that -- of
6 studies that were done to replace that habitat. And
7 just to the -- get to the point where we agreed what
8 we were going to do, there were a number of meetings
9 held with the First Nations.

10 In the -- in the last EA with the
11 winter road and, also, this EA for the all-season
12 road, we've -- we've relied at times quite heavily on
13 the extensive traditional knowledge study that was
14 completed by Cross Currents Associates (phonetic).

15 Admittedly, that was largely focussed
16 on Nahanni Butte as a source of knowledge. But it
17 documented historical use of the -- of the area and,
18 particularly, locations where certain types of fish
19 were caught, how many, and -- and that type of
20 information, so we have used it.

21 And as I say, we're more than happy to
22 sit down and share with you what we've learned to this
23 point based on Aboriginal knowledge and traditional
24 knowledge.

25 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Thank you -- thank

1 you very much. I -- I just wanted to -- the -- the
2 intent behind this is -- is because there are changes
3 between, you know, what was proposed during -- you
4 know, during the past ten (10) -- ten (10) years, for
5 instance.

6 The -- the all-weather road, in both
7 the government's eyes and the First Nations' eyes is -
8 - is something that is -- it -- it is a high value.
9 However, there are other values, I guess, on their
10 right-of-way changes that could get -- potentially be
11 affected that might not have been included in the past
12 studies.

13 And I think that's something that --
14 that we have to really pay attention to during --
15 during these discussions, especially on the technical
16 aspects, because if we -- if we don't have the
17 indigenous knowledge of information out there on the -
18 - on the new right-of-way, then it presents -- it
19 presents a problem in the Board determining the -- the
20 impacts to First Nations.

21 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
22 you, Dean. Barb, from Stratos. Mark, do you have a
23 comment to add here?

24 MR. MARK CLIFFE-PHILLIPS: Mark
25 Cliffe-Phillips, with the Review Board.

1 Dean, my initial request, I guess, to
2 both Canad -- Canadian Zinc and Parks Canada was
3 referring to the -- the homework item of the
4 discussions that were going on. It doesn't sound like
5 that was really the root of what you were asking for.
6 Maybe if we could just ask Canadian Zinc if you could
7 commit to following up with Liidlii Kue on some of the
8 discussion items that were being brought forward.

9 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
10 Yeah, we're happy to do that, as I just mentioned. I
11 -- I will add though that, Dean, I take your point
12 regarding the alignment and consideration being also
13 environmental impact and -- and fish. You'll remember
14 this morning there was one (1) specific area between
15 the Grainger Gap and the Wolverine Pass that I
16 indicated that we had come up with an alternative
17 alignment, which we think is superior.

18 Part of the reason we -- we came to
19 that decision was we had feedback from Nahanni Butte
20 that we should obviously protect water resources and -
21 - and fish res -- resources where we can, and also
22 minimize blasting as much as possible. So in the --
23 in the red line that I showed there, entering the --
24 the Grainger Gap from the east, we have to cross
25 Grainger River once. And also on the west side of the

1 gap, we have to cross it again to climb an escarpment
2 in order to get to the other side of the valley.

3 By going to that preferred route, the
4 yellow line that I showed, we avoid that second
5 crossing, and -- and instead, we cross what we call an
6 'outwash fan', which for the most part of the year is
7 dry and it doesn't host fish. And there's no blasting
8 involved. So there's just an example how we've
9 incorporated Aboriginal input and also minimizing the
10 impact on fisheries with coming up with a better
11 alignment.

12 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE:
13 Stefan Reinecke, with Stratos. Just a point of
14 clarification.

15 We had previously identified the need
16 for a sidebar conversation between CanZinc and Parks
17 in response to the questions related to reclamation
18 and the possible need for additional assessment and
19 tailoring of reclamation methods and concerns about
20 permanent impacts. And I understood that Mark has now
21 made the suggestion that -- that you two (2) report
22 back to Dean on the findings of that.

23 But I thought that would be discussed
24 with the whole group in general, would it not?

25 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,

1 with the Board. So there's a couple of things here, I
2 think. The first is that Parks Canada and CanZinc are
3 going to have a conversation about closure and
4 reclamation as -- as was phrased in their initial
5 question. The second is -- and once they reach that -
6 - the outcomes from that discussion will be reported
7 to the Board either during the technical session or
8 for the record later on.

9 The second part of that is that CanZinc
10 will have a conversation with Liidlili Kue to update
11 them on what's going on to date with this project, and
12 with a specific focus, by the sounds of it, on aquatic
13 resources of the fisheries resources. So those are
14 the two (2) things that we have written down as to-dos
15 from the technical session.

16 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So I --
17 Barb, from Stratos. Just checking in with Parks
18 Canada, CanZinc, and with Liidlili Kue.

19 Are the -- does that little summary
20 that Sachi just did, does that make sense? Is that
21 sort of reflecting what we've decided so far?

22 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: Jonathan Tsetso,
23 Parks Canada. Yes.

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25 --- UNDERTAKING NO. 2: Parks Canada and Canadian

1 Zinc to report outcomes from
2 sidebar discussion to the
3 Board. CanZinc will update
4 Liidlil Kue on the project,
5 with specific focus on
6 aquatic resources of the
7 fisheries resources
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9 MR. JONATHAN TSETSO: I might just add
10 another point, just for additional information for
11 you, Dean.

12 As you know, we have a -- an interim
13 park management arrangement with Dehcho First Nations,
14 which outlines our Cooperative Management Board. We
15 have Darrell Betsala here with us as well. Currently,
16 the -- the committee is -- consists of -- of seven (7)
17 seats. So two (2) are appointed by Dehcho First
18 Nations, and two (2) are appointed by the community of
19 Nahanni Butte.

20 So we endeavour to meet upwards of
21 seven (7) to -- or several times per year to discuss
22 operational issues. We do provide regular updates on
23 these files to committee members at those meetings.
24 They're open to -- to any of the Dehcho membership.
25 They always have been.

1 So what we could do is commit to -- to
2 let you know when those dates are, and -- I mean, our
3 offices are very close. It's -- it would be very easy
4 to have you there with us.

5 Secondarily, we do have a memorandum of
6 understanding with Canadian Zinc which also endeavours
7 us to meet and discuss more operational issues
8 surrounding the road. So we do have representation
9 from the consensus team there, as well. And, yeah,
10 those are kind of all avenues to -- to help get
11 information to your members to the community.

12 So, yeah, we'll -- we'll try to keep in
13 touch with you on that, for sure.

14 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
15 from Stratos. Thanks very much, Jonathan.

16 Okay. So are there other questions now
17 related to fish, water, water quality? I'm kind of
18 looking at DFO to see whether you've got questions
19 there that you'd like to bring forward.

20 Are you -- I don't want to put you on
21 the spot, but I wondered if you had a question you'd
22 like to raise?

23 MS. JULIE MARENTETTE: Hi. Julie
24 Marentette, with Fisheries and Oceans Canada. The
25 first question I'd like to ask has to do with the

1 habitat assessment information that was provided
2 throughout the DAR and DAR Addendum.

3 Now that we have a finalized list of --
4 of water crossings that was provided as Table 1-1 in
5 the IR -- Information Request responses, linking the
6 habitat assessment to each crossing, encroachment, or
7 realignment is a little difficult because the numbers
8 have shifted.

9 Is this something that could be
10 provided in the form of a table kind of linking which
11 habitat assessment goes with which crossing,
12 encroachment, or alignment for clarity?

13 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.
14 Yes.

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16 --- UNDERTAKING NO. 3: CanZinc to provide a table
17 linking which habitat
18 assessment goes with which
19 crossing, encroachment, or
20 alignment

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22 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So we'll
23 record that -- Barb -- as -- from Stratos.

24 We'll record that action item as an
25 undertaking. Do you need -- Review Board, I'm looking

1 at you. Do you need any rearticulation of that
2 statement that DFO just made, or are you good?

3 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: We're good.

4 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: We're
5 good, okay. Great. Are there -- and thank you,
6 CanZinc. Are there any other questions related to
7 fish, water, water quality, at this time? It's --
8 yeah, from GNW -- oh, was someone on the phone?

9 Okay. We'll go to GNWT first, and then
10 if someone on the phone has a question, I'll go to you
11 next. Thanks.

12 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Thank you. Rick
13 Walbourne, ENR. Hi, David. I just had a quick
14 question. I know there was a couple of IRs regarding
15 borrow pits and water management.

16 Can you outline what the proposed water
17 monitoring or sampling right now from Canadian Zinc at
18 those borrow pits -- what do you anticipate in terms
19 of water quality monitoring for that -- that pit
20 water? Thanks.

21 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
22 Of course with any monitoring, it's highly site-
23 specific, so one (1) -- one (1) rule isn't going to
24 fit all borrow sources. And I think it -- it really
25 depends where the borrow source is in relation to

1 water crosses. Obviously, the more proximity you are
2 -- the more proximal you are to a water cross, the
3 more careful you're going to be with water management.

4 I think for sure we're going to be
5 monitoring any discharge at -- at least for TSS, but
6 the -- I mean, the general approach, I basically would
7 think that we would just try and avoid discharge
8 altogether if possible. So beyond that, it's -- it's
9 -- you know, each -- think we've -- we've said in our
10 submissions, each borrow pit is going to need a
11 specific development plan, and as part of that plan,
12 that would be the appropriate time and location to be
13 specific about monitoring requirements.

14 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
15 from Stratos. Rick, does that help to answer your
16 question, or do you have a follow-up question, or do
17 others have a question related to this topic?

18 Rick, go ahead.

19 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Rick Walbourne.
20 I've got a couple follow up. So, David, do you
21 anticipate that that would be something further down
22 the road as in like a regulatory requirement of the
23 water licence, or where do you feel that borrow pit --
24 those specific plans would be -- would be ready?

25 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.

1 My opinion is that the best way to -- to handle this
2 is for a permit to have a condition that basically
3 says a borrow pit will only be developed subject to
4 the Proponent providing a suitable development plan,
5 and having it approved beforehand. And -- and that
6 would basically include everything, including
7 monitoring.

8 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Thank you, David.
9 Just one (1) follow-up question regarding borrow pits.
10 I appreciate your response regarding TSS, and that
11 might be the -- the main issue there.

12 In response to GNWT-21, there was some
13 discussion regarding potential ARD. Canadian Zinc
14 said that you're assuming or anticipating that pH will
15 be neutral to alkaline going to the terrain.

16 Can you -- do you have a report or --
17 or any sampling of the aggregate or anything that you
18 could point us to where you made the conclusion
19 regarding potential ARD, I guess, or lack thereof
20 regarding the pits? Thank you.

21 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
22 We had a number of different crews in the field,
23 including engineering crews, looking at material,
24 taking surface samples, doing -- doing shovel tests, a
25 limited amount of augering, so, I mean, there was --

1 there was a fair amount of physical examination going
2 on.

3 But, of course, you can only examine
4 what you're able to see, and -- and we need to go
5 deeper. So we recognize that as we go deeper, it's
6 possible we -- we could uncover something else.

7 But to this point, we've -- we've not
8 uncovered any evidence to suggest that we're going to
9 have an ARD issue. I mean, there's been no heavy
10 staining noted. There has been no indication of
11 pyrite occurrence. You know, none of those kind of
12 flags have come up.

13 And that's not going to -- that's not
14 to say that we're not going to stop looking. It's
15 merely an indication of what's out there right now.
16 And, frankly, it's not a surprise, given the -- the
17 rock formations and the soil types that we know are
18 out there.

19 But again, our approach, to be -- you
20 know, to -- to manage it properly and to make sure we
21 don't stumble on something that we weren't aware of is
22 we -- we are going to need to do more detailed
23 investigation before we actually build the road to
24 support the detailed design. And -- and during that
25 investigation, we will be drilling and collecting

1 samples from deeper and -- and potentially also
2 digging some test pits.

3 So we'll be able to sample much more
4 material. At that point, we can -- we obviously have
5 more opportunity to see much more material and for
6 visual examination. But we can also take some
7 representative samples for, you know, acid-base
8 accounting.

9 And then, depending on what those
10 results are, we might feel it's appropriate with
11 guidance from an appropriate consultant to do some
12 leachate analysis. So, you know, we'll -- we'll deal
13 with it in an orderly fashion. And if we find
14 something that doesn't seem quite right, we'll either
15 provide an approach that is -- is appropriate for it,
16 or we'll just simply avoid it. We'll go somewhere
17 else.

18 We've got plenty of defined borrow
19 sources that we can go to use as backup if we need to.

20 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Rick, do
21 you have any further questions?

22 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Rick Walbourne,
23 ENR. No, thank you for that response. That was
24 helpful. That's -- that's all from us for now.

25 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

1 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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3 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Hi,
4 there. This is David Laverdiere, with Environment
5 Canada. Could I ask a question just in follow-up to
6 that?

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: It's
8 Barb, from Stratos. We were actually just going to go
9 to Environment Canada Climate Change, so you're right
10 on -- you're right on track. Go ahead.

11 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE):
12 Okay, great. Thank you. Well, as you know, the --
13 you know, what was stated in the response to some IRs
14 about the potential for acid rock drainage and metal
15 leaching is that -- that the Proponent stated that he
16 indicates that -- that they -- sorry, that they
17 indicate that there -- they -- there appears to be an
18 abundance of -- of neutralization capacity from the
19 carbonate ter -- terrain.

20 I guess my response to that would be
21 that, although it's likely in -- in those types of --
22 of situations the -- of -- of a situation that there's
23 a neutral pH, it does not necessarily mean that there
24 won't -- will not be any metal leaching.

25 So I understand that with the testing

1 program that's focussed on acid-base testing, would
2 the proponent be open to undertaking, in addition to
3 that, shake flask -- shake flask extraction testing,
4 which is a short-term leach testing, under the
5 guidance of a professional ARDML geochemist, ARDML
6 being short form for acid rock drainage and metal
7 leaching.

8 As well, with -- with that in mind,
9 would there be an openness to undertake the associated
10 kinetic test -- testing on that material, which is a
11 longer -- a -- a longer metal leaching testing
12 program, so that -- and -- and could that be done
13 throughout the EA phase so that Environment Canada and
14 Climate Change can understand whether or not there are
15 potential risks to water quality, and whether or not -
16 - if there are any risks to water quality, how they
17 can compare to the Canadian Water Quality Guidelines
18 for the protection of aquatic life, and whether or not
19 any -- whether or not there might be the requirement
20 for any associated mitigation measures?

