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TECHNICAL SESSION AGENDA

Water Licence and Land Use Permit New Applications	
File Number	Water Licence MV2023L1-0010 and Land Use Permit MV2023A0028
Company	Paramount Resources Ltd.
Project	Pointed Mountain Gas Field Remediation Project
Location	Shih T'ah (Pointed Mountain), NT
Activity	Industrial/ Oil and Gas

Technical Session Information	
Location(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explorer Hotel, Katimavik A, Yellowknife, NT • Virtual via Zoom – to join, please contact Erica Janes at (867)766-7466 or by email for participation details.
Date(s)	January 15 & 16, 2025 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Purpose:

This Technical Session is meant to provide a forum where Parties can discuss their concerns about the Applications directly with the Applicant and their consultants. It is the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (Board)'s hope that such a discussion, as facilitated by Board staff, will increase each Party's understanding of the issues as well as of the perspectives of others. In our experience, technical sessions and workshops can be useful both in focussing the content of parties' subsequent interventions to the public hearing and in reducing the number of outstanding issues between parties. Although it would be helpful if some issues are resolved during this Session, there is no requirement to do so; Board staff will guide questions and discussions to ensure Parties have sufficient information to submit evidence that the Board can use to establish the Water Licence and Land Use Permit conditions. Discussions at this Session may also reveal the need for written information requests (IRs) to the Applicant or other Parties. Parties are encouraged to request IRs to clarify aspects of the Application or to ensure commitments are clear.¹ The Work Plan for this regulatory proceeding includes time for Parties to fulfill IRs, if required, prior to the deadline for public hearing interventions.

¹ In accordance with the LWB [Rules of Procedure](#), the Board may issue an IR to any Party at any point during the proceeding. A Party that wishes to issue an IR to another Party at a point other than those designated in the work plan must submit the proposed IR to the Board for consideration.

Please note that a technical session is not a public hearing, and Board members and their legal counsel will not be participating. It is the Board’s wish that this Session be as informal as possible to promote discussion. This Session is being transcribed, and IRs may be issued as noted above; however, all participants should be aware that opinions and positions expressed during this Session are not binding – final recommendations for the Water Licence and Land Use Permit should be made in the formal written interventions submitted to the Board prior to the Public Hearing.

General Reminders:

- All presenters and anyone who wants to test their virtual participation are asked to join in a test run at 8:30 am each day to ensure that there are no audio, video, or screen-sharing issues.
- Limited copies of any materials will be available at the Session. Participants should download all relevant documents, such as presentations, from the Board’s Public Registry in advance (Water Licence [MV2023L1-0010](#) and Land Use Permit [MV2023A0028](#)). This is especially important if a participant is dialing in by phone and not participating via videoconference.
- Participants should state their name and organization **each time** they speak to ensure the Session is accurately transcribed.
- The schedule and timelines of the Technical Session are at the discretion of the facilitator.
- There will be breaks in the morning, over lunch, and in the afternoon.

Agenda:

All times are approximate. The Applicant will provide an introductory presentation to help initiate discussion. Participants are encouraged to have questions prepared for each topic and take the opportunity to follow up on issues raised in the [Application Review](#) and in the [Information Request Review](#). References to specific reviewer comments from the Review Summary Table are provided in the agenda below, and the following abbreviations are used in these references.

Abbreviation	Reviewer
ADKFN	Acho Dene Koe First Nation
ECCC	Environment and Climate Change Canada
GNWT-ECC	Government of the Northwest Territories Department of Environment and Climate Change
MVLWB	Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (staff)

Day 1: January 15, 2025

Time	Topic	Review Comment References
8:30 – 9:00	Arrival Time and Test Run: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect on Zoom (for those joining virtually) Audio/video/screensharing test run (for those joining virtually and for presenters) Coffee and snacks provided 	
9:00 – 9:20	Round Table Introductions and Opening Statements (Board staff)	
9:20 – 9:40	Project Description - Detailed Project Overview by Applicant	
9:40 – 12:00 (Break scheduled as required)	Eligibility	
	Confirmation of eligibility for Permit	MVLWB: ID-1 (Application Review)
	Preliminary Screening	
	Previously-screened activities	MVLWB: ID-56 (Application Review)
	Impacts to species at risk and critical habitat	MVLWB: ID-56 (Application Review) ECCC: ID-9 (Application Review)
	Waste and Water Management	
	Volumes of contaminants and interaction pathways throughout the site	GNWT-ECC: ID-17, 22 (Application Review)
	Monitoring, both ongoing during the expanded site investigations and follow up post remediation	GNWT-ECC: ID-17, 38, 44 (Application Review) ADKFN: ID-5, 6, 7: (IR Review)
	Remaining liability for the surge pond	GNWT-ECC: ID-40, 41, 42, 43 (Application Review)
Purpose of oxidation pond	ECCC: ID-14 (Application Review)	
12:00 – 1:30	Lunch (not provided)	
1:30 – 3:15 (Break scheduled as required)	Demonstration that wells have been successfully abandoned	MVLWB: ID-11, 12 (Application Review), Information Request 3
	Road reclamation	GNWT-ECC: ID-32 (Application Review)
	Wastewater discharge location identification and proposed effluent quality criteria	MVLWB: ID-15, 41, 50 (Application Review) ECCC: ID-14, 15, 19 (Application Review) GNWT-ECC: ID-20, 22 (Application Review) ADKFN: ID-5, 6 (IR Review)

