

April 15, 2021

Notice of Proceeding – scoping meetings

EA2021-01 – Pine Point Mine Project, Pine Point Mining Limited

The Pine Point Mine Project is in the scoping phase of environmental assessment. The purpose of the scoping phase is to focus the environmental assessment on issues that matter most to communities and other parties potentially affected by the Pine Point Mine Project. The scoping phase includes technical and community scoping meetings. It concludes when the Review Board issues its final Terms of Reference for the Pine Point Mine Project.

On March 12, 2021, the Review Board hosted an online meeting with parties to the environmental assessment. During the meeting the developer presented its EA Initiation Package and answered questions. The next step in the environmental assessment are technical and community scoping meetings.

Scoping meetings

The Review Board will host both technical and community scoping meetings. These will be a combination of in-person and online meetings.

Community scoping meetings are intended primarily for residents of the community where the meeting is being held. The technical scoping meeting is open to all parties including government departments, regulators, First Nation governments and organizations, and any other interested parties.

Meeting participants will be asked to identify and prioritize issues for the Review Board to focus on for the environmental assessment of the Pine Point Mine. The Board will consider parties' views when setting the scope of the environmental assessment. Meeting agendas and instructions on how to participate in these scoping meetings will follow.

The Review Board is hosting a combination of in-person and online scoping meetings on the following dates and locations:

Community and technical scoping meeting dates

April 26: Community scoping meeting in Fort Resolution

- Community center, 2-5 pm, 6-8 pm

April 27-28: Community scoping meeting in Town of Hay River

- Community center, times to be determined

April 29: Community scoping meeting on Kat'odeeche First Nation reserve

- Chief Lamalice Complex, 2-5 pm, 6-8 pm

May 4, 5: Technical scoping meeting online in Yellowknife

- Location and times to be determined

Review Board prepares draft Terms of Reference

Once scoping meetings are concluded, the Review Board will prepare a draft Terms of Reference. This will be based on information from both the scoping meetings and the Developer's EA Initiation Package. The draft Terms of Reference will be issued for review on the Online Review System.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact the Sr. EA Officer, Chuck Hubert, at 867-766-7052 or chubert@reviewboard.ca.