21 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
22 So as -- as far as -- from what I heard, there are two
23 (2) components to that. The first, in terms of
24 testing, I -- I don't want to prejudge what a
25 professional would indicate as far as testing, but --

1 but based on my knowledge of past situations such as
2 this, for example, two (2) situations at the mine site
3 where we were asked to investigate an old waste rock
4 dump, and also a natural slope next to the mine.

5 The first step is nearly always to
6 collect representative samples, and to do simple ABA
7 tests. And then determine whether it's even worth
8 considering leachate tests as a result of that. In
9 other words, if there's no acid for the 'A' -- if
10 there's no sulphate, then there's no ability to
11 generate any acid in the first place, and therefore
12 there's -- there's really no point in doing leaching
13 tests. So I think that same approach is what we would
14 adopt when we get to the detailed investigation phase.

15 The second component in terms of
16 kinetic work during the program of the EA, I kind of
17 think that's unrealistic and -- and definitely not
18 warranted, because as I -- I may just -- mentioned a
19 minute ago, there is just no evidence out there that
20 there's any significant acid generation potential.

21 There's been -- we've -- we've had no
22 indication of occurrence of sulfides or staining or
23 anything of that nature to even suggest that we should
24 embark on a significant ABA test program, never mind a
25 kinetic program. And also again, as I just mentioned,

1 even if on subject -- sub -- subsequent detailed
2 investigation we discovered, you know, in -- in the
3 unlikely event we discover some -- some potential for
4 acid generation, well, we're simply going to avoid
5 that location and use another borrow location that has
6 no such potential.

7 We've -- we've identified -- I don't
8 have the numbers in the -- off the top of my head
9 right now, but I think we're intending to use
10 something like fifty (50) or sixty (60) borrow
11 locations, and we've got something like forty (40) or
12 fifty (50) possible backup sources. So it's not like
13 we're going to be short on borrow, and -- and if we --
14 if we find in any particular location has any kind of
15 a ARD potential, we're just going to avoid it.

16 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE:

17 Stefan, from Stratos.

18 Environment Canada, did you have any
19 follow up to CZN's appro -- CanZinc's response on sort
20 of initial signs of leaching potential?

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22 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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24 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
25 from Stratos. David, do you have any response to

1 CanZinc's response to your question? We couldn't hear
2 you if you were coming on the line.

3 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE):

4 Actually, if -- if -- I think Rej was about to speak,
5 if -- sorry, it's -- it's David Laverdiere. I think
6 Rej was about to speak. If Rej could get that in,
7 what he was about to say, and then -- and then I'll --
8 I'll speak to it.

9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thanks.

10 Go ahead, Rej.

11 MR. REJ EJECKAM (BY PHONE): Okay. I
12 was just following up on the response given to David.
13 I think metal leaching doesn't only occur when you
14 have acid conditions. Sometimes they occur in neutral
15 conditions as well. So just because there is no
16 potential for acid generation doesn't mean that they
17 may not get metal leaching issues, especially when you
18 -- you do some blasting and use it for other
19 conditions.

20 The other point following this is one
21 (1) of your responses to the IR. There was a
22 statement that any borrow with positive identification
23 of -- of potential for ARD with marginal ARD
24 methodology and potential, will that not be used or --
25 or used, but with some mitigations?

1 I think, from the response you're
2 giving, that you have a lot of borrow locations. I
3 would rather have anything that's marginal or -- or,
4 in fact, it not used at all because the mitigation
5 that would be applied after it has been used to build
6 the road becomes a bit more difficult to ensure that
7 it doesn't create issues with water quality.

8 So would -- would you be able to make
9 that commitment?

10 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: It's
11 Barb, from Stratos. Rej, would you be able to just
12 rephrase that request for a commitment for us?

13 MR. REJ Ejeckam (by phone): Well, a
14 commitment if they can -- if they will avoid using any
15 borrow material that has even marginal potential to
16 generate acid or metal leaching.

17 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
18 I -- I think what we said in our document that I would
19 prefer to stick to is that, if we encountered material
20 that was marginal in terms of ARD, we would either
21 just avoid it or, if we really wanted to use it, we
22 would come up with a -- a plan that would address the
23 material in an appropriate manner.

24 I -- I think that's the best approach,
25 but, you know, 99 percent proba -- probable that we

1 will just avoid the issue rather than go to the
2 trouble of trying to come up with a specific plan to
3 use the material.

4 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Hi.
5 It's David -- David Laverdiere. I guess I -- the only
6 thing I would just add is just I think there's a bit
7 of a difference of opinion here, I -- you know,
8 between myself and the Proponent.

9 I think it -- you know, it -- to -- you
10 know, it's quite clear that there's going to be acid-
11 base -- acid-base testing on material. I don't think
12 the addition of short-term leach testing would be that
13 onerous or very costly.

14 I think it would give us a lot more
15 certainty about the potential for water quality issues
16 at -- at -- of the -- of the material because, as Rej
17 said, you know, the -- the leaching of -- a metal
18 leaching can occur also at -- at -- you know, in the
19 absence of -- of acid rock drainage. So this would be
20 my -- my view of -- of that.

21 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
22 with the Review Board. Dave, you just recognized that
23 there's a difference of opinion there. And one (1) of
24 the things I think would -- would help in explaining
25 this a little bit further is earlier you're -- you

1 mentioned that you're concerned about the potential
2 risks to water quality and how that water qualities
3 could affect aquatic life.

4 Could you describe specifically what
5 impacts to water quality and to the environment you're
6 concerned about? And if there are specific borrow
7 locations that you're more concerned about, given
8 their proximity to a water course or a water body?

9 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
10 I -- I kind of think we've got two (2) different
11 issues, and -- oh, you were asking him.

12 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sorry. Sachi De
13 Souza. I was referring to the Environment and Climate
14 Cha -- Canada Change, Dave.

15 MR. REJ EJECKAM (BY PHONE): Well, if
16 you can speak up so that we can hear.

17 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Sorry.
18 Do you need the --

19 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE):
20 Yeah. I -- it's -- hi. It's David, with Environment
21 Canada.

22 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: It --
23 it's --

24 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): It -
25 - was -- was it me you wanted to speak to -- me to

1 answer?

2 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yes.

3 This is Barb.

4 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Yes.

5 Hi.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: I'm

7 reaching out to you, Dave, and Environment Canada

8 Climate Change. Did you hear Sachi's question --

9 Sachi's question from the Review Board, or do you need

10 her to restate it? Because she would like your

11 opinion on a couple of things.

12 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE):

13 Yeah. If -- if, you know, if she could be so kind to

14 restate it, just to make sure I understand clearly.

15 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Will do.

16 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: This is Sachi De

17 Souza, with the Board. Okay, sorry. Got it. On it.

18 Dave, the specific question was what the specific

19 impacts to the environment that you're concerned about

20 with respect to water quality and the potential

21 effects to aquatic species, and if there are specific

22 borrow locations that you are more concerned about,

23 given their proximity to a water course or water body.

24 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Hi.

25 It's David, Environment Canada. It's -- it's not

1 possible to answer all those questions be -- with the
2 absence of any short-term leach testing of -- of the
3 borrow source material because, you know, that would
4 need to be done at -- at all of the potential borrow
5 source locations in order to provide what -- what
6 risks there might be to water quality.

7 If -- if any of those borrow source
8 locations are used for the construction of the road,
9 and those -- and -- and those portions of the road
10 that are in proximity to wat -- natural water courses,
11 it would be -- the -- the potential risks to -- to
12 fish and fish habitat would be based on the
13 concentrations leaching off of -- of that road if it -
14 - if it does occur at all. So it just -- I'm -- I'm -
15 - I would -- it's -- it's simply not possible to
16 answer that question, if you understand my response.

17 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza.
18 Thank you for that. And I -- I do understand the
19 limitations of the -- of what you're able to answer
20 there. So thank you.

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22 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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24 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

25 Good. Thank you. Are there additional questions

1 related to -- yes, we have questions. Okay. So I'm
2 going to go to Parks Canada next. Thanks.

3 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
4 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada.

5 We'd just like to reiterate that we
6 agree with Environment Canada Climate Change that
7 additional details on the testing of ARD and the
8 potential incorporation of strata with marginal ARD
9 would warrant a more detailed description of how it
10 would be used and how potential risks would be
11 mitigated.

12 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: It's Sachi De
13 Souza, with the Board. And thank you for that.

14 And I guess it was -- it -- it was good
15 for me personally to understand that both Parks Canada
16 and ECCC are concerned about the -- the potential for
17 MLARD from the borrow sources, but also as the fill
18 source for the road, and the fact that if there -- if
19 that rock is there and it becomes the road bed, then
20 you are, in some locations along this road,
21 immediately next to a water course. So that's
22 understood and we appreciate that. Thank you.

23 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: So it's Dave
24 Harpley. Just to be clear on what I just said a few
25 minutes ago. I don't think we have a problem

1 addressing material that we intend to either borrow or
2 fill or whatever. We certainly don't intend to place
3 material that could result in a metal leaching issue,
4 because we're just going to create more of a problem
5 for ourselves. So we've got no problem to committing
6 to the appropriate level of investigation for that
7 material.

8 The -- the only problem I have, and --
9 and would not be prepared to agree to at this point is
10 the notion that collecting samples and doing leaching
11 tests now is necessary, given that, as I just stated,
12 there's no evidence that there's an issue out there.
13 Even if we did go and take samples and do the testing
14 right now, we just simply wouldn't use the material.
15 So then what is the point of doing the testing now?

16 And -- and the reason I would not want
17 to do it now is we are hamstrung by the representivity
18 of the samples we are able to collect, because you
19 need to go deeper. And we're only going to do that
20 when we can get rigs out there during detail design to
21 actually drill deeper and get representative samples.

22 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE:
23 Stefan Reinecke, with Stratos. Could CanZinc put in
24 its own words that commitment to testing at the time
25 that you think is most appropriate, so that we can get

1 that on the record?

2 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. I -
3 - I think that's already in our submissions
4 previously. We've said that during detailed design
5 we will take representative samples of all borrow
6 sites that we intend to use and -- and screen them for
7 geochemistry and -- and under the guidance of a
8 professional geoscientist.

9 And I think what that means is that
10 we're going to do a -- a reasonable number of samples
11 for ABA (phonetic) and if we have any indication of
12 acid generating material, I'm not talking about
13 neutralization potential or -- or metal leaching in
14 neutral conditions.

15 If there's -- if there's no ability for
16 acid to be produced then there can't be any acid
17 generation issue. So -- and if there's any -- I mean,
18 the consultant may come back and say, Okay, well,
19 we're going to do ten (10) samples per borrow pit of
20 this size and -- and 20 percent of those samples we're
21 going to a leach test, then that's what we'll do.

22 But as I said, I don't want to pre-
23 judge what the consultant may indicate.

24 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: It's Sachi De
25 Souza, with the Board. I'd -- I'd like to wrap up

1 this discussion. And the last thing I would like to
2 do is CanZinc to commit to doing the geochemical
3 testing in their response to the Information Request.

4 Parks Canada and Environment and
5 Climate Change Canada, you've both commented on the --
6 the need for more information prior to using the
7 material from potential borrow sources. In the
8 commitment that CanZinc made in their IR responses, is
9 there additional detail that you think is necessary
10 for testing?

11 What specific would you like to see
12 done during the detailed design phase to ensure that
13 metal leaching and acid rock drainage potential has
14 been accounted for fairly?

15 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
16 here from Stratos.

17 Dave from Environment Canada Climate
18 Change, do you have a response to Sasha's (sic) --
19 Sachi's request?

20 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Yes.
21 Hi. It's David -- David Laverdiere, Environment
22 Canada. The -- the -- what the proponent has outlined
23 in -- in the detailed design phase is currently
24 strictly limited to acid base testing.

25 You know, Environment Canada and

1 Climate Change would prefer to see that also include
2 short-term leach testing simply because when there's a
3 problem of -- of acid -- if there is not a problem of
4 acid generation it does not preclude that there's a --
5 there's potentially a problem with metal leaching.

6 And a short-term leach test is not
7 expensive and it's very quick. And I think that
8 information in addition to the acid based test --
9 testing would provide better results to the -- to the
10 geochemist consultant that's working for the
11 proponent.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
13 from Stratos. Parks Canada, did you have an answer or
14 response to Sachi's question that's different or in
15 confirmation with what Dave from Environment Canada
16 Climate Change just suggested?

17 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
18 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. Our -- our geological
19 structural expert is currently not online. We'd like
20 the opportunity to discuss with them tomorrow and
21 perhaps get comments on the second part back to you.

22 In terms of the first part we're always
23 open and willing to review a proposal from the
24 proponent in terms of specific sampling designed,
25 number of bored holes, those types of things. We're -

1 - we're always open to reviewing those.

2 But, you know, it -- it as equally
3 difficult to ask us to -- to present a design as it is
4 to ask Canadian Zinc to -- to present a design,
5 because they're so context dependant. But we're more
6 than happy to review additional information and
7 provide comments back to you on that.

8 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
9 I -- I'll take a leap of faith here and -- and let's
10 just make the assumption that our geochemist is going
11 to say 'X' number of samples will need to be done for
12 ABA and a certain percentage of those will need to --
13 to have leach tests completed on them based on the
14 results.

15 So Dave on the phone is right that they
16 are not that expensive and I'm almost certain that
17 would be part of the program, so let's just assume
18 that they will be.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
20 Thank you very much, Dave, CanZinc, and for
21 Environment Canada Climate Change and Parks Canada.
22 So it's -- it's five (5) to 3:00. I'm going to
23 suggest we take a fifteen (15) minute break at this
24 point.

25 And when we come back I suspect there

1 may still be some questions related to fish, water,
2 water quality if you review some of those bullets, as
3 well as vegetation.

4 So we'll use the remaining time that we
5 have this afternoon to cover additional questions. So
6 if I could kindly ask you to be ready to go at ten
7 (10) after 3:00, that would be great. Thank you.

