





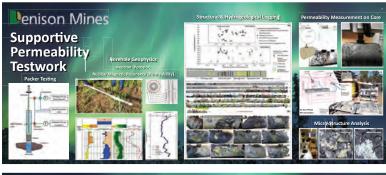




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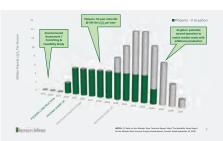
Uranium Development & Exploration



NOTES: (3) See Denison' cours releases from January 27, 2027 and September 6, and as the Wheeler Sizer Technical Report Siled "Fee Seasibility Study Report 6 Protest. Selektrishnan. Consists' dated Sentenders 26, 2015.



Wheeler River PFS: 14-year mine life producing +7.5M lbs $\rm U_3O_8$ per year on average (1)



Wheeler River Site Visit: Safety and site orientation



IMPORTANT: During the visit, the project site will be active. Accordingly, there are hazards that you may need to be made aware of during the field tour. Always listen to and follow instructions from your Denison hosts during the visit.

Station #1 – Gate House Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation



Station #2 - Phoenix Camp

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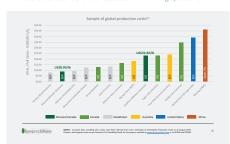




~305,000 Hectares of Prospective Exploration & Development Ground Focused in the Infrastructure Rich Eastern Athabasca Basin



Phoenix ISR Operation: Potential to be one of the lowest cost uranium mining operations



Wheeler River 2019 Field Tour



Station #1 - Gate House Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation



Station #2 - Phoenix Camp

- Targeted to Wheeler Partner Comm Up to 300 jobs during -2 years of construction



Wheeler River Site Visit August 2019

- > Arrive at Wheeler River
- > Denison Mines overview
- > Depart for Field Tour of Stations #1-9
- > Snacks / refreshments (Station #6) > Return to camp for late lunch
- > Depart Wheeler River





Pre-Feasibility Study Highlights⁽²⁾:

- Conventional UG Gryphon contributes additional low cost pounds US\$11.70/lb U₃O₈
- additional low cost pounds US\$11.70 no L

 109.4M libs U,O₄ Probable Reserves

 14 year mine life (7.8m libs U,O₄Vyear on av,

 Base-case pre-tax NPV_{es} (100%) of \$1.318

 Base-case pre-tax (RR of \$8.7%

 Initial CAPEX of \$322.5M (100%)

✓ Ownership⁽³⁾: 90% Denison, 10% JCU





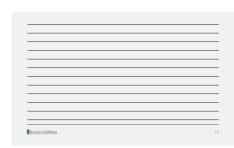
- Mac McDonald VP Finance & CFC
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- Dale Verran VP Exploration Chad Sorba - Technical Services Ma
- Carolanne Inglis-McQuay CSR Ma
 Pam Bennett Environment Manager
- Jared Orynik Project Manager, Project D
- Clark Gamelin Project Manager, Exploration
- Shae Frosst Corp. Dev. & IR Manage





Station #1 - Gate House Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation

- ransmission line along Highw Planned Site Infrastructure -7km site road connection to 914 outlined in Project Descrip



Station #3 – ISR Wellfield
Bringing the world's lowest cost uranium mining method to the jurisdiction
hosting the world's highest-grade uranium deposits



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Station #3 - ISR Welifield

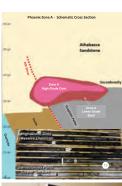
- Two distinct ore zones Phoenix A + B
 Approximately 400 m below surface
 World's highest-grade undeveloped uranium deposit
- Indicated Mineral Resources 70.2 M lbs U₃O₈ (166,000 tonnes at **19.1% U₃O₈**)
- Cut-off grade of 0.8% U₃O₈

Station #4 - ISR Processing Plant

Phoenix PFS Test Work⁽¹⁾: Confirms suitability of ISR mining method

- No need for ion exchange or solvent extraction circuits = reduced costs

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Station #6 - Environment and Community The environmental impact assessment process



Station #6 - Environment and Community Respect for Indigenous communities and knowledge

- We acknowledge and respect that we are working within Treaty 10 and the traditional territory of the English River First Nation and the Métis
- We wish to share the land together and work in partnership, to return maximum benefits from the Project to the communities

- We have designed the Project to have minimal adverse impacts to Indigenous and Treaty Rights, as well as to the environment



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Station #8 - Hot Shack Supportive permeability test work & metallurgical sampling

Summer 2019 ISR Field Program designed to facilitate various additional test work:

Station #3 – ISR Welifield First of its kind ISR Field Test in the Athabasca Basin

ISR Field Test Objectives:

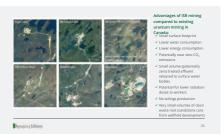
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Station #4 – ISR Processing Plant On-site processing to Yellowcake Uranium



Station #6 - Environment & Community Environmental benefits of ISR mining



Station #6 – Environment and Community Committed to collaborative engagement with all interested parties



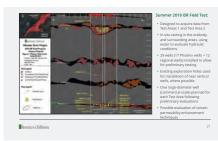
Station #7 – Gryphon Deposit Turnoff Gryphon uranium deposit

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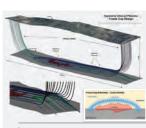
Station #9 - Core Yard

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Station #3 – ISR Wellfield First of its kind ISR Field Test in the Athabasca Basin



Station #5 - Freeze Plant & Collars
Novel concept to contain lixiviant, using established technology



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Station #6 -Environment and Community

Environmental baseline studies

- Environmental baseline studies provide an understanding of current or existing conditions



Station #6 – Environment and Community Committed to collaborative engagement with all interested parties



Station #7 - Gryphon Deposit Turnoff Gryphon uranium deposit



Appendix: Pre-Feasibility Study (PFS) Economics





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Wheeler River PFS: Uranium price assumptions, and sensitivities



Wheeler River PFS⁽¹⁾: Statement of Reserves and Denison indicative post-tax results

Deposit	Class.	Tonnes	Grade	Lbs U ₂ O ₄	Denison (90%)	
Phoenix ⁽⁵⁾	Probable	141,000	19.1% U ₃ O ₈	59.7M	53.7M	
Gryphon ⁽⁶⁾	Probable	1,257,000	1.8% U ₃ O ₈	49.7M	44.7M	
Total	Probable	1,398,000	3.5%	109.4M	98.4M	
Financial Results			Denison (90%) \$290.3 million			
Indicative Den	ison post-tax re	sults				
Initial capital costs						
Base case post-tax IRR(9)			32.7%			
Base case post-tax NPV _{go} ⁽⁹⁾				\$755.9 million		
Base case post-tax payback period ⁽¹⁰⁾				~ 26 months		
High case post-tax IRR(9)			55.7%			
High case post-tax NPV _{gN} ⁽⁹⁾			\$1.48 billion			
High case post-tax payback period(10)			~12 months			



Phoenix Operation: ISR mining method delivers industry leading cost per pound $\rm U_3O_8$

Phoenix Operation	PFS Re	PFS Result ⁽¹⁾	
Mine life	10 years (6.0 million lbs t	10 years (6.0 million lbs U ₃ O ₈ per year on averag	
Average cash operating costs	\$4.33 (US\$3.3	\$4.33 (US\$3.33) per lb U ₃ O ₈	
Initial capital costs (100% basis)	\$322.5	million	
Operating margin ⁽⁴⁾	89.0% at US	89.0% at US\$29/lb U ₃ O ₈	
All-in cost ⁽²⁾	\$11.57 (US\$8.5	\$11.57 (US\$8.90) per lb U ₃ O ₈	
Assumptions / Results	Base Case	High Case	
Uranium selling price	UxC Spot Price ⁽³⁾	US\$65/lb U ₃ O ₈	
Operating margin ⁽⁴⁾	91.4%	95.0%	
Pre-tax NPV _{8%} ⁽⁵⁾ (100%)	\$930.4 million	\$1.91 billion	
Pre-tax IRR(5)	43.3%	71.5%	
Pre-tax payback period(6)	~ 21 months	~ 11 months	

Notes...



Gryphon Operation: Additional low-cost production with conventional UG mining

Mine life	6.5 years (7.6 million lbs	U ₃ O ₈ per year on average)			
Average cash operating costs	\$15.21 (US\$11	\$15.21 (US\$11.70) per lb U ₂ O ₈			
Initial capital costs (100% basis)	\$623.1	\$623.1 million			
Operating margin ⁽³⁾	77.0% at U	\$\$50/lb U ₃ O ₈			
All-in cost ⁽²⁾	\$29.67 (US\$22	\$29.67 (US\$22.82) per lb U ₂ O ₈			
Assumptions / Results	Base Case	High Case			
Uranium selling price	US\$50/lb U ₂ O ₈	US\$65/lb U ₃ O ₈			
Operating margin ⁽³⁾	77.0%	82.3%			
Pre-tax NPV _{8%} ⁽⁴⁾ (100%)	\$560.6 million	\$998.8 million			
Pre-tax IRR ⁽⁴⁾	23.2%	31.0%			
Pre-tax payback period ⁽⁵⁾	~ 37 months	~ 31 months			
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Appendix: Wheeler River 2019 Field Tour Maps



Site Tour: August 23, 2019 Wheeler Project Site location

In Attendance				
Pam Bennett (Denison)	Glen McCallum (President MNS)			
Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Denison)	Mervin (Tex) Bouvier (Region 3 President Metis Nation)			
David Cates (Denison)	Mike Natomagan (Mayor Pinehouse Lake / Local President Kineepik			
Dale Verran (Denison)	Metis)			
Chad Sorba (Denison	Alex Ross (Executive Director Kineepik Metis)			
Jared Orynik (Denison)	Nick Daigneault (Mayor Beauval / Vice President Sipisishik Metis)			
	Gerald Roy (Deputy Mayor Ile a la Crosse)			
	Jimmy Durocher (Local President A La Baie Metis)			
	Percy Kenny (Local President Patuanak Metis)			
	Jeff Skopyk (English River First Nation)			
	Adam Zenobi (CNSC)			
	Salman Ahkter (CNSC)			
	Greg Adilman (Province of Saskatchewan; Ministry of Environment)			
	Aimann Sadik (Province of Saskatchewan; Ministry of Environment)			

Questions / Comments

Q: What are the resources required for ISR? Is this the same as SAG-D in Alberta? Do you need water? Steam?

A: No, just the use of a mining solution (acidic) to move through the rock – no high-pressure steam or significant amounts of water required.

Q: Are you following the protocol set out by the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan in terms of meeting with the regional level of government and then the local levels? What kind of relationship are you developing with the Metis?

A: We are aiming to meet at all the levels, recognizing the governance structure as set out by the Metis constitution, but that the local presidents and Metis are the local knowledge holders about land-based activities and rights. We are aiming to work with all levels of Metis government.

Q: Are there ponds for waste and waste rock?

A: There will be a special waste pad, but because minimal effluent discharge, there will be minimal ponds for wastewater – but the environmental assessment will ensure that we do assess ponds and treated effluent.

Q: No tailings?

A: That's right. No Tailings Management facility and no tailings. Residual materials coming up in the ISR solution would be stored on the special waste pad.

Q: Wastewater would be treated?

A: ves.

Q: What kind of trades would you require? There would be lots of maintenance required on the piping, etc.

A: Instrumentation, pipefitting, drilling on surface, maintenance

Q: Are your local contractors required to hire from the local communities?

A: yes. This has been done in the area of drillers and drillers helpers and also the field technicians for the various field studies that have been done.

Q: How do you measure the levels of radiation on the wells? Is there a concern with radiation?

A: The Uranium bearing solution will be pumped through piping with shielding (the same kind of shielding that has been used as the other uranium mining operations), the pumphouse will have, where required, the same kind of shielding necessary to protect workers. The exposure levels are predicted to be similar levels to diamond drilling for uranium.

Q: What is the chemical makeup of the solution? What happens to the solution when you are done?

A: Acidic solution, that is recycled back through the system.

Q: Will the high grade / low grade differences affect the concentration of the solution?

A: The concentration of the solution will be adjusted based on what is necessary – aiming to always get the same concentration of Uranium bearing solution at surface.

Q: Will the temperature of the freeze wall compromise the mining solution?

A: It isn't predicted to. The wells will be drilled through the freeze wall, into the cavity that is unfrozen. The cavity would be filled with livixiant.

Q: When would the directional freeze holes be drilled? How long would they take?

A: Many months, and then the freezing would take approximately 2 years

Q: The freeze wall 1) contains the solution and 2) protects the receiving environment. Correct?

A: Yes.

Q: How does the freeze wall work? Does it freeze the rock or the water inside the rock?

A: It freezes the water in between the rock particles.

Q: How long to freeze?

A: About 2 years, once the holes are installed. This is based on a 5m spacing apart of the holes.

Q: can you give us a breakdown of the 100 jobs that are available? What are they comprised of?

A: Presently working on this and will provide to the communities as soon as it is completed.

Q: How do you know where you are drilling? How do you know where the other holes are?

A: Uses magnetic ranging technology. The first hole goes in, and the second hole uses the first hole to determine against. And the third hole uses a triangulation methodology against that hole – and so on. Accuracy increases the more holes you have.

Q: What would be the thickness of the freeze zone?

A: 10m thick – or three basketball nets on top of each other.

Q: Would the freeze wall be kept intact for the life of the operation?

A: Yes and would be kept on until full reclamation was achieved and completed.

Q: When will the directional drilling take place for the test?

A: In the next couple of years.

Q: what would you be discharging?

A: Treated effluent.

Additional Comments

- Impressed with Denison Mines bringing the Metis leadership to site for a site tour.
- Is the ISR process done in other places?

Explained how it was done in many other parts of the world, including the USA and Kazakhstan.

Commented that Cameco used this technology, just not in Saskatchewan. Denison would be the first in Saskatchewan to use this technology for uranium recovery.

Explained how the freeze dome was planned to be installed to encapsulate the ISR solution.

- Emphasized to that we shouldn't rush anything, get everything planned correctly.
- Said that this project would have their support.
- Asked how they could buy stocks in Denison as they were impressed with our Denison team, communication, technology and strategy.



AGENDA 1. Denison Introduction / Refresher 2. Workshop A. Site Access Road Route Options B. Treated Water Discharge Location Options C. Mining Method Options 3. Environmental Baseline Data Collection Update







- > An operator of a Canadian environmental services business
 - ~40 employees based in Elliot Lake, Ontario
 - Maintains Denison's closed and reclaimed mine site in Elliot Lake
 - Provides services to mining companies and governments across Canada

Denison - Who Are We?

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> A strong supporter of our local communities

- McClean Lake community programs
- Denison procurement from local vendors and personnel in northern communities

Saskatchewan

- Serpent River First Nations – employment, youth education initiative
 Supported creation of a
- Supported creation of a retirement lifestyle community after mining was completed

Elliot Lake

- Supported construction of schools and health offices for local villages
 Drilled water wells
- Leadership roles for local
- technical & admin staff

Former

Location

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Wheeler River Today: Uranium Exploration

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Exploration camp

Drilling in winter & summer

Wheeler River Today

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In comparison

- McArthur River: Produced ~290M lbs, Reserves 234M lbs
- ➤ Rabbit Lake: Produced ~202M lbs, Resources: ~70M lbs



Wheeler River Future



Wheeler River: A Long Term Proposition

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- · Initial and sustaining capital costs ~CAD\$1.13 billion
- First uranium production projected by 2025/2026
- · Operating costs expected to average US\$19/pound U₃O₈
- Uranium spot price quoted at ~US\$20/pound U₃O₈



Denison believes in the future of nuclear energy and is investing in the people and the province of Saskatchewan, despite historic low uranium prices and difficult market conditions



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Wheeler River Project Timeline

Northern Capacity Development

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1. Denison

- Drill camp supplied by the Beauval General Store
- Worked with Drill Contractor to run a Drill Training Program, 2 northerners trained in fall, more to come
- Employed northerners for baseline field program support
- Supported career days last fall in Patuanak
- Financially supported the IRM Program (BEAHR Program)

2. Denison Procurement: New contracts require

- Competitive Costs & performance
- Maximize northern employment and procurement of goods
- Preference for northern ownership stake

Northern Capacity Development

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- Communities Requested Formal Agreements: Denison Issued Draft MOU (Memorandum of **Understanding**)
 - Formalize intent for Denison and Communities to work together in spirit of cooperation and respect
 - Sets the stage for an IBA (Impact Benefits Agreement) following the advancement of the project. Focus on 4 main
 - · Environmental Sustainability
 - · Employment, Education and Training
 - · Business Opportunities
 - · Community Investment
- Draft issued to four communities/First Nations
 - Pinehouse, Ile a la Crosse, Beauval and ERFN
 - 2 signed, 2 remain under review

EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Aquatics

- Hydrology
- water quality
- lake bathymetry sediment quality
- benthic invertebrate communities
- benthic invertebrate chemistry
- · fish community
- fish tissue chemistry





EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Terrestrial

- ecological land classification
- breeding bird surveys
- ungulate pellet counts
- winter tracking surveys
- aquatic furbearer shoreline surveys
- small mammal trapping & chemistry
- amphibian surveys
- characterization of terrain and soil types
- vegetation and soil chemistry
- vegetation community

Heritage

· heritage resources assessment





Wheeler River Road Access Alignment

Gryphon

McArthur River

Phoenix

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Wheeler River Road Access Alignment

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Constraints

- 10 m wide
- Slopes of cuts must be 3H:1V
- Grade must not exceed 7%

Considerations

- Stream and river crossings, how many, how big
- · Proximity to lakes
- · Proximity to Cabin

Wheeler River Road Access Alignment enison Mines Gryphon



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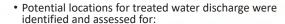
	Length Km	Dirt Moved	Streams	Distance To Water
Gryphon Option 1	3.3	265,000 m ³	1 crossing (existing bridge)	25 m
Gryphon Option 2	3.1	1,000,000 m ³	1 crossing (existing bridge)	200 m

Wheeler River Road Access Alignment



Discharge Location Options

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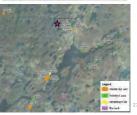
- 1. Preliminary understanding of land uses
 - · Traditional territories
 - · Trails, trap lines, country food harvesting, angling
 - · Cabins, camps
 - · Industrial properties
- 2. Potential impacts to water quantity and quality
 - · Avoid locations with low flows
 - · Minimize increase in flows
 - · Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
- 3. Potential impacts to fish and fish habitat
 - · Avoid spawning habitat

Discharge Location Options Traditional Knowledge and Land Use

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- Preliminary understanding of land
 - ERFN traditional territories map
 - Land disposition map
 - Observations during







uses from:

baseline (2016-2017)

Discharge Location Options Identification

- 1. Preliminary factors:
 - Capacity (size of lake)
 - Watershed area (drainage)
- 2. Fish Spawning Grounds
 - Avoid
- 3. Flow Capacity
 - Can't be more than 50% treated



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Discharge Location Options Preliminary Results

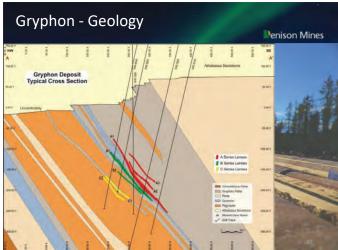
- LA-7, LA-6, LA-5, LA-1 and Russel Lake
 - Are environmentally safe to discharge into
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - · Avoid spawning habitat
- Community Considerations:
 - Cabins & fishing on Russell lake
 - Length of pipeline and disturbance to land
 - · Other?

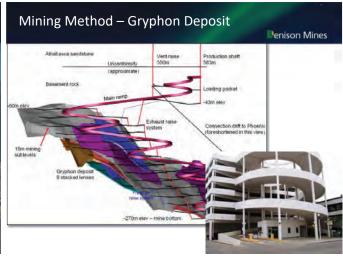


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Mining Method Options Gryphon: Longhole Mining Phoenix: Directional Drilling Insitu Recovery





Gryphon Longhole Mining Method

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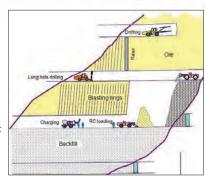
Step 1: Develop (drift) tunnels above and below the ore

Step 2: Drill holes between the two tunnels

Step 3: Load holes with explosives, blasting the ore

Step 4: Excavate (muck) out the ore

Step 5: Backfill opening



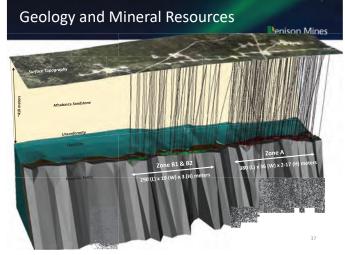
Gryphon: Longhole Mining Methods

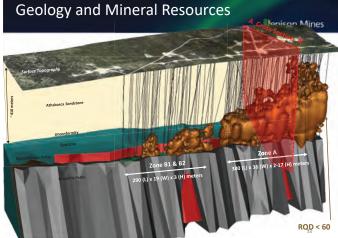
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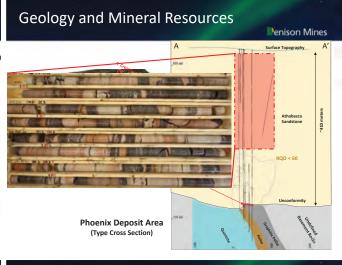
- Considerations:
 - Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures throughout Canada and the global mining industry
 - Radiation Safety: Proven safe, CNSN approved
 - Environmental: Minimizes waste rock on surface can be used as backfill
 - Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
 - Industry Employment: No special skills / education required,

Mining Method Options

Gryphon: Longhole Mining
Phoenix: Directional Drilling
Insitu Recovery

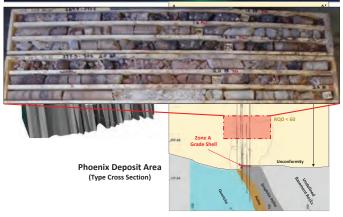


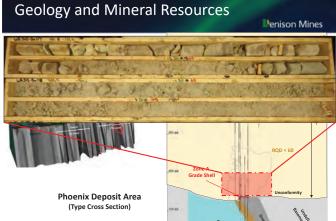


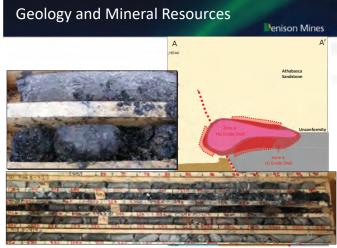


Geology and Mineral Resources

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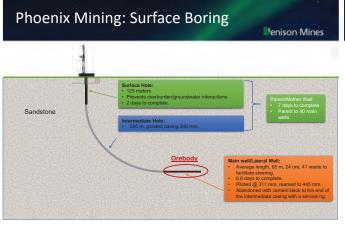
Phoenix: Mining Methods

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- Due to poor ground conditions and high grade unable to use conventional mining methods
- Evaluated using Jet Boring System (i.e. Cigar Lake):
 - · High Risk of technical challenges
 - · Extreme Capital cost requirements
 - · High operating cost
 - High degree of technical skills and education for employees
 - Not profitable / sustainable in current market



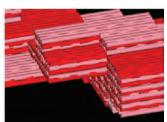




Phoenix Mining: Surface Boring - Recovery

Phoenix Honeycomb Pattern

- · 90% theoretical recovery
- ~4,300 boreholes through deposit (assuming 17.5" diameter)
- · 340,000 meters of drilling





- · 30-40m length holes in ore
- · 30-40m length in waste / low grade
- · Holes backfilled after drilled

Phoenix Directional Drilling

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- Considerations:
 - Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures established in Canada and the global industry
 - Radiation Safety: remote operation, no workers exposed to
 - Environmental: Minimal surface and u/g disturbance, no water discharge,
 - Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
 - Industry Employment: No special skills / education required
- Material still needs to be trucked to McClean mill for processing
- · Tailings are still produced

Mining Method Options enison Mines Gryphon: **Longhole Mining** Phoenix: **Directional Drilling** Insitu Recovery the state of the same

Phoenix Options - ISR

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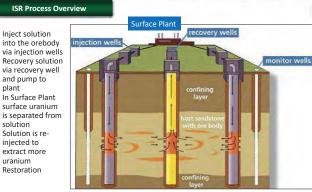
- Insitu Recovery has been utilized since the early 1960s
- Between 1961 and 2010 approximately 227, 700 t U was produced which equaled approximately 10% of historic global production
- In 2011 ISR production jumped to 46% of global production and is somewhere in this range today
- Production generally comes from 9 different jurisdictions
 - US and Australia would be considered the only two of these that host regulatory regimes similar in nature to Canada

Phoenix Mining: ISR

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Inject solution

- via injection wells Recovery solution via recovery well and pump to
- 3. In Surface Plant surface uranium is separated from solution
- 4. Solution is reinjected to extract more uranium
- Restoration



Phoenix Mining: ISR

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Surface Photo of Active ISR Operation



Phoenix Mining: ISR

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Phoenix Mining: ISR

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Phoenix Mining: ISR Penison Mines

ISR Process Overview

- Uranium is stripped from the pregnant solution
- Peroxide or ammonia is then used to precipitate Uranium in solid
- Product is washed, dewatered and dried to form Yellowcake



Phoenix Mining: ISR

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Common Questions

- Can we contain the mining solution during operations?
 - · Monitoring / samples holes enable tracking of solution
 - · Ability to increase / decrease pumping in/out of any individual hole
- Can we restore the groundwater conditions to baseline conditions following mining operations?
 - · Continue treatment of water to adjust ph levels
 - · Add lime or other basic element to increase ph
- At Wheeler we are currently gathering baseline information but we know the water quality now is not acceptable for use by humans or animals

Phoenix ISR

Considerations:

- Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures established in the global industry
- Radiation Safety: remote operation, no workers exposed to ore.
- Environmental: Minimal surface and u/g disturbance
- Environmental: No tailings production
- Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
- Industry Employment: No special skills / education required

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Atmospheric Radon Monitoring

- Radon detectors at 10 locations around Project Area
- Radon levels reported below <7.0 Bq/m³

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Health Canada's radon guideline is 200 Bg/m³







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Heritage

- Field program was completed in July 2017
- Pedestrian reconnaissance and shovel probe/ tests
- One artifact HiNi-6 was discovered west of lake and deemed "limited interpretative value" by SK
- Clearance for project area received in Dec. 2017







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Aquatics: Aquatic Habitat

- Lake Depth
 - Max. 21.8 m LA-7A
 - Min. 2.7 m LA-6
- Pond Depth:
 - Max. 3.2 m PA-2
 - Min. 2.7 m PA-1



Aquatics: Hydrology

Water level elevations measured at 13 lakes and 2 ponds

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- Stream flow measurements measured at 16 watercourses
- Continuous monitoring equipment installed at 8 locations





Aquatic Environment

- Aquatic Habitat
- Bathymetry
- HydrologyWater Quality
- Sediment Quality
- Plankton Community
- Benthic Invertebrate Community
- Fish Community and Spawning



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Aquatics: Water Quality

- Water quality evaluated at 17 lakes and 11 ponds
- · Results indicate low levels of:
 - · Specific conductance
 - Dissolved metals
 - Nutrient levels (nitrate and phosphorus)
 - Suspended and dissolved solids
 - Nitrogen (ammonia)
 - · Total dissolved solids
 - Radionuclide (radium -226, thorium-230, thorium-232)
- Background levels for metals (Al, Cd, Fe)
- PH range 5.7 to 7.2



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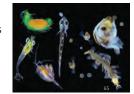
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Aquatics: Sediment Quality

- Comprised of silty-clays or sandy-silts
- · Sediments collected from all lakes
- For parameters with sediment quality guidelines concentrations were at or below guideline value

Aquatics: Plankton Community

- Phytoplankton and Zooplankton
- Samples collected at 6 Locations
- Phytoplankton community 55 types
- Zooplankton community 32 types



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Aquatics: Benthic Invertebrate Community

- Collected at 10 locations
- 1,000 to 10,000 per m² of bottom surface area Insects most common
- Tissue collected at 9 locations and analyzed for metals and radionuclide contents
- Results were consistent throughout the study area
- · Co and Ni were the most variable
- Radionuclides generally below Laboratory Detection limits



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Aquatics: Fish Community

- 13 fish species identified
- Spring and Fall Spawning Surveys at select locations
- Fish tissue samples collected
- Al and Se levels below guideline values
- · Healthy fish community





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Ground Water

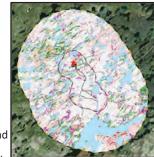
- 4 groundwater monitoring wells drilled to establish background levels of:
 - Total metals
 - Dissolved metals
 - Major ions
 - Radionuclides
- · Groundwater monitoring will continue

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Terrestrial Baseline

- ✓ Ecological land classification
- ✓ Breeding bird surveys
- ✓ Ungulate pellet counts
- ✓ Winter tracking surveys
- ✓ Aquatic furbearer shoreline surveys
- ✓ Small mammal trapping and chemistry
- ✓ Amphibian surveys
- Characterization of terrain and soil types
- ✓ Vegetation and soil chemistry
- √ Vegetation community



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Terrestrial: Ecological Land Classification

- Regional Study Area
 - 52% jack pine blueberry/lichen
 - 21% Waterbodies
 - 13%- jack pine black spruce/feathermoss
- Local Study Area
 - 70% jack pine/ blueberry/lichen
 - 13% Waterbodies
 - 5% jack pine black spruce/feathermoss

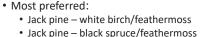


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Terrestrial: Breeding Bird Surveys

- Identified 36 species
- 10 most common:
 - Ruby-crowned Kinglet (51)
 - Dark-eyed Junco (40)
 - Grav Jav (34)
 - Yellow-rumped Warbler (31)
 - Swainson's Thrush (18)
- Hermit Thrush (18)
- Lincoln Sparrow (15)Chipping Sparrow (15)
- Fox Sparrow (15)
- American Robin(13)
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Black spruce/blueberry/lichen



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Terrestrial: Pellet Counts

- Pellets/ scats of 7 Species were identified
 - Grouse/ptarmigan
 - Moose
 - Woodland caribou
 - Black bear
 - Red Fox
 - Mink
 - Marten
- Woodland Caribou (2 transects)
 - Winter: Jack pine/blueberry/lichen
 - Summer: Labrador tea shrubby bog
- Moose wide occurrence in region
 - · Winter: black spruce/blueberry/lichen
 - Summer: black spruce/balsam poplar/river alder swamp

Terrestrial: Winter Tracking

- · January 25 and February 3, 2017
- 19 replicate transects completed
- Fresh snow tracks were identified
- 11 Species Identified
 - · Snowshoe hare
 - · Red squirrel
 - · Grouse or Ptarmigan
 - Microtine
 - Marten
 - · Canada Lynx
- Ermine
- Mink Fisher
- Moose
- · Woodland caribou

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Terrestrial: Aerial Waterfowl and Raptor Surveys

- 20 waterfowl/raptor(s) identified
- 10 most observed:
 - · Ring-necked Duck
 - · Common Merganser
 - Common Loon
 - Mallard
 - · White-headed Gull
 - Bald Eagle
 - Canada Goose
 - Lesser Scaup
 - Yellowlegs Spp.
 - Bufflehead



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Terrestrial: Aquatic Furbearer Shoreline Survey

- · Completed along shoreline 23 of creeks, lakes, and ponds
- 96 km total distance of shoreline surveyed
- Species identified:
 - Muskrat
 - Beaver
 - · River otter



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Terrestrial: Small Mammal Trapping and Chemistry

- Indicator species (Bioindicators)
- 26 trap lines in 17 different vegetation cover
- Tissue Analysis Metals and Radionuclides
- **Habitat Characterization**
- Small Mammals Captured:
 - Red-back Vole 92% of trap lines
 - Meadow Vole 38% of trap lines
 - Dusky Shrew 26% of trap lines



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Terrestrial: Amphibian Surveys

- 61 sites surveyed
- Wood Frog identified in regional and local study area
- Boreal Chorus Frog identified in regional study area

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Terrestrial: Vegetation and Soil Collection

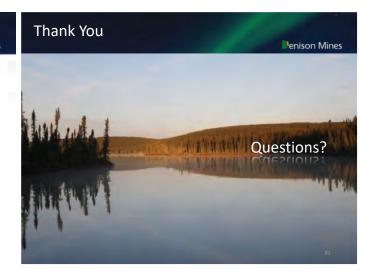
- Blueberries, lichens and soil samples collected
- Samples analyzed for metals and radionuclides
- Relatively consistent across site



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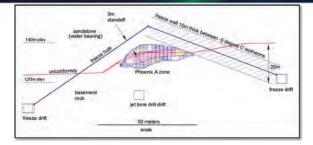
- Overall regional and local environment around the project area is a normal and healthy ecosystem
- Future Work:
 - Majority of baseline data collection is complete
 - Continue to monitor conditions around site
 - Gather more detailed data on field conditions as key project decisions are made (i.e. treated water discharge location)
- If project launches an Environmental Assessment, baseline data will be used to predict potential project impacts and enable avoidance & mitigation of impacts.



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Mining Method – Phoenix Options

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- Freeze drifts excavated ~20m below unconformity in basement rock and well away from other infrastructure
- 75m long freeze holes installed at 4m spacing along strike
- 16 months for initial freeze wall development

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Mining Method – Phoenix Deposit

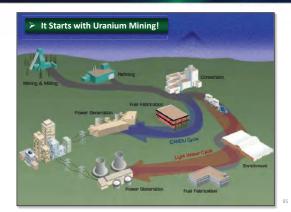
Source: Cigar Lake 2016 Technical Report

- Access drill drift in basement rock 30m below the mineralization
- Pilot hole drilled up into the deposit and a casing is installed
- High pressure rotating water jet cuts a cavity in the mineralization
- Slurry of water/broken rock flows out by gravity to receiving slurry car
- Mined out cavities are completely backfilled with concrete

Overview of the Nuclear Fuel Cycle

Extra slides this point forward

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Wheeler River: Long Road Ahead

2016-2017

2018

2018

2025

Preliminary
Assessment

2016 Evaluation Plan

PEA completed during 1H/2016

Initiated Pre-Feasibility Study ("PFS") 2H/2016

Discharge Location Options

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- Potential locations for treated water discharge were identified and assessed for:
 - 1. Preliminary understanding of land uses
 - Traditional territories
 - · Trails, trap lines, country food harvesting, angling
 - Cabins, camps
 - Industrial properties
 - 2. Potential impacts to water quantity and quality
 - · Avoid locations with low flows
 - · Minimize increase in flows
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - 3. Potential impacts to fish and fish habitat
 - · Avoid spawning habitat

Discharge Location Options Identification



- Capacity
- Watershed area
- Connectivity
- · Distance to project



Discharge Location Options Quantity and Quality Assessment

Preliminary factors:

- Wheeler River historical flows (1973-2015)
- Average flows from baseline (2016-2017)
- Background water quality from baseline (2016-2017)
- Estimated ranges of discharge flow and quality
- 3 small watersheds eliminated



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Discharge Location Options Fish and Fish Habitat Assessment

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Discharge Location Options Preliminary Results

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- Preliminary factors:
 - Fish community, habitat, and spawning and depth surveys from baseline (2012-2014, 2016-2017)



- Preliminary results:
 - Avoid locations with low flows
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - Avoid spawning habitat



Denison Mines Community Engagement Wheeler River Project Pinehouse, SK.

Tuesday January 16, 2018

In attendance:

Denison Mines: Peter Longo VP Operations; Lea Willemse, Senior Environmental Scientist **SRK Consulting:** Mark Liskowich, Principal Consultant, Environmental; Lee Christoffersen,

Environmental Scientist.

Recorder: Gill Gracie, Aurora Communications

Community: About 8 community members, plus 15 Grade 11 & 12 students

Vince Natomagan introduction:

Community member Vince Natomagan offered a preamble to orient the students to why it is important to learn about these projects. He explained what uranium is, where it is, who mines it. Uranium is big. There are billions of dollars of uranium underground in northern Saskatchewan. Big mining companies want a piece of the action; Cameco and AREVA are the two that we know. Saskatchewan is one of the biggest producers.

Prices are really low now but the good times are coming. In two years time you guys will be talking to Pinehouse Business North about how to get into apprenticeships.

Five years ago Pinehouse signed a \$200 million collaborative agreement so that if the price goes up, there's 47 million pounds of uranium waiting at Millennium, north of Key Lake, and if it's developed, Pinehouse Business North will construct all the surface buildings – abut \$100 million worth of work. Who will build them – you will!

Denison Mines wants to be a big player. While prices are depressed, they are quietly laying down the foundation for the good times. They are travelling northern Saskatchewan, building relationships and signing MOUs. This is a commitment to start to talk. As part of relationship-building: the world needs energy, and uranium is required for nuclear power. 10-25 years from now you or your children will be working for these guys.

Vince encouraged the student to ask questions.

Mark Liskowich introduced himself and the team. Denison hired SRK Consulting to help with the environmental, regulatory and community engagement processes. He outlined the agenda.

Presentation: Peter Longo

Background

- Denison is a small-scale junior exploration company focused on uranium. We are 5% the size of Cameco. We were historically a mine operator from the 1950s to the 1990s, with several properties in Elliot Lake.
- We have a number of exploration properties in the Basin; the biggest is the Wheeler River property and that's why we're here today. We are a 22.5% partner in McClean Lake (operator AREVA). We would transport our ore from Wheeler River to McClean Lake for processing.
- Our environmental group, based in Elliot Lake, looks after our decommissioned sites there, treating water and maintaining the sites up to government standards. This group offers similar services to mining companies and governments for other closed sites across Canada.
- We support local communities and support AREVA's community involvement in Saskatchewan, and we like to use northern goods and services where possible. In Elliot Lake we have good relations with the Serpent River First Nation, where we have education and youth employment programs in place. Elliot Lake is a large community of 5-7000 people.

- When the mines shut down in the 1990s we were one of the larger employers in town and we helped transition the city to a retirement village.
- We sold our African properties a couple of years ago. We helped them with water wells and building schools. We are happy to help where we can.

The Project

- Wheeler River is 30 km north of Key Lake. Our exploration camp has 20-30 rooms for drillers, geologists etc., and a core storage area. The rest is wilderness with some roads. We are 6 km from the McArthur River Key Lake haul road.
- There are two deposits, Phoenix and Gryphon, 3 km apart. The resource, as of 2015, is 114 million pounds of uranium about one quarter the size of McArthur River and a bit bigger than Rabbit Lake, which has 70 million lbs left in the ground. Gryphon is 500m below surface and will have two shafts; Phoenix is about 400m deep and will have one shaft. We are working on shaft design and data collection. We drilled a 3-1/4 inch pilot hole to test the ground.
- In January we launched a prefeasibility study. Last week we started our exploration program; 45,000 metres will be drilled from now through March and from June through September.
- At Phoenix we've been looking at different mining methods. We are doing metallurgical test work and other surface work regarding the water treatment plant and what size of camp to build. Peter outlined the proposed surface facilities. There will be no tailings they will be stored at McClean Lake.
- Capital cost will be \$1.13 billion to build the mine; first production is expected in 2025-2026; construction could start in 2022-2023.
- Operational costs are expected to be \$US19/lb. The current spot price is about \$US20. We are building for prices 8-10 years from now, doing the basic work now so we are ready to start production.
- It's now 2018; we've done our data collection and are into the prefeasibility study. The middle of this year will be a big decision point for the company regarding whether the prefeasibility study provides the business case to keep moving forward.
- Northern capacity development: 1) The Beauval store is supplying the exploration camp. 2) We fund a driller training program, hired two last fall and there will be more. 3) We hired northerners for our baseline field studies, and 4)we financially supported the Career Days in Patuanak, and the BEAHRS environmental leadership program. We're trying to do what we can and make every dollar count in terms of education and training.
- New contracts require competitive costs and performance. They include clauses to maximize northern employment & procurement; we're also pushing to include preferential northern ownership of businesses.
- MOUs: We have given drafts to four communities, based on the four topics of environment, employment, investment and business growth. Two have signed, including Pinehouse; two are under review. It sets the stage for the next step.
- We have conducted baseline environmental studies; details later in the presentation. The baseline work establishes what's there today so that when we plan our project we can make sure we don't damage the land, and that 5-10 years after we're done it's back to where it was before or has never changed.

Questions/Comments

What is a shareholder and how do I become one?

• **P. Longo:** In order to raise money we issue ownership lots called shares; anyone can buy one for 75¢. We have about 500 million shares outstanding. The largest shareholders (the large pension funds etc.) own about 10% of the company. We earn money for shareholders by

developing our assets. If you buy a share for 75ϕ and the price goes up, you make money. If the price doesn't move, the share price may drop.

One person in town has 500,000 shares.

Do you plan to mine it yourself? A joint venture?

• **P. Longo:** Wheeler River is a joint venture; Cameco and JCU are minority owners; we will operate it, probably with a mix of our own employees and contractors. We could hire out expertise, but Denison's philosophy is to operate.

You must have feelers about how the price will slowly come back. Do you have legitimate sources of information?

• **P. Longo:** We can't predict the future any better than you; we do a lot of research; China is building a new nuclear reactor every quarter, so we see the demand rising based on China and India. We are very confident that in the early 2020s the price will rise.

That's the positive side. We heard that 10 years ago, and the price went down. In California they are doing away with uranium. That's not good news.

• **P. Longo:** To build a nuclear plant takes 10-15 years. We are starting to see them come on line now. China's air pollution is very bad, and they have to keep building at this pace just to decrease their carbon emissions. Some places, like Germany and the States, are changing their minds on it, and you'll always get that, but the Chinese influence is overwhelming.

You're the only company with hopeful news.

• **P. Longo:** It's a tough time to be producing today.

We rely on uranium production very heavily – when you go backward you drag the whole north with you. We will feel it in a year or so. How can that turn around in 10 months when it's been going down for seven years? I think we're looking at 2-5 years for the industry as a whole.

• **P. Longo:** We have a different perspective and we want to move forward. Optimism is still there for the early 20s.

What about Japan? They pay a lot for their energy.

• **P. Longo:** I have no insight here. Our partner utilities informally predict half the Japanese reactors will eventually restart. In the next six months they will be up to nine from 4-5 now, and the rest over the next 2-3 years. They do not see the older reactors coming back online, but see a need to build new ones, and that's a non-starter for the government right now.

Environmentally, they have to prove to us and to government, scientifically on paper, that they will not kill our fish or dirty our rivers.

What will your annual production be? How many years of construction?

• **P. Longo:** Probably 6-10 million lbs yearly. Probably 2-3 years of construction. Potentially there will be work available in 2021-22.

Mini Workshops: Mark Liskowich

1. Access road route:

- It has to be 10m wide; slopes not more than 3 horizontal: 1 vertical; maximum grade 7%.
- As few stream/river crossings as possible, not close to lakes; proximity to recreational cabin.
- Three route options were identified to Phoenix (grid of options).
- A heritage study in 2016-17 indicated no heritage issues on any of the routes.

Handouts were provided; groups were asked to discuss pros and cons of each option. Two groups: Under 20, and 20 and over.

<u>Pros & Cons, Road Alignment to Phoenix – Community Input</u>

Option 1:

Pros

Youth Group 1

o Not discussed

Youth Group 2

- o Quick travel; shorter distance
- o Farther from water
- o Not the closest to the cabin

Adult Group

o Not discussed

Cons

Youth Group 1

Not discussed

Youth Group 2

- o A lot of material to be moved.
- o Not farthest from the cabin.

Adult Group

- o Close to cabin; will scare game away
- o Don't want tourist access to the area.

Option 2:

Pros

Youth Group 1

- o Least dirt moved
- Less distance

Youth Group 2

o Not farthest from the highway

Adult Group

Not discussed

Cons

Youth Group 1

o Close to the cabin

Youth Group 2

o Least amount of material

Adult Group

o Too close to the lake

Option 3:

Pros

Youth Group 1

o Not discussed

Youth Group 2

- o Farthest from cabin and lake.
- o Not much material to move.

Adult Group

- o Preferred option
- o Farthest from cabin and lake.

Cons

Youth Group 1

- o Farther distance
- More disturbance

Youth Group 2

o Farthest distance

Adult Group

Not discussed

Pros & Cons, Road Alignment Phoenix to Gryphon - Community Input

Option 1:

Pros

Youth Group 1

o Less dirt moved, less disturbance

Youth Group 2

o Less material

Adult Group

Not discussed

Cons

Youth Group 1

Not discussed

Youth Group 2

o Closest to water

Adult Group

o Way too close to the lake; unacceptable

Option 2:

Pros

Youth Group 1

Not discussed

Youth Group 2

- Shorter road
- Farther from lake

Adult Group

The only acceptable option for this stretch.

Cons

Youth Group 1

o More dirt moved, more disturbance

Youth Group 2

Most material

Adult Group

Not discussed

General Discussion

- o The farther from the cabin and the lakes, the better
- From a contractor's perspective, the more dirt to move, the better a long road, or more cut-and-fill.

2. Treated Water Discharge Options

- Mark outlined the methods used to reduce the number of options for locating the water treatment plant, and asked for pros and cons for each option.
- We eliminated smaller waterbodies and watersheds, and looked at eight watersheds
- Average discharge volume would be 200 m3/hour??? 600 m3 would indicate upset conditions. This eliminated three more watersheds, leaving four.
- Then we looked at fish spawning can we discharge without harming fish?

Pros & Cons - Community Input

Pros

Youth Group 1

- o LA-7 closer to the mine, so less disturbance
- LA-7 Farther from the cabin so fewer people disturbed.

o Russell Lake holds the most water

Youth Group 2

- o LA-7 largest lake
- o LA-7 closer to the mine
- LA-5 and LA-6 closer than LA-1 and Russell Lake
- o LA-1 large
- o Russell Lake large

Adult Group

- o Russell Lake the best option because if something goes wrong, it all ends up in Russell Lake anyway because it's the farthest downstream.
- o Russell Lake is the largest and can handle the worst upset conditions.
- More work for contractors to go into Russell Lake.
- LA-1 not discussed
- o LA-7 cheapest option.

Cons

Youth Group 1

- Not discussed
- o Russell Lake more impact to people and cabins
- o Russell Lake concern about fish spawning grounds.

Youth Group 2

- o LA-7 not discussed.
- o LA-5 and LA-6 not as close as LA-7.
- o LA-1 far from mine.
- o Russell Lake has recreational uses.

Adult Group

- o Lots of fishing and activity on this lake. Bad perception if you discharge directly into it.
- o LA-1 has good fishing at the top of the lake near the inlet from LA-5.
- LA-7 not discussed

General Discussion

o Any lakes are OK except for Russell Lake because of the fishing.

The students left at this point, since the school day was over.

3. Mining Methods

Gryphon

- Gryphon consists of stacked veins about three metres wide and 580m deep, below the unconformity. It would be accessed by ramp (like a parking garage).
- The preferred mining method is longhole mining, like at Rabbit Lake. We drill and blast a tunnel on top and bottom of the ore, and open 3-4" diameter blast holes connecting the two levels. They are blasted; ore falls in chunks to the bottom where it is scooped, loaded, and trucked to the shaft for hoisting to surface and shipment to McClean Lake. The blast holes would be backfilled with waste rock or cemented waste rock to stabilize the ground.
- It's a proven method; we know we can do it safely from a radiation perspective. Environmentally, we only have to bring waste rock to surface; we place in in empty stopes so we minimize the material coming to surface. It's a low-cost, low-tech option and we know we can train people to do this.
- Considerations (see slide)
- Skipped to surface, not slurry pumped. Separate hoists for ore and waste.

Handouts were provided; groups were asked to discuss pros and cons. Two groups: Under 20, and 20 and over.

Questions/Comments

At McArthur River they pump ore to surface. What about at Gryphon?

• **P. Longo:** It would be skipped. McArthur skips up the low-grade material. We would have separate hoists for the ore and the waste. The grade of this ore is about 2%.

What would you use to backfill?

- P. Longo: We're looking at a cemented waste rock product produced when driving tunnels. Radiation exposure is higher in longhole stoping. Raiseboring and jet boring are more protective but costs are high. There's not much for safety in stope mining; you breathe the air and the exhaust and even with ventilation workers are still at risk. Would it be regulated so you mine little bits at a time? Different ground responds differently to blasting. You don't know till you get there.
- M. Liskowich: You'd have to regulate the basting and make sure the ventilation is adequate.
- **P. Longo:** This is something we need to more information on. The volume of ventilation required would be significantly more than a gold mine or a base metal mine.

What about ground conditions; will you freeze before you blast? The ground won't be proven until you get down there. Do you have a backup plan?

• **P. Longo:** The water-bearing sandstone is 80-100 metres above the ore. In all the drilling and testing we've done, there's no sign of waterbearing features etc. so we're not planning on freezing in the basement rocks. We will freeze the shafts. If we can't mine safely, we won't do it. We look at it from a regional scale – when we get there we may have corners we don't know about, and we would walk away from those. There will be local issues in the ground. We may need additional support, additional shotcrete. We can't figure that out from surface.

Depending on how far you are, after every blast, ground conditions could change.

• P. Longo: Stope sizes will be small because the veins are only three metres wide.

Will there be one shaft for skipping and one for personnel?

• **P. Longo:** We haven't sorted that out yet. One is for fresh air, one for exhaust. One will be for hoisting; we're not sure if there will be a separate hoisting plant for men and materials or not. We're working on that now, with the help of Thyssen Mining.

<u>Pros & Cons of Longhole Stoping – Community Input</u> General Discussion (Adult)

Pros

o Cost-efficient for company.

Cons

- o After each blast, ground conditions change everywhere.
- Exposure to workers from blasting and radiation
- o Concerns about radiation safety and ventilation.
- o Concerns about size of holes in the mine
- o Uncertainty about how conditions will change (don't know until we have a shaft)
- o Potential to drill into a lake.

Phoenix: Directional Drilling

- This deposit is more like Cigar Lake, but smaller. There are two zones, A and B, like flatlying pancakes sitting on the unconformity. The deposit is about 400 metres below surface, with a lot of water above in the overlying sandstone. Drill core is solid except just above the orebody, where the ground is like beach sand. It would be extremely hard to build a drift through that ground.
- The ore is 50-60% uranium, broken and clayey. Ground conditions mean conventional mining methods will not work. In our 2015 PEA we looked at the technology in use today.

- Cigar Lake is the only other mine similar to this; they use jet boring but had a lot of challenges, resulting in decades of development and high capital and operating costs. Jet boring is not sustainable in the present market, and requires top-end technical skills. For this small ore body it's not profitable.
- One alternative is directional drilling, a technique that comes from oil and gas. The drilling starts vertically and turns horizontally; the 17" diameter hole would be cased all the way to the ore body so there's no way for fluids etc. to get outside the casing. We would drill through the orebody, backfill with cement then drill right beside it, creating a honeycomb cross-section pattern. We would mine 30-40m of ore per core in 4,300 boreholes.
- Considerations: See slide

Questions/Comments

Sounds very expensive. Would jet boring from surface work, like at McClean Lake?

• **P. Longo:** It's considerably cheaper than jet boring. The SABRE method (jet boring from surface) would not work at these depths. We're not comfortable with the economics or that it would even work.

Does directional drilling have anything to do with fracking? What is the impact on surface? Will it require fewer people? This illustrates how the ground can change over a short distance.

• **P. Longo:** In the SAGD operations they pressurize the ground to open up fractures. We are just drilling holes, with no pressurization. It's like diamond drilling but larger scale and we're doing it horizontally. The oilsands employ 100-150 people. We would still need our camp and offices etc. It would require no shaft or headframe; we just need a 200-metre square pad. There would be no ground control issues. It's a new idea for uranium mining.

This could mean more people come and try it.

• **P. Longo:** It's another tool in our toolbox, but only works on certain orebodies. This is a horizontal orebody; it wouldn't work at McArthur or at Gryphon because the orebodies are not horizontal; it would maybe work at Cigar.

How long does it take to drill one directional drill hole?

• **P. Longo:** Two days to complete the surface casing, seven days in total to case from surface to the ore body and half a day to a day to extract the ore and backfill. Then we would wait 24 hours for it to cure before drilling beside it. The sequencing has not yet been determined. We could do one borehole per day to day-and-a-half. Depending on production rate, we may have two rigs on the pad. 4,300 boreholes would take 11.7 years to mine.

Will you be drilling through the cement? That causes problems in the mill.

• **P. Longo:** It could happen. We would need 50-60 parent holes to get all the ore. Details to be worked out.

How many rigs?

• **P. Longo:** We have discussed one rig doing all the parent holes, and directional rigs coming in later

How much ore will you get from each hole?

• **P. Longo:** It depends on which part of the orebody you're in. The average length of ore body is 30-40 metres. It is 400 metres long but it curves so we can't run a drill along the full length.

Pros & Cons of Directional Drilling General Discussion

Pros

- o Cheaper than jet boring
- Limited impact on surface
- o No ground control issues

o Could open up new mines in the area because it's a new technology (only for horizontal orebodies).

Cons

- o Sounds very expensive
- Perception that it's similar to fracking
- o Not that many people hired (100 to 150)
- o Need to look at timing and sequencing of drilling (need for information)
- o Problems at other mines of going through cement, since it can mess up the drill. Took over a year to figure out at other mines.
- o New technology, and unclear on details, like how many drills would be needed.

Phoenix: In Situ Recovery (ISR)

- Another alternative is in situ recovery (ISR), which has been used since the 1960s. In 2011 about half the world's production used this method the US, Australia, Kazakhstan. It uses injection wells outside the ore body and a recovery well in the middle. We would inject solution into the injection holes and pull it out via the recovery well. The solution picks up uranium; the uranium-bearing solution goes to a small surface plant for recovery using the same reagents as are used in our mills. It's precipitated and put into drums.
- Every hole is measured, monitored and metered. They know exactly how much fluid is going in and out of each hole.
- Wheeler River is a lot deeper than current ISR operations. Water surrounding our deposits is already contaminated and not safe for wildlife, but it doesn't come to surface, so returning it to that state will not be particularly challenging.

• Common questions: (slide)

- How do they contain the mining solution and prevent it from going into the environment;
- Monitoring wells around the mining area are constantly monitored. If the solution reaches the monitoring wells you stop pumping solution into that particular area and keep pumping out.
- How do you restore the ground water post-mining? Pump and treat. You stop injecting and pump until all the solution is out. You can also inject other safe reagents to help the remediation.

Considerations:

- We know its safe; it's been done globally although not in Canada yet. It's remote; there's minimal disturbance on surface and underground; and there's no tailings. It is processed on site with no transportation.
- The economics are attractive
- In other areas, all local people do the work.

Questions/Comments:

How do you get rid of tailings?

• **P. Longo:** The only thing coming to surface is fluids – just the uranium with a few impurities. The waste stays underground.

So this method is safer, more economical? I never heard of this one before.

- **L. Willemse:** Half the world is using it.
- M. Liskowich: It's used in potash mines in southern Saskatchewan.

What's the chemistry?

• **P. Longo:** It's an acidic solution; we have to lab test the actual formula. When we go to reclaim it, we will pump and treat but can also add lime.

Will you have someone monitoring the water? The other companies have their own people monitoring but there was talk about private monitoring companies so we get what the people want to hear.

• M. Liskowich: At present, each mine has its own internal monitoring program that they do monthly, weekly, daily – for example, water sampling. The data is submitted to government in monthly reports. But governments also require additional sampling. In the uranium industry you have to do a State of the Environment report every five years through an independent company to say what state that mine is in and how it differs from five years ago. Environment Canada also requires Environmental Effects Monitoring, also independent, on a three-year cycle, to see if the discharge is having an effect on the environment. Each site has to have third-party sampling and monitoring.

You guys do your presentations but sometimes that's as far as it goes. All the information is there, but nothing comes back to where it started. There's no more information after that. If there was a third party, maybe we could hear what's really happening to our waterbodies. It's always just at the beginning, to sell us on what you want to take out. Then you hear stories about two-headed fish because of the tailings. We don't get the information.

• **P. Longo:** Part of the MOU process is to try to establish what information the community wants, then work together as best we can to provide that. If that's important to the community we're happy to do that. I've worked in other communities that have demanded independent testing; I'm OK with that.

Come stand beside me and we'll drink that water; that's my test. But this water won't come to surface.

• **P. Longo:** It's undrinkable even now, before we start. It would come to surface through pipelines and be injected back underground in a closed system. We will pull out more water than we pump in, just to make sure we have containment. Anything we have to discharge would be treated first.

Is there water movement at that level?

- P. Longo: Very little. Based on our best estimate, half a metre to a metre every year. We don't have enough information for further questions. In theory it looks really good.
- M. Liskowich: It's early stages; there's a lot to be worked out. In principle it will work, but a lot of tests have to be done. The workforce is about the same as surface boring about 100 people. The plant is basically the SX circuit from the mill, which means a much smaller self-contained plant.

Pros & Cons of In-Situ Recovery - Community Input

General Discussion

Pros

- o No mill, no tailings
- o Seems safer, more economical, and better than the other options.
- o In theory, this option looks really good.

Cons

o Not enough information to understand the pros and cons of this option.

General:

- o Desire for independent monitoring
- Want opportunity for northerners
- No information comes back to the community.

Environmental Baseline Studies – Lea Willemse

- Since 2012 Denison has done a very extensive environmental baseline sampling campaign, especially over the past year and a half, sampling all the components of the environment surrounding the project area air, surface water, rivers, sediments, soils, invertebrates.
- **Air:** Radon monitoring was done to establish baseline levels in 10 locations so we have a benchmark. Levels are below 7 bq/m³, compared to Health Canada's indoor air quality limit of 200 bq/m³.
- **Heritage:** The Saskatchewan Conservation Branch required us to complete an Historical Resources Impact Assessment. We did a field program in July 2017; archaeologists walked the proposed transportation corridors; we found one pre-contact artifact with limited interpretive value. Clearance was received in December 2017, which means we can develop around the corridors.
- Aquatic: We sampled 13 lakes, 2 ponds, and 16 rivers. The deepest was Krachkowsi Lake at 21.8 Metres. Lake 6 was the shallowest.
- We found the **shoreline vegetation** robust and healthy.
- **Hydrology:** Levels were measured in 13 lakes, 2 ponds, and continuous stream flows year-round in 16 watercourses; we also sampled sediments in the rivers. The water quality was evaluated in 17 lakes and 11 ponds for dissolved solids, metals, and nutrient levels. We found lakes were generally neutral or slightly acid, and it was good quality water, consistent throughout the project area.
- **Sediment:** Mostly silty clays or sandy silts. We found below guideline values of metals and radionuclides.
- **Plankton:** 55 species of phytoplankton and 32 of zooplankton a lot of food in the water for fish and insects to eat.
- **Benthic invertebrates** (Insects, bugs, worms): 1000-10,000 per m³ of bottom surface again, nutrients for fish. Very low levels of metals and radionuclides.
- 13 fish species were identified in lakes and streams; all metals were below detection or guidelines, so everything was very healthy.
- **Groundwater:** We drilled groundwater wells around the project area and tested for dissolved metals, major ions and radionuclides. This monitoring will continue throughout the project life
- We investigated **land-based life** in a 400 sq. km area around the 48 sq. km project area.
- **Vegetation:** More than half the land area was jackpine/blueberry/lichen cover.
- We identified **36 bird species**
- **Pellet counts:** We found grouse, ptarmigan, moose, caribou, mink, marten, and also looked at what kind of vegetation was in the pellets. That gave us an indication of where the caribou, for example, were living in different parts of the year winter around jackpine, blueberry, lichens and summer in boggy areas where it's cooler. Moose in winter prefer black spruce/blueberry/lichen because there's more cover, and in summer in swampy areas. Winter tracking covered the same areas and found 11 species including lynx that are never seen in summer
- Waterfowl/raptors: Surveyed by helicopter; 20 species identified.
- Aquatic furbearers: Muskrat, beaver, river otters.
- **Small mammals:** An important source of food for bear, lynx, eagles, hawks; they contribute to the overall success of the larger animals.
- **Amphibians:** Surveyed at night by listening for the calls: wood frogs and boreal forest frogs were identified.
- **Vegetation and soil collection:** They surveyed blueberries, lichens and soils for metals and radionuclides, show to be consistent across the site.

- **Future work:** We did an extensive sampling program and collected a lot of data. We will further sample water quality at the discharge locations; continue to monitor conditions around the site; provide data in support of our environmental assessment. As our environmental assessment proceeds, we will have requirements for continued monitoring a part of our Environmental Effects Monitoring program, which will add to the baseline data already collected.
- If an EA is launched, the baseline data will be used to predict potential impacts.

Ouestions/Comments

From 1991-95 we did our major review of all the mines, for two reasons: First, what's the tipping point of the number of mines and activities versus the impact on the environment? When there were five we started getting nervous; that's when the CEM program came in. Now we're increasing again, are you building relationships with other mine sites? I'd like you to prove there's no long-range impact. Are you at the point where you need that relationship with other mine sites to make sure cumulative effects is proven to be zero rather than suggesting it will stay zero?

• **L. Willemse:** We have to prove we'll remain below guidelines and there's no cumulative effect in the 400 sq. km regional study area.

You're suggesting it's a stand-alone statement within the 400 sq. km. Who makes sure all together it's a clean statement?

- **M. Liskowich:** That's the government's responsibility. Its part of the Environmental Assessment.
- L. Willemse: They investigate our overall contributions to impacts.

We don't have full confidence in government. When's the tipping point where uranium mining has a stigma across the landscape? Everyone is concerned about uranium development. The mining industry carries 10% of the northern workforce and revenue stream. We still need forestry and tourism – where's the point where so much mining activity interferes with tourism development, based on general attitude? That was discussed 25 years ago; is it still being discussed, and when is that tipping point? There is no consideration in the E for the impact on other economies. Yours is a stand-alone statement for the impact of mining within a social development model. What happens when we can't have tourism in the areas you're in? I've never seen that element of a negative impact to tourism in any EA.

- L. Willemse: That's a socio-economic component of the EA.
- M. Liskowich: Its part of the overall project assessment. All activities in the area are considered as part of that assessment, and each has equal weight. A mine has the same weight as a fish camp across the lake. It will all be assessed as part of the cumulative impact to the region. The provincial Environmental Assessment Branch and CNSC play an equal role in assessment. They determine whether there's no impact, acceptable impact, or too much impact.

An example: because of the caribou in our region, trappers are not allowed roads, but mining or forestry is. At times, government makes decisions inconsistent with all economic initiatives, and they value some higher than others. We know government does not provide fair and equitable assessments for northern economic activity. We would like to have full confidence, but when you isolate a given area that's to the case. This is more of a heads-up: when you are doing Environmental Assessments, it's important to remember that this impacts on other areas. If government falls short you will not step up.

• **L. Willemse:** We do due diligence to try to mitigate or eliminate negative effects of our project. But it's government's responsibility to evaluate our submission in addition to existing operations.

- **M. Liskowich:** It's a very public process; once we start the EA process, there's ample opportunity to review the information presented. We'll be back with that information.
- **P. Longo:** We developed an MOU with Pinehouse and other communities; the next step would be an impact benefit agreement. We assess the impacts and do our best to mitigate them. Hopefully the benefits far outweigh the negative impacts.

I am fully supportive of mining; it doesn't take away from areas that fall short. Communities are still burdened with 1978 policies in a lot of areas. You could have an impact without the burden of responsibility. I'd like to see more in that relationship between mining and communities. When we're aware of something falling short, maybe we need to discuss it.

• **P. Longo:** We're happy to talk about it. *Will you share all this information?*

• P. Longo: Yes.





- 2. Workshop
 - A. Site Access Road Route Options
 - B. Treated Water Discharge Location Options
 - C. Mining Method Options
- 3. Environmental Baseline Data Collection Update





Denison - Who Are We?

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> An operator of a Canadian environmental services business

- ~40 employees based in Elliot Lake, Ontario
- Maintains Denison's closed and reclaimed mine site in Elliot Lake
- Provides services to mining companies and governments across Canada

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A strong supporter of our local communities

- . McClean Lake community programs
- Denison procurement from local vendors and personnel in northern

- Serpent River First Nations employment, youth education initiative Supported creation of a
- retirement lifestyle community after mining was completed

- · Supported construction of schools and health offices for local villages
- Drilled water wells · Leadership roles for local technical & admin staff

Location

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Wheeler River Today: Uranium Exploration

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Exploration camp

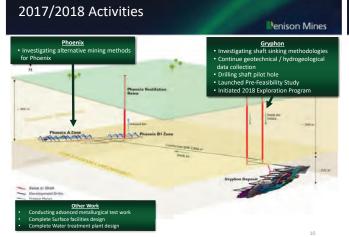
Drilling in winter & summer

Wheeler River Today

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- In comparison
- McArthur River: Produced ~290M lbs, Reserves 234M lbs
- Rabbit Lake: Produced ~202M lbs, Resources: ~70M lbs



Wheeler River Future



Wheeler River: A Long Term Proposition

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- Initial and sustaining capital costs ~CAD\$1.13 billion
- First uranium production projected by 2025/2026
- Operating costs expected to average US\$19/pound U₃O₈
- Uranium spot price quoted at ~US\$20/pound U₃O₈

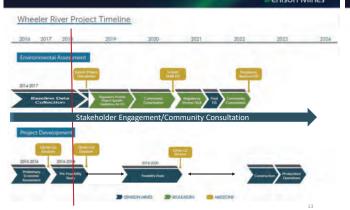


 Denison believes in the future of nuclear energy and is investing in the people and the province of Saskatchewan, despite historic low uranium prices and difficult market conditions

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Wheeler River : A Long Road Ahead

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Northern Capacity Development

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1. Denison

- Drill camp supplied by the Beauval General Store
- Worked with Drill Contractor to run a Drill Training Program, 2 northerners trained in fall, more to come
- Employed northerners for baseline field program support
- Supported career days last fall in Patuanak
- Financially supported the IRM Program (BEAHR Program)

2. Denison Procurement: New contracts require

- Competitive Costs & performance
- Maximize northern employment and procurement of goods
- Preference for northern ownership stake

Northern Capacity Development

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- Communities Requested Formal Agreements: Denison Issued Draft MOU (Memorandum of Understanding)
 - Formalize intent for Denison and Communities to work together in spirit of cooperation and respect
 - Sets the stage for an IBA (Impact Benefits Agreement) following the advancement of the project. Focus on 4 main areas:
 - · Environmental Sustainability
 - · Employment, Education and Training
 - Business Opportunities
 - · Community Investment
- Draft issued to four communities/First Nations
 - Pinehouse, Ile a la Crosse, Beauval and ERFN
 - 2 signed, 2 remain under review

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Aquatics

- Hydrology
- water qualitylake bathymetry
- sediment quality
- benthic invertebrate communities
- benthic invertebrate chemistry
- fish community
- fish tissue chemistry





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Terrestrial

- ecological land classification
- breeding bird surveys
- · ungulate pellet counts
- winter tracking surveys
- aquatic furbearer shoreline surveys
- small mammal trapping & chemistry
- amphibian surveys
- · characterization of terrain and soil types
- vegetation and soil chemistry
- · vegetation community

Heritage

· heritage resources assessment





Wheeler River Road Access Alignment

Gryphon

McArthur River

Phoenix

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Wheeler River Road Access Alignment

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Constraints

- 10 m wide
- Slopes of cuts must be 3H:1V
- Grade must not exceed 7%

Considerations

- Stream and river crossings, how many, how big
- · Proximity to lakes
- · Proximity to Cabin

Gryphon Phoenix Cabin

Wheeler River Road Access Alignment

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	Length Km	Dirt Moved	Streams	Distance To Water
Gryphon Option 1	3.3	265,000 m ³	1 crossing (existing bridge)	25 m
Gryphon Option 2	3.1	1,000,000 m ³	1 crossing (existing bridge)	200 m

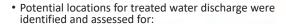
Wheeler River Road Access Alignment

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Discharge Location Options

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- 1. Preliminary understanding of land uses
 - Traditional territories
 - · Trails, trap lines, country food harvesting, angling
 - · Cabins, camps
 - · Industrial properties
- 2. Potential impacts to water quantity and quality
 - · Avoid locations with low flows
 - · Minimize increase in flows
 - · Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
- 3. Potential impacts to fish and fish habitat
 - Avoid spawning habitat

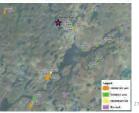
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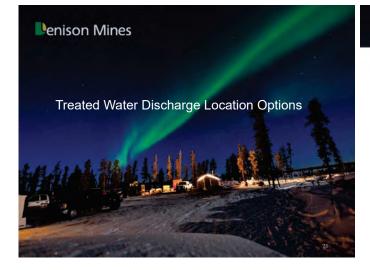
Traditional Knowledge and Land Use

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- Preliminary understanding of land uses from:
 - ERFN traditional territories map
 - Land disposition map
 - Observations during baseline (2016-2017)







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Discharge Location Options Identification

- 1. Preliminary factors:
 - Capacity (size of lake)
 - Watershed area (drainage)
- 2. Fish Spawning Grounds
 - Avoid
- 3. Flow Capacity
 - Can't be more than 50% treated



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Discharge Location Options Preliminary Results

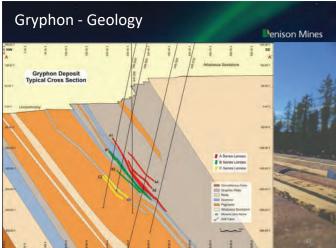
- LA-7, LA-6, LA-5, LA-1 and Russel Lake
 - Are environmentally safe to discharge into
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - · Avoid spawning habitat
- Community Considerations:
 - Cabins & fishing on Russell lake
 - Length of pipeline and disturbance to land
 - · Other?