		Remediation plans for each area around the Pointed Mountain site, well sites, airstrip, barge landing	GNWT-ECC: ID-17 (Application Review) ECCC: ID 11 (IR Review)
		Development of remediation criteria for treatment of contaminated soils	MVLWB: ID-33 (Application Review)
		Site specific closure objectives	GNWT-ECC: ID-17 (Application Review)
	3:15 – 3:30	Final Comments and Information Requests	
	3:30	Day 1 Adjourned	

Day 2: January 16, 2025	Time	Topic	Review Comment References	
	8:30 – 9:00	Arrival Time and Test Run: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect on Zoom (for those joining virtually) • Audio/video/screensharing test run (for those joining virtually and for presenters) • Coffee and snacks provided 		
	9:00 – 9:20	Round Table Introductions and Opening Statements (Board staff)		
	9:20 – 9:40	Continuation of Discussion from Day 1		
	9:40 – 12:00 (Break is scheduled as required)	Proposed Landfill		
		Selection and design of landfill	MVLWB: ID-20, 37 (Application Review), Information Requests 5 & 6 GNWT-ECC: ID-28, 34 (Application Review)	
		Soil volumes for remediation based on assumed future updates to soil criteria, risk assessment, and remediation plan	GNWT-ECC: ID-45 (Application Review)	
		Acceptability for relocation/re-burial of select soils	GNWT-ECC: ID-28 (Application Review)	
		Buried debris volumes	GNWT-ECC: ID-29 (Application Review)	
		Maintenance costs	GNWT-ECC: ID-38 (Application Review)	
Costing to address perpetual landfill care		GNWT-ECC: ID-28, 38 (Application Review)		
12:00 – 1:30	Lunch (not provided)			
1:30 – 3:15 (Break scheduled as required)	Security/Project Description			
	Details in confidential security estimate	GNWT-ECC: ID-30 (Application Review) MVLWB: ID-9 (IR Review)		
3:15 – 3:30	Final Comments and Information Requests			
3:30	Day 2 Adjourned			

Logistics for Remote Participation:

Set-up:

- Each participant should prepare and test their video and audio ahead of time, and each time they log in to the session, to ensure their devices are functioning properly and are fully charged or plugged in.
- Zoom will download automatically when the participant starts or joins the first Zoom meeting and is also available for manual download [here](#). Participants should download the current version of Zoom before the Session to ensure all functions are available.
- For assistance using Zoom, participants can review the following [Zoom Video Tutorials](#).
- To participate only by phone, participants can call one of the Zoom teleconference lines (provided in the Zoom link from Board staff).
- Participants that are experiencing technical difficulties due to poor internet connections can limit videoconference participation to audio only or call in by phone as noted above.
- Each participant is asked to use the following as their screen name: first and last name, followed by the acronym of their respective organization (e.g., Paula Green – WLWB)
 - This can be accomplished by selecting the three dots in the upper right-hand portion of the viewing pane and selecting “rename.”
- Each organization will need to identify a representative, who will act as the liaison for all participants in that organization during the session. Each organization should provide their representative’s contact information to Board staff prior to the session (or to the facilitator at the start of the session if not known in advance).
- [Screensharing](#) in Zoom will be used during presentations. The presenter will share their screen to display their presentation (note that this can be done by Board Staff instead if requested in advance). Presenters should state the document name and page numbers to ensure all participants can follow along.

Etiquette:

- A session facilitator will guide the order of presentations, turn-taking, time limits, and breaks. To minimize disruption, participants are asked to follow all instructions on turn-taking, and only speak when the facilitator has indicated it is their turn. Each organization/participant will be given opportunities to speak.
- If a participant would like to speak or has a follow-up question, they can use the Zoom group chat (visible to everyone) to notify the facilitator, who will add them to the speaking order.
 - DO NOT USE the ‘Raise Hand’ function, since it will not be monitored.
- To minimize background noises and feedback, participants should always keep their microphone/headset muted when not speaking. Participants should **only unmute when the facilitator has indicated it is their turn to speak.**
- The Zoom meeting will be recorded to ensure the transcription is accurate. **In accordance with privacy legislation, participants must not record the session or take screen shots.**

- A remote session can cause participation fatigue. The Board appreciates participants' professionalism, cooperation, and collaboration during the session.

Technical Difficulties:

- In the event of a disruption to the session or technical difficulties, Board staff will contact the representative of each organization by cell phone, text, or e-mail to communicate the contingency plan if necessary.
- If a participant is having technical difficulties, they should notify the representative of their organization. The representative should contact Board staff directly or through the Zoom group chat.