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9 --- Upon recessing at 12:54 p.m.

10 --- Upon resuming at 3:16 p.m.

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12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay,
13 welcome back. It's Barb, Stratos. Folks on the
14 phone, hopefully you've been able to reconnect with us
15 as we go through the last segment of our agenda today.

16 Over the break, there was a little bit
17 of work done on crafting some suggested wording for a
18 commitment related to the last topic that we were
19 discussing before we broke. And perhaps I can get --
20 Stefan, would you mind reading that out for folks,
21 please?

22 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE: Sure.
23 So commitment number 3 related to water quality and
24 borrow sources. In addition to the acid-based testing
25 discussed in response to PCA IR-12, CanZinc will

1 conduct -- conduct metal leaching -- metal leach
2 testing during the detailed design phase on
3 representative samples based on the guidance of a
4 professional MLARD geochemist.

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6 --- COMMITMENT NUMBER 3: CanZinc will conduct
7 metal leach testing
8 during the detailed
9 design phase on
10 representative samples
11 based on the guidance of
12 a professional MLARD
13 geochemist

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15 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So I'm
16 looking to CanZinc. I'm getting -- go ahead.

17 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.
18 That's fine.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
20 you. Parks Canada?

21 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
22 Scrimgeour. That would be wonderful.

23 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
24 Thank you. And Dave, from Environment Canada Climate
25 Change?

1 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Yes.

2 Thank you. I -- I recognize and appreciate the
3 commitment on behar -- on behalf of the proponent.

4 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
5 you very much. So I'm opening up the floor again to
6 see if there are additional questions related to our
7 topic right now related to fish, water, water quality,
8 and also vegetation.

9 So we'll turn to Loretta, from
10 Environment Canada Climate Change, please.

11 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Thank you. It's
12 Loretta Ransom, Environment and Climate Change Canada.

13 Rick had brought up, well, from the
14 GNWT erosion and sediment control management and
15 planning. And that is also something else that
16 Environment and Climate Change Canada had looked at
17 and asked Information Requests on.

18 And so while we do have David on the
19 phone, I wanted to give him the opportunity to also
20 provide additional input and any thoughts, comments,
21 questions.

22 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yeah.
23 Barb, from Stratos.

24 Dave, from Environment Canada Climate
25 Change, do you have anything else you'd like to add on

1 erosion and sediment control?

2 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Hi.

3 It's David Laverdiere, Environment Canada and Climate
4 Change. Yes, I do. In the sediment -- sorry, in the
5 -- the sediment and erosion control plan that is
6 provided in Appendix A of -- of one (1) of the
7 documents there's something that has been defined as a
8 special erosion protection area, and that is an area
9 characterized by poor soil types and stable areas for
10 drainage, standing water and/or drainage flowing
11 directly into fish bearing streams.

12 Well, with the case of these special
13 erosion protection areas, the proponent has said that
14 it could also include wetland complexes and bridge and
15 culvert crossings of fish bearing channels.

16 I guess my question would be: When the
17 Proponent uses the qualifier 'could', it's a vague
18 qualifier. And would the Proponent be able to use a
19 more specific qualifier such as will or shall?

20 Because in the -- in the case of a -- a
21 drainage flowing directly into a fish bearing stream,
22 into a fish bearing channel, Environment Canada could
23 clearly have concern with respect to water quality
24 and the potential impacts of fish and fish habitat.

25 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.

1 The sediment and erosion control plan was drafted by
2 AllNorth Consultants. They're currently not in the --
3 the room at the minute. But I think really what they
4 were trying to get at here is a more heightened
5 awareness of the potential for impact in certain
6 locations such as locations approximable to fish
7 bearing streams.

8 So I -- I mean, it -- it kind of
9 suggests then, Well, then what -- what are you doing
10 elsewhere? And -- and I don't think they're intending
11 to imply that you would not have the kind of similar
12 attitude anywhere else on the road.

13 It's just literally heightened
14 awareness in more sensitive locations. I mean, it is
15 a draft. It's -- it's a -- an initial management
16 plan. It's certainly going to go through additional
17 review by various agencies before it comes to the
18 final version, so we -- you know, we can -- we can
19 certainly work on it and improve on it as we go
20 forward.

21 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
22 from Stratos. Dave, do you have any followup
23 questions for CanZinc on this topic?

24 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): You
25 know, I think would be a great -- Hi. Sorry. David

1 Laverdiere, Environment Canada. I think that would be
2 great. I guess I would just -- if somebody could help
3 me understand when the -- the opportunity to -- to
4 take a -- a draft -- a draft document that -- that
5 shows quite a bit of extra potential to prot -- to
6 protect water quality.

7 And might I add, when -- when would
8 that opportunity be for -- for a draft document to
9 move from -- from the draft stage to a -- a finalized
10 stage where, you know, where there's quite a bit of
11 wording an qualifiers that are a little vague could be
12 -- could be changed or append the language?

13 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
14 from Stratos. Do you understand the question or do
15 you need more clarity?

16 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
17 I -- I'm not -- was there a specific question there?

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
19 from Stratos. I think that what he was asking,
20 correct me if I'm wrong, Dave, is you would just -- he
21 would like some clarity on at what point in the
22 process timeline would be appropriate for him to give
23 the specific comments about the -- the changes he's
24 looking for in terms of some of the verbs.

25 Correct me if I'm wrong, Dave, or let

1 me know if this is the right question.

2 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE):

3 Yeah, sorry. That's -- yes, that's exactly what I'm
4 asking. At what point in the process would, you know,
5 would -- would there be an opportunity to do that.

6 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Okay. It's Dave
7 Harpley, again. Again, just my opinion, but
8 personally, I think management plans are appropriate
9 as a condition of a permit so that the right kind of
10 plan is in place before anything actually happens on
11 the ground.

12 Hopefully we've done enough to
13 demonstrate at this point that we're aware of the need
14 to have specific measures to control erosion and
15 sediment. Yes, more work needs to be done on refining
16 those measures, but I think the time for that is -- is
17 in -- you know, once the permits have been issued and
18 -- and before work actually occurs.

19 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: It's Sachi De
20 Souza, with the Review Board. With regards to this
21 conversation about sediment and erosion control
22 measures that are outlined in the plan, plans are --
23 are generally final -- finalized in the permitting
24 phase, not in the environmental -- during the
25 environmental assessment.

1 What we are concerned about in the
2 environmental assessment is if there are specific
3 mitigations that are necessary to prevent a
4 significant impact to water quality. And, Dave, from
5 Environment and Climate Change Canada, if there are
6 specific questions you have or you think certain
7 mitigations are necessary to prevent a significant
8 adverse impact to water quality, are there specific
9 locations that you're more concerned about?

10 It would be good for us to understand
11 that a little bit better right now. If there are
12 specific locations and specific mitigations that
13 you're looking for.

14 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Hi.
15 It's David Laverdiere, Environment Canada. Yes, I --
16 I had -- do have a number of specific mitigations I
17 think I would like to see that would be ideal. One
18 (1) example of that is as it relates to the -- the
19 work for the construction of a road within 100 metres
20 of the fish bearing channel, and bridge and culvert
21 crossings of fish bearing channel.

22 I would like the wording to be changed
23 from "could" to "will" in -- in the sense of
24 designating that area as a special erosion pro --
25 protection area because with the designation of that

1 area as a special erosion protection area, the
2 Proponent has indicated that there would be insulation
3 of sediment run off and erosion control measures.

4 And I would -- I think I would like to
5 have those measures be implemented just prior to the
6 construction -- at the beginning of the construction
7 of those works, not at the mid point or -- or too late
8 after the construction has -- has begun. That is one
9 (1) example.

10 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Okay. It's Sachi
11 De Souza, with the Board. So if I understand
12 correctly, the request is to see if Canadian Zinc will
13 commit to installing or using erosion control measures
14 when -- within 100 metres of a fish bearing channel.

15 So Canadian Zinc -- or Environment
16 Canada/Climate Change Canada, if you can confirm that?
17 And then Canadian Zinc, will you commit to that?

18 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Yes.
19 This is David. That is -- that's what I'm asking for.

20 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
21 If that is what the -- is designed in the commitment,
22 then I don't think I have a problem with it because we
23 -- we're going to have sediment and erosion control
24 measures proximal to water cause in any case.

25 But I thought your issue was more to do

1 with a designation of -- what was the term, sensitive
2 or special -- special -- what was it?

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4 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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6 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Special erosion
7 protection areas. I think that's what you were
8 looking for. You were looking for a 'will' instead of
9 a 'could.' And I think we probably put a 'could'
10 because, you know, there's - - there's a variety of
11 different situations along the road, and -- and in one
12 location it may be appropriate to have, you know, the
13 heightened approach and in -- and in others it may not
14 be necessary.

15 For example, you know, I know you --
16 you probably suffer from the difficulty of not really
17 knowing the terrain too well but there's quite a few
18 kilometre sections of the road that parallels Sundog
19 Creek, and Sundog Creek and the stretch I'm thinking
20 of is a pretty broad flood plain of a number of
21 braided channels, which for the most part of the year
22 are bone dry.

23 So, you know, you have a situation
24 where you -- you're building a road next to a flood
25 plain and there's absolutely no water, so why would

1 you go to special protection measures when there's
2 just nothing there. So that's why we have the
3 'could', not the 'will,' and -- and I would want to
4 retain the flexibility to adopt what's appropriate for
5 the location at the time of construction.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Do you
7 have something?

8 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
9 Scrimgeour, with Parks Canada. The language that
10 David's used is -- is actually quite amenable to how
11 we would describe it when there's a prescription
12 specific approach or standard that would be applied
13 based on risk. So, you know, a suggestion might be
14 'where required' those additional measures would be
15 applied. That language would be good for us.

16 I think in terms of developing a plan
17 or -- or assisting Canadian Zinc to -- to create the
18 plan that we would review, I would like another
19 discussion on the variables that were measured. David
20 just mentioned that he would be measuring total
21 suspended solids. I -- clearly that's one (1) of the
22 anchor variables to be measured, but I think in some
23 construction design situations where there is
24 disturbance of organic soils that we would like
25 Canadian Zinc to consider a commitment to measure just

1 a few other variables.

2 These would include dissolved oxygen
3 because organic materials would be potentially
4 transported into the receiving environment. Also pH,
5 and perhaps a consideration of measuring water
6 turbidity, which can be measured very, very quickly
7 and on-site, an instantaneous measure. So we'd like
8 that consideration. And even the -- an outline in
9 terms of the number of sites perhaps upstream of where
10 a bridge approach or an abutment was -- was put in an
11 upstream site, perhaps keeping with EEM guidelines, a
12 near field site, and a far field site.

13 And, you know, to follow a -- a
14 colleague's comment on sort of prescriptions and an
15 adaptive approach, if monitoring of dissolved oxygen
16 and pH shows no real decline downstream, we'd be more
17 than happy to entertain a constraining of the sampling
18 if it -- so we're going to ask that Canadian Zinc
19 consider additional variables, but the data that comes
20 back instantaneously measured can be used to decide
21 how the duration at those variables would be measured,
22 and the sites that would be measured. So we're asking
23 for flexibility, just good scientific interpretation
24 that would guide the specifics of -- of the -- what
25 this plan could look like.

1 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
2 with the Board. Before we move on to this discussion
3 of instantaneous measurements of -- of parameters such
4 as dissolved oxygen, pH turbidity, and upstream and
5 near field and downstream sites, I just want to just
6 backtrack one (1) second here to the -- the request
7 from -- from ECCC about considering erosion control
8 measures within a hundred metres. It started off with
9 -- with Canadian Zinc saying, Yes, we -- we commit to
10 doing that, but then sort of going back a little bit
11 by saying, It will depend on a certain conditions, and
12 the time of year.

13 I can appreciate during certain times
14 of year creeks are dry and we might need -- not need
15 to do certain things. You might not need to do
16 certain things. So before I ask any questions I
17 wanted to just first see if Dave on the phone has
18 something to add there, and if you're satisfied with
19 the response from Canadian Zinc.

20 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): It's
21 David. Thank you. David, from ECCC.

22 Yes, you know, I -- I certainly agree
23 with the Proponent and his good sense, and -- and
24 that, you know, implementing extensive sediment and
25 erosion control in the areas adjacent to a dry fish

1 bed would not make sense. I think it can -- I think
2 our concerns can -- can be easily addressed if -- if
3 there are slight changes to language that says if
4 there's drainage into a fish bearing channel under,
5 you know, that is not dry where there is water present
6 in that channel. And I think if the erosion -- think
7 -- I think in -- in that situation the -- the
8 construction and -- and implementation of sediment and
9 erosion control measures make sense.

10 So if -- if -- would that be something
11 that we would be considered reasonable to Canadian
12 Zinc?

13 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley, yes.

14 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Okay. So to
15 confirm the wording, Canadian Zinc commits to
16 implementing erosion and cont -- sediment control
17 measures when within a hundred metres of a fish
18 bearing channel if there is water present or water
19 draining into those fish bearing creeks at that time.

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21 --- COMMITMENT NO. 4: Canadian Zinc commits to
22 implementing erosion and
23 sediment control
24 measures when within a
25 hundred metres of a fish

1 bearing channel if there
2 is water present or
3 water draining into
4 those fish bearing
5 creeks at that time
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7 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Yes
8 -- it's David. Yes, that's correct. And the only
9 other thing that -- that would concern me is, you
10 know, if the -- if the construction of a certain
11 segment of roadway would be undertaken for a certain
12 amount of time from which, you know, the -- the dry
13 fish chan -- the -- the dry fish channel could go from
14 being dry to being a flowing fish channel during like
15 a flash flood, for example.

16 That could bring drainage in that fish-
17 bearing channel for -- for an expended -- for an --
18 for an extended period of time. Since the fish are
19 making use of that as -- as part of fish habitat, then
20 there's -- there's the risk that we're overlooking
21 that potential risk.

22 So I don't know how -- you know, I
23 don't -- maybe I'm -- I could ask what the Proponent
24 feels would be appropriate in that situation if there
25 can be some -- some contingency measures in place

1 where -- or perhaps there can be a fairly quick
2 mobilization of -- of these measures to protect from
3 excessive sediment and erosion.