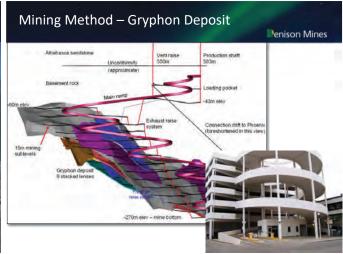


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Mining Method Options Gryphon: Longhole Mining Phoenix: Directional Drilling Insitu Recovery





Gryphon Longhole Mining Method

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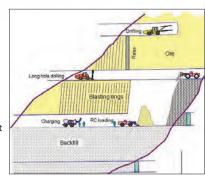
Step 1: Develop (drift) tunnels above and below

Step 2: Drill holes between the two tunnels

Step 3: Load holes with explosives, blasting the ore

Step 4: Excavate (muck) out the ore

Step 5: Backfill opening



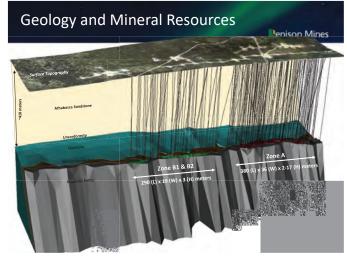
Gryphon: Longhole Mining Methods

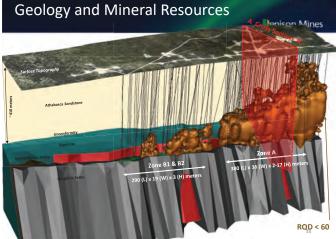
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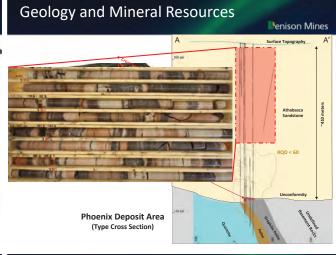
- Considerations:
 - Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures throughout Canada and the global mining industry
 - Radiation Safety: Proven safe, CNSN approved
 - Environmental: Minimizes waste rock on surface can be used as backfill
 - Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
 - Industry Employment: No special skills / education required,

Mining Method Options

Gryphon: Longhole Mining
Phoenix: Directional Drilling
Insitu Recovery

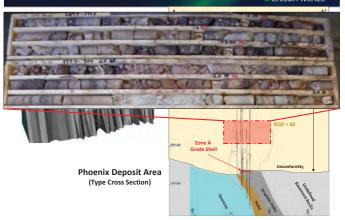


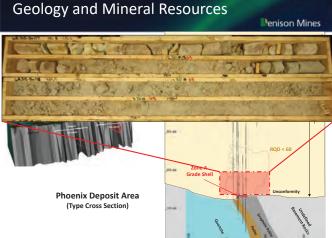


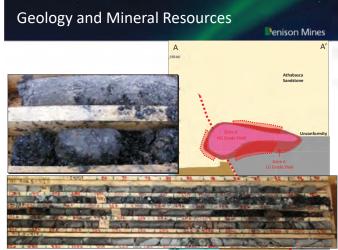




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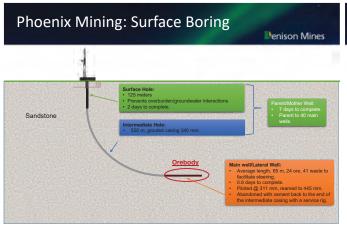
Phoenix: Mining Methods

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- Due to poor ground conditions and high grade unable to use conventional mining methods
- Evaluated using Jet Boring System (i.e. Cigar Lake):
 - High Risk of technical challenges
 - · Extreme Capital cost requirements
 - · High operating cost
 - High degree of technical skills and education for employees
 - Not profitable / sustainable in current market



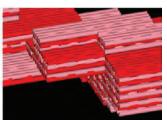




Phoenix Mining: Surface Boring - Recovery

Phoenix Honeycomb Pattern

- · 90% theoretical recovery
- ~4,300 boreholes through deposit (assuming 17.5" diameter)
- · 340,000 meters of drilling



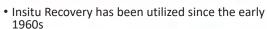


- · 30-40m length holes in ore
- · 30-40m length in waste / low grade
- · Holes backfilled after drilled

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Phoenix Options - ISR

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- Between 1961 and 2010 approximately 227, 700 t U was produced which equaled approximately 10% of historic global production
- In 2011 ISR production jumped to 46% of global production and is somewhere in this range today
- Production generally comes from 9 different jurisdictions
 - US and Australia would be considered the only two of these that host regulatory regimes similar in nature to Canada

Phoenix Mining: ISR

Phoenix Directional Drilling

• Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures

• Radiation Safety: remote operation, no workers exposed to

• Environmental: Minimal surface and u/g disturbance, no

• Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices • Industry Employment: No special skills / education required

• Material still needs to be trucked to McClean mill for processing

established in Canada and the global industry

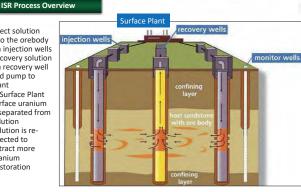
Considerations:

water discharge,

· Tailings are still produced

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- Inject solution into the orebody via injection wells Recovery solution via recovery well and pump to
- 3. In Surface Plant surface uranium is separated from
- solution 4. Solution is reinjected to extract more uranium
- Restoration



Phoenix Mining: ISR

Mining Method Options

Longhole Mining

Insitu Recovery

Directional Drilling

Gryphon:

Phoenix:

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Surface Photo of Active ISR Operation



Phoenix Mining: ISR

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Phoenix Mining: ISR

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Phoenix Mining: ISR Penison Mines

ISR Process Overview

- Uranium is stripped from the pregnant solution
- Peroxide or ammonia is then used to precipitate Uranium in solid
- Product is washed, dewatered and dried to form Yellowcake



Phoenix Mining: ISR

- Common Questions
- Can we contain the mining solution during operations?
 - · Monitoring / samples holes enable tracking of solution
 - · Ability to increase / decrease pumping in/out of any individual hole
- Can we restore the groundwater conditions to baseline conditions following mining operations?
 - · Continue treatment of water to adjust ph levels
 - · Add lime or other basic element to increase ph
- At Wheeler we are currently gathering baseline information but we know the water quality now is not acceptable for use by humans or animals

Phoenix ISR

- Considerations:
 - Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures established in the global industry
 - Radiation Safety: remote operation, no workers exposed to ore.
 - Environmental: Minimal surface and u/g disturbance
 - Environmental: No tailings production
 - Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
 - Industry Employment: No special skills / education required

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Atmospheric Radon Monitoring

- · Radon detectors at 10 locations around Project Area
- Radon levels reported below <7.0 Bq/m³
- Health Canada's radon guideline is 200 Bg/m³







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Heritage

- Field program was completed in July 2017
- Pedestrian reconnaissance and shovel probe/ tests
- One artifact HiNi-6 was discovered west of lake and deemed "limited interpretative value" by SK
- Clearance for project area received in Dec. 2017







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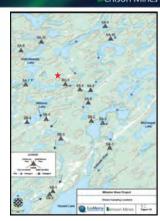
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Aquatic Environment

- Aquatic Habitat
- Bathymetry
- HydrologyWater Quality
- water quality
- Sediment Quality
- Plankton Community
- Benthic Invertebrate Community
- Fish Community and Spawning



Aquatics: Aquatic Habitat

- Lake Depth
 - Max. 21.8 m LA-7A
 - Min. 2.7 m LA-6
- Pond Depth:
 - Max. 3.2 m PA-2
 - Min. 2.7 m PA-1



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Aquatics: Hydrology

- Water level elevations measured at 13 lakes and 2 ponds
- Stream flow measurements measured at 16 watercourses
- Continuous monitoring equipment installed at 8 locations





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Aquatics: Water Quality

- Water quality evaluated at 17 lakes and 11 ponds
- Results indicate low levels of:
 - Specific conductance
 - Dissolved metals
 - Nutrient levels (nitrate and phosphorus)
 - Suspended and dissolved solids
 - Nitrogen (ammonia)
 - Total dissolved solids
 - Radionuclide (radium -226, thorium-230, thorium-232)
- Background levels for metals (Al, Cd, Fe)
- pH range 5.7 to 7.2



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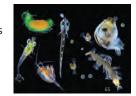
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Aquatics: Sediment Quality

- Comprised of silty-clays or sandy-silts
- Sediments collected from all lakes
- For parameters with sediment quality guidelines concentrations were at or below guideline value

Aquatics: Plankton Community

- Phytoplankton and Zooplankton
- Samples collected at 6 Locations
- Phytoplankton community 55 types
- Zooplankton community 32 types



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Aquatics: Benthic Invertebrate Community

- · Collected at 10 locations
- 1,000 to 10,000 per m² of bottom surface area Insects most common
- Tissue collected at 9 locations and analyzed for metals and radionuclide contents
- Results were consistent throughout the study area
- Co and Ni were the most variable
- Radionuclides generally below **Laboratory Detection limits**



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Aquatics: Fish Community

- 13 fish species identified
- Spring and Fall Spawning Surveys at select locations
- Fish tissue samples collected
- Al and Se levels below guideline values
- Healthy fish community





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Ground Water

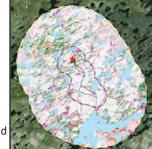
- · 4 groundwater monitoring wells drilled to establish background levels of:
 - Total metals
 - Dissolved metals
 - Major ions
 - Radionuclides
- · Groundwater monitoring will continue

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Terrestrial Baseline

- **Ecological land classification**
- Breeding bird surveys
- Ungulate pellet counts
- Winter tracking surveys
- Aquatic furbearer shoreline survevs
- Small mammal trapping and chemistry
- Amphibian surveys
- Characterization of terrain and soil types Vegetation and soil chemistry
- √ Vegetation community



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Terrestrial: Ecological Land Classification

- · Regional Study Area
 - 52% jack pine blueberry/lichen
 - 21% Waterbodies
 - 13%- jack pine black spruce/feathermoss
- Local Study Area
 - 70% jack pine/ blueberry/lichen
 - 13% Waterbodies
 - 5% jack pine black spruce/feathermoss



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Terrestrial: Breeding Bird Surveys

- Identified 36 species
- 10 most common:
 - Ruby-crowned Kinglet (51)
 - Dark-eyed Junco (40)
 - Grav Jav (34)
 - Yellow-rumped Warbler (31)
 - Swainson's Thrush (18)
- · Hermit Thrush (18)
- Lincoln Sparrow (15) · Chipping Sparrow (15)
- Fox Sparrow (15)
- · American Robin(13)



· Most preferred:

- Jack pine white birch/feathermoss
- Jack pine black spruce/feathermoss
- Black spruce/blueberry/lichen

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Pellets/ scats of 7 Species were identified

Terrestrial: Pellet Counts

• Grouse/ptarmigan

Woodland caribou

Woodland Caribou (2 transects)

Moose wide occurrence in region

Black bear

Red Fox

Marten

Mink

Moose

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Terrestrial: Winter Tracking • January 25 and February 3, 2017

- 19 replicate transects completed
- Fresh snow tracks were identified
- 11 Species Identified
 - Snowshoe hare
 - · Red squirrel
 - Grouse or Ptarmigan
 - Microtine
 - Marten
 - · Canada Lynx
- Ermine
- MinkFisher
- Moose
- Woodland caribou



Terrestrial: Aerial Waterfowl and Raptor Surveys • 20 waterfowl/raptor(s) identified

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- 20 waterrowi/raptor(s) identified
- 10 most observed:
 - Ring-necked Duck
 - · Common Merganser
 - Common Loon
 - Mallard
 - · White-headed Gull
 - Bald Eagle
 - Canada Goose
 - Lesser Scaup
 - · Yellowlegs Spp.
 - Bufflehead



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Winter: Jack pine/blueberry/lichen

Summer: Labrador tea shrubby bog

• Winter: black spruce/blueberry/lichen

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Terrestrial: Aquatic Furbearer Shoreline Survey

• Summer: black spruce/balsam poplar/river alder swamp

- · Completed along shoreline 23 of creeks, lakes, and ponds
- 96 km total distance of shoreline surveyed
- Species identified:
 - Muskrat
 - Beaver
 - River otter



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Terrestrial: Small Mammal Trapping and Chemistry

- Indicator species (Bioindicators)
- 26 trap lines in 17 different vegetation cover
- Tissue Analysis Metals and Radionuclides
- · Habitat Characterization
- Small Mammals Captured:
 - Red-back Vole 92% of trap lines
 - Meadow Vole 38% of trap lines
 - Dusky Shrew 26% of trap lines



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Terrestrial: Amphibian Surveys

- 61 sites surveyed
- · Wood Frog identified in regional and local study area
- · Boreal Chorus Frog identified in regional study area

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Terrestrial: Vegetation and Soil Collection

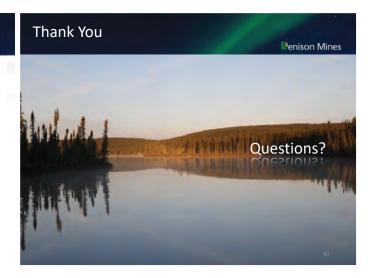
- Blueberries, lichens and soil samples collected
- Samples analyzed for metals and radionuclides
- Relatively consistent across site



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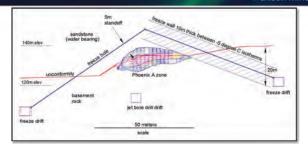
- Overall regional and local environment around the project area is a normal and healthy ecosystem
- Future Work:
 - Majority of baseline data collection is complete
 - · Continue to monitor conditions around site
 - Gather more detailed data on field conditions as key project decisions are made (i.e. treated water discharge location)
- If project launches an Environmental Assessment, baseline data will be used to predict potential project impacts and enable avoidance & mitigation of impacts.



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Mining Method – Phoenix Options

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- Freeze drifts excavated ~20m below unconformity in basement rock and well away from other infrastructure
- 75m long freeze holes installed at 4m spacing along strike

Transporting High-Grade Uranium Ore

16 months for initial freeze wall development

Source: Cigar Lake 2016 Technical Report

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Mining Method - Phoenix Deposit

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Overview of the Nuclear Fuel Cycle

Extra slides this point forward

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Access drill drift in basement rock 30m below the mineralization
 Pilot hole drilled up into the deposit and a casing is installed

• High pressure rotating water jet cuts a cavity in the mineralization

Mined out cavities are completely backfilled with concrete

· Slurry of water/broken rock flows out by gravity to receiving slurry car

Discharge Location Options

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- Potential locations for treated water discharge were identified and assessed for:
 - 1. Preliminary understanding of land uses
 - Traditional territories
 - · Trails, trap lines, country food harvesting, angling
 - · Cabins, camps
 - · Industrial properties
 - 2. Potential impacts to water quantity and quality
 - · Avoid locations with low flows
 - · Minimize increase in flows
 - · Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - 3. Potential impacts to fish and fish habitat
 - · Avoid spawning habitat

Discharge Location Options Identification

- Preliminary factors:
 - Capacity
 - Watershed area
 - Connectivity
 - · Distance to project



Preliminary factors:

 Wheeler River historical flows (1973-2015)

Discharge Location Options

Quantity and Quality Assessment

- Average flows from baseline (2016-2017)
- Background water quality from baseline (2016-2017)
- Estimated ranges of discharge flow and quality
- 3 small watersheds eliminated



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Discharge Location Options Fish and Fish Habitat Assessment

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Discharge Location Options Preliminary Results

- Preliminary factors:
 - Fish community, habitat, and spawning and depth surveys from baseline (2012-2014, 2016-2017)



- Preliminary results:
 - Avoid locations with low flows
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - Avoid spawning habitat



Denison Mines Community Engagement Wheeler River Project Ile a la Crosse Wednesday, January 17, 2018

In attendance:

Denison Mines: Peter Longo, VP Operations; Lea Willemse, Senior Environmental Scientist, Sudbury.

SRK Consulting: Mark Liskowich, Principal Consultant, Environmental; Lee Christoffersen,

Environmental Scientist, Vancouver.

Recorder: Gill Gracie, Aurora Communications Ltd.

Community: 26 students, 24 adults

Councillor Gerald Roy introduced the session, saying Denison has approached the municipality and the Métis Local to sign an MOU to work together collaboratively.

Mark Liskowich introduced himself and the team, and outlined the agenda for the day.

Presentation: Peter Longo

- Thanks for the welcome.
- Denison is an exploration and development company, still in the exploration stage. We had historical operations in Ontario from the 1950s-1990s, and have a variety of exploration properties throughout the Athabasca basin. Today we are talking about our flagship Wheeler River property.
- We are about 5% the size of Cameco. We have no operations or production. We are a minority partner (22.5%) in McClean Lake, and we plan to ship our Wheeler River ore to McClean Lake for processing.
- Our environmental services team of about 40 maintains our former Elliot Lake sites, now completely revegetated, and offers environmental services to governments and mining companies across Canada.
- In terms of community engagement and support, we're a small company but make each dollar count. In Saskatchewan we support AREVA's community initiatives. We do our best to hire people and procure goods from the north. In Elliot Lake we have a very good relationship with the Serpent River First Nation; we support employment, youth initiatives, and education. We were a key contributor in helping transform the community into a retirement village. We have sold our African properties, but while there we drilled water wells and supported schools for the education of youth.
- Location: 30 km north of Key Lake, six km west of the Key Lake-McArthur River haul road and the provincial power line. We now have a 20-30-person exploration camp and core storage area. It will cost \$1 billion to turn it into a mine site.
- We have two deposits, Phoenix and Gryphon, about three km apart, totalling about 114 million pounds of uranium. McArthur River has already produced 300 million pounds and has 200 million pounds+ to go is it is 5x the size of our project. We are a little bigger than Rabbit Lake, which has about 70 million pounds left in the ground.
- Gryphon will have two shafts, with a lot of underground development. Phoenix would have one shaft. A pilot hole was drilled last year; we have done engineering studies around different mining methods and shaft sinking technologies, and looked at water treatment plant designs. We have done a lot of engineering work in the last couple of years.

- There would be no mill or tailings facility on site.
- We have done a lot of work on aquatic aspects, water quality and flows around the site, as well as the animals and fish. Environmentally, the intent is to understand what's there now before we build the mine so we can understand the potential impacts and avoid or mitigate them, and prove we are not harming the land and wildlife long-term.

Questions/Comments

As a representative of the Métis Nation I have to make sure this is engagement, not duty to consult.

• **M. Liskowich:** This is an informational meeting and part of Denison's community stakeholder engagement.

As a First Nations person, I heard about the MOU with the village and the Métis Local. There are a lot of First Nations people that live here as well who are not part of the MOU because they're not organizing.

• **P. Longo:** We will touch on the MOU later.

When you reclaim a site, you have experience from other companies; how much stuff will you bury? What's left behind?

- **P. Longo:** Every site is different. At a mill site, not much is left behind because there's no place to bury it. It would be hauled to landfills offsite; some might go into onsite landfills if available.
- M. Liskowich: It varies. In uranium mining, because it's radioactive, most stays at site. It's difficult to decontaminate a mill, so usually a landfill is constructed at site. CNSC allows very little to leave the site.

So it's only cosmetic.

• M. Liskowich: It changes from mine to mine, generation to generation, decade to decade. The the stuff buried at Cluff is less than what will be buried next year at Gunnar, for example. There are different levels of landfill and material. If we're trying to protect strictly from radiation, we create a cover that's thick enough that the radiation can't get through it. If it's hazardous material, you need a cover that keeps water out. It is handled differently depending on potential risk.

As a mining company, what regulations and policies do you follow under Section 35 of the Canadian Constitution? As a Métis rep I have never been informed about this project. I'm not sure where the MOU came from – it did not come to me as the director of the region. I'm confused as to what's happening. We are currently working on land claims. We are working on legal representation for our technical team, and we have to have our legal rep here when we hold community workshops; we have to follow government regulations when we come to meetings.

• **P. Longo:** We support whatever laws governments put in place. As far as discussions with communities, we're happy to do whatever works for the community.

Students don't understand "MOU"; we might have to explain it.

There's a draft of the MOU on the Métis Local agenda at 5 pm today – the meeting is open to the community. MOU means Memorandum of Understanding that we'll work together to build a partnership, nothing concrete, not an agreement or a treaty.

A MOU is a working living document with all parties.

Through the years I have learned that companies have offered us jobs. One semi of yellowcake was worth \$4 million at one point. Jobs are great, training opportunities are great, but they only take you only so far. Prices have dropped but Cameco is not suffering as much as our communities will suffer with the 10-month layoff coming up, which may go longer. Would Denison Mines be open to share ownership on this project?

• **P. Longo:** Share ownership is possible; that topic has been raised before. We can certainly talk about it, but you should be aware of the risks. It's a big project, about \$1 billion. If you're part of the ownership you need to contribute capital; that's \$100 million for 10%. When McArthur shuts down there's no product, no income, but they're still paying wages and costs. As an owner you need to be prepared to pay that even when you're not producing. Decommissioning needs additional money; McArthur River would need \$50 million to close it. There are risks involved in ownership. I don't know of any communities that do that.

Does the Wheeler River flow to Wollaston? At one time Ile a la Crosse was building trailers, and doing other things for the Cluff Lake mine. If this project is part of the Athabasca collaboration agreement, will we be told we're not part of the impact area? Patuanak and Pinehouse have collaboration agreements with other companies and are getting money already – we need to make sure when the mining starts that the agreement doesn't change because of land claims etc. All we're getting from the mines right now is through our ownership share in NRT, \$12,000 per year. What kind of agreement is planned for Ile a la Crosse?

• P. Longo: The MOU is not a commitment on either side except to work together and talk. It's an expression that the company wants to support the community and the community wants to support the development of the project, assuming that we're doing it safely and legally. The specific points we talk about are environmental sustainability, education, employment and training, business opportunities and community investment. We have not defined these topics yet, but those are the four points we heard were important. If we need to add more, we will. Eventually there will be an impact benefit agreement and better understanding of the impacts. This is a separate project; we are talking to communities we feel are impacted. If another community feels they are impacted, we will talk with them too. It's difficult for us to talk to hundreds of different groups, so we started with the four groups but can expand as required. We've been discussing what we're doing with the province and the feds, so were open to whatever topics you want.

This is a Métis settlement; as we restructure the Métis Nation we don't have information about the MOU. With Cluff Lake, communities signed without proper negotiations or protocol. We didn't get much out of Cluff Lake, and that French company walked out with billions of dollars. We have to suffer from that, yet there's still radiation under ground and equipment buried and it's still seeping towards our lakes and animals. They just left it. We want to make sure we have technical people in place so those same mistakes are not made and make sure there's a better process for assessment.

• M. Liskowich: I recognize your concerns with Cluff Lake. As things evolve within the industry, practices change. We're here today, as we came before, to introduce the project and the company. We came to Ile a la Crosse because we believe it is one of the primary impact communities in the region. We did not distinguish between non-Aboriginal, treaty or Métis; we looked at the people who live here. We approached the mayor first. We worked through the MOU with mayor and council, and they also tabled it with fishers, trappers and the Métis Local. As this project progresses - and we're a long way away from construction - we felt it was important to get into communities early, before the permitting process or the government review, before the decisions are made, so people could have input into those decisions and are further informed when it's time to evaluate the environmental assessment process. The information from these sessions will help support whatever concerns they might have during that assessment process. We're not trying to do things the same as other companies did in the past; we will do them the way Denison believes they should be done going forward. We'd be happy to walk through the MOU with you at the Métis Local meeting. We don't want to isolate and divide.

When you're talking about procurement I see once again we have white folks coming to our community from a big corporation, telling us what they're going to do. It would be nice for you to bring some people here from Serpent River First Nation.

I have worked with Denison Environmental in the past at Cluff Lake. Is Ile a la Crosse considered a primary impact community?

• P. Longo: Yes.

I should put in a plug for Sakitawak Development Corp's joint venture with Major Drilling; we're bidding on these jobs at Wheeler River. Those benefits come back into the community. What kind of training do you have right now for exploration camps? Do you have any training opportunities that our students could take?

• **P. Longo:** That's coming up.

Companies and First Nations are working together to go further. Does Denison have good relations with First Nations and treaty organizations? Will you have an office like that? Are you willing to work together to prevent controversy?

- **P. Longo:** This is supposed to be a dialogue, a discussion. We want your input. That's why we're here today, to talk to you and develop relationships, and avoid problems.
- M. Liskowich: Once the project advances past the very early stages, the intent is to have community liaison people so you're not always talking to mooniases. We're in the early stages right now, and it's difficult to do that.

Can you give the students information about what type of high-level skilled positions will be available to train for? A 10-year operation does not give much time for training high-level positions. All we get is a shovel or an axe. We have no management jobs; people have to work 5-10 years beside another manager – it should only take one year instead of years to become a good manager. We got some management positions at Cluff Lake towards the end, but not at the beginning. That's how we get called lazy etc. so we don't feel like even applying for a job. We need management positions from the beginning. It's important that the students are here and heard.

- M. Liskowich: I asked the mayor to hold the meeting in the middle of the day; I also asked him to contact the high school principal and invite the students. We wanted heir input, because often they have a different opinion that we do. We also wanted them here for job awareness. We have a list of jobs at an underground uranium mine that we can email to whoever wants it. It outlines jobs and levels of education and expertise required, right from labourer or security guard to running the show.
- **P. Longo:** We have also come out to career days when invited.

If you partner with Cameco do you have a master plan? Just recently we lost a lot of jobs; those peoples' skills are only for mines. We would like to see those skills, like electricians and plumbers, adapted to the communities. When these people are laid off they have to retrain and some are in their 40s or later. Take that into consideration considering what happened.

• **P. Longo:** Electricians and plumbers should be transferable across the country, not just in mining. Some jobs in mining are tailored to mining – it's part of the risk you take. I've been forced to switch communities to find a job.

In northern Saskatchewan they did mill operator training; the other skills came from the south. The north should have some of those seats.

• **M. Liskowich:** It's tough to get a job as a radiation technician anywhere else than in a uranium mine.

I visited the Northlands College Mine School with my ADM as part of a northern tour. We now have that training in the north. People can train for any aspect of any mine, primarily uranium but also potash and others. They're looking at everything from environmental technician tothere are lots of transferable skills. I was blown away with what they have – simulators for all kinds of heavy equipment. There are new technologies coming on; you're looking at different ways of mining the minerals, like in situ, which means less equipment.

As an example to the students, please show where you're at on the life cycle of a mine, from exploration to decommissioning.

- **P. Longo:** We are at the prefeasibility stage, collecting baseline data and doing a prefeasibility study, building the business case for proceeding. The earliest production would be 2024-2025, so there's at least seven years of work to do. There would be 2-3 years of construction, so there could be shovels in the ground in 2021-2022 if things work out well. The estimated mine life is 15 years, but we are continuing to explore so we're hoping that expands. We're trying to look at new technologies in a way that we could operate at any price, even in today's market.
- M. Liskowich: We have had communications with Randy and others on the west side.
 Denison supported the Integrated Resource Management Program in Buffalo Narrows, which also supports mining.
- P. Longo: What we're doing now to support communities and help improve things: 1) historically our exploration camp was supplied from La Ronge, but that's not an impact community so we switched to Beauval. 2) We have worked with out major drill contractor to implement a training program. We trained two drillers who are working right now, and in February will train two more. Eventually we will train 20-30 jobs upfront, targetting our impact communities. 3) We have employed northerners in the field, and 4) support career days and training programs. We have to make sure new contracts are competitive in term of cost and performance, and we make sure the contractors maximize northern content. There's a preference for northern ownership of businesses.

What kind of infrastructure do you have for Wheeler River? There are a lot of potential operations that could happen in the north. There's a possibility of a gold mine, a possible copper mine and the Wheeler River uranium mine. There's a lack of infrastructure – roads, power. Can you work with the mining companies and the federal and provincial governments to look at infrastructure so development could happen. Cameco is laying off a bunch of people, so there's a need for more development in the region. We need employment. Let's look at infrastructure needs. How can we provide infrastructure so development can happen in an area of potential. It's expensive for mines to bring their own infrastructure.

• **M. Liskowich:** Peter will mention some of the infrastructure that's needed to support this project.

Any news on the proposed road from McArthur River to Cigar Lake?

- **P. Longo:** We have met with the province. If that road is not built, this project does not go ahead. They are adding that to the model; I understood they would come and talk to communities about it.
- **M. Liskowich:** That road needs to be built. As soon as the province does it, there's no reason why it should not be done by people from the north.

Will the ore be transported in slurry or rock form?

• **P. Longo:** Still working on the details; probably not in slurry form, but it will be shipped in a regulated container.

Mini-workshops: Mark Liskowich

1. Road access route

- Mark introduced three potential routes to Phoenix and two from Phoenix to GryphonThe present route is not up to the required standard.
- There are some constraints: The road has to be 10 metres wide so it's safe for haul trucks. If we're cutting slopes through a hill, the slopes can't be steep because of runoff. 3:1 is the preferred slope. Maximum grade must be 7%, the same as the Key Lake to McArthur River haul road.
- We did not want to cross many streams or rivers, to avoid building culverts or bridges. We didn't want to be too close to lakes.

- There's one recreational lease cabin in the area not known if they want the road close or not.
- Mark explained details of the options.

Those attending formed groups based on age – over 20 and under 20 – to consider pros and cons of each option.

Questions/Comments

Which highway is it accessed from?

- M. Liskowich: The main access to the site is from Prince Albert through Pinehouse. How far will you haul the ore? Which way east or west? What's wrong with the route to Pinehouse through Beauval and Meadow Lake?
- M. Liskowich: It depends who's buying the yellowcake and where the product is going. Typically it goes to Elliot Lake and the Blind River refinery. I don't know if Denison has determined where their product will go or who their customer is. If it goes to Japan, it may go to the west coast and not through PA. The ore goes to McClean Lake.

Is there only one refinery in Canada? What about Chalk River?

• **M. Liskowich:** That's a medical isotope producer. Blind River is the refinery and Port Hope the enrichment and fuel fabrication plant.

Is the cabin owner in the area from Pinehouse?

• **M. Liskowich:** It's a recreation lease with two owners. It's not a TRU. The local trapper is Bobby John from Patuanak.

Pros & Cons – Community Input

Road alignment Highway - Phoenix:

Option 1:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

- o Intermediate (neutral) distance to the cabin
- Shortest distance
- o Fill could be re-used

Youth Group 2:

- o Shortest option; preferred option
- Road not that far and has least disturbance.

Adult Group

Shortest road

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

o Hill means lots of material to move

Youth Group 2:

- Not that far; least disturbance
- o Closest to the cabin.

Adult Group

Needs the most dirt moved; likely biggest impact.

Option 2:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

Least amount of fill

Youth Group 2:

Not that far; least disturbance.

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

Closest to both water and cabin

Youth Group 2:

o Closest to cabin.

Adult Group:

Closest to cabin

Option 3:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

- o Far from the lake and the cabin.
- o Partial road there already

Youth Group 2:

o Farthest from cabin and lake.

Adult Group:

O Uses the existing road and is away from both water and cabin. Best option.

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

Greatest distance.

Adult Group

Not discussed.

Other discussion:

- o What if cabin owner wants the road close?
- Need to understand impact on groundwater and lakes.
- o Need an environmental study on proposed route.
- o Do any wildlife transects cross the road?
- o Need a stormwater management plan and a spill response plan.
- o Local people would have the training to work on the road (including surveyors).
- o Monitoring with elders and students should be considered, as part of a guardianship program.

Road alignment Phoenix - Gryphon

Option 1:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

o Least amount of material

Youth Group 2:

- Shorter distance
- Less disturbance to land.

Adult Group

Not discussed

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

o Close to the lake

Youth Group 2:

o Closer to water; worse for safety and environmental incidents.

Adult Group

Not discussed

Option 2:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

- Farthest from water.
- Shortest distance.

Youth Group 2:

Unknown

Adult Group:

Not discussed

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

o Much more material to be moved.

Youth Group 2:

o Unknown

Adult Group:

Not discussed

2. Water treatment discharge.

- Mark introduced potential discharge points, and discussed potential constraints. Those
 attending formed groups based on age over 20 and under 20 to consider pros and cons of
 each option.
- We looked at traditional use, and quantity and quality of water. We will be treating and releasing according to limits, but how much can we add to a system without overpowering the natural flow? We also looked at fish spawning areas.
- There are 20 tourist camps on Russell Lake. We used a disposition map to note recreational, TRU and exploration leases.
- We looked at lakes draining to Russell Lake; we looked at the watershed areas to see how much runoff contributes to each lake. Each is part of 15-16 baseline studies. We looked at connectivity also, and eliminated a lot of smaller ponds.
- We estimated ranges and flows using electronic sensors, and eliminated small systems
- Fish and habitat: we mapped spawning habitat.
- We came up with five options: there are no final decisions.
- Groups were asked to identify pros and cons.

Questions/Comments

How do you sample streams underground?

• M. Liskowich: Groundwater is also assessed as part of the baseline studies.

Have you identified any mercury?

• **M. Liskowich:** One lake has elevated mercury. We have all the data on every lake we sampled. None is high enough to be problematic.

Pros & Cons - Community Input

LA-7: Pros:

Youth Group 1

o Largest & deepest lake

Youth Group 2

- Less disturbance
- Discharging to all lakes is the same.
- If treatment is good, any lake is OK.
- LA-7 is the best.

Adult Group

o Discharge to LA-7 because it's the shortest distance to the mine site, and there's the most dilution.

LA-7: Cons:

Youth Group 1

- o Potential for (unknown word).
- o Downstream impact.

Youth Group 2

Adult Group

- Whatever we out into LA-7 winds up everywhere
- Concerns about sensitive species and habitat.

LA-6: Pros:

Youth Group 1

o Faster flow, smaller lake

Youth Group 2

No discussion

Adult Group

o No discussion

LA-6: Cons:

Youth Group 1

o Smallest lake.

Youth Group 2

o No discussion

Adult Group

No discussion

LA-5: Pros

Youth Group 1

o No discussion

Youth Group 2

o No discussion

Adult Group

o No discussion

LA-5: Cons

Youth Group 1

o No discussion

Youth Group 2

o No discussion

Adult Group

No discussion

LA-1: Pros

Youth Group 1

o Quick flow-through. Second biggest lake.

Youth Group 2

o No discussion

Adult Group

o No discussion

LA-1: Cons

Youth Group 1

o Far from site.

Youth Group 2

Adult Group

Russell Lake: Pros

Youth Group 1

o Biggest lake

Youth Group 2

No discussion

Adult Group

No discussion

Russell Lake: Cons

Youth Group 1

- o Far from site.
- Recreational use.

Youth Group 2

- o Don't discharge into Russell Lake due to fishing and cabins.
- o It could potentially kill fish.

Adult Group

3. Mining Methods

Peter explained the options for each deposit, giving some context for each.

Gryphon: Longhole stoping

- o Gryphon is about 500 metres down and about 4-500 metres long. The ore veins are in stacked lenses about three metres thick, about 200 metres high and 200 metres wide.
- o Two shafts would come from surface, then we'd ramp down along the side of the deposit, with horizontal drifts at the mining levels.
- The proposed mining method is longhole stoping, using top & bottom tunnels about 20 metres apart vertically. We drill 3-4" diameter blast holes between the two, load them with explosives and blast, with everyone out of the mine for safety. The 1-2' chunks will be trucked to the hoist in scoops and skipped out. The stopes will be backfilled with waste rock or cemented waste rock.
- Considerations: We know it's safe, physically and from a radiation perspective. It's used at Rabbit Lake's Eagle Point mine, and approved by the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission. Waste rock will go back into the empty stopes so it never comes to surface. The jobs are low-tech, with no high education or specialty expertise required. We can train a high school or college graduate.
- We know we can make money at \$20/lb; we would be in operation at today's prices with this method.

Students left at this point

Pros & Cons: Community Input

Longhole Stoping

Pros:

- o Have time to make this the best it can be and keep up with technology
- Workers seem to be safe from radiation

Cons:

- o Potential harm to workers over the long term.
- o Concern abut health of miners, related to ventilation, lighting and monitoring.
- o Safety.
- o Health inspectors need to visit the mine, and individuals should know their radiation readings.
- o Community members need to sit on the safety committee.
- Look into real-time results for dose

Phoenix: Directional Drilling or ISR Mining

- The Phoenix deposit is 400 metres below surface. It occurs as a big pancake 30m wide and 6m thick, similar to Cigar Lake but a lot smaller. There are two zones: A is 400 metres long, B is 300m long. The average grade is 40%, higher than Cigar Lake but smaller.
- At this grade the ore is black and clayey, with some hard parts like pure metal.
- Ground conditions just above the ore body are poor, like beach sand. There is also 400m of water pressure in the sandstone above, similar to Cigar Lake. We cannot open any tunnels or use traditional mining methods.

- Cameco developed a jet bore system (JBS) to mine Cigar Lake, the only mine in the
 world similar to this. They encountered a lot of technical challenges that caused decades
 of delays. It was very expensive capital cost-wise. We did a business case and determined
 that operationally, it would cost about \$30/lb to mine so it could not be done at today's
 prices. It's very complex, and requires high-end technical personnel and skill sets. So we
 walked away from JBS.
- After looking at other industries, we have two options:
 - 1) directional drilling, used a lot in oil and gas. A parent hole would be drilled from surface vertically, then turned horizontally until it hit the ore body. It would have a steel casing from the ore body back to surface. A series of 17.5"diameter holes would excavate the ore and backfill the holes with concrete. The next hole would be drilled right beside it. After 4,300 drill holes, the deposit will be mined out.
 - We know it's safe to operate. It's never been done from a radiation perspective, but we know diamond drilling is safe; ore handling is remote.
 - o There would be minimal surface disturbance, just a drill pad. This method would require about 150 personnel on surface, including technical, labourers, trades, management, camp services etc. High school and college graduates could do this.
 - There would be no water discharge; the water would be re-used in a closed system for drilling. The ore would still be shipped to McClean Lake, and it would still produce tailings.
 - O 2) ISR In Situ Recovery. This has been used since the 1960s worldwide, although not for uranium in Canada. In 2011, almost 50% of the global uranium supply was mined through ISR. It's used in the States, Australia, and Kazakhstan. It's the trend of where things have gone.
 - o Based on the regulations from the States, we think it will be doable.
 - Peter explained the ISR process, which uses injections wells and recovery wells.
 Monitoring holes ensure the mining solution does not escape the area. If it does, we can shut off injection, reverse it, or increase pumping from recovery wells.
 It's very flexible.
 - The plant is about one-third the size of a football field. Inside is piping and tanks.
 They add the reagents are similar to those used in mills up north, and precipitate yellowcake.
 - Once the deposit is mined out, we keep pumping and treating, and pump clean water back down, recycling it. This eventually, over years, restores the groundwater to its natural state.
 - At Wheeler River, the groundwater around the orebodies is already contaminated not safe to drink of for wildlife, so it has to be treated before release. The amount of water released to the environment would be minimal. To be able to return the area to the natural state would be less challenging. In Wyoming they're pulling it from a drinking water aquifer so they have to return it to drinking water quality.
 - O Advantages: We know it's safe; other countries are doing it. Radiation-wise it's safe because its done remotely. Environmentally it causes very low disturbance. The big thing: there are no tailings; the solution goes back down. It's low-cost and sustainable. We know we could operate at any price point. We should be able to do it without highly technically trained people.
 - o It would be the first such method for uranium in Saskatchewan.

Questions/Comments

How many exploration camps do you have in our area?

• **P. Longo:** One at Wheeler River; about six around the eastern Athabasca region. Not all are permanent.

I have worked for contractors; we never could become shifters, or progress. We always had to work hard, but shifters always came from somewhere else. We have to look at it from a different perspective so we don't have to stay in one area and do one thing.

• **P. Longo:** If you can work on the training and development and get the experience, the sky's the limit on what you can do. I started at the bottom and worked my way up.

Today's kids are more technical so they can get more technical jobs.

• **P. Longo:** Absolutely. A lot of the work is done remotely on joysticks etc.

Is this company controlled by another country?

• **P. Longo:** We're a publicly traded Canadian company. I'm from Saskatoon; we have a team in Toronto. We've been here a long time. Cameco is also Canadian. There are dozens of uranium exploration companies that are Canadian.

What do you do with secondary mineral deposits – e.g. re-mine tailings for gold.

• **P. Longo:** There are secondary ones at both deposits, but it's primarily uranium.

Would it be an expensive site?

• **P. Longo:** Less than a JBS. In today's market we would still be running. We're sustainable. *Northlands College had an oil rig for training.*

Which part of Africa are you in?

P. Longo: None any more. We were in Mauretania, Tanzania. We sold our international
assets

How long is the training valid for? Is the training readily available in the region? We have to engage Northlands College or Northwest College; that might be another opportunity for Northlands College Mine School. Maybe we can form partnerships to buy equipment and train locally.

- **P. Longo:** We have years to work out these things.
- **M. Liskowich:** Right now this is at the infant stage. They're working out whether or not it's a feasible option. Even if it is, we still have the four-year environmental assessment process.

When will you sign a Surface Lease Agreement?

• **M. Liskowich:** That comes after the environmental assessment. Once we are approved by the minister to proceed, then the province and the company negotiate for a surface lease. Denison hopes to get it worked out with the impact communities before that.

There is confusion around the procurement policies in the province. I think they've done away with surface lease agreements.

• **M. Liskowich:** They're still there. The company makes commitments to the province within the surface lease regarding northern procurement northern employment and training. Industry is evolving and making agreements outside the SLAs, but one does not offset the other.

Are the SLAs within the NAD line?

- **M. Liskowich:** If it's south of the NAD line, you buy the land or make an agreement with the owner of the land.
- The Government Relations Northern Engagement Branch deals with surface leases.

With all the exploration claims, is there any policy regarding use it or lose it?

- **P. Longo:** We have to spend a certain amount on the property each year in order to maintain the claim. If we don't, it lapses and someone else can claim it. We have to report annually on how much we spend.
- M. Liskowich: It has to be justified spending.

There's no underground, so it seems better from a health and safety perspective.

It's cheaper, safer, cleaner – that's the future of drilling. But a lot of people don't know about it, so how do we educate our students who are looking at careers? Communication to the northern communities is important.

• L. Willemse: Communicate the ideas and the training information?

Multiple conversations – inaudible.

Discussion of radiation protection.

With all the procurement opportunities throughout your life cycle; look in your back yard first. The supply chain stuff is very important, and northerners can supply some of the goods and services needed. A plug for our local development corporation – they have a security contract, a joint venture through Flyer Electric, catering; we have a market garden where we sell \$30,000 of fresh fruits and vegetables in the community; the fish processing plant sells fresh fish. You could use that now.

We were making coveralls for the mines at one time, sponsored by Sask Abilities.

• **P. Longo:** That's part of the MOU process. We can share what work is coming up for us. Let's buy what we're buying up north. It makes sense for us and for you.

There's also a land use framework – LUP – every community is going to be mapped, including traditional land use. Ile a la Crosse has one partially completed.

• **P. Longo:** We have incorporated the ones we've received. We're happy to be part of that, in conversation and financially, and to make sure our project respects the land uses that are there.

The one important pillar is community investment. I don't know if Cameco and AREVA do it enough, but we're looking at a new and different way. Community investment offers long-term solutions.

• **P. Longo:** That's the world today, and we're happy to do it. We have to run an economic business, and everyone can benefit from that.

What type of worker education is required for ISR mining?

• **P. Longo:** The plant we visited in Wyoming used high school or college grads. You don't need PhDs etc.

How similar is this to SAGD (steam-assisted gravity drainage), used in recovering oil?

- **P. Longo:** Very different. They pump steam in under pressure to liquefy the oil. We will be drilling 3" holes every 10-15 feet and using water at normal pressure.
- M. Liskowich: No rock is taken out of the ground. It's also used in uranium mining.
- **L. Willemse:** We pump in a solution to dissolve the uranium from the formation. It is then carried in the water that gets pumped out. In situ just means inside, so it means the recovery is happening within the deposit.

How close is it to fracking?

• **P. Longo:** Not at all. Fracking uses high pressure; there's no pressure in ISR except the natural water pressure.

Is the geology in Wyoming the same as at the Wheeler River site?

• **P. Longo:** They're similar, but different. They were 400-1200 feet below surface; we're 400 metres.

Why is the Wheeler River water not good?

- **M. Liskowich:** It's groundwater interacting with the ore body.
- **P. Longo:** This is not surface water; it's the natural groundwater flowing through the cracks in the ground. The Wheeler River is not affected.

You will write agreements for things like training? No small print?

• **P. Longo:** The intent, after the MOU, is to work out an agreement with every community. *Have there been any major safety issues?*

• M. Liskowich: The studies are under way now to determine if it's a method that will work in this deposit. Every deposit is a little different. If it can be done, it's a good option. It would be

the first uranium deposit in Canada to be mined this way. A similar technique is use din southern Saskatchewan in three potash mines.

Would you need individual environmental assessments for Gryphon and Phoenix?

• M. Liskowich: You could do it separately or as one package.

Pros & Cons: Community Input

1. Directional drilling

Pros:

Adult Group

- People who were trained on oil and gas could transfer their skills. Northlands College has a relevant program.
- o Does not have much of a footprint
- Cleaner and safer
- o Can use the local supply chain.

Cons:

Adult Group

- o Possible higher repair and maintenance costs.
- Concerned about skills transfer from the oil and gas industry (how long licenses last, local training).
- o Have to educate people about the mining method and training that's needed.
- o People don't know this is a career option.
- o Uncertainty about radiation safety.

2. ISR (In Situ Recovery):

Pros:

Adult Group:

- We know it works in other places
- No major safety issues
- o No waste piles.

Cons:

Adult Group

o Not enough information to understand the pros and cons.

Overview:

- o People will have a lot of questions because it hasnlt been done in Canada.
- Lab work is still ongoing.

Baseline Environmental Data: Lea Willemse

- To establish whether we have an effect on the environment when we mine, we need to understand what's there now, to establish a baseline. In the past two years we have done a lot of studies. We hired terrestrial and aquatic biologists, archaeologists, hydrologists, geologists to use their expertise to give us that data to establish what's at site at present.
- **Heritage survey**: The Saskatchewan Conservation Branch required an archaeological assessment of the project areas to be impacted by development, and around areas with potential cultural significance. We did hundreds of surveys around proposed road routes and areas where your ancestors would have hunted and fished. We found one artifact. They assessed it and found it to be pre-contact and of little interpretive value. It led to a more detailed search of the area. It was not in the area we would develop on; it was next to a lake and we would never develop that close. The Conservation Branch issued clearance to proceed.
- We are actively monitoring atmospheric **radon** all around the project area. The analysis showed the highest level was less than 7 bq/m3 vs. Health Canada's indoor guideline of 200 bq/m3.

Denison Mines Community Engagement Wheeler River Project Ile a la Crosse Wednesday, January 17, 2018

In attendance:

Denison Mines: Peter Longo, VP Operations; Lea Willemse, Senior Environmental Scientist, Sudbury.

SRK Consulting: Mark Liskowich, Principal Consultant, Environmental; Lee Christoffersen,

Environmental Scientist, Vancouver.

Recorder: Gill Gracie, Aurora Communications Ltd.

Community: 26 students, 24 adults

Councillor Gerald Roy introduced the session, saying Denison has approached the municipality and the Métis Local to sign an MOU to work together collaboratively.

Mark Liskowich introduced himself and the team, and outlined the agenda for the day.

Presentation: Peter Longo

- Thanks for the welcome.
- Denison is an exploration and development company, still in the exploration stage. We had historical operations in Ontario from the 1950s-1990s, and have a variety of exploration properties throughout the Athabasca basin. Today we are talking about our flagship Wheeler River property.
- We are about 5% the size of Cameco. We have no operations or production. We are a minority partner (22.5%) in McClean Lake, and we plan to ship our Wheeler River ore to McClean Lake for processing.
- Our environmental services team of about 40 maintains our former Elliot Lake sites, now completely revegetated, and offers environmental services to governments and mining companies across Canada.
- In terms of community engagement and support, we're a small company but make each dollar count. In Saskatchewan we support AREVA's community initiatives. We do our best to hire people and procure goods from the north. In Elliot Lake we have a very good relationship with the Serpent River First Nation; we support employment, youth initiatives, and education. We were a key contributor in helping transform the community into a retirement village. We have sold our African properties, but while there we drilled water wells and supported schools for the education of youth.
- Location: 30 km north of Key Lake, six km west of the Key Lake-McArthur River haul road and the provincial power line. We now have a 20-30-person exploration camp and core storage area. It will cost \$1 billion to turn it into a mine site.
- We have two deposits, Phoenix and Gryphon, about three km apart, totalling about 114 million pounds of uranium. McArthur River has already produced 300 million pounds and has 200 million pounds+ to go is it is 5x the size of our project. We are a little bigger than Rabbit Lake, which has about 70 million pounds left in the ground.
- Gryphon will have two shafts, with a lot of underground development. Phoenix would have one shaft. A pilot hole was drilled last year; we have done engineering studies around different mining methods and shaft sinking technologies, and looked at water treatment plant designs. We have done a lot of engineering work in the last couple of years.

- There would be no mill or tailings facility on site.
- We have done a lot of work on aquatic aspects, water quality and flows around the site, as well as the animals and fish. Environmentally, the intent is to understand what's there now before we build the mine so we can understand the potential impacts and avoid or mitigate them, and prove we are not harming the land and wildlife long-term.

Questions/Comments

As a representative of the Métis Nation I have to make sure this is engagement, not duty to consult.

• **M. Liskowich:** This is an informational meeting and part of Denison's community stakeholder engagement.

As a First Nations person, I heard about the MOU with the village and the Métis Local. There are a lot of First Nations people that live here as well who are not part of the MOU because they're not organizing.

• **P. Longo:** We will touch on the MOU later.

When you reclaim a site, you have experience from other companies; how much stuff will you bury? What's left behind?

- **P. Longo:** Every site is different. At a mill site, not much is left behind because there's no place to bury it. It would be hauled to landfills offsite; some might go into onsite landfills if available.
- M. Liskowich: It varies. In uranium mining, because it's radioactive, most stays at site. It's difficult to decontaminate a mill, so usually a landfill is constructed at site. CNSC allows very little to leave the site.

So it's only cosmetic.

• M. Liskowich: It changes from mine to mine, generation to generation, decade to decade. The the stuff buried at Cluff is less than what will be buried next year at Gunnar, for example. There are different levels of landfill and material. If we're trying to protect strictly from radiation, we create a cover that's thick enough that the radiation can't get through it. If it's hazardous material, you need a cover that keeps water out. It is handled differently depending on potential risk.

As a mining company, what regulations and policies do you follow under Section 35 of the Canadian Constitution? As a Métis rep I have never been informed about this project. I'm not sure where the MOU came from – it did not come to me as the director of the region. I'm confused as to what's happening. We are currently working on land claims. We are working on legal representation for our technical team, and we have to have our legal rep here when we hold community workshops; we have to follow government regulations when we come to meetings.

• **P. Longo:** We support whatever laws governments put in place. As far as discussions with communities, we're happy to do whatever works for the community.

Students don't understand "MOU"; we might have to explain it.

There's a draft of the MOU on the Métis Local agenda at 5 pm today – the meeting is open to the community. MOU means Memorandum of Understanding that we'll work together to build a partnership, nothing concrete, not an agreement or a treaty.

A MOU is a working living document with all parties.

Through the years I have learned that companies have offered us jobs. One semi of yellowcake was worth \$4 million at one point. Jobs are great, training opportunities are great, but they only take you only so far. Prices have dropped but Cameco is not suffering as much as our communities will suffer with the 10-month layoff coming up, which may go longer. Would Denison Mines be open to share ownership on this project?

• **P. Longo:** Share ownership is possible; that topic has been raised before. We can certainly talk about it, but you should be aware of the risks. It's a big project, about \$1 billion. If you're part of the ownership you need to contribute capital; that's \$100 million for 10%. When McArthur shuts down there's no product, no income, but they're still paying wages and costs. As an owner you need to be prepared to pay that even when you're not producing. Decommissioning needs additional money; McArthur River would need \$50 million to close it. There are risks involved in ownership. I don't know of any communities that do that.

Does the Wheeler River flow to Wollaston? At one time Ile a la Crosse was building trailers, and doing other things for the Cluff Lake mine. If this project is part of the Athabasca collaboration agreement, will we be told we're not part of the impact area? Patuanak and Pinehouse have collaboration agreements with other companies and are getting money already – we need to make sure when the mining starts that the agreement doesn't change because of land claims etc. All we're getting from the mines right now is through our ownership share in NRT, \$12,000 per year. What kind of agreement is planned for Ile a la Crosse?

• P. Longo: The MOU is not a commitment on either side except to work together and talk. It's an expression that the company wants to support the community and the community wants to support the development of the project, assuming that we're doing it safely and legally. The specific points we talk about are environmental sustainability, education, employment and training, business opportunities and community investment. We have not defined these topics yet, but those are the four points we heard were important. If we need to add more, we will. Eventually there will be an impact benefit agreement and better understanding of the impacts. This is a separate project; we are talking to communities we feel are impacted. If another community feels they are impacted, we will talk with them too. It's difficult for us to talk to hundreds of different groups, so we started with the four groups but can expand as required. We've been discussing what we're doing with the province and the feds, so were open to whatever topics you want.

This is a Métis settlement; as we restructure the Métis Nation we don't have information about the MOU. With Cluff Lake, communities signed without proper negotiations or protocol. We didn't get much out of Cluff Lake, and that French company walked out with billions of dollars. We have to suffer from that, yet there's still radiation under ground and equipment buried and it's still seeping towards our lakes and animals. They just left it. We want to make sure we have technical people in place so those same mistakes are not made and make sure there's a better process for assessment.

• M. Liskowich: I recognize your concerns with Cluff Lake. As things evolve within the industry, practices change. We're here today, as we came before, to introduce the project and the company. We came to Ile a la Crosse because we believe it is one of the primary impact communities in the region. We did not distinguish between non-Aboriginal, treaty or Métis; we looked at the people who live here. We approached the mayor first. We worked through the MOU with mayor and council, and they also tabled it with fishers, trappers and the Métis Local. As this project progresses - and we're a long way away from construction - we felt it was important to get into communities early, before the permitting process or the government review, before the decisions are made, so people could have input into those decisions and are further informed when it's time to evaluate the environmental assessment process. The information from these sessions will help support whatever concerns they might have during that assessment process. We're not trying to do things the same as other companies did in the past; we will do them the way Denison believes they should be done going forward. We'd be happy to walk through the MOU with you at the Métis Local meeting. We don't want to isolate and divide.

When you're talking about procurement I see once again we have white folks coming to our community from a big corporation, telling us what they're going to do. It would be nice for you to bring some people here from Serpent River First Nation.

I have worked with Denison Environmental in the past at Cluff Lake. Is Ile a la Crosse considered a primary impact community?

• P. Longo: Yes.

I should put in a plug for Sakitawak Development Corp's joint venture with Major Drilling; we're bidding on these jobs at Wheeler River. Those benefits come back into the community. What kind of training do you have right now for exploration camps? Do you have any training opportunities that our students could take?

• **P. Longo:** That's coming up.

Companies and First Nations are working together to go further. Does Denison have good relations with First Nations and treaty organizations? Will you have an office like that? Are you willing to work together to prevent controversy?

- **P. Longo:** This is supposed to be a dialogue, a discussion. We want your input. That's why we're here today, to talk to you and develop relationships, and avoid problems.
- M. Liskowich: Once the project advances past the very early stages, the intent is to have community liaison people so you're not always talking to mooniases. We're in the early stages right now, and it's difficult to do that.

Can you give the students information about what type of high-level skilled positions will be available to train for? A 10-year operation does not give much time for training high-level positions. All we get is a shovel or an axe. We have no management jobs; people have to work 5-10 years beside another manager – it should only take one year instead of years to become a good manager. We got some management positions at Cluff Lake towards the end, but not at the beginning. That's how we get called lazy etc. so we don't feel like even applying for a job. We need management positions from the beginning. It's important that the students are here and heard.

- M. Liskowich: I asked the mayor to hold the meeting in the middle of the day; I also asked him to contact the high school principal and invite the students. We wanted heir input, because often they have a different opinion that we do. We also wanted them here for job awareness. We have a list of jobs at an underground uranium mine that we can email to whoever wants it. It outlines jobs and levels of education and expertise required, right from labourer or security guard to running the show.
- **P. Longo:** We have also come out to career days when invited.

If you partner with Cameco do you have a master plan? Just recently we lost a lot of jobs; those peoples' skills are only for mines. We would like to see those skills, like electricians and plumbers, adapted to the communities. When these people are laid off they have to retrain and some are in their 40s or later. Take that into consideration considering what happened.

• **P. Longo:** Electricians and plumbers should be transferable across the country, not just in mining. Some jobs in mining are tailored to mining – it's part of the risk you take. I've been forced to switch communities to find a job.

In northern Saskatchewan they did mill operator training; the other skills came from the south. The north should have some of those seats.

• **M. Liskowich:** It's tough to get a job as a radiation technician anywhere else than in a uranium mine.

I visited the Northlands College Mine School with my ADM as part of a northern tour. We now have that training in the north. People can train for any aspect of any mine, primarily uranium but also potash and others. They're looking at everything from environmental technician tothere are lots of transferable skills. I was blown away with what they have – simulators for all kinds of heavy equipment. There are new technologies coming on; you're looking at different ways of mining the minerals, like in situ, which means less equipment.

As an example to the students, please show where you're at on the life cycle of a mine, from exploration to decommissioning.

- **P. Longo:** We are at the prefeasibility stage, collecting baseline data and doing a prefeasibility study, building the business case for proceeding. The earliest production would be 2024-2025, so there's at least seven years of work to do. There would be 2-3 years of construction, so there could be shovels in the ground in 2021-2022 if things work out well. The estimated mine life is 15 years, but we are continuing to explore so we're hoping that expands. We're trying to look at new technologies in a way that we could operate at any price, even in today's market.
- M. Liskowich: We have had communications with Randy and others on the west side.
 Denison supported the Integrated Resource Management Program in Buffalo Narrows, which also supports mining.
- P. Longo: What we're doing now to support communities and help improve things: 1) historically our exploration camp was supplied from La Ronge, but that's not an impact community so we switched to Beauval. 2) We have worked with out major drill contractor to implement a training program. We trained two drillers who are working right now, and in February will train two more. Eventually we will train 20-30 jobs upfront, targetting our impact communities. 3) We have employed northerners in the field, and 4) support career days and training programs. We have to make sure new contracts are competitive in term of cost and performance, and we make sure the contractors maximize northern content. There's a preference for northern ownership of businesses.

What kind of infrastructure do you have for Wheeler River? There are a lot of potential operations that could happen in the north. There's a possibility of a gold mine, a possible copper mine and the Wheeler River uranium mine. There's a lack of infrastructure – roads, power. Can you work with the mining companies and the federal and provincial governments to look at infrastructure so development could happen. Cameco is laying off a bunch of people, so there's a need for more development in the region. We need employment. Let's look at infrastructure needs. How can we provide infrastructure so development can happen in an area of potential. It's expensive for mines to bring their own infrastructure.

• **M. Liskowich:** Peter will mention some of the infrastructure that's needed to support this project.

Any news on the proposed road from McArthur River to Cigar Lake?

- **P. Longo:** We have met with the province. If that road is not built, this project does not go ahead. They are adding that to the model; I understood they would come and talk to communities about it.
- **M. Liskowich:** That road needs to be built. As soon as the province does it, there's no reason why it should not be done by people from the north.

Will the ore be transported in slurry or rock form?

• **P. Longo:** Still working on the details; probably not in slurry form, but it will be shipped in a regulated container.

Mini-workshops: Mark Liskowich

1. Road access route

- Mark introduced three potential routes to Phoenix and two from Phoenix to GryphonThe present route is not up to the required standard.
- There are some constraints: The road has to be 10 metres wide so it's safe for haul trucks. If we're cutting slopes through a hill, the slopes can't be steep because of runoff. 3:1 is the preferred slope. Maximum grade must be 7%, the same as the Key Lake to McArthur River haul road.
- We did not want to cross many streams or rivers, to avoid building culverts or bridges. We didn't want to be too close to lakes.

- There's one recreational lease cabin in the area not known if they want the road close or not.
- Mark explained details of the options.

Those attending formed groups based on age – over 20 and under 20 – to consider pros and cons of each option.

Questions/Comments

Which highway is it accessed from?

- M. Liskowich: The main access to the site is from Prince Albert through Pinehouse. How far will you haul the ore? Which way east or west? What's wrong with the route to Pinehouse through Beauval and Meadow Lake?
- M. Liskowich: It depends who's buying the yellowcake and where the product is going. Typically it goes to Elliot Lake and the Blind River refinery. I don't know if Denison has determined where their product will go or who their customer is. If it goes to Japan, it may go to the west coast and not through PA. The ore goes to McClean Lake.

Is there only one refinery in Canada? What about Chalk River?

• **M. Liskowich:** That's a medical isotope producer. Blind River is the refinery and Port Hope the enrichment and fuel fabrication plant.

Is the cabin owner in the area from Pinehouse?

• **M. Liskowich:** It's a recreation lease with two owners. It's not a TRU. The local trapper is Bobby John from Patuanak.

Pros & Cons – Community Input

Road alignment Highway - Phoenix:

Option 1:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

- o Intermediate (neutral) distance to the cabin
- Shortest distance
- o Fill could be re-used

Youth Group 2:

- o Shortest option; preferred option
- Road not that far and has least disturbance.

Adult Group

Shortest road

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

o Hill means lots of material to move

Youth Group 2:

- Not that far; least disturbance
- o Closest to the cabin.

Adult Group

Needs the most dirt moved; likely biggest impact.

Option 2:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

Least amount of fill

Youth Group 2:

Not that far; least disturbance.

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

Closest to both water and cabin

Youth Group 2:

o Closest to cabin.

Adult Group:

Closest to cabin

Option 3:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

- o Far from the lake and the cabin.
- o Partial road there already

Youth Group 2:

o Farthest from cabin and lake.

Adult Group:

O Uses the existing road and is away from both water and cabin. Best option.

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

Greatest distance.

Adult Group

Not discussed.

Other discussion:

- o What if cabin owner wants the road close?
- Need to understand impact on groundwater and lakes.
- o Need an environmental study on proposed route.
- o Do any wildlife transects cross the road?
- o Need a stormwater management plan and a spill response plan.
- o Local people would have the training to work on the road (including surveyors).
- o Monitoring with elders and students should be considered, as part of a guardianship program.

Road alignment Phoenix - Gryphon

Option 1:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

o Least amount of material

Youth Group 2:

- Shorter distance
- Less disturbance to land.

Adult Group

Not discussed

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

o Close to the lake

Youth Group 2:

o Closer to water; worse for safety and environmental incidents.

Adult Group

Not discussed

Option 2:

Pros:

Youth Group 1:

- o Farthest from water.
- o Shortest distance.

Youth Group 2:

Unknown

Adult Group:

Not discussed

Cons:

Youth Group 1:

o Much more material to be moved.

Youth Group 2:

o Unknown

Adult Group:

Not discussed

2. Water treatment discharge.

- Mark introduced potential discharge points, and discussed potential constraints. Those
 attending formed groups based on age over 20 and under 20 to consider pros and cons of
 each option.
- We looked at traditional use, and quantity and quality of water. We will be treating and releasing according to limits, but how much can we add to a system without overpowering the natural flow? We also looked at fish spawning areas.
- There are 20 tourist camps on Russell Lake. We used a disposition map to note recreational, TRU and exploration leases.
- We looked at lakes draining to Russell Lake; we looked at the watershed areas to see how much runoff contributes to each lake. Each is part of 15-16 baseline studies. We looked at connectivity also, and eliminated a lot of smaller ponds.
- We estimated ranges and flows using electronic sensors, and eliminated small systems
- Fish and habitat: we mapped spawning habitat.
- We came up with five options: there are no final decisions.
- Groups were asked to identify pros and cons.

Questions/Comments

How do you sample streams underground?

• M. Liskowich: Groundwater is also assessed as part of the baseline studies.

Have you identified any mercury?

• **M. Liskowich:** One lake has elevated mercury. We have all the data on every lake we sampled. None is high enough to be problematic.

Pros & Cons - Community Input

LA-7: Pros:

Youth Group 1

o Largest & deepest lake

Youth Group 2

- Less disturbance
- Discharging to all lakes is the same.
- If treatment is good, any lake is OK.
- LA-7 is the best.

Adult Group

o Discharge to LA-7 because it's the shortest distance to the mine site, and there's the most dilution.

LA-7: Cons:

Youth Group 1

- o Potential for (unknown word).
- o Downstream impact.

Youth Group 2

Adult Group

- Whatever we out into LA-7 winds up everywhere
- Concerns about sensitive species and habitat.

LA-6: Pros:

Youth Group 1

o Faster flow, smaller lake

Youth Group 2

No discussion

Adult Group

o No discussion

LA-6: Cons:

Youth Group 1

o Smallest lake.

Youth Group 2

o No discussion

Adult Group

No discussion

LA-5: Pros

Youth Group 1

o No discussion

Youth Group 2

o No discussion

Adult Group

o No discussion

LA-5: Cons

Youth Group 1

o No discussion

Youth Group 2

o No discussion

Adult Group

No discussion

LA-1: Pros

Youth Group 1

o Quick flow-through. Second biggest lake.

Youth Group 2

o No discussion

Adult Group

o No discussion

LA-1: Cons

Youth Group 1

o Far from site.

Youth Group 2

Adult Group

Russell Lake: Pros

Youth Group 1

o Biggest lake

Youth Group 2

No discussion

Adult Group

No discussion

Russell Lake: Cons

Youth Group 1

- o Far from site.
- Recreational use.

Youth Group 2

- o Don't discharge into Russell Lake due to fishing and cabins.
- o It could potentially kill fish.

Adult Group

3. Mining Methods

Peter explained the options for each deposit, giving some context for each.

Gryphon: Longhole stoping

- o Gryphon is about 500 metres down and about 4-500 metres long. The ore veins are in stacked lenses about three metres thick, about 200 metres high and 200 metres wide.
- o Two shafts would come from surface, then we'd ramp down along the side of the deposit, with horizontal drifts at the mining levels.
- The proposed mining method is longhole stoping, using top & bottom tunnels about 20 metres apart vertically. We drill 3-4" diameter blast holes between the two, load them with explosives and blast, with everyone out of the mine for safety. The 1-2' chunks will be trucked to the hoist in scoops and skipped out. The stopes will be backfilled with waste rock or cemented waste rock.
- Considerations: We know it's safe, physically and from a radiation perspective. It's used at Rabbit Lake's Eagle Point mine, and approved by the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission. Waste rock will go back into the empty stopes so it never comes to surface. The jobs are low-tech, with no high education or specialty expertise required. We can train a high school or college graduate.
- We know we can make money at \$20/lb; we would be in operation at today's prices with this method.

Students left at this point

Pros & Cons: Community Input

Longhole Stoping

Pros:

- o Have time to make this the best it can be and keep up with technology
- Workers seem to be safe from radiation

Cons:

- o Potential harm to workers over the long term.
- o Concern abut health of miners, related to ventilation, lighting and monitoring.
- o Safety.
- o Health inspectors need to visit the mine, and individuals should know their radiation readings.
- o Community members need to sit on the safety committee.
- Look into real-time results for dose

Phoenix: Directional Drilling or ISR Mining

- The Phoenix deposit is 400 metres below surface. It occurs as a big pancake 30m wide and 6m thick, similar to Cigar Lake but a lot smaller. There are two zones: A is 400 metres long, B is 300m long. The average grade is 40%, higher than Cigar Lake but smaller.
- At this grade the ore is black and clayey, with some hard parts like pure metal.
- Ground conditions just above the ore body are poor, like beach sand. There is also 400m of water pressure in the sandstone above, similar to Cigar Lake. We cannot open any tunnels or use traditional mining methods.

- Cameco developed a jet bore system (JBS) to mine Cigar Lake, the only mine in the
 world similar to this. They encountered a lot of technical challenges that caused decades
 of delays. It was very expensive capital cost-wise. We did a business case and determined
 that operationally, it would cost about \$30/lb to mine so it could not be done at today's
 prices. It's very complex, and requires high-end technical personnel and skill sets. So we
 walked away from JBS.
- After looking at other industries, we have two options:
 - 1) directional drilling, used a lot in oil and gas. A parent hole would be drilled from surface vertically, then turned horizontally until it hit the ore body. It would have a steel casing from the ore body back to surface. A series of 17.5"diameter holes would excavate the ore and backfill the holes with concrete. The next hole would be drilled right beside it. After 4,300 drill holes, the deposit will be mined out.
 - We know it's safe to operate. It's never been done from a radiation perspective, but we know diamond drilling is safe; ore handling is remote.
 - o There would be minimal surface disturbance, just a drill pad. This method would require about 150 personnel on surface, including technical, labourers, trades, management, camp services etc. High school and college graduates could do this.
 - There would be no water discharge; the water would be re-used in a closed system for drilling. The ore would still be shipped to McClean Lake, and it would still produce tailings.
 - O 2) ISR In Situ Recovery. This has been used since the 1960s worldwide, although not for uranium in Canada. In 2011, almost 50% of the global uranium supply was mined through ISR. It's used in the States, Australia, and Kazakhstan. It's the trend of where things have gone.
 - o Based on the regulations from the States, we think it will be doable.
 - Peter explained the ISR process, which uses injections wells and recovery wells.
 Monitoring holes ensure the mining solution does not escape the area. If it does, we can shut off injection, reverse it, or increase pumping from recovery wells.
 It's very flexible.
 - The plant is about one-third the size of a football field. Inside is piping and tanks.
 They add the reagents are similar to those used in mills up north, and precipitate yellowcake.
 - Once the deposit is mined out, we keep pumping and treating, and pump clean water back down, recycling it. This eventually, over years, restores the groundwater to its natural state.
 - At Wheeler River, the groundwater around the orebodies is already contaminated not safe to drink of for wildlife, so it has to be treated before release. The amount of water released to the environment would be minimal. To be able to return the area to the natural state would be less challenging. In Wyoming they're pulling it from a drinking water aquifer so they have to return it to drinking water quality.
 - O Advantages: We know it's safe; other countries are doing it. Radiation-wise it's safe because its done remotely. Environmentally it causes very low disturbance. The big thing: there are no tailings; the solution goes back down. It's low-cost and sustainable. We know we could operate at any price point. We should be able to do it without highly technically trained people.
 - o It would be the first such method for uranium in Saskatchewan.

Questions/Comments

How many exploration camps do you have in our area?

• **P. Longo:** One at Wheeler River; about six around the eastern Athabasca region. Not all are permanent.

I have worked for contractors; we never could become shifters, or progress. We always had to work hard, but shifters always came from somewhere else. We have to look at it from a different perspective so we don't have to stay in one area and do one thing.

• **P. Longo:** If you can work on the training and development and get the experience, the sky's the limit on what you can do. I started at the bottom and worked my way up.

Today's kids are more technical so they can get more technical jobs.

• **P. Longo:** Absolutely. A lot of the work is done remotely on joysticks etc.

Is this company controlled by another country?

• **P. Longo:** We're a publicly traded Canadian company. I'm from Saskatoon; we have a team in Toronto. We've been here a long time. Cameco is also Canadian. There are dozens of uranium exploration companies that are Canadian.

What do you do with secondary mineral deposits – e.g. re-mine tailings for gold.

• **P. Longo:** There are secondary ones at both deposits, but it's primarily uranium.

Would it be an expensive site?

• **P. Longo:** Less than a JBS. In today's market we would still be running. We're sustainable. *Northlands College had an oil rig for training.*

Which part of Africa are you in?

P. Longo: None any more. We were in Mauretania, Tanzania. We sold our international
assets

How long is the training valid for? Is the training readily available in the region? We have to engage Northlands College or Northwest College; that might be another opportunity for Northlands College Mine School. Maybe we can form partnerships to buy equipment and train locally.

- **P. Longo:** We have years to work out these things.
- **M. Liskowich:** Right now this is at the infant stage. They're working out whether or not it's a feasible option. Even if it is, we still have the four-year environmental assessment process.

When will you sign a Surface Lease Agreement?

• **M. Liskowich:** That comes after the environmental assessment. Once we are approved by the minister to proceed, then the province and the company negotiate for a surface lease. Denison hopes to get it worked out with the impact communities before that.

There is confusion around the procurement policies in the province. I think they've done away with surface lease agreements.

• **M. Liskowich:** They're still there. The company makes commitments to the province within the surface lease regarding northern procurement northern employment and training. Industry is evolving and making agreements outside the SLAs, but one does not offset the other.

Are the SLAs within the NAD line?

- **M. Liskowich:** If it's south of the NAD line, you buy the land or make an agreement with the owner of the land.
- The Government Relations Northern Engagement Branch deals with surface leases.

With all the exploration claims, is there any policy regarding use it or lose it?

- **P. Longo:** We have to spend a certain amount on the property each year in order to maintain the claim. If we don't, it lapses and someone else can claim it. We have to report annually on how much we spend.
- M. Liskowich: It has to be justified spending.

There's no underground, so it seems better from a health and safety perspective.

It's cheaper, safer, cleaner – that's the future of drilling. But a lot of people don't know about it, so how do we educate our students who are looking at careers? Communication to the northern communities is important.

• L. Willemse: Communicate the ideas and the training information?

Multiple conversations – inaudible.

Discussion of radiation protection.

With all the procurement opportunities throughout your life cycle; look in your back yard first. The supply chain stuff is very important, and northerners can supply some of the goods and services needed. A plug for our local development corporation – they have a security contract, a joint venture through Flyer Electric, catering; we have a market garden where we sell \$30,000 of fresh fruits and vegetables in the community; the fish processing plant sells fresh fish. You could use that now.

We were making coveralls for the mines at one time, sponsored by Sask Abilities.

• **P. Longo:** That's part of the MOU process. We can share what work is coming up for us. Let's buy what we're buying up north. It makes sense for us and for you.

There's also a land use framework – LUP – every community is going to be mapped, including traditional land use. Ile a la Crosse has one partially completed.

• **P. Longo:** We have incorporated the ones we've received. We're happy to be part of that, in conversation and financially, and to make sure our project respects the land uses that are there.

The one important pillar is community investment. I don't know if Cameco and AREVA do it enough, but we're looking at a new and different way. Community investment offers long-term solutions.

• **P. Longo:** That's the world today, and we're happy to do it. We have to run an economic business, and everyone can benefit from that.

What type of worker education is required for ISR mining?

• **P. Longo:** The plant we visited in Wyoming used high school or college grads. You don't need PhDs etc.

How similar is this to SAGD (steam-assisted gravity drainage), used in recovering oil?

- **P. Longo:** Very different. They pump steam in under pressure to liquefy the oil. We will be drilling 3" holes every 10-15 feet and using water at normal pressure.
- M. Liskowich: No rock is taken out of the ground. It's also used in uranium mining.
- **L. Willemse:** We pump in a solution to dissolve the uranium from the formation. It is then carried in the water that gets pumped out. In situ just means inside, so it means the recovery is happening within the deposit.

How close is it to fracking?

• **P. Longo:** Not at all. Fracking uses high pressure; there's no pressure in ISR except the natural water pressure.

Is the geology in Wyoming the same as at the Wheeler River site?

• **P. Longo:** They're similar, but different. They were 400-1200 feet below surface; we're 400 metres.

Why is the Wheeler River water not good?

- **M. Liskowich:** It's groundwater interacting with the ore body.
- **P. Longo:** This is not surface water; it's the natural groundwater flowing through the cracks in the ground. The Wheeler River is not affected.

You will write agreements for things like training? No small print?

• **P. Longo:** The intent, after the MOU, is to work out an agreement with every community. *Have there been any major safety issues?*

• M. Liskowich: The studies are under way now to determine if it's a method that will work in this deposit. Every deposit is a little different. If it can be done, it's a good option. It would be

the first uranium deposit in Canada to be mined this way. A similar technique is use din southern Saskatchewan in three potash mines.

Would you need individual environmental assessments for Gryphon and Phoenix?

• M. Liskowich: You could do it separately or as one package.

Pros & Cons: Community Input

1. Directional drilling

Pros:

Adult Group

- People who were trained on oil and gas could transfer their skills. Northlands College has a relevant program.
- o Does not have much of a footprint
- Cleaner and safer
- o Can use the local supply chain.

Cons:

Adult Group

- o Possible higher repair and maintenance costs.
- Concerned about skills transfer from the oil and gas industry (how long licenses last, local training).
- o Have to educate people about the mining method and training that's needed.
- o People don't know this is a career option.
- o Uncertainty about radiation safety.

2. ISR (In Situ Recovery):

Pros:

Adult Group:

- We know it works in other places
- No major safety issues
- o No waste piles.

Cons:

Adult Group

o Not enough information to understand the pros and cons.

Overview:

- o People will have a lot of questions because it hasnlt been done in Canada.
- o Lab work is still ongoing.

Baseline Environmental Data: Lea Willemse

- To establish whether we have an effect on the environment when we mine, we need to understand what's there now, to establish a baseline. In the past two years we have done a lot of studies. We hired terrestrial and aquatic biologists, archaeologists, hydrologists, geologists to use their expertise to give us that data to establish what's at site at present.
- **Heritage survey**: The Saskatchewan Conservation Branch required an archaeological assessment of the project areas to be impacted by development, and around areas with potential cultural significance. We did hundreds of surveys around proposed road routes and areas where your ancestors would have hunted and fished. We found one artifact. They assessed it and found it to be pre-contact and of little interpretive value. It led to a more detailed search of the area. It was not in the area we would develop on; it was next to a lake and we would never develop that close. The Conservation Branch issued clearance to proceed.
- We are actively monitoring atmospheric **radon** all around the project area. The analysis showed the highest level was less than 7 bq/m3 vs. Health Canada's indoor guideline of 200 bq/m3.

- Aquatic Environment: We surveyed lakes, ponds and rivers for depths and elevation. The deepest was Krachkowski Lake, the shallowest Lake 6. The ponds were shallow. The data used in the hydrology assessment was used in our discharge location evaluation. They measured stream flows in 13 lakes, two ponds and 16 watercourses; currently, flow metres are installed at eight locations.
- Water quality: We analyzed a number of parameters, and established background levels for metals, including mercury. We know the surface water quality right now before we start working around and discharging to them.
- **Sediment:** We analyzed for metals, radionuclides; all were at or below Saskatchewan sediment quality guideline values. We assessed the type of sediments; silty clays and sandy silts.
- **Phytoplankton:** The algae in water and on rocks; food for bugs. We found 55 types of phytoplankton and 32 types of zooplankton, all consistent across the site. The waters are all flowing and connected.
- **Benthic invertebrates:** They feed on plankton. There is a very high number, 1000 to 10,000 per cubic metre. That's food for fish. Numbers and species are consistent around the site. We have a very healthy and sustainable ecosystem with low levels of metals and radionuclides.
- **Fish:** Northern assistants helped with this survey, which found 13 species of fish. Some prefer the streams vs. the lakes. We completed spawning surveys because we want to avoid those areas. We found a healthy fish community with a lot of food. It was catch and release except where they needed tissue samples. Lake trout, pike, arctic grayling and burbot.
- **Groundwater:** We looked at shallower groundwater around the project facility rather than the deeper groundwater around the orebody. There are level loggers in wells right now. We drilled four wells and analyzed for metals, dissolved metals, major ions, and radionuclides.
- **Terrestrial baseline:** Done on an area of 400 sq. km vs. 48 sq. km for the project area. The predominant land cover is 52% jackpine, blueberry, lichen; a smaller percentage water, then jackpine. The same in the local study area but different percentage, higher jackpine, blueberry, lichen coverage. Samples of blueberry, lichens and soil were tested for radionuclides.
- **Pellets:** We found grouse/ptarmigan, woodland caribou, moose. We counted scat to find out what type of vegetation was preferred and what time of year it was eaten. E.g. caribou and moose select boggy areas in summer where there's water and it's cooler.

Questions/Comments

I go to climate change meetings in different provinces; I hear the science. But the cultural side of it is never talked about, the plant uses etc. I would like to see them both come together.

• L. Willemse: It is taking place; there is a good documentary called Inuit Knowledge and Climate Change. They interviewed Baffin Island Inuit regarding their knowledge and the way they traditionally use the land, and changes they've seen over their lifetime. They incorporate traditional knowledge from their ancestors. I have a copy and you can download it.

We are going to do same thing; it's called guardianship. Mining should use that same model to work with cultural people.

• M. Liskowich: We're very cognizant of that. We are trying to get hold of existing TK information: English River gave us their territorial map, we are in contact with Pinehouse for their primary area map; we are happy to work with you and Beauval also. It's our intent to integrate all the tradition knowledge we can have access to into the document, to support our environmental studies. We did not include elders on the studies, but we had English River's maps, and much of that information was used. From being involved in other mining exercises in this area, we have a pretty decent understanding of most of the plants and animals that

have a hierarchy in terms of priorities – berry-picking, fishing and hunting areas, for example. We're happy to integrate that information.

