
Consultation Report

To: Beverly Brown, LSCFN Mount Nansen Coordinator

CC: Ashley Nagra, LSCFN Mining Coordinator; Jordan Mullett, LSCFN Assistant Director – Lands & Resources; Colin Prentice, LSCFN Lands Manager; Jillian Chown, LSCFN Consultant

From: Daniel Jenkins, MNRLP Project Manager

Date: January 19, 2024

RE: Dan Yedek'i Consultation Report September 14, 2023 LSCFN site tour

1. INTRODUCTION

LSCFN developed the Dan Yedek'i (Consultation and Accommodation) Plan for the Mount Nansen Remediation Project on April 13, 2022. The Dan Yedek'i sets out the requirements for consultation and accommodation with LSCFN on projects, and for the Mount Nansen Remediation Project. This includes meeting structures, supports, and how consultation reports should be structured. The Dan Yedek'i states that:

The proponent should provide accounts of what they heard from LSCFN and Citizens, how it was received, processed and incorporated, highlighting what are LSCFN priorities and key concerns. The report should incorporate all questions, concerns, recommendations, and relevant discussions on the project brought up by LSCFN citizens. There should also be a record or report that includes how LSCFN's feedback, questions, concerns, recommendations were addressed and incorporated into the project. A rationale for why or why not LSCFN's comments/concerns were included should also be included in the report. After each consultation event with LSCFN (house visits, meetings, etc.) a consultation report should be created and shared with LSCFN and its citizens. This report should be reviewed by LSCFN prior to any public release of it.

The following is the Consultation Report for the site tour held on the Mount Nansen site on September 14, 2023. 12 community members were present for the meeting, and four members of MNRLP presented about the project and led the tour. The tour was held from 11:45 am to approximately 2:45 pm. The sign in sheet is attached as Appendix B.

The site tour itinerary was as follows:

- 11:45 AM: Arrive on site at the bunkhouse. Introductions. MNRLP provided some overall context on the project before some general Q&A. MNRLP provided a visitor orientation.

- 12:45 pm: Drive to WTP, tour of TSF dam, seepage pond, and WTP, including discharge location. Discussed WTP operations, site water management, and remediation plan for tailings.
- 1:45 pm: Drive to Open Pit. Discussed remediation plan for all waste on site (constructing ‘engineered landfill’ in the open pit).
- 2:15 pm: Drove to Vegetation Test Plots in Open Pit/Waste Rock area. Discussed revegetation plan.
- 2:30 pm: LSCFN tour group left site.

2. WHAT MNRLP HEARD/HOW WE ANSWERED

Table 2-1 includes accounts of what MNRLP heard from LSCFN, how it was received, processed and incorporated. Section 4 summarizes the LSCFN priorities and key concerns. Table 2-1 incorporates all questions, concerns, recommendations, and relevant discussions on the project brought up by LSCFN citizens. It also includes how LSCFN’s feedback, questions, concerns, recommendations were addressed and are being incorporated into the project, and a rationale for why or why not LSCFN’s comments/concerns were included.

Table 2-1: What MNRLP Heard and Answered

What MNRLP Heard	What MNRLP Answered	How It was Incorporated	Rationale
Mining companies such as BYG have operated on LSCFN land without LSCFN permission and have ruined their land. This practice continues to this day with placer mining.	MNRLP understands and acknowledges this. We are committed to reclaiming the land to its previous state to the ultimate degree possible and making this remediation project something that everyone involved can be proud of.	No change needed.	This was a broad discussion and falls in line with the closure objectives.
Are you going to open up the mine again? What do you spend all your money on? Is there still ore left?	MNRLP was formed specifically to undertake the Mount Nansen Remediation Project and has no plans to re-open the mine following the project. Although JDS and Ensero are companies that service the mining industry, we are not interested in mining at Mount Nansen and our contract does not allow us to do so. We don’t spent any money on exploration. We are mobilizing equipment to site in the near future that is similar to exploration equipment, however we will be drilling 25 groundwater wells to better understand.	No change needed.	This is a clarification question
What kind of jobs/training opportunities exist?	Right now we have a full roster of Care & Maintenance Staff including two LSCFN citizens. However, there are lots of paid training opportunities coming up for some of the site programs we are undertaking. There are continuous environmental monitoring jobs/training. We are also looking for two people to do Advanced First Aid training.	No change needed.	This is a clarification question
Why is permitting so long? Why does the project need to go through YESAA?	MNRLP is working hard to advance the project through YESAA	MNRLP will continue to look at ways to shorten the schedule	MNRLP shares concerns about the project being delayed

How quickly could the project happen if it didn't need to go through YESAA?	MNRLP believes that the bulk of the project could start in 1-2 years if it didn't need to go through YESAA.	MNRLP will continue to look at ways to shorten the schedule	MNRLP shares concerns about the project being delayed
What constituents of concern are in the water?	Arsenic, manganese, zinc, other heavy metals	No change needed.	This is a clarification question
What about cyanide?	Our understanding is that cyanide naturally destructs and therefore is no longer present in water sampling	No change needed.	This is a clarification question
Is the tailings pond affecting wildlife? Why is the tailings pond fenced off?	MNRLP will look into past discussions on putting up a fence and will look into it.	MNRLP will look into past discussions on fencing and will get pricing on building a fence	This has been brought up as a longstanding concern
Is the water safe to drink? Is it treated to be drinking water?	It is not advised to drink the water in Dome Creek. MNRLP's water license does not require MNRLP to treat to drinking water standards. We want to work with LSCFN to better define the remediation plan so that the remediation objectives for water meets the needs of the community.	Ongoing engagement	MNRLP is and will continue to work with LSCFN to better define the water quality objectives for the C&M phase and the remediation phase
Is the water safe for fish?	Every other month we send water to a lab and they do an LC50 rainbow trout test, they put ten fish in water that is 100% from the water treatment plant, for 96 hours. To date we have had zero fish die, so based on this test, there is no acute toxicity to the fish from the water treatment water.	No change needed.	This is a clarification question
We are finding Moose livers that seem damaged, almost liquified. We don't know what this is from. Can you collect these as part of the HHERA?	Understood and acknowledged.	This information will be included and considered in the HHERA	If true, this is a pattern
Will there be about 10-15 heavy equipment operators required during remediation?	Actually, there is likely to be around double that in terms of seasonal full-time jobs.	No change needed	This is a clarification question
Who funds the project?	The Federal Government funds the project.	No change needed	This is a clarification question

3. WHAT LSCFN HEARD AND ANSWERED

LSCFN declined to provide notes for this report, however the LSCFN Mount Nansen Coordinator reviewed and reviewed the content of this report in November 2023.

4. KEY CONCERNS & CONSIDERATIONS

- Legacy of mining impacts on LSCFN, including current day.
- Future mining/exploration.
- Jobs/Training.
- Why is the project taking so long? Why does the project need to go through YESAA?
- Water quality and drinking water.
- Impact on animals (i.e. Moose livers)
- Water quality in the larger watershed and fish.
- Remediation plan design.
- Who is funding the project?