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Re: EA processes for Canadian Zinc Corporation application MV2000C0030

Dear Mr. Lennie,

CPAWS understands that the above-noted application has been divided into two separate environmental assessment processes (one for the tote road, and one for the drilling), and that terms of reference for both processes will be considered by the Board this week.

Effective environmental assessment requires public participation at all stages, including determination of the scope of assessment. In this case, CPAWS is very concerned that the public has not been consulted on terms of reference when the tote road and drilling are likely to have significant cumulative environmental impacts on the watershed of Nahanni National Park Reserve.

I am writing on behalf of CPAWS to express a serious concern that members of the public have not had a chance to review and comment upon the terms of reference, and that there may not be a chance to do so before the Board approves and releases them. We realize that the procedures of the Board are still in flux, and trust you will be open to consideration of alternatives. CPAWS urges you to allow the public to review and comment on the draft terms of reference before they are finalized. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Greg Yeoman  
Conservation Director  
CPAWS-NWT

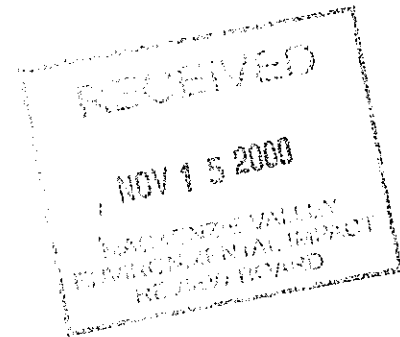
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