Ile a la Crosse and Beauval went through that process with the logging industry. At the same time, we're behind in the process; the projects are coming faster than ever because the federal government is providing the funding.

Do you have the environmental statistics? Who did the testing?

- L. Willemse: Yes. The team is called Ecometrics; they are based in Ontario.
- M. Liskowich: The four field assistants came from Patuanak. We had Saskatchewan companies bid but they were too high. We told the company to hire locally, and supplied resumés from English River, Ile a la Crosse, Pinehouse and Beauval.

Are caribou close to the mining area?

• L. Willemse: They were found in two transects.

Did you test wild meat?

• **L. Willemse:** No, we didn't want to kill them. The moose testing program is still active in the province. It's voluntary – hunters are asked to send in samples.

Copies of presentation handed out.



AGENDA



- 1. Denison Introduction / Refresher
- 2. Workshop
 - A. Site Access Road Route Options
 - B. Treated Water Discharge Location Options
 - C. Mining Method Options
- 3. Environmental Baseline Data Collection Update

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A Canadian uranium exploration & development Company

- Public company, but only 5% of the size of Cameco
- A history of uranium mining, but no active mining operations
- Several exploration properties in the eastern Athabasca Basin
- 60% owner and the operator of the Wheeler River Project

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A joint venture partner with Areva at McClean Lake

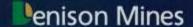
- Denison owns 22.5 % of the McClean Lake uranium deposits and the McClean Lake uranium mill (shown above) – Areva (70%) is operator
- In our preliminary plans, Denison has assumed that the ore from Wheeler River will be processed at the McClean Lake mill

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An operator of a Canadian environmental services business

- ~40 employees based in Elliot Lake, Ontario
- Maintains Denison's closed and reclaimed mine site in Elliot Lake
- Provides services to mining companies and governments across Canada



> A strong supporter of our local communities

- McClean Lake community programs
- Denison procurement from local vendors and personnel in northern communities

Saskatchewan

- Serpent River First
 Nations employment,
 youth education initiative
- Supported creation of a retirement lifestyle community after mining was completed

Elliot Lake

- Supported construction of schools and health offices for local villages
- · Drilled water wells
- Leadership roles for local technical & admin staff

Former African Assets

Location

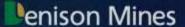


Wheeler River Today: Uranium Exploration

- Exploration camp
- Drilling in winter & summer



Wheeler River Today

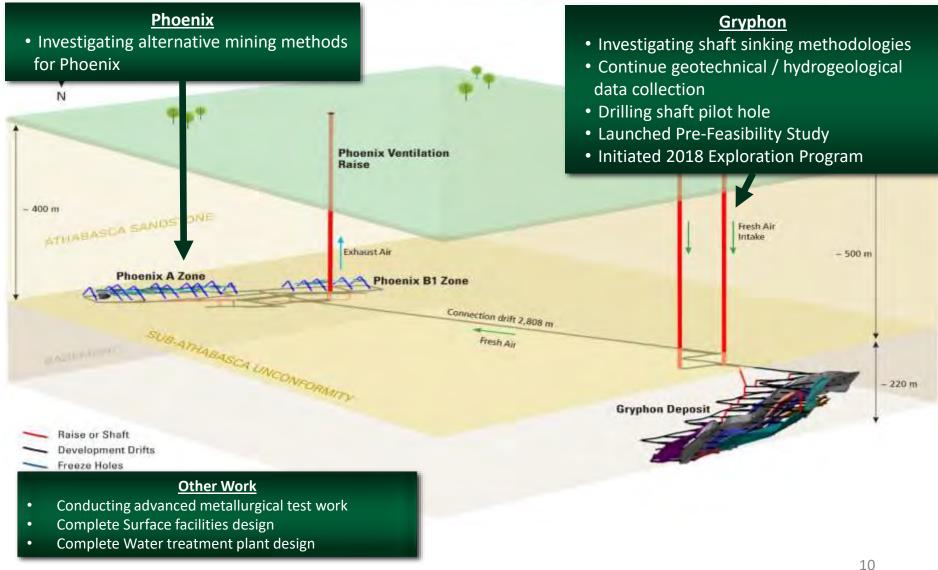




In comparison

- ➤ McArthur River: Produced ~290M lbs, Reserves 234M lbs
- Rabbit Lake: Produced ~202M lbs, Resources: ~70M lbs

2017/2018 Activities



Wheeler River Future

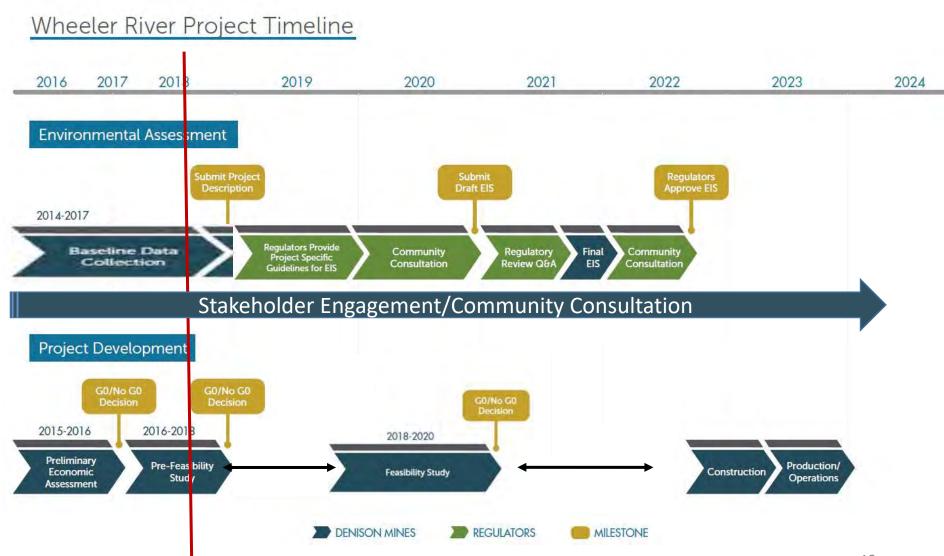


- Initial and sustaining capital costs ~CAD\$1.13 billion
- First uranium production projected by 2025/2026
- Operating costs expected to average US\$19/pound U₃O₈
- Uranium spot price quoted at ~US\$20/pound U₃O₈



Denison believes in the future of nuclear energy and is investing in the people and the province of Saskatchewan, despite historic low uranium prices and difficult market conditions

Wheeler River: A Long Road Ahead



1. Denison

- Drill camp supplied by the Beauval General Store
- Worked with Drill Contractor to run a Drill Training Program, 2 northerners trained in fall, more to come
- Employed northerners for baseline field program support
- Supported career days last fall in Patuanak
- Financially supported the IRM Program (BEAHR Program)

2. Denison Procurement: New contracts require

- Competitive Costs & performance
- Maximize northern employment and procurement of goods
- Preference for northern ownership stake

Northern Capacity Development



- Communities Requested Formal Agreements: Denison Issued Draft MOU (Memorandum of Understanding)
 - Formalize intent for Denison and Communities to work together in spirit of cooperation and respect
 - Sets the stage for an IBA (Impact Benefits Agreement) following the advancement of the project. Focus on 4 main areas:
 - Environmental Sustainability
 - Employment, Education and Training
 - Business Opportunities
 - Community Investment
- Draft issued to four communities/First Nations
 - Pinehouse, Ile a la Crosse, Beauval and ERFN
 - 2 signed, 2 remain under review

EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Aquatics

- Hydrology
- water quality
- lake bathymetry
- sediment quality
- benthic invertebrate communities
- benthic invertebrate chemistry
- fish community
- fish tissue chemistry











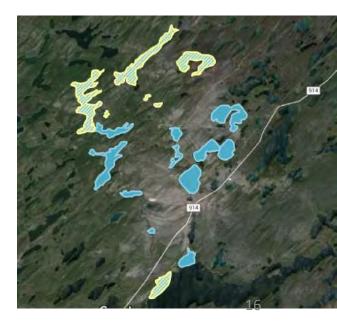


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EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Terrestrial

•	ecological land classification	\checkmark
•	breeding bird surveys	\checkmark
•	ungulate pellet counts	\checkmark
•	winter tracking surveys	\checkmark
•	aquatic furbearer shoreline surveys	\checkmark
•	small mammal trapping & chemistry	\checkmark
•	amphibian surveys	\checkmark
•	characterization of terrain and soil types	\checkmark
•	vegetation and soil chemistry	\checkmark
•	vegetation community	√

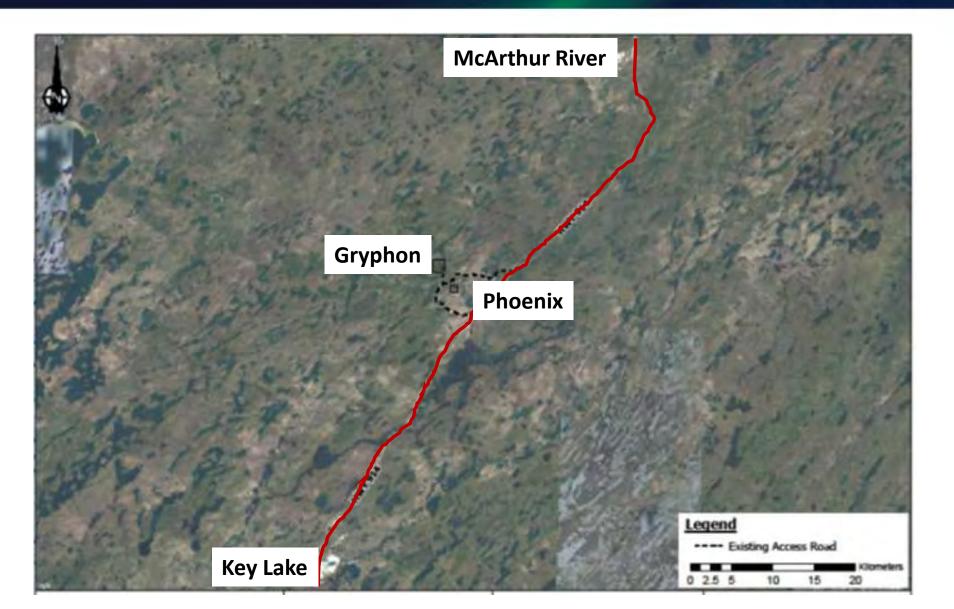


Heritage

heritage resources assessment



Wheeler River Road Access Alignment



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Wheeler River Road Access Alignment

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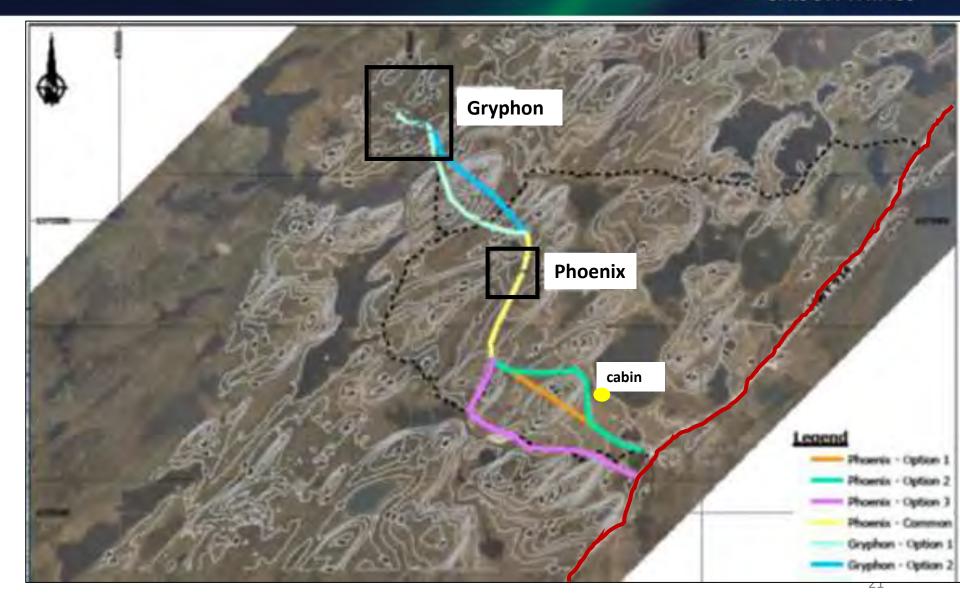
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- 10 m wide
- Slopes of cuts must be 3H:1V
- Grade must not exceed 7%

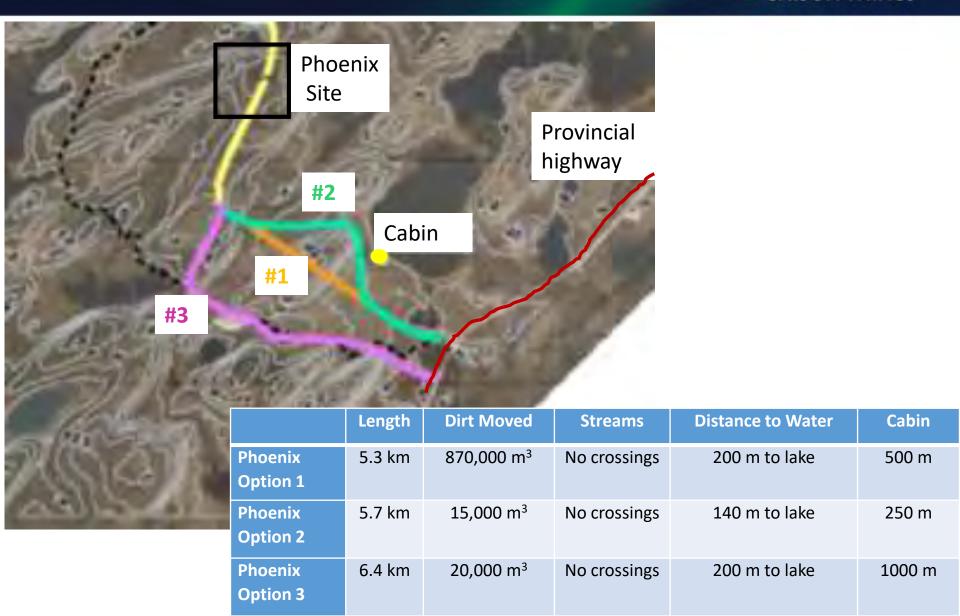
Considerations

- Stream and river crossings, how many, how big
- Proximity to lakes
- Proximity to Cabin

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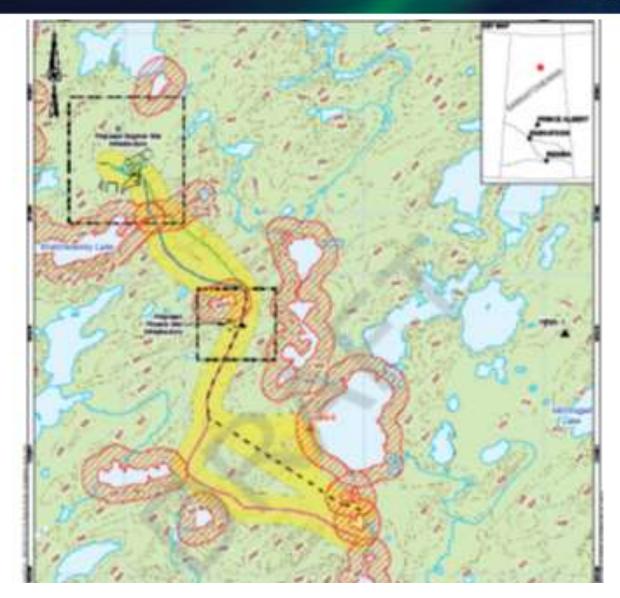
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	Length Km	Dirt Moved	Streams	Distance To Water
Gryphon Option 1	3.3	265,000 m ³	1 crossing (existing bridge)	25 m
Gryphon Option 2	3.1	1,000,000 m ³	1 crossing (existing bridge)	200 m

Wheeler River Road Access Alignment





Discharge Location Options



- Potential locations for treated water discharge were identified and assessed for:
 - 1. Preliminary understanding of land uses
 - Traditional territories
 - Trails, trap lines, country food harvesting, angling
 - Cabins, camps
 - Industrial properties
 - 2. Potential impacts to water quantity and quality
 - Avoid locations with low flows
 - Minimize increase in flows
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - 3. Potential impacts to fish and fish habitat
 - Avoid spawning habitat

Discharge Location Options Traditional Knowledge and Land Use

- Preliminary understanding of land uses from:
 - ERFN traditional territories map
 - Land disposition map
 - Observations during baseline (2016-2017)





Discharge Location Options Identification

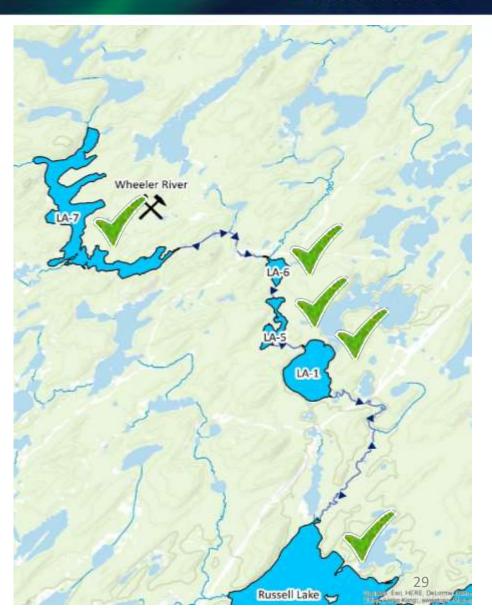
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1. Preliminary factors:

- Capacity (size of lake)
- Watershed area (drainage)
- 2. Fish Spawning Grounds
 - Avoid
- 3. Flow Capacity
 - Can't be more than 50% treated



- LA-7, LA-6, LA-5, LA-1 and Russel Lake
 - Are environmentally safe to discharge into
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - Avoid spawning habitat
 - Community Considerations:
 - Cabins & fishing on Russell lake
 - Length of pipeline and disturbance to land
 - Other?





Mining Method Options

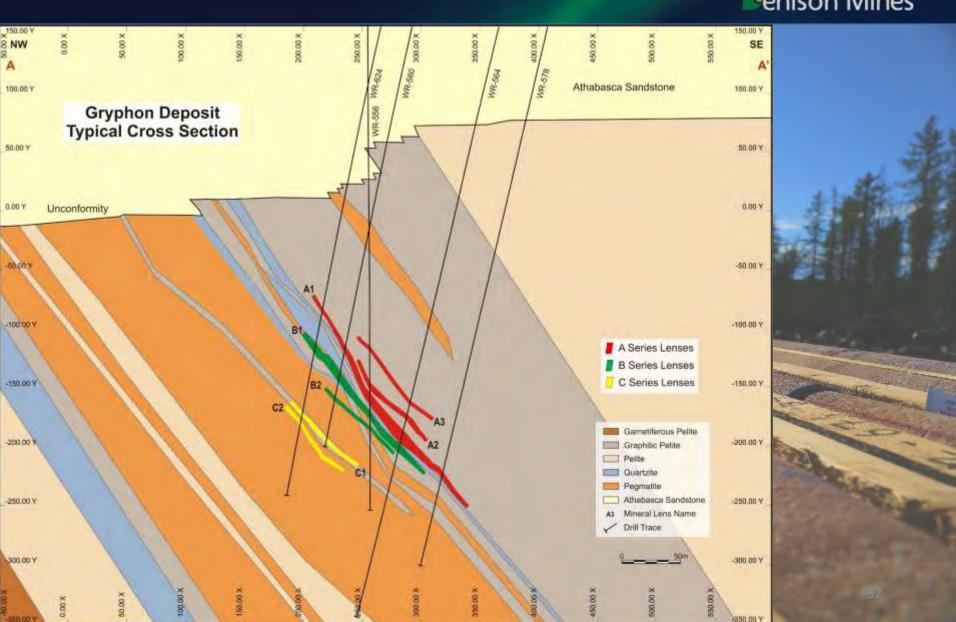
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Gryphon: Longhole Mining

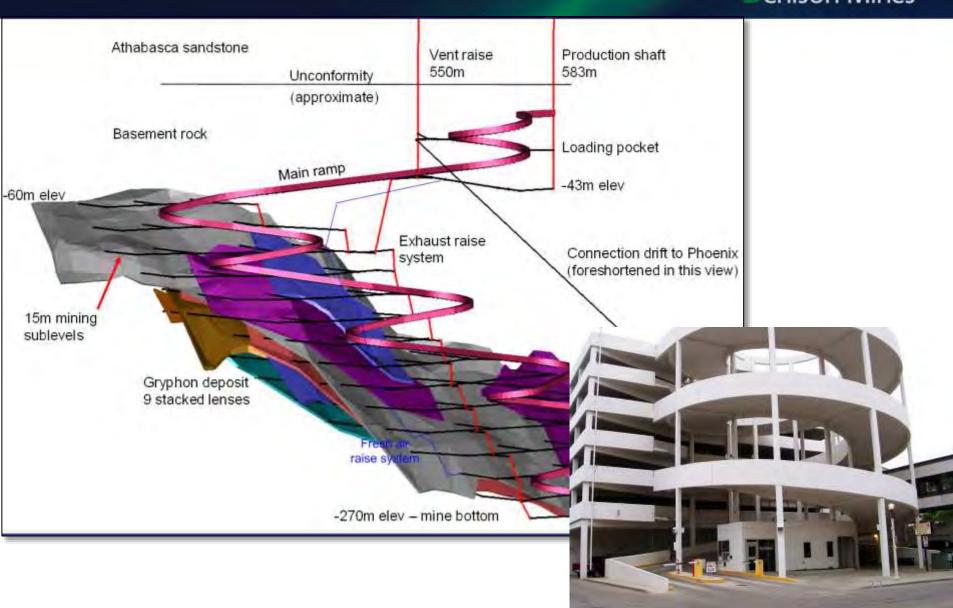
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Insitu Recovery

Gryphon - Geology



Mining Method – Gryphon Deposit



Gryphon Longhole Mining Method

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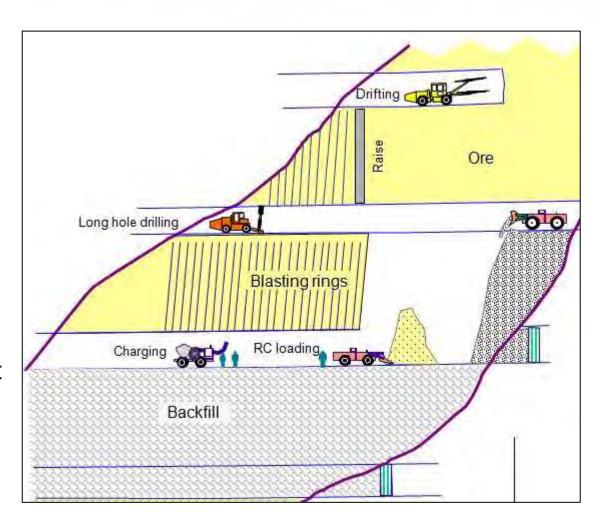
Step 1: Develop (drift) tunnels above and below the ore

Step 2: Drill holes between the two tunnels

Step 3: Load holes with explosives, blasting the ore

Step 4: Excavate (muck) out the ore

Step 5: Backfill opening



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Considerations:

- Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures throughout Canada and the global mining industry
- Radiation Safety: Proven safe, CNSN approved
- Environmental: Minimizes waste rock on surface can be used as backfill
- Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
- Industry Employment: No special skills / education required,

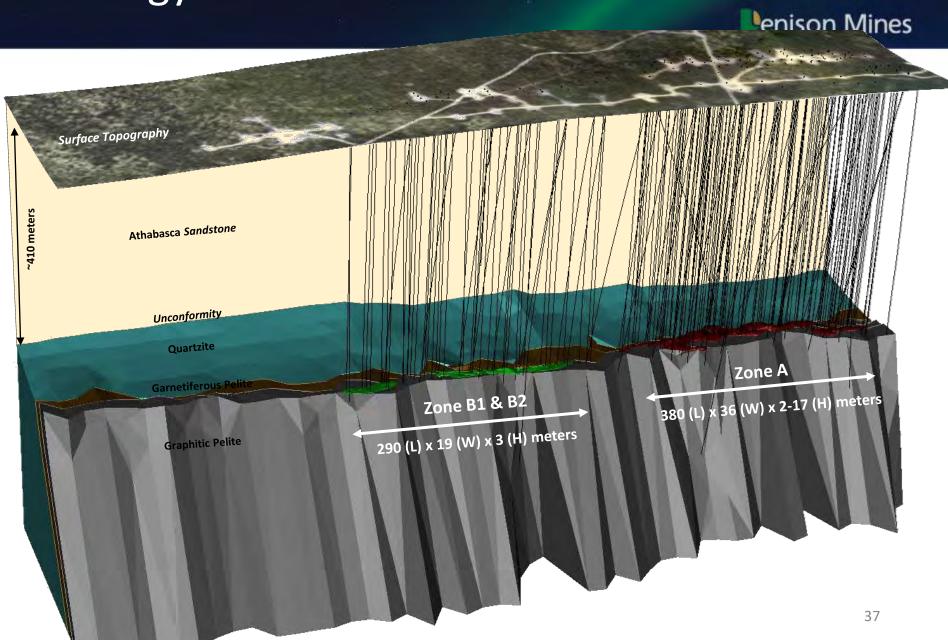
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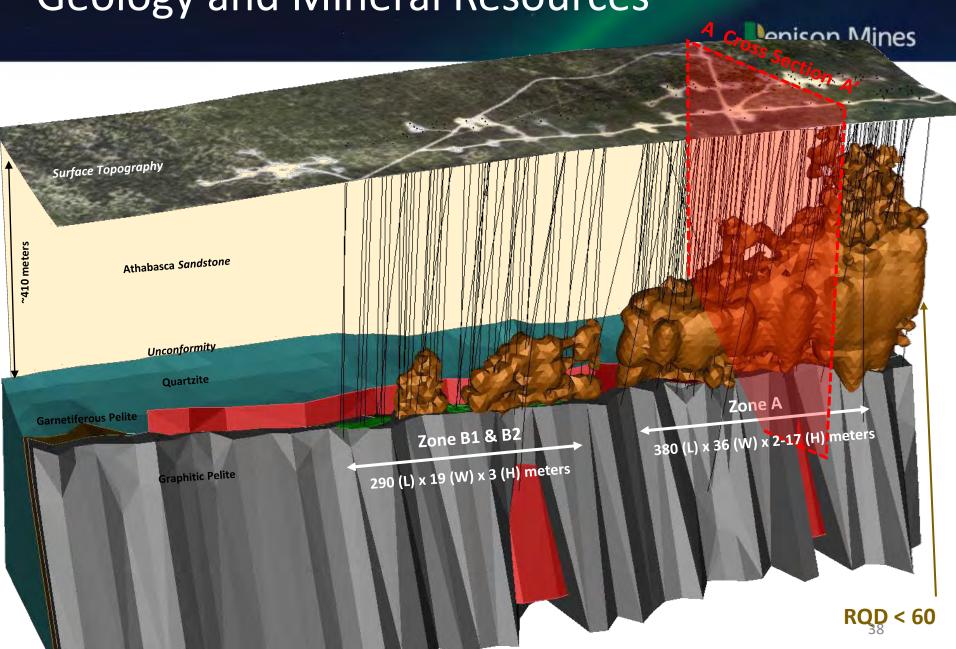
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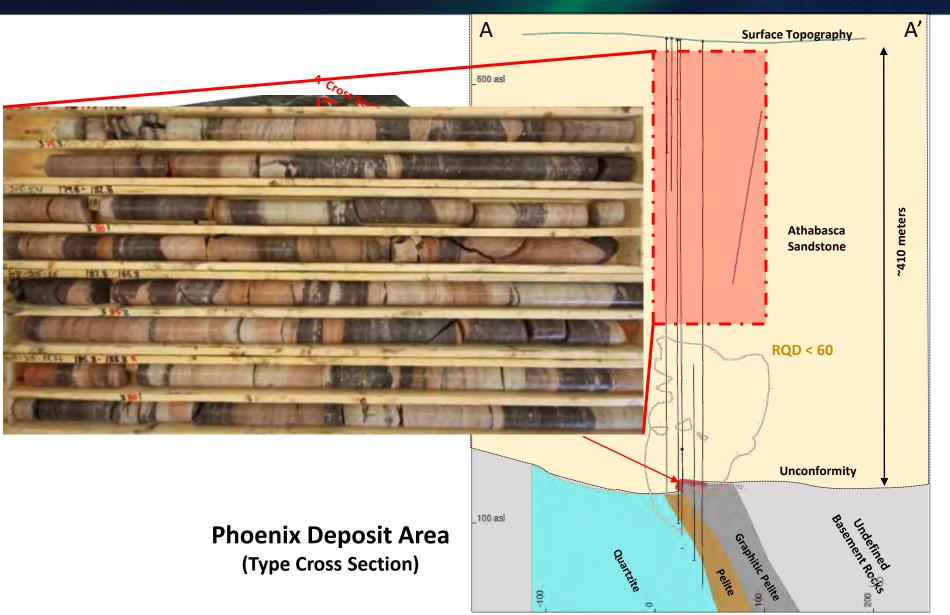
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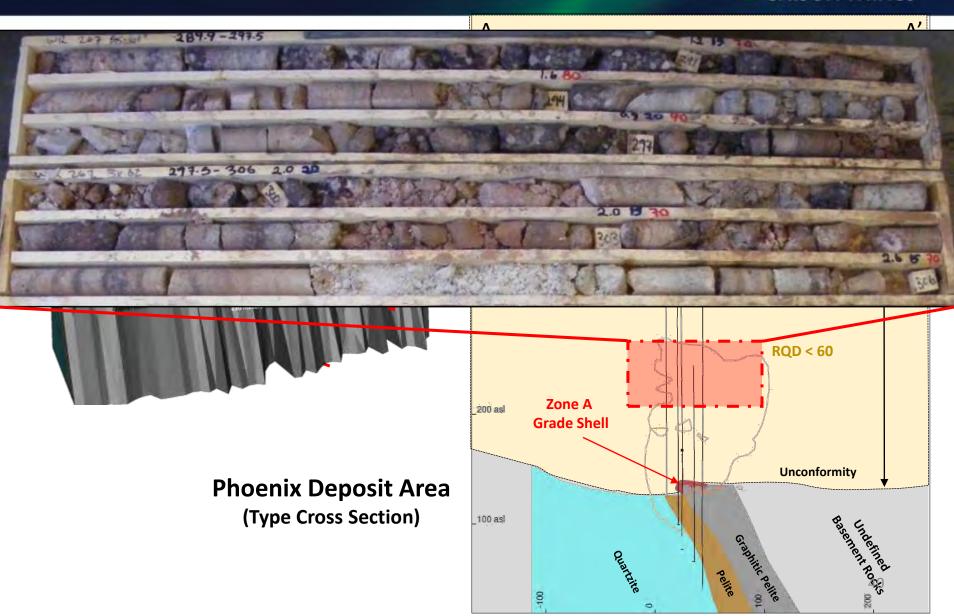
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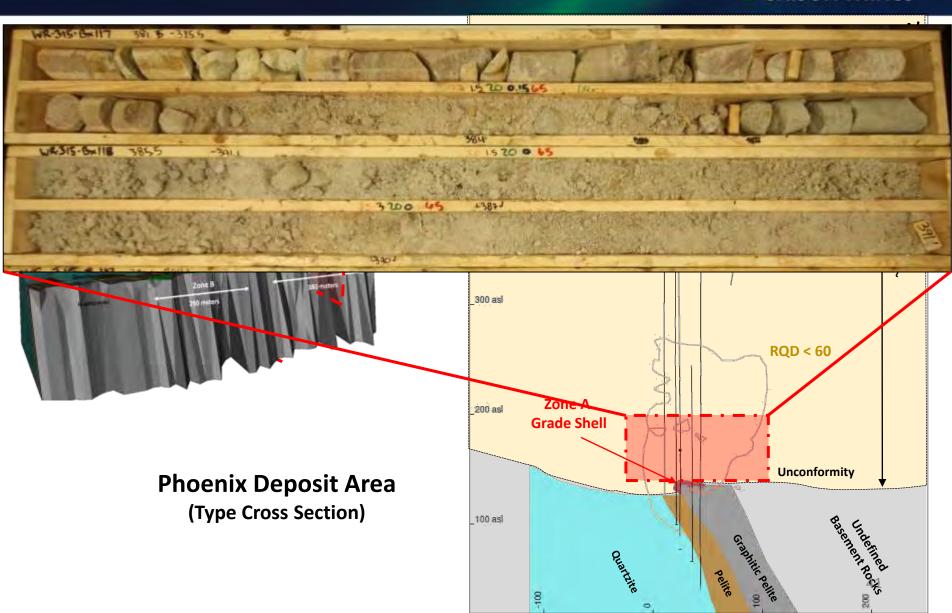
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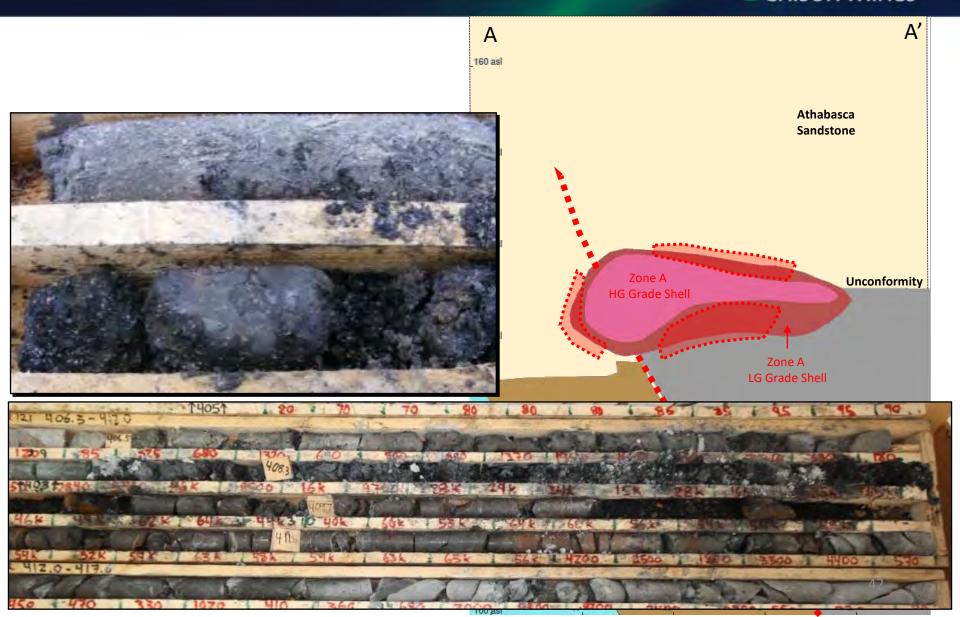












Phoenix: Mining Methods



- Due to poor ground conditions and high grade unable to use conventional mining methods
- Evaluated using Jet Boring System (i.e. Cigar Lake):
 - High Risk of technical challenges
 - Extreme Capital cost requirements
 - High operating cost
 - High degree of technical skills and education for employees
 - Not profitable / sustainable in current market

Mining Method Options

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Gryphon: Longhole Mining

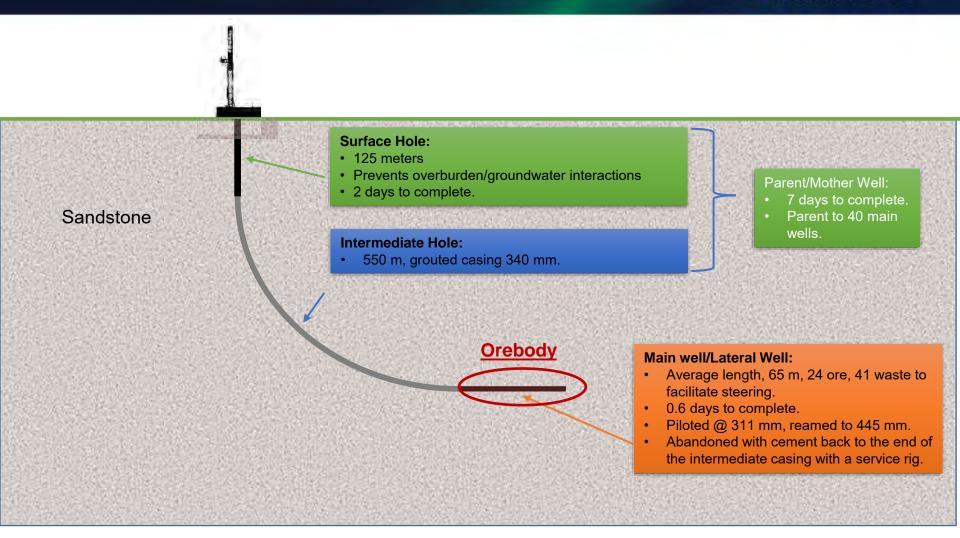
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Phoenix Mining: Directional Drilling



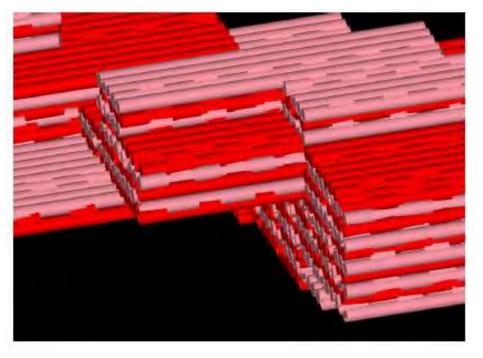
Phoenix Mining: Surface Boring

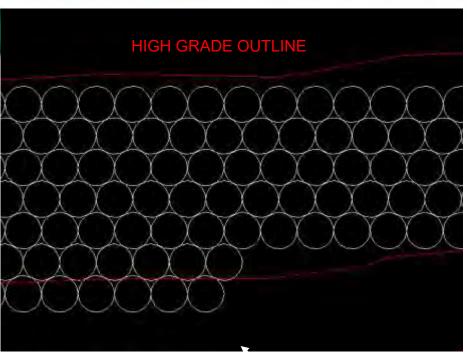


Phoenix Mining: Surface Boring - Recovery Penison Mines

Phoenix Honeycomb Pattern

- 90% theoretical recovery
- ~4,300 boreholes through deposit (assuming 17.5" diameter)
- 340,000 meters of drilling





- 30-40m length holes in ore
- 30-40m length in waste / low grade
- Holes backfilled after drilled

Phoenix Directional Drilling

Considerations:

- Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures established in Canada and the global industry
- Radiation Safety: remote operation, no workers exposed to ore.
- Environmental: Minimal surface and u/g disturbance, no water discharge,
- Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
- Industry Employment: No special skills / education required
- Material still needs to be trucked to McClean mill for processing
- Tailings are still produced

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Gryphon: Longhole Mining

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Phoenix Options - ISR

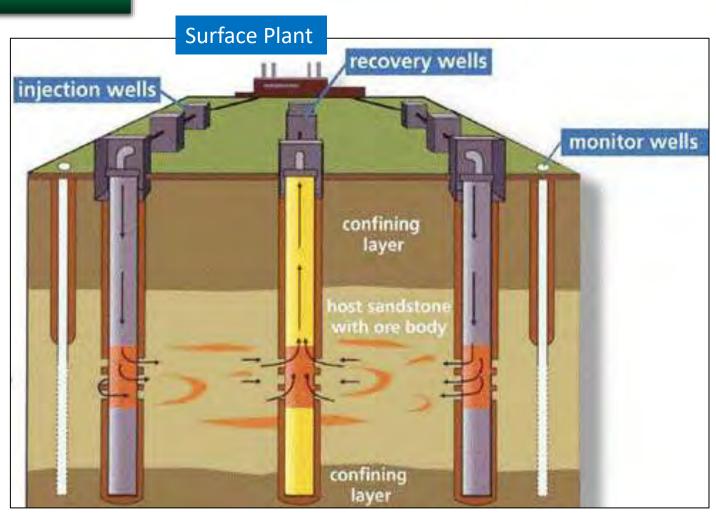


- Insitu Recovery has been utilized since the early 1960s
- Between 1961 and 2010 approximately 227, 700 t U was produced which equaled approximately 10% of historic global production
- In 2011 ISR production jumped to 46% of global production and is somewhere in this range today
- Production generally comes from 9 different jurisdictions
 - US and Australia would be considered the only two of these that host regulatory regimes similar in nature to Canada

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ISR Process Overview

- Inject solution into the orebody via injection wells
- 2. Recovery solution via recovery well and pump to plant
- 3. In Surface Plant surface uranium is separated from solution
- Solution is reinjected to extract more uranium
- 5. Restoration

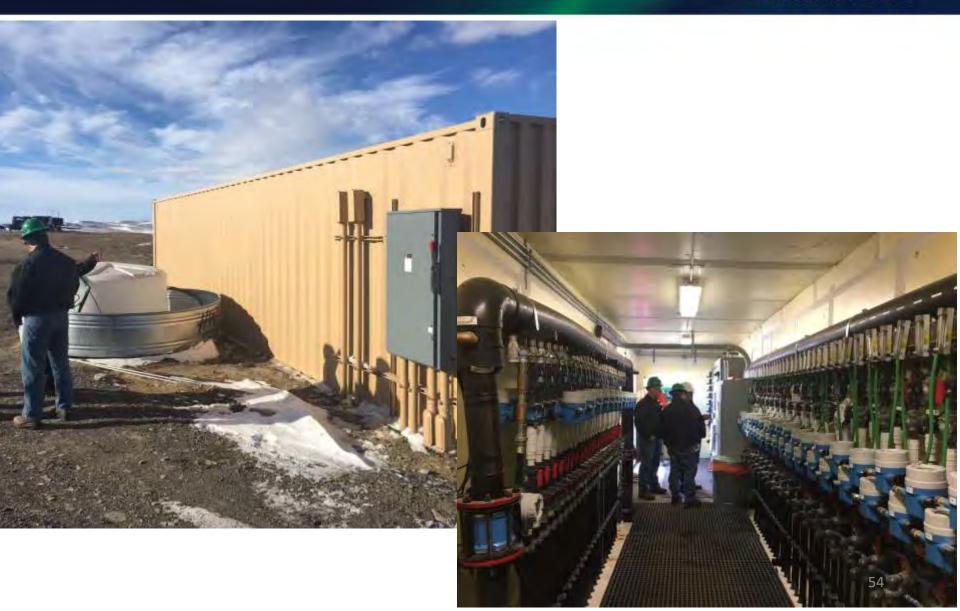


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Surface Photo of Active ISR Operation







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ISR Process Overview

- Uranium is stripped from the pregnant solution
- Peroxide or ammonia is then used to precipitate Uranium in solid
- Product is washed, dewatered and dried to form Yellowcake





Common Questions

- Can we contain the mining solution during operations?
 - Monitoring / samples holes enable tracking of solution
 - Ability to increase / decrease pumping in/out of any individual hole
- Can we restore the groundwater conditions to baseline conditions following mining operations?
 - Continue treatment of water to adjust ph levels
 - Add lime or other basic element to increase ph
- At Wheeler we are currently gathering baseline information but we know the water quality now is not acceptable for use by humans or animals

Phoenix ISR



Considerations:

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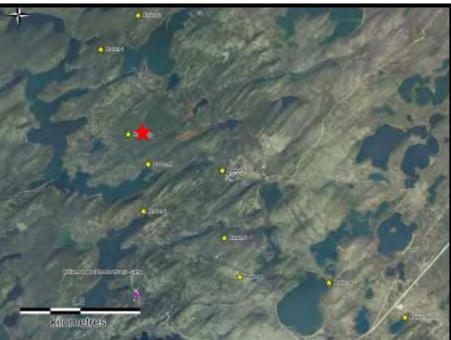


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Atmospheric Radon Monitoring

- Radon detectors at 10 locations around Project Area
- Radon levels reported below <7.0 Bq/m³
- Health Canada's radon guideline is 200 Bq/m³







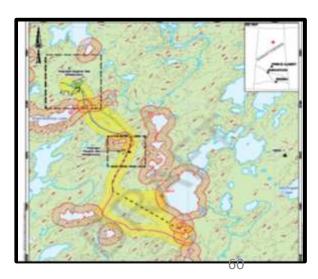
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Heritage

- Field program was completed in July 2017
 - Pedestrian reconnaissance and shovel probe/ tests
- One artifact HiNi-6 was discovered west of lake and deemed "limited interpretative value" by SK
- Clearance for project area received in Dec. 2017



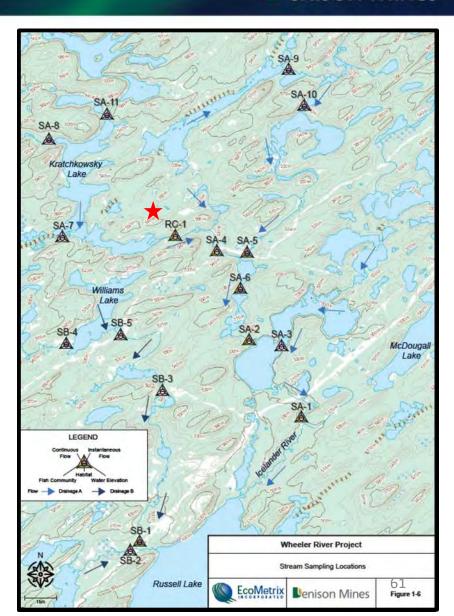




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Aquatic Environment

- Aquatic Habitat
- Bathymetry
- Hydrology
- Water Quality
- Sediment Quality
- Plankton Community
- Benthic Invertebrate Community
- Fish Community and Spawning





Aquatics: Aquatic Habitat

- Lake Depth
 - Max. 21.8 m LA-7A
 - Min. 2.7 m LA-6

- Pond Depth:
 - Max. 3.2 m PA-2
 - Min. 2.7 m PA-1



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Aquatics: Hydrology

- Water level elevations measured at 13 lakes and 2 ponds
- Stream flow measurements measured at 16 watercourses
- Continuous monitoring equipment installed at 8 locations





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Aquatics: Water Quality

- Water quality evaluated at 17 lakes and 11 ponds
- Results indicate low levels of:
 - Specific conductance
 - Dissolved metals
 - Nutrient levels (nitrate and phosphorus)
 - Suspended and dissolved solids
 - Nitrogen (ammonia)
 - Total dissolved solids
 - Radionuclide (radium -226, thorium-230, thorium-232)
- Background levels for metals (Al, Cd, Fe)
- pH range 5.7 to 7.2



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Aquatics: Sediment Quality

- Comprised of silty-clays or sandy-silts
- Sediments collected from all lakes
- For parameters with sediment quality guidelines concentrations were at or below guideline value

Aquatics: Plankton Community

- Phytoplankton and Zooplankton
- Samples collected at 6 Locations
- Phytoplankton community 55 types
- Zooplankton community 32 types



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Aquatics: Benthic Invertebrate Community

- Collected at 10 locations
- 1,000 to 10,000 per m² of bottom surface area Insects most common

Tissue collected at 9 locations and analyzed for metals

and radionuclide contents

- Results were consistent throughout the study area
- Co and Ni were the most variable
- Radionuclides generally below Laboratory Detection limits



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Aquatics: Fish Community

- 13 fish species identified
- Spring and Fall Spawning Surveys at select locations
- Fish tissue samples collected
- Al and Se levels below guideline values
- Healthy fish community















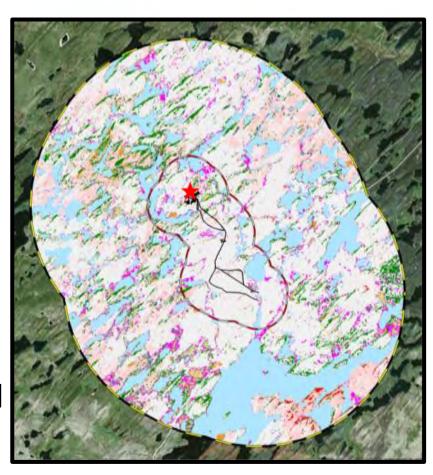
Ground Water

- 4 groundwater monitoring wells drilled to establish background levels of:
 - Total metals
 - Dissolved metals
 - Major ions
 - Radionuclides
- Groundwater monitoring will continue

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Terrestrial Baseline

- ✓ Ecological land classification
- ✓ Breeding bird surveys
- ✓ Ungulate pellet counts
- ✓ Winter tracking surveys
- Aquatic furbearer shoreline surveys
- ✓ Small mammal trapping and chemistry
- ✓ Amphibian surveys
- ✓ Characterization of terrain and soil types
- ✓ Vegetation and soil chemistry
- ✓ Vegetation community



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Terrestrial: Ecological Land Classification

- Regional Study Area
 - 52% jack pine blueberry/lichen
 - 21% Waterbodies
 - 13%- jack pine black spruce/feathermoss
- Local Study Area
 - 70% jack pine/ blueberry/lichen
 - 13% Waterbodies
 - 5% jack pine black spruce/feathermoss



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Terrestrial: Breeding Bird Surveys

- Identified 36 species
- 10 most common:
 - Ruby-crowned Kinglet (51)
 - Dark-eyed Junco (40)
 - Gray Jay (34)
 - Yellow-rumped Warbler (31)
 - Swainson's Thrush (18)

- Hermit Thrush (18)
- Lincoln Sparrow (15)
- Chipping Sparrow (15)
- Fox Sparrow (15)
- American Robin(13)

- Most preferred:
 - Jack pine white birch/feathermoss
 - Jack pine black spruce/feathermoss
 - Black spruce/blueberry/lichen



Terrestrial: Pellet Counts

- Pellets/ scats of 7 Species were identified
 - Grouse/ptarmigan
 - Moose
 - Woodland caribou
 - Black bear
 - Red Fox
 - Mink
 - Marten
- Woodland Caribou (2 transects)
 - Winter: Jack pine/blueberry/lichen
 - Summer: Labrador tea shrubby bog
- Moose wide occurrence in region
 - Winter: black spruce/blueberry/lichen
 - Summer: black spruce/balsam poplar/river alder swamp



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EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Terrestrial: Winter Tracking

- January 25 and February 3, 2017
- 19 replicate transects completed
- Fresh snow tracks were identified
- 11 Species Identified
 - Snowshoe hare
 - Red squirrel
 - Grouse or Ptarmigan
 - Microtine
 - Marten
 - Canada Lynx

- Ermine
- Mink
- Fisher
- Moose
- Woodland caribou



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Terrestrial: Aerial Waterfowl and Raptor Surveys

- 20 waterfowl/raptor(s) identified
- 10 most observed:
 - Ring-necked Duck
 - Common Merganser
 - Common Loon
 - Mallard
 - White-headed Gull
 - Bald Eagle
 - Canada Goose
 - Lesser Scaup
 - Yellowlegs Spp.
 - Bufflehead



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Terrestrial: Aquatic Furbearer Shoreline Survey

- Completed along shoreline 23 of creeks, lakes, and ponds
- 96 km total distance of shoreline surveyed
- Species identified:
 - Muskrat
 - Beaver
 - River otter



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Terrestrial: Small Mammal Trapping and Chemistry

- Indicator species (Bioindicators)
- 26 trap lines in 17 different vegetation cover
- Tissue Analysis Metals and Radionuclides
- Habitat Characterization
- Small Mammals Captured:
 - Red-back Vole 92% of trap lines
 - Meadow Vole 38% of trap lines
 - Dusky Shrew 26% of trap lines





Terrestrial: Amphibian Surveys

- 61 sites surveyed
- Wood Frog identified in regional and local study area
- Boreal Chorus Frog identified in regional study area

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Terrestrial: Vegetation and Soil Collection

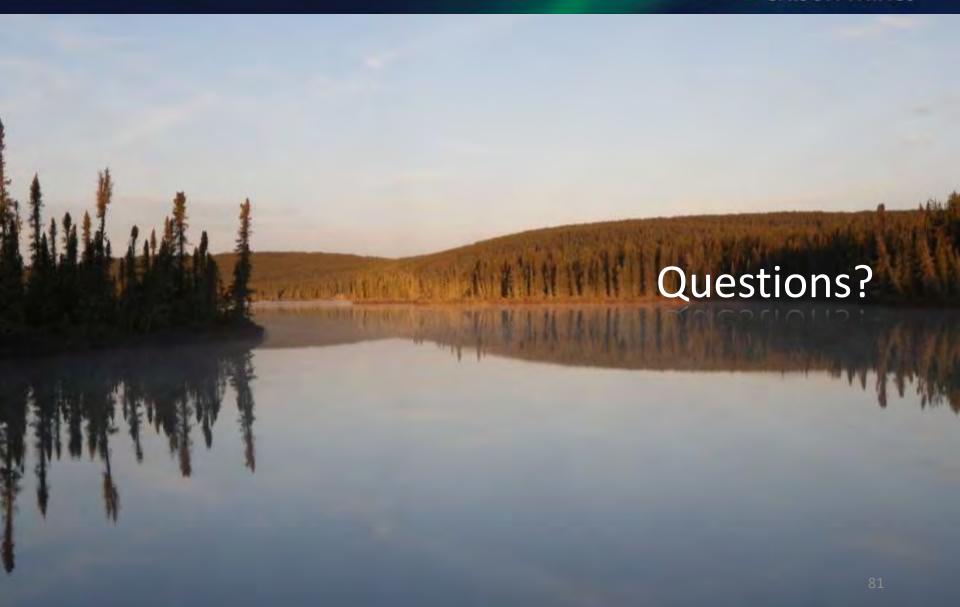
- Blueberries, lichens and soil samples collected
- Samples analyzed for metals and radionuclides
- Relatively consistent across site



 Overall regional and local environment around the project area is a normal and healthy ecosystem

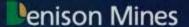
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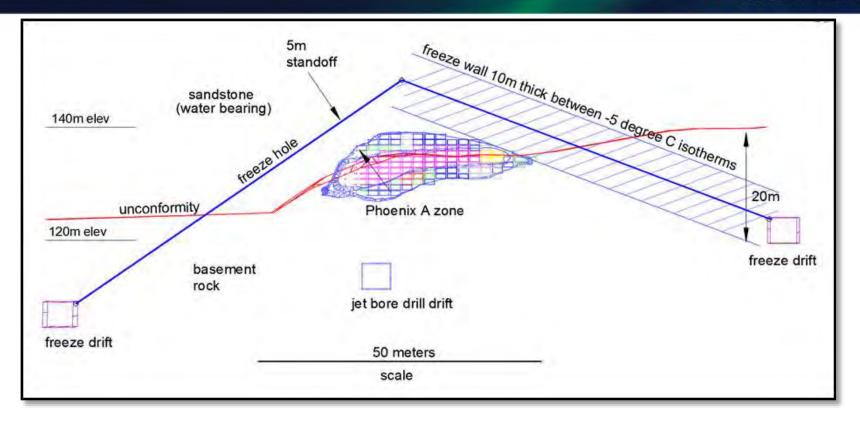
- Majority of baseline data collection is complete
- Continue to monitor conditions around site
- Gather more detailed data on field conditions as key project decisions are made (i.e. treated water discharge location)
- If project launches an Environmental Assessment, baseline data will be used to predict potential project impacts and enable avoidance & mitigation of impacts.



Extra slides this point forward

Mining Method – Phoenix Options

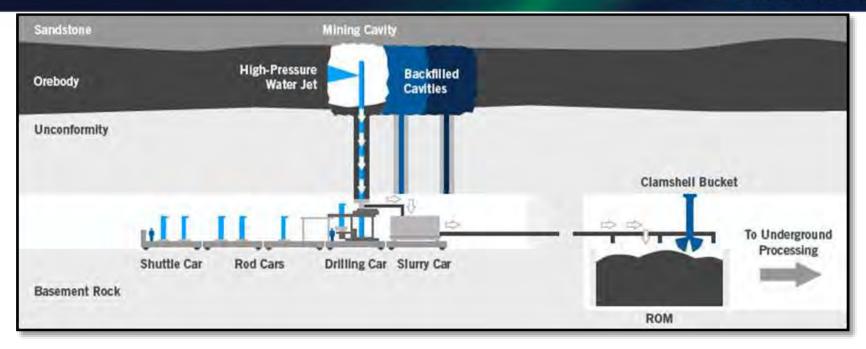




- Freeze drifts excavated ~20m below unconformity in basement rock and well away from other infrastructure
- 75m long freeze holes installed at 4m spacing along strike
- 16 months for initial freeze wall development

Mining Method – Phoenix Deposit

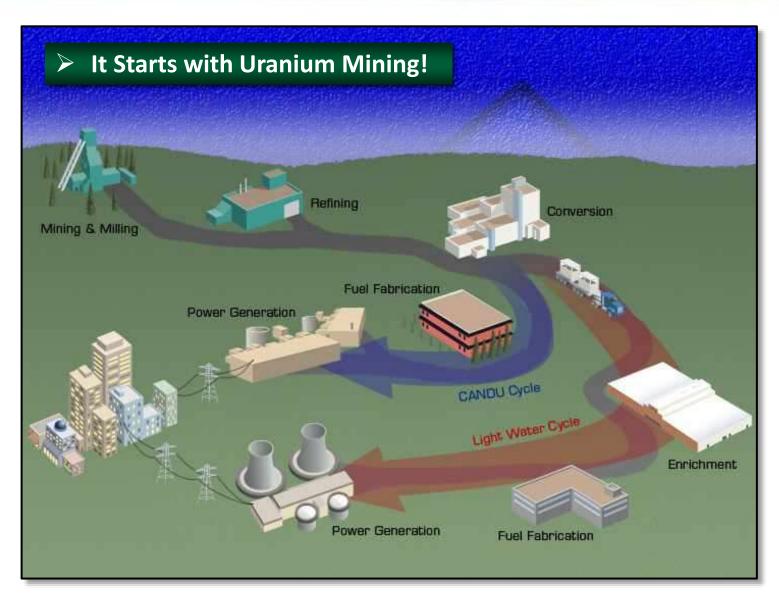




Source: Cigar Lake 2016 Technical Report

- Access drill drift in basement rock 30m below the mineralization
- Pilot hole drilled up into the deposit and a casing is installed
- High pressure rotating water jet cuts a cavity in the mineralization
- Slurry of water/broken rock flows out by gravity to receiving slurry car
- Mined out cavities are completely backfilled with concrete

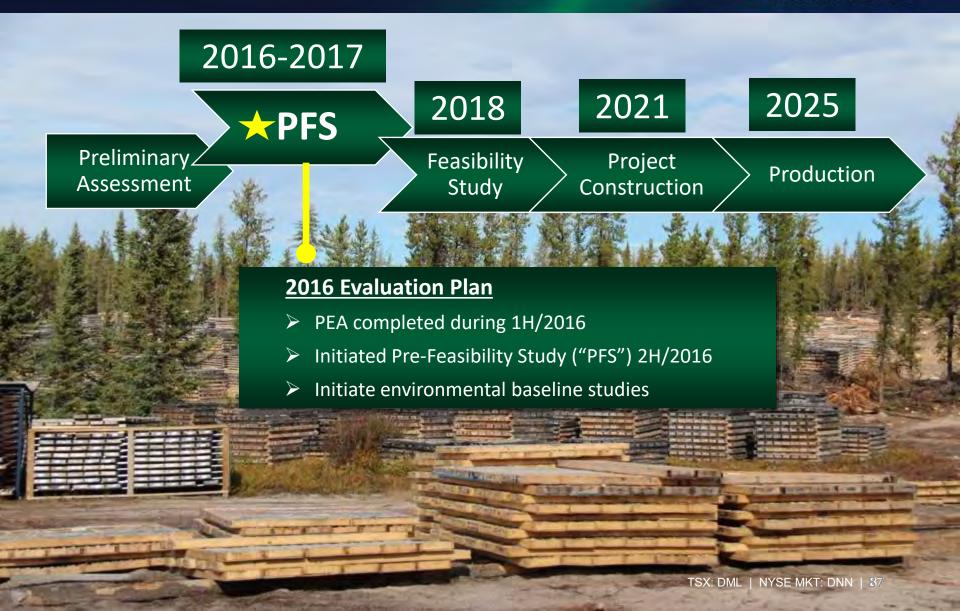
Overview of the Nuclear Fuel Cycle



Transporting High-Grade Uranium Ore



Wheeler River: Long Road Ahead

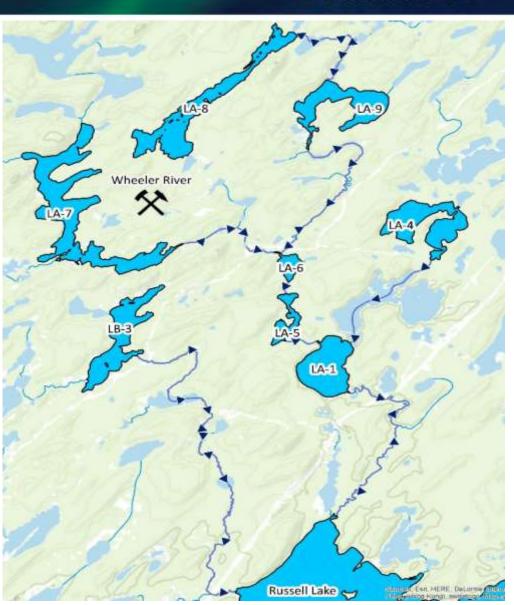


Discharge Location Options



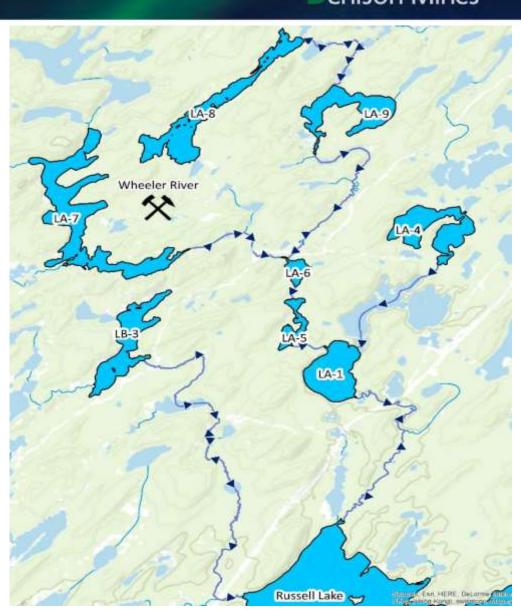
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- Preliminary factors:
 - Capacity
 - Watershed area
 - Connectivity
 - Distance to project



Discharge Location Options Quantity and Quality Assessment

- Preliminary factors:
 - Wheeler River historical flows (1973-2015)
 - Average flows from baseline (2016-2017)
 - Background water quality from baseline (2016-2017)
 - Estimated ranges of discharge flow and quality
 - 3 small watersheds eliminated

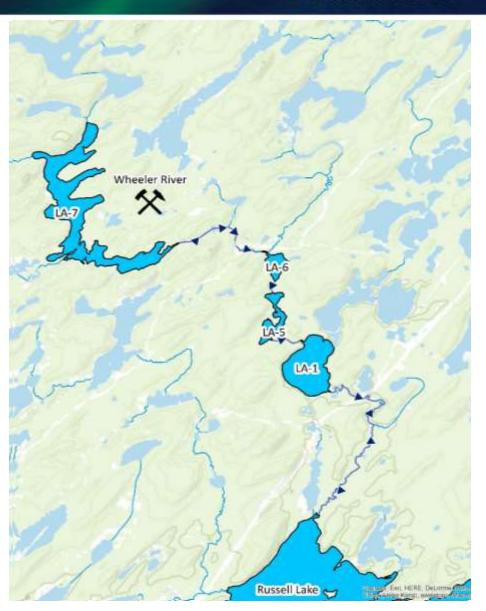


Discharge Location Options Fish and Fish Habitat Assessment

- Preliminary factors:
 - Fish community, habitat, and spawning and depth surveys from baseline (2012-2014, 2016-2017)



- Preliminary results:
 - Avoid locations with low flows
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - Avoid spawning habitat



Denison Mines Community Engagement Workshop, Wheeler River Project Beauval, SK.

Thursday January 18, 2018

In attendance:

Denison Mines: Peter Longo, VP Operations; Lea Willemse, Senior Environmental Scientist, Environmental Manager for Wheeler River.

SRK Consulting: Mark Liskowich, Principal Consultant (Environmental); Lee Christoffersen,

Environmental Scientist.

Recorder: Gill Gracie Aurora Communications Ltd

Community: 8 people.

Introductions - Mark Liskowich.

We wanted to give you and update and information on the Wheeler River project. We would like your feedback on some options on two or three topics so we can include that feedback in the final decision-making process as we advance the engineering and environmental studies.

Presentation: Peter Longo

- Denison is a small exploration and development company. We don't currently have any operations; we're exploring for minerals, but we hope to develop a mine someday. We are about 1/5 the size of Cameco; we have 12 employees.
- We have historic operations at Elliot Lake from the 1950s to the 1990s. Otherwise all our properties are here in the basin; Wheeler River is our flagship property and the one we're currently trying to advance.
- We own 22.5% of McClean Lake; AREVA owns 70% so we are the minority partner. We plan to process our Wheeler River ore at McClean Lake.
- Our team at Elliot Lake looks after our decommissioned sites, which are completely decommissioned and reclaimed. This group Denison Environmental Services also contracts these services to other mines across Canada.
- Community support and development: We support AREVA's community work. We try to make every dollar count; we prefer to procure and hire from the north. In Elliot Lake, Serpent River First Nation is our closest community and we do a lot of work with youth and education initiatives within that community.
- Elliot Lake has about 5000 people. In 1990s when the mines closed down, we were a big part of working with the community to help them change from a mining community to retirement community. Now it's a retirement destination for Ontario. We're one of the bigger employers with 40 employees.
- We used to own a couple of African properties, however those have all been sold. When we were working in Africa, we work with the local communities, through efforts such as drilling water wells and the construction of schools in the community. We like to and try very hard to help the communities near our operations when we can.
- Our exploration camp, about 30 m north of Key Lake, has 20-30 beds; there's a maintenance shop and core storage. It's in a natural landscape, with roads to drill sites. We are six km west of the Key Lake-McArthur River haul road.
- We have two deposits, Phoenix and Gryphon, which are 3 km apart, totalling114 million pounds of uranium. That's about 1/5 the size of McArthur River and a little larger than Rabbit Lake. That's the lower end of the scale in terms of deposit size. Gryphon is in the basement

- and will require two shafts; it will be an underground mine. We are planning a connection drift to Phoenix, where there will be another shaft this was the plan in 2016.
- We are looking at different ways to mine Phoenix, which is a challenging deposit, and different ways to sink shafts at Gryphon. We have done a lot of environmental baseline data collection as well as a number of engineering studies. We have drilled a 2-3" pilot hole down to about 600 metres to collect more information on ground conditions.
- We have launched a pre-feasibility study to understand the business case for building a mine. There would be headframes, warehouses, mine buildings, maintenance shop, a camp and kitchen area. Overall the site would have a very small footprint, maybe 200 x 400 metres. The ore would be shipped to McClean Lake for processing. There would be no tailings on the property; they would be managed at McClean Lake.
- Cost to build: Two years ago the cost to build was about \$1.1B. First production will be in 2025 if things go well. Production cost was anticipated at \$19 per pound.; with today's price at \$20 per pound it's not worth it; it would take too long to pay back. We are looking forward to the mid-2020s when we believe the price of uranium will be higher, but we have to start working on it now.
- Timeline: The environmental assessment process will take 4-5 years; both governments will review our project. We are doing the pre-feasibility study; mid this year will be a big decision point. In 2023 we could start putting shovels in the ground. It's a long way ahead.
- Communities: We heard the message when we were here 18 months ago; we were suppling our drill camp out of La Ronge, and have since switched to the Beauval store after a competitive bidding process. We worked with our drilling contractor to set up a driller and drill helper training program. 2-3 times a year they will train 2-3 northern people as exploration drillers or drill helpers. The first two traines completed the program; there will be another program starting in February 2018. On site we have 20-30 positions; the goal over time is to keep running the program till everyone on that drill rig is from the north. Our field support workers needed for the environmental baseline programs were all northerners. We like to participate in education and training as much as we can, to make every dollar count.
- For procurement, you need to be competitive, but we have a preference for northern ownership and contractors.
- We also heard the communities wanted written agreements, so we drafted and presented MOUs to four communities. It expresses Denison's desire to work with the communities and the communities' desire to work with Denison. It is non-binding, and focuses on four topics: environment, employment, business opportunities and community investment. Two communities have signed two are still reviewing the MOU.
- Baseline update: We have done a lot of sampling of lakes, streams and rivers around the project area, looking at water quality, fish, vegetation, wildlife, birds etc. Lea will provide a bit more detail on those programs later.

Questions/Comments

Is English River one of the signatories?

• **P. Longo:** English River has not signed their MOU vet.

Where are the drillers you trained from? Was there a lot of response from the communities?

- P. Longo: One was from Pinehouse and one from Cole Bay.
- M. Liskowich: We had close to 60 resumés, from all over. Resumés went to the drilling contractor because they are directly responsible for their safety so they have to be comfortable with whom they bring to site.

What are some key qualifications? How do they get to site?

• **P. Longo:** There are no prerequisites except a driver's license, drug free and a willingness to work.

Is it Team Drilling?

• **P. Longo:** The company is Hi-Tech Drilling; their office is in Saskatoon. They've been with us for 5-6 years and have done a lot of work in the north for Cameco/AREVA as well. It's a two-week rotation; a truck drives up the road from Saskatoon and picks them up along the way. There's no airstrip there.

What is the grade of ore?

• **P. Longo:** Gryphon averages about 2%, Phoenix averages 19%.

Workshops – Mark Liskowich.

1. Site road options Session

- Mark outlined work done to date in identifying different potential options to access Phoenix and Gryphon from Highway 914. The access road needs to be 10m wide so haul trucks can pass; the side slopes can't be steep because of erosion maximum 3:1, so if we're going through hills we have to move a lot of material. Maximum grade must be 7%.
- Considerations include staying away from stream and river crossings, stay back as far as possible from lakeshores, and there's a recreational lease cabin to consider.
- We have three potential options from the highway to Phoenix, and two options from Phoenix to Gryphon. Mark detailed the options for each, as explained in the slides.
- Part of the baseline was a heritage study. All rights-of-way were checked for archaeological significance. Nothing was identified as significant.
- The participants were then asked to discuss and provide pros and cons, from their perspective for each of the options available.

Pros & Cons – Community Input.

Road Alignment - Highway to Phoenix

All attendees

Option 1:

Pros:

o Shorter distance than Option 3

Cons:

o Road is too close to cabin, concerned about noise and dust.

Option 2:

Pros:

No discussion

Cons:

- Road is too close to cabin, concerned about noise and dust.
- Too close to water.

Option 3:

Pros:

Farthest from both cabin and any lakes.

Cons:

o Additional 0.7 km.

Road Alignment - Phoenix to Gryphon

All attendees

Option 1:

Pros:

o Less dirt needs to be moved

Cons:

o Really close to the lake

Option 2:

Pros:

Farther from the lake.

Cons:

o A lot more dirt needs to be moved.

2. Treated water discharge options Session.

- For the second session the participants were provided an overview of the scientific selection process used to identify waterbodies that would be acceptable to receive treated effluent from the water treatment plant. The scientific process narrowed the options to 5 alternatives which was were the workshop participants started. The following describes the background information provided to the participants.
- Where will we discharge treated water? All of the lake options considered and remaining
 following the scientific studies drain into Russell Lake; the Wheeler River eventually drains
 to Wollaston Lake, which drains 25% to the Fond du Lac River and Lake Athabasca, and
 75% to Reindeer Lake and the Churchill River.
- The size of volumes of the lakes was considered, the lake needs to be big enough to handle the quantity of water that needs to be discharged?
- We eliminated small systems with little freshwater runoff, so the quality of the discharge does
 not overpower the natural lake water quality. We looked at spawning beds identified in each
 of the lakes being considered, any discharge to them would require avoiding these more
 sensitive areas.
- We looked at capacity and flow, and eliminated several other lakes in the area; that left us with five option lakes that met the environmental criteria as good options. We still need to look at fishing/usage; the length of the pipeline (which also has an impact because of the road along it, etc.).
- The participants were then asked to discuss and provide pros and cons, from their perspective for each of the options available.

Questions/Comments:

Where did you sample?

• L. Christoffersen: All lakes were sampled as part of the baseline programs. Any potential discharge points will be sampled. Existing monitoring locations on lakes will continue to be sampled. All samples go to SRC (Saskatchewan Research Council - must be an accredited lab). It can't be done on site. Testing takes a week or so.

There are also action levels. LA-1 has high spawning levels.

• **L. Christoffersen:** All lakes have enough capacity to accept the discharge and we know that we can set up the discharge to avoid sensitive spawning habitat.

Pros & Cons - Community Input

All attendees

LA-1

Pros:

None stated

Cons:

- o Lots of spawning capacity and lots of walleye. Out of preference, would prefer to avoid this lake due to our uncertainty about what would happen.
- o Concerned about the discharge causing stress to fish and animals, even if it seems like the discharge would not affect them.

Russell Lake

Pros:

o None stated

Cons:

o Don't want to discharge directly into Russell Lake.

General comments:

- o Preference to discharge into swift-flowing water.
- o There is a benefit in discharging into water flowing through the whole system to filter (dilute) it.
- o All animals are affected by water quality.
- o Ground freezing would reduce the amount of water that is needed to be discharged.

3. Mining Methods Session

• For the third workshop session Peter Longo provided an overview of the various mining methods being considered for the two deposits.

Gryphon: Longhole Stoping

- The planned mining method for Gryphon is longhole stoping, a popular mining method
- The deposit consists of three-metre wide veins, stacked, about 200m long and 200m high. It will be accessed by a spiral ramp from the bottom of the shaft. Drifts or access tunnels will be mined off of the ramp below and above the mining area to allow for the long holes stopes to be drilled, blasted as well as extraction of the blasted ore with remote controlled mining equipment.
- Peter outlined the considerations of using this method. It's well-used globally and we're confident we can operate it safely. Radiation-wise it's the same method used at Eagle Point; CNSC has approved it and we know it's safe. Environmentally, the waste rock stays underground; economically it's a very good method; we can train high school or college-educated people from this region or any region to mine with this method.
- The participants were then asked to discuss and provide pros and cons, from their perspective for each of the options available.

Questions/Comments

Will you use remote control scoops?

• **P. Longo:** Yes, because of the ore grade and for general safety. It's a well-used system, the same as Rabbit Lake's Eagle Point.

What is the rock type? Will the ground settle after mining?

• **P. Longo:** You're 500 metres below surface; it's competent rock down there, and once you backfill it, it's stable, so there should be little to no subsidence of the surface above the mine.

Pros and Cons: Community Input:

All attendees

Pros:

o Economic. Can operate in poor market conditions, so minimal impact on jobs. Seems economically sustainable.

- o Won't notice there's a mine on surface since there is no subsidence.
- o Best economic option for the deposit.

Cons:

Safety risk from blasting must be considered.