4 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. I -
5 - I know what you're getting at, and I don't think we
6 have a problem with that. We -- we have to be
7 prepared for what might occur, and we know it's an
8 area where things can change rather quickly.

9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
10 from Stratos. So perhaps we can just build that
11 contingent -- contingency part into the -- into the
12 commitment statement.

13 Yeah, go ahead.

14 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE:
15 Stefan, from Stratos. I'll -- I'll just read what we
16 have so far, and it may not be very elegant, but
17 hopefully it -- it meets the requirements of the
18 parties here.

19 CanZinc commits to implementing erosion
20 control for construction activities within 100 metres
21 of a fish-bearing channel where water is present or
22 could be present within a short period of time.

23 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
24 I think I would probably work on the -- the ending of
25 that because that would pretty much cover everything

1 the -- as written.

2 I think we want to craft something at
3 the end that's more specific to having specific plans
4 for rapid response in the event of a substantial
5 change in conditions, something like that.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
7 from Stratos. Parks Canada, can I just go back to you
8 just to confirm? You had also suggested some wording
9 along the lines of, you know, "where required," which
10 I think we're being much more specific in this
11 commitment.

12 So are you okay with that component of
13 the discussion going forward?

14 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
15 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. Yes.

16 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
17 Great. So I think we can wrap this part up, but I
18 would like to go to the -- to the other one about the
19 plan, the -- that you had talked about, the additional
20 types of testing that might be required.

21 And I'm going into technical territory
22 that I don't probably belong where the TSS, dissolved
23 oxygen, pH, that one, right? Is that the next one on
24 the -- on the list of things to talk about? Okay.

25 So do you need to ask a question, or do

1 you have something written?

2 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE: No,
3 we don't have enough written. Stefan, from Stratos.
4 If -- if you could provide sort of a headline
5 statement on -- on what you're looking for, if that's
6 possible, so that we can craft that into either an
7 undertaking or a commitment statement.

8 And I'm not sure if CanZinc had a
9 chance to respond on that one yet. Maybe I should
10 wait for that first.

11 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.
12 Yeah, thanks. I would like to respond.

13 I mean, we're -- we're flexible. We
14 want to do whatever's the right thing, and, you know,
15 if -- if we're talking -- even if we're talking about
16 multiple sites, you know, pH connectivity, turbidity,
17 relatively simple, quick tests to do, got no problem
18 with that at all.

19 I'm kind of reluctant with DO. I know
20 it's an important parameter for fish, but I just know
21 from experience that measuring DO can either be time
22 consuming or very finicky in terms of a -- an
23 appropriate machine.

24 I mean, I think we -- we should
25 probably do some DO measurements, but I would just not

1 want to commit to doing, you know, an extensive
2 program that just becomes cumbersome and it doesn't --
3 just really doesn't generate for us any useful
4 information.

5 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
6 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. I fully agree and
7 appreciate the comments from Dave. DO -- measuring
8 dissolved oxygen can be somewhat finicky. And I'm
9 just looking at a -- a brochure for a dissolved oxy --
10 a portable dissolved oxygen meter by Heck (phonetic).
11 I'd be more than happy to pay this -- to provide this
12 to David. It's a simple what I found to be a very
13 robust meter that will provide instantaneous measure.

14 Additionally, you know, just to
15 reiterate the adaptive management approach, the
16 adaptiveness of the monitoring program. If -- if
17 Canadian Zinc commits to measuring a broader suite of
18 variables, we would let the data that are collected
19 influence the frequency of sampling, the special
20 extent of sampling.

21 So we're -- we're inherently saying
22 there needs to be flexibility, and -- and that's what
23 -- that's what we're asking for. And specifically,
24 just to cross-reference for your purposes, this
25 addresses Parks Canada IR-29.

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(BRIEF PAUSE)

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MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
with the Board. Maybe what we'll do is just grab some
of that -- the detailed wording on what specific
parameters you mentioned and CanZinc committed to
rather than restating it right now. And then we'll
report it back tomorrow.

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CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: It's
Barb here. And then, at that point, maybe we can --
once that's finessed, we can read it back in in front
of the group just to test to make sure we all are on
the same page. Okay. Great. Good. Chuck -- Rick,
you're up.

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MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Rick Walbourne,
ENR. I had a question for maybe Environment Canada or
Canadian Zinc or a combination thereof regarding the
monitoring.

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Now, just for example, I was looking at
the Tuk/Inuvik Highway. And for that one, during
crossings they took TSS and total petroleum
hydrocarbons daily, but things like DO and some other
were done on a monthly basis during open water.

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So I was wondering if Environment

1 Canada had any thoughts about frequencies regarding
2 some of those parameters they're requesting or if that
3 could be included in the recommendation, and maybe
4 also from -- from David, with Canadian Zinc, if he had
5 any thoughts on frequencies for some of those
6 different parameters that they've been discussing.
7 Thank you.

8 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Are
9 there any comments from Environment Canada Climate
10 Change? Or are you -- you're looking over here.

11 Do you mean Parks Canada or you
12 actually mean Environment Canada Climate Change?

13 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Rick, ENR.
14 Apologies. That was for Parks Canada, not Environment
15 Canada.

16 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
17 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada, firmly back on the hook. I
18 think -- I think the -- the special extent and timing
19 is going to be dependent on the context of the -- of
20 the -- the location, the engineering construction
21 that's being applied.

22 You know, what we would -- we would
23 fall back to what -- what is reasonable given the
24 levels of uncertainty and risk. We're more than happy
25 to -- to have discussions with ECC, DFO, Canadian Zinc

1 on what could that design look like, but at the
2 moment, it's -- it's probably not productive.

3 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
4 you. David, do you have anything else to add?

5 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
6 I think that covers it. And I guess the only thing I
7 would add is I'm not sure why they were doing
8 petroleum hy -- hydrocarbons in Inuvik. Maybe it's
9 something site specific, but I would -- don't think we
10 would need it in -- in our location.

11 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Rick Walbourne,
12 ENR. My understanding was the hydrocarbons were being
13 done downstream just to make sure there was nothing
14 coming out the equipment during the construction of
15 the crossing; that would be my assumption.

16 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
17 Thank you. Barb here. Is there any need to share
18 that particular document or study or methodology or is
19 that already -- is that a helpful step or not so much?

20 MR. RICK WALBOURNE: Rick Walbourne,
21 ENR. We can -- we can put it on the record. I mean,
22 it's -- it's an example of a recent water licence.
23 And it was, you know, an environmental assessment of
24 another road project, so it could be an example. It's
25 obviously a different area.

1 I'm not saying by any means that the
2 roads are the same or need -- you know, some things
3 will be needed here that weren't there and vice versa.
4 But there could be some examples of things that were
5 done there, so I have no problem.

6 It's a public document on the land --
7 or on the Inuvialuit Water Board registry, so it could
8 be put up if anyone requested it.

9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
10 Thank you. We'll put that as an undertaking if that's
11 okay. Thanks very much, GNWT.

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16 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Are
17 there other questions to raise at this time?

18 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Hi.
19 It's David Laverdiere, Environment Canada. I actually
20 would like to -- the opportunity to weigh in on that.
21 And in the sediment and erosion control plan, the
22 draft document, there's a commitment to inspect every
23 seven (7) days following a rain or -- or snow melt
24 event at erosion and sediment control installations.

25 In the document it also says, once

1 again it's a little vague, turbidity measurements
2 should be taken during inspections. My comment -- our
3 comment is that the Proponent should commit to
4 turbidity measurements during these inspections
5 because, you know, the -- a turbidity measure --
6 measurement is quite quick to take. It's not onerous.

7 And in addition to that, it is our
8 viewpoint that at 50 percent of the sites where
9 there's active construction that feature sediment and
10 erosion control measures there should be water samples
11 taken for measurements of total suspended solids so
12 that those concentrations can be compared to the
13 Canadian Water Quality Guidelines for the Protection
14 of Aquatic Life not on a weekly basis but on a
15 biweekly basis either during snow or -- a storm or
16 snow melt event, or as soon as is practical following
17 a storm or snow melt. And I emphasize "as soon as is
18 practical," so that would only coincide with an
19 inspection.

20 We would not -- we would not want there
21 to be any-- you know, we -- we wouldn't want there to
22 be, for example, two (2) inspections, you know, within
23 a seven (7) day period. We wouldn't want it to occur
24 during the normal inspection.

25 In addition, at the -- the remaining 50

1 percent of sites that feature sediment and erosion
2 control measures that are undergoing active
3 construction that the Proponent, when they are taking
4 turbidity measurements, that they also take
5 measurements of total suspended solids on a -- on a
6 quarterly basis so that -- so that throughout the
7 entire stretch of road that is under -- being
8 undertaken active construction where there is active
9 sediment and erosion control measures, that we have
10 coverage of 100 percent of those -- of that active
11 area.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Dave,
13 it's Barb here, from Stratos. I'm just wondering if
14 some of the details that you're speaking about in this
15 particular question will be actually captured in the -
16 - the phrasing of the commitment that Parks Canada is
17 going to work on that sort of talks about flexibility
18 and different types of tests that need to occur.

19 So I'm wondering if you can hold that
20 thought, and make sure that it would be adequately
21 covered in the phrasing that we're going to come back
22 to with the -- with the draft commitment that Parks
23 Canada is suggesting. Is that -- is that fair? Or
24 CanZinc/Parks Canada, would you like to weigh in? I
25 might be off on the wrong track here.

1 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.

2 No, I don't -- I don't think you're entirely off on
3 the wrong -- wrong track but just -- just some
4 additional comments I might make.

5 I'm getting a little confused myself as
6 to whether we're talking about construction or
7 operations. And I'm also bearing in mind what I
8 produced this morning, which indicated that a lot of
9 the construction is actually going to occur in the
10 winter. So I think we have to be careful about what
11 we're writing so that we're -- you know, we're really
12 getting at what the needs are rather than just blanket
13 covering everything.

14 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
15 Great. Thank you. So maybe when we have the draft
16 commitment, let's really look at it from that
17 perspective, as well.

18 Dave, from Environment Canada --

19 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): I --

20 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: --
21 Climate Change, are you okay with that approach for
22 the moment?

23 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Yes,
24 and -- sorry, it's Dave, with Environment Canada.
25 And, yes, I -- I'm okay with that approach. And --

1 and, yes, I -- I failed to mention that, you know --
2 or, sorry, I -- I think that the -- that Canadian Zinc
3 makes a lot of sense in bringing up the aspect of
4 winter construction.

5 It would not -- we would not want to
6 see -- Environment Canada would not want to see water
7 samples being taken for total suspended solids during
8 the winter months. It just would not make any sense.

9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
10 Good. Thanks. Loretta, from Environment Canada
11 Climate Change.

12 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Thanks. I know
13 we're almost done talking about this subject, but just
14 to make one (1) point, too. Rick brought up the
15 Inuvik-to-Tuk Highway. And while construction would
16 be happening in the winter, one (1) issue is to really
17 make sure that you have the erosion and sediment
18 control measures in place prior to freshet because
19 that's one (1) of the key issues. And also that links
20 into the frequency of sampling and what parameters and
21 whatnot. So I just wanted to mention that. That that
22 parts of, you know, the issues behind this discussion.

23 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
24 Thank you. Are there additional questions on the
25 topic fish, water, water quality, vegetation?

1 Chuck...?

2 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Thanks. Chuck
3 Hubert, with the Review Board. So I thought I'd
4 broach a couple of questions here about fish habitat
5 offsetting. So I'll start out to CanZinc.

6 How much community engagement has
7 occurred to date regarding fish habitat offsetting
8 plans?

9 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
10 We've not specifically discovered -- discussed
11 offsetting specific to this project at this point
12 because we've yet to define actually habitat loss and
13 habitat gain, and had some input from DFO. And I
14 don't want to prejudge what DFO might determine.

15 I mentioned earlier that we had quite a
16 lot of discussion regarding the compensation required
17 for the habitat loss that occurred when we repaired
18 the eroded winter road previously. So I expect a
19 similar process would occur at the point we know what
20 the offset is, if there is one (1), and then what we
21 can propose to do about it.

22 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Thanks. So then I
23 guess I'll turn the question to DFO. So the question
24 -- and perhaps to -- to Parks Canada as well, but DFO
25 first.

1 How much offsetting information or --
2 or pre-channel and habitat -- fish habitat information
3 is needed during the EA phase in order for DFO to make
4 a finding of significant adverse impacts from the
5 project to fish, fish habitat, and riparian habitat?

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7 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Do you
10 need the question repeated again? Would that be
11 helpful? Okay.

12 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: All right. So it's
13 -- sorry if I was unclear. But the -- the interest of
14 the question is -- Chuck Hubert, with the Review Board
15 -- is to -- is to get an understanding of how much
16 information DFO believes is required on the amount of
17 fish habitat to be changed, lost, modified during the
18 EA in order to make its own opinion to the Review
19 Board on the significance of adverse impacts to fish
20 and fish habitat.

21 Does that make sense?

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23 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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25 MS. GEORGINA WILLISTON: Thank you.

1 Georgina Williston, with Fisheries and Oceans Canada.
2 So we're still working -- working through the envir --
3 the IR phase right now. Julie is working on the
4 project. And we're working on trying to get all those
5 details together. We're not there yet. And that's
6 not unusual. During the environmental assessment
7 phase there are a lot of times a lot of iterations
8 that go on in the project. The road has changed
9 alignments a couple of times. And based on input from
10 other reviewers, First Nations, other interested
11 parties, things change.

12 So as we go through it we -- as we get
13 more and more information we get better placed to make
14 our regulatory decision on -- on whether or not we
15 think that there are any aspects of the project that -
16 - that are going cause serious harm. This could be
17 anything from the bridge -- the bridge installations
18 to the culvert installations to the realignment of
19 Sundog Creek, maybe some of the channel stabilization,
20 riprap placement that's going to occur.

21 But -- so we're -- we're still working
22 through that, trying to get all those pieces together.
23 Our hope is, generally, that by the time we get to a
24 final hearing we -- we have a position on that, but we
25 don't have one (1) now. In order to be able to make

1 that determination we need to know the fish
2 communities, the fish habitat that's going to be
3 impacted, the footprint of the area. From our
4 perspective it's -- it's the definition of the
5 Fisheries Act, so whether that area -- area is
6 harmfully altered or destroyed or whether there's any
7 death of fish.

