

**Transport Canada – Final Views – Lynn Lake Gold Project – Amendment proposal (March 25, 2025) (CIAR #80140)**

<b>Topic Area</b>	<b>Reference comments</b>	<b>Outstanding issue</b>	<b>Potential significant residual effects</b>	<b>Key mitigation measures or follow-up</b>
<p>Select the section 5 effect to which your comment applies:</p> <p>5(1)(a)(i) Fish and Fish Habitat</p> <p>5(1)(a)(ii) Aquatic Species</p> <p>5(1)(a)(iii) Migratory Birds</p> <p>5(1)(b) Federal Lands /Transboundary Effects</p> <p>5(1)(c)(i) Aboriginal Peoples' Health/Socio-economic Conditions</p> <p>5(1)(c)(ii) Aboriginal Peoples' Physical and Cultural Heritage</p> <p>5(1)(c)(iii) Current Use of Lands and Resources for Traditional Purposes</p> <p>5(1)(c)(iv) Any Structure, Site, or Thing of Historical, Archaeological, Paleontological, or Architectural Significance</p> <p>5(2) Linked to Regulatory Permits/Authorizations</p>	<p>Identify what additional information was requested, reference departmental submission(s) and comment(s), and/or Agency IR.</p> <p>This column is optional if your department has not provided comments related to the referenced topic area.</p>	<p>Describe whether your department is satisfied with the Proponent's responses to those requests and concerns. Identify any outstanding issues that you believe are unaddressed.</p> <p>This column is optional if your department has not provided comments related to the referenced topic area.</p>	<p>Identify whether or not you think there may be potential significant residual effects after key mitigation measures are implemented. Provide appropriate rationale.</p>	<p>Identify any mitigation measures or follow-up your department believes are necessary.</p>

<p>(specify which legislation)</p> <p>If the interaction between the issue of concern and a section 5 effect is unclear, indicate the interaction pathway.</p>				
<b>TRANSPORT CANADA RESPONSES</b>				
<p><b>TOPIC: Impacts to Navigation – <u>Installation of water outfall in Hughes River or diffuser on Hughes River Bridge.</u></b></p> <p>5(1)(c)(i) Aboriginal Peoples' Health/Socio-economic Conditions 5(1)(c)(ii) Aboriginal Peoples' Physical and Cultural Heritage 5(1)(c)(iii) Current Use of Lands and Resources for Traditional Purposes</p> <p>5(2) Linked to Regulatory Permits/Authorizations <i>Canadian Navigable Waters Act</i></p>	<p>Lynn Lake Gold Project: Gordon Mine Pit Dewatering Notice of Alteration / Notice of Change - FINAL SUBMISSION DOCUMENT</p> <p>Section 2.3 PROPOSED ALTERATION</p>	<p>The Notice of Change did not identify that the proposed outfall in the Hughes River or diffuser on the Hughes River Bridge used to release pit water may be subject to the <i>Canadian Navigable Waters Act</i>.</p>	<p>Transport Canada is of the opinion there will not be potential significant residual effects to navigation by the proposed <u>installation of a water outfall in the Hughes River or diffuser on the Hughes River Bridge</u> needed for the project after key mitigation measures are implemented. These mitigation measures include the Department's regulatory process and the Proponent's adherence to the <i>Canadian Navigable Waters Act</i> (CNWA) and conditions outlined in the CNWA approval(s), should one be required.</p> <p><b>Rationale:</b> The <i>Canadian Navigable Waters Act</i> (the CNWA) authorizes and regulates</p>	<p>As the Hughes River is a navigable water, then the equipment (e.g., outfall or diffuser) used to release pit water, if it is placed in, on, over, under, through or across the Hughes River, is a work subject to the <i>Canadian Navigable Waters Act</i> (CNWA). The Proponent has confirmed they are aware of their responsibilities under the CNWA and has engaged with Transport Canada's Navigation Protection Program since the public release of the Notice of Change on March 25, 2025.</p>

			<p>interferences with the public right to navigation. The primary purpose of the CNWA is to regulate works and obstructions that may interfere with navigation in Canada's navigable waters.</p> <p>Transport Canada will review a work when an application for approval under the CNWA has been submitted to Transport Canada's Navigation Protection Program to ensure adequate Indigenous consultation has been conducted. Not all works regulated by the CNWA require approval from Transport Canada, such as those detailed in the CNWA Minor Works Order.</p> <p>Given the CNWA's purpose, adherence to the CNWA and any approval under the CNWA issued by Transport Canada, if needed, will mitigate potential impacts to navigation by a new water outfall in the Hughes River</p>	<p>Additional consultation and engagement with Indigenous communities and organizations may be required to support the Proponent's application for approval if one is submitted to the Transport Canada for the work.</p>
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