Following the discussion on the Gryphon deposit Peter presented the two mining options currently being considered for the Phoenix deposit

Phoenix Deposit Overview:

- The ore is like a big pancake 30 metres wide and 6 metres high. There are two zones, 300 metres to 400 metres long.
- Below the alteration halo, right on top of the ore body, the ground is like beach sand. It would be impossible to mine it conventionally here.
- The ore is black and soft, 50-60% uranium in places, clayey with solid chunks of metal.
- Because we can't use any conventional mining method we looked at jet boring (JBS). This was the mining method proposed in the 2016 engineering studies. Cigar Lake had a lot of challenges with it, the capital cost is very high and the Phoenix deposit is only about ½ the size of Cigar Lake so this method would not be economical for this deposit. We would also need highly trained technical people to use this mining method. Therefore, we_had to look at other industries for different ideas of how we can mine this deposit and came up with two possibilities: Directional drilling and In-situ Recovery or ISR for short.

1) Directional Drilling:

- Commonly used in the oil and gas industry. We would drill a 17" diameter parent hole vertically from surface and turn it horizontally to the front of the ore body; then drill a series of smaller holes inside the casing of that parent hole through the ore. The ore would be pushed back to surface inside the parent hole. Once the ore is taken out the hole would be backfilled with concrete and another hole into the ore beside that hole would be drilled. We would repeat the process until the deposit is mined out. We would need 4,300 boreholes of varying lengths; this would take about 11.7 years of mining.
- This is not new technology; it's never been used for uranium, but we do diamond drilling so we know how to handle radioactive core once it reaches surface. It's a remote operation so workers will be safe. There's a small surface footprint (200 metres square) and no water discharge since the water is recycled in a closed-loop system. It's good economically; we would be profitable in today's market if the system was up and running right now.
- o We would still need to truck ore to McClean Lake where it would be milled.

Questions/Comments:

How would you change the drill bits?

• **P. Longo:** It's done mechanically.

If it's never been done with uranium, you guys will be on the cutting edge. You're blowing our minds right now!

I was concerned about waste water, but a closed loop addresses that.

• **P. Longo:** It's cased right to surface and through a pipeline to where we separate the ore, and the water goes right back down.

That makes a lot of sense. Will it be slower extraction than other methods?

• **P. Longo:** No. It takes ½-1 day to drill; the concrete takes 48 hours to cure; once cured, we would drill beside it. We would mill at 6-7 million lbs per year; the production rate would be the same as with JBS.

Is this fracking?

• **P. Longo:** It's not fracking because there's no high pressure injection. We just use enough pressure to turn the bit. We would like to do a three-four-hole test in the next few years. We would have to get regulatory approval to test in ore; we may have to do it in waste above the ore, this will be something we discuss with the regulators.

Pros & Cons - Community Input

All attendees

Pros:

- o Closed-loop system; water is treated at the end.
- o Seems economically feasible.
- o The technology makes a lot of sense.
- Saves time no shaft needed.
- No direct exposure to radiation.

Cons:

- o Never been done for uranium
- o Drill bit will come back hot (radioactive)
- o Reminds me of fracking negative perception of the term.
- When will it be tested? When will it be proven?

2) In Situ Recovery (ISR):

- This method of mining for Uranium has been around since the 1960s in many countries. In 2011 it accounted for almost half the world's uranium production. It's been used in the US, Australia and Kazakhstan for the last 10 years, but never for uranium in Canada.
- o Injection wells are cased from surface to the sides of the ore body, and a recovery well in the middle. The injected solution picks up the uranium as it travels through the ore, and is pumped back to a central plant for precipitation of the uranium. The solution goes back down; it's also a closed-loop system. Nothing is discharged.
- o Monitoring holes outside the orebody are constantly sampled so if the solution escapes, we can shut off that well and pull it back.
- O We have done some lab testing on the leaching solution. Probably we would use an acidic rather than an alkaline solution, since the surrounding water is already slightly acidic. The uranium would dissolve into the solution and be pulled back to surface in the recovery wells. There is still a lot of tests we need to complete in the lab but it looks promising.
- o The plant is less than half the size of a football field. It's full of tanks and piping.
- O Yellowcake is produced and shipped on site. There are no tailings, no ore shipment. The solution goes back underground.
- Restoration: We would likely be required to return the groundwater to baseline conditions, which is what is done in the states and Austrailia. To do this we would simply keep circulating water through the injection and recovery wells until the conditions returned to pre-mining conditions. We can add lime to increase the pH if we had to.

Questions/Comments:

Once mining is over, is the water drinking water quality?

- **P. Longo:** It will be returned to the quality that is at before mining, the same as it is today. Today this groundwater is no where close to drinking water quality because of the uranium deposit.
- **M. Liskowich:** It's 500m below surface. ISR mining is being done now; we know it's safe; environmentally there's not a lot of disturbance; there are no tailings; it's low cost; it employs

a local workforce at college and high school graduate levels. Employment levels would roughly be the same for both methods.

Are the orebodies under lakes? One crew drilled into the lake bed at one operation and didn't grout the holes. Cigar Lake flooded.

• **P. Longo:** No, they're both under land, 500m down. We're cognizant of that, certainly for Gryphon. We're well aware of the Cigar Lake situation.

What about relative employment levels?

• **P. Longo:** About the same for both methods – about 150 people. We would still need a camp and site facilities. In the States they have a crew drilling holes, a crew working on pipeline maintenance, crews in the plant, engineers, geologists, radiation techs and management on site.

Pros & Cons - Community Input

All attendees

Pros:

- o No direct exposure to radiation.
- o New opportunity for northern Saskatchewan.

Cons:

No discussion.

General discussion:

Safety would be one of the biggest concerns in either method. With either method you're breaking new ground.

Environmental Baseline Data - Lea Willemse

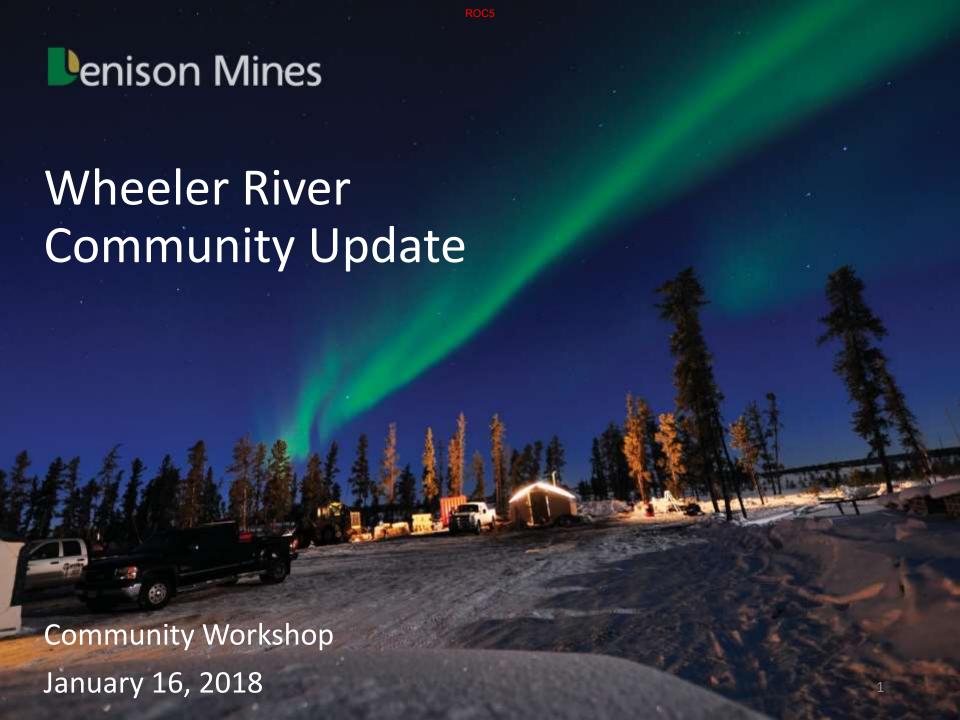
- To establish if we are impacting the environment, we need to establish what the levels are and how the ecosystem is functioning around the project area before we start. So baseline programs are developed and implemented to gather information of all aspects of the natural environment.
- Atmospheric radon: We deployed passive radon detectors, two "pucks" to a canister, and attach the canisters to trees at eye level. Air flows through; the pucks are later analyzed. So far we have found levels of less than 7 bq/m³ compared to Health Canada's indoor guideline of 200 bq/m³.
- Heritage: We are required by the Saskatchewan Conservation Branch to do a heritage
 impact assessment. Trained people walked the land; if they found something, they
 shovel-tested the area. They found one pre-contact artifact with little interpretive value.
 As a result the Conservation Branch issued clearance for the project to proceed.
- Aquatic: We test sediments, water, fish, soils, benthic invertebrates, and vegetation. We
 determine lake and pond depths. Krachkowski is the largest lake, and the deepest at 21.8
 metres. We measure stream flows; there are eight continuous flow monitoring devices in
 streams now, deployed last spring. Data will be downloaded. We will continue it next
 year and throughout.
- Water quality: Measured in 17 lakes and 11 ponds. A number of parameters were tested to establish background levels; they are slightly acidic but it is very high quality water.
- Aquatic life: Sediments are silty clays, high quality, low contaminants. A lot of algae (55 types of phytoplankton and 32 types of zooplankton), plus small microorganisms and bacteria who feed on the algae.
- Benthic invertebrates like insects and worms showed huge numbers (1,000 10,000) per cubic metre, showing they are plentiful and have lots to eat; fish eat them.

- Fish: Fifteen species of fish were identified, from slimy sculpin to walleye, lake chub arctic grayling and burbot. We tested tissue samples for aluminum and selenium levels, which were low.
- Groundwater was sampled; monitoring wells are placed around the area. We deployed level loggers to assess water levels around the area. We will routinely test for a better understanding of water quality around the project site.
- Terrestrial surveys: We have a 48 sq. km project area within a 400 sq. km study area. In the larger area, over half the vegetation was jackpine/blueberry/lichen, waterbodies and jackpine forests. The same in the immediate project area, with a little different distribution.
- We identified and counted birds.
- While surveying for ungulates (moose and caribou) the biologists looked for black bear, fox, mink and all the other furbearers one would expect in a northern environment.
- Pellet counts were done and samples taken. They determined that the caribou and moose populations prefer to summer and winter in different locations depending on temperature and food availability. In summer they like shrubby bogs and swamps.
- We also did winter tracking, finding lynx in the area, along with other species.
- Aerial waterfowl and raptor surveys were done from the air.
- Aquatic furbearers: We did a shoreline survey over 96 km and found an abundance of muskrat, beaver and river otter.
- We trapped small mammals, for tissue analysis.
- We did an amphibian survey on 61 sites, identifying wood frogs and boreal chorus frogs.
- We did metal and radionuclide analyses on leaves and soils. We also tested berries.
- The regional and local environment is healthy and robust; we want to make sure we maintain that or mitigate any threat to that.
- Future work will involve continuous monitoring. We also need this information in support of our environmental assessment; it's critical that we continue to gain a thorough understanding of what is happening around the project area.

Questions/Comments

Our waterbodies up north change drastically; in the last two years we've even flooded over here, while a few years ago we were in drought mode.

• **L.Willemse:** Natural precipitation, ice and ice dams can cause changes. It depends on the climate and conditions. Flow can be spontaneous and erratic.



AGENDA



- 1. Denison Introduction / Refresher
- 2. Workshop
 - A. Site Access Road Route Options
 - **B.** Treated Water Discharge Location Options
 - C. Mining Method Options
- 3. Environmental Baseline Data Collection Update

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A Canadian uranium exploration & development Company

- Public company, but only 5% of the size of Cameco
- A history of uranium mining, but no active mining operations
- Several exploration properties in the eastern Athabasca Basin
- 60% owner and the operator of the Wheeler River Project

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A joint venture partner with Areva at McClean Lake

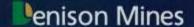
- Denison owns 22.5 % of the McClean Lake uranium deposits and the McClean Lake uranium mill (shown above) – Areva (70%) is operator
- In our preliminary plans, Denison has assumed that the ore from Wheeler River will be processed at the McClean Lake mill

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An operator of a Canadian environmental services business

- ~40 employees based in Elliot Lake, Ontario
- Maintains Denison's closed and reclaimed mine site in Elliot Lake
- Provides services to mining companies and governments across Canada



> A strong supporter of our local communities

- McClean Lake community programs
- Denison procurement from local vendors and personnel in northern communities

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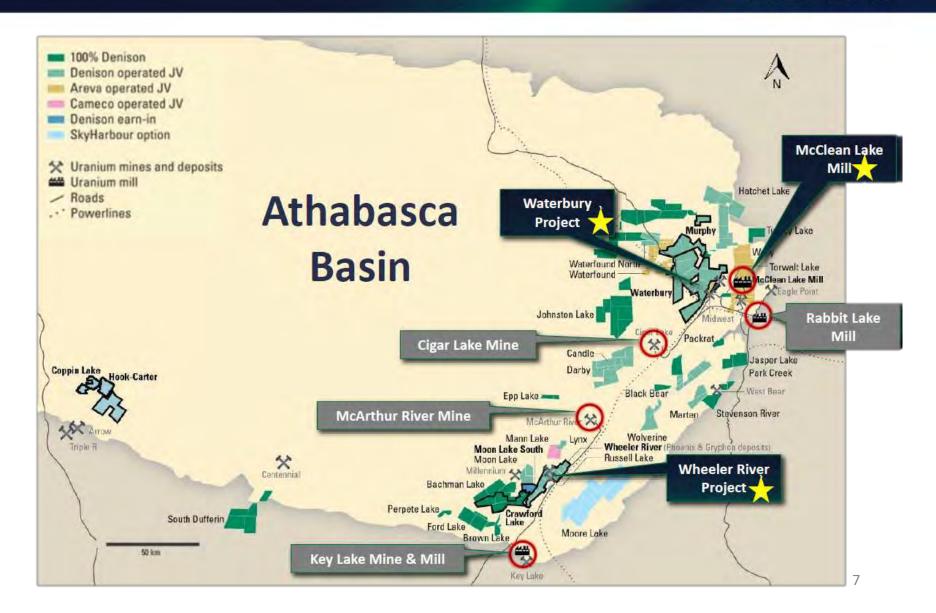
- Serpent River First
 Nations employment,
 youth education initiative
- Supported creation of a retirement lifestyle community after mining was completed

Elliot Lake

- Supported construction of schools and health offices for local villages
- · Drilled water wells
- Leadership roles for local technical & admin staff

Former African Assets

Location

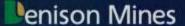


Wheeler River Today: Uranium Exploration

- Exploration camp
- Drilling in winter & summer



Wheeler River Today

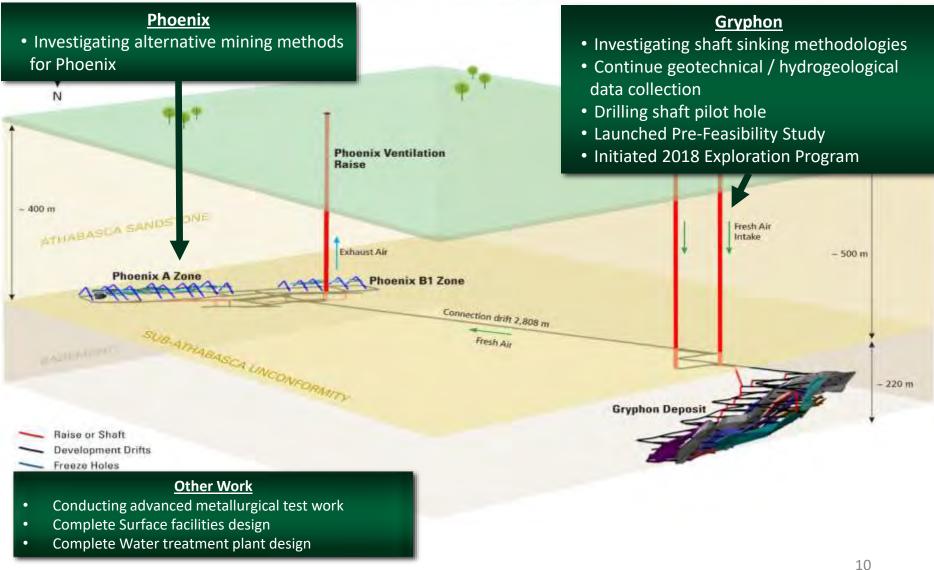




In comparison

- ➤ McArthur River: Produced ~290M lbs, Reserves 234M lbs
- Rabbit Lake: Produced ~202M lbs, Resources: ~70M lbs

2017/2018 Activities



Wheeler River Future

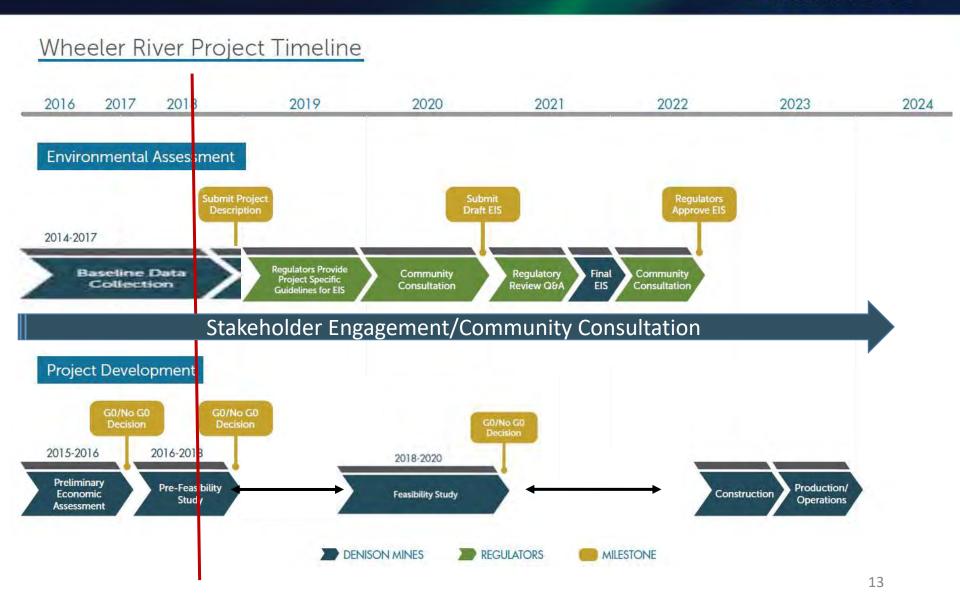


- Initial and sustaining capital costs ~CAD\$1.13 billion
- First uranium production projected by 2025/2026
- Operating costs expected to average US\$19/pound U₃O₈
- Uranium spot price quoted at ~US\$20/pound U₃O₈



Denison believes in the future of nuclear energy and is investing in the people and the province of Saskatchewan, despite historic low uranium prices and difficult market conditions

Wheeler River: A Long Road Ahead



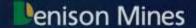
1. Denison

- Drill camp supplied by the Beauval General Store
- Worked with Drill Contractor to run a Drill Training Program, 2 northerners trained in fall, more to come
- Employed northerners for baseline field program support
- Supported career days last fall in Patuanak
- Financially supported the IRM Program (BEAHR Program)

2. Denison Procurement: New contracts require

- Competitive Costs & performance
- Maximize northern employment and procurement of goods
- Preference for northern ownership stake

Northern Capacity Development



- Communities Requested Formal Agreements: Denison Issued Draft MOU (Memorandum of Understanding)
 - Formalize intent for Denison and Communities to work together in spirit of cooperation and respect
 - Sets the stage for an IBA (Impact Benefits Agreement) following the advancement of the project. Focus on 4 main areas:
 - Environmental Sustainability
 - Employment, Education and Training
 - Business Opportunities
 - Community Investment
- Draft issued to four communities/First Nations
 - Pinehouse, Ile a la Crosse, Beauval and ERFN
 - 2 signed, 2 remain under review

EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Aquatics

- Hydrology
- water quality
- lake bathymetry
- sediment quality
- benthic invertebrate communities
- benthic invertebrate chemistry
- fish community
- fish tissue chemistry







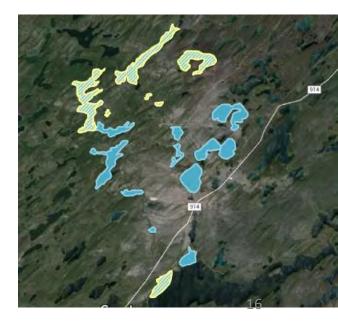












EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Terrestrial

ecological land classification
breeding bird surveys
ungulate pellet counts
winter tracking surveys
aquatic furbearer shoreline surveys
small mammal trapping & chemistry
amphibian surveys
characterization of terrain and soil types
vegetation and soil chemistry
vegetation community

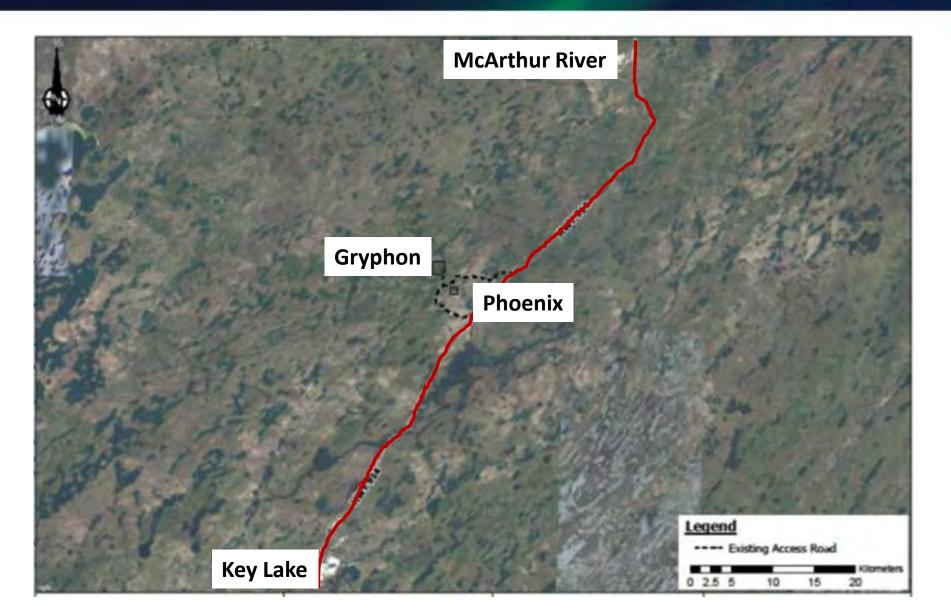


Heritage

heritage resources assessment



Wheeler River Road Access Alignment



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Wheeler River Road Access Alignment

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Constraints

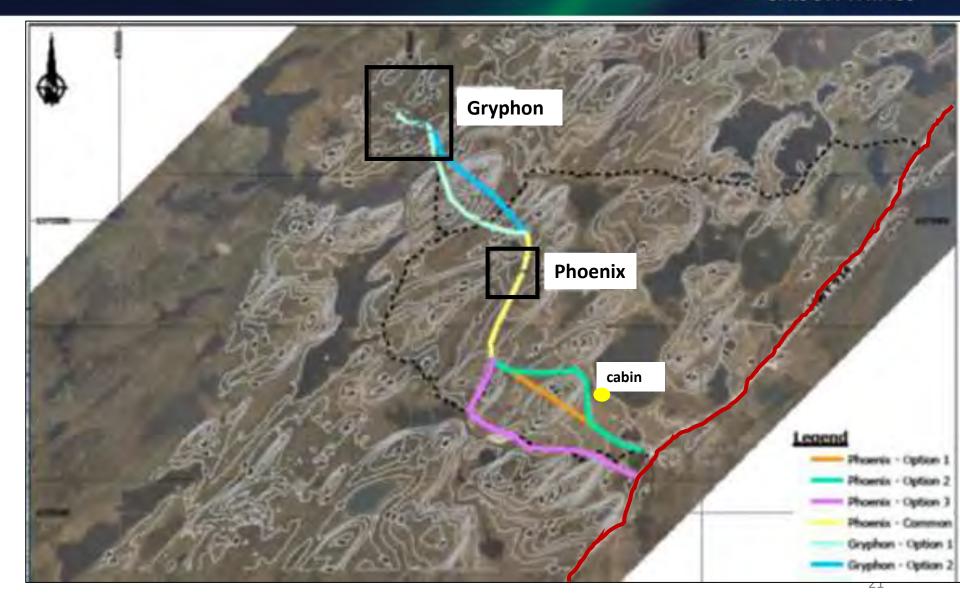
- 10 m wide
- Slopes of cuts must be 3H:1V
- Grade must not exceed 7%

Considerations

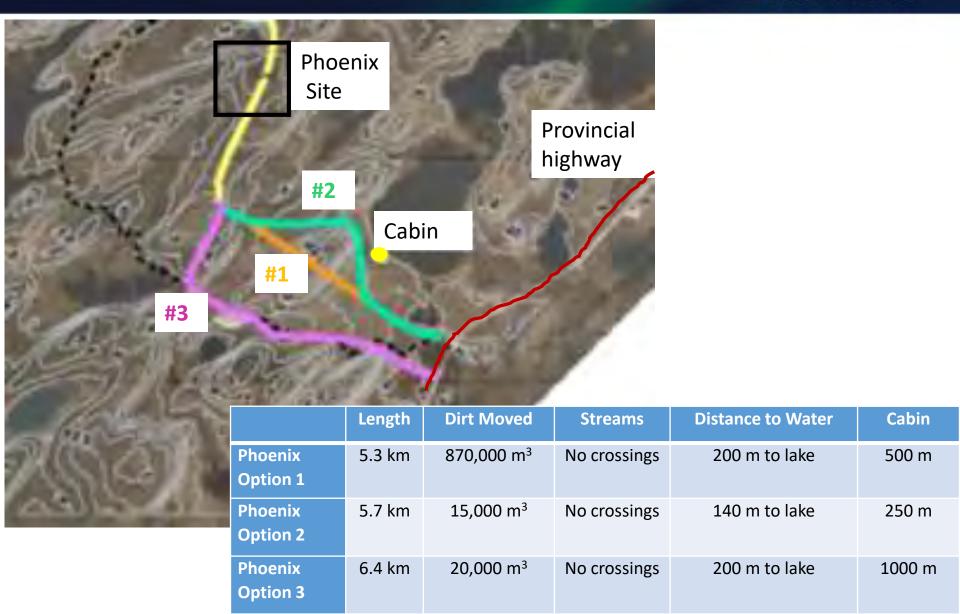
- Stream and river crossings, how many, how big
- Proximity to lakes
- Proximity to Cabin

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Wheeler River Road Access Alignment



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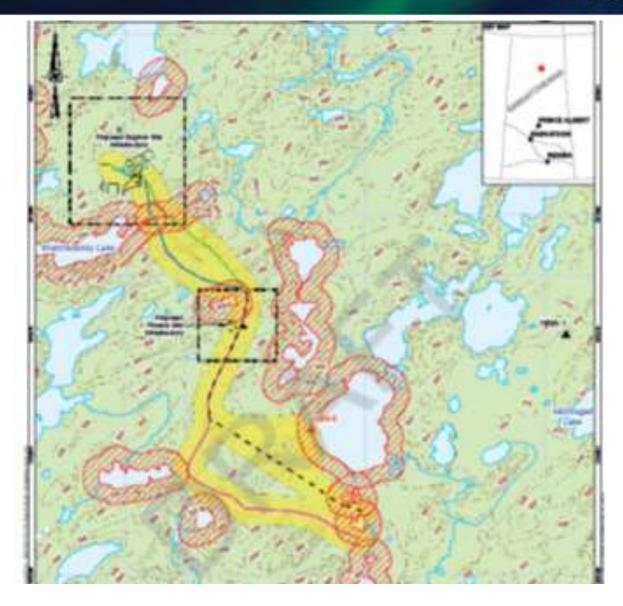
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Wheeler River Road Access Alignment



	Length Km	Dirt Moved	Streams	Distance To Water
Gryphon Option 1	3.3	265,000 m ³	1 crossing (existing bridge)	25 m
Gryphon Option 2	3.1	1,000,000 m ³	1 crossing (existing bridge)	200 m

Wheeler River Road Access Alignment





Discharge Location Options

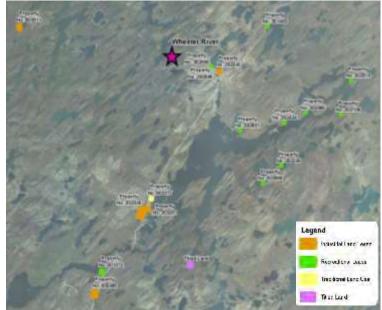


- Potential locations for treated water discharge were identified and assessed for:
 - 1. Preliminary understanding of land uses
 - Traditional territories
 - Trails, trap lines, country food harvesting, angling
 - Cabins, camps
 - Industrial properties
 - 2. Potential impacts to water quantity and quality
 - Avoid locations with low flows
 - Minimize increase in flows
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - 3. Potential impacts to fish and fish habitat
 - Avoid spawning habitat

Discharge Location Options Traditional Knowledge and Land Use

- Preliminary understanding of land uses from:
 - ERFN traditional territories map
 - Land disposition map
 - Observations during baseline (2016-2017)





Discharge Location Options Identification

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1. Preliminary factors:

- Capacity (size of lake)
- Watershed area (drainage)

2. Fish Spawning Grounds

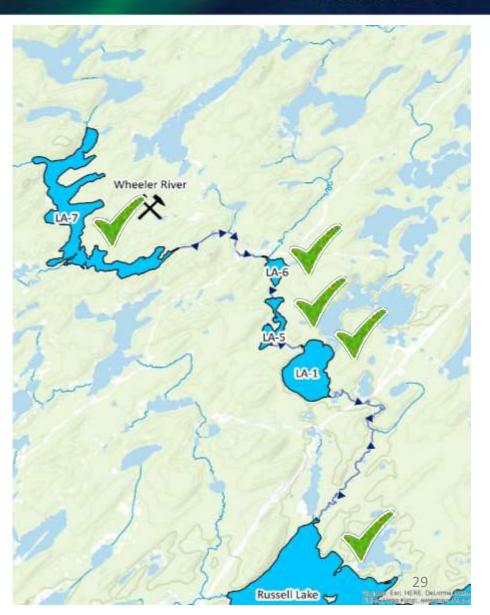
Avoid

3. Flow Capacity

Can't be more than 50% treated



- LA-7, LA-6, LA-5, LA-1 and Russel Lake
 - Are environmentally safe to discharge into
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - Avoid spawning habitat
 - Community Considerations:
 - Cabins & fishing on Russell lake
 - Length of pipeline and disturbance to land
 - Other?





Mining Method Options

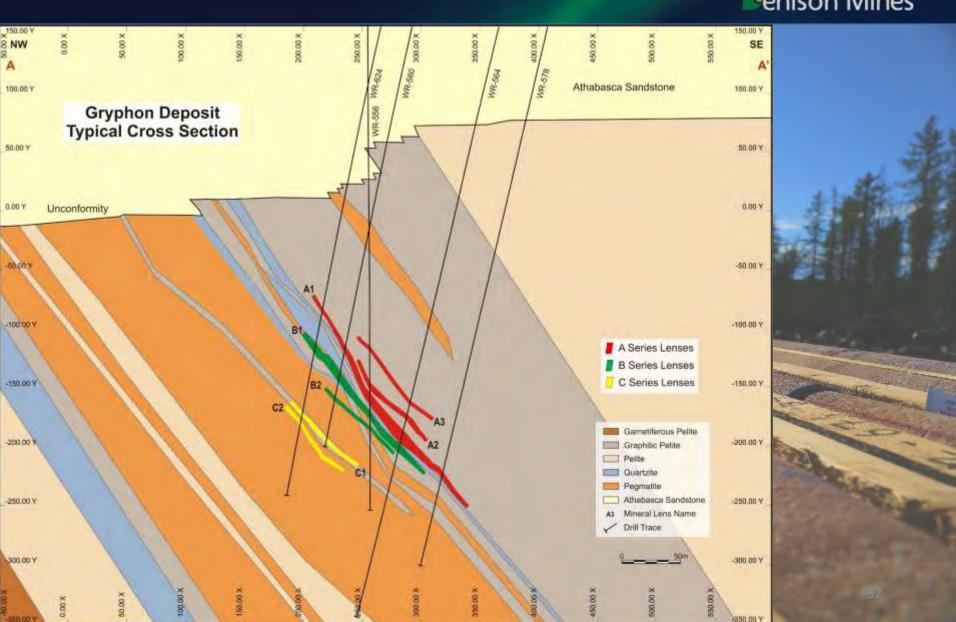
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Gryphon: Longhole Mining

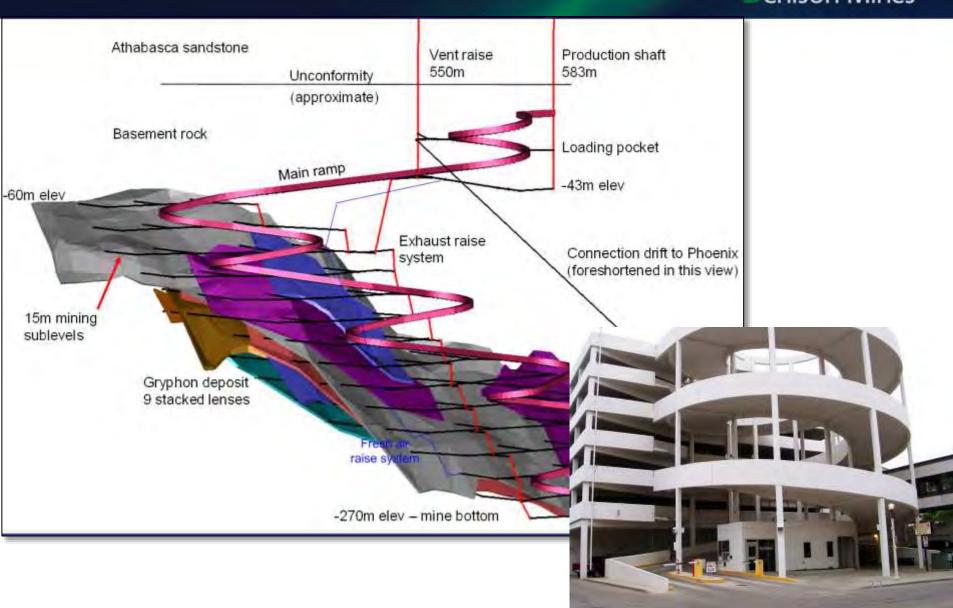
Phoenix: Directional Drilling

Insitu Recovery

Gryphon - Geology



Mining Method – Gryphon Deposit



Gryphon Longhole Mining Method

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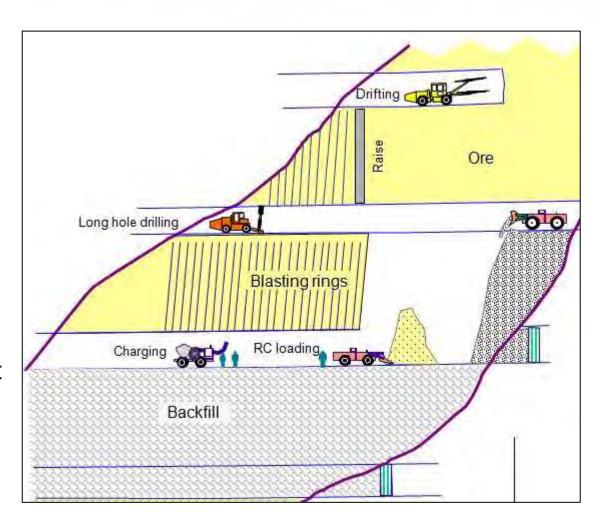
Step 1: Develop (drift) tunnels above and below the ore

Step 2: Drill holes between the two tunnels

Step 3: Load holes with explosives, blasting the ore

Step 4: Excavate (muck) out the ore

Step 5: Backfill opening



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Considerations:

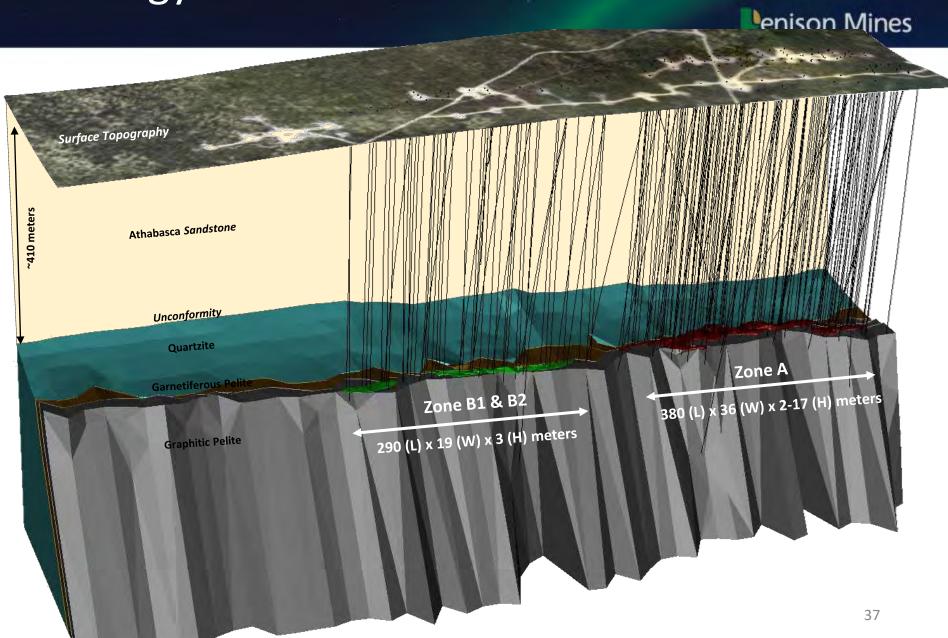
- Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures throughout Canada and the global mining industry
- Radiation Safety: Proven safe, CNSN approved
- Environmental: Minimizes waste rock on surface can be used as backfill
- Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
- Industry Employment: No special skills / education required,

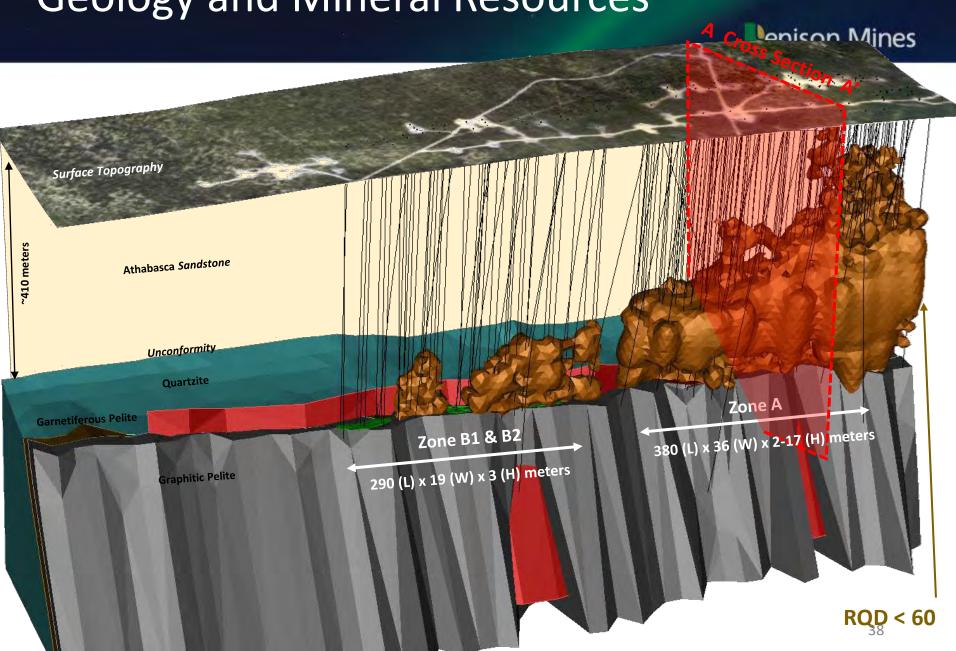
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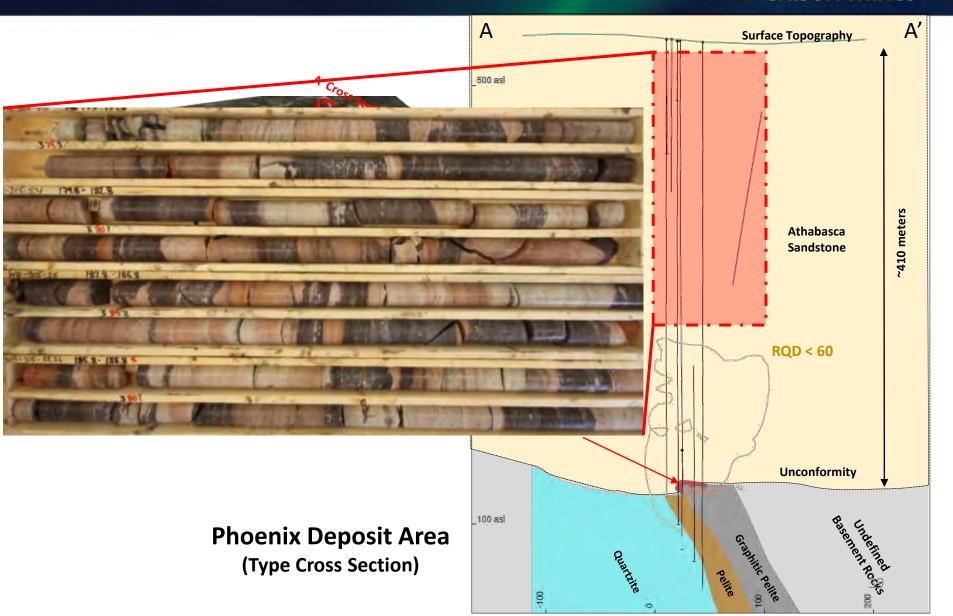
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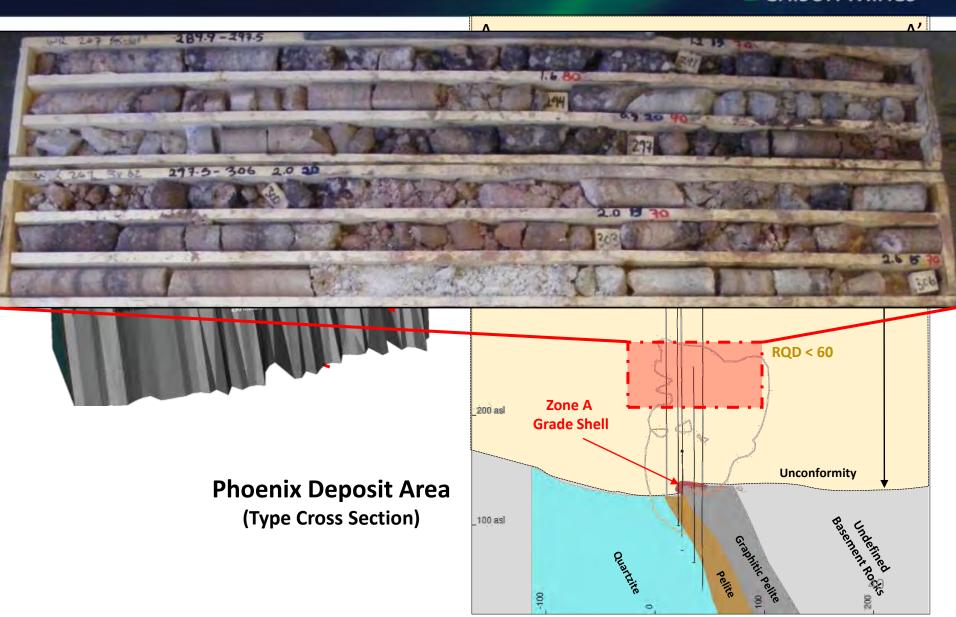
Phoenix: Directional Drilling

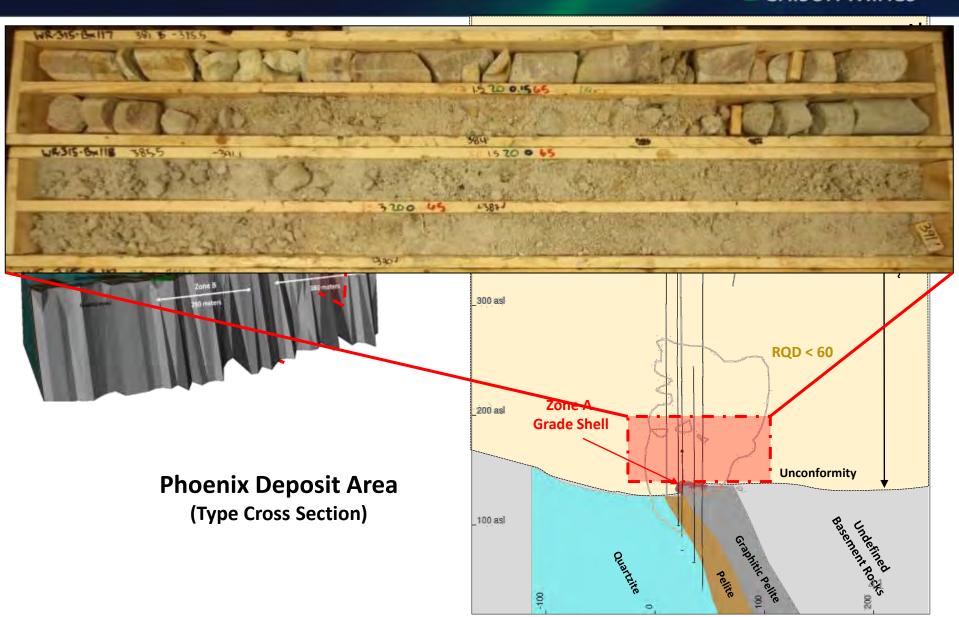
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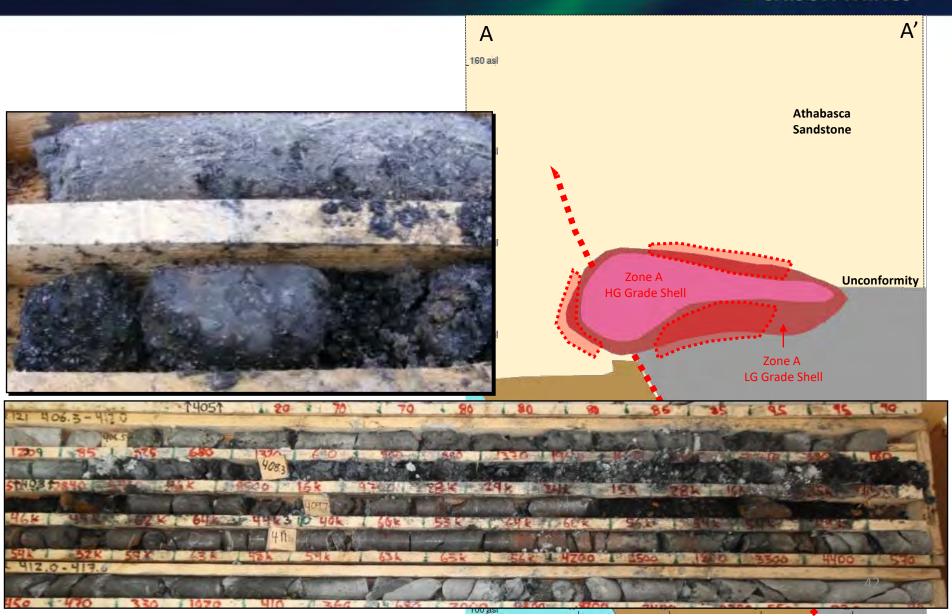












Phoenix: Mining Methods



- Due to poor ground conditions and high grade unable to use conventional mining methods
- Evaluated using Jet Boring System (i.e. Cigar Lake):
 - High Risk of technical challenges
 - Extreme Capital cost requirements
 - High operating cost
 - High degree of technical skills and education for employees
 - Not profitable / sustainable in current market

Mining Method Options

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Gryphon: Longhole Mining

Phoenix: Directional Drilling

Insitu Recovery

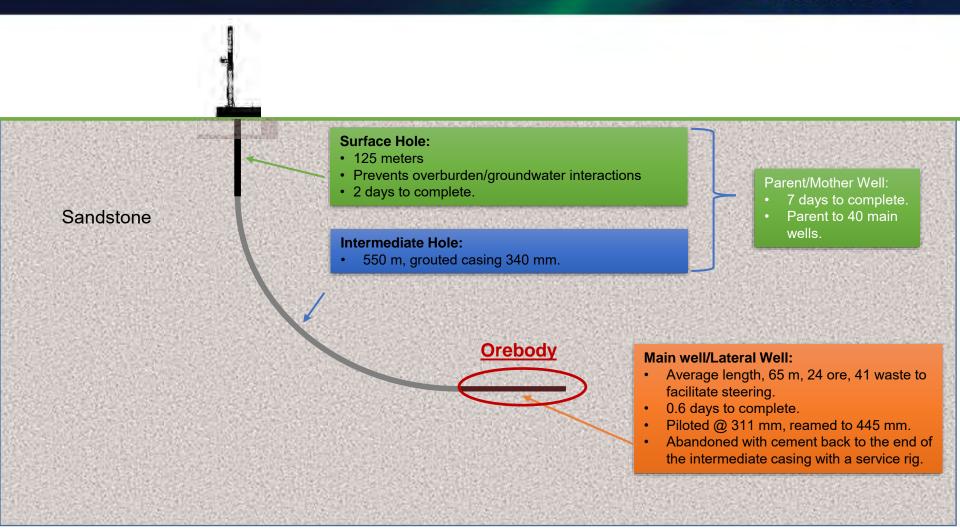
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Phoenix Mining: Surface Boring

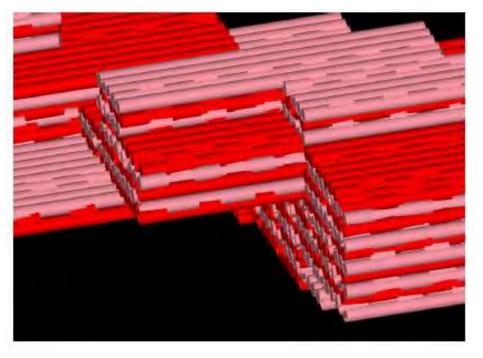
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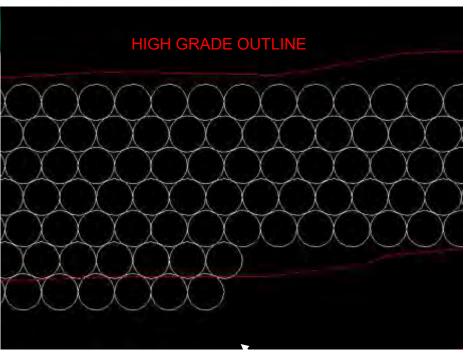


Phoenix Mining: Surface Boring - Recovery Penison Mines

Phoenix Honeycomb Pattern

- 90% theoretical recovery
- ~4,300 boreholes through deposit (assuming 17.5" diameter)
- 340,000 meters of drilling





- 30-40m length holes in ore
- 30-40m length in waste / low grade
- Holes backfilled after drilled

Phoenix Directional Drilling



Considerations:

- Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures established in Canada and the global industry
- Radiation Safety: remote operation, no workers exposed to ore.
- Environmental: Minimal surface and u/g disturbance, no water discharge,
- Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
- Industry Employment: No special skills / education required
- Material still needs to be trucked to McClean mill for processing
- Tailings are still produced

Mining Method Options

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Gryphon: Longhole Mining

Phoenix: Directional Drilling

Insitu Recovery

Phoenix Options - ISR

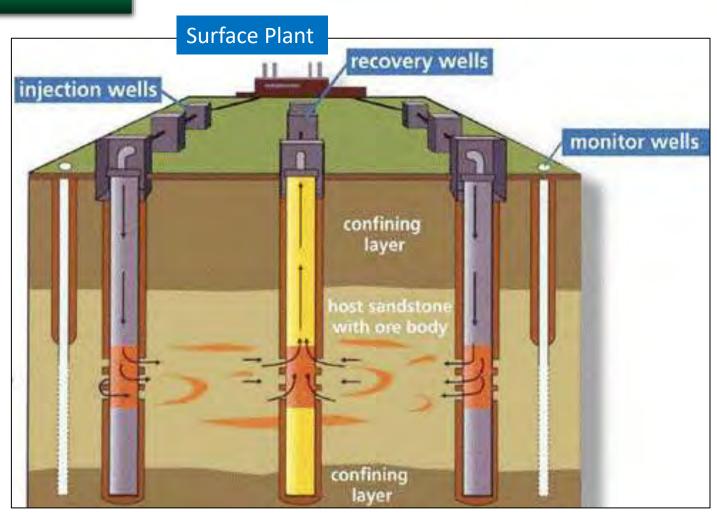


- Insitu Recovery has been utilized since the early 1960s
- Between 1961 and 2010 approximately 227, 700 t U was produced which equaled approximately 10% of historic global production
- In 2011 ISR production jumped to 46% of global production and is somewhere in this range today
- Production generally comes from 9 different jurisdictions
 - US and Australia would be considered the only two of these that host regulatory regimes similar in nature to Canada

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ISR Process Overview

- Inject solution into the orebody via injection wells
- 2. Recovery solution via recovery well and pump to plant
- 3. In Surface Plant surface uranium is separated from solution
- Solution is reinjected to extract more uranium
- 5. Restoration

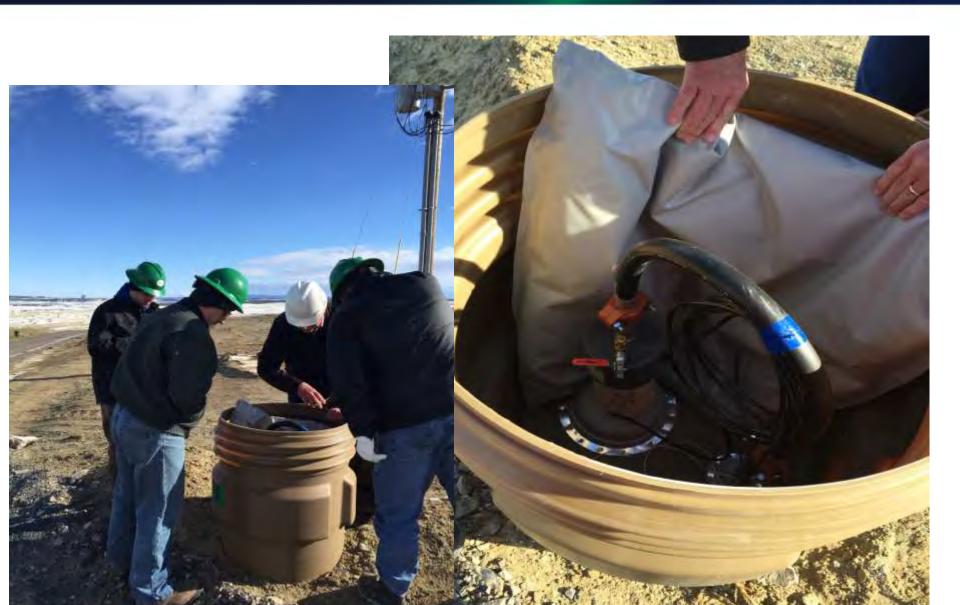


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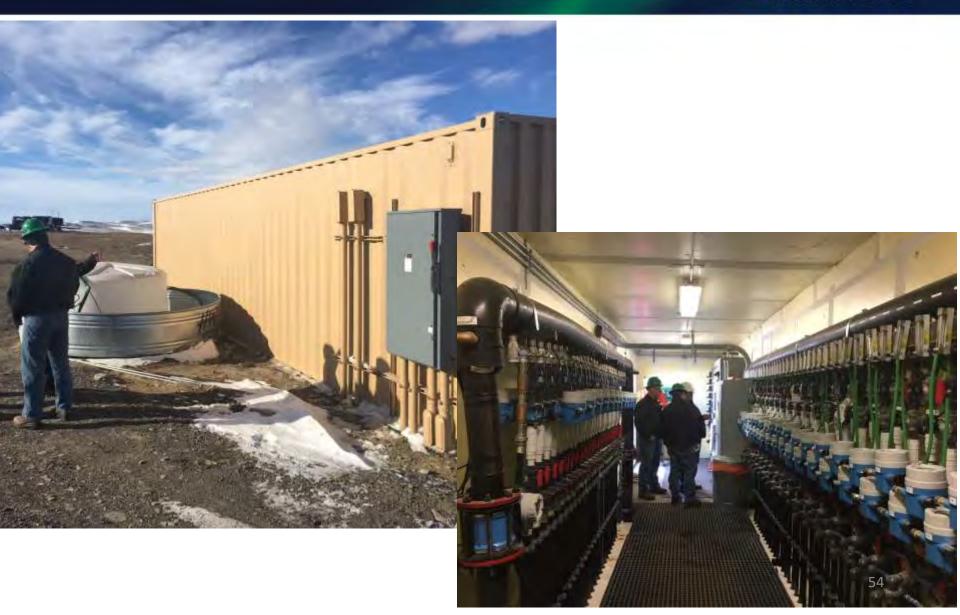
Surface Photo of Active ISR Operation



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ISR Process Overview

- Uranium is stripped from the pregnant solution
- Peroxide or ammonia is then used to precipitate Uranium in solid
- Product is washed, dewatered and dried to form Yellowcake





Common Questions

- Can we contain the mining solution during operations?
 - Monitoring / samples holes enable tracking of solution
 - Ability to increase / decrease pumping in/out of any individual hole
- Can we restore the groundwater conditions to baseline conditions following mining operations?
 - Continue treatment of water to adjust ph levels
 - Add lime or other basic element to increase ph
- At Wheeler we are currently gathering baseline information but we know the water quality now is not acceptable for use by humans or animals

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Considerations:

- Safety: Well established practices, equipment and procedures established in the global industry
- Radiation Safety: remote operation, no workers exposed to ore.
- Environmental: Minimal surface and u/g disturbance
- Environmental: No tailings production
- Economics: Low cost, sustainable at current market prices
- Industry Employment: No special skills / education required



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Atmospheric Radon Monitoring

- Radon detectors at 10 locations around Project Area
- Radon levels reported below <7.0 Bq/m³
- Health Canada's radon guideline is 200 Bq/m³







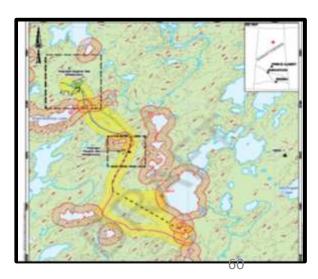
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Heritage

- Field program was completed in July 2017
 - Pedestrian reconnaissance and shovel probe/ tests
- One artifact HiNi-6 was discovered west of lake and deemed "limited interpretative value" by SK
- Clearance for project area received in Dec. 2017



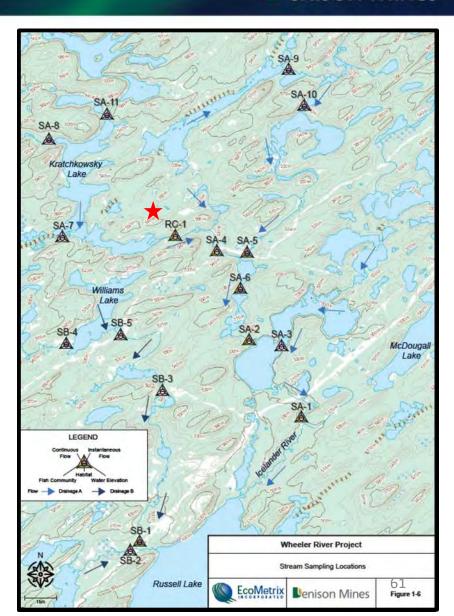




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Aquatic Environment

- Aquatic Habitat
- Bathymetry
- Hydrology
- Water Quality
- Sediment Quality
- Plankton Community
- Benthic Invertebrate Community
- Fish Community and Spawning





Aquatics: Aquatic Habitat

- Lake Depth
 - Max. 21.8 m LA-7A
 - Min. 2.7 m LA-6

- Pond Depth:
 - Max. 3.2 m PA-2
 - Min. 2.7 m PA-1



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Aquatics: Hydrology

- Water level elevations measured at 13 lakes and 2 ponds
- Stream flow measurements measured at 16 watercourses
- Continuous monitoring equipment installed at 8 locations





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Aquatics: Water Quality

- Water quality evaluated at 17 lakes and 11 ponds
- Results indicate low levels of:
 - Specific conductance
 - Dissolved metals
 - Nutrient levels (nitrate and phosphorus)
 - Suspended and dissolved solids
 - Nitrogen (ammonia)
 - Total dissolved solids
 - Radionuclide (radium -226, thorium-230, thorium-232)
- Background levels for metals (Al, Cd, Fe)
- pH range 5.7 to 7.2



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Aquatics: Sediment Quality

- Comprised of silty-clays or sandy-silts
- Sediments collected from all lakes
- For parameters with sediment quality guidelines concentrations were at or below guideline value

Aquatics: Plankton Community

- Phytoplankton and Zooplankton
- Samples collected at 6 Locations
- Phytoplankton community 55 types
- Zooplankton community 32 types



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Aquatics: Benthic Invertebrate Community

- Collected at 10 locations
- 1,000 to 10,000 per m² of bottom surface area Insects most common

Tissue collected at 9 locations and analyzed for metals

and radionuclide contents

 Results were consistent throughout the study area

- Co and Ni were the most variable
- Radionuclides generally below Laboratory Detection limits



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Aquatics: Fish Community

- 13 fish species identified
- Spring and Fall Spawning Surveys at select locations
- Fish tissue samples collected
- Al and Se levels below guideline values
- Healthy fish community





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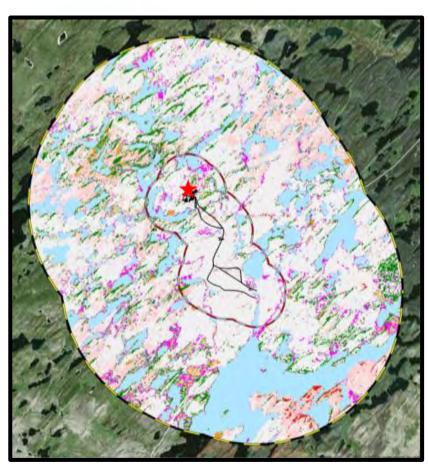
Ground Water

- 4 groundwater monitoring wells drilled to establish background levels of:
 - Total metals
 - Dissolved metals
 - Major ions
 - Radionuclides
- Groundwater monitoring will continue

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Terrestrial Baseline

- ✓ Ecological land classification
- ✓ Breeding bird surveys
- ✓ Ungulate pellet counts
- ✓ Winter tracking surveys
- Aquatic furbearer shoreline surveys
- ✓ Small mammal trapping and chemistry
- ✓ Amphibian surveys
- ✓ Characterization of terrain and soil types
- ✓ Vegetation and soil chemistry
- ✓ Vegetation community



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Terrestrial: Ecological Land Classification

- Regional Study Area
 - 52% jack pine blueberry/lichen
 - 21% Waterbodies
 - 13%- jack pine black spruce/feathermoss
- Local Study Area
 - 70% jack pine/ blueberry/lichen
 - 13% Waterbodies
 - 5% jack pine black spruce/feathermoss



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Terrestrial: Breeding Bird Surveys

- Identified 36 species
- 10 most common:
 - Ruby-crowned Kinglet (51)
 - Dark-eyed Junco (40)
 - Gray Jay (34)
 - Yellow-rumped Warbler (31)
 - Swainson's Thrush (18)

- Hermit Thrush (18)
- Lincoln Sparrow (15)
- Chipping Sparrow (15)
- Fox Sparrow (15)
- American Robin(13)

- Most preferred:
 - Jack pine white birch/feathermoss
 - Jack pine black spruce/feathermoss
 - Black spruce/blueberry/lichen



Terrestrial: Pellet Counts

- Pellets/ scats of 7 Species were identified
 - Grouse/ptarmigan
 - Moose
 - Woodland caribou
 - Black bear
 - Red Fox
 - Mink
 - Marten
- Woodland Caribou (2 transects)
 - Winter: Jack pine/blueberry/lichen
 - Summer: Labrador tea shrubby bog
- Moose wide occurrence in region
 - Winter: black spruce/blueberry/lichen
 - Summer: black spruce/balsam poplar/river alder swamp



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EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Terrestrial: Winter Tracking

- January 25 and February 3, 2017
- 19 replicate transects completed
- Fresh snow tracks were identified
- 11 Species Identified
 - Snowshoe hare
 - Red squirrel
 - Grouse or Ptarmigan
 - Microtine
 - Marten
 - Canada Lynx

- Ermine
- Mink
- Fisher
- Moose
- Woodland caribou



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Terrestrial: Aerial Waterfowl and Raptor Surveys

- 20 waterfowl/raptor(s) identified
- 10 most observed:
 - Ring-necked Duck
 - Common Merganser
 - Common Loon
 - Mallard
 - White-headed Gull
 - Bald Eagle
 - Canada Goose
 - Lesser Scaup
 - Yellowlegs Spp.
 - Bufflehead



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Terrestrial: Aquatic Furbearer Shoreline Survey

- Completed along shoreline 23 of creeks, lakes, and ponds
- 96 km total distance of shoreline surveyed
- Species identified:
 - Muskrat
 - Beaver
 - River otter

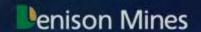


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Terrestrial: Small Mammal Trapping and Chemistry

- Indicator species (Bioindicators)
- 26 trap lines in 17 different vegetation cover
- Tissue Analysis Metals and Radionuclides
- Habitat Characterization
- Small Mammals Captured:
 - Red-back Vole 92% of trap lines
 - Meadow Vole 38% of trap lines
 - Dusky Shrew 26% of trap lines





Terrestrial: Amphibian Surveys

- 61 sites surveyed
- Wood Frog identified in regional and local study area
- Boreal Chorus Frog identified in regional study area

EIA Update: Baseline Environment

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Terrestrial: Vegetation and Soil Collection

- Blueberries, lichens and soil samples collected
- Samples analyzed for metals and radionuclides
- Relatively consistent across site

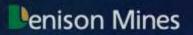


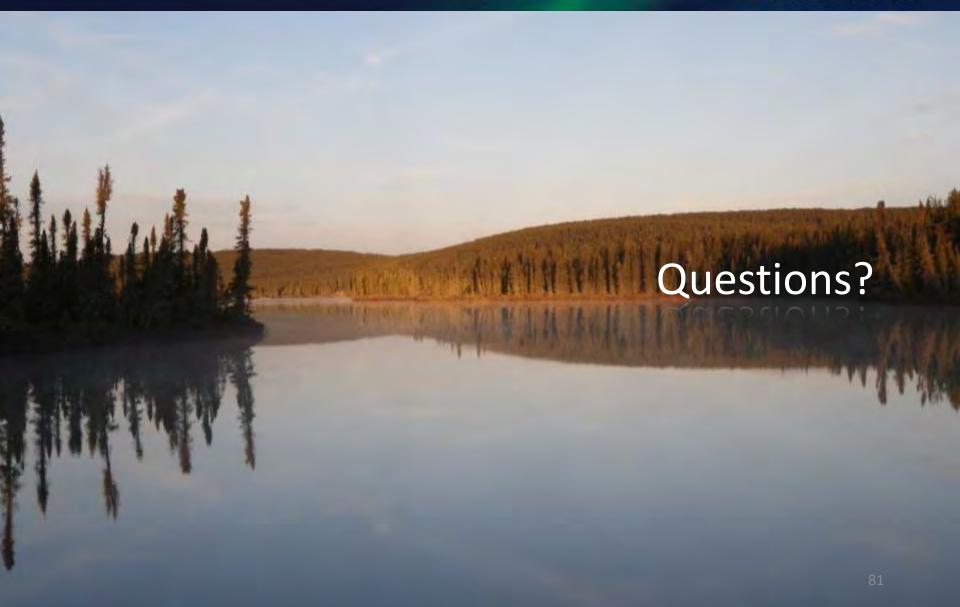
 Overall regional and local environment around the project area is a normal and healthy ecosystem

Future Work:

- Majority of baseline data collection is complete
- Continue to monitor conditions around site
- Gather more detailed data on field conditions as key project decisions are made (i.e. treated water discharge location)
- If project launches an Environmental Assessment, baseline data will be used to predict potential project impacts and enable avoidance & mitigation of impacts.

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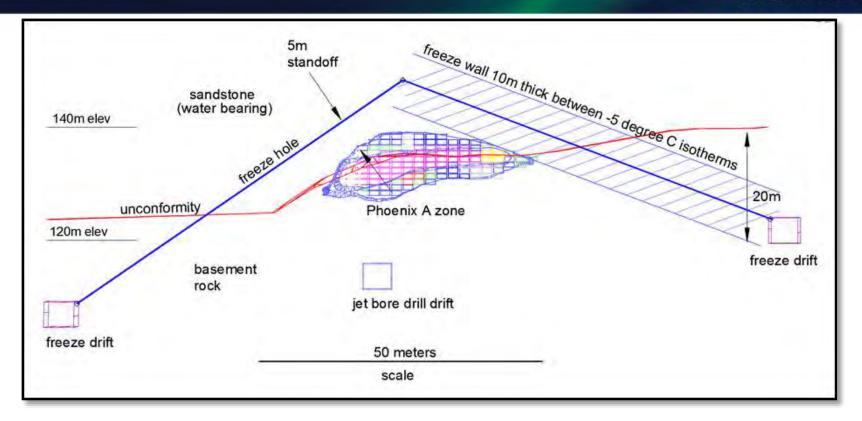




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Mining Method – Phoenix Options

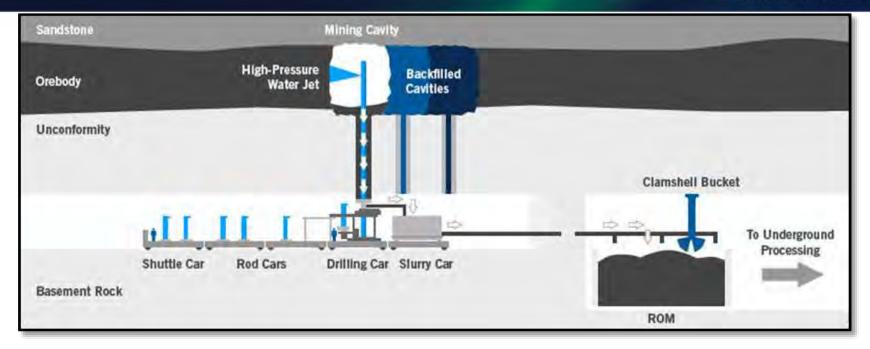




- Freeze drifts excavated ~20m below unconformity in basement rock and well away from other infrastructure
- 75m long freeze holes installed at 4m spacing along strike
- 16 months for initial freeze wall development

Mining Method – Phoenix Deposit

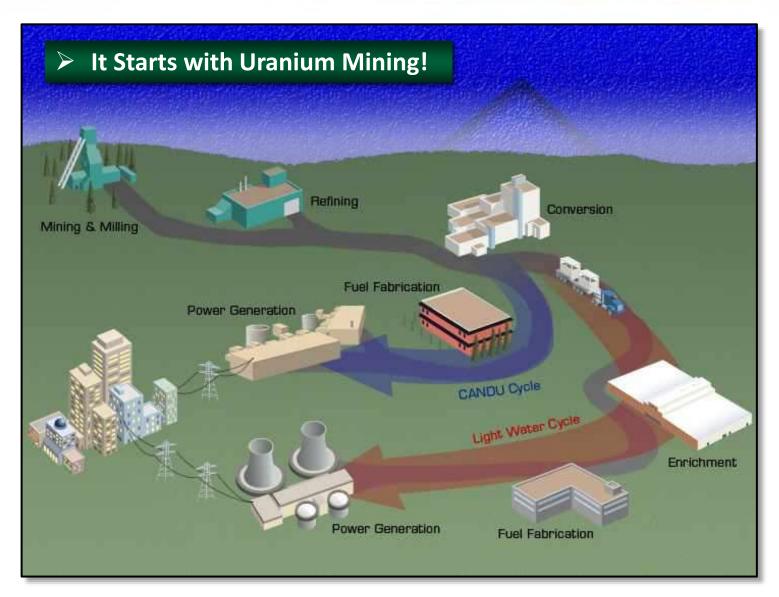




Source: Cigar Lake 2016 Technical Report

- Access drill drift in basement rock 30m below the mineralization
- Pilot hole drilled up into the deposit and a casing is installed
- High pressure rotating water jet cuts a cavity in the mineralization
- Slurry of water/broken rock flows out by gravity to receiving slurry car
- Mined out cavities are completely backfilled with concrete

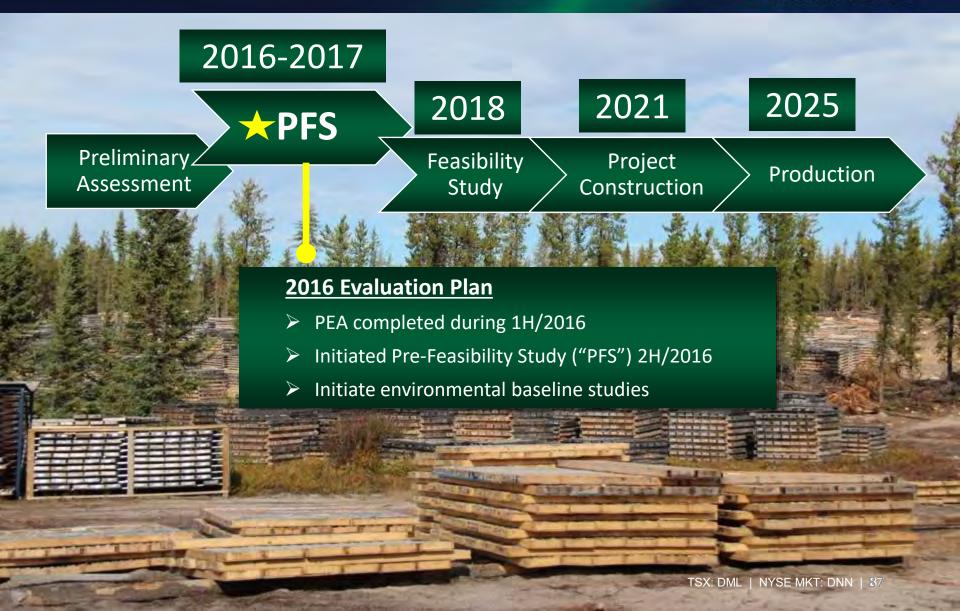
Overview of the Nuclear Fuel Cycle



Transporting High-Grade Uranium Ore



Wheeler River: Long Road Ahead

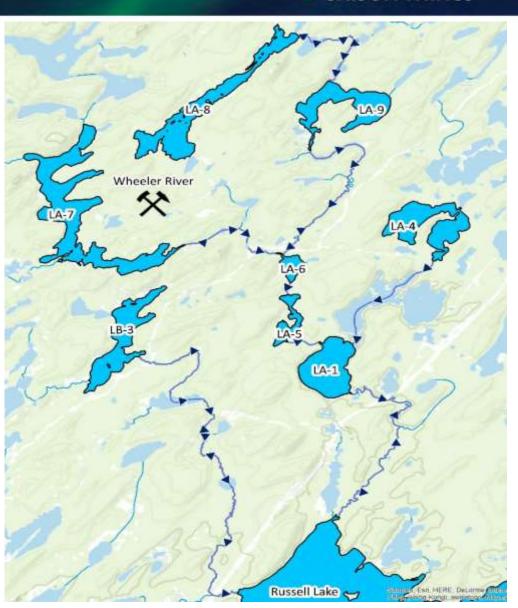


Discharge Location Options



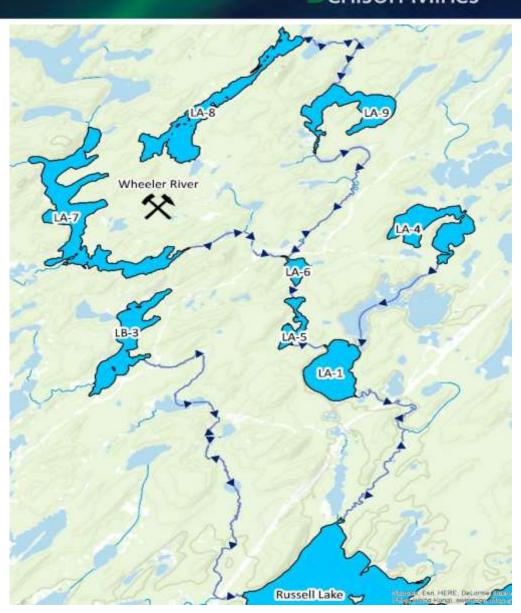
- Potential locations for treated water discharge were identified and assessed for:
 - 1. Preliminary understanding of land uses
 - Traditional territories
 - Trails, trap lines, country food harvesting, angling
 - Cabins, camps
 - Industrial properties
 - 2. Potential impacts to water quantity and quality
 - Avoid locations with low flows
 - Minimize increase in flows
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - 3. Potential impacts to fish and fish habitat
 - Avoid spawning habitat

- Preliminary factors:
 - Capacity
 - Watershed area
 - Connectivity
 - Distance to project



Discharge Location Options Quantity and Quality Assessment

- Preliminary factors:
 - Wheeler River historical flows (1973-2015)
 - Average flows from baseline (2016-2017)
 - Background water quality from baseline (2016-2017)
 - Estimated ranges of discharge flow and quality
 - 3 small watersheds eliminated

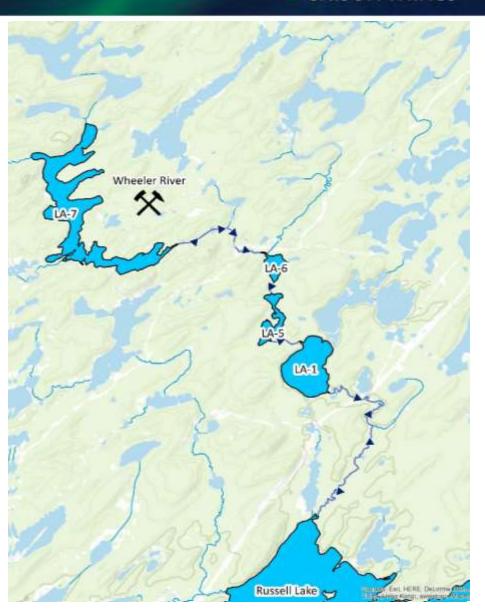


Discharge Location Options Fish and Fish Habitat Assessment

- Preliminary factors:
 - Fish community, habitat, and spawning and depth surveys from baseline (2012-2014, 2016-2017)



- Preliminary results:
 - Avoid locations with low flows
 - Meet provincial and federal water quality guidelines
 - Avoid spawning habitat



Denison Mines Community Engagement Wheeler River Project English River First Nation, Patuanak Thursday May 3, 2018

In attendance:

Denison Mines: Peter Longo, VP Projects; Lea Willemse, Denison Environmental;

SRK Consulting: Mark Liskowich, Principal Consultant

Hy-Tech Drilling: *Dwayne Ross*, VP HR & Operational Systems

Community: Chief Lawrence McIntyre; Executive Assistant **Marlene Wolverine;** Economic Development Officer **Lisa Janvier**; Radio Station Announcer **David McIntyre**; School Principal

Geoff McFarlan: Teacher Frank Mullin.