8 So we're working our way through that.
9 So at this point in time, we don't have a position,
10 but we hope to, hopefully by the final hearing if
11 everything comes together. That being said, it
12 doesn't always come together. Some projects it does,
13 some it doesn't.

14 It -- it'll depend a lot on I guess how
15 -- how final the alignment is and how -- how much --
16 how far into I guess detailed design the Proponent
17 gets. Sometimes they get a little further into that,
18 sometimes they don't.

19 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Okay. Chuck
20 Hubert, with the Review Board. Thanks very much. Is
21 DFO and -- and committed to working together to
22 discuss these requirements prior to the hearing phase?

23 MS. GEORGINA WILLISTON: DFO, def --
24 Georgina Williston, with Fisheries and Oceans Canada.
25 Yeah, I think that's what we're doing through the --

1 the IR phase now and -- and with the additional
2 questions we have at these technical meetings to -- to
3 get the information we need to get to that point. So,
4 yes, we commit.

5 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Thanks. Chuck
6 Hubert. I was hoping for, you know, just more cosy
7 meetings between the two (2) of you rather in this big
8 room.

9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Is
10 someone going to name the time and place, Chuck?

11 MR. CHUCK HUBERT: Not me, thanks.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So I
13 guess -- it's Barb here -- one (1) step beyond the
14 formal IR process you're saying. Could it be -- would
15 it be helpful for and DFO to get together to better
16 understand the information needs? So David...?

17 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
18 Our aquatic biologist -- I believe John is still on
19 the line -- was in town several weeks ago. So, in
20 view of that, we took the opportunity to have him sit
21 down with DFO's representative, Julie, to specifically
22 say, Do you have questions? Any more information we
23 can provide?

24 So the process has already been
25 initiated. We've always -- we've already got cosy, so

1 to speak. And, you know, DFO can approach us at any
2 time, and -- and as much as we can help them come to
3 their determination, that's fine.

4 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Good.
5 Chuck, do you have any additional questions that you'd
6 like to ask?

7 Are there other questions that folks
8 have on their list that they haven't had a chance to
9 bring forward yet? Parks...?

10 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
11 Scrimgeour, with Parks Canada. I have two (2) other
12 issues I'd like to draw to your attention for
13 discussion. But before I do so, I'd -- I think
14 discussions of fish loss or destruction or
15 degradation, Parks Canada would certainly appreciate
16 being a part of that cosy discussion.

17 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So can I
18 just interrupt you there? Is -- do we need to have
19 something formal about that? DFO, CanZinc, and Parks
20 Canada okay to have these -- I really don't like using
21 the word "cosy," but that's what we're using.

22 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
23 I -- I guess I need to better understand what the
24 regulatory requirement is here. It was my assumption,
25 and it may be incorrect, that this is basically DFO

1 territory and they're -- they're carrying the ball.

2 So, I mean, I -- I'm -- I'm not opposed
3 to another party. It just makes it a little more
4 cumbersome. I just want to get to -- efficiently get
5 to an end result.

6 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
7 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. We certainly understand the
8 regulatory framework, and certainly appreciate and
9 thank the guidance that DFO continues to provide.

10 Parks Canada's view is that discussions
11 on losses or a degradation or destruction of fish
12 habitat is a shared responsibility. We have a number
13 of IRs that we've provided to the Proponent, and --
14 and just -- just to make a -- a more streamlined sort
15 of success discussion, we think those shared
16 discussions between three (3) groups would be helpful.

17 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
18 with the Board. So as we said earlier, we -- the
19 Board always encourages parties to have conversations
20 offline. And if Parks Canada and DFO both have an
21 interest and responsibility for fish within the park,
22 we encourage you to have that conversation with
23 Canadian Zinc to discuss impacts to fish and report
24 back. And if it helps inform your decision about
25 potential significant impacts for the EA, we would be

1 very interested in that.

2 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Dean, go
3 ahead, please.

4 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Yeah, Dean Holman,
5 with Liidlil Kue First Nation. Just continuing on the
6 path of alteration disruption and destruction, I -- I
7 had brought this up a few years back, but there was a
8 report on the effect of -- effectiveness of fish
9 habitat compensation in Canada in achieving no net
10 loss.

11 That was by Quigley and Harper, both
12 from -- well, Fisheries and Oceans. And in that
13 report they -- they did come to a conclusion on
14 approximately -- well, the percentage of results in
15 net loss in habitat productivity, they're quoting here
16 63 percent on that.

17 And then when it comes to the
18 monitoring I think there was only something like, and
19 this is considering 2006, 2.1 percent of DFO's habitat
20 and management workload was spent conducting followup
21 monitoring, but not on the majority of no net loss
22 sites.

23 I'm wondering, if I can direct this at
24 DFO, if those numbers have actually climbed, or have
25 they remained the same? The reason I'm -- I'm asking

1 this is because given, you know, regulatory
2 requirements, if this is part of a regulatory
3 requirement, then to me it seems -- it seems that you
4 would not have a clear picture of the amount of
5 significant loss of fish in the area or not.

6 That's just a question there.

7 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb,
8 from Stratos. DFO, do you have a -- a response to the
9 question?

10 MS. GEORGINA WILLISTON: Thank you.
11 Georgina Williston, with Fisheries and Oceans Canada.
12 I'm aware of the paper. We were crit -- DFO was
13 criticized for -- for not conducting monitoring and a
14 number of other shortfalls, perhaps, with that
15 program.

16 So I've been -- I probably started with
17 the old fish habitat management program in 2006 and as
18 the program has moved on before we switched to the
19 fisheries protection program with the other program,
20 we did introduce a monitoring program.

21 We actually brought on Fisheries
22 monitoring technicians and their goal -- their job was
23 to do monitoring. So I think after that report came
24 out and there was other criticisms to the program,
25 decided to invest more and to do more monitoring.

1 It -- with this current -- the new
2 program -- with the new Fisheries protection program
3 we also now have annual work plan monitor -- mon --
4 annual work plans that layout, you know, projects that
5 -- that are monitored. It's probably not perfect, but
6 we are trying to do more monitoring.

7 And all the different offices all
8 throughout my region, central, and arctic, I can't
9 speak to the other regions, we do -- we do do
10 monitoring. As to the -- the numbers that are
11 monitored, I don't know for sure. I know we do report
12 on that. So I might be able to pull some monitoring
13 statistics, but I -- I don't have those with me.

14 But I think with every major project
15 that we do review and we do issue either a Fisheries
16 Act authorization or what we call a letter of advice
17 when we determine that a Fisheries Act authorization
18 isn't required we do try and do monitoring. It gets a
19 little challenging when sites are isolated and -- and
20 gaining access and going at the -- at just the right
21 time so we can see what we need to see, but we do
22 definitely try.

23 And it's no perfect. I know we can't
24 get everywhere, but -- but we are trying to improve on
25 our -- our monitoring statistics for sure.

1 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE: Thank
2 you. I believe we have a comment from -- from Alan.
3 Do we?

4 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: Yeah. Thanks.
5 Alan EHRLICH.

6 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE: But -
7 - but -- and -- and -- but just before -- before we
8 forget, this report, I don't believe, is part of the
9 record. If somebody could commit to adding it to the
10 registry, the report on loss and monitoring.

11 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: I can -- I can
12 provide that or DFO could provide that. I just wanted
13 to followup with that and --

14 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sorry, Dean, can
15 we just stop for one (1) quick second there? So I
16 just want to -- two (2) things here, so DFO, you're
17 commit -- you're going to provide the Review Board
18 with this report and also the monitoring results that
19 you just referenced in your response?

20 MS. GEORGINA WILLISTON: Yes.
21 Georgina Williston, with Fisheries and Oceans Canada.
22 Yeah, either one (1) of us could provide the report
23 that's referenced, the 2006. As -- as with regards to
24 monitoring statistics that the Fisheries and Oceans
25 Canada has, I'd have to see what's been pulled

1 together. I know we report on some of them, and I
2 don't know what that will look like. But there's
3 something out there that I'll bring in. Thank you.

4 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Dean Holman, with
5 LKFN again. I'm -- I'm just wondering, if you do have
6 such low number -- if there are such low numbers on
7 following up or monitoring of no net loss projects
8 then, you know, considering that in 2006 they're
9 quoting about 64 percent, 63.8 I think, percent of no
10 -- of net losses then that's a majority of projects
11 the -- in -- according to statistics here.

12 What -- what confidence does DFO have
13 in, you know, further no net loss projects if -- if
14 the numbers have not been raised since 2006?

15 THE CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Can
16 -- can I just interrupt for one (1) second? It's Barb
17 here. I wonder -- I know, Alan, you had a
18 intervention or a comment, and I wonder if can just
19 turn to you while you're thinking about the response
20 here. Perhaps it will influence the -- the direction
21 of the conversation.

22 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: Yeah, but I'd love
23 them to be thinking about my -- Alan Ehrlich, with the
24 Review Board. I'd also love them to be thinking about
25 my comment while I say it. So, look, we've heard -- I

1 think I heard the Developer, DFO, and Parks Canada say
2 that they will talk about fish habitat compensation
3 and figuring out stuff like that. But what I heard
4 Chuck Hubert say was a temporal element, which was
5 before the Review Board's public hearing. Which means
6 the Review Board does not care about the specific
7 dollar figure of compensation.

8 The Review Board will care very much
9 about your views on whether or not this project is
10 likely to cause a significant adverse impact to fish
11 or fish habitat. And it would be extremely helpful
12 for you to have had discussions that help you figure
13 this out before the Board's hearing, so that you can
14 share your conclusions in your technical reports.

15 The commitment -- or a part of the
16 commitment that I think may have been lost in this
17 last discussion was the part about timing. But the
18 timing is what makes this matter to the environmental
19 assessment, and not to what our -- the regulatory
20 details that come up afterward. So I'd just -- where
21 do I go with this? I -- I guess if there is a
22 commitment in the works, can we make that commitment
23 reflect this? And I wanted to articulate it this way,
24 so it's quite clear to the parties that are involved.
25 Thank you.

1 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE:

2 Stefan Reinecke, with Stratos. So, Alan, just to
3 clarify. Our understanding is that commitments would
4 generally apply to the Developers. It's not an
5 undertaking for a group of parties to -- to sort of
6 produce information and analysis relating to the
7 possibility of habitat loss?

8 MR. ALAN EHRLICH: I would see a
9 commitment from the Developer to work with Parks
10 Canada and DFO in the regulatory phase to figure out
11 the no net loss stuff as a commitment. But I would
12 see the stuff that leads up to the hearing phase as an
13 undertaking by the Developer. And the -- and Parks
14 Canada and DFO as well.

15 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
16 So we're going to just do a little bit of working on
17 some suggested wording that we'll read back into the
18 group if that's okay. There are a few different loose
19 threads going on at the moment. So, DFO, I want to
20 just go back to you to see if there are any additional
21 comments, reactions, answers to Dean's question, as
22 well as to Alan's. And then I'd also like to check in
23 with -- with you folks at CanZinc, too, to see where
24 you're at.

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1 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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3 MS. GEORGINA WILLISTON: Thank you.

4 Georgina Williston, with Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

5 I -- sorry, I had to go back in my memory to -- to

6 what Dean's question was about the reporting, I guess.

7 Saying that, you know, not all offsetting plans -- or

8 we don't get the no net loss with all our offsetting

9 plans or that they don't work. I'm not entirely sure.

10 I'd have to reread the report again. I'm a little --

11 little fuzzy on that.

12 But I think what's important to note is

13 that, since that -- that report did come out,

14 Fisheries and Oceans Canada has -- has sort of taken a

15 more proactive approach to monitoring. And we do

16 learn from every project. We learn what works, what

17 doesn't work. And as we try and do more monitoring we

18 see what works and doesn't work. And we do try and

19 make better decisions.

20 And, hopefully, eventually, reports

21 that come out in the future will reflect that. And if

22 they don't, then -- then we'll try to continue to

23 improve our -- our monitoring and our -- I guess we

24 don't have the no net loss principle anymore, but the

25 same idea. That there's no -- that there's no

1 residual impacts from, you know, projects that have
2 been authorized to occur and that the offsetting
3 really does work and that it really does offset for
4 impacts.

5 And I just also maybe wanted to add a
6 little bit of comment -- context around compensation.
7 We like to call it offsetting. Compensation generally
8 puts a dollar value on it. So when we do work through
9 our regulatory process we don't really talk in dollars
10 and cents, we talk in fish and fish habitat or habitat
11 equivalent units or -- or productivity, so.

12 And that is sort of what we take into
13 the EA, also. We run -- we try and run our processes
14 parallel, the environmental assessment process
15 parallel with our regulatory process so that we can
16 see whether or not there are any sort of residual
17 negative impacts to fish and fish habitat.

18 And the residual impacts to fish and
19 fish habitat in the EA world, that's kind of what
20 translates into our regulatory role. And then that's
21 where -- if there are residual impacts, then that
22 would be what requires offsetting.

23 So that's just sort of maybe a little
24 bit of clarity as to -- as to how we do environmental
25 assessment and regulatory at the same time because

1 they do -- they do compliment each other, and both
2 processes inform each other.

3 So, hopefully, I answered all the
4 questions. There was a couple there. I was trying to
5 remember them all. Thank you.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
7 you. Dave, from CanZinc?

8 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yes, Dave Harpley.
9 Hopefully I've got a suggestion that's going to be
10 helpful to try and kind of deal with all these
11 different desire, if I can call it that.

12 I don't -- the problem is we haven't
13 really had a -- that's -- that's the proponent and DFO
14 that has -- had a good conversation yet about what is
15 lost and what is gained and where exactly we are. And
16 that's a conversation I think we need to have.

17 We've -- we've provided the data that
18 DFO asked for, but it just numbers, and there's
19 probably some -- still some question marks there. But
20 kind of IR I have, if I can call it that, is, I'll get
21 back to this again, whose responsibility is it whether
22 it's inside the park or outside the park.

