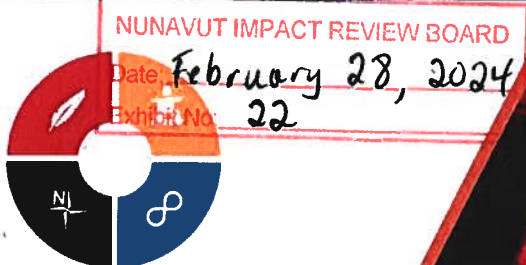


Sabina Gold and Silver/B2Gold Nunavut's Back River Project Energy Centre Proposal

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Nunavut Impact Review Board Public Hearing
Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada
Cambridge Bay, February 27-29, 2024

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Role in the Nunavut Impact Review Board assessment

- **Responsible Minister:** Has decision-making role under the Nunavut Agreement and *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*
- **Intervenor:** Provides expert advice
- **Regulator:** Administers Crown land, inspects and enforces terms and conditions of approved projects
- **Duty to Consult:** The responsible Minister must ensure the duty to consult Indigenous groups has been met before deciding on the Back River Project Energy Centre proposal

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Summary of participation in the reconsideration process

- Nunavut Impact Review Board meetings
 - Attended Community Information Sessions during May 15-17 and June 12, 2023
 - Participated in Technical Meeting, Community Roundtable, Pre-Hearing Conference during October 3-5, 2023
- Review of Final Environmental Impact Statement Addendum
 - Submitted one Information Request and 10 Technical Review Comments
- Had two bilateral meetings with Sabina/B2Gold on September 5 and 28, 2023

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Status of Technical Review Comments

#1: Geotechnical Hazards – Seismic Activity

- It was recommended that Sabina/B2Gold revise sections of text to correctly reference its seismic analysis in the modified Project Development Area

Status: Resolved

#2: Impact of Wind Tower and Solar Panel Foundations on Permafrost

- Information was requested from Sabina/B2Gold on potential impacts of wind tower and solar panel foundations on permafrost and mitigation and monitoring measures

Status: Resolved with a commitment



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Status of Technical Review Comments

#7: Vegetation – Vegetation and Species of Conservation Concern

- Information was requested from Sabina/B2Gold on vegetation and species of conservation concern within the proposed wind turbine generator locations and new access roads, and an assessment of how vegetation may be impacted by the Project

Status: Resolved

#8: Vegetation – Vegetation Monitoring Plan

- It was recommended that Sabina/B2Gold update the 2020 Vegetation Monitoring Plan to include the Back River Energy Centre

Status: Resolved with a commitment



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Status of Technical Review Comments

#9: Waste – Petroleum Hydrocarbon Contamination

- It was recommended that Sabina/B2Gold identify whether monitoring or remediation is planned if soils contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons remain at the time of closure and reclamation of the landfarm

Status: Resolved with a commitment

#10: Waste – Asbestos

- **It was recommended that Sabina/B2Gold update the Landfill and Waste Management Plan to include territorial and federal guidelines for asbestos waste**

Status: Resolved with a commitment



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