Recorder: Gill Gracie, Aurora Communications Ltd.

Chief McIntyre expressed regret at the many delays to the meeting. Today the meeting is held at the clinic instead of the school because of a regional power outage. No councillors available today.

Opening prayer: David McIntyre.

Introductions.

Presentation: P. Longo

Peter explained the format of the presentation. We're here to get your input and feedback.

- We're a small exploration and development company with no producing operations, 5% the size of Cameco. We're building ourselves to become a producer in the marketplace. Most of our properties are in the exploration stage lots of drilling and geophysics but no production.
- We own 22.5% of the McClean Lake operation with partners Orano (70%) and OURD. From Wheeler River we plan to ship the ore up to McClean Lake for processing.
- We produced uranium at Elliot Lake in northern Ontario from the 1950s to the 1990s. We're still active there today, looking after the decommissioned sites. Today you would not know it was an active mine. Our biggest challenge is communication, making sure community members who hike and hunt on the property realize that it is an old mine site and that cabin builders realize there are old tailings in close proximity.
- We support our communities as much as possible; in Saskatchewan we fund activities as part
 of our McClean Lake ownership commitment. We work with local communities in Elliot
 Lake, including the Serpent River First Nation; we work with their youth, offer summer jobs,
 support their education. In our former African properties we built schools and water wells for
 the local communities. We try to make each dollar count and support the communities in
 things that are important to them.
- Wheeler River is about 300 km northeast of Patuanak, halfway between Key Lake and McArthur River. It's an exploration camp; drill core is stored there, there are roads to the rigs and our main camp. Otherwise it's pristine wilderness.
- Exploration activities occur from January through April; we shut down a few weeks ago and will start back up in June through September.
- We have about 10 geologists running our exploration activities across the basin. Typically, at Wheeler River we have one or two exploration geologists on site. Our contractors have

- drillers, mechanics and others. There may be contract geologists for a few weeks here or there. In Saskatoon we have 12-13 people including myself, some geologists and one admin support.
- The site is located about 6 km off the main haul road. Our two deposits, Phoenix and Gryphon, total 132 million pounds about 1/3-1/2 the size of Rabbit Lake and ½ the size of McArthur River. **Phoenix** is a Cigar Lake-style deposit, complex and technically challenging with bad ground conditions. We are looking at engineering studies on different mining methods that we could use. **At Gryphon** we've been investigating shaft sinking technologies for the 500-metre shaft. Through exploration drilling we've collected a lot of geotechnical and groundwater information and drilled a shaft pilot hole.
- In mid-2017 we initiated a prefeasibility study to determine what kind of pricing and production rates would make money for us.
- Metallurgical tests by SRC indicate that the ore could be milled, the tailings stored and water treated safely at McClean Lake.
- We looked at different water discharge locations and the underground and surface activities, trying to picture the project if it came to fruition. At Gryphon there would be two shafts, a camp, mine buildings, offices, a water treatment plant and ponds, fuel storage but no mill or tailings. A relatively small footprint.
- The estimated cost for development would be \$1.13 billion. First production could be in 2025-26, at an operating cost of about \$19 per pound. With today's spot price of \$20, it would not be economic, so the price needs to come up. We also need to advance our environmental assessment work for the federal and provincial governments; we need our impact communities on board; we need to build local relationships; we need access to the financial markets to raise the capital. We're still 5-10 years away from something happening.
- The prefeasibility study will be done in 2-3 months time, and we'll have a good idea of the economics. We're advancing our environmental assessment work through collecting baseline studies, and we've started building our relationships with communities and governments.
- Life of production, with what we know today, might be 15-20 years, meaning people could have employment and business opportunities for their careers. As we identify new resources and expand, we hope to be looking at 25-30 years.
- In terms of working with communities over the last few years, we've tried to make each dollar count. Previously our exploration camp was supplied out of La Ronge; there was nothing wrong with that, but we heard that other communities in the area wanted business opportunities, so we moved that to the Beauval General Store.
- Our drill contractor, Hy-Tech, has developed a drill training program where they train two northerners to become part of the drill crew. The plan is to run it 2-3 times a year and increase the northern content on drill crews until 30-40 northerners are working on the rigs.
- We have prioritized the communities impacted by this project yourselves, Pinehouse, Beauval and Ile a la Crosse. We brought Dwayne to target English River and Patuanak as a location for hiring. Hy-Tech is Denison's biggest contractor, and we're putting the pressure on him to hire from this community. He's here to show how important that is for him.
- We support career days when invited to participate. We've hired northerners for short-term environmental baseline projects, and financially supported training initiatives.
- In terms of procurement, we need to be cost-competitive though we're always happy to entertain new businesses. We prefer northern companies as long as they're cost-competitive. We can share a procurement forecast for the next year to give you a heads-up so you can provide a price for what we need.
- We heard that the communities wanted agreements on paper, so we shared a draft MOU with the communities as an intent for us to work with you. We identified four key areas:

- environmental sustainability; employment, education and training; business opportunities; and community investment. So far, two of the four communities have signed the MOU.
- Environmental baseline studies: we have completed a full suite on aquatics, sediments, fish, and soils. On the terrestrial side birds, animals, soils, plants are all very healthy. Overall, it's a very healthy ecosystem; we don't see any concerns. On the heritage side we did an archaeological dig; no artifacts were found, nothing of concern. We are happy to share all the reports. All the work was done by independent third parties who are experts in what they do.

Discussion

Chief McIntyre: I always come from the elders' perspective. Since 1906, the area where you're working has been Treaty 10 land. The first chief of English River was William Apesis. Those lands were the primary area of ERFN and contain burial sites and birth sites of ERFN members. The Dené name of the Wheeler River, Russell Lake and Cree Lake all come from the Denésuliné of English River. The elders have always expressed that it's a primary area of EFRN. One of our late elders was born north of there in 1922. Our traditional gathering place is there.

In the 1800s and early 1900s, our ancestors lived off those lands. They used the river systems - Mudjatik, Foster, Wheeler, Churchill. Ile a la Crosse, Beauval and Pinehouse have never known that area – north of the Churchill was always Denésuliné territory. That was respected. That showed in 1947 when the fur blocks were assigned by the province – N16 on the north side and N18 on the south – Costigan, Haultain River, Highrock, all those areas. This information was passed on to me from 1991 – 2000 from late elders who gathered and trapped in the area.

We also interviewed elders when we were making our traditional map in 1991. I'm passing on that knowledge. We never want English River to be edged out – we are the primary impacted group. We are currently battling with the province, with communities, edging them back.

For many years I've invited (the media) to come to our gathering on the Key Lake road, to showcase and impress on the world that we're still using those areas. If you really want to work with us, you need to work with our council right from Day 1.

In that area there are moose calving areas, whitefish spawning areas – a lot of creeks, inlets and outlets. The drilling – as a former driller back in the 80s, for water wells and diamond drilling – it may not impact underground hydrology right away but maybe 15-20 years down the road. Even the pH of the water changes with time with things that are happening. The ecosystem becomes disrupted. Those are some of the things we wanted to express.

There are too many MOUs – they are passed out like candy. English River is the primary area – it's unique – we're 70% Dené and 30% Cree. We've occupied a lot of land, as far north as Pipestone, north of Cree Lake; down the Mudjatik; McArthur has a Dené name that means "the river that goes no place". All those lakes have Dené names. We have relatives in Black Lake.

When we seem to be abrasive, we're trying to make you understand where we're coming from. Maybe that's why this meeting didn't come together. I hear from the elders "They won't listen to us, they never listen to us".

One of our elders who's passed on was a medicine woman who saw things that would happen, including a lot of division.

We want to participate, but we want you to see the importance of us being involved. Our ancestors were the first in that area. They lived off the land. I respect your coming to the community, and when nobody shows up when invited, that shows lack of respect, that they don't care.

The community and the elders asked me when they voted me in as chief to speak on their behalf. My grandfather, who's been gone for 54 years, also expressed that.

You say the life of mine will be 15-20 years; we would like to participate from the outset, not as benchwarmers, but actively. Thank you for using Beauval General Store. I was upset when Hy-Tech selected Pinehouse and Canoe Lake personnel. I was telling council and membership that these guys mean well and want to work with us. The next thing we knew, two trainees not even from the territory were hired. A lot of members said they would not go to the meeting because of that – saying it's all words, sweet nothings. That territory is English River First Nation and has been for many many many years. We embrace the serenity in the pristine regions there.

I thank you for this meeting; there's not too many of us, but hopefully we can go on the right path. I know the uranium industry is at a low point, but maybe things will change. Hopefully we can get something concrete, like we did with the Beauval General Store. From this river north, it's all Denésuliné territory. I was recently looking at old pictures of guys who were hunting and trapping, families who were living in that territory in 1965. Those are facts.

I love your presentation, but I want to extend it from where it's at. I want the elders' voices to be heard, not buried. English River First Nation is the primary impact area. We can go into the field sites too, campsites, all along those roads. The elders are very passionate about that area.

P. Longo: Thank you for your comments. You provided us the traditional land use map; it's posted at camp so everyone there knows they're on ERFN Territory, and we've incorporated it into our environmental baseline studies and in looking at historical sites to make sure present or future plans avoid those areas that are special to you. We're trying as best we can to respect that. If in the past we made a mistake in terms of employment, there was no insult intended. We heard you crystal-clear from our last meeting; that's why we brought Dwayne up and made it clear to him that the priorities for hiring are here. We need your help to get the good employees for Dwayne. If we can work together, we can all win. We mean that. We want to work together; if there's something that's very important to you, let's keep the communication lines open so we can do our best to make it happen.

Chief McIntyre: People want to work. We had 46 applications for 15 20-week fire suppression positions. They have to pass a drug and alcohol test before they get hired. Safety is one of the first things. We had 25 applicants for seven positions on a slashing crew along the highway. If you need hand slashers, we have qualified, ticketed people. We have operators. A small project, a transfer station for the landfill, will start in May about six miles north. Trinity Excavating has the contract, so we may get some hiring. We have students who work at our gas bars (here, Beauval and Saskatoon) or the Northern store. They want to work; they want the experience. We want Elders in Residence at the mine site, as a liaison for the language.

I could have translated your presentation into Dené. We also work with Catholic schools in Saskatoon to incorporate the Dené language.

How deep is Gryphon? Key Lake was about 100 metres; I worked in that area drilling water wells. They drained a lake in June 1978. No mill there; how big will the camp be?

P. Longo: The closest lake is Krachkowski Lake. The ore body at Gryphon is about 550 metres; Phoenix is at 400 metres. Camp size: for Gryphon 2-300 people; for Phoenix, depending on the mining method, about 100. Phoenix is very high-grade ore, similar to Cigar Lake in parts; it will be mined differently than conventional methods.

G. McFarlan: You're projecting to start production in 2025. What type of jobs – I'm looking at building capacity in the community and in the school. What can Denison do to build capacity in elementary and middle school students now so they're ready when you are in seven years? What other things besides geologists, can we shoot for?

- **L. Willems:** Environmental Technology. We employ environmental technicians in the field to collect environmental data with the consultants. We had great success with Daniel; he's in the field regularly collecting data. In future they will continue to need environmental technicians both through the baseline studies and into production. They should focus on maths and sciences.
- **P. Longo:** It depends on what the students want to do. If they want to operate heavy equipment, they don't need a higher level of education. There will be jobs like that available. If they want to get into technical positions like engineering or geology, they will need maths and sciences. If they're looking into management and supervision, that requires maths and sciences plus experience. If they graduate today they would need to go to post-secondary, get a job for a few years, then come in at a senior level when the job starts. You can't graduate and become a manager that day! It takes years of experience. Supervisory courses help, along with a good mix of training and experience.
- G. McFarlan: What about summer programs to get them thinking about working for Denison? Building a partnership between the school and Denison to build capacity within the students so when they do graduate there's a clear path towards employment?
 - **P. Longo:** Today, the best we could offer would be geology or environmental technicians. We could offer a summer program for a geologist they would get a feel for it and see if they actually like it or not.
 - **M. Liskowich:** We ran a GeoFocus course through SMDC in the 1980s which had good success in introducing youth to geology positions. We also produced a matrix of all mining positions, from security guards to secretaries to cooks, mine managers, engineers, nurses, CEOs etc., along with the level of education and experience required for each. This was handed out last year at career days. I will send it to you as a starting point.
- G. McFarlan: What about tours?
 - P. Longo: You can tour our site, but there are no active operations.
- **G.** McFarlan: What are the prospects for small scholarships for some of our overachievers? **P.** Longo: We created a scholarship with another company in honour of the Humboldt Broncos accident. We're open to something like that.
 - **W. Ross:** Hy-Tech also has a scholarship program; we will forward you the details. We can make sure it's extended up here.
- G. McFarlan: What about general labourers? Are you only active half the year, in the exploration season?
 - **P. Longo:** We have current long-term employees doing general labour around camp. Our core group of geologists plan in between working seasons so they're year-round. The rest are laid off. We're only talking one or two jobs right now, not 10s of jobs.
- M. Wolverine: Is that cabin a TRU cabin?
 - **M. Liskowich:** It's a recreational use cabin belonging to people from the Meadow Lake area or North Battleford.

Access Road Routes: M. Liskowich

- 1. Highway to Phoenix; Phoenix to Gryphon
- We are looking for feedback on route of project road (map provided). The Phoenix site is the first deposit. The road must be 10m wide, grade no more than 7°, as few river crossings as possible and no lakes in the way. There are three potential routes from the highway to Phoenix, derived from English River's traditional use map and Sask Environment's land disposition map. The handout showed implications of each for earth moving, stream crossings, distance to water and proximity to a recreational cabin. Phoenix to Gryphon has only two options, with one existing bridge across a creek.

Discussion

G. McFarlan: Get the elders to act as consultants, as the chief mentioned.

Chief McIntyre: We're in the development stage of the land use plan. We have retained legal counsel, Shoshanna Paul, and used Norman Wolverine in the past. He's retired, but we can bring him in.

L. Janvier: When out hunting in fall, there was a sign indicating the Denison mine, so we went in; there was an abandoned truck etc. and a mess. We hunt there, have picnics up there.

P. Longo: That's Rio Tinto's – close to km 35. It's been abandoned at least 10-15 years. That's our access road.

M. Liskowich: It's Rio Tinto's responsibility to clean it up, but the province would have to push them.

Chief McIntyre: We need to review this with more people than the five here. There's a lot of slow water there. Did you check for fish there – are they small or big – cutters or export?

M. Liskowich: For the baseline program study we only investigate what species are there now, so we can see any differences before, during and after mining. The samplers may have noticed if there were parasites in the whitefish or not but determining whether the fish are export quality is not part of their study.

L. Willems: We do take small samples of fish tissue and send it to the lab, to sample metals and radionuclides.

Chief McIntyre: On my lake, Millson Lake, there's nothing right now. The drilling affected the water 15 years after – they did 35-40 holes around that lake.

Water Treatment Process: Selection of Discharge Point.

- In Canada, treated mine water is discharged back into the most appropriate lake. We treat the water so it meets all environmental regulations, its clean, you could drink it, but there are still restrictions as to where you can discharge it.
- We look at the size of the lake, how much water naturally passes through it you want more natural water than treated water, and a large catch basin that feeds runoff into that system.
- We look at the fishery is there a variety of species, where are the spawning beds, etc.
- All the lakes (on the map) have been sampled for water quality, volume, sediment, depth etc. They were screened to see if they would be acceptable to receive the volume of water we will treat. We ended up with five options. Lakes 5, 6, 1 and Russell all meet the criteria we must meet to ensure we can discharge into those lakes without harming anything. Krachkowski is close but shallower, so in drier years it could be a problem; probably not the best option.
- We consider the distance from the mine in term of pipeline and service road disturbance to put the water into that lake.
- What's your feeling about potential impacts?

Discussion

Chief McIntyre: There's a lot of natural filtration in that area because of the muskegs etc. I don't know if there's beaver habitat; those things have to be taken into consideration. Another mine in the area will impact Russell Lake, the river and the ecosystem. The water from Key Lake flows into the Wheeler River; will there be a double impact if you discharge to Russell? There's a lot of iron in the groundwater in that area; how will that react with discharge water when it eventually comes up? Some of the lakes on the north side have good pickerel; some small lakes have trout; Russell Lake has a good fishery. The John brothers use that area quite a bit – you could connect with Bobby John. Those are some of the considerations.

M. Liskowich: The cumulative effect will be considered. Everything on the map sheet reports to Russell Lake and flows out east then north to Wollaston Lake. We have the information for all of the lakes.

Chief McIntyre: The biggest body of water to be impacted is Russell Lake – "Big Poor Fish Lake" in Dené. A lot of Scandinavians and Norwegians went up there in the 1930s and partnered with First Nations in that territory.

A lot of those lakes would not be immediately impacted, but what about down the road? It changes. One lake (Lanspur Lake) about three years ago had no pickerel. In the last 2-3 years, with high water, that lake now has an abundance of pickerel. Those are some of the changes that happen. That comes from our elders, not from me.

M. Liskowich: That would be monitored.

M. Liskowich: There's a much bigger distribution of cabins on Russell Lake.

Chief McIntyre: We call them squatters! A lot of them are drillers from Alberta. Some take fish at 2-3 am. We go to Resources, who say they don't have enough men to police it. We tell them you should hire our guys to monitor those lakes, because we know the area. To me, they don't have permission but they just squat.

There are also flippers who get a recreational permit from the province, develop it and sell it after five years. Then they get a new permit and do it again. I've also presented that to Resources. Since we got legal counsel, they have backed off. Ever since the roads were built, people with money can drive in. They don't do the process. It may be less this summer because of the mine shutdowns – the road won't be maintained as well. This weekend there was only one truck.

M. Liskowich: Right now we're leaning towards using Lake 6 as an area to discharge to.

L. Willems: There's really good flow through Lake 6 and Lake 5. This March, the streams flowing into Lake 6 weren't frozen over.

Chief McIntyre: That would allow some natural filtration. We would have to see what the other members think of it. Because it's further away, there would be more filtration by the time it reached Russell Lake. What about spawning areas, caribou and moose calving areas? Caribou and moose eat low bush cranberries and lichen; lichen takes many years to grow and recover. There may be other things to consider, like medicinal areas - the elders will know. G. McFarlan: How long would the pipeline and its service road be for Lake 6?

M. Liskowich: 1-2 km. The road would be a minimal road for pipeline maintenance. It would be a 6" pipeline.

Mining Methods – P. Longo

1. Gryphon

- The Gryphon deposit is in granite basement rock. The top of the ore body is about 550 metres, and it goes down another 200-300 metres. There will be two shafts.
- It will be mined by drifting into the top and bottom of the ore from a ramp. Between the drifts we drill a 3-4" diameter hole to connect them, load it with explosives and blast it out. Equipment underground mucks it out. This is the same mining method as at Eagle Point. It's used around the world it's a proven method and it's safe.
- We can train people to do this there are no high-tech jobs

Discussion:

Chief McIntyre: Are there any major faults? Is there a lot of water?

P. Longo: The whole ore body is inside a fault. There's not a lot of water at these depths; you're sealed off from the unconformity. The drilling we've done to date supports that.

Chief McIntyre: We have 30-35 people who are trained to work underground, with experience in both potash and hardrock mines. We have guys working in western Canada We sank the McArthur River shaft through our contractor, Mudjatik-Thyssen.

P. Longo: We're looking at 2-300 people working at a mine like this, so all those people could be employed.

Chief McIntyre: We're developing a corporation that spearheads a lot of these programs through our companies.

2. Phoenix: Directional Drilling

- Over the last couple of years we've done a lot of work on Phoenix to look at different ways of mining it.
- One way is directional drilling, used in Alberta in SAGD oil deposits. A drill on surface would drill a 17 ½-inch diameter hole to just in front of the ore body, cased all the way. Then we would drill a 17 ½-inch diameter hole right through the ore body. The cuttings come back to surface through the cased hole, are put into a container and shipped to McClean for processing. A lot of water is used to move the material. It's a closed system the water is never discharged to the environment we reuse that water again and again. No water gets outside the cased pipe. If it does, no cuttings come to surface.
- We should be able to drill 30-40 holes through the ore body. The drill cuts the ore up and moves it to surface. We would drill one hole, fill it with cement and drill another hole beside it.
- The drill site on surface would be a couple hundred metres square, so a small surface impact. It would take about 4,300 holes to drill out the deposit and take 5-10 years depending on the production rate.

Discussion

Chief McIntyre: Are you using 1,500 GPM, or higher? What kind of casing? What kind of cement?

P. Longo: I don't know the GPM. It would be steel casing. The drillers call it whipstock cement. We would develop it; we might incorporate some aggregate to reduce our costs.

Chief McIntyre: Where would you mill this? Not at Key Lake? McClean Lake is pretty far. The closer it is, the lower the cost and the lower the impact on the environment. The risk would be minimized. Impacted people would say we should minimize it. The longer you haul, the more impact on the people that live there. Companies should be working together.

P. Longo: We plan to mill at McClean Lake. It's about 160 km, but it's available. We could look at Key Lake if the owners were interested in it. We have asked them, and they have said no. I agree about the cost, but it's not our decision to make. We would be happy to work with them.

M. Liskowich: Cameco is saving Key Lake for McArthur River and other ore.

Chief McIntyre: If for some reason you decide to sell or merge, what happens to the agreements you made?

P. Longo: When someone buys us out, they would take over the contracts. It would be like any business transaction; we have a contract in place and they are responsible to honour that. If they don't, you could force that through the courts.

Phoenix: ISR

- We are looking at another method called in situ recovery (ISR). This is a mining method used throughout the world for uranium, particularly in the States and Australia. You drill a series of injection wells into the ore body and inject a mining solution. In the middle is a recovery well where you pull that solution back out. As that solution is travelling through the ore, it leaches the ore (picks up the uranium in solution) and pulls it out of the ground. It is shipped to the mill for processing.
- In the Athabasca Basin we would incorporate a freeze wall around the ore body to help confine the mining solution. Outside the freeze wall we would have monitoring wells to monitor the natural ground water.

- The benefit of this scenario is that you produce the final product on site; no shipping of ore to a mill and no tailings. All the byproducts stay in the ground. The mining solution takes out the uranium, you precipitate it, treat the water and recycle it again and again. At the end of mining you treat that water back to its natural pre-mining state, turn off the freeze wall, and nature takes over.
- It requires minimal surface disturbance; some drill holes. The freeze wall would go in first.
- Chief McIntyre described the method in Dené.

Discussion

Chief McIntyre: That would take a lot of engineering and monitoring. I was there when they hit the Cigar deposit in August of 1978. I saw that excitement. They were using choppers to move the rigs. Later I worked at McClean for three months.

P. Longo: A lot of engineering; about the same number of employees as the other option. We looked at mining it by jet boring like at Cigar Lake; although the geology is similar, it's not economic.

M. Liskowich: These two methods are strictly for the Phoenix deposit, because it can't be mined conventionally.

Chief McIntyre: This type of mining is interesting – where is it done? What kind of impact has it had?

P. Longo: In the States they drill shallow, lower-grade deposits in a lot of drinking water aquifers. We will be deeper, at 400 metres. We know the water around Phoenix is already contaminated with the high-grade deposit. No one's using it for drinking water – its uranium content is to high.

M. Liskowich: ISR is done in Wyoming, Nevada, New Mexico. The well fields are mileby-mile, 10-15 km long, whereas this deposit is only about a kilometre long.

Chief McIntyre: The solution is a flotation solution? How many times do you use it? Do you need dryers? They deep-injected brine 20-25 years ago in Toronto. This sounds safe; it's all in containment.

P. Longo: We have tested many different kinds; ours would be an acidic solution. We would constantly reuse it. We precipitate the uranium, filter it to take out particles and return it to the original mining solution state before pumping it back down. We do it again and again for 15-20 years. We use dryers to dry the yellowcake. A lot of the same things that happen in the mills would happen in this plant.

M. Liskowich: Every drop that goes down comes back up. It contacts the uranium, dissolves and oxidizes it. About 45% of the world's uranium is produced this way. The same type of mining is used in potash mines in southern Saskatchewan. The beauty of it is, no tailings, no mill.

P. Longo: The biggest concern is containing the solution. That's why we would use the freeze wall. When we're done mining we flush it with water, treat the water, and reverse the process. In this scenario we would not ship to McClean Lake, but process the final product in a plant on site.

Chief McIntyre: You would have to have engineers on their tippy toes.

P. Longo: Everything would be instrumented; you would know exactly which hole the solution was going down and how much is coming back up. It would all be measured, metered, monitored. We visited an operation in Wyoming – nice and neat and clean.

Chief McIntyre: How would it be powered? Would a solar system be able to do it? One of the biggest potentials for turbine wind is at Close Lake, just a stone's throw away. We are environmentally conscious, but we also want to see what's available in terms of renewable resources. Just a thought.

P. Longo: We would draw power right off the grid, probably for both sites. Solar would probably not work up north. If you did a combination of wind, solar, battery, it might meet our power needs but it would not be as cost-effective as off the grid.

M. Liskowich: You can use solar and wind to charge your batteries as part of a supplemental program, but it's not enough. I spend a fair bit of time dealing with this at other mines in other jurisdictions. The power demands are usually significant to the point where you can't generate enough through solar or wind unless you have miles of windmills. Solar and wind generate power to charge the batteries, then you run everything off batteries. Every component in the solar panel, or the wind tower, is made from metals and mining products. We would be creating mines just to be able to make solar and wind power generating equipment. You don't get enough energy out of pure solar and wind to run a full sized mine.

Chief McIntyre: Regarding the grid, we're talking about having a transfer station right in that area, just north of Key Lake, to use for this and any other mines that are developing. How much power will you require?

P. Longo: If you're into generation, we'd be happy to talk about buying the power from you. Some options would need less because we would not have a mill on site, but we'd probably need in the 4-5 mW range, not 10-12 mW like Key Lake is. We'll know better in a few months when we size our main substation.

M. Wolverine: Is there cell service up there?

P. Longo: No.

Chief McIntyre: As long as you have a booster you'll have cell service, or from Key Lake on a high hill. With all the changing technology, you'll probably have it eventually.

We want to be part of the project, not benchwarmers – build the road, get the students in here. That's so significant.

M. Wolverine: What's in the MOU?

Chief McIntyre: We're sitting on it. I know we are the primary. Whatever MOUs have been signed out there, I respect that, but at the same time, the primary is English River First Nation. The council and the elders will support that. It sounds like something that could be done in time; some of the things you've shown, like using our Beauval General Store, are positives in the right direction. We want to see other things.

I was upset and emotional that Hy-Tech hired from other communities – it was like someone came in the back door and ransacked our place.

P. Longo: Is there language in the MOU that we can change?

Chief McIntyre: I gave it to our legal counsel. We suggested some areas – change "First Nation" to "English River First Nation," for example. We wanted the elders involved in some things right from Day 1. We want to be an active part of the development. The perception is that the communities you are signing MOUs with are more important than us.

P. Longo: Keep in mind the MOU doesn't distribute benefits. It's non-binding; if you don't like it, you can rip it up. It's a way for us to put our words on paper so we're meeting expectations, so you know what we expect and we know what you want, it's clear so there's no miscommunication. That's all.

Hy-Tech Drilling – Dwayne Ross

- We take some ownership in the miscommunication.
- We've been in operation for 27 years, and we plan to stick around.
- Any opportunities that we can make available for anybody we're trying to establish people
 in a career. Diamond drilling is somewhat of a niche trade. We appreciate bringing someone
 on from the beginning, for example students.

• Everyone has a different path. The trades are an honourable occupation. You can come from an entry-level spot and with proper training – we get our best success from organic growth inside our company. We really want to encourage youth to come to our company. We would prefer to bring people in, train them the way we need to, offer them career advancement and continued employment beyond any one project.

Discussion

- G. MacFarlan: What would they need as an entry-level employee a pre-employment course? What would be the lowest standard?
 - **D. Ross:** There are prerequisites all focused around safety. When we bring people into our company we are responsible for keeping them safe by introducing them to a safe working environment, but also making sure anyone who comes into or company has been properly trained and is safety-focused. A Class 5 driver's license is very important because they're driving company vehicles.
 - **P. Longo:** If they don't have their license they can't get insurance, so they can't do the work.
 - **D. Ross:** We also have a physical assessment and pre-employment testing for drugs and alcohol; that's very important not just for our industry but for most industries now. We stay in step with what's required by the client and the legislation. We will train them from that point on.

Training for us is big; we've always done a fair amount, but just recently, with demand, we're taking that training a little more seriously in-house. We've always offered one-week drillers helper training programs once a year, but now we find more benefit in making it more flexible to meet our clients' requirements and the timing in the industry. We can now train where we want, when we want. We could train in the community; we have in the past. We generally like to get them around our facility where we have our equipment and personnel; it makes things a little easier. We will do an in-house training at one of our facilities; part of that training would be to be right on site to shadow one of our drillers' helpers and be around a drilling operation in a controlled environment, so they get trained properly in a safe manner.

- G. MacFarlan: How many people, and what's the timeline?
 - **D. Ross:** We like to keep the numbers at two or three participants in this flexible training program. It's usually about three days in our facility, then we would bring them to the field to shadow for another three or four days, or less depending on the individual. We generally do that around a crew change time, so they would go right from training, once they have all the tickets and requirements, to working on the drill the next day. We're talking 10 days of training all told, with First Aid etc., before actually being on the drill. We sponsor everything training, housing, living allowance for days in town, training, the trainer, First Aid courses, the in-house trainer. The training is transferable to anywhere in the country; we do all the common core training. We certify them so they get recognized in other mining establishments.
- G. MacFarlan: Do you have that in writing? Do you provide an offer letter? A poster for the school?
 - **M. Liskowich:** We have a Denison/Hy-Tech brochure that explains all the certification courses.
- G. MacFarlan: When's your next program? We have some people graduating are there any slots open?
 - **D. Ross:** We have a 5-day course at our head office in Smithers, B.C. starting May 25. That's our flagship training program. We'll probably train 10-12 people there. We'll also bring the program to other locations to accommodate projects or clients. Safety is the biggest thing. There may be slots, if they can meet the requirements and are 18.

Experience around a drill environment is always good; they should be good with equipment. There are risks, although we have a lot of procedures in place.

Chief McIntyre: New guys get hurt because they take things for granted. Whets your turnaround shift?

D. Ross: We are four weeks (28 days) in the field and two weeks out until the job is done. We have a fatigue management plan in place. Canada-wide, our crew change dates are on the same day so we can transfer people from one project to another seamlessly.

Chief McIntyre: Everything is safety-centred now. No more highballing. There's a safety person on every rig. Does Hy-Tech have that? Everything is hydraulics now. It's split tubes now, and your core boxes are shorter. What's the starting rate for your helpers?

D. Ross: We don't have a safety person on every rig; we have three safety coordinators moving between the jobs. Some are split tube cores. We use five-foot core boxes. We start trainees at \$19 per hour. A novice driller is \$26.50 an hour, an experienced driller \$30.50, with bonus on top of \$2 per foot.

Chief McIntyre: We got \$7.50 an hour plus \$2/foot after 4,000 feet in 1979! If you're going to be a driller you have to put your social life aside until the job is done. 28 days is not long.

D. Ross: A competent driller is equalling almost a doctor's wage today. It's 12-hour days. There's a bit of flexibility; in the Wheeler River project we change crew every two weeks; I don't encourage that because they could work at Wheeler River have opportunities all across Canada in the off-season. We're into Europe as well, so we offer opportunities elsewhere. In November we shipped two rigs to South America, and we have some Saskatchewan people working in Ecuador.

Chief McIntyre: You were drilling for Cameco north of Cree Lake this winter? I was hoping you would hire some of us from here. The job was done before we knew about it. In future maybe you could contact our office. We have people who were trained by Boart Longyear – they were down east for two months, some underground and some surface.

Do you offer rigging as well? After the training, are they helpers for life? Do they learn about pumps, different types of bits, etc.?

What if we want to send two people to Smithers?

D. Ross: We were working at Dawn Lake. We do not offer rigging - there are no more cables. I would have to make sure the program is not full. We intend to do another one in Saskatchewan very soon, because we need people. The program we developed here with Denison is by far the best, because it's more hands-on, smaller, more one-on-one training. It includes shadowing on the project and on the drill. I would rather have the smaller program for my kids.

Our best success is organic, so we want to advance people through their career; there's a good sense of accomplishment to advancement.

G. MacFarlan: Do you need Grade 12?

D. Ross: I always want to encourage education; it's not mandatory, but we don't say that. We hope they would want to take this as a career, advance and take advantage of other opportunities Hy-Tech has as well. It's no longer such a strenuous occupation – better equipment, better safety and guarding.

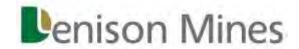
Chief McIntyre: If you're mechanically inclined, hands-on and you want to be a lifer, yes. But if you want to do something else, Grade 12 is good. It's always a good experience; you get to travel all over. You have to like it, and you have to like outdoors. It's not a pencil-pusher's job. G. MacFarlan: What is the fatigue program?

D. Ross: With 12-hour shifts for 28 days, weather conditions, travel time, we monitor our crews. We have open communication with regard to soreness, tired, alertness, and awareness. If things show up we make adjustments - shorter rotations, day shift-night shift changes, temperatures at the drill, hydration etc. The biggest thing is awareness.

It's good money, but it's hard work and a different lifestyle from what people are used to. There may not be good Internet service depending on the camp.

- G. MacFarlan: I would like something more concrete, and something written down. We have some kids that would love the opportunity.
 - **P. Longo:** The MOU is drafted for your input and editing.
 - M. Liskowich: Put a CV together for those students and send them to me or to Hy-Tech.

Environmental baseline update deferred to next meeting when hopefully there will be power.



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RE: Commencement of the Provincial and Federal Environmental Assessment Processes for the Wheeler River Project

Dear Darren:

My name is Pamela Bennett, and I am the Environment Manager for Denison Mines. Denison Mines is the majority owner of the Wheeler River Project, which is a *proposed* uranium mine and processing plant in northern Saskatchewan. It is located about 4 km off of Highway 914 and approximately 35 km north-northeast of the Key Lake uranium operation.

The proposed Wheeler Project includes an innovative approach to uranium mining in Canada called in situ recovery (ISR). The use of ISR mining at Wheeler means that there will be no need for a large open pit mining operation or multiple shafts to access underground mine workings; no workers will be underground as the ISR process is conducted from surface facilities; and no tailings will be generated. More details about other aspects of the Wheeler River Project are included with this letter and are also available in French, Dene and Cree on Denison's website at www.denisonmines.com.

I am writing to you to let you know that the Wheeler River Project has begun the environmental assessment processes with the Provincial and Federal Governments, which will involve a detailed assessment of the potential environmental effects of the proposed Project. More details about the Federal regulatory process can be found here:

https://www.ceaa.gc.ca/050/evaluations/document/130095?culture=en-CA. The Federal Regulatory process includes a 30-day public review period on Denison's Project Description, which has started and will conclude on **June 30, 2019.**

The final Provincial Terms of Reference (which will serve as the guide for the information that Denison will prepare for the environmental assessment) can be found here: http://www.saskatchewan.ca/business/environmental-protection-and-sustainability/environmental-assessment/projects

Denison has started various studies and assessments as part of the environmental assessment process, which is intended to culminate in the preparation of the Project Environmental Impact Statement. Denison is expecting to have the Environmental Impact Statement document drafted by the end of 2020. Members of the public will also have an opportunity to review and comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement through a formal comment period coordinated by the both the Provincial and Federal Governments.

If you have any questions regarding the Wheeler Project, please do not hesitate to contact me at 306-652-8201 ext. 107 – or my colleague Carolanne Inglis-McQuay, Denison's Corporate Social Responsibility Manager at 306-652-8201 ext. 128.

Sincerely,

Pamela Bennett Environment Manager, Denison Mines

Encl. Wheeler River Project – Executive Summary





Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Denison Mines Corp.

Meeting

November 5, 2019, 9:00am until 12noon

Lunch served for all- Room available for MN-S immediately following lunch for private debrief

Location

Hilton Garden Inn, 90 22 St E, Saskatoon, SK S7K 3X6

Attendees

Métis Nation - Saskatchewan	Denison Mines Corp.
Glen McCallum (President MN-S)	David Cates (President & CEO)
Brennan Merasty (Executive Assistant to President MN-S)	David Bronkhorst (Vice President Operations)
Alex Ross (Executive Director Kineepik Métis)	Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Corporate Social Responsibility Manager)
Joe Daigneault (Local President Sipisishik Métis)	Pam Bennett (Environment Manager)
Eugenie Lafleur (Local President Métis #67)	Roy Millen (External Legal Counsel)
Tex Bouvier (Northern Region III President)	
Mark Callette (Senior Director Administration MN-S)	
Arendt Hoekstra (External Legal Counsel)	
William Caisse (Local Ile a la Crosse)	
Nathan Favel (Assistant to Northern Region III President)	
Verna McCallum	
Percy Kenney (Local President #82)	

Agenda

- 1 Opening Prayer / Ceremony (G. McCallum)
- 2 Opening Remarks (G. McCallum / D. Cates)
- 3 Introductions (All)
- 4 Wheeler River Project overview (D. Cates / D. Bronkhorst / P. Bennett)
- 5 Denison Métis engagement to date & proposed (D. Cates / C. Inglis-McQuay)
- 6 Overview of Métis interests in Wheeler River Project area (G. McCallum)
- 7 MN-S and Métis Local engagement process (TBD)
- 8 Next Steps (All)

Notes

The MN-S is focused on supporting the Locals, speaking with one voice, and finding capacity within the organization to support efforts going forward with Denison. Denison understands the MN-S as the single point of contact on the file and welcomes the single voice that builds in relationships that have been developed for more than 3 years with the Local Presidents.

MN-S noted that they provided direction to legal counsel to seek an exploration agreement with Denison. Denison indicated it was open to discussions on this.

Questions were asked regarding location of Denison sites and focused interests, what would occur should the Denison / the Wheeler Project change ownership with a potential Impact Benefit Agreement and the relationship developed between Denison and MN-S, costs assessment of the Wheeler River Project, the relationship of share price and community investment expenditures, and the challenges related to securing business opportunities at sites for smaller communities.

Technical questions were asked regarding the In Situ Recovery (ISR) Mining Method, employment related to the ISR operation, the potential for other deposits in the Athabasca Basin to be mined using ISR, clarification that ISR is not the same as fracking, as fracking uses very high pressures to break the rock apart, the consequence of various types of accidents that could occur, such as a pumping or injection well breaking, the volume of acid required and requirement for transportation of the acid, and the transportation requirements for yellowcake.

Logistical questions were asked regarding the mining of Gryphon deposit, which were focused on the location for milling of Gryphon ore and whether the road connection between McArthur River and Cigar Lake would be part of the project, which it would be.

Questions related to the environment and protection of people were asked, such as those focused on water sampling conducted to date, methodology of dealing with treated effluent, environmental monitoring in general, the interest of the Métis regarding transparent environmental monitoring data and access to such data and understanding the potential for radiation doses from the operation.

The MN-S identified their interest in understanding the traditional knowledge collected for the Project (from Kineepik Métis Local #9), if Denison was conducting further work in this area, and if Denison would consider doing so. Denison indicated that Indigenous Knowledge, including Land Use data, is an integral part of the environmental impact statement development, and expects to receive direction from the MN-S on this front as the process moves forward.

Discussion occurred regarding the concern about racism occurring at sites, include the Wheeler River site today, and how to ensure that all people are treated with respect at the working sites, now and in the future. It was mutually expressed that the MN-S and Denison have a shared interest towards ensuring values of respect are embedded into the Project development.

The MN-S identified that the land in which Wheeler is located is subject to a land claim and the resources within the land claim area are claimed by the Métis, and removal of the resources claimed by the Métis must result in a portion of the revenue going back to the Métis. The MN-S has a desire to create a legacy and generate wealth for its people.

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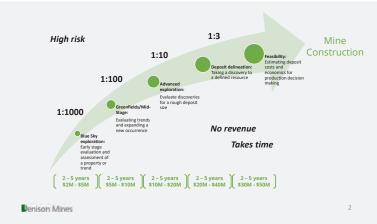
2020 Exploration Programs

The Athabasca Basin, Northern Saskatchewan

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The Exploration Process: An inherently risky proposition



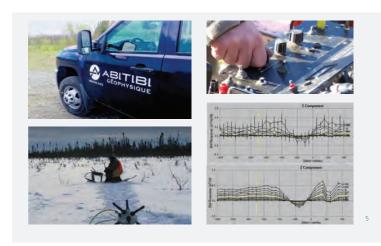
Exploration Techniques



Exploration Techniques: Ground geophysics



Denison Exploration Activities: 2020 Geophysical Surveying on Other Projects



Exploration Techniques: Diamond drilling



Denison Exploration Activities: 2020 Diamond Drilling at Wheeler

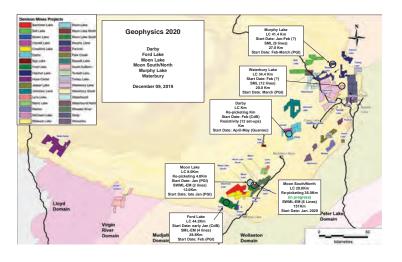






2020 Geophysics Overview

Moon Lakes – 2020 Exploration Program Location

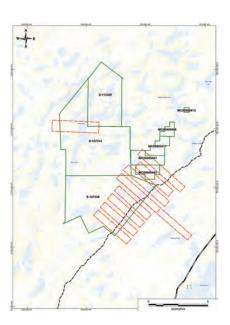




Moon Lakes – Exploration 2020

Line-Cutting and Geophysics Surveys

- In 2020, the Moon Lakes exploration program is planned to consist of a linecutting program followed up by a 9-line (40 line-km) step-wise moving loop EM geophysical survey program
- The line-cutting program began December
 6th, 2019 and will be followed up with the
 geophysics in early 2020, and expected to
 be completed by April-May, 2020.



Darby Lake – 2020 Exploration Program Location

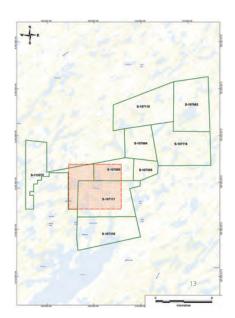


Darby Lake – Exploration 2020

Line-Cutting and Geophysics Survey

- In 2020, the Ford Lake exploration program is planned to consist of a line-cutting program followed up by 66 line-kilometre resistivity geophysical survey program
- The line-cutting program is expected to begin as early as late December, 2019 followed up the geophysics in early 2020, and expected to be completed by April-May, 2020.





Ford Lake- 2020 Exploration Program Location



Ford Lake – Exploration 2020

Line-Cutting and Geophysics Survey

- In 2020, the Ford Lake exploration program is planned to consist of a line-cutting program followed up by 2 line; 14.4 linekilometre small moving loop EM geophysical survey program
- begin as early as late December, 2019 followed up the geophysics in early 2020, and expected to be completed by April-May, 2020.





Murphy Lake – 2020 Exploration Program Location

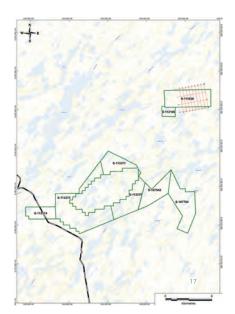


Murphy Lake – Exploration 2020

Line-Cutting and Geophysics Survey

- In 2020, the Murphy Lake exploration program is planned to consist of a linecutting program followed up by a 9 line; 18 line-kilometre small moving loop EM geophysical survey program
- The line-cutting program is expected to begin as early as late December, 2019 followed up the geophysics in early 2020, and expected to be completed by April-May, 2020.

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Waterbury Lake - 2020 Exploration Program Location



Waterbury Lake – Exploration 2020

Line-Cutting and Geophysics Survey

- In 2020, the Waterbury Lake exploration program is planned to consist of a linecutting program followed up by 12 line small moving loop EM geophysical survey program
- begin as early as late December, 2019 followed up the geophysics in early 2020, and expected to be completed by April-May, 2020.

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Wheeler River – 2020 Exploration Program Location

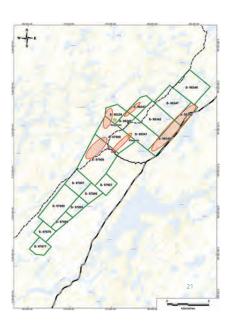


Wheeler River -Exploration 2020

Diamond Drilling Program

- In 2020, the Wheeler River exploration program is planned to consist of 21 diamond drill holes, in the Phoenix and Gryphon areas, as well as other, more distal, areas
- Exploration diamond drilling is expected to begin early January and continue through until April, 2020. Any remaining drilling will be completed between June and Ocotber 2020, in coordination with the advanced exploration program.





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Wheeler River Project, Northern Saskatchewan

Ya'thi Nene Lands and Resource Office $\,\mid$ 2020 Project Development Plans \mid December 13th, 2019



Project Development

Presentation Outline

- 2020 Planned Field Program
 - Coring Drill Program
 - Monitoring Wells
 Recharge Well
 - Non-Coring Drill Program
 - Horizontal Hole Drill Program
 - Hydrogeological Testing

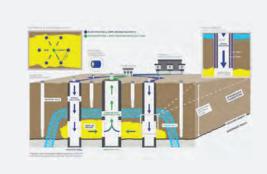






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Novel Mining Approach Application of low-cost ISR mining method to the high-grade Athabasca Basin



Fundamental Requirements

- 1. PERMEABILITY (of the deposit)
- 2. CONTAINMENT
- 3. LEACHABILITY (of the mineralization)

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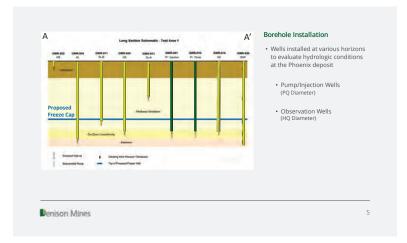
2020 Planned Field Program: Coring Drill Program



Monitoring Wells

- Coring up to 15 PQ diameter wells (122.6 mm)
- · All whole rock core stored at the Wheeler River Project Site
- Wells Lined with PVC and well screen
- Fitted with Pressure monitoring Devices
- PVC Wellheads installed on surface to ensure groundwater containment
- Bentonite chips installed within the annulus of overburden to ensure rainwater and groundwater confinement
- Overpack drums installed on surface

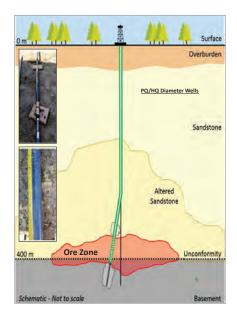
2020 Planned Field Program: Coring Drill Program



2020 Planned Field Program: Coring Drill Program

Borehole Installation (1)

- Utilizing existing exploration drill holes (where possible) for installation of tests wells
- All wells completed with inflatable packer systems installed directly above the well-screens to ensure isolation of the test formation being evaluated.



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NOTES: (1) See Denison's news release dated June 26, 2019 for additional details



2020 Planned Field Program: Coring Drill Program



Re-Charge Wells

- 1 Hole (PQ Diameter 122.6mm)
- Developed into a re-charge well for the purposes of:
 - Water management during hydrogeological testing
 - Recharge of waters from surface cleaning and possible radiological contamination
- Well to be screened at ore zone depth
 - Re-charging water into a preexisting area of high uranium concentrations
 - Will not introduce new
 contaminants

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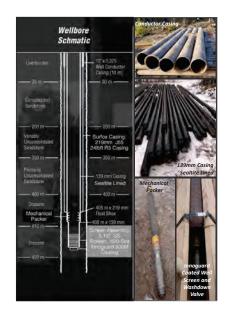
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2020 Planned Field Program: Non-*Coring Drill Program*

Commercial Scale Wells

- 7 wells to be drilled
- Destructive drilling (no core recovered)
- Ranging in diameter from 190.5 to 304.8mm
- Building upon the wells installed in 2019
- Similar in size to those that will eventually be utilized for commercials scale use during production
- Steel construction
- Grouted in place

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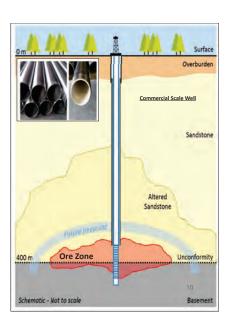
2020 Planned Field Program: Non-*Coring Drill Program*

Borehole Installation (1)

- · Completion of each CSW included:
 - The drilling of a large-diameter vertical borehole (~12 inches in diameter) approximately 400 metres from surface
 - Directional drilling in conjunction with Measurement-While-Drilling ("MWD") surveying employed for borehole accuracy
 - Destructive drilling of sandstone
 - Coring of ore zone
 - Well materials designed to meet expected environmental and regulatory standards for eventual ISR mining
 - Double walled-and fully-sealed piping system
 - Outer casing successfully grouted in place providing an additional seal

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NOTES: (1) See Denison's news release dated Oct. 31, 2019 for additional detail

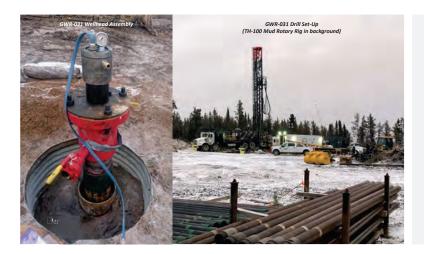




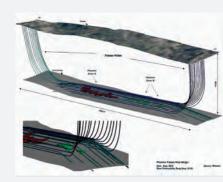
2020 Planned Field Program: Non-*Coring Drill Program*



2020 Planned Field Program: Non-*Coring Drill Program*



2020 Planned Field Program: Horizontal Hole Drill Program



Freeze Test Hole

- 1 hole proposed (1.7km in length)
- Utilizing a conventional horizontal drill rig (SAGD or Slant Drilling)
- Only testing the drilling methodology
- "Fracking" or "Perforating Blasts" will not be utilized

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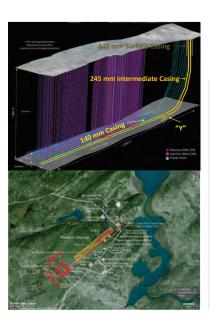
2020 Planned Field Program: Horizontal Hole Drill Program

Test Execution

- 600 linear meters of Vertical Section / Curved Section
 - 340 mm surface casing
 - 245 mm intermediate casing
 - Capable of containing 2 freeze horizontal freeze pipes at 89mm
- 900 m Horizontal Section (with key to basement rock)
 - Approximately 400m below surface, 30 m above the unconformity
 - Single 140mm casing with "Y"
 - *89mm freeze pipes (a.k.a "strings", "annulus")

*not included as part of the 2020 field tests

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2020 Planned Field Program: Hydrogeological Program



Hydrogeological Testing

- Continue work form 2019
- Enables Denison to understand the permeability, hydraulic conductivity and fluid pathways of the deposit
- Conducted using the newly constructed PQ diameter and Commercial Scale Wells
 - Pump and/or Injection Tests using natural groundwater
 - Additional anion (salt) tracer tests will be utilized to further determined the hydrogeological characteristics of the deposit
 - Formation waters are captured within holding tanks on surface

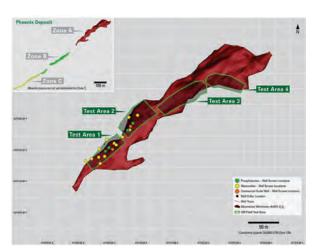
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2020 Planned Field Program: Hydrogeological Program

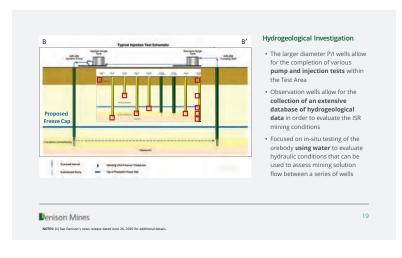


2020 Planned Field Program: Hydrogeological Program



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Phoenix ISR Field Test Program Preliminary Test Work





Meeting December 13, 2019 Ya'thi Nene Lands and Resources Office & Denison Mines

Garrett Schmidt (YTNLRO) Shea Shirley (YTNLRO) Dene Robillard (YTNLRO) Dale Verran (Denison)
Chad Sorba (Denison)
Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Denison)
Denis Goulet (Denison)

Agenda

- 1) Provide overview of all 2020 Denison Exploration Activities (recently permitted)
 - a. Details of activities
 - b. Planning for 2020 activities with providing notice to YTNLRO prior to permit submission
- 2) Provide overview of advanced Exploration Activities contained within draft permit application shared with YTNLRO on December 6, 2019
 - a. Details of activities
 - b. Questions / comments remaining from presentation
- 3) Discuss activities to support YTNLRO in relation to Wheeler River Project Environmental Assessment
 - a. Site tour summer 2020
 - b. Land use data collection

Presentations See attached General Notes and Discussion

General Exploration 2020:

YTLNRO asked if the geophysics would be performed in 2020. Denison answered affirmatively, also explaining that the Moon Lake line cutting has already begun.

YTLNRO inquired as to the distance between Gryphon and Phoenix, as well as if Phoenix is the main deposit. Denson answered that Gryphon and Phoenix are 3 kilometres apart as the crow flies, and that Denison has not yet made the decision to advance Gryphon yet.

YTNLRO raised the importance of sharing information with communities about general exploration activities. Denison committed to working together with the YTNLRO to find the best way to do so given the small-scale nature of the exploration activities.

Advanced Exploration Activities:

It was appreciated that Denison is trialling a new method of sharing information in advance of meeting and in advance of filing the permit application with the Province.

YTNLRO asked as to the procedure for radiation scanning procedures. Denison explained the various procedures in place to track radiation exposures as well as new procedures and equipment to be brought in 2020 as well as differences in tracking at the Wheeler Advanced Exploration Site versus typical exploration programs.

YTNLRO asked what would happen to test waters if the water could not be pumped back into the formation, if it would be pumped back into a different formation. Denison answered that if the water can be pumped out of a formation, it can be pumped back in, that Denison does not want to draw water from one area and pump it back into a different area or formation. YTNLRO asked if the water tests were normal procedure for exploration. Denison answered that the test are not normal procedure in exploration, that the tests are Wheeler (Phoenix) specific. YTNLRO also inquired as to whether fracking would be needed. Denison answered that fracking is not being used.

YTNLRO asked if the hydrogeology has been modelled. Denison answered that they are currently testing hydraulic connections, to verify that water can move through the deposit. Denison further explained that the model is undergoing multiple iterations, with the current extents of the model continually being refined. Denison further explained that the tracer tests, to be performed in 2020, will determine the breakthrough times across connections and increase confidence in where future mining solutions will go.

Advanced information sharing was discussed. Denison stated their objective is to ensure that information is provided in advance to the YTNLRO prior to the submission of the permit application to the Province of Saskatchewan, wherever possible. The timing can be a challenge, given that the optimal field season for exploration activities is in the winter, but Denison and YTNLRO agreed to work together over the coming year to determine the ideal time to share information between each other.

It was further discussed that the YTNLRO provides information to the Province that Denison rarely (if ever) sees, such as maps of land use activities of interest, etc. It was discussed that it would be ideal if Denison could be copied on this information – or have it shared in advance – such that it could enable Denison to confirm that activities are not causing potential adverse impacts to land use activities.

Wheeler River Project: Engagement and Environmental Assessment Data

Denison expressed its interest to YTNLRO towards working together to identify the right people to attend a site tour in the summer of 2020. Very preliminary discussions indicated perhaps it would be members from Hatchet Lake and some from Black Lake. To be further discussed.

Denison also asked the YTNLRO whether they have considered what is required in order to complete their land use dataset – and offered to work together to develop a scope of work, subject to acceptability by both parties, where Denison would support these efforts. The YTNLRO indicated they would think about it and both parties would connect in the new year to further discuss.

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Diversified Athabasca Basin Asset Base with Superior Development Leverage

Strategic Project Portfolio:

- · 90% interest in Flagship Wheeler River project (1) - largest undeveloped uranium project in infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
- 22.5% interest in operating McClean Lake Uranium Mill - excess licensed capacity, +12% of global uranium production
- · Interests in uranium resources at McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake
- ~305.000 hectares of prospective exploration ground in the Athabasca Basin
- ✓Internal sources of cash flow from management services contract with Uranium Participation Corp. (TSX-U), and Denison Environmental Services (DES)

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Cautionary Statements & Technical References

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Focused in the Infrastructure Rich Eastern Athabasca Basin



Agenda

- Introductions
- Company Overview
- · Wheeler River Project development stage project in the south eastern portion of the Athabasca Basin
- Waterbury Lake Project exploration stage project in the north eastern portion of the Athabasca
- · Questions & Answers



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Wheeler River Project Advancing to Permitting(1)

Highlights:

- PES included selection of In-Situ Recovery ("ISR") mining method for Phoenix with onsite processing at Wheeler River²
- Phoenix estimated to have exceptionally low operating costs for an undeveloped uranium deposit globally - US\$3.33/lb U₃O₈
- Conventional UG Gryphon contributes additional low cost pounds - US\$11.70/lb U3O8
- 109.4M lbs U₃O₈ Probable Reserves
- 14 year mine life (7.8m lbs U₃O₈/year on avg.)
- Base-case pre-tax NPV_{8%} (100%) of \$1.31B
- Base-case pre-tax IRR of 38.7%
- Initial CAPEX of \$322.5M (100%)
- ✓ Ownership: 90% Denison, 10% JCU(2)





Phoenix Operation: Proposed site layout highlighting ISR wellfield and site infrastructure(1)



Key Site Elements:

- ~150 person camp facility
- · Site operations centre
- ISR wellfield
- · Freeze plants
- Processing plant / WTP
- Potential WTP holding ponds and treated effluent discharge point
- Warehousing and fuel storage facilities
- Back-up power generators
- Wash bay, scanning and weight scale facilities
- Potable and waste water treatment / storage

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sandstone

Phoenix Geology:

Highlights(1):

uranium deposit

Unique uranium deposit

above the unconformity ("UC")

Two distinct ore zones - Phoenix A + B

· Approximately 400 m below surface

World's highest-grade undeveloped

(166,000 tonnes at **19.1% U₃O₈**)

(9,000 tonnes at 5.8% U₃O₈)

Cut-off grade of 0.8% U₃O₈

with exceptionally high grades

· Mineralization is situated at or immediately

Indicated Mineral Resources 70.2 M lbs U₃O₈

Includes 59.9 M lbs U₃O₈ estimated for Phoenix Zone A High-Grade Core

(62,900 tonnes at 43.2% U₃O₈)

• Inferred Mineral Resources 1.1 M lbs U₃O₈

✓ Geological setting expected to be amenable to ISR mining, with ~90% of the mineral resource (contained metal) hosted in



erous Pelile

Phoenix Zone A - Schematic Cross Section

Bringing the world's lowest cost uranium mining method to the jurisdiction hosting the world's highest-grade uranium deposits



ISR Mining Process(1):

- 1. Mining solution (also known as "lixiviant") is pumped through a permeable orebody via injection well;
- 2. Lixiviant dissolves the uranium as it travels through the orebody;
- 3. Uranium rich mining solution (also known as uranium bearing solution or "UBS") is pumped back to surface via recovery well:
- 4. UBS is sent to a processing plant on surface for chemical separation of the uranium and reconditioning of lixiviant:
- 5 Liviviant is returned back to well field for further production

NOTES: (1) Refer to the Wheeler River Technical Report titled "Pre-feasibility Study Report for the Wheeler River Unanium Project, Saskatchewan, Canada" dated September 24, 2018.



Closed loop system and simplified plant design reduces the need for discharge

On-site processing to Yellowcake Uranium:

On-Site Processing Plant(1)

 Annual production between 6 and 12 million lbs U₃O₈ – depending on

(10 g/L \rightarrow 6M lbs U_3O_8 / year)

· No crushing or grinding circuits

required - results in small footprint

· Low impurity solution allows for direct

ion exchange or solvent extraction

· Potential for closed loop system that

recycles mining solution back to ISR

· Drying/calcining to be done on-site in preparation for market

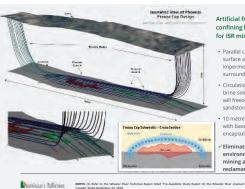
· Plant to be powered by provincial

wellfield with little to no discharge of

precipitation and eliminates need for

uranium concentrations from wellfield

Phoenix Freeze Cap: Novel concept to contain lixiviant, using established technology



Artificial freeze cap replicates confining layer typically required for ISR mining operations(1)

- Parallel cased holes drilled from surface and anchored into impermeable basement rock surrounding the Phoenix deposit
- Circulation of low-temperature brine solution through cased pipes will freeze groundwater in sandstone surrounding the deposit
- 10 metre thick freeze wall, together with basement rocks will encapsulate Phoenix deposit

environmental concerns with ISR mining and facilitates controlled reclamation

power grid

effluents

NOTES: (1) Indicative design only. Refer to the Wheeler Sh.
Project, Saskatchewan, Canada dated September 24, 2018.

Wheeler River Field Work in 2019: First of its kind ISR field test in the Athabasca Basin

ISR Field Test Objectives:

- · In-situ field work is necessary to increase the confidence / reduce the risks associated with application of the ISR mining method at Phoenix
- ✓ Data required for detailed hydrogeological modelling
- ✓ Forms the basis for ISR wellfield and freeze dome design necessary for the FS and to support the EIA process.
- · Phoenix deposit divided into four (4) representative test areas
- ✓ Intended to cover each of the various fluid flow domains expected within the deposit
- ✓ Test areas expected to cover ~65% of the Indicated Mineral Resources estimated for the Phoenix deposit

NOTES: For further details regarding the ISR field testing and results for 2019 refer to D

Wheeler River Field Work in 2019: Collecting hydrogeological data from test wells installed in Phoenix Zone A



Wheeler River Field Work in 2019: Collecting hydrogeological data from test wells installed in Phoenix Zone A



Wheeler River ISR: Different mining method and a different type of operation(1)



Advantages of ISR mining compared to existing uranium mining in Canada:

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- ✓ Small surface footprint
- ✓ Lower water consumption
- ✓ Lower energy consumption
- ✓ Potentially near zero CO₂ emissions
- ✓ Small volume (potentially) zero) treated effluent released to surface water bodies
- ✓ Potential for lower radiation doses to workers
- ✓ No tailings production
- ✓ Very small volumes of clean waste rock (sandstone core

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from wellfield development)

Wheeler River ISR: Different mining method and a different type of operation

Comparison to Precedent Athabasca Basin uranium mining operations:

Project Element	Existing AB Operations	Wheeler River Project	Observation
Annual jobs during operation	~1,050 – McArthur/Key Lake ~ 800 – Cigar / McClean	100 - 150	Wheeler work-force is <15% of existing operations; fewer opportunities to share benefits.
Estimated uranium resources amenable to selected mining method	~400 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ (remaining) at McArthur ~180 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ (remaining) at Cigar	~70 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ amenable to ISR mining	Wheeler ISR resources are <20% of the remaining uranium resources at McArthur, despite a decade plus of mining;
Annual production	~18M lbs U ₃ 0 ₈ at each of McArthur & Cigar	~6-12 M lbs U ₃ O ₈	Wheeler annual production expected to be $1/3^{rd}$ to $2/3^{re}$ of each of McArthur and Cigar + small resource base means shorter mining life, and fewer years / opportunities to share benefits.
Initial costs of construction / initial capital costs	Estimated ~\$3B for Cigar	Estimated at \$325M per PFS	Building Wheeler is expected to cost $^\sim\!10\%$ of Cigar; fewer opportunities to share benefits

Other important considerations:

- On-site processing to yellowcake product: no trucking of mine production to off-site processing plant;
- · All jobs for ISR operation are above ground

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Engagement Considerations: Committed to collaborative engagement with all interested parties



Denison's Approach:

- 1. Present meaningful and relevant information in culturally appropriate format and language
- recommendations into project decisions to minimize project impacts
- 3. Engage interested parties in a variety of ways and in a manner that respects local traditions, culture, timeframes and decision making processes
- Provide frequent feedback, monitoring and evaluation related to the project and engagement activities

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Engagement Considerations: Known land use in Wheeler River project area



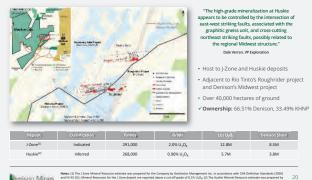
- · One Commercial Trapper (ERFN) very active in area
- No other strong presence of current land users
- · Heritage surveys conducted to date identified one Artifact Find of Precontact cultural affiliation with limited interpretive potential
- Wheeler River project is located within the boundaries of Treaty 10 with established ties to known English River & Métis Traditional Territory
 - > Strong communal relationship to the land
- Seeking other sources of information related to current land uses from Indigenous communities
- What Treaty and / or Indigenous Rights are currently being practiced by Athabasca Basin community
 members (First Nations and / or Métis) in or ground the Wheeler River Project?

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Waterbury Lake Uranium Project: Mineral resources in close proximity to Roughrider & McClean Lake



Waterbury Lake Uranium Project: A brief history

40 years of exploration activity

- Current claims staked by Strathmore Minerals Corp. in 2004
- · Strathmore spun out Canadian assets to Fission Energy Corp. ("Fission") in 2007
- · Fission signs earn in with KEPCO in 2008 and forms WLULP to hold property
- · Denison acquires Fission in 2013, including Fission's interest in WLULP
- Currently, Denison holds a 66.51% interest in the WLULP, with KHNP (subsidiary of KEPCO) holding remaining
- J Zone uranium deposit discovered in 2010, following Hathor's discovery of the Roughrider Uranium deposit under the northern limb of McMahon Lake in 2008.
- Huskie uranium deposit was discovered by Denison in June 2017

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Questions?



Waterbury Lake Uranium Project: Recent exploration activities

5 drill holes

2019 winter drilling program

 GB Trend (3,240 metres)

· Oban South 3 drill holes (1.320 metres)

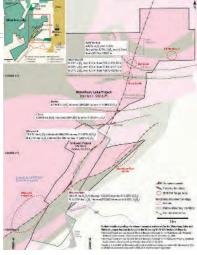
· Midwest Ext.

 GB Northeast (450 metres)

 Waterbury East 1 drill hole (350 metres)

√ 2020 budget planning in progress

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Waterbury Lake Uranium Project: Core yard



Waterbury Lake Uranium Project: On-site logging facilities



Waterbury Lake Uranium Project: Core yard clean-up



Business and Employment Opportunities: Identifying opportunities for Athabasca enterprises to work with Denison

In 2019:

- · Drilling company employed member from Hatchet Lake First Nation
- · Westwind Aviation
- Athabasca Security / Medical (for paramedic onsite 24 hours/day at Wheeler River Site)

- Procurement list will be developed once budgets are approved and will be sent to YTNLRO
- May include opportunities such as:
- ➤ Diamond drilling
- Medical services
- Camp services
- > Air charters > Line cutting Dunison Mines







· Westwind Aviation

- Athabasca Basin Security / Medical
- · Yathi Koe (Fond du Lac and Hardrock Drilling)

Companies Denison is familiar with:

Team Drilling (51% owned by ABDLP)

- Athabasca Catering
- · Others?





Denison Mines meeting with Athabasca Dénésuline Leaders and Directors of Ya'thi Néné Land and Resource Office (YTNLRO)

Date: October 3, 2019 **Location:** Ramada, Saskatoon

In attendance:

Denison

David Cates (President & CEO)
David Bronkhorst (VP Operations)
Pam Bennett (Environment Manager)
Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (CSR Manager)

YTNLRO

Garrett Schmidt (Executive Director)

Tina Giroux (Advisor)

Shae Shirley (Land Use Planning Advisor) Corrine Sayazie (Chief, Black Lake) Bart Tsannie (Chief, Hatchet Lake)

Louis Mercredi (Chief, Fond du Lac)
Al Sayne (Director, YTNLRO)
Ray MacDonald (Director, YTNLRO)
Delbert Bouvier (Councillor, Black Lake)
Paul Denechezhe (Councillor, Hatchet Lake)
Mary Denechezhe (Director, YTNLRO)

Dene Cree Robillard (YTNLRO)

Presentation: See Above General Questions

The following general types of questions were asked by the attendees:

- Nature of the mining solution and containment methods for the mining solution, including contingency measures if excursions occur outside
 of freeze dome
- 2. Details regarding the freeze dome concept
- 3. Details regarding groundwater in the area and number and location of the monitoring wells
- 4. Details on the type of ore body (grade, impurities, percentage recovered)
- 5. Lifespan of the operation and opportunities for employment, training, and business
- 6. Quality of treated effluent
- 7. Use of in-situ recovery (ISR) methodology and relationship to other deposits in the area, such as Midwest

Specific Land Use Questions

The following question was posed to the attendees:

 What Treaty and / or Indigenous Rights are currently being practiced by Athabasca Basin community members (First Nations and / or Métis) in or around the Wheeler River Project?

In response to this question, Denison staff captured these comments:

YTNLRO The whole area of the Athabasca Basin was historically used by the Dene Nation. There were no boundaries to where we travelled. Although there may not be anyone active in the Wheeler area now, it is part of our historical land use area. Not many people trap now even close to our communities because it is not economical. The other mines on either end of your project are including us [Key Lake and McArthur River]. We have land use data, although I am not sure how far back it goes. It may show use around Wheeler.

Denison: Thank you. All of your points have been noted. It is not our place to determine whose traditional territory is whose. We want to make sure we understand the current traditional land use in the Wheeler Project area for fishing, hunting, trapping, and medicinal purposes.

Denison: Thank you for sharing your experiences and we appreciate and value your comments.

YTNLRO: An Elder [described] travelling from Hatchet Lake to Russell Lake, Highrock River and the Geike River. The area close to Russell Lake and Highrock River – we have historical connections here. The area along the Treaty 10/Treaty 8 boundary towards Cree Lake and Gieke River are areas Dene travelled around. Could you bring our Elders to the Wheeler area to get their input on land use and ask them questions? Could you give our Elders a site tour? You should consult with our Elders.

YTNLRO: Speaking for the YTNLRO we don't feel as though the Traditional Land Use information from the early 2000s is complete. We are looking into this; work is underway.

Victor Fern: We have Black Lake members in Ile a la Crosse and Beauval. Band members from Black Lake used to travel to Ile a la Crosse, Beauval etc. There was always interaction between the West Side communities and the northern communities. We would travel through Cree Lake.

YTNLRO Cree River connects to Black Lake; we would be the first people impacted; you should give us site tours

Denison: The Project as designed is not predicted to have off-site impacts that would adversely impact your communities. The Project is more than 50km from Cree Lake.

YTNLRO: You should offer an Elder tour at site

Denison: We have a commitment to communicate all opportunities to all those interested, for the Wheeler River Project and for exploration activities.

