

EA1314-01 Jay Project – Work Plan and Schedule

This table describes process steps during the scoping and Terms of Reference development phase of the environmental assessment of the Jay Project.

Referral by AANDC to environmental assessment	Nov 21, 2013
Comments and responses on developer's draft Terms of Reference	Dec 11, 2013 to Jan 3, 2014
Community scoping meetings in Yellowknife, Behchoko and Lutsel K'e Technical scoping meeting in Yellowknife	Jan 7-16, 2014
Review Board draft Terms of Reference issued	Jan 24, 2014
Comments and responses on draft Terms of Reference	Feb 10-17, 2014
Final Terms of Reference and interim draft Work Plan issued	Feb 21, 2014
Jay Project Addendum and Revised Terms of Reference submitted by Developer	June 18, 2014
Comments and responses from parties on revised Terms of Reference	July 3-10, 2014
Final Revised Terms of Reference issued	July 17, 2014

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This table is an estimate of the date and duration of the phases in the environmental assessment of the Jay Project after submission of the Developer’s Assessment Report. As of November 28 the Review Board has used 2 months of its allotted 16 total months as legislated under the amendments to the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* which came into force March 25, 2014.

Process step	Cumulative Board process time since March 25, 2014¹ (months)	Estimated Dates
Analysis Phase		
Submission of Developer’s Assessment Report (DAR)	1 (Review Board considers revised ToR in June/July)	November 6, 2014
Adequacy review of the DAR by Review Board	2	November 28, 2014
Developer’s responses to adequacy review items	-	Dec 18, 2014, Jan 19 and Feb 2, 2015
Review of DAR and preparation of information requests by parties (ORS)	-	Dec-Feb 2015
Information requests from parties due two weeks after developer’s response to adequacy (ORS)	2.5	February 16, 2015
Responses to information requests from developer	-	March 31, 2015
Technical sessions	3.5	April 2015
Undertakings and information requests from Board and parties	4	May 2015
Information request responses	-	June 2015
Interventions (Technical Reports from	5	July 2015

¹ On March 25, 2014 amendments to the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (the Act) received royal assent. The amended Act now sets out a time limit of 16 months for the Review Board to complete an environmental assessment with a hearing. Cumulative Board process time does not include developer time.

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Responses to interventions		August 2015
Hearing Phase		
Pre-hearing conference and public hearing preparation	6	August 2015
Hearings	6.5	September 2015
Hearing undertakings (developer, parties)	7	September 2015
Closure of public record	8	October 2015
Decision Phase		
Evidence analysis (Review Board)	9	November 2015
Review Board deliberation and initial report drafting	10	December 2015
Review Board, legal and editorial reviews	11	January 2016
Decision and Report of EA issued	12	February 2016
Ministers Response		