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Mount Nansen Mine Remediation Project

Virtual Townhall

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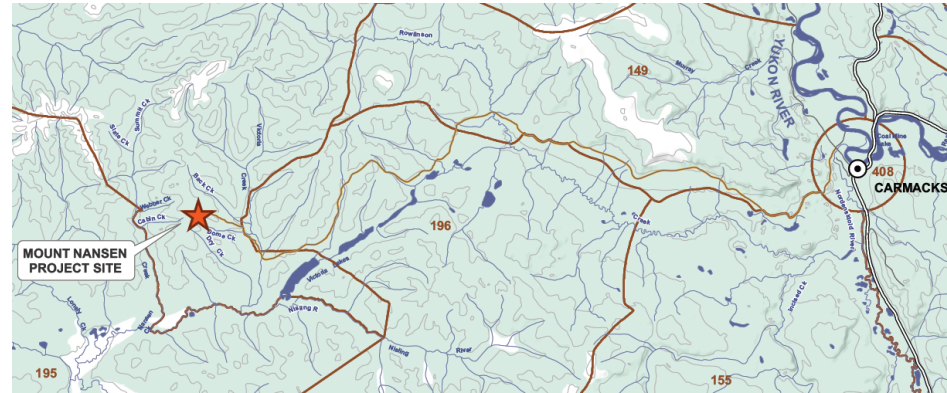
Today's Presentation