Commitments:

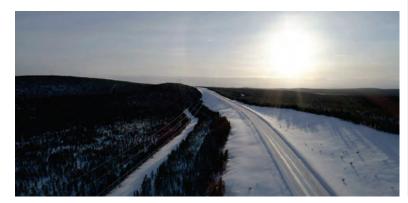
- 1) As soon as budgets are set for 2020 exploration, Denison will share the list of Projects and the procurement needs with YTNLRO
- 2) YTNLRO is currently undertaking a review of existing data related to land use activities
- 3) Denison is constantly revising and updating the Engagement Plan and will consider the request to conduct a site tour for Elders.

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Uranium Development & Exploration

The Athabasca Basin, Northern Saskatchewan

August 7, 2019 | Wheeler River Project and Denison Exploration Sites



Cautionary Statements & References

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Additional information about Denison and its projects is contained in Denison's Annual Information Form dated March 12, 2019 (the "AIF") and other public disc are available on its website and under its profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and on EDGAR at www.sec.gov/inforars.html

Qualified Perserrs

The disclosure of a scientific or technical nature, including the results of the PFS, was prepared and approved by Peter Longo, P. Eng. MBA, PMP, Denison's Vice-President, Project Development, who is a Qualified Person in accordance with the requirements of Ni 43-101.

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Agenda

- · Company Overview
- Wheeler River Project Overview
- Denison Exploration Activities in Athabasca Basin



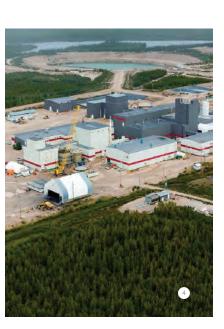
Denison: Diversified Athabasca Basin Asset Base with Superior Development Leverage

Strategic Project Portfolio:

- 90% interest in Flagship Wheeler River Project (1) - largest undeveloped uranium project in the infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
- 22.5% interest in operating McClean Lake Uranium Mill – excess licensed capacity, +12% of global uranium production
- Interests in uranium resources at McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake
- ~310,000 hectares of prospective exploration ground in the Athabasca Basin
- Internal sources of cash flow from management services contract with Uranium Participation Corp. (TSX-U), and Environmental Consulting Services from Denison Environmental Services (DES)

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NOTES: (1) Refer to the Wheeler River Technical Report Titled "Pre-feasibl River Uranium Project, Saskatchewan, Canada" dated September 24, 2018.



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~310,000 Hectares of Prospective Exploration & Development Ground Focused in the Infrastructure Rich Eastern Athabasca Basin



Wheeler River Project Advancing to Permitting(1)

Highlights:

- PFS included selection of In-Situ Recovery ("ISR") mining method for Phoenix with onsite processing at Wheeler River²
- Phoenix estimated to have exceptionally low operating costs for an undeveloped uranium deposit globally – US\$3.33/lb U₃O₈
- Conventional UG Gryphon contributes additional low cost pounds - US\$11.70/lb U₃O₈
- 109.4M lbs U₃O₈ Probable Reserves
- 14 year mine life (7.8m lbs U_3O_8 /year on avg.)
- + Base-case pre-tax $\mathsf{NPV}_{8\%}$ (100%) of \$1.31B
- Base-case pre-tax IRR of 38.7%
- Initial CAPEX of \$322.5M (100%)
- ✓ Ownership: 90% Denison, 10% JCU⁽²⁾



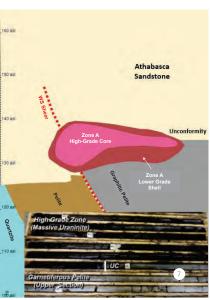


Phoenix Geology: Unique uranium deposit with exceptionally high grades

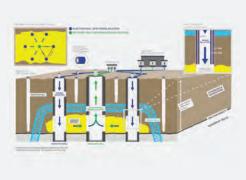
Highlights(1):

- Mineralization is situated at or immediately above the unconformity("UC")
- Two distinct zones Phoenix A + B
- Approximately 400m below surface
- 70.2 million pounds U₃O₈ @ 19.14% U₃O₈ Indicated mineral resources (166.400 tonnes)⁽²⁾
 - >World's highest grade undeveloped uranium deposit
 - ➤ Cut-off grade of 0.8% U₃O₈
 - >1.1M lbs U₃O₈ in Inferred resources (8,600 tonnes @ 5.8% U₃O₈)⁽³⁾
- ✓ Geological setting is amenable to ${\it ISR}$

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Phoenix ISR Operation: Selection of ISR mining method

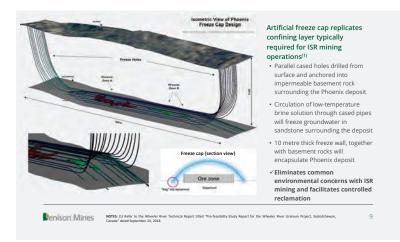


ISR Mining Process⁽¹⁾:

- 1. Mining solution (also known as "lixiviant") is pumped through a permeable orebody via injection well;
- 2. Lixiviant dissolves the uranium as it travels through the orebody;
- 3. Uranium bearing mining solution ("UBS") is pumped back to surface via recovery well;
- 4. UBS is sent to a processing plant on surface for chemical separation of the uranium and reconditioning of lixiviant;
- 5. Lixiviant is returned back to well field for further production

Penison Mines NOTES: (1) Refer to the Wheeler Rive Canada" dated September 24, 2018.

Phoenix Freeze Cap: Novel concept to contain lixiviant, using established technology



Phoenix Test Work⁽¹⁾: Confirms suitability of ISR mining method

Field and laboratory work included drill hole injection, permeability, metallurgical leach, agitated leach and column testing

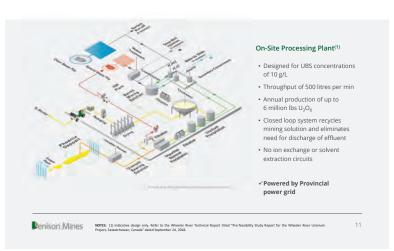
- Excellent Recoveries: High rates of recovery in extraction (+90%) and processing (98.5%)
- High Grade: Agitated leach and column tests returned uranium concentrations of 12 to 20 grams per litre (g/L) – significantly higher than conventional low-grade ISR operations
- High uranium concentrations in the mining solution, plus low level of impurities (deleterious elements), allows for direct precipitation of uranium
- ✓ No need for ion exchange or solvent extraction circuits = reduced costs

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NOTES: (1) Refer to the Wheeler River Technical Report titled "Pre-feasibility Study Report for the Wheeler River Uranium Project, Saskatchewan, Canada" dated September 24, 2018.



Phoenix ISR Processing Plant: Closed loop system and simplified plant design eliminates the need for discharge



Phoenix Operation: Proposed site layout highlighting ISR wellfield



Wheeler River ISR Operation: Different Mining Method and a Different Type of Operation

Potentially one of the world's most environmentally friendly mining operations





Phoenix ISR Site: Proposed Layout Key Lake Mill Site (ref. Google Earth)

- No production of tailings
- · Closed loop system requires potentially <u>no treated</u> water discharge to
- Contained mining chamber eliminates groundwater interactions and allows for controlled remediation
- Limited fossil fuel requirements – powered by provincial grid: **Near zero** carbon emissions
- Small surface disturbance of a temporary nature (~20 years)

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Wheeler River ISR Operation: Different Mining Method and a Different Type of Operation

Comparison to Precedent Athabasca Basin uranium mining operations:

Project Element	Existing AB Operations	Wheeler River Project	Observation
Annual jobs during operation	~1,050 – McArthur/Key Lake ~ 800 – Cigar / McClean	100 - 150	Wheeler work-force is <15% of existing operations; fewer opportunities to share benefits.
Estimated uranium resources amenable to selected mining method	~400 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ (remaining) at McArthur ~180 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ (remaining) at Cigar	~70 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ amenable to ISR mining discovered at Wheeler to date (Phoenix)	Wheeler ISR resources are <20% of the remaining uranium resources at McArthur, despite a decade plus of mining;
Annual production	~18M lbs U ₃ 0 ₈ at each of McArthur & Cigar	~6-12 M lbs U ₃ O ₈	Wheeler annual production expected to be $1/3^{\rm nd}$ to $2/3^{\rm nd}$ of each of McArthur and Cigar; taken together with small resource base means shorter mining life, and thus fewer years / opportunities to share benefits.
Initial costs of construction / initial capital costs	Estimated ~\$3B for Cigar	Estimated at \$325M per PFS	Building Wheeler is expected to cost ~10% of Cigar; fewer opportunities to share benefits

- Other important considerations:

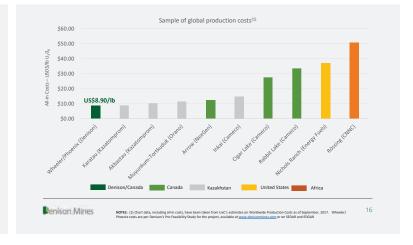
 Surface area disturbance at Wheeler not expected to affect any known collective exercising of Rights;
 - Limited environmental interactions (no tailings, no waste rock and minimal water effluent) from ISR operation;
 On-site processing to yellowcake product: no trucking of mine production to off-site processing plant (which would increase physical footprint of 'operation' to include roads and separate mill and mine sites);
 All jobs for ISR operation are above ground

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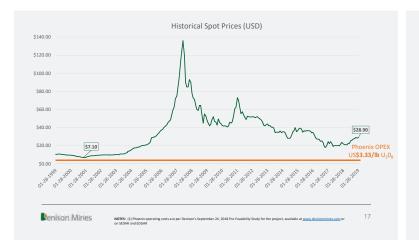
Phoenix Operation: ISR mining method delivers industry leading cost per pound $\rm U_3O_8$

Phoenix Operation	PFS Re	PFS Result ⁽¹⁾		
Mine life	10 years (6.0 million lbs t	10 years (6.0 million lbs U ₃ O ₈ per year on average)		
Average cash operating costs	\$4.33 (US\$3.3	\$4.33 (US\$3.33) per lb U ₃ O ₈		
Initial capital costs (100% basis)	\$322.5	\$322.5 million		
Operating margin ⁽⁴⁾	89.0% at US	89.0% at US\$29/lb U ₃ O ₈		
All-in cost ⁽²⁾	\$11.57 (US\$8.9	\$11.57 (US\$8.90) per lb U ₃ O ₈		
Assumptions / Results	Base Case	High Case		
Uranium selling price	UxC Spot Price ⁽³⁾	US\$65/Ib U ₃ O ₈		
Operating margin ⁽⁴⁾	91.4%	95.0%		
Pre-tax NPV _{8%} ⁽⁵⁾ (100%)	\$930.4 million	\$1.91 billion		
	43.3%	71.5%		
Pre-tax IRR ⁽⁵⁾				

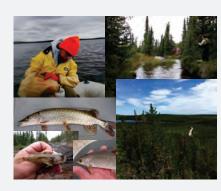
Wheeler River Phoenix Operation: Potential to be the lowest cost uranium mining operation this cycle



U₃O₈ Spot Prices On The Rise Again: Phoenix operating costs remain well below industry's 20 year low



Environmental Impact Assessment: Multi-year process on critical path of project schedule



Environmental efforts are ongoing:

- Comprehensive baseline data collection program initiated in 2016 and ongoing
- · Current data indicates healthy ecosystem
- Preliminary evaluations indicate mining will not cause significant adverse environmental impacts
- Advancing the preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement

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Stakeholder Engagement Program: Ongoing since 2016, focused on ensuring meaningful exchange of information



Engagement efforts are ongoing:

- · Initiated in 2016
- Documented in Project Description
- Focused on Indigenous communities, general public & regulators
- Engagement program continues to evolve / adapt:
- ➤ Broader list of groups and organizations
- > Goal to ensure those interested in the Project have a good understanding about the Project
- > Different audiences have different

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Stakeholder Engagement Program: Known land use in Wheeler River project area



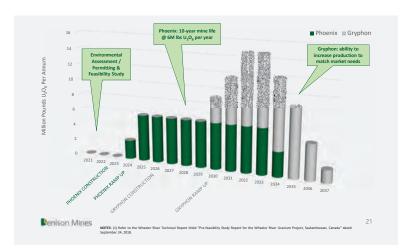
- One Commercial Trapper (ERFN) very active in area

 - Regularly using land in and around Wheeler River site (lives about 15km away)

 Denison connects with all who seek permission to move through or use the Wheeler Project site
- No other strong presence of current land users
- Heritage surveys conducted to date identified one Artifact Find of Precontact cultural affiliation with limited interpretive potential
- Wheeler River project is located with the "heart" of known English River & Métis Traditional Territory
- > Strong contemporary relationship to the land
- Seeking other sources of information related to current land uses from Indigenous communities

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Wheeler River PFS: 14-year mine life producing +7.5M lbs $\rm U_3O_8$ per year on average⁽¹⁾



Athabasca Basin Exploration Activities



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$\sim\!\!310,\!000$ Hectares of Prospective Exploration & Development Ground Focused in the Infrastructure Rich Eastern Athabasca Basin



Waterbury Lake

A Brief History

- Uranium exploration activities have been conducted over various portions of Waterbury Lake Project claims over the past 40 years.
- The current Waterbury Lake Project dispositions were originally staked in Strathmore Minerals Corp. in 2004.
- Strathmore subsequently spun out all of its Canadian assets to Fission Energy Corp. ("Fission") in 2007.
- An earn-in agreement was signed between Fission and the KWULP in 2008; the earn-in was met by 2010. In 2010, the WLULP was formed by agreement between Fission Energy Corp. and KWULP.
- Effective April 26, 2018, Denison acquired Risson's interest in the Waterbury Lake property as part of a plan of arrangement (the "Arrangement") with Rission, completed pursuant to the Business Corporations Act (Canada). As part of the Arrangement, Denison also acquired a portfolio of other properties in the eastern part of the Athabasca Basin, Quebec and Nunavut, and Rission's interest in two joint ventures in Namibia.
- The Waterbury Lake property is 100% owned by the WLULP, a jointly controlled limited partnership between Denison (65.92%) and
 KWULP (34.06%), as limited partners, and WLUC (0.02%), as general partner. Denison and KWULP are the only shareholders of WLUC
 and Denison is the operator of the project.
- The Waterbury Lake uranium project is comprised of two deposits on the Waterbury Lake property: the J Zone deposit and Huskie deposit.
- The J Zone uranium deposit was discovered during the winter 2010 drill program at Waterbury Lake. The J Zone deposit discovery was
 made after Hathor Uranium had discovered the Roughrider Uranium deposit under the northern limb of McMahon Lake in 2008.

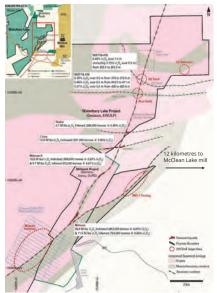
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Waterbury Lake: Current Exploration Activities

2019 winter drilling program

GB Trend
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 Waterbury East
 I drill hole (450 metres)

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Waterbury Lake: Core Yard



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Waterbury Lake: Logging Facilities



Waterbury Lake: Core Yard Clean-Up





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Waterbury Lake: Diamond Drilling



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Questions?



August 7, 2019 Meeting on Wheeler River and Denison Exploration Projects Meeting Notes

Garrett Schmidt (YTNLRO)
Shea Shirley (YTNLRO)
David Cates (Denison)
Dale Verran (Denison)
Chad Sorba (Denison)
Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Denison)
Pam Bennett (Denison)

Denison hosted YTNLRO with the identified goal being to share information about the Wheeler River Project and the Denison Exploration Activities in the north part of the Athabasca Basin.

Wheeler River Project

- Denison provided a presentation overview of the Project (attached as pdf)
- General technical questions were asked regarding the freezing aspect of the Wheeler Project, along with the ISR methodology.
- YTNLRO provided Denison with the information that the land use data collected by the Athabasca Basin communities is
 presently not available for review, but that discussions with Basin leadership have indicated there is potential overlapping
 land use
- ACTION: Denison to work with YTNLRO to set out next steps for exploring the land use information further.
- Denison noted that they will be engaging with the YTNLRO as they are interested in the Project, and the next steps will
 reflect that interest.

Denison's Waterbury Exploration

- Denison confirmed that Waterbury was worked on in the winter of 2019, but definite plans for 2020 have not been finalized.
- YTNLRO: Requested that, once plans are finalized for exploration activities, that the YTNLRO Office is provided a presentation / overview. Denison agreed with this.
- ACTION: Denison to provide annual update to YTNLRO for exploration activities taking place within the Athabasca Basin region.

August 26, 2019 Post-Meeting Follow Up between YTNLRO and Denison

Denison emailed YTNLRO requesting that they look at the meeting notes from August 7, 2019 and indicate whether these notes accurately reflect the meeting from the perspective of YNTLRO.

YTNLRO confirmed that the meeting notes reflect their perspective of the meeting.

Date: June 18th, 2019

Event: Denison meeting with Ya' thi Néné Lands and Resource consultant

Denison met with Ya' thi Néné Lands and Resource (YNLR) staff in the Denison office. Denison provided an overview of The Wheeler River Project. Denison went through a general presentation on The Wheeler River Project (Denison used the same presentation that was given to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission in November 2018) This presentation included the basics on ISR and high-level project plans. The main questions from YNLR staff were about the project in general; they hadn't done a lot of reading into the project details yet/was getting the Wheeler Project mixed up with NexGen's. YNLR staff was very positive and complimentary about the minimal environmental effects (no tailings, small volumes of waste rock) associated with ISR. Denison showed YNLR staff a figure from the Project Description: a photo of an operating ISR mine in the USA – YNLR staff was surprised how minimal the surface disturbance was and that the injection/recovery wells were not too high density. YNLR staff suggested these types of visuals (photos) are good context when presenting to the communities. Denison gave YNLR staff a contact card with contact info for any additional questions. YNLR consultant said the office will be submitting a letter to the CNSC on the Project Description as part of the 30-day public review period.



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Meeting Notes July 7, 2016

Participants

Denison Mines Corp: Dave Cates, Peter Longo, Mark Liskowich (SRK)

English River First Nation: Chief Lawrence McIntyre

Introduction:

This meeting was the inaugural meeting between members of the senior management team of Denison Mines Corp.'s Wheeler River project and the Chief of English River First Nation, set up to serve as an opportunity for both groups to meet.

Meeting Notes:

- English River First Nation (ERFN) is open to welcoming Denison to their community for the purpose of developing a relationship between the two groups.
- Chief McIntyre stated that he has previously been to the Wheeler River property and that some community members may currently or were previously employed during some of the recent exploration programs.
- Chief McIntyre indicated that ERFN is interested in having additional involvement with the project through direct employment, as well as through some of the existing businesses currently owned by ERFN.
- Chief McIntyre cited two ERFN businesses he felt would be well suited to support the Wheeler River project.
 - o Minetec Industrial Supply http://www.minetecsales.com/about-us/ which is a supply house catering to mining industry as well as other heavy industries.
 - Beauval General Store, Gas Bar & Restaurant, located at the Beauval Forks. This business is capable to handling all expediting needs of exploration camps, from fuel to groceries. As well as dry goods, the business is equipped with a bakery and a butcher shop.
- Denison indicated including these businesses on their list of preferred suppliers, for future opportunities should not be a problem.
- Denison also indicated they would look for opportunities of direct employment through service providers Denison was considering for upcoming activities necessary to advance the Wheeler River project.
- A follow up meeting was scheduled for the July 27, 2016. This meeting will be hosted by ERFN in the community of Patuanak.
- Liskowich will work with Chief McIntyre's executive assistant to arrange the logistics of this meeting.
- The general theme of the July 27th meeting is to allow Denison the opportunity to introduce the Wheeler River Project and members of its senior management team to ERFN community members.

Notes Taken By: Mark Liskowich

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Wheeler River Project – Stakeholder Engagement English River First Nation/Patuanak Wednesday July 27, 2016, 1 pm.

In attendance:

David Cates, President and CEO, Denison Mines
Peter Longo, Vice President, Project Development, Denison Mines
Mark Liskowich, SRK Consulting
Gill Gracie, Aurora Communications Ltd., (Recorder)
Chief Lawrence McIntyre and several councillors, English River First Nation
About 30 band members.

Meeting called to order 1 pm.

Chief Lawrence McIntyre welcomed the Denison Mines representatives to the English River First Nation (EFRN) and the community of Patuanak, and briefly explained the project: Denison is exploring for uranium between Key Lake and McArthur River. McArthur River in Dené is the "river that goes nowhere". The economy is really down, but Denison with their strategic plan are still doing exploration this summer and hopefully in the future as well.

Chief McIntyre switched back and forth between English and Dené throughout his introductory comments, and concluded by introducing the Denison representatives.

Presentations

1. Denison Mines - Dave Cates.

My name is Dave Cates and I'm president and CEO of Denison. Thank you for coming to our presentation. We want to achieve two things. I will explain who we are. Chief McIntyre's done a good job of explaining why we're still around; the market is not good for uranium but we have had a strategy and we are trying to save our money and at the same time spend it, because we really believe in the future of uranium mining and nuclear energy in the world.

I will then hand over to Peter Longo, our vice president of project development, in charge of developing Wheeler River and, if the opportunity exists, turning it into a mine. He has a technical background, with a degree in mine engineering as well as business. He'll tell you what's happening at Wheeler River and where we hope the project might go.

- We are here to answer questions; we want you to participate.

Denison is a uranium exploration and development company, based and focused in Canada. We are publicly traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX) and the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). We are a small company, about 5% of the size of Cameco – Cameco is 20x bigger. We're the small fish in the lake.

We used to be a producing company. Denison was a big company at one time – we had mining operations in Elliot Lake, Ontario and the USA (Arizona, Colorado, Utah) – but not any more. Those mines were mined out. That means we have no cash flow or profit right now from any mines. We struggle compared to some other public companies.

We are focused strategically in Saskatchewan, specifically the Athabasca Basin. Our project portfolio covers about 350,000 hectares (ha) in the eastern part of the Athabasca Basin. We're most known for the Wheeler River Project, which we have operated since 2005-2006. We've been successful at finding uranium.

However, there is more to us than that: we are a 22.5% partner in AREVA's McClean Lake mill. We see the McClean Lake mill, which is where we plan to process the ore if we are successful at developing the project, as a critical component to the success of the Wheeler River project.

The third part is Denison Environment Services, which is still based in Elliot Lake even though we haven't mined there since the mid-1990s. We have 30-40 people in that office taking care of our decommissioned mine site that we shut down in the 90s. We have been quite responsible in maintaining the site since it closed, and we've supported the community as it transformed from a mining community to a retirement community. We also provide environmental services such as minesite care and maintenance and environmental consulting to other mining companies and governments across Canada.

We are a strong supporter of communities. We support northern communities through the McClean Lake Joint Venture. Any special project that McClean is supporting, Denison is supporting, because we are funding our share even though it is not our name on the headline. At Wheeler River we are trying to procure as much locally as we can, and we are doing our best to hire locally to support our current programs. In Elliot Lake we have a strong relationship with the Serpent River First Nations; they've been a partner of ours for many years as we mined, and throughout the decommissioning and reclamation of our Elliot Lake operations. We're supporting them from an employment standpoint but also through other initiatives.

Elliot Lake was essentially a mine town. When the mines closed, Denison was involved in supporting the conversion of Elliot Lake from a mine town to a retirement community. It is now known was a retirement destination for many Canadians.

In addition, we used to have a presence in projects located in Africa. However, as part of Denison's reaction to a downturn in the price of uranium, we sold our interests there. It is important to mention that when we were there we committed to supporting the communities we were in by supporting the construction of schools, health centres, water supply wells and other community infrastructure needs. We consider that as just part of our business. We understand that we need to partner with and support the communities we're active in. It's a question of maintaining a social license but also a question of partnering; we can't do this alone.

Question: What are you looking for at Wheeler River? What is the mineral resource? I know there's a vein there but how big is this vein? D. Cates: We're looking for uranium. Peter will answer this in more detail in his presentation.

Question: Rio Tinto made agreements with communities – we're here, we will listen to you but ultimately we would like an agreement. I've been following this from Day 1 – one day I knew something like this would happen. It's important that English River, because of its traditional lands, has an agreement before the province steps in. D. Cates: We're a long way away from building a mine. This is the first meeting in the first step of a process. We can look at doing those sorts of things. Rio Tinto is a big company; we will go through a similar process. We're here even though the market is bad. We are committed to building a uranium mine in this region for the benefit of the region and our shareholders. Rio Tinto started that process but is not building a

mine now. That's why we wanted to have this meeting at this early stage of the development of the Wheeler River project.

2. Wheeler River Project – Peter Longo

Thank you for the warm welcome.

What's happening today at Wheeler River is exploration – we run programs January to March and June to August or September each year. When these programs are running, there are about 30 people on site, mostly diamond drillers and geologists. We are drilling the deposit to further define the ore body. We've been running exploration programs at the Wheeler River property for about 10 years – 10 years of hard work to get to where we are today, which is essentially just the starting point of the next phase.

The Wheeler River project is made up of two deposits, the Gryphon and Phoenix. They are located about 500m below the surface, and are about 3 km apart. They are about 6 km west of the main haul road between McArthur River and Key Lake, near the Fox Lake road.

Should we be able to advance the project to development, we will not have a lot on surface; most of the operation will be underground. We will need two shafts to carry people, supplies and the ore, and at least one additional vent raise to move fresh air to the mine workings.

As the project is currently understood, it would have a 15-year mine life. Our intent is to ship all of our ore to McClean Lake, where it will be processed. Essentially what we will have at Wheeler River is a camp, an administration building, a water treatment plant and holding ponds, a clean waste rock storage facility as well as roads, warehouses and service shops. There will be no mill or tailings at the Wheeler River site; all of this will be at the McClean Lake site. The site will look similar to what you see at the McArthur River mine.

If all goes well, we are about 10 years away from actual construction and mining activities. We completed a preliminary assessment earlier this year, which focuses on building a business case to see if it makes economic sense to build a mine based on the resources we have identified at this stage of the exploration activities. The results of this study were encouraging. We will do more work for the next year and a half or so to strengthen the business case as well as gain more confidence in the process, while at the same time keep a close eye on the global price and demand for uranium in an effort to predict where it will be in about 10 years from now.

If we're successful in this next phase of studies and evaluation, we will initiate the next level of engineering studies, a feasibility study, in 2018. This study is generally the last stage necessary to finalizing a business case to advance the project to production. The feasibility study could take could take about two years to complete. So following this process and if everything looks good, we could be looking at construction activities by 2021. We anticipate about four years of construction, which means production theoretically begins in the mid-2020s.

It's a long road ahead. Right now we are continuing to drill on the property. We are starting to talk with communities and other stakeholders, and we are gathering the engineering and environmental data necessary to advance the studies and our understanding of what work is needed and how much that work will cost in order to move the project to an operating mine.

With respect to the environment, we are starting to gather environmental baseline data, which will be used to understand the potential impacts the operation may have and what we will need to do

to limit those potential impacts. Currently, we're collecting groundwater samples. From diamond drill core we will take samples from 500m underground to understand what's in that rock and the potential impact on the surface environment. If we see potential impacts, then we can plan mitigation measures in order to avoid these impacts.

You can download the preliminary assessment from our website. That study indicated it will take about \$1 billion dollars to advance the project to an operating mine, which is far more than our company is worth. So you can see it will be a challenging process. The same study indicates we can produce uranium at the Wheeler River project for about \$19 per pound. Right now uranium sells for \$25 to \$26 a pound. The difference between \$19 and \$26 per pound is not that much, so we will want the price of uranium to go up in order to increase the range of profit. That being said, Denison believes the price of uranium will increase in the mid-2020s. However, as we said earlier, moving an exploration project to a producing mine is a long process, which is why we have to start the work now in order to get the project to s stage that it is ready for production in the 2020s.

Question: What percentage, what kind of deal are you prepared to make for the community of Patuanak – the whole community, not just chief and council? 20 years is a long time. In one year how much will you give the band? P. Longo: We want to be a good corporate citizen, but I can't give you a specific answer to that question. We will have to talk about that. Today is the start of a process to discuss questions like that.

Question: Making a mine is not just fun and games – we have uranium mines everywhere. There are a lot of decisions to deal with. You have to deal with federal and provincial governments. D. Cates: You're right, it's a big process. Nobody's asking for decisions today – it's the beginning of a long road. We are here to start the discussion. It's not a one question one answer point in the project. We are committed to pursuing this and working with the community. That's why we are here. It's a long road.

Community member: Denison is not there yet. You're asking for a percentage of "what" - we don't know "what" yet. The mine may not even happen.

Question: You're starting drilling and so on – can you share your environmental work with this community to show you're committed to this community and providing employment at the start of the process, whatever you're doing – drilling, environmental? We have seasonal workers who go on EI, welfare recipients who always try to work. We need help to find more work for these people. That will show us that you care.

D. Cates: We're on board with that. This is our first meeting The environmental work is just starting. **P. Longo:** We will be starting environmental work in the next month or so – we've made it a condition with our consultants to maximize northern employment on their crews. You can expect us to be looking for people from here to help us. Chief McIntyre can expect some contact from Denison.

Question: How many employees have you had from English River over the 10 years you've been working at Wheeler River? P. Longo: From our records, about seven.

Question: You've been on English River Treaty 10 territory for 10 years – how much has your company made off our territory that you have not shared with this community? How much have your investors made? D. Cates: We haven't made any money. We've spent a lot of money. We have no money coming in from the project – we are investing in the ground for the future

possibilities. To date, our investors have not made much either. Not many people have made much money on what we've been doing.

Questioner: *The World Nuclear Association report doesn't agree.* D. Cates: The WNA projects the price will rise by 2025-26; we believe that. Right now the price is very low. We saw Rabbit Lake close because it can't make money. We believe it will get better; but it's really difficult to convince investors to give us money right now, in this market.

Question: At what point do the investors give up? **D. Cates:** A lot have given up. We're fortunate to still be here. A lot of the companies in this market have not survived. We have a professional team that our investors trust. Those who would give up probably have given up.

Question: If you've been established almost 10 years and have a mining company up north, you have places that employ people for cooking meals, environment cleanup – how many ERFN do you have employed? Who are they? D. Cates: At least seven. P. Longo: On site right now we have 25 people. None of the previous ERFN employees have returned to the Wheeler River project this year (names of previous employees were provided).

Community Member: Noted that those names were from past years. I'm a "young man" like you, willing to work – I know cooking etc. I will go into camp for 5-6 months and not come back. Not too many people will do that. You hire young people, a week later they want out. I will stay as long as needed. P. Longo: Most of the jobs on site require specialty training and experience. In camp we have two cooks; one is from one of the other communities in northern Saskatchewan. We will do our best to make sure we benefit all communities; we can't direct 100% of the benefits to one, but want to share that benefit across the board. D. Cates: We're here to introduce ourselves, build relationships. We know that you want to work. Thanks.

Question: We live in Beauval. It's not that I'm interested or not interested in what's been happening between you and the band, the information has not quite reached me until we started looking. I take it this is consultation? D. Cates: It's the beginning of the process; you haven't missed anything. We are not anywhere yet – we have some drill holes that tell us there's some uranium on the Wheeler River project but we're nowhere near having a mine, nowhere near disrupting the surface. We finally think we might have enough at Wheeler River to justify the next stage, that's why we're starting this process now.

Question: It's going to take me awhile to catch up to the whole thing. Some of us here have developed a list of questions, from interactions I had with people that are gone now, my father and his friends when they were in their 60s and 70s.

- What kind of cleanup do you have?
- Are you receiving any government funding or tax breaks?
- What are your annual profits?
- What health and safety concerns are your main strength?
- What is your emergency cleanup plan? Mines are shutting down right now, and according to the scientists that we're interacting with, those places will be contaminated for ever. I want to see that answered. I don't make money off mining companies; I don't want to bother with them. I'm not against jobs but we can innovate our own jobs through helping you guys.
- What assurance can you give people about the long-term effects of uranium tailings so they will pose no danger to future generations?
- What countries are buying uranium, and is the uranium being used to make weapons in these countries?

- Do you agree with environmentalists that uranium mining is safe and has no environment impact to waters, and animals?
- What, in your opinion, constitutes a safe level of pollution?
- Do you have statistics on worker mortality in other uranium mines?
- What guarantee your product will stay out of the weaponry program.

That's reflecting what our old people have said. We have to think about that before we take jobs. They have to ask us because we are the Dené. We always need to remind every company that this is Treaty 10 land.

D. Cates: We can take your questions and come back with answers. We welcome the questions. I will offer a few quick answers to your questions. The fact that we're here tells you we know advancing this project will require a partnership with EFRN. If the project goes ahead, we need to do it together. Regarding where the uranium goes, it cannot go to nuclear weapons; the government protects us from that. Finally, there will be no tailings at Wheeler River – the ore will be milled at the McClean Lake mill, which is at the McClean Lake mine, which is a licensed facility. We will come back with responses to all of your questions.

Question: Would you sell to the United States (US)? They are spending on nuclear weapons. D. Cates: We have no uranium to sell right now. The US does a lot of trade with Canada, and I don't see why we wouldn't sell to the US. The uranium that's mined here is for green nuclear energy only.

Chief McIntyre: In that territory near the Wheeler River there are a lot of spawning and calving areas for moose, caribou; those creeks are for whitefish spawning. There's lots of heavy muskeg there. A lot of us have been there, and we'd like to know there'll still be access to the area.

Being a smaller company – what are the chances that you finish the exploration stage and sell off your interests to a larger company? If uranium prices rise, investors may want to sell their shares.

There are already two mills in the vicinity; what are the chances of one of those mills taking on the development 10 years from now?

These are still grey areas, but I believe it's important to leave people with positives. Talk of uranium and nuclear scares a lot of people but I'm a cancer survivor, I took 20 treatments of radiation; the isotopes required come from that. How much is world medicine behind that exploration.

(Community member: Isotopes can be made in a cyclotron without the risks of mining).

Chief McIntyre: In terms of the future, alternate energy such as wind is being discussed. As a former driller in the early 80s, when you drill and you go 500-600 metres, you're already moving earth so the after-effects don't take place until later. A GPS uses 1500 gallons of water per minute – how do you retain it. I have a cabin on Millson Lake – they drilled there 10-15 years ago with no immediate effects. Today because of climate change, things are starting to happen that normally didn't happen. Even the permafrost is now further down. In the Wheeler River area, where there's some permafrost, have your environment guys seen a change? Will there be a change? These are some of the questions that need to be answered in order to come out with a positive spin. P. Longo: We don't have answers to everything but we are taking notes. We want everyone in this community to be comfortable with what we're doing. Thanks to everyone for mentioning their concerns. We will continue to come back with responses.

Question: Will the Moore Lake property on Russell Lake continue to increase in value? That's also in our territory. P. Longo: Moore Lake is just east of Wheeler River, but has no

specific bearing on what's happening at Wheeler River. We continue to try to find ways to explore Moore Lake.

Chief McIntyre: You have a summer program right now; will your winter program go up or be status quo? What about the chances of future selloffs? P. Longo: I'm not sure about winter, we have not set the budget yet for next year. We'll likely spend a little more at Wheeler, and less elsewhere. D. Cates: I can't speak for the future. Pete and I are young, and we will stay with the project for a long time. It may take a long time, and our plan is to be the guys to take this project forward. We hope to come back many times and update this and other communities. We can't tell the future.

Question: I'm glad to hear all these questions coming up. Some are for, some against. When I say we want an agreement with the company, these questions should come up again; we should hold many more meetings like this so we can have a good agreement and everybody's involved. We were never ready in the past. Let's try to be ready, get together and have good discussion on many things. It's the best way.

Right now we're in the presence of Denison Mines; they are in a partnership with AREVA as well. AREVA is exploring right next to Denison at Wheeler River, maybe even together. AREVA will probably come to you in the future. Each company talks about what it is doing. They do their own work.

Denison told us they have 22.5% at McClean; they want to extract an ore body from Wheeler River. They will do it together, but they will need a road from McArthur to McClean to haul the ore. The province will come to you for approval on the road, but they will do it anyway regardless of what you think. That's the way things have gone so far. About five years ago I spoke against the road at the EQC because Wollaston needs a road more, although they are now working on it.

We need more meetings like this to come up with a good agreement – our agreement, not the mines' or the province's. All your questions could be included in that agreement. That way, you'll be ready for any kind of development in our traditional lands. You guys will make that agreement. We're looking 20 years down the line. Let's think ahead together; let's not fight or argue. Let's think positive and do it together, put all our minds together. If we work together, we'll do it.

Chief McIntyre: Thank you for your concerns. There will be a lot of other people come in; there will be concerns we need to address. Safety is always a priority. ERFN membership has concerns in terms of employment. When I met with Denison in Saskatoon, I told them at a Saskatoon meeting that their current expediter is not the only guy that can do stuff. We have a store in Beauval where they can purchase their groceries. They don't have to go to La Ronge – we're the closest. I told them that they have to come to ERFN since it's our traditional territory they're working in. That's why I asked these people to come, to meet directly with some of the people that have concerns about employment, that want to see what's happening, how they can be involved, and the environmental concerns. Some of you are hunters and trappers, some of you live off the land. We want to maintain that longevity that's dear to our hearts – to our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. We want to see sustainability. That's why I thank them for coming to speak with the people, young and old. You guys know the country more than I do. Some of you are there constantly. Some of you are hunters; I haven't shot a moose in 10 years. Animals and water are critical. Some is groundwater; there's millions of gallons flowing down in the ground, more than on surface, and that's a safety concern for shaft sinking. Norman is right when he says the Government of Saskatchewan is giving out permits without consulting First Nations. We need to tell the province to quit doing

that. I thank you for being here. D. Cates: We're here because we want to hear from English River. We met with the Chief in Saskatoon and wanted to introduce ourselves to your community. We're recording everything you're saying and will take it to heart. It's worth noting that I've only been President/CEO of Denison for just over a year; I can't comment on the past. This project is important to us and to the communities. We're hoping to create a dialogue; this will be the first of many meetings so we can work together and see this as a partnership. Thank you! Thank you for participating; we'll make sure we respond.

Chief McIntyre: We'll make sure we include ERFN in what's happening and what's coming next.

Note: This is an optimized transcript, edited for clarity and to avoid excessive verbiage and repeat comments. Third-party individual names mentioned during the meeting, were not recorded to these notes in order to respect the privacy of those individuals. Although the session was sound-recorded, some off-mic comments were not audible to the recorder or the tape.



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Meeting Notes September 26, 2016

Participants:

Denison Mines Corp: Peter Longo (Vice President-Project Development)

Dale Verran (Vice President-Exploration)

Mark Liskowich (SRK Consulting)

Des Nedhe Development: President and COO Gary Merasty

Meeting Notes:

- Purpose of the meeting was to provide an opportunity for representatives of Denison Mines
 management team to introduce themselves and the Wheeler River Project to Gary Merasty,
 President and COO of Des Nedhe Corporation, an English River First Nations Company and
 afford him the opportunity to provide the same level of introduction of Des Nedhe Development
 to Denison's management team representatives.
- Mr. Merasty indicated that Des Nedhe was interested in any future business opportunities that may be available as Denison advances their Wheeler River Project.
- He also indicated there may be additional means of supporting the relationship between the two businesses, such as providing Denison with access to the Des Nedhe potential employee database.
- Mr. Longo and Mr. Verran indicated that Denison are interested in providing Des Nedhe opportunities to bid on goods and services contracts supporting Denison's activities in the Athabasca basin, as they became available.
- It was mutually agreed to keep an open dialogue between the two companies moving forward.



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Meeting Notes

November 30, 2016

Participants:

SRK Consulting (on behalf of Denison Mines Corp): Mark Liskowich (SRK)

English River First Nation: Lands Manager

Introduction:

The purpose of the meeting was to update ERFN Lands manager on the proposed schedule of events, planned by Denison for the 2017 calendar year, with respect to community engagement and the continuation of the collection of environmental baseline data for the Wheeler River project.

Meeting Notes:

- SRK, on behalf of Denison, provided a verbal description of Denison's plan to continue to gather
 environmental baseline data for the Wheeler River project through the spring, summer and fall of 2017.
 SRK also indicated the intent was to go back to the community, following permission from ERFN
 leadership to do, in order to engage in discussions focused on obtaining, with permission, some additional
 understanding of ERFN Traditional Knowledge that could be integrated into the planning of the 2017
 environmental baseline data collection.
- The ERFN Lands Manager was receptive to the idea of incorporating ERFN Tradition Knowledge in the
 design of these upcoming programs but felt this information was already documented by ERFN. The ERFN
 Lands Manager indicated that this report was currently being updated to reflect some of the Urban
 reserve initiatives of ERFN. The ERFN Lands Manager also indicated that they were going to pursue the
 availability of this data in order to allow Denison to incorporate it into the design of their upcoming field
 programs.
- The ERFN Lands Manager was receptive to Denison's plans to continue to engage the community with updates on the Wheeler River project activities as they progressed throughout 2017.
- It was agreed that SRK would follow up with the ERFN Lands Manager in January 2017 with respect to obtaining some of the existing Traditional Knowledge data currently documented by ERFN

Notes taken by: Mark Liskowich



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Meeting Notes

March 3, 2017

Participants:

Denison Mines Corp: Mark Liskowich (SRK)

English First River Nation: Lands Manager

Meeting Notes:

- The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the traditional territory boundaries of the English River First Nations.
- ERFN Lands Manager supplied a hard copy and electronic copy of ERFN traditional territory map.
- The meeting then focused on discussions of key areas within the map sheet, historical stories of
 individuals and events that have transpired throughout the traditional areas.
- ERFN Lands Manager suggested we obtain a book that was written about the traditional ways of the people of English River First Nation called "The Trappers of Patuanak: Toward a Spatial Ecology of Modern Hunters" by Robert Jarvenpa.
- Some of the discussions:
 - Medicine Stick a form of medicinal plant is found at the north end of Cree Lake and the south east end of the lake as well.
 - ERFN Trapper is currently looking for employment Denison should reach out to them if possible.
 - o In addition to ERFN Trapper's trapping in the area, they have relatives with cabins in the area.
 - According to Patuanak, since particular ERFN member employment, there has not been anyone hired at the camp from the community
 - A copy of the Traditional Territories map supplied by ERFN Lands Manager should be posted at the Wheeler River Camp.
 - There is a new bridge built by Cameco over Davis Creek (known locally as the Wheeler River).

 According to ERFN Lands Manager, this bridge was built for ERFN by Cameco therefore it is ERFN's bridge and if Denison wishes to use this bridge for heavy equipment, they should seek approval from ERFN, through ERFN Lands Manager
- ERFN Lands Manager received a mileage payment from Denison to cover expenses for him to make the trip to Saskatoon in order to participate in the meeting.





- > A Canadian uranium exploration & development Company
 - Public company, but only 5% of the size of Cameco
 - A history of uranium mining, but no active mining operations
 - Several exploration properties in the eastern Athabasca Basin
 - 60% owner and the operator of the Wheeler River Project

Denison – Who Are We?

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> A joint venture partner with Areva at McClean Lake

- Denison owns 22.5 % of the McClean Lake uranium deposits and the McClean Lake uranium mill (shown above) – Areva (70%) is operator
- In our preliminary plans, Denison has assumed that the ore from Wheeler River will be processed at the McClean Lake mill



> An operator of a Canadian environmental services business

- ~40 employees based in Elliot Lake, Ontario
- Maintains Denison's closed and reclaimed mine site in Elliot Lake
- Provides services to mining companies and governments across Canada

Denison – Who Are We?

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> A strong supporter of our local communities

- McClean Lake community programs
- Denison procurement from local vendors and personnel in northern communities

Saskatchewan

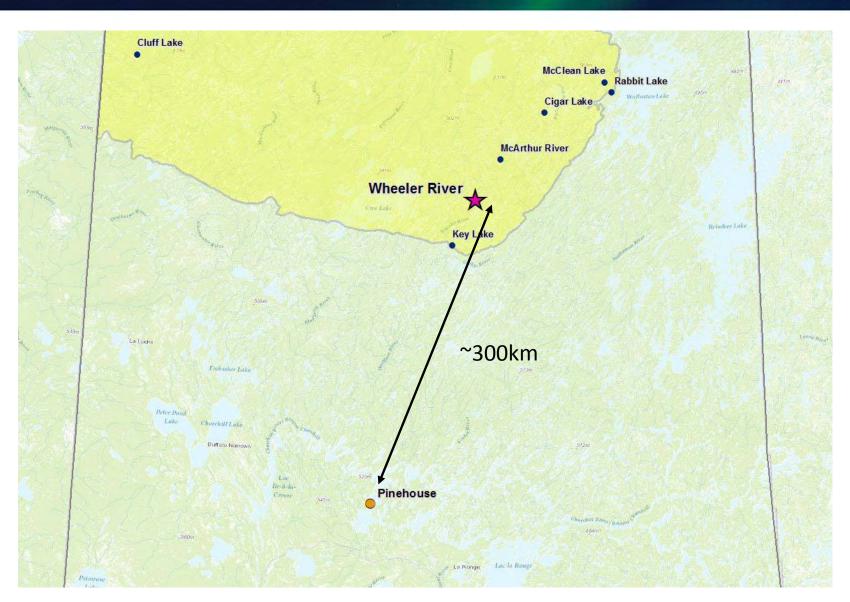
- Serpent River First Nations – employment, youth education initiative
- Supported creation of a retirement lifestyle community after mining was completed

Elliot Lake

- Supported construction of schools and health offices for local villages
- Drilled water wells
- Leadership roles for local technical & admin staff

Former **African Assets**

Welcome to the Wheeler River Project



Wheeler River Today: Uranium Exploration

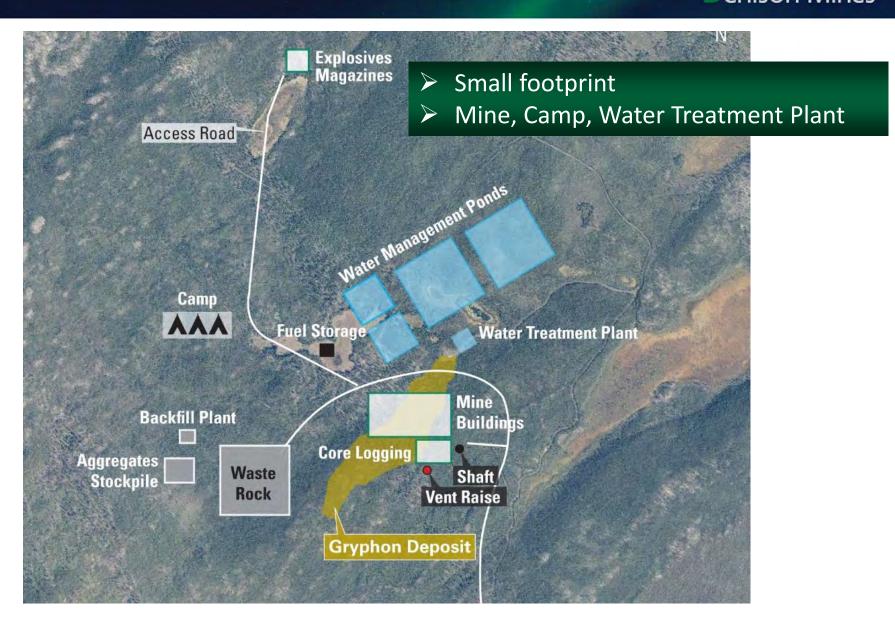
- Exploration camp
- Drilling in winter & summer

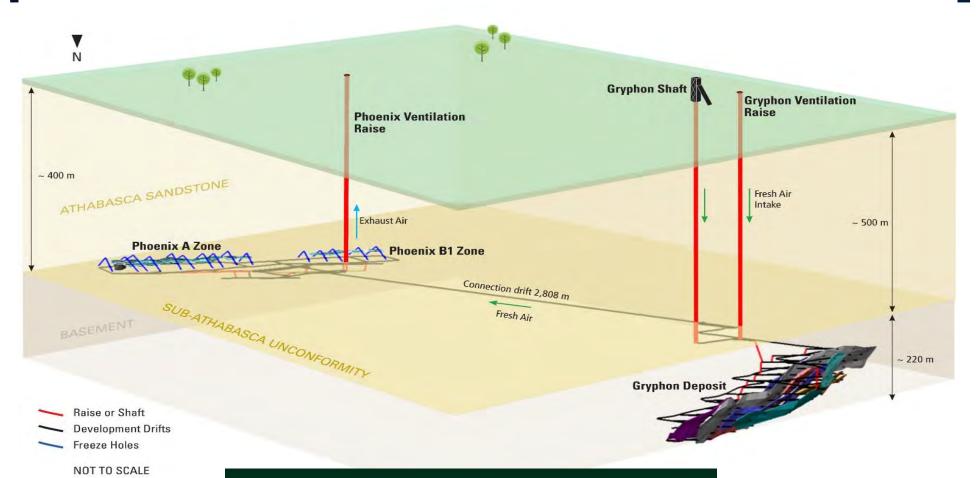




In comparison

- ➤ McArthur River: Produced ~290M lbs, Reserves 234M lbs
- Rabbit Lake: Produced ~202M lbs, Resources: ~70M lbs

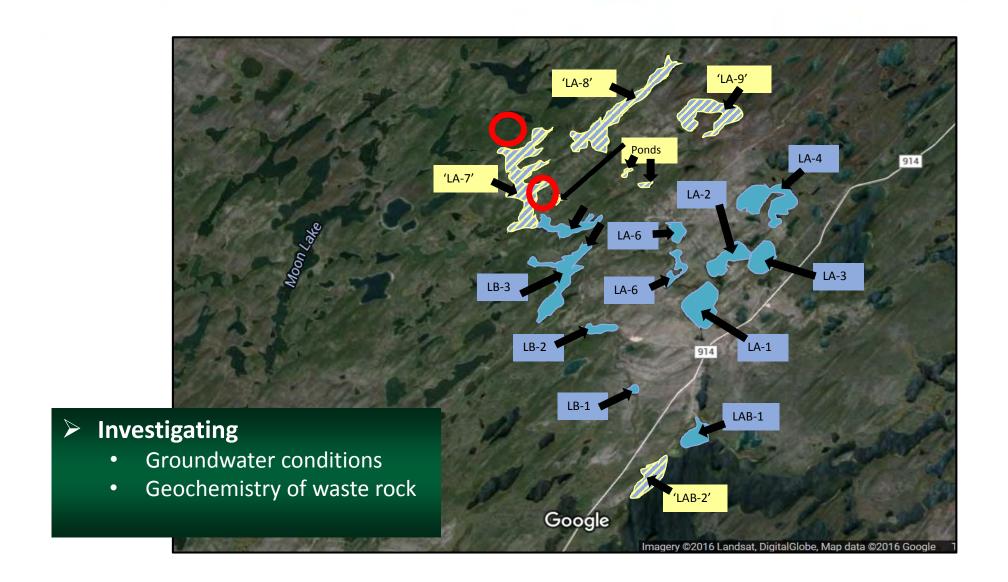




- Mine life of 16 years
- Underground mining ~500m deep
- Ore processing at McClean



Wheeler River: Environmental Data Collection



Wheeler River: A Long Term Proposition

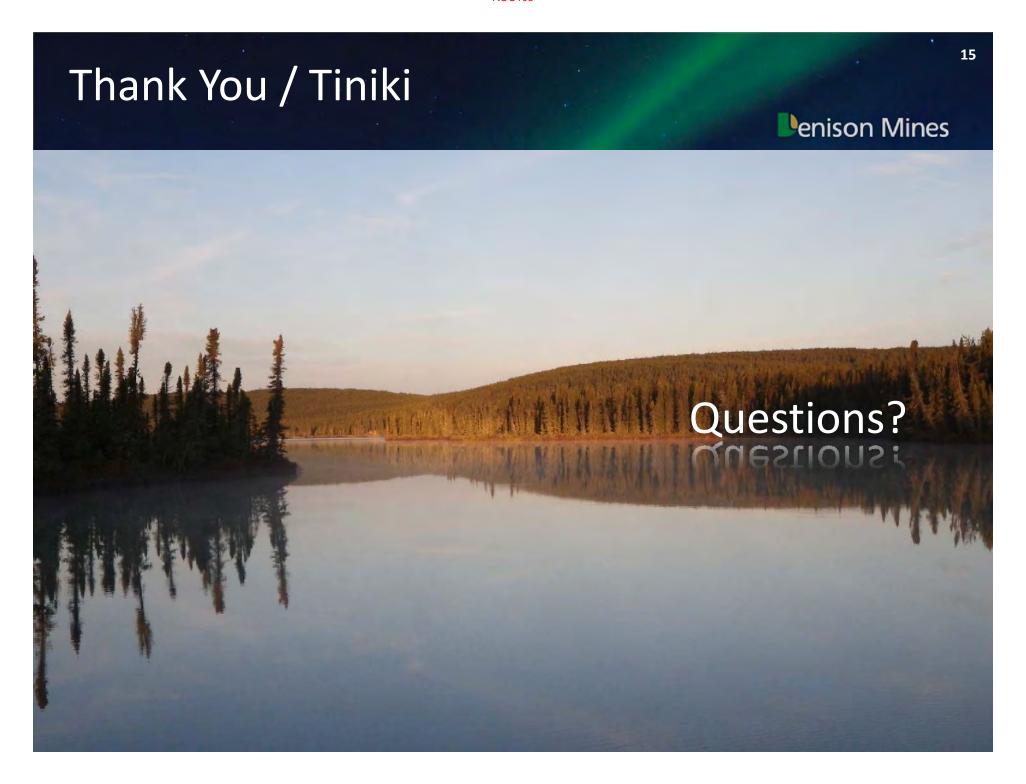
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- Initial and sustaining capital costs ~CAD\$1.13 billion
- First uranium production projected by 2025/2026
- Operating costs expected to average US\$19/pound U₃O₈
- Uranium spot price quoted at ~US\$25/pound U₃O₈



> Denison believes in the future of nuclear energy and is investing in the people and the province of Saskatchewan, despite historic low uranium prices and difficult market conditions





Denison Mines Wheeler River Project - Stakeholder Engagement - Pinehouse Wed. Sept. 7, 2016, 1 pm.

In attendance:

David Cates, President and CEO, Denison Mines

Peter Longo, Vice President, Project Development, Denison Mines

Mark Liskowich, SRK Consulting

Mike Natomagan, Mayor and PBN President, Pinehouse

Walter Smith, CEO, Pinehouse Business North (PBN)

About 20 community members

Recorder: Gill Gracie, Aurora Communications Ltd.

MC: Walter Smith.

Introductions and welcome: Walter introduced several community members present by name.

1. Presentation - Dave Cates

Thanks for the welcome. Our objective is to help people understand who Denison is, and what's going on at Wheeler River. We have changed the business over the last several years to focus solely on uranium mining in Saskatchewan. I will talk about Denison the company; Peter will cover specifics on the Wheeler River property.

Today we're a uranium exploration company. Five years ago we had producing mines in the US and a mill in Utah, a development project in Mongolia, and we acquired a project in Zambia in 2006. Then the Fukushima incident put the industry into a tailspin, so now we focus on our core best assets. We sold our US business to Energy Fuels; sold Mongolia to a Czech company. This year we sold the African assets to Goviex Uranium (in which Denison holds about 25% of shares).

We are now a uranium-focused public company, about 5% the size of Cameco. Our name has been around a long time, but we're small now. We have projects in the eastern Athabasca basin, including 60% of Wheeler River (with our partner Cameco holding 40%), and 22.5% of the McClean Lake mill, operated by AREVA.

We also have an environmental services business in Elliot Lake, where we used to have a large-scale uranium mine. We maintained the site and decommissioned it fully, and continue to monitor it. We use that skill set to offer environmental services, along with care and maintenance services, to other sites. There are now 40 people in the Elliot Lake office, which is a separate division.

We believe in supporting local communities. We fund 22.5% of AREVA initiatives, and procure from local vendors where we can. We have close ties with the Serpent River First Nation in Ontario. With our help, Elliot Lake has been transformed from a mining to a retirement community. In Africa, we were involved in building schools, water wells and other infrastructure.

2. Presentation – Peter Longo

Peter described the Wheeler River exploration site, which is about six km from the McArthur River-Key Lake haul road. The deposit as we know it now is about 20-25% the size of McArthur River, 1/3 the size of Rabbit Lake. We think we can make it economic, but there's a long way to go yet.

• Question from the floor: What is the grade of the ore?

P. Longo: Phoenix has a 19% grade, and is at the unconformity, similar to Cigar Lake. Gryphon is approximately 2% grade and is a deposit similar to Rabbit Lake's Eagle Point deposit. It's at 580 metres depth, about 100 metres below the unconformity in basement rock. Our deepest drill hole yet is 850 metres.

The surface facilities will have a small site footprint. The site will look similar to Cigar Lake and McArthur River. Ore will go to McClean Lake for milling.

We anticipate a 15-16 year mine life, plus 3-4 years construction. We would sink two shafts (a shaft and a vent raise) at the Gryphon deposit, which would use a Rabbit Lake-style mining method. We would then drift the three kms across to the Phoenix deposit and add another vent raise there.

Timeline: We did a preliminary economic assessment last year, and started a preliminary feasibility study in the second half of 2016. In 2016 we have engineering companies on site to determine what the groundwater conditions are; geochemical studies on the ore and waste rock have been initiated, and collection of environment data is just starting. A full feasibility study would follow in 2018, with construction in 2021 and if all goes well, production would begin in 2025. But it's not a slam-dunk.

- Question from the floor: What are you doing environment baseline collection on? Any Cumulative Effects Monitoring?
 - **P. Longo:** We are looking locally and regionally we hope to use some of the existing Cameco and provincial government data that has already been gathered in the region. **M. Liskowich:** The Cumulative Effects Monitoring component is a necessary part of the EIS. The initial step is gathering local baseline information, which is what we are currently doing.
- Statement from the floor: We as a community want to start to understand the science involved so we can create local capacity our area will always have commodities and mining and require services.
- Question from the floor: How do current markets affect your decisions?
 - **D. Cates:** It's a progression. The preliminary assessment tells us we have potential with a reasonable uranium price assumption. By 2025, if the price of uranium is not very different, something is not right. Some people think we're crazy to move the ball at a tough time in the uranium market, but we know it takes time; we're trying to be smart. It's not for sure right now that the project will go straight through to production.
 - **P. Longo:** We did our preliminary assessment based on a uranium price of \$44/lb. We can justify spending a bit more to get to the prefeasibility level.
 - **D. Cates:** It depends on a lot of things. The degree of complexity builds up as we understand more about the project. If we're not moving forward, we're not putting the company and our stakeholders in the best position, and that is what we're trying to do.

Denison's P. Longo returned to the presentation: Capital costs for the project are estimated at \$1.13B, with first production in 2025/26; the operational cost will average \$19US per pound. Today the short-term price is \$25-26US per pound, so we are working on the assumption that this price will increase by the time we are ready to move to production.

D. Cates: We currently have no uranium sales; we earn \$10-12M from environment services. The capital cost is a big number. We believe in the future of nuclear energy, in building a uranium mine and operating it in a responsible way, but it's not an easy proposition. Peter's main job is to see this project through those steps – can we justify building a mine, and once we build it, make sure we deliver.

We would not be here if we did not believe in the fundamental case that nuclear energy and uranium is a good place to invest.

- **P. Longo:** We have the two deposits; we're still drilling, and there are still opportunities to increase the size. We're very optimistic about the property. We have a good base. SMDC did some work in the 1970s on the property; we are now circling back to some of those areas.
- **D. Cates:** There have been more recent discoveries. In 2008 we found and drilled Phoenix. As we wrapped that up, we found Gryphon. There's more mineralization north of Gryphon. There are so many targets we have not yet had time to test them all.
- **M. Liskowich:** There is additional potential at depth. Drilling from surface currently goes 500 metres down and Gryhpon is still open at depth; it's the same type of deposit as Eagle Point,

which initially looked small but is still producing. It's difficult and expensive to target from 500m above. There's a lot more opportunity by exploring from the underground, but that needs a shaft, which is expensive.

- Question from the floor: What is the market cap for Denison?
 D. Cates: About \$370M Cdn. At \$50-\$60 per pound we would reach just shy of \$1.5B potential value of the project.
- Question from the floor: Do you have revenue from the joint venture?
 - **D. Cates:** We have revenue from Cigar Lake ore milled at McClean. That and our environmental services are our only two sources of income. We also make a little from managing Uranium Participation Corp. (UPC).
 - **P. Longo:** It's great that we're not completely reliant on the market to raise money; we have reasonable cash flow and we're sustainable and not totally susceptible to the market. That's why we can advance this project now.
 - **D. Cates:** We have more latitude than most. Although we are small, we have a more complete company than a lot of single-project juniors. We have more tools in our toolkit environmental services, toll milling revenue and UPC. We have a Saskatchewan office with 12 geologists and engineers. We have a 25% interest in Goviex Uranium, and 12% in Skyharbour Resources. I'm a shareholder and a director in both.
- **D. Cates:** We're excited about where this project can go, but we can't do it without support. We want input from this community in terms of where the project's going, and want to engage the community. We appreciate your time. Thank you for participating.

Statement from the floor, W. Smith: We're in a very good place. Thanks for coming early in your project, and coming in and giving us a chance to understand your initial philosophy on this project. We're quite excited in terms of what we can do together, whatever that might be.

3. Presentation: Pinehouse Business North Capacity Statement - Walter Smith

You're aware of our collaboration agreement with a project right beside yours (Cameco's Millennium Project). We have lots to build on and a lot of history already. We'd like to let you know what we have done as a result of that agreement.

Structure: The Village owns 99% of Pinehouse Business North (PBN); PBN is a Limited Partner with 1%. We have an independent board of directors, with four local representatives and three external ones. We presently have a CEO and a committee that governs the company: a CFO, a board chair and a president.

Each division has its own project manager, and we have an operations manager here in Pinehouse. Our major projects are civil operations; our waste management division is currently working at all Cameco sites; our highways division maintains the highway up to the Key Lake mine site; our commercial construction division built our local arena and is building the seniors facility, and we have a joint venture mechanical partner.

Focus: Our focus is tying our interests with the industry active in our local areas, and building capacity based on that. It's important for us to be in charge of our own future. We don't want to be reliant on governments or exclusively on industry; we want to be in partnership with both entities to build our future the way we see fit. You also have a property called Duddridge Lake located to the south of us, correct?

D. Cates: No, we no longer have any involvement with that property. We let those claims lapse.

Future with Denison: There's a lot of potential; we have liquid capital, and what we do with it will be determine over the next few years. We also follow the markets, and we have some good shareholdings.

We look at participation agreements, but with the timelines you've given us we can be more than participation agreements if the market and conditions are there. We can look at potential

ownership, operations management, construction, maybe underground mining. The future depends on the market but also on the relationship we build. This could be the best agreement ever!

We have a young workforce getting trained today – we have an engineer at school in Calgary. We monitor all 180 of our students (graduates). We want to think big for our young growing population.

We have several pieces of equipment; we have infrastructure to support that equipment including the trades services to maintain it and we have contracts at most of the major mine sites. We're at Cigar in a big way. We maintain the road to some of these mines. We do waste management work at most sites. We can do a lot, confidently, and get lots of great reviews on the work we do; our maintenance of the road to the north of us is a good example of this.

We're not sure where we want to take waste management, but we're always conscious of companies that want to develop things around us. It would be great to clean up (decommission and reclaim) projects when they are ready for cleanup activities, because we will be here a lot longer than the operators of those projects. If we have that expertise we could also do the long-term monitoring.

Question from the floor, P. Longo: What type of cleanup?
 W. Smith: We have vegetation management, tree planting, brush cutting, herbicides etc.
 That's one avenue; there are others as well, like decontamination and recycling of scrap piles.
 We are doing this at McArthur River.

We want to become a CNSC-certified environmental decommissioning company as well. Right now we're in construction and civil. But in the long term we live in the area so we want to say it's clean, and we will be able to definitively say that if we are in charge of the cleanup.

Why are we so optimistic? Pinehouse is the largest user of government funding for apprenticeship – 40 in our community right now are in apprenticeship trades. We are currently developing mechanical trades; construction trades are well in hand. We are targeting industry-type things as well as what we need in our community. We have good heavy-duty mechanics, carpenters, construction craft workers, and electrical. We have some of the best and most experienced heavy equipment operators because of our long history with industry. We went with civil construction because we knew we could roll that into something profitable and well managed because of the skill set we have here.

Training: All of our trainees are fully certified, and industry-recognized through every proper channel, no shortcuts. Our construction sites follow all safety protocols. We are COR [1] certified, on all the right lists. Our Workers Compensation and insurance are up to date. We are well run, and well managed.

- We have 12 industrial mechanics in training; they'll be done at the end of January. We're targeting industry and our own mechanical contractors for some of them. Those guys will be journeymen in four years, just in time to start building whatever you need!
- We have a high school program and GED going on since these are the prerequisites to be fully qualified. We take no shortcuts; we jump the extra foot. We are a fully recognized certified safety training company in our community; so far we do it mostly for ourselves. We have about 400 residents with OHS-level St John's Ambulance, and some First Responders are in EMR training. You will need first responders as your project proceeds. We follow OHS regulations to a tee.
- We're a third party provider to SaskPoly for fall protection and confined space training, so we pay them a small fee. We do the training; they have audited us and they're very satisfied.
- We do fire extinguisher, WHMIS, TDG, ground disturbance, hoisting and rigging, OHS supervisory training to make sure our supervisors are trained to the highest standards.

- Just-in-time training to increase our capacity. In waste management, every year something new comes up like torch cutting, brush saw training, plasma cutting, Hilti gun, ATV training, and contractor training. 50% of our population is under 25.
- Safety culture is really high in Pinehouse, but we have to make sure we continue to follow OHS standards. As an example, we don't work on roofs any more without fall protection. We follow all the new rules.

We do have issues:

- We could use a bigger industrial training centre as we prepare our people for more industry, with proper cement floors, building units, grinders etc. so they become accustomed to what you would expect in industry. We have a huge potential workforce coming but it's a higher cost to train them. We slow the training down but it costs us more money.
- We have a professional deficit in our community. Economic leakage has caused us not to be prepared for industry. We need accounting, project management, environment, and engineers to do that. We need a solid partnership so they understand what the skills are for. There's a computer skill deficit in the type of skills available. We're aware of these things and that's why we want to work with you to find out your needs.
- Drawing maps of the underground is a program. We need to learn those things so we're not left out.
- We have a replacement workforce problem. Industry steals our trained workforce, so there's always a need to train. This year we have 122 people from town working. We understand that industry is more consistent work and that we're more seasonal.

Statement from the floor, D. Cates: Thank you for the presentation; it was very informative. **General Discussion:**

- Question from community member: *Is there any work at the exploration site right now?*P. Longo: Most of the work we're doing on site we have our drill contractors and we've talked to them we know they are willing to run training programs; you can't just drill 800 metres without training. There's a process for that. Most of the people we have on site are geologists. We would support engineering and geological programs. It takes years to get the knowledge. Some started with us straight from school; some of our exploration team has been with us 10-12 years.
 - M. Liskowich: Everyone starts out as a junior engineer or a junior geologist somewhere.
- Question from community member: *How many at camp?*
 - **P. Longo:** Maximum 30, mostly contractors drillers and Denison employees as geologists. Only a couple of cooks and a camp manager.
 - **D. Cates:** We were looking at doing some upgrades to our roads this year; however, the quotes we got suggested we didn't have the budget to do the work we were hoping to do. It was a lot more than we thought it would be, so we are working on a budget for another season. **P. Longo:** Snake Lake Contracting was contacted and provided a bid for that work.
- Question from community member: Will you build the road across to McClean Lake? Will it be a partnership? I've heard that the province is looking at a P3 initiative.
 P. Longo: It's part of the process we have to go through we need a commitment to complete Highway 914 between McArthur River and Cigar Lake. Cameco was part of an industry working group in discussions with the province a few years ago on this topic. We want to find out the status from the province, see if the provincial commitment is still there and decide how to push it forward again.
- Statement from community member: Thanks for being here; I liked your presentation. I'd like to see that working relationship/partnership develop from here on in so we have success in the future.

- **D. Cates:** That's why we're here. I'm glad to hear that and the energy around that. We're like small business owners we're entrepreneurs and we need partnership and support. This is the first step take this as a strong signal we want to do that with this community.
- Statement from community member: When it comes to input, one of the reasons we created PBN is for the ability to handle this. Work out jobs and contracts with PBN.
 P. Longo: From a project development perspective, it doesn't make sense for us to partner with a company from far away. We like to procure as close to the mine site as possible.
 D. Cates: That's why we're here. You guys know we're trying to be in business and there's no reason why we can't work together. PBN should have an advantage because of the proximity to our project.
- Statement from community member: As we start our relationship we have learned historical lessons the hard way that we are polite when we visit each other. We realize the best way to have a relationship is much like a marriage, where you sign a contract. That's where we want to go with Denison. We want to start the discussion, then have an agreement maybe initially an exploration agreement, then a partnership agreement. From that, develop what our partnership should look like. It means something to us that the president would come to the community. Now let's take serious next steps and follow up with yourself. How do we take it to the next level so the words come to something?

 D. Cates: We equate this to the first date; if you're already talking marriage, I guess it's gone OK! We have no problem with that. We support coming together for a way to do business and work out what would be right for both of us.
 - **P. Longo:** We're just starting the process, not making any firm commitments. We're both saying let's work together.
 - **D. Cates:** It's positive that we're talking about it; it shows an interest from both sides.
- Statement from community member: Mayor M. Natomagan: I appreciate your first steps by being here today to look for a future for all of us. We started PBN in 2007. Pinehouse was fly-in till 1979, then came the road. At the time, our community didn't understand about mining, we lived in the bush in the middle of nowhere and people came with proposals. Some people tried to stop mining, but since then we have watched five mines come into existence. I worked in the industry for 12 years and appreciate that opportunity I got to understand about uranium mining and how regulated it is. That's how I explained it to the community and from there we built a collaboration agreement with Cameco and AREVA. We want to earn our dollar, not a hand out we're here to help you make money; we just want to participate. We want to continue building this relationship. It's all win-win for us.
 - **D. Cates:** Thanks for welcoming us. It's been a great opportunity for us to talk about what we spend our lives doing!

Meeting was concluded at 1:50 pm.

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Meeting Notes

November 29, 2016

Participants:

Denison Mines Corp: Peter Longo, Mark Liskowich (SRK)

Village of Pinehouse: Mayor of Pinehouse/President of KML, Pinehouse Business North Representatives

Introduction:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss (with the leadership of the community of Pinehouse) Denison's proposed schedule of activities with respect to community engagement and the continuation of the collection of environmental baseline data in the 2017 calendar year.

Meeting Notes:

- Denison indicated that the intent was to continue the collection of environmental baseline data within the project area during the spring, summer and fall of 2017.
- Denison raised the question with Pinehouse representatives as to whether or not they felt there was any benefit to engaging an independent contractor to carry out a series of focus group sessions in the community in order to gather additional information with respect to areas of importance that should form a foundation for a future memo of understanding between the community and Denison Mines. Pinehouse representatives indicated they did not see the benefit of completing a focus group survey at this time. Pinehouse representatives indicated that the main pillars of the recent agreement with Cameco would be a reasonable starting point for a future agreement between Denison and Pinehouse.
- Pinehouse representatives also indicated that they had previously completed a fairly extensive Traditional knowledge study
 covering their traditional territories. Denison indicated a desire to obtain this information from the community in order to
 integrate this Traditional Knowledge information into the design of the Wheeler River environmental baseline data
 acquisition rather than attempt to gather this information through a separate community engagement exercise. Pinehouse
 representatives agreed that recollecting existing information did not seem like a valuable exercise. Pinehouse
 representatives indicated that access to this information could be gained through [redacted] and they would discuss access
 to this data with them.
- Denison's proposed schedule of activities for 2017 was presented and discussed with Pinehouse representatives. The scheduled activities appeared to seem reasonable to The Mayor. The importance of obtaining any of the existing Traditional Knowledge data (previously collected by Pinehouse) early in 2017 to allow adjustments to the baseline environmental data collection program was emphasized by Denison.
- Denison and Pinehouse representatives agreed that update meetings such as this meeting were useful and efforts will be made in 2017 to maintain an open line of communication between Denison and the community of Pinehouse through its leadership.

Notes Taken By: Mark Liskowich



Denison – Who Are We?

enison Mines



> A Canadian uranium exploration & development Company

- Public company, but only 5% of the size of Cameco
- A history of uranium mining, but no active mining operations
- Several exploration properties in the eastern Athabasca Basin
- 60% owner and the operator of the Wheeler River Project

Denison – Who Are We?

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A joint venture partner with Areva at McClean Lake

- Denison owns 22.5 % of the McClean Lake uranium deposits and the McClean Lake uranium mill (shown above) Areva (70%) is operator
- In our preliminary plans, Denison has assumed that the ore from Wheeler River will be processed at the McClean Lake mill

Denison – Who Are We?