23 It was my assumption that no matter
24 where you are it's DFO's responsibility. So I'd like
25 to confirm that that's the case, in the first respect.

1 And if I'm correct and it is their responsibility,
2 then I think the proponent and DFO should at least try
3 and work out what the situation is, in other words,
4 proponent give their necessary information to DFO to -
5 - so that they can actually make their preliminary
6 determination.

7 And then once that's -- that's
8 occurred, then, by all means, we can have a discussion
9 involving other parties, such as Parks, which we're
10 more than happy to bring into the equation at that
11 point because that's just the way we do things on all
12 sorts of matters, to work collaboratively.

13 But I think we need to focus on getting
14 something straight in the first respect, and I don't
15 think we're there yet. So to try to broaden it too
16 early is going kind of make it less efficient to get
17 to the answer that Alan's referring to before the
18 hearing.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Thank
20 you, Dave. Parks Canada, are you okay with kind of
21 that phased approach? Does that make sense to you? I
22 guess that's a leading question, sorry. What are you
23 thoughts on what Dave just said?

24 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
25 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. We -- we agree that there

1 is a level of additional discussion that would provide
2 clarity to all of us. And I -- I'm pretty sure we
3 would commit to that level -- that new level of
4 discussion.

5 I think there is clear lines of
6 accountability for DFO to the Fisheries Act. Parks
7 Canada's commitment is -- is to maintain parks that
8 are unimpaired for future generations, to maintain the
9 ecological integrity.

10 So our responsibility in -- in some
11 ways is a little bit broader than DFO's, and I think -
12 - I think we need some additional thinking on that.
13 I'm not sure if heavy a bilateral discussion between
14 Canadian Zinc and DFO, and then we are brought in the
15 discussion, I'm not sure if that's the most effective
16 way to go. I -- I'm not -- I'm not sure we would
17 object to it. I'm just not sure if the better way
18 would just be to have ongoing discussions between the
19 three (3).

20 But -- but I think we're flexible on
21 this. But I think what we've found out in the last,
22 you know, few weeks to months is that if we had those
23 discussions between the Proponent, DFO, and Parks we -
24 - we might be in a better position to evaluate risks.

25 CO-FACILITATOR STEFAN REINECKE:

1 Stefan Reinecke, from Stratos. Thanks for that
2 comment. We are going to suggest that as a
3 undertaking that the parties involved determine the
4 most appropriate process. The draft wording we have
5 to respond to Alan's earlier suggestion is CanZinc,
6 DFO, and Parks will work together to establish
7 information requirements, and provide necessary
8 information and analysis related to fish and fish
9 habitat impacts to inform the Board's decision prior
10 to the hearing phase.

11 So we can take any quick suggestions
12 now, but -- or, you know, during a break or at the end
13 of the day if we want to finesse that a bit. Yeah,
14 we'll -- I think we'll move on from here.

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16 --- UNDERTAKING NO. 5: CanZinc, DFO, and Parks will
17 work together to establish
18 information requirements, and
19 provide necessary information
20 and analysis related to fish
21 and fish habitat impacts to
22 inform the Board's decision
23 prior to the hearing phase

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25 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: Carrie Breneman,

1 Dehcho First Nations. I was just wondering, David, do
2 you anticipate that there's any additional field work
3 that needs to be done with the Sundog Creek
4 realignment?

5 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's David
6 Harpley. At this point I'm not aware of any
7 additional needs that would preclude us from coming to
8 a -- or let's say I should say, DFO coming to a
9 decision on where we are but I'm -- I'm waiting for
10 feedback.

11 We've -- we've collected what we
12 thought was appropriate for the determination at this
13 point. But I would like to reiterate. The Company
14 would like to know whose responsibility is it for
15 determination of habitat loss or gain in the park
16 legally, and whose job is it? Let -- let's be clear
17 on this.

18 We can -- once we're clear on that, and
19 -- and the appropriate body has made that
20 determination then we can have all sorts of
21 discussions.

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23 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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25 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: If -- Garry

1 Scrimgeour, with Parks Canada. Our view is that it's
2 a joint responsibility because of overlapping
3 mandates.

4 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
5 Okay. I'm going to move on. Are there other
6 questions? There's more questions. Okay. So we're
7 going to go to Parks Canada for the next -- oh, yeah,
8 sorry. Dave.

9 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
10 I -- I respect what Garry said but I'd also like to
11 hear what DFO has to say.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: For --
13 what DFO has to say, okay. Thank you.

14 MS. GEORGINA WILLISTON: Thank you.
15 Georgina Williston, with Fisheries and Oceans Canada.
16 So I think we both have a role in the management of
17 fish and fish habitat. I think we have different
18 pieces of legislation that help us do that.

19 So my understanding is that Fisheries
20 and Oceans Canada has Section 35 of the Fisheries Act,
21 and Parks Canada has whichever legislation they have.
22 I'm not that familiar with yours. But we do
23 definitely look to Parks Canada also to provide us
24 with -- with information. They know the park better
25 than we know the park, obviously. They manage the

1 park. So if there's, you know, maybe creeks and fish
2 communities that they're more familiar with and more
3 aware of then -- then those are questions we can ask
4 Parks Canada.

5 And then those -- that's information
6 that they can give us and we can -- we can help each
7 other that way, so that we all have a good
8 understanding of the impacts to fish and fish habitat,
9 and we can work together. But I think the differences
10 probably come at the -- at the end and who issues a
11 permit or who issues an authorization.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So in
13 the interest of time and where we need to focus, I'm
14 going to suggest if there's additional conversations
15 that need to happen about the regu -- regulatory thing
16 that you guys will need to sort it out.

17 I -- it's my understanding that's it
18 not the Review Board's decision or direction to
19 provide on that particular question. It is something
20 that the two (2) federal bodies need to weigh in on.
21 So with that I would like to move to the next
22 question. Yes, Parks Canada. Okay.

23 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
24 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. The -- the Proponent's DAR
25 identified the use of surface waters for dust control.

1 Abstraction of water from surface waters has the
2 potential to affect the quantity and quality of
3 aquatic habitats. And specifically referring to IR-
4 24, Canadian Zinc identified two (2) main water
5 sources for dust control, firstly flowing waters.

6 We would like to thank them and
7 recognize the additional level of information they
8 provided to Parks in terms of response to our IR.

9 Abstraction of water from flowing water systems has
10 been resolved, and we're thankful for that. We would
11 ask Canadian Zinc to commit to providing us with an
12 additional level of detail on the removal of up to 10
13 percent of water volume from standing water supplies,
14 so lakes and wetlands.

15 We have specific questions related to,
16 but not limited to when will the volume of the
17 standing surface water be quantified? How will -- how
18 will potential changes in lake water source volumes be
19 quantified through time? How accurate will those
20 methods be? And over what period will the maximum
21 withdrawal of 10 percent of water source volume be
22 quantified? For example, will it be quantified over a
23 six (6) month period? Will it be quantified over the
24 open water season or period? So we're just asking for
25 a commitment to provide another level of detail.

1 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Dave,
2 from CanZinc.

3 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.
4 None of that information sounds onerous, so I -- I
5 don't think we have a problem with it.

6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Great.
7 Thank you. We'll capture that as a commitment. Oh,
8 as a undertaking.

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10 --- UNDERTAKING NO. 6: Canadian Zinc to provide an
11 additional level of detail on
12 the removal of up to 10
13 percent of water volume from
14 standing water supplies for
15 lakes and wetlands

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17 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
18 with the Review Board. With respect to water thralls
19 and the potential impacts to aquatic species or
20 aquatic environments, are there specific water bodies
21 or water courses that Parks Canada or -- I don't -- a
22 few other parties asked questions about water
23 withdrawals.

24 Are there specific water bodies you are
25 more concerned about than others?

1 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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3 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: I -- it's Sachi
4 De Souza, with the Review Board again. I guess a -- a
5 better way of phrasing that is you're asking right now
6 CanZinc to do some additional work with respect to
7 water withdr -- or providing more information from --
8 or water withdrawals from standing water sources.

9 My question is: What specific impacts
10 to the environment are you concerned about with --
11 from water withdrawals?

12 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
13 Scrimgeour, with Parks Canada. I was doing so well
14 until you rephrased your question. So I'll -- I'll
15 make two (2) points. I expect the Proponent will
16 confirm the location of water sources. That would be
17 helpful and -- and nothing onerous there. But
18 secondly the application of the maximum 10 percent is
19 actually quite a conservative approach. So
20 irrespective of the water body, if they can keep to
21 that, Shall not exceed 10 percent of standing water
22 volume and give us the details on how that will be
23 measured, that would largely resolve any concerns that
24 we would have.

25 In terms of the broader question, it's

1 really just a reduction in the quantity of aquatic
2 habitats and potentially the quality.

3 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Any
4 other response/comment? No? Any additional
5 questions? Loretta...?

6 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Loretta Ransom,
7 Environment and Climate Change Canada. I just wanted
8 to follow up quickly with respect to what Parks raised
9 regarding dust control. Our expert, Dave Fox, is not
10 able to be here for most of the session this week, but
11 he did have a couple of questions that he would like
12 to have the opportunity to discuss Wednesday afternoon
13 or Thursday.

14 But I just wanted to raise it now so
15 you're aware, and it's regarding the contaminant
16 loading management plan. And he has a few comments,
17 questions, and what-not around that. So hopefully he
18 will be given that opportunity to have that discussion
19 later on.

20 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yes.
21 Thank you. We'll make a note of that. And is he
22 going to be calling in?

23 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Loretta Ransom.
24 He will be here in person.

25 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

1 Great. Thank you.

2 MS. LORETTA RANSOM: Thank you.

3 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

4 Other questions that you might have in this category
5 of biophysical? What else is on your list? Yeah,
6 okay. DFO...?

7 MS. GEORGINA WILLISTON: Thank you.

8 Georgina Williston, with Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

9 I just had to clarify with my Parks Canada colleagues.
10 When we talk about the -- the 10 percent, and they're
11 -- they're correct to assume that we've -- I guess
12 we've chosen the 10 percent because lots of times that
13 is a good -- a good threshold.

14 Lots of times that is -- you know,
15 impacts are seen above that but not below that. But
16 we do use that as a guideline. It's not a permitted
17 limit or a threshold limit.

18 It's a -- a guideline because it really
19 does depend on the water body, which is why we need
20 bathymetry information and maybe sometimes a little
21 bit of habitat information to make sure that the water
22 withdrawal isn't going to result in, for example,
23 maybe a lot of littoral zone habitat being exposed.
24 And maybe that's where, you know, we have eggs that
25 have been deposited or something.

1 We do look at each sort of water
2 withdrawal on its own merit and within each water body
3 to make sure that there's no impacts to -- to fish and
4 fish habitat. Thanks.

5 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: All
6 right. Thank you.

7 The other category that is in this
8 agenda segment is vegetation. And I'm not sure
9 whether or not people have vegetation-related
10 questions that they would like to raise at this time.
11 You still have some more aquatic related?

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
13 Okay. We'll go back to Parks Canada then.

14 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
15 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. The Developer's DAR
16 identifies the use of explosives, in some cases
17 adjacent to water bodies. We -- we're referring to
18 Parks Canada IR-20.

19 Firstly, we appreciate and recognize
20 the level of detail provided by the Proponent. Parks
21 Canada would ask that the Proponent agreed or commit
22 to providing an additional level of detail on the use
23 of explosives adjacent to water bodies.

24 This could include -- this could
25 include potential deposition of some of the nitrate

1 compounds in explosive. We -- we also know that the
2 Proponent is aware of the Guidelines for the Use of
3 Explosives in or Near Canadian Aquatic Waters by
4 Wright and Hopky.

5 We would ask that Parks Canada could be
6 kept abreast of those discussions on the specific
7 details, the specific prescriptions on the use of
8 explosives adjacent to water bodies.

9 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Comment
10 from CanZinc?

11 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Yes. Dave
12 Harpley. We're not using Ampha (phonetic), so we
13 don't expect any significant residues. So I'm not
14 sure what the issue is. It'll just be sticks.
15 There'll be nothing to impact water.

16 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Does
17 that -- Barb, from Stratos. Does that answer your
18 question? Are there other outstanding questions?

19 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
20 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. That's exactly the level of
21 detail that would be appreciated. So really it's --
22 it's just an additional level of involvement and
23 engagement on the use of explosives. And it might
24 well be as simple as solving, providing, reminding us
25 of information that David has just done.

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(BRIEF PAUSE)

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CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So Barb here. Parks Canada, have you got everything you need on explosives now or is the request to have an ongoing -- an ongoing keeping abreast of anything relating to explosives?

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MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: I think it's just a request for an additional level of discussion and being kept abreast of the sper -- the -- the specifics of the use of explosives.

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CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: CanZinc...?

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MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. I'm -- I'm not sure what else we need to provide. We -- we're always open to discussion, but, specifically, do we need anything additional now?

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MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. I think -- I think there's another level of detail in terms of the use of explosives. It might be as simple as the specific locations. And it's -- I think it's more just the physical mechanics of -- of what's going to be done.

25

And I -- I don't think this is any more

1 than just keeping us in the loop so that we can
2 understand what's -- what's being proposed.

3 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
4 Can I suggest this is an item that we can deal with
5 during the permitting phase?

6 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: It's Sachi De
7 Souza, with the Board here. So just for my
8 understanding, is there a specific concern to water
9 quality in fish that Parks Canada has with respect to
10 blasting? And if you could please explain what those
11 are right now, that would really help me and I think
12 some other people in the room.

13 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
14 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. I think anytime there's the
15 -- the use of explosives next to water bodies where,
16 if they were used inappropriately, it has the
17 potential to cause fish mortality.

18 And clearly that's not to say that that
19 would be the case, but that's the level of detail, how
20 close will it be, how large will the charges be, what
21 sort of resonance and dissipation of a shock wave is
22 anticipated, what are the calculations that determine
23 appropriate levels of loading of explosives so that
24 they do not result in death of fish.

25 I think those are the details. And,

1 you know, again, I -- I refer you to the guidelines.

