Giant Mine Remediation Project
Consultation and Engagement
October 15, 2015  Banff, AB
Yellowknife (pop 20,000)

Great Slave Lake
Great Slave Lake
N'Dilo (YKDFN)
Giant Mine
Yellowknife (pop 20,000)
Giant Mine to Yellowknife
Giant Mine to Ndilo
Giant Mine to Great Slave Lake

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A Brief History

- Gold discovered in region in 1800s
- Exploration in the 1930s led to opening of Giant Mine in 1948
- Operated continuously until 1999, when operator went bankrupt
- Government of Canada took over Care & Control
- Started remediation planning
- Ore from the mine was processed offsite until 2004
- Once all operations stopped, Giant Mine Remediation Project created to reduce risk and liability to Crown
## Public Relations vs. Engagement

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Meaningful Consultation

Relationships
- Equality
- Partnership
- Good Faith
- Respectful
- Transparent

Objectives
- Goals
- Inclusive

Obligations
- Policies
- Challenges
- Safety
- Commitments
Land Claim Areas Specific to GIANT Mine

- Məwhì Gogha Dè Njįtıłège boundary
- Akaitcho Territory Dene First Nations
- Northwest Territory Métis Nation
Regulatory Drivers

Environmental assessment final decision Aug, 2014 included 26 measures that are legally binding on the project.

AANDC is required to comply with City of Yellowknife by-laws which will include acquiring a Development Permit.

Preparation of Consolidated Project Descriptions for Water Licence

High level of consultation and engagement required to meet regulatory drivers
### Who We Engage With

- Giant Mine Advisory Committee (YKDFN)
- Community Forums (Public and YKDFN)
- Giant Mine Working Group
- City Of Yellowknife
- Giant Mine Community Alliance
- Oversight Body
- Mining Heritage Society
- Tłįchǫ and NWT Métis
- Others
Surface Design Engagement

Engagement Process for Surface Remediation at Giant Mine

1a. Preparation
- AANDC and GNWT want to maximize participation by involving stakeholders, interested organizations and the public in the surface remediation at Giant Mine.
- Develop timeline and specific dates for meetings.

1b. Information Sharing (1 or 2 half days)
- AANDC and GNWT will provide information sessions for any group that needs to get more background about the process or about conditions at Giant Mine.

2. Identify Objectives (half day)
- Individual groups meet within their own organizations to define their objectives and how they see the site being used at the end of remediation.
- “What do we want/don’t want for the future of Giant Mine?”
- “How will our children use the site?”

3. Options Definition Workshop (3 days)
- People from all groups meet together to generate ideas and identify a range of options for Baker Creek, tailings, pits, soils, etc.
- Then they pick five or six options to take into further steps.

4. Develop Options
- Engineers and scientists develop each option into a complete plan that could be used during remediation.
- Previous studies will be used where possible, but this might take a few months if new options are identified during this process and need a lot of additional assessment and work.

5. Risk Review Meeting (2-3 days)
- Representatives of each group meet to review the plans for each option.
- They use a risk assessment method that tells the engineers how to improve the options before they’re ready for the next step.

6. Options Evaluation Workshop (multi-day)
- Groups meet together again, but this time at separate tables, so each group can do its own assessment of each option.
- Each group says “What options do we like best and why do we like them?”

Further Steps
- A draft report on the evaluation workshop will be prepared and each group will review it and provide feedback.
- AANDC & GNWT will use the final report to decide what options best meet everybody’s objectives.
- They will then take the selected options into Water Licensing, where everybody gets another chance to review them.
## Benefits of Effective Engagement?

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<td>Gain knowledge for areas of Traditional significance</td>
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<td>Positive long-term relationships</td>
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<td>Understand priorities</td>
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### Stats

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Record Keeping

Consultation Log

- Letters
- E-mails
- Minutes
- Summary of activities
- Attendance lists
- Copies of presentations and handouts
Questions?

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