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An operator of a Canadian environmental services business

- ~40 employees based in Elliot Lake, Ontario
- Maintains Denison's closed and reclaimed mine site in Elliot Lake
- Provides services to mining companies and governments across Canada



> A strong supporter of our local communities

- McClean Lake community programs
- Denison procurement from local vendors and personnel in northern communities

Saskatchewan

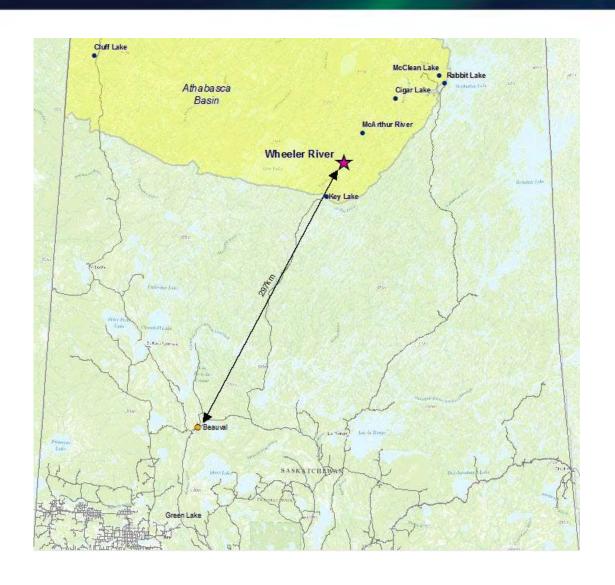
- Serpent River First Nations – employment, youth education initiative
- Supported creation of a retirement lifestyle community after mining was completed

Elliot Lake

- Supported construction of schools and health offices for local villages
- Drilled water wells
- Leadership roles for local technical & admin staff

Former African Assets

Welcome to the Wheeler River Project



Wheeler River Today: Uranium Exploration

- Exploration camp
- Drilling in winter & summer



Wheeler River Today

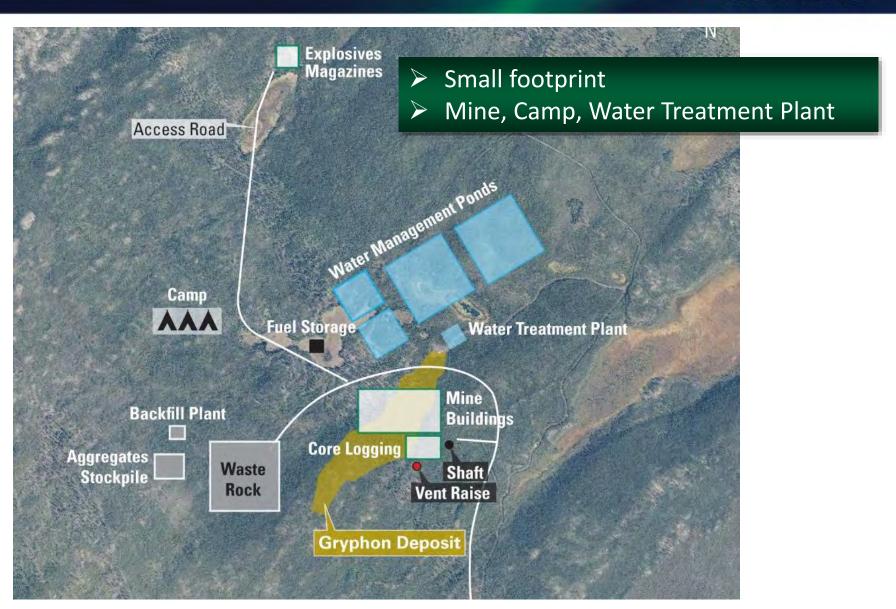
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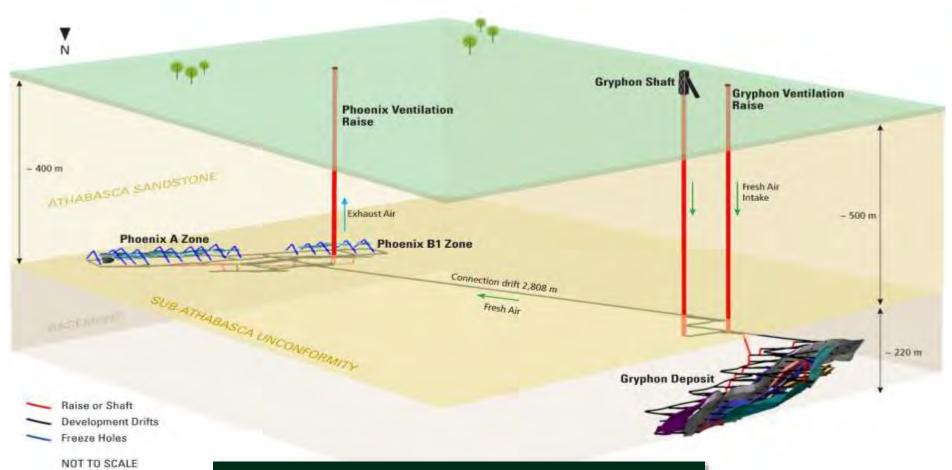
In comparison

- McArthur River: Produced ~290M lbs, Reserves 234M lbs
- ➤ Rabbit Lake: Produced ~202M lbs, Resources: ~70M lbs

Wheeler River Future



Wheeler River Future

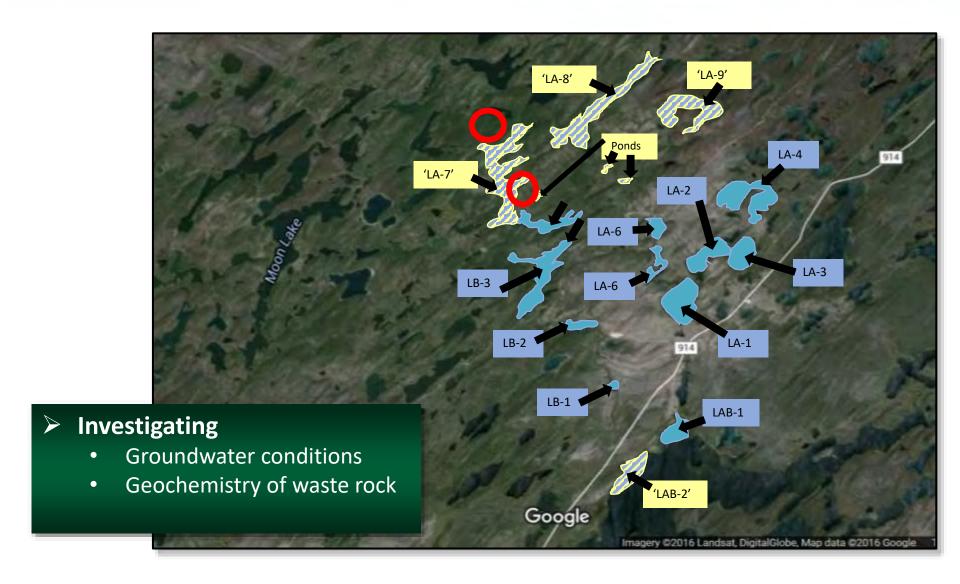


- Mine life of 16 years
- Underground mining ~500m deep
- Ore processing at McClean

Wheeler River: Long Road Ahead



Wheeler River: Environmental Data Collection



Wheeler River: A Long Term Proposition

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- Initial and sustaining capital costs ~CAD\$1.13 billion
- First uranium production projected by 2025/2026
- Operating costs expected to average US\$19/pound U₃O₈
- Uranium spot price quoted at ~US\$25/pound U₃O₈

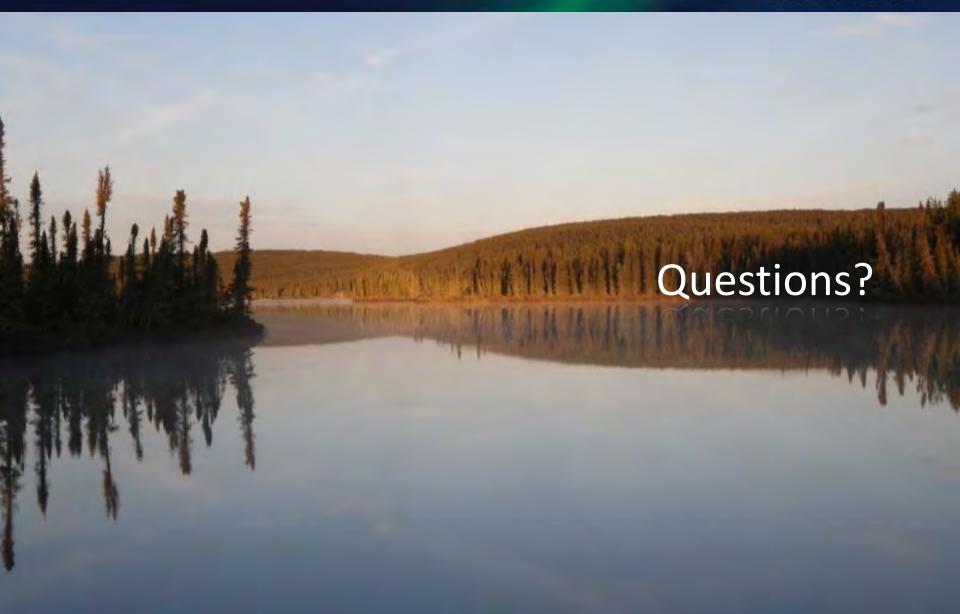


Denison believes in the future of nuclear energy and is investing in the people and the province of Saskatchewan, despite historic low uranium prices and difficult market conditions

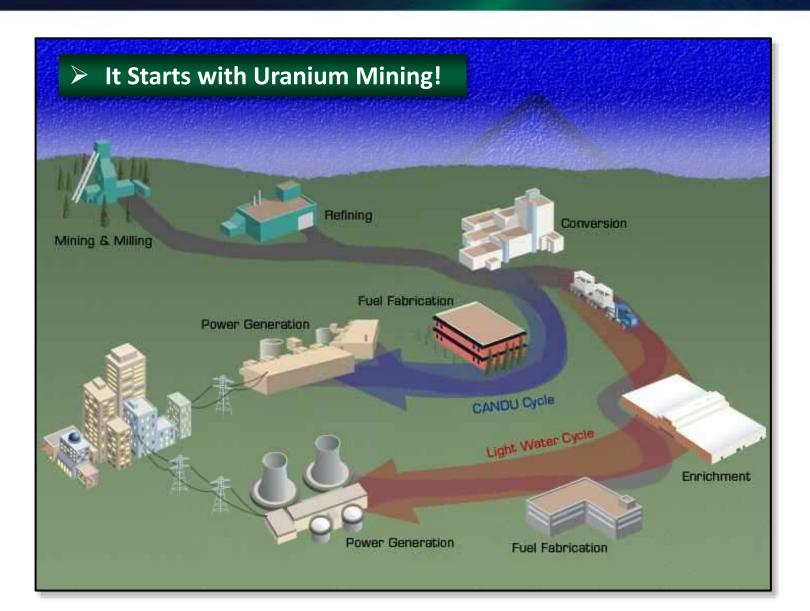
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Overview of the Nuclear Fuel Cycle



Transporting High-Grade Uranium Ore



Denison Mines Wheeler River Project – Stakeholder Engagement Beauval Tuesday December 6, 2016, 5 pm

In attendance:

Denison Mines: David Cates, President & CEO

Peter Longo, Vice President, Project Development

SRK Consulting: Mark Liskowich

Community: Mayor Nick Daigneault, Councillor Joe Daigneault, MLA Buckley Belanger, Nap Gardiner (North West W Communities), Gerry Morin, Shirley Bell Morin and other members of

the co-management board.

Recorder: Gill Gracie, Aurora Communications.

Meeting called to order 6 pm by Co-Management Board President Gerry Morin.

Denison was an agenda item for the local co-management board meeting. Other presentations preceded and followed.

Company Presentation: David Cates

The plan is to introduce ourselves and our project. Dave introduced himself and Peter, saying that he would explain the company and Pete would explain the Wheeler River project. This is a forum for discussion.

Denison is a Canadian junior mining company, listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange. We're public but not big – about 5% the size of Cameco.

We have a long and unique history. We have a history of uranium mining in the US and in Elliot Lake, Ontario, but we are not currently mining anything. We have refocused our business in the last five years on the Athabasca Basin region. We have sold a number of international assets and are left with a portfolio of projects in the Athabasca. Wheeler River is our flagship asset.

We are also a partner in the McClean Joint Venture, where we own 22.5%; AREVA is the operator and majority partner. We plan to use the McClean Lake mill to process Wheeler River ore.

In Elliot Lake we have operated, closed and reclaimed a uranium mine, and now we carry on a profitable environmental services business with about 40 employees, who provide care and maintenance and other environmental consulting services for our own site, other sites in the Elliot Lake area, and also in Quebec, the Yukon, and other parts of Ontario. It's part of our history and we're proud of it.

In Elliot Lake we have good relationships with the First Nations in the area, and we've been part of the process of turning that community from a uranium mining camp to a retirement community. It's become a destination for people retiring in Ontario; we supported that community to make sure it still had an economic engine driving it long after the uranium mining stopped.

We are a strong supporter of local communities. As a 22.5% owner at McClean, we contribute whenever AREVA contributes something on behalf of the McClean Lake Joint Venture, although our name is not usually mentioned. We procure staff and supplies in the Athabasca region.

We sold our African assets earlier this year. Social license is about being a partner with the community and being part of the community. In Zambia and Mali we did not bring in outside workers, but hired local professionals to run our operations, and we contributed to the communities. Even when the uranium market was weak, we did not cut community support in our budgets, whether it was building health centres or buying supplies. We knew if we wanted a long relationship with those communities we could not pull the plug on those activities. Just an example of the way we do business.

Project Presentation: Peter Longo

Peter explained his personal background: He is from Saskatoon, has worked at the Seabee mine and for AREVA, and with Cameco on an exchange program. He is familiar with several northern sites. He has three kids, and is a Montreal Canadiens fan!

The Wheeler River project is about 300 km NE of Beauval as the crow flies, between Key Lake and McArthur River.

We have a small exploration camp of about 30+ rooms. We have 25-30 people on site for three months in winter and three months in summer - drill crews from January-March and June-September, plus geological staff, mechanics, caterers and camp maintenance people. We usually have 3-4 drill rigs turning. Our camp is about 6.5 km as the crow flies from the Key-McArthur haul road, just off the Fox Lake road.

Phoenix is a Cigar Lake-style unconformity deposit. At 72 million (M) pounds it is about one fifth the size of Cigar. Gryphon contains 43 M pounds at a 2% grade, more like a Rabbit Lake-style deposit. It is located in the basement rock, below the unconformity. Together they contain about 115 M pounds of mineral resource. By comparison, McArthur River has produced 300 M pounds and still has 200M pounds + to go. Our resource is bigger than the original Rabbit Lake, smaller than McArthur River.

Timelines: We did our preliminary economic assessment (PEA) earlier this year and have launched a prefeasibility study (PFS) that will take about 18 months to complete. If that is positive we will move into a feasibility study from 2018 to 2021. We will do our environmental assessment work in the next few years, and construction will start in 2021. Each step takes a long time. We have started environment baseline data collection. (**M. Liskowich** pointed out the difference between collecting baseline environmental data, which takes 1-2 years, and the environmental assessment process which takes about four years).

The PEA was based on a uranium price of \$44 per pound (the long-term price at the time), and it came back positive enough for us to justify spending millions of dollars on a PFS from 2016-17. If that study is successful, we will need to spend tens of millions on a full feasibility study in 2018-2019, and hopefully hundreds of millions on construction in 2021. We need the business results from one stage to justify moving to the next.

D. Cates: 2025 is when we see uranium as a very good business to be in. We see the supply/demand imbalance fixing itself. But to get there, we have to do the groundwork now. We can't just shut it down and pick it up again in 2022. We will be flexible, but move along the

timeline so we can actually be ready to sell uranium when market says it makes good business sense to do so.

Site infrastructure at Wheeler River will be minimal, with no tailings and a small surface footprint. The initial plan is to sink two shafts from surface, one for fresh air, one for exhaust, and start mining the Gryphon deposit, which would take 7-8 years. While mining Gryphon, we would drift across to the Phoenix deposit, establish another ventilation raise to surface and start mining that deposit, probably using jet boring technology. This would take another 7-8 years. Total mine life with current resources is about 16 years at 6-7 M pounds per year (about one third the annual rate of Cigar Lake). We are looking to expand that through continued exploration.

Financial: The cost will be about \$1.13 billion in initial and sustaining capital, without a mill. That will be hard to find. Once producing, we expect to be very competitive, even at today's price. If this mine were already built we would survive with current uranium prices.

Community Question: Where do you get your core boxes? We have a post plant here that we are thinking of expanding into different areas.

P. Longo: I believe our core boxes are currently supplied by JP Enterprises in La Ronge.

Community Question: How feasible is it to move this project forward given the current price of uranium?

- **P. Longo:** It would be tough with the current price. We're starting this process to get to production in the mid-2020s, hoping the market has turned around by then. We would not build it on today's price, but it's worthwhile to advance it. It takes time to do the engineering and the environmental work.
- **D. Cates:** This has been a tough year for uranium prices we started at \$35US per pound, and the spot price is now just under \$18 per pound. At the beginning of the year the answer was much more likely yes; now, not so much. But we don't think this is a real representation of the uranium market going forward.

Community Question: Is there other potential in that immediate area? D. Cates: Absolutely.

Community Question: Who does your projections on market price and feasibility of projects? D. Cates: Pete & I are the tag team on those two topics. We look at market research, and firms focused on uranium research, and use it to drive our expectation of future price. The contract market is down too, but it's at \$32 per pound. Most of the material is sold under contract, not on the spot market.

Community Question: *How does the grade compare?* **P. Longo:** The grade is lower than at Cigar – 19% before dilution compared to 23-24% in the ground at Cigar Lake. It's very high-grade but a smaller deposit.

Community Question: If the prices go up earlier will you shorten your timeline? P. Longo: I can't see us going faster than we are. These steps are all necessary to ensure the deposit is economically viable.

D. Cates: We can't shorten up the process by much.

Community Question: Will there be any jobs in any of these phases? P. Longo: Right now we have drill crews – Hy-Tech is our drilling company. If northern communities have people with the interest and experience we can introduce them to the contractor. We can open doors. Our own staff includes six geologists; we contract geology field staff (loggers etc.); there may be environment baseline work in collecting samples of water, fish, plants, soils etc.

- **M. Liskowich:** Other studies include groundwater, soil and rock geochemistry, vegetation surveys, heritage surveys and air surveys.
- **P. Longo:** We started the sampling program in the fall of 2016. We use specialized environmental companies, but they have to hire northern field staff as well. A new program will start in spring. The programs run a couple of weeks at a time. There may be opportunities for employment supporting these programs as well.

Community: Does your company have an HR Department? There is a potential for Métis subsidies if you hire indigenous individuals or apprentices. P. Longo: Yes. Our environmental team also helps identify opportunities to hire locally to support the environmental programs. Environmental fieldwork is short duration, but for someone who wants to get into the field, this is a way in the door with the environmental companies.

Most of the current work involves data collection through our exploration and environment programs. Once we have the data we turn it over to an engineering company with technical specialists who can design a shaft or an underground mine. We can open doors for anyone interested. Denison will probably hire one or two technical people to support building a business case.

When we go to the feasibility stage, we'll hire safety people and an environmental team. I envisage maybe 10-12 people at Denison. I don't see a huge office in Saskatoon. The construction phase is when we get to the big dollars, and employment and business opportunities. There would be a fly-in schedule. There would be 3-4 years of construction before the first production – sinking shafts, developing the underground. Once in operation we get into a routine with 250-300 people working at the site.

M. Liskowich: There would also be a lot of earthworks – water treatment ponds, roads, power lines, clearing, development of a sewage facility etc., which is all related to the construction phase.

Community Question: When you start production you will haul from McArthur to Cigar and over to McClean? We'd be looking at some earth moving and long-term road maintenance contracts? D. Cates: Yes, that's based on connecting the road. We are not sure how the road would be managed, or by whom.

P. Longo: The province has the lead on developing the highway between McArthur River and Cigar Lake. We will work on that with the province, who announced support for the 914 extension.

Community Question: Are you planning to mill on site? **P. Longo:** We plan to ship our ore for processing to McClean Lake, where we own 22.5%. Cameco is also a partner in Wheeler River; they may take their share of the ore and mill it at Key Lake. Each partner can choose where they send their ore.

The McClean Lake mill will process 18 M pounds from Cigar Lake for the next 10-12 years, and probably more after that, but it's licensed to produce 24 M pounds so there's 6M pounds of spare capacity, which is the production rate we are currently using in the Wheeler River project design.

D. Cates: There are few better places in the world to invest in than Saskatchewan. We're in the business of uranium exploration and development. We believe in nuclear energy, the value of responsibly mining uranium. We would not be moving forward in this market if we were not the true believers in the future of the uranium industry in Saskatchewan.

Community Question: *Is there anyone up there now?* **D. Longo:** We have exploration crews in winter and summer. We will mobilize in late December-January for the winter drill program.

D. Cates: It's a long-term proposition; the prize is 10 years away. There's not a lot of opportunity right now. We want input and the opportunity to develop a positive relationship with the communities. If you understand what we're trying to do with our business, as things ramp up we can lean on each other for everyone's benefit. We can't do this without the support of the communities and we won't try to. That's why we're here today, and we want your input.

P. Longo: We want the project to benefit the people of Saskatchewan and northern Saskatchewan.

Community Question: *Where is your main office?* We have an office in Saskatoon with 12-15 people, and a corporate head office in Toronto with 7 people. Our largest office is in Elliot Lake, where we have the environmental services office with about 40 people.

Community Comment: The people at Keewatin Career Development Corp. (KCDC) do human resources analyses of northern Saskatchewan across sectors. I asked (CEO) Randy Johns what number would allow employment of everyone in the north. He says we need to create 1000 jobs a year for 10 years. It's refreshing to be at the starting level of this project, enabling us to see the potential of a significant investment. At the same time, we need a more sophisticated human resource development strategy attached to this, so that with the timelines we can begin to bring young people out of high school and attract them into some of these careers, whether environment, geologists or managers. We're trying to make a more sophisticated strategy somehow; otherwise we're exporting some of our best potential. Someone might have that conversation with you in the future, to provide that opportunity for growing and mentoring.

- **P. Longo:** We're happy to be part of that process.
- **D. Cates:** That's a smart observation. Giving someone a Denison pen today could inspire someone to seek a career later. Knowing who we are and what we do helps advertise the opportunities that will exist in the future. People are seeing us, but are not necessarily in the market for a job today. We are just starting this process. Geologists are happy to talk about what they do.

M. Liskowich: There have been presentations to school classes in the past on geology, and Denison is prepared to support these moving forward. We have had early communications with Randy Johns and discusses ways Denison might be able to support some of the KCDC programs and initiatives.

Community Comment: The north is getting more sophisticated, whether its forestry or mining, but there's still a trust gap regarding development and peoples' relationship to the land. We have lived here for thousands of years, and it's more than just an economy for our aboriginal people. There's a growing need for industry to begin building environment monitoring liaisons of some sort that can suggest to the

communities that "these guys are trustworthy and are following environmental rules, and this is how we can communicate what's happening so each side hears what the other is saying". In some instances the gap is wider than in others. We're getting into training at the entry level of environmental monitoring, so people can understand how to be much more officially capacitated to enable them to do more environmental monitoring.

We talk about NWC, which is not really in wood fibre as it used to be; we lost most of our Term Supply License. We're more into the management of process and business and facilitating northerners to participate in business and training in the resource sector. We're a group of seven large Métis communities, from Green Lake to La Loche and east to Pinehouse, willing to do what we can to enable things to happen for the benefit of our communities and businesses.

Community Question: It's important as we move forward to the 2020s to stay in constant communication with our HR. Besides NWC we also have PLEDCO (Primrose Lake Economic Development Corporation) representing four communities. One of them, Jans Bay, has a training facility. As we work on our HR strategy we like to pair up with GDI, apprenticeship training, using all our resources to prepare for future opportunities for those who are losing their jobs and those still coming up. We need everyone in the mix and use all their resources and facilities.

P. Longo: We will need that help if this moves forward. We would rather have local people that know the project than bring in outside help. It makes business sense.

D. Cates: It's the only formula that works on a sustainable basis. In Africa we started with expatriate workers running the operations, but it was not effective in the countries we were in. We found that model did not work very well. We went to a local community-based management team, and got better results for less money.

Community Question: What is the potential of northern communities to invest? It's usually much easier at the startup of a junior company to allow that to happen. The other thing is a legacy – this is where we missed the boat in the past with mining companies coming to the north, for the companies to consider setting up some sort of legacy for the north – some sort of infrastructure, or a fund. A good example is Mistik, a forestry company who set aside a stumpage fee that goes directly to the impacted community. You need to consider that, and it's much easier to do early, when you know a small fraction has to go to that fund, rather than later trying to convince the shareholders who might not be in favour of it. We run into that scenario with some of the established companies. I recommend you begin that sort of setaside for the north, for legacy purposes.

D. Cates: That's the next stage of discussion, to start to explore those options. If there's money to invest, we're happy to be part of figuring it out. Since we're not so big we can be more creative – we don't have the same bureaucracy yet, and the shareholders are different.

Community Question: We are Métis communities, we have access to funds – may not be a whole pile of money at this stage, but if we were able to break into investing potential . . . take heavy equipment as an example; if we had a coalition within the region to supply heavy equipment even at the exploration stage, that might be a foot in the door.

- **D. Cates:** To me, there's no minimum. We're open to that. Making the introduction is the first step. We do need capital; my job is to find capital on the markets for development. Dollars are dollars, and I'd sooner they come from a community we will later spend money in. If that means the community is now aligned with us as a partner, all the better.
- **P. Longo:** Down the road, I would rather have local employees, contractors and business people doing that work as long as they are competitive.

Community Question: *Do you have a margin?* **P. Longo:** That would have to be part of the discussions. It's hard to put a figure on it.

Community Question: This scenario has repeated itself so many times with indigenous communities being impacted by development, whatever the size and distance. The question in some minds is, we know you're not banging the table. If we do bang the table we had better come up with what we have in terms of assets and human resources, equipment capacities and capabilities. It's no use just to say we want a piece of the action. We need to plan those incremental pieces. We're trying to do that; other things are happening besides the Wheeler River project.

- **D. Cates:** That's the power of these discussions we tell you what we're doing so you take this in as data. You see what might be happening, and then we have a dialogue together and vector into something that works for our business and your communities.
- **M. Liskowich:** First we wanted to go into the communities and speak to the leaders. The next phase, next year, is presenting at places like the Northern Labour Market Committee (NLMC) and its various components, seeding that opportunity; if the Multi-Party Training Plan is still in place, it could be the vehicle for training, or is there a better vehicle? We will introduce Dave and Pete to those types of venues, and get the story out on a broader basis. We didn't want the NLMC or New North to be the first time you heard about it; we wanted to bring it to the leadership first, and then take that step.

Community Comment: We were younger when we started talking about Key Lake; the Cluff Lake Board of Inquiry was a huge conversation with huge expectations; people still go through the book and mark the promises made. Some still didn't come to fruition.

Session adjourned.









> An operator of a Canadian environmental services business

- ~40 employees based in Elliot Lake, Ontario
- Maintains Denison's closed and reclaimed mine site in Elliot Lake
- Provides services to mining companies and governments across Canada

Denison – Who Are We?

> A strong supporter of our local communities

- McClean Lake community programs
- Denison procurement from local vendors and personnel in northern communities
- Saskatchewan
- Serpent River First
 Nations employment,
 youth education initiative
- Supported creation of a retirement lifestyle community after mining was completed
- Elliot Lak
- Supported construction of schools and health offices for local villages
- Drilled water wells
- Leadership roles for local technical & admin staff

Former African Assets

Welcome to the Wheeler River Project

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Wheeler River Today: Uranium Exploration ▶ Exploration camp ▶ Drilling in winter & summer



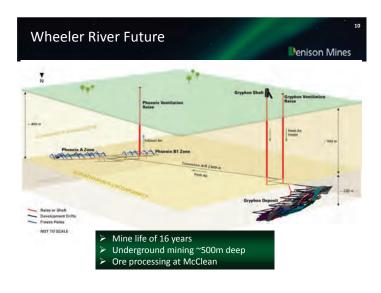


In comparison

McArthur River: Produced ~290M lbs, Reserves 234M lbs

Rabbit Lake: Produced ~202M lbs, Resources: ~70M lbs









Wheeler River: A Long Term Proposition Penison Mines

- Initial and sustaining capital costs ~CAD\$1.13 billion
- First uranium production projected by 2025/2026
- \bullet Operating costs expected to average US\$19/pound $\rm U_3O_8$
- Uranium spot price quoted at $^{\sim}$ US\$25/pound $^{\circ}$ U₃O₈



Denison believes in the future of nuclear energy and is investing in the people and the province of Saskatchewan, despite historic low uranium prices and difficult market conditions





Denison Mines

Wheeler River Project – Stakeholder Engagement Ile a la Crosse, SK. Wednesday December 7, 2016 11 am

In attendance:

Denison: David Cates, President & CEO; Peter Longo, Vice-President, Project Development

SRK: Mark Liskowich

Community: Mayor Duane Favel and about 15 local people. **Recorder:** Gill Gracie, Aurora Communications Ltd.

Meeting called to order at 11:40 am.

Welcome and Introductions

Mayor Duane Favel welcomed the group and about 15 local attendees, representing the Métis Local, a contractor, elders, a social development worker, councillors, the local development corporation, the MLA and his assistant, and interested individuals. About 16 community members total. Denison's Dave Cates introduced his group.

Company Presentation: Dave Cates

Dave explained that the main purpose of the meeting was to introduce the company and its main project, Wheeler River. He would present on the company, and Peter Longo would provide a presentation on the project.

We're a junior public company involved in uranium exploration and development. We used to be a global company with assets in the US, Africa and Mongolia, but in the last five years we've changed our strategy and are now focused exclusively on Canada, particularly the Athabasca Basin. We are a Canadian company, listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX). Our shareholders are largely Canadian. We're about 5% the size of Cameco. We're run like an owner-managed business – we're entrepreneurial and take on a wide range of tasks.

Our main asset is the Wheeler River project, where we are a 60% owner. We also own 22.5% of the McClean Lake mill, where we are partners with AREVA. We are active in the region through this partnership.

We used to operate a uranium mine in Elliot Lake, Ontario, which has been fully reclaimed. It took a lot of work to reclaim the site, but we built skills in reclamation and running closed mines. We built a business from that, with about 40 employees who provide care and maintenance and other environmental consulting services to other miners and to governments in Ontario, Quebec and the Yukon. That's our Canadian profile – uranium exploration and development in Saskatchewan, our interest in the McClean Lake mill, and an environmental services business.

We're a strong supporter of the local communities we operate in. When McClean Lake gets involved with a community-based activity, you generally only hear AREVA's name mentioned because they are the operator, but we, as a 22.5% owner of that mill, contribute to those community support initiatives. We're more of the quiet partner.

We are also looking for opportunities for local procurement of staff and supplies for our northern operations. In Elliot Lake we have a long, solid relationship with the Serpent River First Nation, and have also partnered with the community in turning it from a mining community into a very successful retirement community. It's become an economic engine by being a destination for retirees from all over Ontario, and we've helped with that process.

Our former African assets are a good illustration of how we like to do business. A lot of other companies bring in expatriates from Canada, the US and/or Australia to run their operations. We tried that many years ago, and went away from it – it's not a good model. We're focused on having local leadership, local managers, local staff. That was really successful for us in Africa. Another part of that program was to always support our communities. We cut our budgets down to nothing but we would not cut our community support budgets. We realized that for anything to happen long-term in those African jurisdictions where we had properties, we would need support from our communities. That was the budget we were not going to cut. It's the same idea here. We know we need to be in partnership with our communities; we need your support, and we need to support you.

Project Presentation: Peter Longo:

Peter gave some personal background.

The project is about 300 km by air from Ile a la Crosse.

The site currently has a 25-30-room camp and core storage. We're doing mostly exploration drilling, so we have 3-4 drills turning with 18-20 drillers employed by Hy-Tech Drilling. We have 6-10 geological staff, so about 25-30 people on site. The exploration programs run from January-March and June-September, so for about six months of the year we have an active site.

We have two deposits: The Phoenix deposit is like Cigar Lake but about 20% of the size, very high grade, in challenging ground conditions. The Gryphon deposit is lower grade, basement-hosted, more like Eagle Point at Rabbit Lake. Together they contain about 115 million (M) pounds uranium.

Other projects in the basin: McArthur River has already produced approximately 290M pounds, and has about another 230M pounds still in the ground. Rabbit Lake has produced 200M pounds and has about 70M pounds in the ground. We're closer to Rabbit Lake in size. Our ore is all still in the ground; we're not mining anything yet.

The site will have a small surface footprint, like Cigar Lake or McArthur River – a camp, offices, dry, warehouse, water treatment plant and ponds, waste rock storage, a backfill plant. There will be no mill or tailings. We plan to send ore to the McClean Lake mill and have tailings stored in their facility.

The deposits are about 500 metres below surface. The idea is to mine Gryphon first, at a rate of about 6M pounds per year over 7-8 years, then drift over to the Phoenix deposit, about 3 km away, and mine at the same rate for 7-8 years. With the mineralization we know we have today, we expect 15-16 years of mine life.

Timeline: We did a preliminary assessment (PEA) of the business case around the project earlier this year; it was reasonable enough to move us to the next stage. Right now we're in a PFS (pre-feasibility study) which will take18 months -2 years to complete. On the environmental side, we have recently initiated our environmental baseline data collection, collecting data on the lakes, water quality, fish, vegetation, soil samples, wildlife, air quality etc. On the engineering side we will start collecting other information such as what the ground conditions are like, how much water we might expect in the underground mine. These activities will continue during the spring, summer and fall of 2017.

In late 2017, if the business case is there, we will advance to a feasibility study, which takes approximately a year to complete. Including more detailed information on the project costs and development strategy. If that works out well, we would start construction in the early 2020s. That's where the major contracting work and construction jobs come in.

This year we spent hundreds of thousands on the PEA; the PFS will cost \$2-3 million. If the results of a PFS suggest the project can still be economical, then we will complete a Feasibility Study (FS). At each step we check to make sure it makes sense to move on to the next step.

We're looking at \$1.13 billion to build and run the mine for it's the full duration of about 16 years. Even at today's prices, once it's built it will be relatively low-cost to produce, about \$19US per pound of U₃O₈. Even in todays' market, if it were already built we would still be running it. We anticipate things will improve in 5-10 years, that's why we're investing today, expecting the price of uranium to be much higher when we are actually ready to start producing uranium from the mine.

D. Cates: Our business is uranium exploration and development – if we don't believe in it, why are we in that business? We think Saskatchewan is one of the best jurisdictions in the world to do business in, and we think there are tremendous resources here that can be competitive even in a tough market. That's why we have focused our business here; the community is also a key part of it.

We can't do this without our northern communities supporting us. It's not an easy proposition; we couldn't build a mine today, but tomorrow we hope we can, but we cannot do it alone. That's why we're starting this process early – it's so important to us to have the community and the company both pulling on the same rope in the same direction.

Community Question: Where do you hire your contractors from?

P. Longo: Preferably from local northern businesses. The last thing I want to do is bring in someone from B.C. or Ontario; I'd much rather hire locally. It makes sense from a business perspective. It should be cheaper than bringing people in from out of province. If we can keep the knowledge here, and have the same people doing the work year after year...

Community Question: You hire your drillers from B.C. yet there are two companies in La Ronge. Doesn't that say something about the future of this development?

P. Longo: Hy-Tech is from B.C. but some of their employees are local. They also have to be competitive. We do competitive bids; we have invited Team Drilling and other local drilling companies to tender; it's our preference to hire locally.

D. Cates: Hy-Tech has brought business to the region, invested some of their capital, and is hiring employees from Saskatchewan. It's not indicative of where it will go. We have to watch every dollar at this stage of the project.

Community Question: Can we get a copy of your prefeasibility study and the baseline data?

P. Longo: It will be a public document available to anyone interested in reviewing it.

Community Question: Are you going to schools to tell students what's available in 5-10 years, if they want to go for training? We get the lowest jobs no matter what mine it is. Very few get to be lead hand or foreman; they're just shoveling snow or in a lower job on a machine. We need technical jobs, and that's not happening. We have Northlands College training, but I don't see any technicians or engineers here. Our youth are smart, they're trainable, but they'd rather import people from the east or from overseas. Our population is growing, but the jobs are depleting. We need to get our students involved now so they're ready by the time the project is built. I wish our Grade 11s and 12s were here to listen. You have to mix elders and students together.

P. Longo: That's why we're here to introduce ourselves; we're more than happy to be part of that process.

D. Cates: That's a great idea. This is a first introduction. We would be happy to come back and talk to the school. You're right, this is a long-term proposition and there's time for students in school today to aspire to have a job when this mine gets built, and to build their skills to do that. That's what this is about – building a partnership with our communities. We support that 100%.

Community Question: How do you keep yourselves afloat – have you made money in other mines? Do you have offshore bank accounts? Do you sell shares?

D. Cates: We have not made money on the Wheeler River project. We're not a for-profit operation yet! Part of my job is to market what the company could become. With that view of where the uranium industry might go, and developing a uranium mine in the Athabasca region, that's the

sales pitch. I constantly try to collect new money from investors who want to be exposed to a uranium mining story. I'm always selling them on the future. We're always bringing in new money; we need to bring in a whole bunch of new money to get the project constructed and pay the bills. Once we get there, we can generate a return for our shareholders by having a profitable operation.

P. Longo: We do have some revenue streams – we own a portion of the McClean Lake mill, they toll mill Cigar Lake ore and we get a portion of those fees. It's not huge dollars but it keeps the lights on. Our environmental services group generates a little profit tat comes back to us. It's all available in our financial statements, which are public documents.

D. Cates: Our cash sources don't pay the big bills. For that we have to go to global capital markets in North America, Europe, or Asia. My job is to find people who want to invest in Canada and Saskatchewan.

Community Question: How much are you investing in the north? We had Key Lake, Cluff Lake, and Cigar Lake – do you research each mine to see how much investment they made in the north?

P. Longo: It's tough to get that detailed specific information. We will be talking to each community to try to work that out. This meeting is the first step in a long process.

Community Question: Last year 500 jobs were cut in the mining industry, and more are proposed in the New Year. Temporary shutdowns are planned over the summer, so how could this project be feasible?

D. Cates: We're talking about building a new mine and creating new jobs, which seems at odds with what's happening right now. They are different stories. We're in this for the long run; we're taking about having a mine by 2025-26. It's a long-term commitment; it takes time to get there. We believe in nuclear energy and uranium mining in Saskatchewan, and that's why we're doing the work now to get there. We can't build a mine overnight, or on our own so we need these relationships with our communities, we need those kids coming out of school with skills to be able to take jobs. That's why we're doing it now; even though it seems at odds with the current market, we believe the market will change for the better in the next few years.

We're in a bit of a different business; we're in the future business. The companies operating now are in the "now" business. They're selling uranium; the market is not good, at a 12-year low price. We're happy to be in the future business; we wouldn't want to be in the now business.

P. Longo: If we had to decide today whether to build the mine, the answer would be no. It does not make sense today; we are hoping in 7-8 years from now, the story changes. We are optimistic.

D. Cates: We have done our research on the industry, we believe in it, and we are taking measured steps. At each step we check to see if it still makes sense to move forward. If the answer is yes, we will go to the next step.

Community Comment: Even with all the talk of a global shift away from uranium, nuclear, reactors?

D. Cates: The world is actually moving towards more nuclear energy, especially in Asia (China, India, South Korea), because it's cleaning up their air. China and India have very poor air quality and they're looking to nuclear as an emission-free source, green energy that can allow their families to breathe clean air. China is already building nuclear reactors at a remarkable rate. That's why we think the future is bright for nuclear.

Community Question: With China and India's environmentally crappy record, do they have a plan to deal with their nuclear waste – if not, is it responsible to let them have this? Are they planning to dump it on someone else's land, like Mongolia?

D. Cates: I can't answer regarding China's plans, but they do have to play by international rules. To have nuclear energy, they have to sign international treaties which deal with how they treat waste, how they operate their facilities. The world takes nuclear energy very seriously; not anyone can just enter the nuclear energy business.

Community Comment: Right now there's only one country on the planet that has approved nuclear waste storage and that approval only came last week - Finland. They initiated it, but it took them 30 years to figure out how, and they haven't finished figuring it out yet. The responsibility lies on your shoulders.

D. Cates: The industry is quite aware that it has to be responsible, but I hear what you're saying.

Community Comment: You talk about the life span of the mine, but you don't include reclamation.

Regarding the supply chain to procure goods and services from northerners – I also work for the province of Saskatchewan. Last year I was at a meeting about a supply chain strategy and I met someone from Denison there.

The economy is in a hole right now, but we have reached out to 500 businesses from northern Saskatchewan regarding what types of services they could provide to exploration and mining companies, from exploration to decommissioning. We are developing a database that you can access to find out who can supply specific goods and services, who has specialized products, and where they are located. Even small stuff like core boxes. We will continuously monitor it.

It's a specialized field; mining companies have to come together and decide how to mentor and train people coming out of high school. Graduation rates now are much better than in the 1980s.

At each step in the process you have to assess whether to move forward, or at what speed – if prices are down is it feasible to move forward, or put it on hold? Do you have any other sites at the feasibility stage?

D. Cates: Wheeler River is our most advanced project. We have other pure exploration properties. We recently made a move into the west side, at Hook-Carter on the Patterson Lake trend, but our primary focus is the eastern Athabasca. I am encouraged to hear about the database. It's good to know what's happening, and for the community to know what we're up to.

Community Question: Is this part of the consultation phase?

M. Liskowich: Officially, the environmental process has not started. It will start near the end of the PFS stage. The baseline work started last fall, and we will do more this coming summer. The environmental assessment process is a minimum 4-year process. Once Denison decides to go to the feasibility level, the project description would be written and submitted to the regulatory agencies to start the environmental process and the formal consultations that the CNSC and the province require.

- **P. Longo:** We're currently in the middle of the PFS stage.
- D. Cates: We're being very proactive. We'd much rather have already met and talked to the community ahead of time. This is a first date.
- **P. Longo:** Our baseline studies will try to characterize the environment before anything happens. This will feed back into the environmental assessment (EA) process and will appear in a public document.

Community Comment: Is it possible to see that EA before it goes to government for approval? It often goes to government for approval before the public sees it.

- P. Longo: We're open to that. I don't have the information now!
- M. Liskowich: It will be a back-and-forth process. There will be a lot of discussions with the community as the data's collected. Part of the discussions in the next few months will be where and what data should be added that's not currently being collected. That information will hopefully be provided from the communities. Once the formal process starts there will be many meetings and opportunities for the baseline data to be reviewed by community members or by anybody that's interested or concerned. That will all be fed into the process before it is submitted to government.

Community Question: In the construction and production stages, who determines hiring services, contracts etc. We're outside the affected area, but we are affected too, in one way or another. We have a good company, Sakitawak Development Corporation, that could do a lot for the mining companies. I'm very concerned that with all the mining, we can't get our foot in there.

The more successful we get with our local company, the more we will be dealing with surrounding communities. We're the same as other communities and organizations except they're closer to the mine. We just want to make sure we get our fair share.

- **P. Longo:** I can't speak to the past, but we're here now to talk about our properties and your concerns. Hopefully we can work something out as we go forward that benefits the community as well as the project in a win-win scenario.
- **D.** Cates: I hear what you're saying. Peter will likely make the decisions. It's tricky for us because there are many communities and they all take that view, so we have to weigh a lot of things and be fair. We want to help our communities because we want to be partners. This is a real positive first step, that we're here at this first stage introducing ourselves. We do want to have a connection with this community.

Community Comment: Why not have someone experienced from the north working with your HR on hiring? I have 15 years experience in the mines, and others have 30 years. They can do the jobs – yet greenhorns from the south come in. It may take a little training, but it doesn't take a university person to do most of the jobs up there.

- **P. Longo:** If there are people in the community with experience, or who want to be drillers, please send them our way. However, that is the extent of the activities at this phase of the project. We have influence over our contractors and we can make that happen. If there are people with geological training, or who want to get that training, we can hire them ourselves and do the training.
- **D.** Cates: Bear in mind the stage we're at it's early, there's not a lot of activity. This is about investing in relationships so that as things move along the timeline we can develop a good partnership.
- **P. Longo:** Environmental data collection is tough because it's not full-time. If someone is interested, we can try to make that happen for our projects and get them a foot in the door with other companies that do this kind of work. We're happy to do that.

Community Comment: When the uranium industry started 30-40 years ago, I was being influenced by other people from the south saying no uranium mines. Now when I look around northern Saskatchewan today, I feel like an a_hole when I said was against it. I think other people should start looking at themselves. I haven't seen anything negative about uranium mines, and I used to be real hard-core against it. Half my family is working there, and I worked at McClean Lake. I would never want to take those jobs away. I see a lot of northern people working there. I see the development in the north.

There's a book out there called Voices from Wollaston Lake, and we were the proponents in writing that book with Miles Goldstick. I have to say I think the anti-nuclear movement is wrong when they come up here and tell us to eat nettle soup and not have steak and lobster suppers.

There's no alternative. Everyone is trying to get away from fossil fuels, to what alternative? Wind and sun are good for the small stuff. We need to run the big stuff. That's how I look at it.

Look at Pinehouse – I'd like to bring the 5th Estate back to Pinehouse and show them what's happened (since their documentary of 34 years ago) and ask what do you think now? Has uranium mining benefitted Pinehouse, the First Nations, the north? The Athabasca is Dené country, they can do what they want. Here we'll do uranium mines and oilfields. When it comes to the north and talking about treaty and indigenous rights – my treaty rights are more important than the rights of somebody from the north who's not really from the north. Show me anything horrible that's happened in uranium mines in the last 40 years. We had a flood at Cigar Lake, that's about it. We can learn from that.

D. Cates: There's no more regulated mining in this country than uranium mining. Thanks for that comment.

Community Question: Impact Management Agreements for certain communities put other communities at an economic disadvantage when jobs become available. I hope you will deal with the entire north. Do you have a corporate (social responsibility) policy regarding reinvestment in communities?

D. Cates: It's not as developed as, for example, Cameco; that's the next stage of discussions. It would be great if northern communities could come together and make it a little easier for a company to put those things together with a group rather than one by one. That is a challenging proposition. Take this meeting as a signal we consider this community to be part of this story.

Community Question: Where is your head office?

D. Cates: Our corporate head office is in Toronto, where I'm based, with about seven people. We have 12-15 people in Saskatoon; Elliot Lake has 35-40 people for the environmental services business.

Community Question: You said they're building new reactors in China – are those Candu reactors?

D. Cates: Not in China – they are Westinghouse technology. The Candus are getting some traction in India. The whole nuclear reactor business is a whole other business; it's expensive, complicated and highly regulated. We're happy to pull uranium out of the ground to feed that business.

Community Question: Are there still investment possibilities for First Nations, development corporations or individuals?

D. Cates: Investing in a project is difficult because it's already split between a number of companies. We're only one partner at 60%; we have two other partners. The door is never closed for investment into a company like Denison. We're focused in this region and we need investment. If there's an interest in investing in Denison, I'm the guy to talk to. We're listed on the TSX.

Community Question: How many communities have you gone to?

D. Cates: Patuanak, Pinehouse, Beauval and here today at Ile a la Crosse.

Community Question: You mentioned the ore would be processed at McClean Lake? Why not Key Lake, since it's closer? There are more employees from Ile a la Crosse at Key Lake. I just toured Key Lake and McArthur River – it was not as busy as I expected underground. I thought hundreds of people – I saw 10-15 people underground.

P. Longo: Our share of the ore will go to McClean Lake. Cameco may take their 30% to Key Lake. Ours would go to the mill we own. Each company can decide what to do with their source.

Community Question: Our power bills are going up and there's no employment, some don't know what to do - would nuclear power increase or decrease the cost of power? Give us a break up north. We have electric furnaces – how will we pay our bills in 10 years?

- D. Cates: That's a political decision. We'd love nothing more than for Saskatchewan to adopt nuclear energy.
- **P. Longo:** If we move ahead, we can be part of the solution by providing jobs etc.

Community Question: I don't think you'll find too much resistance to uranium mining or to getting this project going. I recommend strongly - we had hearings a few years ago – the Bayda and Mitchell reports talk about the environment, reclamation, revenue-sharing – all those concepts are in those reports. Northerners thought they would get a piece of the action through development and offshoots, or contracting work. We want to make sure we're part of that. We talked about ownership and how we could buy our way in, or what kind of a deal could we make. We have issues we need to deal with. We have a lot of young people, and a lot of suicides happening in our northern communities – there's a reason for that. We're trying our best to deal with those issues, and we need some help, some funding. Governments are not doing anything, either federal or provincial. That's why we have to take ownership and fix our problems ourselves. That's hard to do without resources. We have to fight with the civil servants who most of the time are blocking and making rules and regulations, because they have control. We need a different point of view. I like that you're here in the beginning before you take any of our resources. It's a good thing; I appreciate that. We need you to start listening. Governments have always had a problem: they don't listen, or they listen part way, or until the government changes and everything changes again.

I am prepared to work with you, see what your plans are. I want to see some of our young people – see some kind of a fund in northern Saskatchewan, and don't fall for the impact area or regional argument. It impacts everyone in northern Saskatchewan. We need you to take your blinders off and look at the whole situation. That's all I ask. Make sure we leave our land and country and resources - in 20 years when it's all finished, the land should be just as you found it, if that's a possibility. Thanks for coming right at the outset.

- D. Cates: Thank you for your passion. We're here for the right reasons, and thank you for seeing that.
- **P. Longo:** Reclamation is what we do in Elliot Lake. We were mining there from the 50s through the 90s. Today you wouldn't know it's an old minesite it's natural vegetation, trees, grass etc.

Community Comment: All you have to do is look at the mess that's left in Uranium City. A lot of stuff will hit the lakes because some of those drums that are underground and flooded will start deteriorating, and who will clean it up? The mining companies are gone. If you guys come and do the same thing – we're very cautious.

D. Cates: We can't speak to the past. We are a smaller, more nimble and more creative company. We're open to lots of things; we're not tied up like the big companies might be. We might be nimble enough to be better, and we want to be. We want to be a responsible and valued part of the community. I hope when we're mining in 2025 we're all still here and can celebrate together.

Community Question: Is your environment, geotechnical and drilling work done in-house?

P. Longo: Our drilling contractor does the drilling; SRK Consulting has helped with testing in the past. Our own geologists log the core. We hire specialists to do the environmental work.

Community Question: I sat on the EQC myself and noticed the companies tend to show water sampling results when there's no snow compared to when it's six feet deep; the drainage is different and sometimes you don't get the proper results. That's why I asked if it was independent.

- **P. Longo:** We will be open about it, and learn from the past. We don't want to create a problem for ourselves. There's only one piezometer in the ground right now to help monitor underground water flows. We will include more monitoring as we move through the process.
- M. Liskowich: The project has not advanced enough yet to being it to the EQC table, but that will be one of the audiences.

Community Question: When in the timeline will the application be submitted to CNSC?

P. Longo: By the end of the PFS we will have a good set of baseline data and a good idea of the project, and we can look at the interaction between the two. If it looks good enough to proceed, then we will submit a project description to CNSC and the province, and initiate the EA process. We are targeting PFS for 2017-18, so sometime mid-2018.

Community Comment: This building (meeting hall) was built by AMOK to build trailers for the Cluff Lake mine. What happened to that initiative? We were given a chance to prove ourselves. We went in the hole - everyone was flying but no one was taking care of the office.

The Surface Lease Agreements did not cover revenue-sharing, and we can't go back and rewrite them now. Who will stand up for us on that? There aren't too many activists any more.

Community Question: How familiar are you with the Northern Procurement Policy? I've been in business for 35 years and never really benefitted. Seems you have to be there at the time.

P. Longo: Not at all. We procure as many of our goods from the north as possible.

Comment: Northern Engagement Branch handles that file from La Ronge (Terri Franks). In Cameco, Darrell Burnouf has that role.

Community Question: We want to minimize the involvement of governments. You're right in coming to the communities. Come to the communities, don't go visit governments.

Community Comment: [redacted] hit the nail on the head regarding which communities are chosen. When you pick some, it creates problems and resentment between communities. The north is the north. It's not deserved, nor is it proper. People bite their tongue because it's their own people. Did the mining companies anticipate that? They shouldn't be doing that, and I urge Denison to get away from that.

The other option is in relationships with local businesspeople: a lot of times the companies deal with local development corporations but they are not the only answer. Some don't have the capacity to provide some of these services and business skills. The business sector needs more and better engagement than even our local development corporations, because in some instances they add more to the economy of the community. There is a thriving private sector. Don't pick and choose winners; certainly don't only go through development corporations if you have a business opportunity. Businesses deserve to be part of the opportunity as well. Why should businesses compete with tax-funded development corporations – they're competing against their own tax dollars, which is not fair to them.

Where you have the opportunity, look at the private contractor as long as they're based in the north. There has to be a capacity process in how you build up these companies. Companies are not given the opportunities because nobody's listening.

These meetings are really productive. A lot of us have opinions, and everyone has a right to express themselves in these meetings.

D. Cates: I'm encouraged. Our challenge is that we do not know the businesses in the communities. We need the community to help us with that. At the end of the day we are just trying to move a business ahead. If there's a business we don't know about that helps our business, if it makes sense, why wouldn't we do it?

Meeting adjourned.









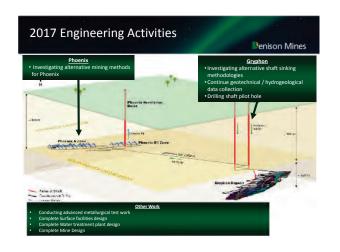












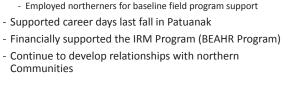


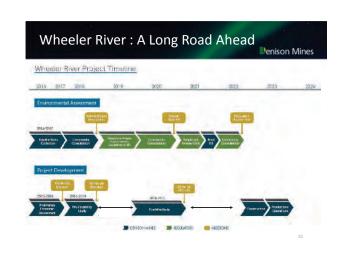




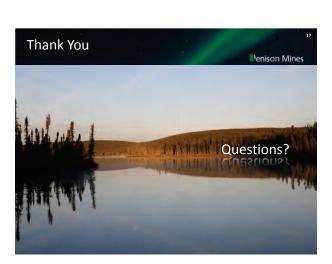


Northern Capacity Development









Denison Mines Presentation to Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee La Ronge, Sask. Nov. 29, 2017.

Denison Mines - Peter Longo PowerPoint Presentation

- Peter outlined the background of Denison as a small exploration and former uranium mining company, and its current activities in environmental services and as a 22.5% partner in the McClean Lake operation. They try to engage with their local communities.
- He explained the company's Wheeler River project, a potential mine in the Key Lake area. We have 20-25 people in camp, mostly drillers and geologists.
- The road extension from McArthur River and Cigar Lake is key to this project. We have had discussions with some communities and government agencies around this; if the road does not go ahead, the project does not advance.
- 14 million pounds (lbs) of uranium has been identified in two deposits, Phoenix and Gryphon, separated by about 3 direct kms. Gryphon is in basement rock, Phoenix at the unconformity between the basement and the Athabasca sandstone. The plan is to connect the two with a drift, seeking more ore along the route. At Gryphon we're evaluating different technologies for shaft-sinking. At Phoenix we're investigating different techniques to try to avoid challenges encountered with water at McArthur River and Cigar Lake.
- Peter detailed the expected site facilities, and said metallurgical test work is under way.
- **Investment:** Developing the project would cost over \$1 billion. We're advancing the project, looking forward to the mid-20s when we expect the market will improve. Production is forecast for the mid-2020s. We think production costs would be about \$19 per lb.
- Environment: We are doing aquatic, terrestrial and archaeological baseline studies in the area, to understand what is there now. We employed northerners as best we could for data collection. We will incorporate these studies into our knowledge base so we can avoid sensitive areas. We're also learning about subsurface water flows.
- **Northern capacity:** We have procured goods from the Beauval store. We helped develop a driller training program, producing two new permanent employees from the north; we will run another one every quarter, leading to 20-30 permanent jobs for as long as drilling is happening, for any exploration company.
- **Timeline:** We're currently in the pre-feasibility study stage until mid-2018. That will be a big decision point for the company. The next step would be to launch an EA process. If all goes well, we anticipate construction in the mid-20s. It's a long road and we're at the beginning stages. I'm optimistic.

Discussion

- What kind of rock?
 - o **P. Longo:** The upper part is sandstone, with granitic basement below.
- What license or permits are you under now any license from CNSC?
 - P. Longo: We're not producing any ore so it's an exploration permit so far. We'll begin discussions with CNSC soon.
- Is anyone telling you what your baseline studies should be?
 - o **P. Longo:** We don't have formal procedures, but we're using knowledgeable consultants who have done this work before for existing sites. If we need more information when we go through the assessment process, we'll get it.
- Would Denison be the operator, or would that change?
 - o **P. Longo:** We're the operator and the majority owner. Cameco is a minority partner, along with a Japanese utility.
- Why not mill at Key Lake? I assume it's because of your interest in McClean Lake.
 - o **P. Longo:** Key Lake was discussed, but is not currently available. The McClean Lake ownership position is part of it. Each option has its own challenges. We're trying to find what works best for the project.
- What is the status of the road between McArthur River and Cigar Lake?
 - **P. Longo:** The Minister of Highways said the EA is expected to be done in Q1 of 2018. Then it will go into the queue for funding. I suspect our project will fund a portion of that.
- Is there a highways committee for that route? I chair the northwest highways committee and it would be nice to exchange some information. I'm not sure which region it's in.
 - o **P. Longo:** I don't know of any formal group; it's years away from ever happening.
- It would open up a large area for hunting and fishing. Right now the road between Key Lake and McArthur is a closed road. If this road is built, a person will be able to drive from Pinehouse and Beauval all the way up and across and down 102. It will open up a tremendous area. But you don't hear much about the EA.
- How long is the road?
 - o **P. Longo:** About 50 km. It's a provincial project, not ours. We'll know the answers when our baseline study is done.
- That's a huge impact. That's where the caribou migrate.



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Denison – Pinehouse Leadership Meeting

Meeting Notes

September 6, 2017

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Participants:

Denison Mines Corp: Peter Longo, Mark Liskowich (SRK)

Community of Pinehouse, Pinehouse Business North (PBN) and Kineepik Metis Local Inc. Leadership:

Pinehouse mayor, seven additional representatives.

Location: Village Office Pinehouse, Saskatchewan

Meeting Notes:

- The purpose of the meeting was twofold:
 - to provide a general update on the progress to date of the Wheeler River project with respect to Denison's Exploration activities, project development, engineering and environmental baseline collection activities, procurement activities, and their capacity building activities.
 - Allow Denison the opportunity to present a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Denison and the Village of Pinehouse and the Kineepik Metis Local Inc. to the leadership for their review.
- Denison provided an update on the exploration activities, engineering activities associated with the PFS as well
 as their progress on the collection of baseline data. Each baseline collection program completed during the
 summer of 2017 was supported with a local hire from English River First Nation (ERFN).
- Denison reminded the Leadership that access to any Traditional Knowledge studies completed to date by the
 community would be extremely helpful. This information if provided would be integrated into the baseline data
 collection program. Pinehouse leadership indicated Denison's request to access this information would be
 discussed at the next Kineepik Metis Local Inc. board meeting.
- Denison also provided feedback on key points and messages that were gathered during the 2016 community meetings with Pinehouse as well as other northern communities.
 - Northern Procurement: Denison informed the leadership that they had changed their food supplier for the Wheeler River camp from their previous supplier in La Ronge to the Beauval General Store. An analysis was done and costs were competitive so the change in procurement was made.
 - Community Investment: Denison informed the leadership that they had provided financial support to the Northwest Communities Economic Development Corporation Integrated Resource Management program scheduled to be run in Buffalo Narrows beginning in the fall of 2017.
 - o **Employment and Training:**
 - Denison provided an update on the development and progress of the Wheeler River Project Driller's Helper Training Program.



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- Denison indicated that there were approximately 40 applicants for the Driller's Helper Training Program and the selection process was the sole responsibility of the drilling Contractor, given the program is run under their control they needed to have the confidence in the individuals selected for training in order to ensure the safety of all workers at the training site.
- For the first round of training Hy-Tech Drilling selected one individual from the community of Pinehouse and one from Cole Bay, Saskatchewan.
- Denison indicated that a second round of trainees will be selected this fall with the intent if running the program again in conjunction with the winter 2018 drill program.
- o Formal Agreement: The leadership was then presented with the draft MOU.
 - The leadership was informed that similar MOUs were being presented to the communities of Beauval and Ile a la Crosse and that one had been presented to ERFN on August 30, 2017.
 - A general discussion took place around the overlying theme of the draft MOU. Pinehouse Leaders indicated that they had a strong interest in holding an equity position in Denison Mining Corp.
 - The Leaders indicated that an equity position could be defined differently than simply equity in the company. Suggestions such as allowing Pinehouse the ability to own the camp and/or access road to the camp with an unfettered access clause to Denison Mines Corp. was discussed as an alternative form of equity position.
 - Denison commented that an equity position in Denison is possible as when the project advances Denison will need to seek out external funding. However, Denison commented that Pinehouse needs to be aware that Denison should be considered a high risk investment as a junior mining company and it may not be desired to invest community funds.
- Pinehouse Leadership also indicated that PBN was looking at additional options such as bulk fuel and/or warehousing at the highway 914 junction and there may be opportunities to work with Denison on these ventures.
- Pinehouse Leadership again reiterated they were happy and encouraged by Denison's proactive approach and
 desire to develop a healthy working relationship with the community, illustrated by Denison's early engagement
 with the community.
- The Leadership also indicated they look forward to Denison's request to have follow up meetings with leadership representatives as well as hosting Denison at a community meeting during the fall of 2017 to provide a project update and obtain community input on project aspects such as the location of the site access road and potential discharge points for a water treatment plant that will be required to support the project in the future.



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Denison – Ile a la Crosse Leadership Meeting
Meeting Notes
September 7, 2017
Time: 9:00 – 11:00 am

Participants:

Denison Mines Corp: Peter Longo, Mark Liskowich (SRK)

Community of Ile a la Crosse Leadership: Mayor of Ile a La Crosse, one additional representative

Location: Village Office Ile a la Crosse, Saskatchewan

Meeting Notes:

- The purpose of the meeting was twofold:
 - o to provide a general update on the progress to date of the Wheeler River project with respect to Denison's Exploration activities, project development, engineering and environmental baseline collection activities, procurement activities, and their capacity building activities.
 - Allow Denison the opportunity to present a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Denison and the Village of Ile a la Crosse and the La Baie Metis Local 21, to the leadership for their review.
- Denison provided an update on the exploration activities, engineering activities associated with the PFS as well as their progress on the collection of baseline data. Each baseline collection program completed during the summer of 2017 was supported with a local hire from English River First Nation (ERFN).
- Denison reminded the Leadership that access to any Traditional Knowledge studies completed to date by the community would be extremely helpful. This information if provided, would be integrated into the baseline data collection program. Ile a la Crosse leadership indicated some previous efforts to formalize a TK map for the community had been completed by others and an effort to source this information would be made. It was mentioned that the Traditional Territory of the people of Ile a la Crosse did stretch up into the general project region, with [redacted] indicating that his grandfather had a trappers cabin on the original lake drained in order to mine the Gaertner orebody at Cameco's Key Lake mine.
- Denison also provided feedback on key points and messages that were gathered during the 2016 community meetings with Ile a la Crosse as well as other northern communities.
 - Northern Procurement: Denison informed the leadership that they had changed their food supplier for the Wheeler River camp from their previous supplier in La Ronge to the Beauval General Store. An analysis was done and costs were competitive so the change in procurement was made.



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 Community Investment: Denison informed the leadership that they had provided financial support to the Northwest Communities Economic Development Corporation Integrated Resource Management program scheduled to be run in Buffalo Narrows beginning in the fall of 2017.

o **Employment and Training:**

- Denison provided an update on the development and progress of the Wheeler River Project Driller's Helper Training Program.
- Denison indicated that there were approximately 40 applicants for the Driller's Helper Training Program and the selection process was the sole responsibility of the drilling Contractor, given the program is run under their control they needed to have the confidence in the individuals selected for training in order to ensure the safety of all workers at the training site.
- For the first round of training Hy-Tech Drilling selected one individual from the community of Pinehouse and one from Cole Bay, Saskatchewan.
- Denison indicated that a second round of trainees will be selected this fall with the intent if running the program again in conjunction with the winter 2018 drill program.
- o <u>Formal Agreement:</u> The leadership was then presented with the draft MOU.
 - The leadership was informed that similar MOUs had been presented to the communities of Beauval, Pinehouse, and English River First Nation.
 - A general discussion took place around the overlying theme of the draft MOU. Ile a la Crosse Leaders indicated they were eager to review the document and looked forward to working with Denison for the benefit of both the community and the project.
- Both groups agreed to continue to work together to identify areas the community maybe able to support the project activities from a business development perspective.
- Ile a la Crosse Leadership indicated they would discuss the MOU and its contents at their next ICS4 meeting which is a local organization consisting of the Fishermen, Trappers, Metis local and Village.
- Ile a la Crosse Leadership reiterated they were happy and encouraged by Denison's proactive approach and desire to develop a healthy working relationship with the community, illustrated by Denison's early engagement with the community.
- The Leadership also indicated they look forward to Denison's request to have follow up meetings with leadership representatives as well as hosting Denison at a community meeting during the fall of 2017 to provide a project update and obtain community input on project aspects such as the location of the site access road and potential discharge points for a water treatment plant that will be required to support the project in the future.
- The meeting concluded with a tour of the community.



Meeting Notes: Denison – Beauval Leadership Meeting September 6, 2017, 3:30 – 4:30 pm SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. Suite 205 - 2100 Airport Drive Saskatoon, SK S7L 6M6

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Participants:

Denison Mines Corp: Peter Longo, Mark Liskowich (SRK) Community of Beauval Leadership: Mayor, Councillor Location: Village Office Beauval, Saskatchewan

Meeting Notes- The purpose of the meeting was twofold:

- To provide a general update on the progress to date of the Wheeler River project with respect to Denison's Exploration activities, project development, engineering and environmental baseline collection activities, procurement activities, and their capacity building activities.
- -Allow Denison the opportunity to present a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Denison and the Village of Beauval and the Sipishik Metis Local 37, to the leadership for their review.

Denison provided an update on the exploration activities, engineering activities associated with the PFS as well as their progress on the collection of baseline data. Each baseline collection program completed during the summer of 2017 was supported with a local hire from English River First Nation (ERFN).

Denison reminded the Leadership that access to any Traditional Knowledge studies completed to date by the community would be extremely helpful. This information if provided would be integrated into the baseline data collection program. Beauval leadership indicated to date there had not been a lot of effort placed on formalizing a TK map for the community given a limited community budget and lots of funding pressures. It was mentioned that the Traditional Territory of the people of Beauval was typically described to reach from Tippo Lake east of Beauval to the Primrose Air Weapons Range to the west and north to Patterson Lake area.

Denison also provided feedback on key points and messages that were gathered during the 2016 community meetings with Beauval as well as other northern communities.

Northern Procurement: Denison informed the leadership that they had changed their food supplier for the Wheeler River camp from their previous supplier in La Ronge to the Beauval General Store. An analysis was done and costs were competitive so the change in procurement was made. Beauval Leadership indicated that although the Beauval General Store was owned by English River First Nation(ERFN) there is still economic benefits to Beauval from this store through direct employment of community members and given the store's proximity to Beauval it generally brings people to the community.

<u>Community Investment:</u> Denison informed the leadership that they had provided financial support to the Northwest Communities Economic Development Corporation Integrated Resource Management program scheduled to be run in Buffalo Narrows beginning in the fall of 2017.

Employment and Training:

- Denison provided an update on the development and progress of the Wheeler River Project Driller's Helper Training Program.
- Denison indicated that there were approximately 40 applicants for the Driller's Helper Training Program and the selection process was the
 sole responsibility of the drilling Contractor, given the program is run under their control they needed to have the confidence in the
 individuals selected for training in order to ensure the safety of all workers at the training site.
- For the first round of training Hy-Tech Drilling selected one individual from the community of Pinehouse and one from Cole Bay,
 Saskatchewan.
- Denison indicated that a second round of trainees will be selected this fall with the intent if running the program again in conjunction with the winter 2018 drill program.

Formal Agreement: The leadership was then presented with the draft MOU.

- -The leadership was informed that similar MOUs were being presented to the community of Ile a la Crosse and that one had been presented earlier to the community of Pinehouse and to ERFN on August 30, 2017.
- -A general discussion took place around the overlying theme of the draft MOU. Beauval Leaders indicated they were eager to review the document and looked forward to working with Denison for the benefit of both the community and the project.
- Beauval Leadership indicated as a community they have access to additional funding for training activities that could be used to augment Denison and Beauval training initiatives in the future.
- Both groups agreed to continue to work together to identify areas the community maybe able to support the project activities from a business development perspective.

Beauval Leadership again reiterated they were happy and encouraged by Denison's proactive approach and desire to develop a healthy working relationship with the community, illustrated by Denison's early engagement with the community.

The Leadership also indicated they look forward to Denison's request to have follow up meetings with leadership representatives as well as hosting Denison at a community meeting during the fall of 2017 to provide a project update and obtain community input on project aspects such as the location of the site access road and potential discharge points for a water treatment plant that will be required to support the project in the future.



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Denison – English River First Nation Leadership Meeting Meeting Notes August 30, 2017 Time: ~11:45am-1:00pm

Participants:

Denison Mines Corp: Peter Longo, Mark Liskowich (SRK)

English First River Nation: ERFN Chief **Location:** SRK office, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Meeting Notes: The purpose of the meeting was twofold:

- o to provide a general update on the progress to date of the Wheeler River project with respect to Denison's Exploration activities, environmental baseline collection activities, procurement activities, and their capacity building activities.
- Allow Denison the opportunity to present a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Denison and English River First Nation to ERFN Chief for ERFN's review.
- Denison provided an update on the exploration activities, engineering activities associated with the PFS as well as their progress on the collection of baseline data.
- Denison also provided feedback on key points and messages that were gathered during the 2016 community meetings with ERFN as well as other northern communities.
 - Northern Procurement: Denison informed ERFN Chief that they had changed their food supplier for the Wheeler River camp from their previous supplier in La Ronge to the ERFN Beauval General Store. An analysis was done and costs were competitive so the change in procurement was made.
 - o <u>Community Investment:</u> Denison informed ERFN Chief that they had provided financial support to the Northwest Communities Economic Development Corporation Integrated Resource Management program.
 - Employment and Training:
 - Denison provided an update on the development and progress of the Wheeler River Project Driller's Helper Training Program.
 - Denison indicated that there were approximately 40 applicants for the Driller's Helper Training Program and the selection process was the sole responsibility of the drilling Contractor, given the program is run under their control they needed to have the confidence in the individuals selected for training in order to ensure the safety of all workers at the training site.
 - ERFN Chief was extremely upset to find out that neither of the two candidates selected were members of ERFN.
 - The majority of the remaining discussion in the meeting consisted of ERFN Chief reiterating that Denison must provide members of the ERFN with all employment opportunities first prior to contacting any other communities.
- <u>Formal Agreement:</u> ERFN Chief was then presented with the draft MOU which he accepted and agreed to take back to his councilors for review.
 - ERFN Chief was extremely vocal and expressed numerous times in strong language that no other communities need to be consulted as the land around the project is within their traditional territory.
 - In terms of benefits, the Chief re-iterated numerous times that priority of benefits should be directed towards ERFN.

 The Chief indicated he doesn't want to see IBA (impact benefit agreements) with other communities. ERFN is the only community that requires one.
- Denison commented that by law it is required to consult with all potentially impacted communities and they will continue with those discussions. Failure to do so would likely result in rejection of the project by regulatory agencies.



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Meeting Notes November 15, 2017, Saskatoon

Participants:

Denison Mines Corp: Peter Longo, Mark Liskowich (SRK)

Pinehouse: Pinehouse Leadership

Meeting Notes:

The meeting was the initial follow up meeting between Pinehouse and Denison following the execution of their Cooperation MOU.

- Denison provided an update on the status of the project. Commenting that the engineering studies on various aspects of the project are underway, with the intent of producing a prefeasibility study for the project at some time in the 2nd quarter of 2018.
- The prefeasibility study when completed will define the business case for the project. Denison's board will determine at that time the fate of the project. The studies to date look positive, but there are no guarantees at this time.
- Denison indicated that any "significant" business development opportunities associated with the project were at least 2 4 years in the future, assuming the progress of the engineering studies continue to produce positive results.
- Denison then explained that Denison was currently reviewing potential drill contractor bids, indicating that one
 would be chosen to complete the 2018 drill program that will be similar in scale to the program completed in
 2017.
- Pinehouse Leadership indicated that Pinehouse has developed a relationship with Boart drilling and that they expect that both parties will be entering into a joint venture agreement shortly.
- In terms of the environmental baseline activities Denison provided an overview of the status of these studies, indicating that the majority of the terrestrial, aquatic and heritage baseline studies have been completed. Some follow up to these programs will occur over the course of the next year.
- Denison indicated their desire to return to the community to hold another public meeting in order to discuss the
 current progress of the project but as well to seek input into aspects of the project such as the preferred
 location of the water treatment discharge as well as the siting of the access road from highway 914 to the
 Wheeler River site. The data will be ready for presentation to the community in early January 2018.
- Denison also described a desire to integrate whatever TK data Pinehouse and the Kineepik metis Local had
 collected into the environmental baseline dataset being collected. Indicating that it is Denison's desire to
 integrate this information into the decision making process for the project as well as the environmental
 assessment.
- Pinehouse Leadership indicated that mapping of the primary areas was completed and work was underway for the secondary areas and the tertiary areas would follow.
- Denison indicated that Denison is willing to support the completion of the TK mapping under the premise that doing so is also of benefit to Denison and the Wheeler River project.
- A general discussion took place with respect to the method of future communication between representatives of Pinehouse and Denison as the process moves forward.
- Denison offered to provide information on upcoming work on a regular basis (quarterly / annually). This will
 allow Pinehouse the ability to assess the needs and prepare themselves to best capitalize on supporting these
 activities. Pinehouse agreed with this in principle and agreed to work out specifics (i.e. method of
 communication) in the future.
- The meeting was concluded with an agreement that the future communications would proceed as described above on an ad hoc nature until the parties felt a more formal structure was required.



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Denison Wheeler River Project Update to Ile a la Crosse Leadership

January 18, 2019 Denison Saskatoon Office Meeting Notes

In attendance:

Denison Mines Corp.: Peter Longo (Vice President-Project Development), Mark Liskowich (SRK Consulting) **Ile A la Crosse:** Mayor (Ile a La Crosse), CEO (Sakitawak Development Corporation (SDC))

Purpose of the meeting:

- Introduce new CEO of SDC
- Inform the leadership of Ile a la Crosse that Denison was preparing a Project Description for submission to the CNSC and Saskatchewan Environmental Assessment in order to initiate the environmental assessment of the Wheeler River Project.
- Provide an overview of the details of the pending environmental assessment submission.

Notes: Denison provided a presentation focused on:

- An overview of the global uranium market;
- A recap describing Denison Mines Corporation, the company and current holdings;
- An overview of the Wheeler River project;
- Denison's next steps for the Wheeler River project.
- An estimate of schedule and forecasted procurement needs for the Project moving forward.

A question-and-answer session followed the presentation.

- Mayor was curious to know how many jobs the project would generate and for how long. Denison
 indicated they expected approximately 300 employees would be required throughout the estimated 2
 years of construction for the project. Following construction it is estimated that approximately 100 to
 150 full time positions would be required throughout the life of the mine, approximately 10 years.
- Denison indicated the importance of taking the opportunity now to establish new businesses either organically or through the development of partnerships. Gaining experience over the course of the next 3-4 years will be important to Denison so that the businesses are qualified and capable to take on major construction contracts at Wheeler when construction of the project begins.
- Denison is willing to work with the community to help advance their ability to be ready.
- Mayor indicated that SDC has 25% ownership in Flyer Electric, an electrical contractor based in Birch Hills SK.
- Denison indicated that a couple of contracts supporting the exploration activities had been awarded to an Ile a la Crosse based business.
- Both parties agreed to meet on a regular basis moving forward. Denison indicated they are willing to meet with the Leadership at their request.
- Denison suggested they would be interested in coming back to the community to provide an update on the project at a community meeting near the end of the first quarter of 2019, tentatively in March 2019 after the project description had been submitted.

The meeting was adjourned.



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Denison Wheeler River Project Update to Beauval Leadership February 1, 2019 Denison Saskatoon Office Meeting Notes

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In attendance:

Denison Mines Corp.: Dave Cates, President and CEO, Peter Longo, Vice President Project Development, Mark

Liskowich, SRK Consulting

Beauval: Mayor

Purpose of the meeting:

- Inform the leadership of Beauval that Denison was preparing a Project Description for submission to the CNSC and Saskatchewan Environmental Assessment in order to initiate the environmental assessment of the Wheeler River Project.
- Provide an overview of the details of the pending environmental assessment submission.