1. Project Overview
2. YESAA Process
3. Valued Components
and Residual Effects

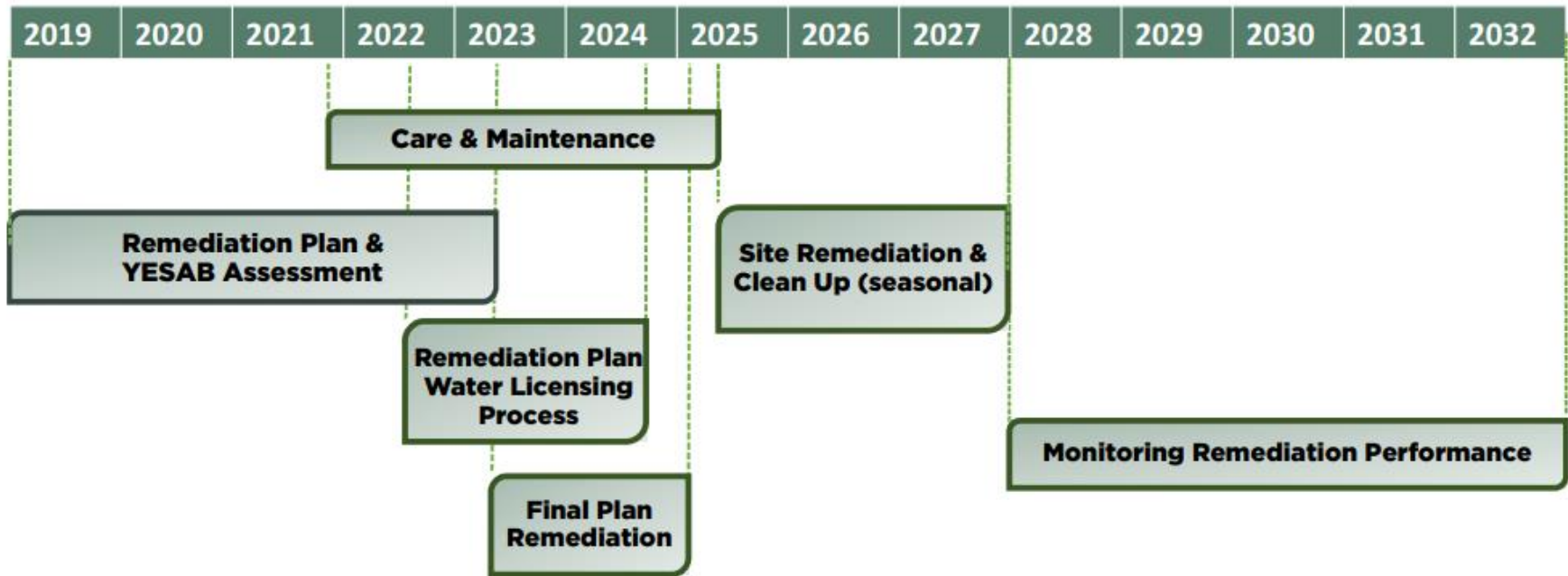


Mining at Mount Nansen

- Abandoned gold (and silver) mine 60 km west of Carmacks
- BYG Natural Resources Inc. mined the site 1996-99
- Shut down due to poor recoveries, tailings dam geotechnical stability issues, and water licence non-compliances



Schedule

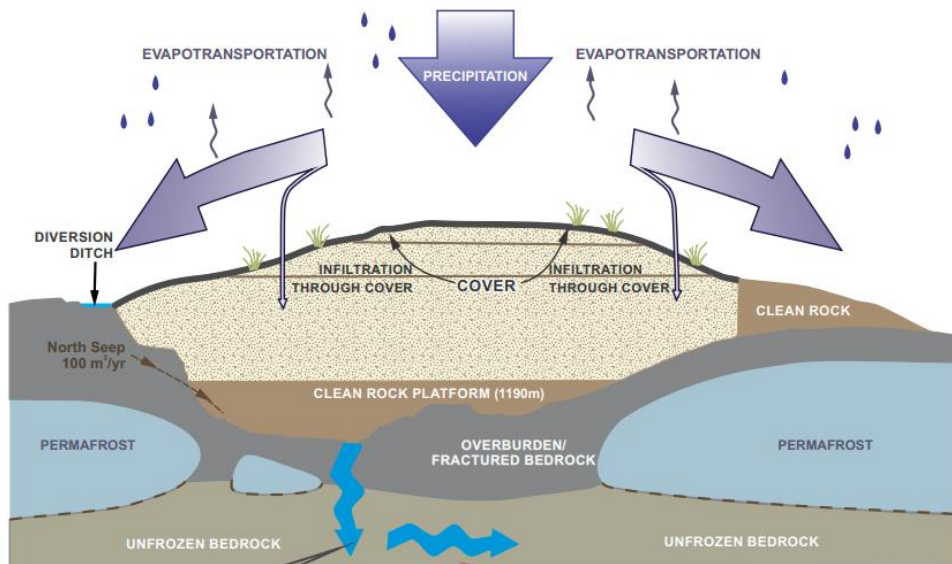


Canada, YG and LSCFN agreed to remediation / closure objectives in 2008:

- Protect **human health and safety**.
- Protect the **environment** including land, air, water, fish and wildlife.
- **Return the mine site to an acceptable state of use** that reflects original use where possible.
- Maximize local, Yukon and First Nation **benefits**.
- Reduce government liability and **risk**

Remediation Plan

- Move tailings, waste rock, and stockpiled ore to the Pit Containment Structure (PCS) (Season 1 & 2)
- Demolish mill buildings and other infrastructure (Season 2 & 3)