2 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
3 with the Board. So earlier we all reached an
4 agreement that DFO and CanZinc and Parks Canada
5 potentially are going to have a conversation about
6 fish habitat, effects to fish, and maybe encourage the
7 effects from blasting to fish and fish habitat to be a
8 part of that discussion and part of what is reported
9 back to the Review Board from those meeting notes, if
10 we can leave it there.

11 So can I go to Fisheries first? And
12 then I'll go back to CanZinc.

13 MS. JULIE MARENTETTE: Julie
14 Marentette, Fisheries and Oceans Canada. I think
15 we're in agreement there, that, you know, it'll be
16 part of additional discussions. And just as a point
17 of clarification, we would ultimately be looking for
18 some kind of commitment to developing a blast
19 management plan, a site-specific one that would show
20 where all the measures to avoid and mitigate serious
21 harm to fish, including death of fish, would be taken
22 into account.

23 I'm not sure if that needs to be done,
24 you know, immediately or later on in the process, but
25 that would be something we would be looking for.

1 Thanks.

2 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.

3 I'm -- I'm not quite sure I see the point of that
4 suggestion. I don't think we need to figure out how
5 many holes we're going to drill and how big are the
6 blasts going to be to minimize effects at this point.

7 We're going to follow the guidelines.

8 We've already said that. It's in our written
9 submission.

10 These are details we can bring forward
11 in our detailed design phase at a later time. I don't
12 think it's necessary to have a discussion on them at
13 this point for the EA. I don't think they inform the
14 EA any -- anything.

15 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sachi De Souza,
16 with the Board. Given that CanZinc is -- intends to -
17 - or commits to following the guidelines related to
18 blasting, Parks Canada, do you still have concerns
19 about effects to fish and fish habitat, given
20 CanZinc's commitment here?

21 MR. GARRY SCRIMGEOUR: Garry
22 Scrimgeour, Parks Canada. I was careful to not
23 indicate that we foresaw significant effects on fish.
24 What I was asking for was just an additional level of
25 involvement in communications in terms of the use of

1 explosives.

2 Absolutely the DAR indicated that they
3 would follow the guidelines. The guidelines are,
4 however, guidelines. They are somewhat broad in
5 nature and there's lots of options, depending on the
6 context. We would like to be a part of those
7 discussions.

8 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
9 And -- and we're more than happy to have them. I just
10 don't think the appropriate time is now during the EA
11 process. I think it's later during the detailed
12 design process. Otherwise, I have to go and find a
13 typical blaster and ask him all sorts of questions
14 about this to provide the additional level of
15 information which really has no bearing on the answer
16 at this point.

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18 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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20 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
21 So...

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23 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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25 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

1 So at this point the issue has been raised, and -- and
2 the advice that we're getting is that it's up to you
3 guys to figure out how you're going to sort through
4 this piece. So we can -- we can make a note of it in
5 the -- in the records. Okay.

6 Are there other questions?

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8 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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10 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE): Yes,
11 it's David Laverdiere, out of ECCC. Am I able to
12 bring up something with -- with respect to water
13 quality?

14 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yes, go
15 ahead. Is that Dave? Yeah, please go ahead and --

16 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE):

17 Yeah.

18 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: -- ask
19 your question related to water quality. Thank you.

20 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE):

21 Thank you. Hi, it's David, of ECCC. And my question
22 -- I guess it's more of a comment. In Section 4.2 the
23 clearing and grubbing portion of the sediment and
24 erosion control plan, it's stated that no materials
25 will be stockpiled within 15 metres of the top of bank

1 of any defined water course or wetland.

2 It is ECCC's opinion that 15 metres is
3 too close with respect to a water course that has
4 water that is flow -- present and flowing. I suppose
5 it's too great a risk to generate total suspended
6 solids in excess of the Canadian Water Quality
7 Guidelines for the Protection of Aquatic Life for
8 total particulate matter.

9 Would the Proponent be -- would the
10 Proponent be amenable to adopting a setback of 50
11 metres from the body of water -- a water course that
12 has water present?

13 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
14 This is kind of similar to the issue we just dealt
15 with previously about runoff. The problem is in some
16 locations of the road we're constrained by the
17 topography, and it's very difficult to actually get
18 away from the road.

19 So that's why I'm reluctant to make
20 these kind of blanket commitments. We're always going
21 to need to do something site specific. You know,
22 fifteen (15) is already a commitment. I appreciate
23 it's not a significant distance but in some of these
24 locations in tight valleys and canyons we just don't
25 have the room to go much further. And we need to

1 consider another measure that's protective.

2 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: It's Sachi De
3 Souza, with the Board. Just before you -- you jump in
4 there, Dave, from the phone, would a commitment to
5 where possible keep it 50 metres away from the water
6 course? If not possible, implement erosion -- or
7 sediment control measures.

8 Would that be okay?

9 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.
10 Yeah, that sounds more reasonable. I -- I would say
11 appropriate control measures, yeah.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: And Dave
13 on the phone, are you okay with that proposed
14 commitment? Did you catch it?

15 MR. DAVID LAVERDIERE (BY PHONE):
16 Yeah, I did. I was just pausing to think. I guess
17 that's a reasonable sort of -- I can't think of the
18 word but kind of halfway of that -- halfway of what we
19 wanted.

20 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.
21 Thank you. Other questions?

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23 --- COMMITMENT NO. 5: CanZinc commits to keep it 50
24 metres away from the water
25 course and if not possible

1 implement sediment control
2 measures

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4 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Other
5 questions? Yes, go ahead.

6 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: Carrie
7 Breneman, Dehcho First Nations. David, in the
8 original DAR my understanding was that CanZinc
9 committed to using bagged concentrates? No? Are you
10 -- well, my question is, is -- are -- but my
11 understanding is that you're now going to be using
12 loose -- like that you're not going to be using bagged
13 concentrates.

14 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. I
15 believe we had in the DAR, and if we didn't it -- it's
16 an oversight, but I think we've been consistent since
17 the DAR and -- and subsequently that we will have two
18 (2) types of mode of transport for concentrate.

19 The -- the lead concentrate will be in
20 bags because that's what the smelters demand. And the
21 zinc concentrate will be bulk, also because of smelter
22 requirement.

23 MS. CARRIE BRENEMAN: So in -- in
24 terms of mitigation in the case of zinc because it
25 won't be bagged, do you feel like dust coming off the

1 vehicle is at all a concern?

2 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.

3 Certainly it's a concern, and just as it was a concern
4 in the previous EA process with the winter road. And
5 basically our approach then, as it is now, is we want
6 to make sure that the truck is basically clean on the
7 outside when it leaves the site, including the wheels.
8 So that's why we're paying particular attention on the
9 -- the process of actually storing and loading at the
10 mine site into the trucks, and ensuring that the --
11 the outsides are clean and the truck goes through a
12 wheel wash.

13 So, you know, we -- we don't want dust
14 on the road. We don't want to have to look at the
15 prospect of -- of remediating a roadway because we're
16 losing concentrate, never mind the fact that we're
17 losing part of our revenue along the road. So it --
18 it's an area we're -- we're going to definitely focus
19 on to make sure it's clean. And -- and we're going to
20 be monitoring it -- it.

21 You know, if -- if we're losing dust on
22 the outside of the road, you would have to expect that
23 for the most part it's going to be dropping out in the
24 area immediately from the mine site and -- and as --
25 you know, as you go further up the road. So that's

1 where we're going to focus our monitoring effort --
2 effort, at least initially, to hopefully prove that
3 we're -- you know, all our systems are as they should
4 be, and -- and it's not an issue.

5 MS. CARRIE BRENNEMAN: The second part
6 of my question -- and I apologize if this was already
7 explained in the DAR, or -- or another addendum, but
8 for these kind of loose zinc concentrates, do you have
9 concerns around spills? Like if you have a truck that
10 topples over of -- you know, what's going to happen
11 with your concentrate if it's not bagged, and then how
12 you're go -- like how you're effectively going to be
13 capturing and -- and getting all the zinc, you know,
14 off the road?

15 Especially considering the topography
16 is quite steep. Like I would think that if you had a
17 spill that it could go a long ways, depending on where
18 it is or if it's close to a waterway.

19 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Sorry. Sachi De
20 Souza, here with the Board. Just to confirm, when
21 you're saying "loose concentrate" you're talking about
22 a sealed container for the zinc concentrate, correct?

23 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley.
24 Yeah. So the lead concentrate will be in bags inside
25 a truck box with a topped cover. So in a sense it's

1 double containment.

2 The zinc concentrate is in a bulk form,
3 and it's in a specially designed containerized vehicle
4 that basically has a locking lid. And so when it gets
5 to the location, you know, the -- the load out, the
6 lid has to be unlocked and there's a mechanism for the
7 -- for the truck to dump.

8 The mechanism that seems to be the
9 industry standard and preferred is the truck actually
10 drives over a ramp and it -- and it -- the ramp tips
11 the truck and it basically tips out the concentrate.

12 But to answer your question, are we
13 concerned about spills, of course we're concerned
14 about spills. We -- we've paid quite a bit of
15 attention to the design on the road, how -- how we can
16 improve it in terms of grades and corners and make it
17 as safe as -- as we can make it. Because that's
18 basically the first approach to avoid a spill, is just
19 to minimize the risk of a spill.

20 But having said that, there's always
21 the risk that there's going to be a spill and that
22 we're going to have a mount a recovery effort. So
23 there's quite a bit of discussion in the debark
24 (phonetic) documents we've submitted about how we can
25 map that response and our response time and where do

1 we need to store equipment, what we're going to need
2 to do in terms of locations that are below the road
3 and difficult to access, control points and -- and
4 that type of thing.

5 And it may -- you know, for -- for a
6 spill in a location where there is grade below the
7 road, for example, and it's not easy to get to, we may
8 have to get in -- into a crew with shovels and
9 wheelbarrows or whatever it may be to pick up all the
10 material.

11 And -- and it won't just be the
12 material because, inevitably, there'll be some mixing
13 with local soil, so there'll -- there'll -- it'll be a
14 bit of a, you know, cleanup, soil cleanup remediation
15 response if the -- you know, in the event of that kind
16 of a spill.

17 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Barb
18 here. Are there any further questions from you,
19 Carrie, at this point? Okay.

20 Okay, Environment Canada, any other
21 questions either on the line or from you, Loretta? No
22 further questions? Okay.

23 And Parks Canada, any additional
24 questions?

25 MS. ALLISON STODDART: We have

1 vegetation questions.

2 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: You have
3 vegetation questions? Okay. Yes, Mark -- or sorry,
4 Dave.

5 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: So it's Dave
6 Harpley. So we're done with fish and the guys -- fish
7 people can -- can depart?

8 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Did you
9 have any more fish questions? Done with fish?

10 MS. ALLISON STODDART: Yeah. My
11 understanding is though that it's again on the agenda
12 on Wednesday, right?

13 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yeah, I
14 think there's another -- we revisit it in a different
15 way. So I'm just mindful of the time. It's thirteen
16 (13) minutes to 5:00. I would like to leave five (5)
17 minutes before we wrap up just to do a very quick
18 review of the commitments that we arrived on today and
19 a summary of the undertakings.

20 So if we could see how many questions
21 we get through in seven (7) minutes and see how we're
22 doing.

23 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Audrey Steedman,
24 Parks Canada. So these comments are about vegetation
25 baseline data, specifically vegetation and

1 assemblages, including rare species and rare
2 assemblages as required in the terms of reference.

3 So we put forth Information Requests as
4 part of Parks Canada IR-45. There were several
5 requests with regards to additional field vegetation
6 surveys to update and refine the veg classification
7 with replication of samples in all assemblages and dis
8 -- distribution throughout the study area.

9 The second component was additional
10 rare plant surveys using best practices for rare plant
11 assessments to get distribution across a study area,
12 across all assemblages and, in particular, areas with
13 high rare plant potential and that are more sensitive
14 to disturbance. And there was a third component that
15 we've touched on already today.

16 So we just wanted to clarify that the
17 IR responses help us understand the vegetation
18 baseline data sources, but no new information was
19 presented to address our requests.

20 So, basically, our -- our primary
21 concern with the vegetation baseline data as it's been
22 presented in the DAR is that there hasn't been
23 adequate vegetation surveys in the project area to
24 describe vegetation and vegetation assemblages, which
25 makes it difficult to accurately assess impacts to

1 veg.

2 A significant footprint area, which
3 includes sections not on the previous winter road
4 alignment, borrows, camps, and et cetera will be
5 cleared of veg and they have never been surveyed on
6 the ground.

7 With regards to the land classification
8 that's been used, physically it's called EOSD and it's
9 been correlated with surveys conducted in the 1980s.
10 This is an appropriate first step, but these remote
11 sensing products can be pretty limited in their
12 ability to accurately predict land cover. And so
13 additional ground truthing with veg surveys on the
14 ground and/or aerial surveys would be the next
15 appropriate step.

16 And so one (1) -- something we can
17 bring to this is the new Parks Canada land
18 classification data. It has better spacial and
19 thematic resolution than what's been used for the DAR
20 and we can share this data with the Proponent and some
21 preliminary analysis that's been done as well.

22 And this data could be used to
23 structure field surveys, to ground truth the
24 classification, better characterize assemblages, which
25 haven't been done to date, including rare assemblages,

1 and then target areas of high rare plant potential and
2 sensitivity to disturbance.

3 With regards to --

4 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: Just to confirm,
5 you -- Can -- or Parks Canada is going to provide
6 addition -- their additional vegetation data for the
7 record.

8 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Audrey Steedman,
9 Parks Canada. That's correct.

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11 --- UNDERTAKING NO. 7: Parks Canada to provide
12 additional veg data. CanZinc
13 and Parks Canada to discuss
14 turbidity management plans
15 and adaptive management.

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17 MS. AUDREY STEEDMAN: Okay. Just to
18 continue with the rare plant and rare assemblage
19 component. We just want to highlight that there's two
20 (2) features of the project area that are of
21 particular concern to us and have higher rare plant
22 and assemblage potential and these would be on
23 glaciated terrain and course terrain.

24 So we understand that portions of the
25 road have been rerouted to avoid significant karst

1 course features, but there's still karst terrain for a
2 span of the road on the Ram Plateau. And so basically
3 we're looking for rare plant surveys to be done
4 following guidelines and best practices for rare plant
5 surveys.

