



**NIRB File No.: 03MN107 & 16MN056**  
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**Re: Opportunity to Address Comments Received Regarding Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's Meadowbank Gold Mine and Whale Tail Pit Projects 2019 Annual Report**

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Dear Nancy Duquet Harvey:

On April 21, 2020 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (Agnico Eagle) *Meadowbank Gold Mine and Whale Tail Pit Projects 2019 Annual Report (2019 Annual Report)* as required by the amended Meadowbank Gold Mine Project Certificate No. 004 and the amended Whale Tail Pit Project Certificate No. 008. Following a preliminary completeness check, the NIRB requested additional information and on April 28, 2020 the NIRB received documents to supplement the *2019 Annual Report*.

On May 6, 2020 the NIRB requested that interested parties review the *2019 Annual Report* and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise on whether the conclusions reached by Agnico Eagle in the *2019 Annual Report* were valid as well as comment on the Proponent's compliance status with regard to authorizations that have been issued for the Project Certificate. Furthermore, parties were requested to provide additional input on the updated criteria in the Terrestrial Ecosystem Management Plan version 8 and supporting references in the *2019 Annual Report*.

Following a request from parties for an extension to the original commenting period, on or before July 6, 2020 the NIRB received comments from the following interested parties:

Comment Submission	Document ID	
	Meadowbank Gold Mine (03MN107)	Whale Tail Pit (16MN056)
Kivalliq Inuit Association (KivIA)	330666, 330091	330668, 330093
Government of Nunavut (GN)	330676	330675
Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)	330657	330645
Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)	330678	330679
Transport Canada (TC)	330667	330669

Additionally, the NIRB received notice from the Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) that they would be submitting comments on or before July 22, 2020. The NIRB will issue a notification of submission along with the Document ID number as soon as it is received.

All comment submissions received by the NIRB related to the *2019 Annual Report* can be accessed from the NIRB's online public registry at [www.nirb.ca/project/125253](http://www.nirb.ca/project/125253) or [www.nirb.ca/project/125418](http://www.nirb.ca/project/125418) or by searching for the above Document IDs.

The NIRB would like to provide Agnico Eagle with an opportunity to address all comments prior to the completion of the *NIRB Annual Monitoring Report for the Meadowbank Gold Mine Project and Whale Tail Pit Project*, and requests that a response be provided directly to the NIRB by **August 7, 2020**. If Agnico Eagle determines that the time required to supply a written response is significantly greater than one (1) month, the Board requests written notification as soon as possible with an anticipated date for submission.

Please send any forthcoming submissions directly to the NIRB at [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca), or through the NIRB's online public registry at [www.nirb.ca](http://www.nirb.ca).

If you have any questions or require additional information on the NIRB's monitoring program for the Meadowbank Gold Mine Project or Whale Tail Pit Project, please contact the undersigned directly at (867) 983-4612 or [ekoide@nirb.ca](mailto:ekoide@nirb.ca) or contact Erin Reimer, Technical Advisor I, at (867) 857-4566 or [ereimer@nirb.ca](mailto:ereimer@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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