Remediation Plan

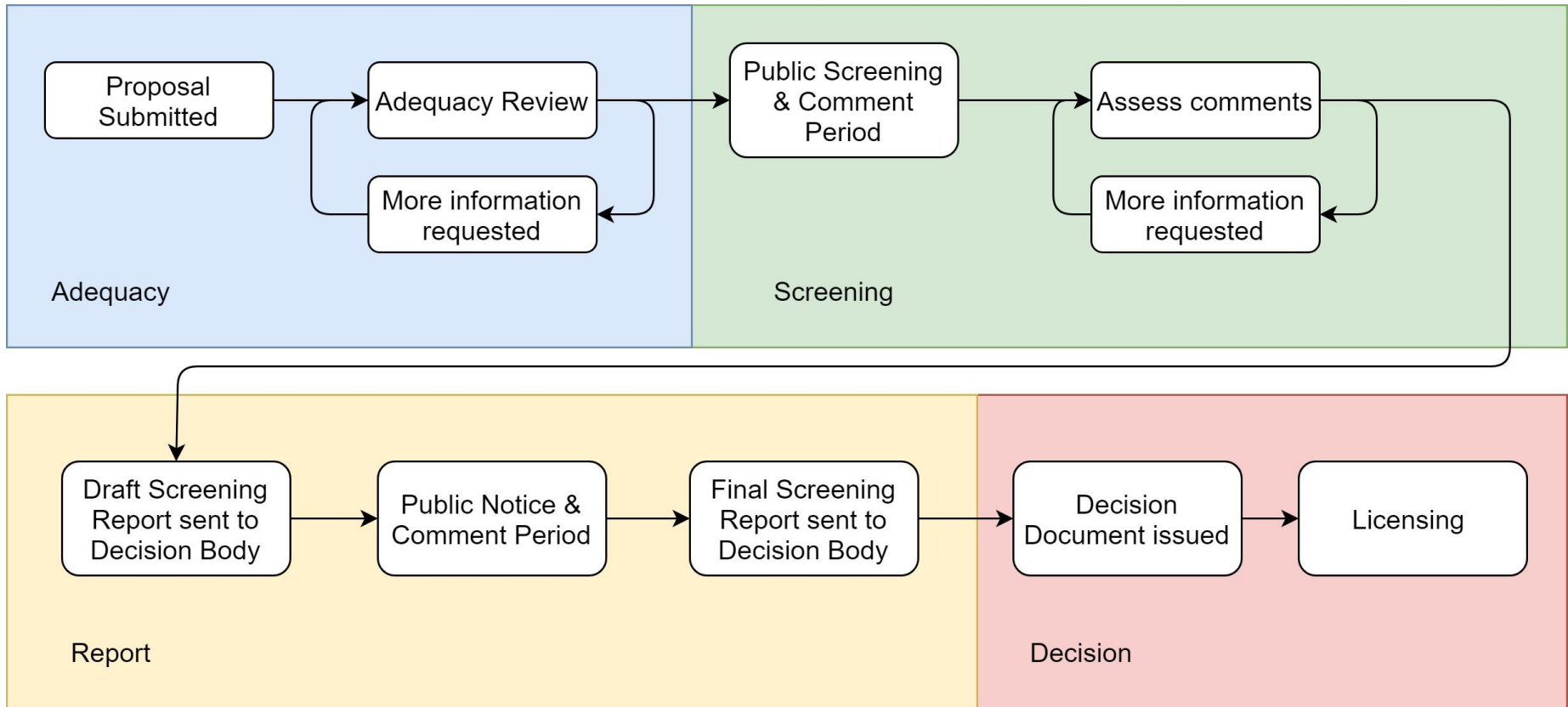
- Install cover on the PCS (Season 3)
- Dome Creek Valley restoration and general site revegetation (Season 3)



Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act (YESAA)

- Assesses the environmental and socio-economic effects of a project
- Proposal contains description of:
 - Current conditions of site
 - What activities are planned
 - Valued environmental and socio-economic components (for example: water quality, vegetation, wildlife, population and health of nearby communities)
 - How the project will affect the valued components and how big the effects will be

YESAA Process



YESAA Proposal

MOUNT NANSEN REMEDiation LP

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- **Effects:**
 - Neutral: return Dome Creek to natural flow
 - Adverse: more flow to Dome Creek while WTP running; flow stoppage during creek reconstruction
- **Mitigations:**
 - Sediment and Erosion Control Plan
 - PCS cover and diversion channels
 - Re-sloping and revegetation
 - Dome Creek rehabilitation