6 For example, the Alberta Native Plant
7 Council has widely accepted guidelines for -- that
8 present standards that are accepted by Alberta
9 regulators for rare plant surveys. So we're
10 suggesting that these guidelines be used to target
11 rare plant surveys, particularly in unglaciated and
12 karst terrain, because these two (2) types of terrain
13 present uncommon habitat and terrain types, as well as
14 small scale features and micro habitats that are --
15 present a higher rare plant potential.

16 MS. SACHI DE SOUZA: If we can just
17 get you to pause there and let CanZinc respond. I
18 think the request there was for rare plant surveys
19 following the guidelines from Alberta and areas that
20 are unglaciated or have karst.

21 So if CanZinc would like to respond to
22 that?

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24 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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1 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
2 So our consultant, after checking behind me, will have
3 some comments on the vegetation assemblage and then
4 I'll followup after that.

5 MR. RICK HOOS: Good afternoon. My
6 name is Rick Hoos, with Tetra Tech EBA, principal
7 consultant. And with me is Karla Langois from our
8 Yellowknife office. We prepared the vegetation
9 sections for the DAR, and have done all the field work
10 -- the limited field work that has been done as part
11 of this work.

12 In terms of the vegetation assemblages,
13 just as a general comment before I start, as we've
14 indicated in our response to the IR the proposed all
15 season road generally follows the alignment of the
16 winter road, and I think everybody understands that,
17 except at some select locations which I believe you
18 discussed this morning, including borrow sources.

19 And -- and the -- the overall statement
20 is that the total loss -- direct loss of habitat is
21 actually going to be smaller in size than what was
22 approved for the winter road based on the -- on the
23 baseline studies that have been carried out to date.
24 We've also pointed out that the proposed alignment is
25 designed to avoid sensitive habitat features, such as

1 wetlands and karst formations, where -- where plants
2 have a higher potential for occurrence.

3 That having been said, the vegetation
4 cover units that we presented and discussed in the DAR
5 and the amendments to the DAR, in our view are
6 unlikely to have changed significantly in the past
7 thirty (30) years. And this is based on the fact that
8 we, of course, reviewed the original data collected by
9 beckon 81/82. That same information and anything new
10 that was learned was reassembled by Robertson
11 Environment in 1994, and was presented again by Golder
12 in their 2010 work for Canadian Zinc.

13 We felt that we should try and do what
14 we could to update the available information, and
15 chose to use the EOSD mapping land -- cover mapping
16 information that was available from the early 2000s.
17 And we compared those -- that information with the
18 results of the previous work, and concluded that there
19 really wasn't a lot of things that have changed with
20 the vegetation communities over the past thirty (30)
21 years.

22 We are intrigued to hear though that
23 Parks Canada is willing to provide some new updated
24 information that we were not aware of, and we'd
25 certainly be interested in having a look at that to

1 see if that information can somehow help refine --
2 further refine what we know about the vegetation
3 communities in the area.

4 But in general, we don't -- we -- we
5 feel pretty confident -- very confident, in fact, that
6 the vegetation cover units, as we have depicted them
7 in the documentation that's been provided, is an
8 accurate representation of the kinds of vegetation and
9 habit types, community types, that exist along the
10 winter road corridor.

11 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: So it's Dave
12 Harpley. I just -- so I'm just going to add to -- to
13 that. Just men -- talk about rare plants briefly, and
14 then get into something more general. But the rare
15 plant issue came up on the last EA specifically
16 because we had proposed a fairly significant
17 realignment from the original winter road. And this
18 was a realignment that, in fact, we discussed at some
19 length with Parks in order to avoid the road bisecting
20 what's called the Poljes, specific karst features.

21 So the concern was that because this
22 was -- this was a new alignment with no disturbance,
23 that there could be rare plants out there. So we duly
24 had Tetra Tech EBA undertake a rare plant survey,
25 which included the new alignment. And they can

1 correct me, but my recollection is that basically they
2 found nothing of significance other than a couple of
3 plants which based on the -- the inventory (phonetic)
4 or their current thinking they're not actually rare at
5 all. They're -- they're quite common. I forget which
6 varieties they are, but there really wasn't anything
7 significant that was out there.

8 Now, fast forward to our all-season
9 road proposal, we -- we're essentially following the
10 currently approved winter alignment. I mentioned this
11 morning there was some tweaks in it, but if you think
12 about the -- the road where it crosses the park, from
13 the park boundary in the west at the pass, at about
14 kilometre 17 down to kilometre 40, which is the Sundog
15 Creek, I mean, it's basically alluvial material with
16 sparse vegetation. Pretty much similar, there's --
17 there's not a lot of difference in it.

18 And then we go into the -- the
19 realignment that I've just mentioned. Then, after
20 that, you cross the round plateau. And again, the --
21 the vegetation crossing the plateau is -- is fairly
22 consistent in the different sections of the plateau.

23 We're only deviating from the original
24 winter road, you know, a hundred metres, a few hundred
25 metres at most. So I can't see the value in

1 collecting more specific vegetation data at this
2 point. I don't see how it's going to inform us from a
3 perspective of determining effects any more than we've
4 already done.

5 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: So Barb
6 here. We have a couple of questions as follow-up.
7 And I know, Audrey, that you're not quite finished
8 your -- your list. I also just want, as a -- as a
9 process -- proce -- it's 5:00.

10 So my -- my guess is that Parks Canada
11 still has some vegetation questions, and your
12 vegetation specialists are only here today. Is that
13 correct?

14 MS. ALLISON STODDART: (OFF MIC
15 COMMENTS) They are here all week.

16 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: All
17 week. How about you folks in terms of your vegeta --
18 all week or just today? Today and tomorrow. So is
19 there a -- a willingness to -- do you want to see
20 through vegetation and all the questions you have
21 right now and we -- we go past 5:00, or do we want to
22 park where we are and come back tomorrow?

23 We can look at the commitments and
24 undertakings tomorrow morning in a review rather than
25 taking time to do that tonight. So I would like some

1 feedback on -- on that. Sorry?

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3 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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5 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yes.

6 Yeah, there -- I know there's a couple -- we'll --

7 we'll take a couple questions related to this thread.

8 But if there's -- I suspect there's additional

9 questions.

10 So should we finish this one off, like,

11 the -- the other questions that are related, and then

12 come back to it tomorrow? CanZinc, are you okay with

13 that?

14 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: We don't mind. We

15 can carry on now or tomorrow, it doesn't matter.

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17 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: You're

20 worried about it eating into the agenda tomorrow.

21 Could we go -- could we get agreement to go to 5:30

22 and get as much done today as we can? Because if we

23 go into it tomorrow, we're going to lose potentially a

24 half an hour, 40 minutes into tomorrow's agenda. And

25 I know that there are some specialists that are only

1 going to be tied for to -- tomorrow's agenda.

2 Can I get agreement to go til 05:30?

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4 (BRIEF PAUSE)

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6 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Okay.

7 So it seems like maybe going to 5:30 is not a good

8 idea. So why don't we finish taking the couple of

9 questions related to this? And then we'll put

10 vegetation up tomorrow morning, because I think maybe

11 we're out of steam. Sorry, it was just body language.

12 So Cesar and Dean have questions.

13 MR. CESAR OBONI: Okay, Cesar Oboni

14 speaking. So in the scope of work stated that the

15 location with sensitive habitats would likely result

16 in a highly -- high-consequence event, and this should

17 include karst area with karst topography.

18 So my question is: Location -- well,

19 first is the statement, which is the location with

20 sensitive habitats entered in the risk analysis on the

21 consequence side of the equation, and does they need

22 to explicitly considered during the risk analysis?

23 So is there a list of segments that are

24 considered to have a sensitive habitat rating or --

25 and that for all the different alternative. Or from

1 what I understood, is that there's no sensitive at --
2 habitat at all. The road is not going through any or
3 -- I -- I need some more explanation on that.

4 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
5 Can you tell me what you're reading from?

6 DR. CESAR OBONI: So I'm reading from
7 the scope of work that the Mackenzie Review Board
8 asked us to perform. And they asked us to evaluate
9 the adverse impacts on infrastructure environments,
10 human health and safety, and sub bullets location with
11 sensitive habitat that would likely result in a high-
12 consequence event.

13 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
14 Personally, I'm not comfortable with using the word
15 'sensitive' because I think it's very subjective. In
16 this context, it could mean all manner of things. Are
17 we talking karst formations? Are we talking fish?
18 What are we talking about? It's -- to me, it's just
19 far too broad.

20 In terms of certain areas being more
21 sensitive than others, yes, I think we can probably
22 agree with that. And again, it's site-specific, so
23 it's hard to generalize.

24 DR. CESAR OBONI: So is there -- is
25 there a list of segments that have -- could we come up

1 with a seg -- with a -- a list of segments that we all
2 would like to have more consideration or that we would
3 all consider it to be, I don't want to use the term
4 'sensitive', but that -- who that -- should have more
5 focussed attention?

6 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: Dave Harpley. I
7 recollect that when we put out our addendum, we did a
8 revision of the risk assessment we prepared. And
9 towards the end of that risk assessment was a specific
10 consideration of certain seg -- segments of the road.
11 And, you know, we were specifically looking at spills
12 and what kind of effect spills would have.

13 So we were thinking specifically about
14 the water courses, proximity to the water courses.
15 What were there in those water courses to be impacted.
16 So that I can suggest is, at least for water quality
17 and fish, a -- a reference that you might look at.

18 Regarding anything else, I don't know
19 there's anything out there for rare plants, because,
20 you know, the -- the information we have at this point
21 would suggest that it -- that -- there are no
22 significant rare plants that -- that we've found to
23 date that would warrant that as kind of being up on
24 the radar.

25 In terms of karst formations, well, I

1 mean, we've -- we've said that we've basically tried
2 to route the void to avoid specific karst features.
3 But that's not say that we would actually do any
4 damage to formations, even if the road was proximal to
5 those features, because, you know, these are geologic
6 features that develop over a millennium.

7 And it's more of a proximity thing,
8 let's just stay away from them as -- as the areas we
9 want to protect. You know, I -- I can't say that
10 they're sensitive, but maybe their areas -- areas have
11 more value, if we can put it that way.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: It's
13 okay? Dean, question from you?

14 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Sort of two --
15 twofold here. Dean Holman, from Liidlii Kue. First
16 to -- to Par -- Parks Canada. You mentioned a ground
17 truthing. It's -- it's one (1) of the cornerstones or
18 keystones of -- of traditional knowledge or indigenous
19 knowledge. And there are some new, I guess, or -- or
20 reali -- with the realignment of the right-of-way,
21 there are areas there that -- that LKFN and poss --
22 or, well, there was a report, a 2009 report from Tetra
23 Tech, is that right?

24 I -- I was interested in whether
25 Canadian Zinc or Parks Canada could include or involve

1 Liidlili Kue traditional knowledge holders in the
2 ground truthing aspect of what you're talking about
3 there?

4 My other question is directed to Dave
5 at Canadian Zinc. I was just curious to unde --
6 understand, given the various range and fluvial
7 characteristics with some of the rivers up there,
8 including the Sundog -- Sundog Creek, what's sort of
9 their rate of return of vegetation record and
10 vegetation when it -- when -- you know, in a -- in a
11 river that doesn't necessarily flow year round? Thank
12 you.

13 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Dean,
14 was that question pointed for CanZinc's reaction? Do
15 you have a response?

16 MR. DEAN HOLMAN: Sorry, Dave,
17 specifically just to the rate of return for riparian
18 vegetation.

19 MR. DAVID HARPLEY: It's Dave Harpley.
20 I can -- I can -- I mean, there's -- we've not done a
21 specific study on -- on the return of vegetation, you
22 know, timewise. We can only -- I can only comment on
23 what we see out there now compared to when the
24 original disturbance occurred.

25 And what we definitely see in the

1 mountains where soils are thin or -- or negligible is
2 it takes a lot longer for the vegetation to
3 reestablish. I mean, eventually it -- I mean, it's --
4 it's coming back, but -- but much slowly -- much more
5 slowly than in lowland areas.

6 You go to sections of the -- of the
7 lowlands on either side of the -- the Ram Plateau, and
8 there are sections of the road that you wouldn't even
9 know that the road had gone through there. It's
10 completely regrown. But there again, you come to
11 other sections and the -- and the growth is very
12 sparse. So it definitely depends on where you are.

13 In the riparian areas, again, where it
14 -- where it's just gravel, I suspect it'll be a long
15 time before you get organic matter in there and
16 vegetation coming back. But again, there's other
17 sections that have quite a bit of organic matter, and
18 the regrowth is -- is pretty good. So it's variable.

19 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: I'm --
20 I'm going to go back to Parks Canada to see if there's
21 -- so we've kind of played around with a little bit on
22 the rare plant survey. There's some additional sort
23 of somewhat related follow-up questions. In light of
24 sort of trying to wrap this piece up, I don't know if
25 you have any responses or follow-up comments on the

1 one (1) item that we've got to. I know that there's
2 additional items that you would like to put out.

3 I don't -- and I'm not sure if we're
4 going to be able to totally wrap and make a decision
5 on whether or not we can go ahead with the rare plant
6 surveys with the conditions that Sachi read earlier,
7 so do you have any closing comments?

8 MS. ALLISON STODDART: So are we going
9 back to vegetation tomorrow morning?

10 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: Yes.

11 MS. ALLISON STODDART: Oh, okay.

12 CO-FACILITATOR BARB SWEAZEY: We are
13 going to go back. So I don't know if you just want to
14 pause it where we are right now, and we'll open --
15 open it up again tomorrow morning? Okay. Is -- are
16 you fine with that, CanZinc? Yes?

17 Okay. All right. How are we all
18 doing? Okay. All right. So we have on the schedule
19 for -- starting tomorrow morning at 8:30, so we will
20 put vegetation on the list first thing, and hopefully
21 we can get through that somewhat quickly so that we
22 can continue on with the other agenda items that are
23 identified on our schedule for tomorrow.

24 Are there any closing comments,
25 remarks, questions that you have?

1 Okay. Well with that, thank you very
2 much for your hard work and your participation, and we
3 will see you tomorrow.

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5 --- Upon adjourning at 5:12 p.m.

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