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BY EMAIL

Dear Dan:

Courageous Lake Project: Final Report on Northwest Territories Act Class 2 Archaeologist's Permit # 2022-003.

The Department of Education, Culture, and Employment (ECE) has reviewed the report outlining the results of the systematic data recovery and archaeological assessment for Seabridge Gold (NWT) Inc.'s Courageous Lake Project. We concur with the management recommendations provided for the three archaeological sites of LaNv-20, LaNw-41, and LbNw-3.

ECE's management recommendations include:

LaNv-20	Based on the results of the surface collection and evaluative units it is recommended continued use of the existing camp be permitted, providing no additional impact (excavation, grading etc.) will take place within the currently undisturbed areas to the west of the current buildings. If avoidance of impacts to the previously undisturbed areas is not feasible then additional systematic data recovery will be required prior to impacts. If the camp is utilized for exploration activities a Chance Find Procedure should be implemented and periodic archaeological assessment to allow for surface collection of artifacts is also recommended.
LaNw-41	The boundary of archaeological site LaNw-41 should be avoided by a minimum of 30m.
LbNw-3	The boundary of archaeological site LbNw-3 should be avoided by a minimum of 30m.

Any changes to the scope of the proposed project should be discussed with the project archaeologist and ECE to determine if additional archaeological work is required.

Sincerely,

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Education, Culture, and Employment

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