- **Effects:**
 - Positive for groundwater flow and neutral for groundwater quality: surface water diversion from PCS; reduced acid drainage; improved groundwater quality
 - Adverse: changes to groundwater flow, quantity, or level during work; PCS seepage
- **Mitigations:**
 - Water management during PCS construction
 - Relocating contaminants
 - PCS cover and diversion channels



- **Effects:**
 - Positive: improved water quality of creeks, less contaminants in run-off
 - Adverse: potential spills and more solids in Dome Creek during remediation work
- **Mitigations:**
 - Relocate contaminants
 - PCS cover and diversion channels
 - WTP operation



- **Effects:**
 - Positive: improved habitat and water quality
 - Adverse: changes to water quality and habitat during active remediation
- **Mitigations:**
 - Creation of PCS + cover
 - Dome Creek Valley restoration



- **Effects:**
 - Positive for soil and neutral for terrain: return land to natural conditions, reduce erosion, and improve soil
 - Adverse: dust creation and soil compaction during work; permafrost loss
- **Mitigations:**
 - Move contaminated soil to PCS
 - Restore ecosystem
 - Create rough and loose surface
 - Dust Management and Sediment and Erosion Control Plans



- Effects:
 - Positive: reduction of dust and emissions post-remediation and removal of contaminant sources
 - Adverse: Dust and emissions during remediation work
- Mitigations:
 - Dust Management Plan
 - Revegetation
 - Relocate contaminants into PCS



- Effects:
 - Positive: plant native vegetation and improve soil quality
 - Adverse: clearing vegetation for work, invasive species,
- Mitigations:
 - Remediation trenches
 - Rough and loose surface
 - Ecological Restoration Plan



- **Effects:**
 - Positive: more habitat and less contaminant exposure and mortality risk post-remediation
 - Adverse: habitat loss, contaminant exposure, and mortality risk during work
- **Mitigations:**
 - Time work to protect wildlife
 - Nest surveys
 - No-hunting policy (employees)
 - Enforce speed limits
 - Store food, fuel, and waste safely
 - Restore ecosystem



- Effects:
 - Positive for community well-being and H&S and neutral for family well-being: improved water quality and ecosystem; job opportunities
 - Adverse: working away from home; dust and traffic increases during remediation
- Mitigations:
 - Flexible work schedules
 - Enforcing traffic laws
 - Dust Management Plan



- Effects:
 - Positive during remediation work and neutral post-remediation: improved water quality and ecosystem; job and business opportunities during remediation
 - Adverse: fewer job opportunities post-remediation
- Mitigations:
 - Hire local citizens and contractors
 - Improved water quality and ecosystem

Capacity, Training, and Education



- Effects:
 - Positive: increase job and training opportunities
- Mitigations:
 - Training for LSCFN and local citizens



- Effects:
 - Neutral during remediation and positive post-remediation: improved water quality, ecosystem, and accessibility; direct funding to LSCFN
- Mitigations:
 - Flexible work schedules
 - Workplace cultural training



- Effects:
 - Positive: training and job opportunities; connections made project review groups
- Mitigations:
 - Hire local contractors and workers
 - Direct funding to LSCFN



- **Effects:**
 - Positive: improved water quality, ecosystem, and accessibility
 - Adverse: earth compaction; increased human presence
- **Mitigations:**
 - Create rough and loose surface
 - Revegetation
 - Monitoring



- Effects
 - Neutral: reduced potential for future disturbance
 - Adverse: potential disturbance during earthworks
- Mitigations:
 - Assess disturbed areas that haven't already been assessed
 - Heritage Resource Protection Plan

How can you find out more about the project, about employment, contracting or training opportunities?

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1. Submitting the Remediation Project to the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Board
 2. Ongoing Care & Maintenance
 3. Detailed Design Remediation Plan development
- How can you participate?
- Contact Jillian Chown or Kristina Gardner
 - Attend further community meetings
 - Sign up to receive updates
 - Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/mnr1pyukon>
 - See website www.mnr1p.com

*Together, we can
clean up and reclaim
the Mount Nansen
Mine Site!*

