

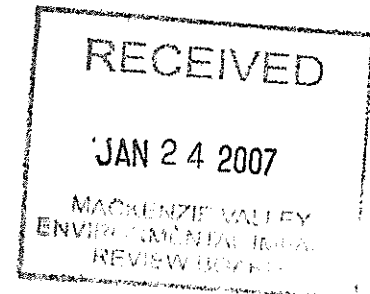


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Re: EA0607-003 Ur-Energy Inc., Screech Lake, NT Uranium Exploration

It is the understanding of Environment Canada (EC) that Ur-Energy Incorporated is now considering a summer program, pending regulatory approvals. A summer program could potentially have impacts on migratory birds within the area. If the drilling program would operate outside the winter season, EC provides the additional comments and recommendations pursuant to the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (the *Act*) and *Migratory Birds Regulations* (the *Regulations*).

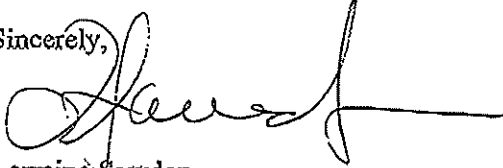
1. Section 6 (a) of the *Migratory Birds Regulations* states that no one shall disturb or destroy the nests or eggs of migratory birds. Therefore, Environment Canada recommends that all land clearing activities be conducted outside the migratory bird breeding season, which extends from approximately May 15 to July 31.
2. For activities permitted to occur during the breeding season, Environment Canada recommends that the proponent confirm there are no active nests (i.e. nests containing eggs or young) in the vicinity of their operations before activities commence. If active nests of migratory birds are discovered, the proponent should halt all activities until nesting is completed (i.e. the young have left the vicinity of the nest).
3. In order to reduce disturbance to nesting birds, Environment Canada recommends that aircraft used in conducting project activities maintain a flight altitude of at least 610 m during horizontal (point to point) flight.
4. In order to reduce disturbance to resting, feeding, or moulting birds, Environment Canada recommends that aircraft used in conducting project activities maintain a vertical distance of 1000 m and minimum horizontal distance of 1500 m from any observed concentrations (flocks / groups) of birds.
5. Environment Canada recommends that camp waste be made inaccessible to wildlife at all times. Camp waste can attract predators of migratory birds (e.g., foxes and ravens) to an area if not disposed of properly.
6. Section 35 of the *Migratory Birds Regulations* states that no person shall deposit or permit to be deposited, oil, oil wastes or any other substance harmful to migratory birds

in any waters or any area frequented by migratory birds.

7. All mitigation measures identified by the proponent, and the additional measures suggested herein, should be strictly adhered to in conducting project activities. This will require awareness on the part of the proponents' representatives (including contractors) conducting operations in the field. Environment Canada recommends that all field operations staff be made aware of the proponents' commitments to these mitigation measures and provided with appropriate advice / training on how to implement these measures.
8. Implementation of these measures may help to reduce or eliminate some effects of the project on migratory birds, but will not necessarily ensure that the proponent remains in compliance with the *Migratory Birds Convention Act (the Act)* and *Migratory Birds Regulations (the Regulations)*. The proponent must ensure they remain in compliance with the *Act* and *Regulations* during all phases and in all undertakings related to the project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 669-4782 or lorraine.sawdon@ec.gc.ca with any questions or comments with regards to the foregoing.

Sincerely,



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Please find enclosed Environment Canada's additional recommendations regarding EA0607-003 Ur-Energy Inc. Screech Lake Uranium Exploration.

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