Notes: Denison provided a presentation focused on:

- An overview of the global uranium market.
- A recap describing Denison Mines Corporation, the company and current holdings.
- An overview of the Wheeler River project.
- Denison's next steps for the Wheeler River project.
- An estimate of schedule and forecasted procurement needs for the Project moving forward.

A question-and-answer session followed the presentation.

- The Mayor suggested that the sizable construction crew required to meet the needs of the Wheeler project during the construction phase was going to be a difficult task for Beauval to take on. They would like to be involved to whatever extent possible and would need to start looking for ways of maximizing this involvement. The Mayor indicated Beauval was willing to work with Denison to prepare the community and be ready to maximize opportunities to the extent that he was able to do so.
- The Mayor suggested there may be an opportunity to maximize apprenticeship programs during the
 construction phase that could turn into northerners being trained and certified as Journeyman trades
 people ready to take on the permanent positions at Wheeler following the construction phase.
- The Mayor suggested working with the broader leadership group on the west side with an effort to pool
 resources and work together with Denison as one entity to the extent possible. The Mayor was supportive
 of having one agreement between Denison and the Wheeler River project impact communities, but
 indicated it may be difficult to achieve.
- The Mayor also indicated intentions to continue to work with other west side communities to pool their resources in an effort to identify the current human resources pool available in the north.
- Denison indicated that preliminary conversations with place and was developing a position paper on this topic that would be provided to Denison.
- The Mayor appreciated the opportunity to speak with Denison and was encourage by Denison's efforts to involve the communities of the north, in particular Beauval.
- Denison indicated they would like to come back to the community to provide an update on the project, tentatively scheduled for around the end of march.

The meeting was adjourned.

Denison Mines Wheeler River Project Key Person Interview with Bobby John

Summary

Meeting date: October 29, 2019

Meeting location: Denison's Wheeler River Project exploration camp Interviewees: Pam Bennett (Denison) and Mike Charlebois (Omnia)

Version of meeting notes: Final notes of meeting notes. These notes which were initially compiled October 29, 2019, by Pam and Mike and sent to Bobby for his review on November 15, 2019. Bobby reviewed the notes, and this version contains his edits and revisions. Bobby's revisions were sent to Denison on January 2, 2020. The review was undertaken to have Bobby check that we have accurately captured his comments and our discussion.

Informed Consent

- Explained the purpose of the interview is to the support the environmental impact assessment for the proposed Wheeler River Project, and that the information shared will be included in summary format in the EIS
- Bobby confirmed that he provides Denison his consent to use this information for these purposes
- Ask whether he would like to verify the notes you've taken when completed
- Yes, the notes were verified by Bobby. Draft meeting notes were provided to Bobby for his review and comment. See information in 'version of meeting notes' above.

Cabins

- Can you confirm the location of your cabins in the area? Which is your primary cabin?
 - o My main cabin is on the Wheeler River at Bobby's Pond. Secondary cabins on Russell Lake,
 - o Philips Lake and family cabin on Cree Lake (Figure 1).
- Have the number of cabins in the area increased in the last 5-10 years? If yes, how has this affected you?
 - o Yes, there have been more recreational leases granted/cabins put up around Russell Lake. There are too many cabins.
 - Property 300601 and Property 302955 (Figure 2) on Russell and Property 301072 and Property 301493 on McDougall are the older leases; the other cabins are newer.
 - o Have you talked with [redacted] who is from [redacted] and has a cabin on McGowan? They have been trying to buy my cabin on Russell.
- Response: Yes, we have met with [redacted] about access road options. They have come into camp to talk about the project
 - o The PA lands branch asked me about an application for a recreational lease (cabin) on [redacted] and my feedback was "no you shouldn't approve a lease here." But the Province went ahead & approved the application & there is a cabin there now.
 - o There is now a hold on recreational leases in the area and maybe even in the north in general.
 - o This has affected me because there are more boats on the lakes. More boats on the lakes leads to more overfishing, anglers also cut access trails to lakes, access trails impact caribou by increasing wolf traffic.
 - o The recreational users are generally here for a few weeks in the summer; they effectively use cabins like a summer home. One cabin owner is around in the winter for ice fishing, etc.
 - o Concern that the recreational users' fishing catch is not regulated the same way a commercial fisher is. The conservation officers have not come out to this area for years. He would like to see an increased presence of conservation officers in the area to enforce limits
 - o Some recreational users have criticized me for commercial fishing almost accusing me of overfishing.
 - o Some cabin owners run illegal outfitting camps such as [redacted].

Outfitting

- Which outfitters are active in the area?
 - o Russell Lake Lodge active since 1950s; he knows the owners well (Figure 2).
 - o Wheeler River Lodge he doesn't know this operator very well.
- Where are their lodges and/or outcamps?
 - o Russell Lake Lodge is on the SE end of Russell with an outcamp at Kowalchuk Lake (Figure 2).
 - o Wheeler River Lodge is on Moore Lake.
- Has the amount of outfitting in the area changed at all in the last 5-10 years? If yes, why do you think that is? How has this affected you?
 - o No big changes in outfitting in recent years.
 - $\circ\,$ He has not noticed temporary wall camps being set-up.
 - o The main activity in the area is fishing. Although some unknown individual was trying to bait bears in an area beside Russell Lake. The black barrels with bait are still there.

o Again, the issue of illegal outfitting: hard to prove but amount of people at cabins and boats indicates that there is more than just recreational use.

Trapping

- Confirm the extent of his trapping area does he continue to use area along Moon Creek, up the Wheeler River to Russell Lake, back to Kratchkowsky Lake and onto Williams Lake?
 - o Yes, he traps in the same general area (Figure 1).
- How has the area been recovering since the forest fires in the early 2000's?
 - o No specific comment from Bobby on this question. Assume natural recovery following fire, as expected.
 - o Bobby notes this fire was the result of the Elmer fire in 2007. The fire was started at an illegal cabin on [redacted]. Ref. Ken Ness, Sask. Environment, Meadow Lake office.
- What species does he target for trapping? Why?
 - o Marten. Marten has gotten the best prices as of late. But even the price for marten is going down in recent years.
 - o Right now, it is more worthwhile to fish commercially than it is to spend time trapping because fur prices, except for marten, are poor.
- Confirm timing is still between November and February?
 - Yes, this is the general trapping window.
- Does he eat anything off his trapline?
 - o Mr. John will consume small lynx, beaver, and muskrat from his trapline but there are fewer around than in the past.

Commercial Fishing

- Where do you commercially fish? What species are targeted? Do you know the catch limits off hand?
 - O In the area around Wheeler, I fish at Russell, McDougal, Moore, Kratchkowsky, and Moon lakes. I have other locations further from your site.
- Bobby also has summer fishing limits on the following lakes: Holgar, Morin, MacIntyre, Einarson, Phillips and Cree Lake
 - o I generally pulse fish fish for one year at a lake and do not fish it the following two years.
 - o Fish using nets.
 - o Target walleye as these currently have the best prices; also get jack, whitefish, trout. Although trout prices are lowest over the last 5 years.
 - o Individual catch, limits are by weight.
- What time of year do you fish?
 - Winter fishing from ice on in the fall until April
- How many days of the year would you say you commercially fish?
 - o Hard to say as it depends on fishing success and overall catch amounts. During the winter I may take a break around Christmas and in January if it is really cold. Otherwise, I check the nets every 24 hours.
- Who do you currently sell your fish to?
 - o Sell gutted fish to the plant in Pinehouse. From there they go to Winnipeg, possibly Freshwater Fish Company.
- General notes:
 - o Fishing is a big part of my income. Right now, it is more worthwhile to fish commercially than it is to spend time trapping because fur prices, except for marten, are poor.
 - o Bobby licenses these lakes. The provincial resource/conservation staff will give information on applications to Bobby. If someone applies to fish one of these lakes commercially, and he isn't using the lake he may give a license.
 - o Have tried fishing Williams Lake but it was very low in walleye so he doesn't fish there regularly.
 - $\circ\,$ Walleye is the most valuable catch => highest price per kilo at the fish plant

Country Food

- For the Millennium Mine, the assumptions used were that about half of your diet was country food, and half was store bought. Is this still the case? (If there has been a change, why?)
 - o Yes, this is still accurate
- For the Millennium Mine, of the country food you eat, you said about half was fish and half was meat? Is this still the case? (If there has been a change, why?)
 - o Yes, this is still accurate
- For the Millennium Mine, you indicated that jackfish were your preferred fish species. Is this still the case?

 Yes, pike/jackfish is my preferred fish species.
- For the Millennium Mine, you indicated that you prefer moose over caribou. Is this still the case?
 - \circ I don't think I ever said this. I prefer caribou to moose.
- Other species you indicate that you eat regularly are ducks/geese in the Spring, grouse/ptarmigan in the Winter, and rabbit. Is this accurate?
 - o Yes, this is still accurate. I will eat these animals if they are available.
- Are you still hauling water directly from the lakes near your cabins? Can you show me where on the map?

- o Yes, this is still accurate. I haul water from the lake closest to each of my cabins.
- Do you swim in any lakes in the area?
 - o Yes, I swim in many different lakes
- Do you gather berries or any plants? If so, from what and from where.
 - o I might eat some berries while I am walking around but I don't gather berries. I don't drink Labrador Tea.

Aquatic Baseline

- Can you check this list (Aquatic baseline report Table 3-9 and 4-3; lakes: lake chub, spottail shiner, longnose sucker, white sucker, lake whitefish, lake trout, northern pike, burbot, ninespine stickleback, yellow perch, walleye. Streams: lake chub, spottail shiner, longnose sucker, white sucker, arctic grayling, norther pike, burbot, ninespine stickleback, slimy sculpin, yellow perch, walleye) and see if you can validate the species here have our biologists missed anything?
 - o Sounds like you have identified all the fish species in the area. Even those little ones with the spiny backs.
- Can you validate the fish spawning areas we have identified in this figure? Do you agree? Are there any other spawning areas we have not identified?
 - o Northern pike spawning area in creek south of Williams Lake (Figure 3).
 - Lake whitefish spawn in creeks/rivers.
 - o Trout spawning areas in Russell Lake: one south of LAB area (Figure 3); around island and rocky shoals to both north and south of island (Figure 3).
- Do you have any feedback on the fish community and fish habitat figures in 3-11 (Kratchkowsky) and 3-16 (LAB-2: Russell)?
 - o Added two rocky areas (potential spawning areas) in Kratchkowsky Lake (Figure 4)
 - o Aquatic habitat in Russell Lake at LAB-2 area looks accurate, it is straight sand here, no rocky areas, emergent veg along the edge (Figure 5).
- What fish species are collected for:
 - o Food natives prefer jackfish, whitefish, trout; whites go for walleye
 - o Ceremonial purposes don't know of any
 - o commercial purposes (e.g., bait fish) mullet (white sucker) collected for bait. Walleye is the most valuable catch => highest price per kilo at the fish plant
- Any specific locations that you or other fishers access/fish for:
 - o Food Bobby fishes at the same locations where he commercial fishes
 - o Ceremonial purposes not applicable.
 - o Commercial purposes (e.g., bait fish) see commercial fishing notes in separate section.
- Are there any current barriers that limit where people can go, where people can get to (i.e., how far people will venture off the readily accessible trails/paths)
 - o I have noticed people (individuals with cabin leases) are cutting quad trails into further away lakes. There is one north of [redacted].
- General notes
 - o The only place I have noticed different fish is at Moon Lake. The jackfish in Moon Lake are straight silver with no markings. It is quite distinctive.
 - o Some walleye on Russell Lake have some large cysts.

Terrestrial Baseline

Moose

- The area to the north of the Wheeler River Project regional study area (from maps) has generally been better for moose than the local project area. The area east and north of Three Mile Lake, and Omnia winter tracking transects #11 and 4 (see Omnia Terrestrial Baseline Report, Figure 2.5-1; and image included below).
- He sees more caribou and less moose. He believes this is a natural change and moose are moving further south.

Caribou

- Woodland caribou use of the area has changed since highway 914 (Key-McArthur Road) was built. Caribou don't seem to be
 bothered by visual sightings of vehicles (smaller trucks) but seem to react to regular traffic of larger bigger vehicles and are
 sensitive to the vibrations.
- He sees more caribou and less moose. When he goes out to check his traplines in the winter he sees caribou quite regularly. He also sees caribou in the summer.
- Caribou do travel through areas of younger forest and burns to get to areas that are more desired
- Caribou travel on bush roads. Often see tracks on roads, trails and handcuts.
- Identified area east of Highway 914 and NE of Russell Lake, sort of between Russell Lake and McDougall Lake (corresponding with Omnia winter tracking transects #5 and #9 [see Omnia Terrestrial Baseline Report, Figure 2.5-1; and image included below]) as an area where caribou are commonly seen in the winter. There are tall trees here, some small hills with protected valley areas, and it seems sheltered. There is caribou moss in this area.

- Caribou will utilize areas of younger forest with pine regeneration and in tougher years, especially deep snow, will eat the tips of fresh growth off the younger pine trees; this is especially the case when there are years with a bad snow crust. Bobby discussed this with his uncle who is in his 80s and he confirmed he has seen caribou eat tips of branches. Moose will also do this
- Overall, there are the same number of caribou in the area over the years but there is less moose
- Caribou will utilize lake ice in late winter when the snow is shallow/compacted, and it is sunnier
- Barren ground caribou were last seen in the north Cree Lake area around 1983. Mr. John believes they no longer come as far south because of the large fires that have burned across the north. He felt these fires may have created a barrier in search of food.





Wolves

- Wolves travel on bush roads.
- Saw a pack of about 18 wolves recently.

Marten, Fisher and Wolverine

- In recent memory, marten is much more commonly observed compared to fisher. Probably 9 or 10 out of 10 would be marten. In fact, last year Mr. John caught 90 marten and no fisher
- Marten are typically caught during the winter months (Nov to April) using a tree mounted box with bait and a snap trap (conibear?)
- Wolverines are observed in the area occasionally but are not around consistently. He has not observed a change in wolverine over the years.

Prey Species

- In recent years, there are fewer rabbits (snowshoe hare) and bush chickens (grouse species). Also, way less ptarmigan in winter. Less mallards and Canada geese, more surf scoters (*Melanitta perspicillata*).
- In recent years, the number of squirrels has been high. Too many in fact.

Birds

- There are fewer loons on Cree Lake even though the number of fish caught here remains unchanged. There are still loons at Russell Lake. Russell Lake also has a growing population of Red Throated Loons (*Gavia stellata*).
- Also, way less ptarmigan in winter. Less mallards and Canada geese, more surf scoters (Melanitta perspicillata).
- An increase in American pelican occurrence, in the Cree Lake area in particular, has been observed
- Whooping cranes have been observed along the Wheeler River and probably nest along Moore Lake based on behaviour (nest
 defence / return to specific after being disturbed) Sandhill cranes are observed along the Wheeler River
- There have also been some reports of whooping cranes along the Cree River too Amphibians

- [Listened to wood and chorus frog calls on Mike's phone]
- In early spring he regularly hears wood frogs near his cabin on Bobby's Lake. So many in fact that he has to close his windows.
- He has not heard chorus frogs.
- He is curious about where the frogs go there seems to be so many frogs in the spring, but then they are not noticeable and hard to see after springtime.

Land Use and Lake Names

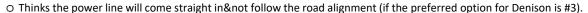
- Do you know of a local name for some of these lakes? (show aquatic baseline overview map, specifically LA-5, LA-6)?
 - o LA-5/LA-6 is Whitefish Lake
 - o What Denison has referred to as LA-5 and LA-6 Bobby considers one lake. There is a narrows between these basins and not a rapids connecting them.
- Can you comment on the notations on the ERFN land use map? Do you know the timeline for when these notes/data were collected? Are they historic use or current use? Can you explain who some of these people are?
 - o He doesn't agree with a lot of what is on these maps. Agrees to provide Denison an annotated map to outline similar features, special areas, trapping areas, wildlife sightings, etc. (see action items at end of document)
 - o He explains who one of these people are, where they are from, where they moved, and whom they married.
- Can you comment on who is using the area (besides cabin owners), what they are doing, any access concerns, etc.
 - o If the gate at Key Lake is removed or the road is redesigned to go around Key Lake allowing unimpeded access to the north, there would be lots of concerns about the increase in the number of people coming north into this area.
 - o However, many people can currently bypass the Key Lake gate and drive along the Fox Lake road. There is a bridge in place (near the south part of Fox Lake road) for access to a drilling camp and this bridge is over a fairly deep river. If this bridge came out, it would restrict access further north along the road.
 - o More people have quads these days.
- Feedback on trails, cut lines, road use in the area
 - o Mr. John prefers using trails that he has created for accessing fishing, trapping and hunting locations
 - o Mr. John is not opposed to reducing the overall footprint in the area and closing off some access (this discussion was in the context of improving caribou habitat integrity)
 - o However, Mr. John also noted that wolves, caribou and black bears use the trails/lines and wonders why we would decommission something they use
 - o Mr. John would be in favour of closing off or fully decommissioning the Fox Lake Road to general public travel. Includes pulling bridges and making stream crossings impossible to pass through with a truck or ATV.
- Other general comments on land use:
 - $\circ\,$ Bobby noted there is an area with old core boxes with NW end of Kratchkowsky
 - o Bobby wants the abandoned exploration camp (the old Kinetex camp; west of Highway 914 on the road towards Wheeler) cleaned up.
 - o He also wants the pit at km 212 oh Highway 914 cleaned up and backfilled, he has talked to the environment guys about this many times but nothing happens, Drillers and campers keep throwing garbage there.

Climate Change

- Have you noticed any environmental changes that may be related to climate change?
 - O I believe in climate change.
 - O I have noticed some changes in what animals are here and changes over time including:
 - > Some species are disappearing. In the past bear and moose were much more common than they are now. I think moose are moving further south.
 - > There are fewer loons on Cree Lake even though the number of fish caught here remains unchanged. There are still loons at Russell Lake.
 - > There are American pelican at Cree Lake now. They were not here in the past.

Wheeler Project Options and General Discussion

- Road access routes from Highway 914 into Phoenix area:
 - O Of the three options, Bobby prefers option #1 (image below). If he was the company this is what he would do, since it is the straightest line and maybe lowest cost.





- Water treatment options: Presented the discharge location options (figure below)& the following comments are from Bobby:
 - O My problem with these options is that all of these lakes flow towards Russell. Fish travel. If there are effects in one of the smaller lakes, like Whitefish Lake, fish can easily move from here downstream into Russell Lake.
 - O If you discharge water into Whitefish Lake, I would like to see someone drink water out of McGowan Lake.
 - O Russell is one lake where I commercially fish. How will this effluent impact the water quality, fish health? Will I be able to sell fish from here?
 - O If there is going to water pollution, I just want to know.
 - O What will be the frequency of water quality monitoring downstream? I want to know this as a sampling plan becomes more developed.
 - O Information sharing is important to me. I want to be kept up to date.
 - O Key Lake effluent comes into the SW part of Russell Lake and Cameco tests the water here & they tell me the water is ok.
 - O Mr. John is less concerned with the downstream effects of effluent on terrestrial animals compared to the potential effects on fish which would directly affect commercial fishing sales.



- Project Mining methods Directional drilling versus ISR
 - O Denison needs to be much more clear that the mining solution is acidic. This is really important. When I was here in August (for the site tour) everyone was talking about water and there as not much mention of acid.
 - Denison's response: perhaps this was because the summer hydrogeological work was all done using water. But yes, we need to make sure everyone knows the solution we are proposing to use for mining is an acid. In terms of strength it is between stomach acid and battery acid. We heard your comments in August during the site tours and have made conscious efforts to improve our communication on this topic so it is more clear.
 - O Is that acid going to stay in the ground?
 - Denison's response: after mining is complete, the freeze wall will remain in place while decommissioning is completed.

This will include neutralizing and cleaning the area in the mining chamber. Only after the groundwater in the mining chamber has been adequately cleaned up will the freeze wall be turned off and the natural groundwater flow reestablished. Also the mining chamber is 400m below ground and the general groundwater flow is that deep groundwater will stay deep; it doesn't move upwards and downwards.

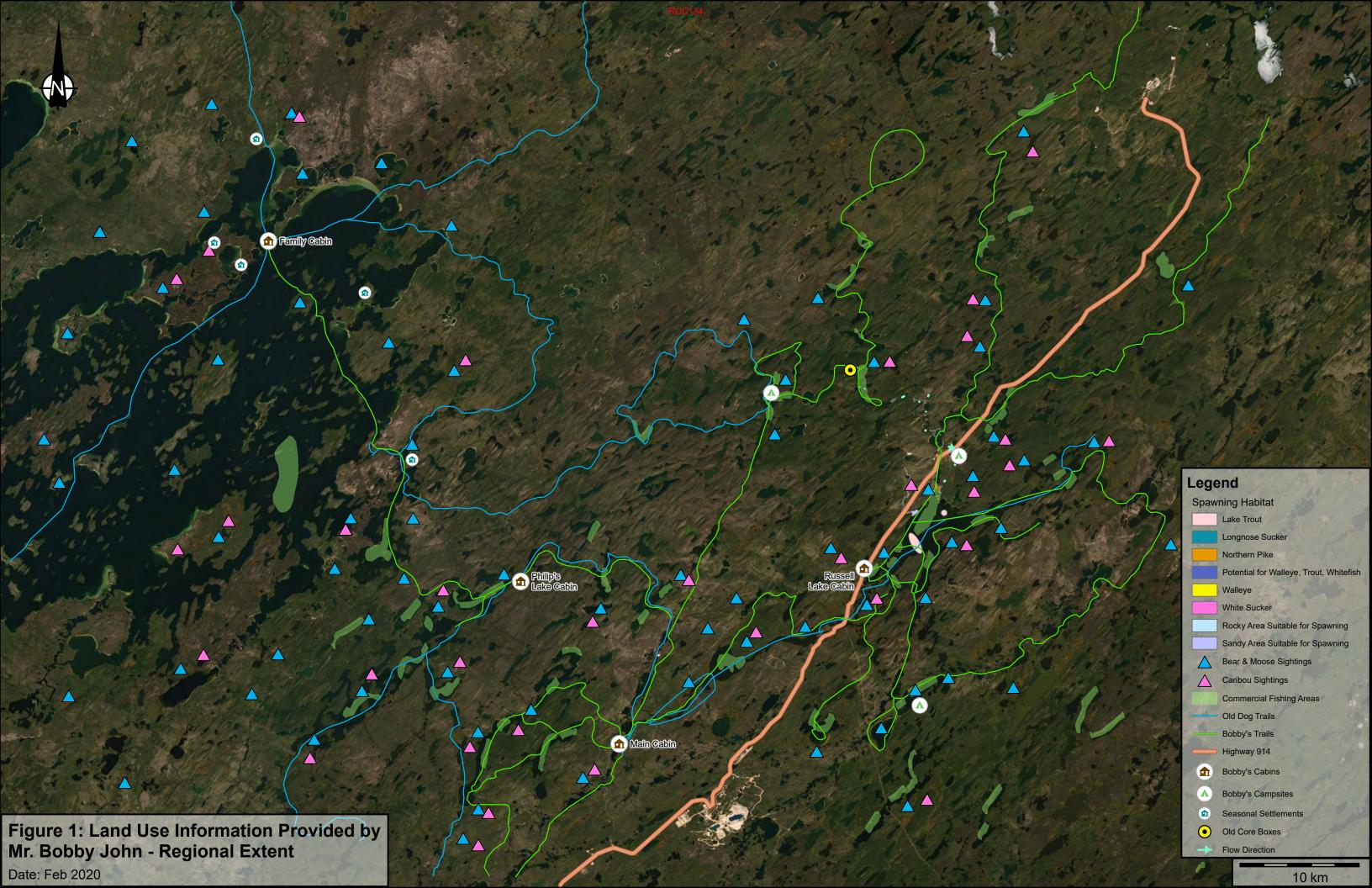
- O How will the ground be frozen?
 - ➤ Denison's response: explained the freeze holes will have a low temperature brine circulated in enclosed tubes. The lower temperature brine will freeze groundwater (water in the small spaces of the rock). We expect the freeze wall will be about 10m thick.

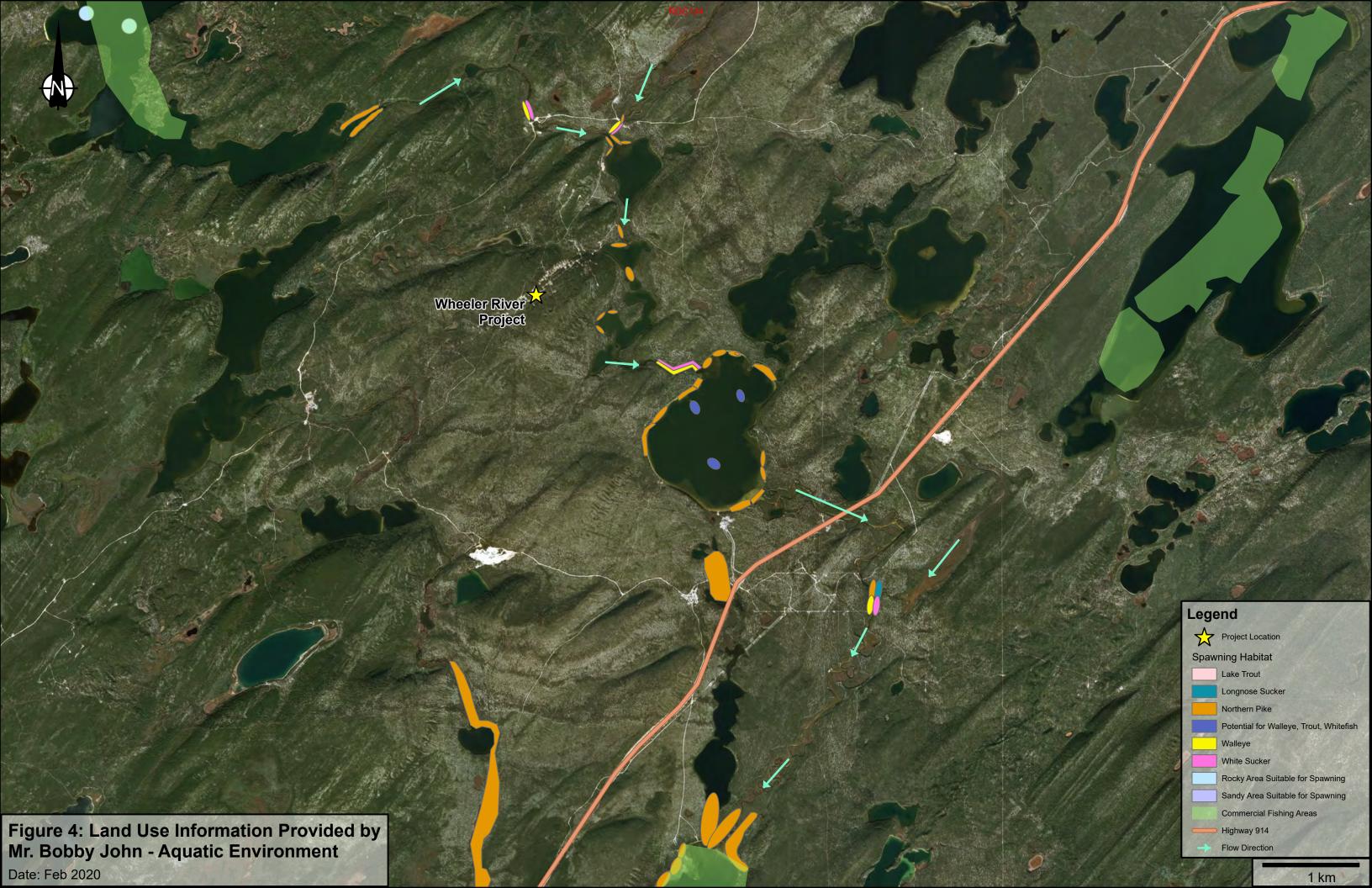
• General comments:

- O At this time, Mr. John felt a discussion, at the Wheeler Camp, was sufficient and that he would like to visit the site later in the winter 2020 or spring 2020 when things have changed and/or ongoing work was underway.
- O He wants to be included in future updates. As the environmental assessment advances and there are more details to share about the technical work, opportunities to provide feedback on monitoring programs, etc. he wants to be an active participant in the process.

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- Figure 5: Russell Lake (north area)







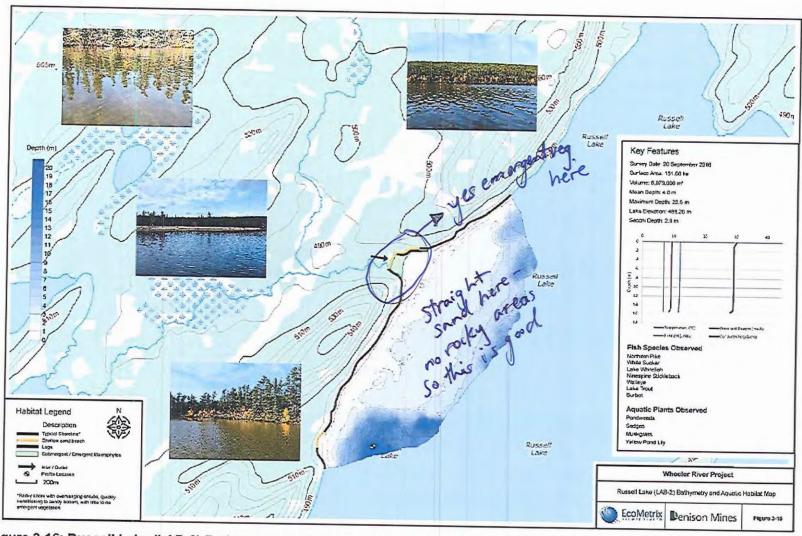


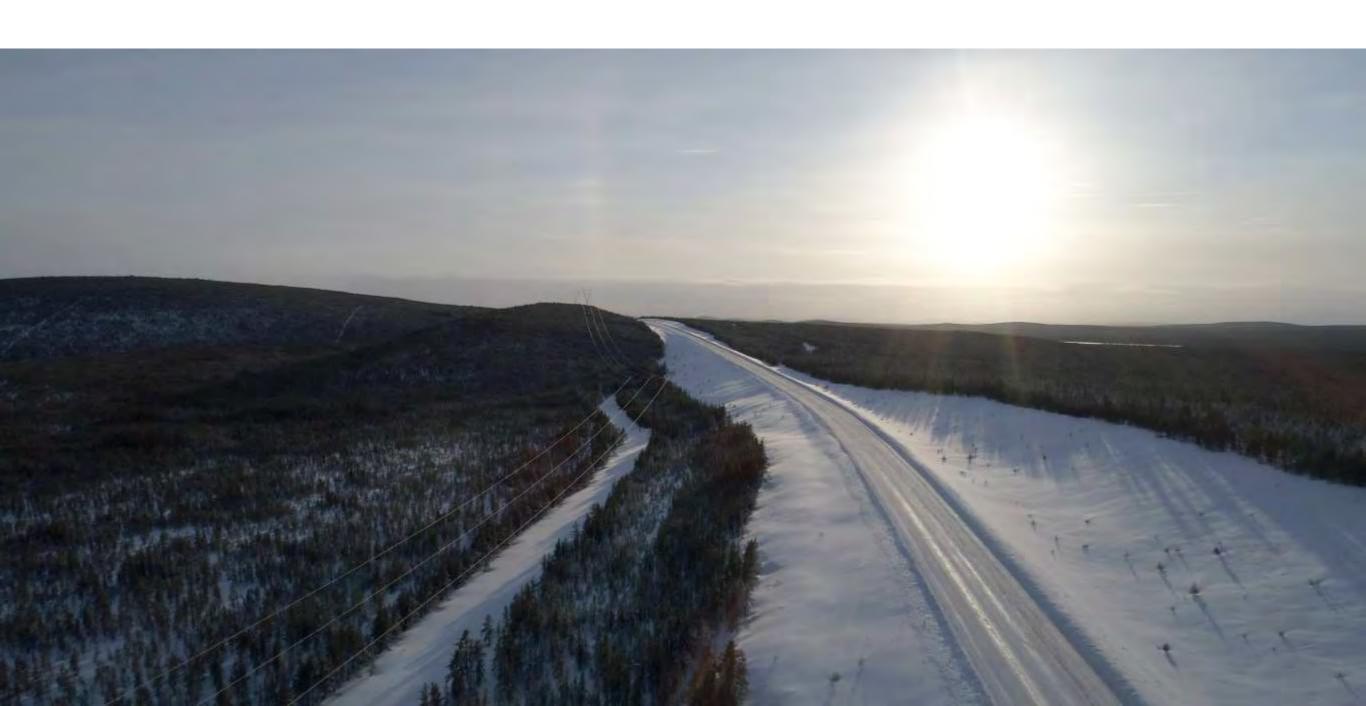
Figure 3-16: Russell Lake (LAB-2) Bathymetry and Aquatic Habitat Map. Typical shorelines are depicted with photograph taken within the vicinity of the Lake.

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Uranium Development & Exploration

The Athabasca Basin, Northern Saskatchewan

January 2019 | Wheeler River Update



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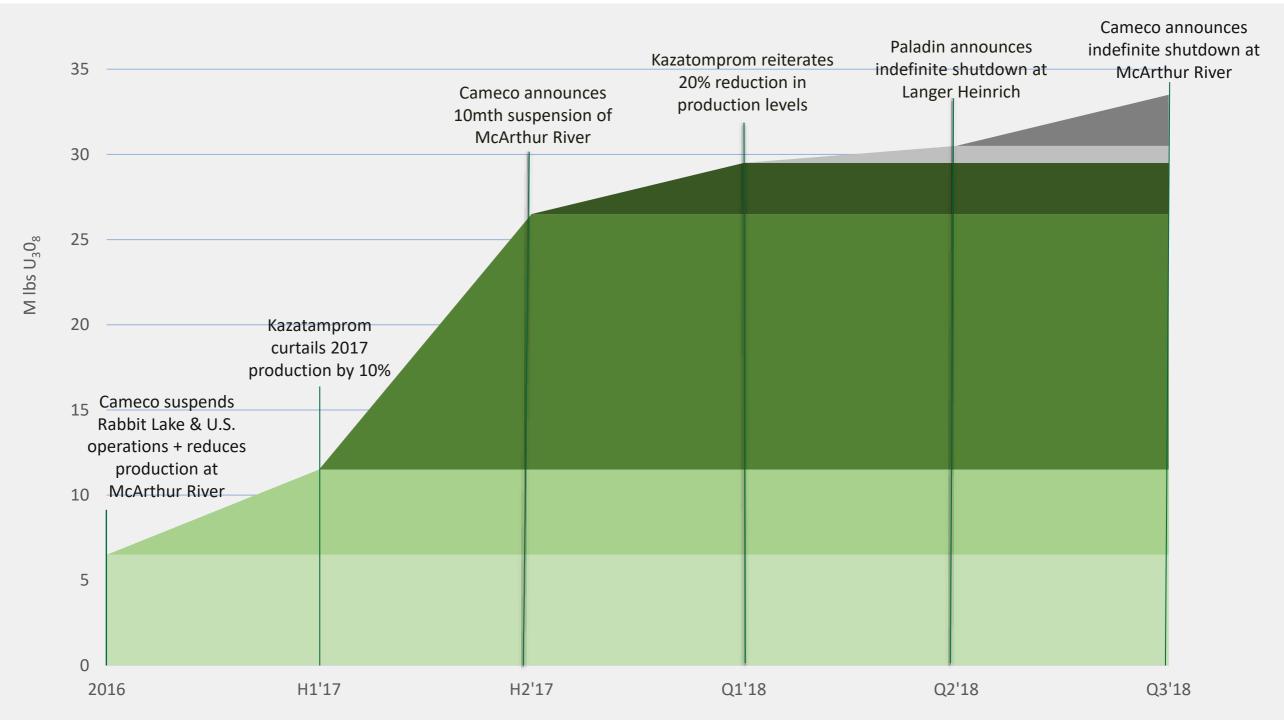
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Current themes in the nuclear energy / uranium mining industry

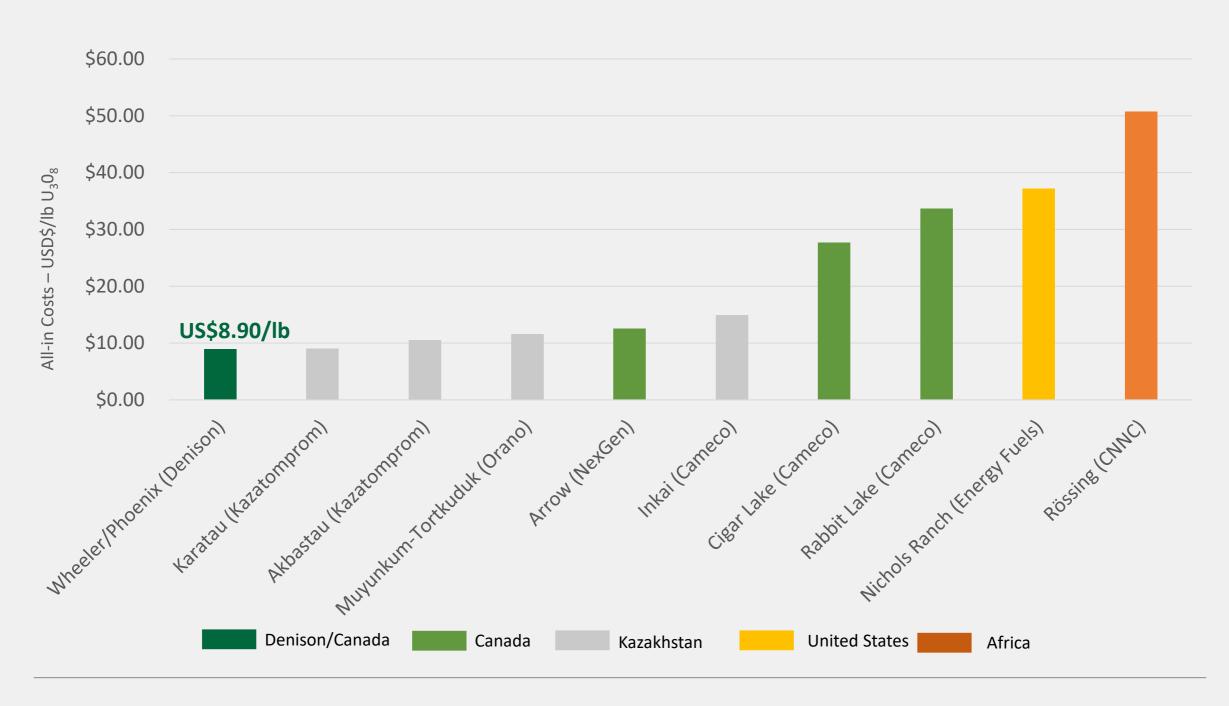
- 1. Future demand narrative remains positive, despite several recent challenges
- 2. Significant decisions to curtail production have been made by largest uranium producers to balance an over-supplied market
- 3. Long-term contract coverage from the previous uranium bull cycle is coming to an end, removing a "lifeline" that has helped high-cost mines
- 4. Dysfunctional project pipeline may not be able to deliver new production in time to replace mines that will drop off
- 5. Utilities are complacent about need to contract and paralyzed by uncertainty created by Section 232 Trade Petition

Production Curtailments: Close to 35M lbs U₃0₈ per annum removed from market





Sample of global production costs¹: All-in costs for select producing & planned uranium mines





U₃O₈ Spot Prices On The Rise Again Phoenix Operating Costs Remain Well Below Industry's 20 Year Low





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Diversified Athabasca Basin Asset Base with Superior Development Leverage

Strategic Project Portfolio:

- 90% interest in Flagship **Wheeler River** project (1) largest undeveloped uranium project in infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
- 22.5% interest in operating McClean Lake
 Uranium Mill excess licensed capacity,
 +12% of global uranium production
- Interests in uranium resources at McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake
- ~320,000 hectares of prospective exploration ground in the Athabasca Basin
- ✓ Internal sources of **cash flow** from management services contract with Uranium Participation Corp. (TSX-U), and Denison Environmental Services (DES)





~320,000 Hectares of Prospective Exploration & Development Ground Focused in the Infrastructure Rich Eastern Athabasca Basin



Disciplined plan for 2019⁽¹⁾: Highlights & potential catalysts

Wheeler River - \$10.3M budget (100% basis)

- ➤ Initiation of the Environmental Assessment
- ➤ Commencement of ISR wellfield tests
- ➤ Initiation of metallurgical ISR pilot plant
- ➤ Discovery focused exploration program targeting ISR amenable satellite deposits

Waterbury Lake - \$1.8M budget (DML funded)

- >7,300 metres of diamond drilling in 18 holes,
- ➤ Focused on Midwest regional structure, including follow-up on mineralization discovered in 2018 at the GB Trend

Hook-Carter - \$1.4M budget (DML funded)

- ≥3,900 metres of diamond drilling in 6 holes,
- ➤ Focused on completing the first phase of reconnaissance exploration along the 7.5km of the Patterson Lake Corridor





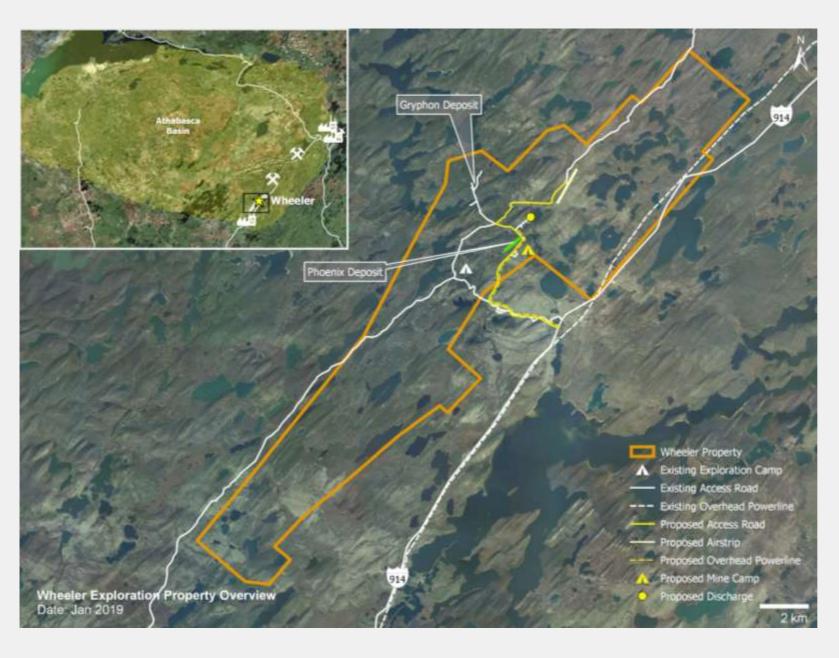
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Wheeler River Project Update: Positive Results from Pre-Feasibility Study ("PFS")

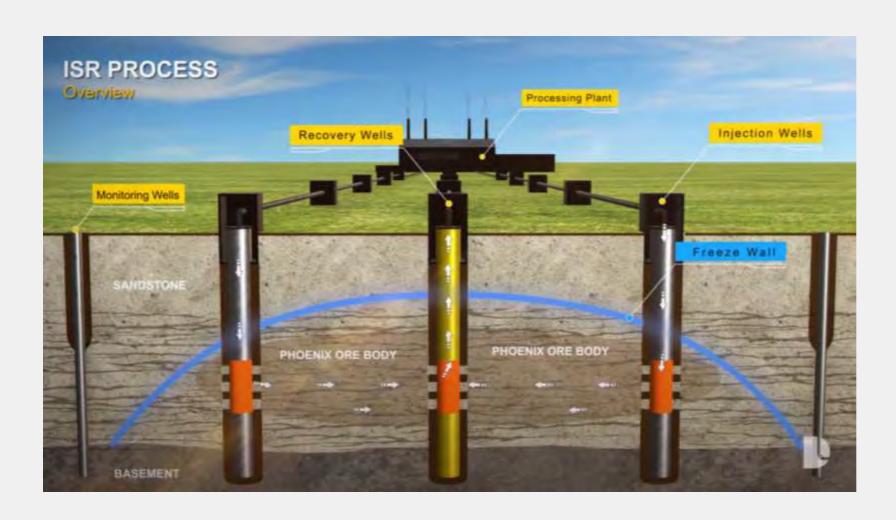


2018 Highlights:

- Phoenix Deposit: Mining via In-Situ Recovery ("ISR") with on site processing
- **2. Gryphon Deposit:** Mining via UG longhole stoping with ore processing at McClean Lake
- 3. Advancement Approved:
 Unanimous support from
 Denison Board of Directors
 and Wheeler Joint Venture
 partners to advance the
 Phoenix deposit to the
 Environmental Assessment
 ("EA") process and Feasibility
 Study ("FS") stage
- **4. Gryphon Deposit:** Investigate additional opportunities for improvement at the PFS level



Phoenix Operation: Selection of ISR mining method

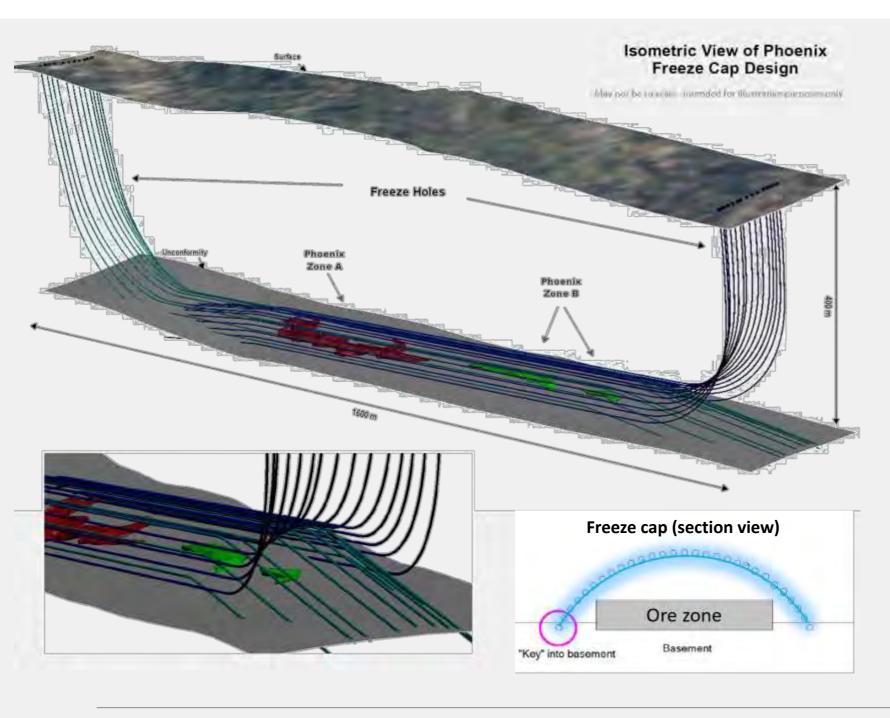


ISR Mining Process⁽¹⁾:

- Mining solution (low pH or acidic for Phoenix) is pumped through the orebody via cased injection well;
- 2. Solution dissolves the uranium as it travels through the orebody;
- 3. Solution now containing disolved uranium is pumped back to surface via cased recovery well;
- 4. Solution is sent to a processing plant on surface for recovery of the uranium;
- 5. Solution is re-conditioned and returned back to well field for further production



Phoenix Freeze Cap: Novel concept to contain mining solution using established technology

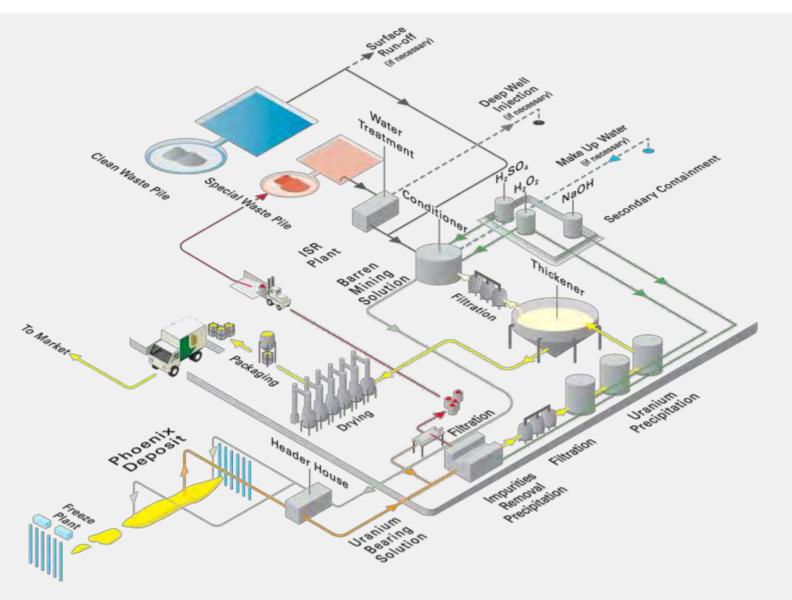


Artificial freeze cap replicates confining layer typically required for ISR mining operations⁽¹⁾

- Parallel cased holes drilled from surface and anchored into impermeable basement rock surrounding the Phoenix deposit
- Circulation of low-temperature brine solution through cased pipes will freeze groundwater in sandstone surrounding the deposit
- Up to 10 metre thick freeze wall, together with basement rocks will encapsulate Phoenix deposit
- ✓ Eliminates common environmental concerns with ISR mining and facilitates controlled reclamation



Phoenix ISR Processing Plant: Closed loop system and simplified plant design eliminates the need for discharge



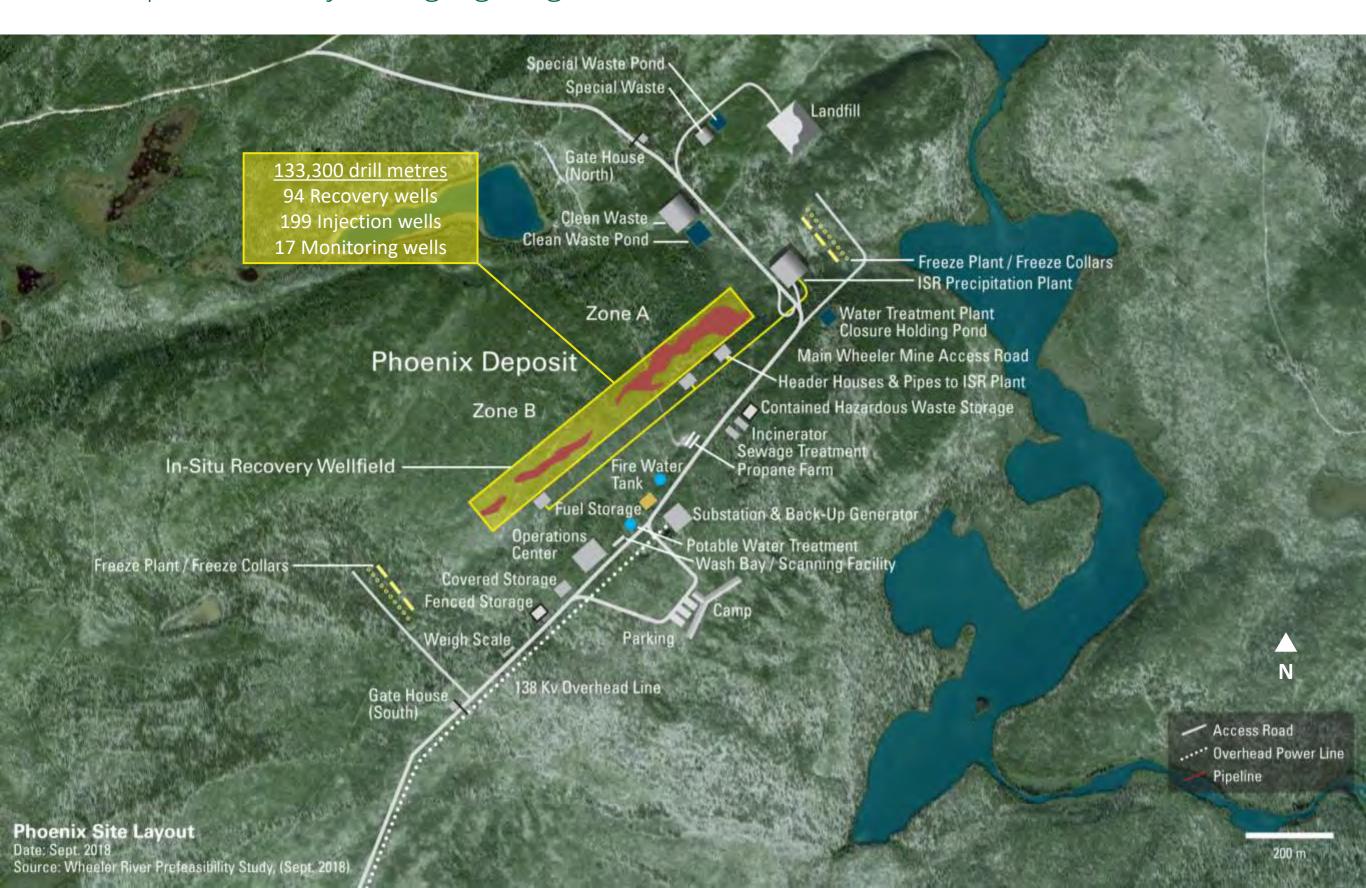
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On-Site Processing Plant⁽¹⁾

- Simplified process compared to existing SK mills
- Building size smaller then a hockey rink
- Closed loop system recycles mining solution
- Eliminates need for discharge of effluent to the environment
- Minor amounts of make-up water to be sourced from site run-off or small groundwater well
- ✓ Powered by Provincial power grid



Phoenix Operation: Proposed site layout highlighting ISR wellfield



Phoenix ISR Potentially one of the world's most environmentally friendly mining operation



Benefits

- Limited fossil fuel
 requirements powered by
 provincial grid: Near zero
 carbon emissions
- No production of tailings
- Closed loop system requires potentially <u>no treated</u>
 <u>water discharge</u> to environment
- Contained mining chamber eliminates groundwater interactions and allows for controlled remediation to pre-mining conditions
- Small surface disturbance of a temporary nature (~20 years)



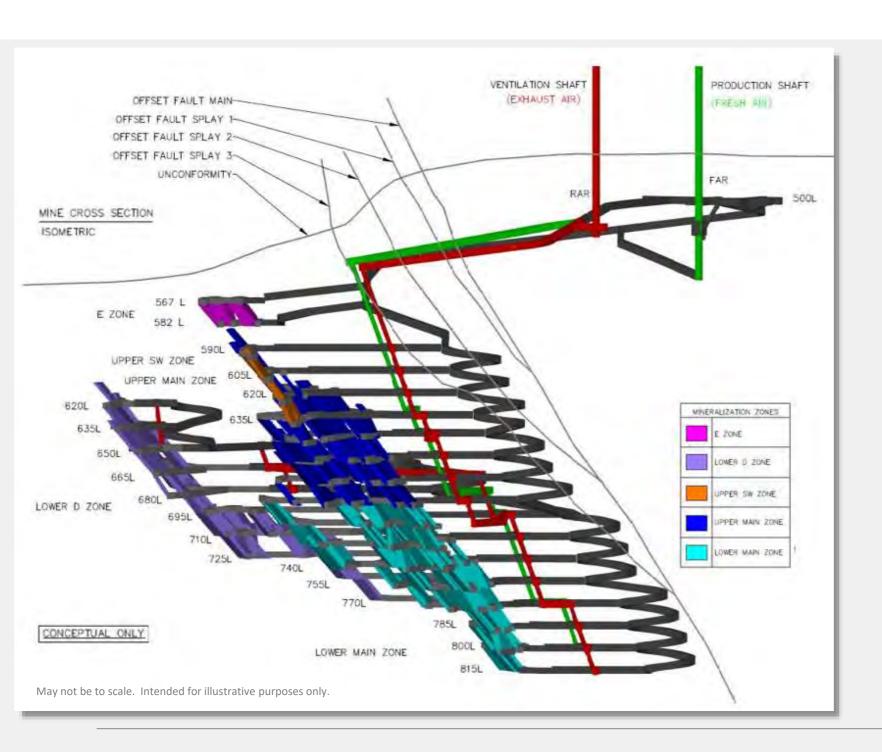
Phoenix Operation: ISR mining method delivers industry leading cost per pound U₃O₈

Phoenix Operation	PFS Result ⁽¹⁾		
Mine life	10 years (6.0 million lbs U_3O_8 per year on average)		
Average cash operating costs	\$4.33 (US\$3.33) per lb U ₃ O ₈		
Initial capital costs (100% basis)	\$322.5 million		
Operating margin ⁽⁴⁾	89.0% at US\$29/lb U ₃ O ₈		
All-in cost ⁽²⁾	\$11.57 (US\$8.90) per lb U ₃ O ₈		

Assumptions / Results	Base Case	High Case
Uranium selling price	UxC Spot Price ⁽³⁾	US\$65/lb U ₃ O ₈
Operating margin ⁽⁴⁾	91.4%	95.0%
Pre-tax NPV _{8%} ⁽⁵⁾ (100%)	\$930.4 million	\$1.91 billion
Pre-tax IRR ⁽⁵⁾	43.3%	71.5%
Pre-tax payback period ⁽⁶⁾	~ 21 months	~ 11 months



Gryphon Operation: Additional low-cost production with conventional UG mining

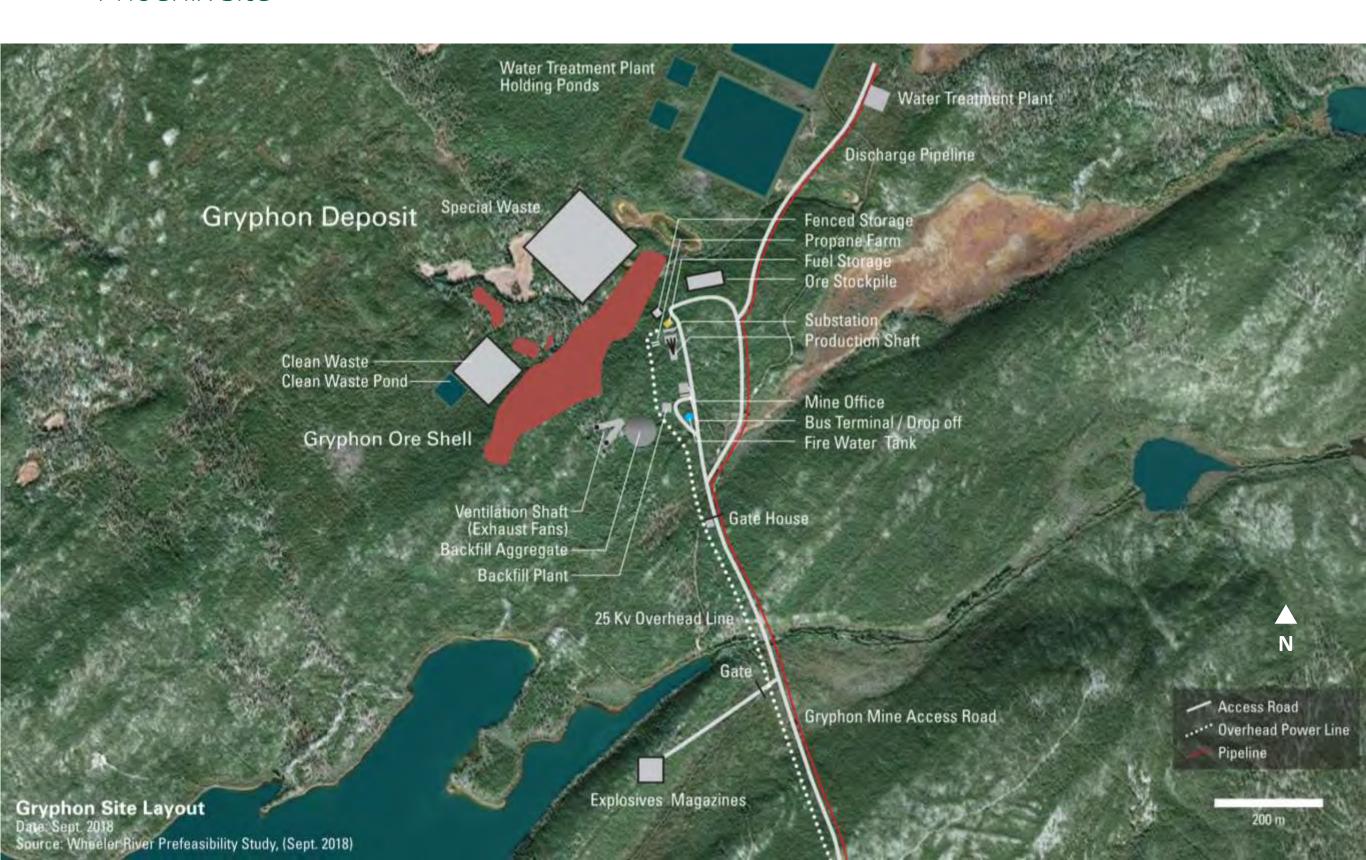


Moderate grades and style of mineralization allows for conventional UG mining

- Mineralization is hosted in basement rock, located 520 to 850 metres below surface
- Requires Production and Ventilation shafts
- Longitudinal retreat longhole stoping with 15 metre sub-level intervals
- 600 tonnes per day production
- Generally constrained by available capacity at McClean Lake mill



Gryphon Operation: Minimal site infrastructure owing to toll milling & Phoenix site



Gryphon Operation: Assumes processing at 22.5% Denison owned McClean Lake mill⁽¹⁾

Processes +12% of global uranium production:

- Operating under 10-year license granted by Canadian Nuclear Safety Comm. in 2017
 ➤ Licensed for 24M lbs U₃O₈ / year
- PFS assumes Cigar Lake production will decline to 15M lbs $\rm U_3O_8/year$ (Phase 2) at time of co-processing with Gryphon
 - ➤ Up to 9M lbs U_3O_8 /year excess capacity
- 98.2% estimated recovery from Gryphon under current McClean operating conditions
- Required upgrades: expansion of leaching circuit, addition of filtration system and tailings thickener, expansion of acid plant, various misc. upgrades, plus Highway 914 extension.
- ✓ **Ownership:** 22.5% Denison, 70% Orano (formerly "Areva"), 7.5% OURD





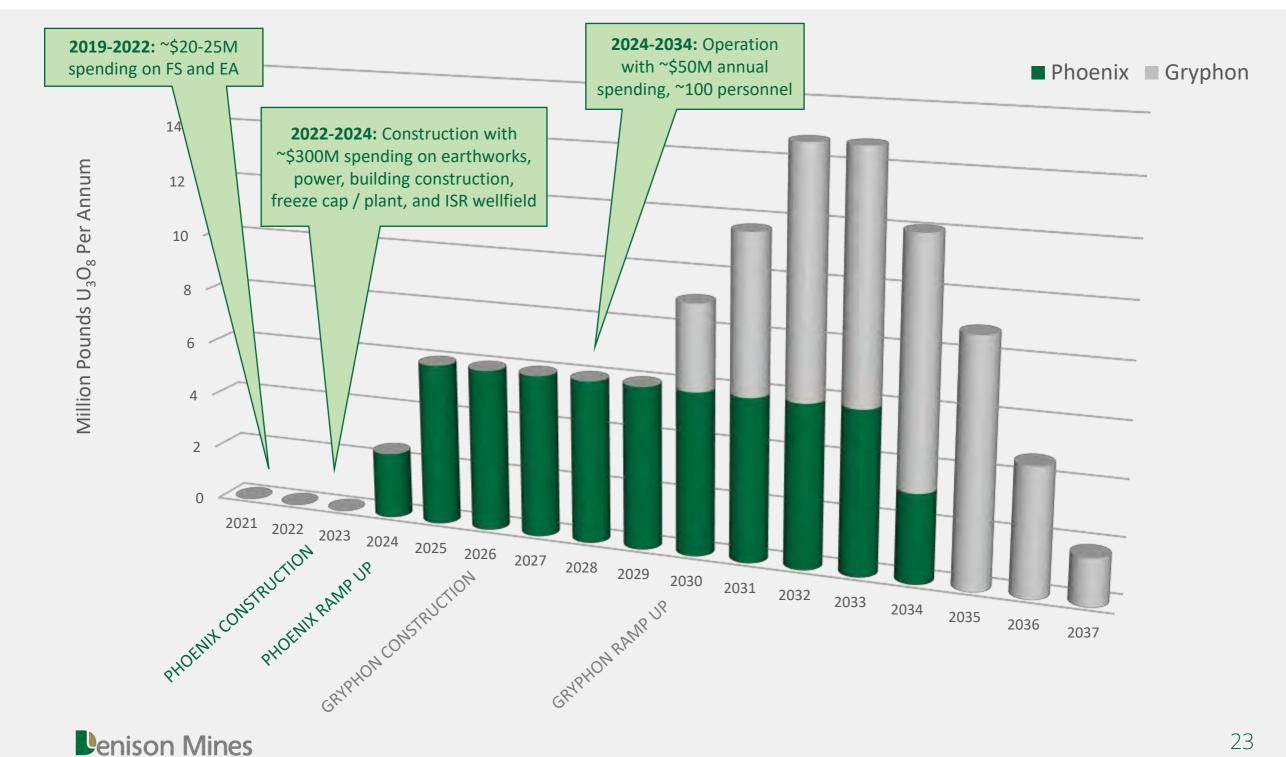
Gryphon Operation: Additional low-cost production with conventional UG mining

Gryphon Operation	PFS Result ⁽¹⁾	
Mine life	6.5 years (7.6 million lbs U ₃ O ₈ per year on average)	
Average cash operating costs	\$15.21 (US\$11.70) per lb U ₃ O ₈	
Initial capital costs (100% basis)	\$623.1 million	
Operating margin ⁽³⁾	77.0 % at US\$50/lb U ₃ O ₈	
All-in cost ⁽²⁾	\$29.67 (US\$22.82) per lb U ₃ O ₈	

Assumptions / Results	Base Case	High Case
Uranium selling price	US\$50/lb U ₃ O ₈	US\$65/lb U ₃ O ₈
Operating margin ⁽³⁾	77.0%	82.3%
Pre-tax NPV _{8%} ⁽⁴⁾ (100%)	\$560.6 million	\$998.8 million
Pre-tax IRR ⁽⁴⁾	23.2%	31.0%
Pre-tax payback period ⁽⁵⁾	~ 37 months	~ 31 months



Wheeler River PFS: 14 year mine life producing +7.5M lbs U_3O_8 per year on average⁽¹⁾



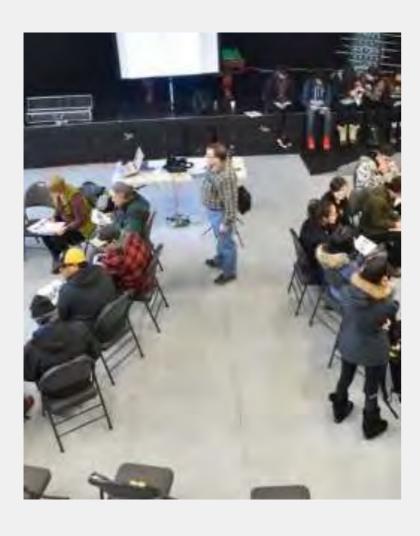
Next Steps for Advancement: Environmental Assessment and project permitting



Critical path of the project schedule

- Denison will be submitting the Project Description in February triggering the Environmental Assessment with Federal and Provincial Governments
- 2019: Continue to collect baseline (pre-mining) data from the region
- Current data indicates healthy ecosystem
- Preliminary evaluations indicate mining will not cause significant adverse environmental impacts

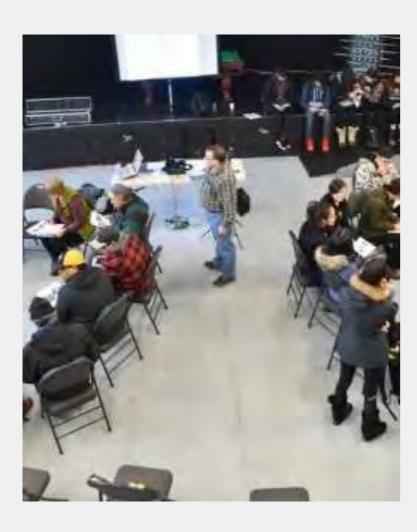
Next Steps for Advancement: Continuation of stakeholder engagement activities



Community engagement

- Incorporated traditional knowledge into environmental data collection
- Incorporated community feedback into project designs (mining methods, access road and treated effluent discharge locations)
- Employment opportunities with baseline data collection programs and driller training programs on-going
- Business opportunities via Denison 2019 Procurement forecast:
 - Food supply contract to Beauval General store
 - Camp maintenance
 - Camp supplies
- ERFN support is important to Denison
 - > During EA process will be actively asking for community support
 - MOU is starting point for discussions and does not provide for distribution of benefits
 - Benefits to be determined / agreed through Impact Benefit Agreement to be signed following completion of the Environmental Impact Assessment

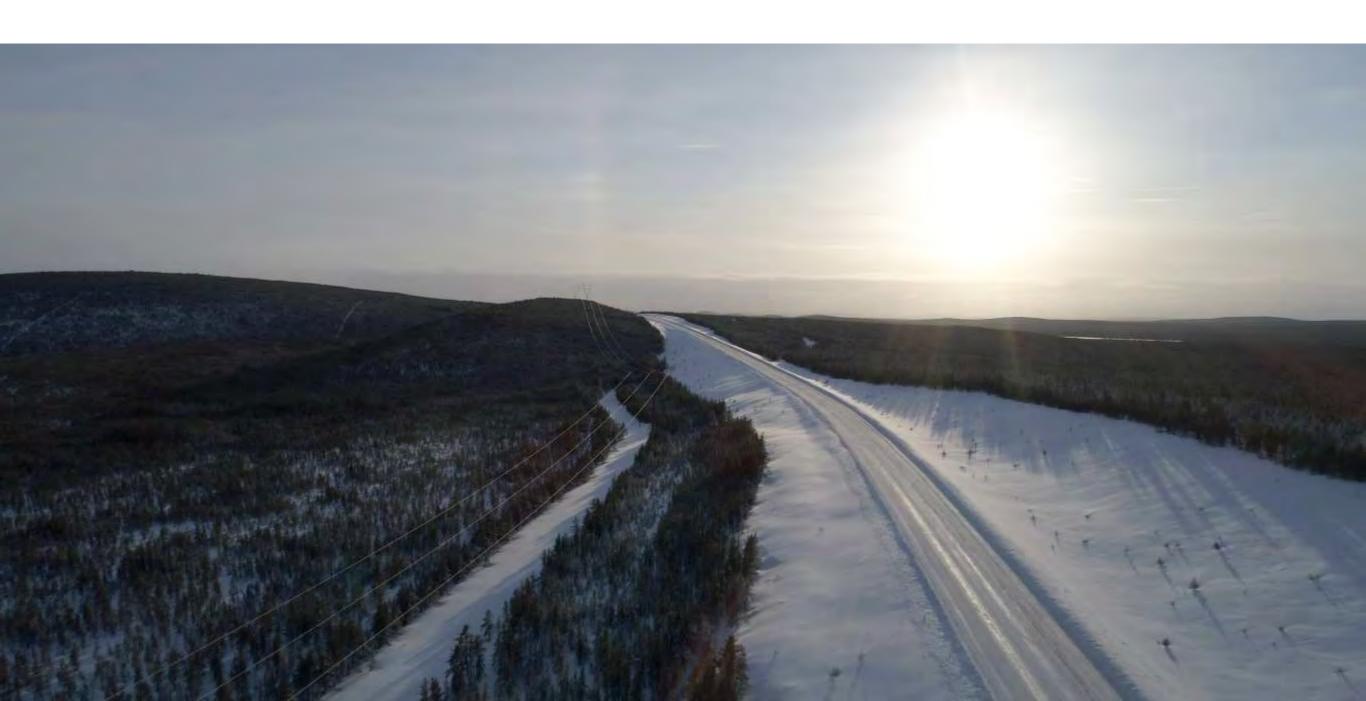
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- Denison and Communities need to engage over the next 3-4 years to maximize Business and Employment benefits during Construction and Operation:
- Construction
 - > Unique one-time procurement for good and services
 - Employment opportunities with contractors (not with Denison)
 - ➤ PFS identified construction period of 2 year and +\$300M in spending with production occurring at end of 2 years
 - Construction is a time of <u>intense pressure and activity</u>
 - Denison will be reliant on contractors to be competent to safely complete quality work, on budget, schedule and in a competitive market
 - Construction is not the time to learn!
- Operations
 - ➤ More repetitive procurement for goods and services
 - Employment opportunities with Denison
 - Ability to train and development knowledge and skills for long term employment

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Questions?





Denison Mines Corp.

200 – 230 22nd St. East Saskatoon, SK S7K 0E9

Meeting Notes

Date: February 1, 2019

T: 306-652-8200

F: 306-652-8202

Event: Denison Wheeler River Project Update to Pinehouse Leadership

Location: Denison Saskatoon Office www.denisonmines.com

In attendance:

Denison Mines Corp.: Dave Cates (President and CEO) Peter Longo (Vice President Project Development) Mark

Liskowich (SRK Consulting)

Pinehouse: Mayor / President of KML, Pinehouse Business North (PBN) representative

Purpose of the meeting:

-Inform the leadership of Pinehouse that Denison was preparing a Project Description for submission to the CNSC and Saskatchewan Environmental Assessment in order to initiate the environmental assessment of the Wheeler River Project.

-Provide an overview of the details of the pending environmental assessment submission.

Notes:

Denison provided a presentation focused on:

- An overview of the global uranium market.
- A recap describing Denison Mines Corporation, the company, and current holdings.
- An overview of the Wheeler River project.
- Denison's next steps for the Wheeler River project.
- An estimate of schedule and forecasted procurement needs for the Project moving forward.

A question-and-answer session followed the presentation.

- Denison requested an update on the traditional territories mapping project results. The PBN Representative indicated the information was in hand but there was some concerns with confidentiality of the information. Denison indicated they would only release information and data from the study that Pinehouse agreed to be released. Denison also indicated they had developed two maps for inclusion in the Project Description that they were hoping to include an outline of Pinehouse's traditional territory as well as some data of some of their traditional activities in the surrounding area of the Wheeler River project. Denison committed to providing these maps to Pinehouse for their review prior to their inclusion in the Project Description.
- Mayor indicated Pinehouse would be looking for support from Denison in order to explain the ISR method to community at large given that it is new. He expects there will be a lot of questions about it.
- Mayor inquired as to what benefits would be in it for Pinehouse and that the community is in desperate need for support. Denison responded as part of their commitments they will work towards maximizing benefits for the communities.
- P.Longo inquired as to the feedback PBN received on their recent exploration drilling proposal they provided for exploration drilling on the Wheeler River property. PBN indicated the communication was well received and was valuable for Pinehouse to advance their relationship with Boart (JV) and potentially create a more beneficial and meaningful relationship.
- PBN inquired into the different levels of education that would be required for the various permanent positions coming out of the project. Denison indicated a number of typical mining positions such as mineral processing and mine geology positions would be required as well as a number of trades people, such as plumbers, electricians, pipe fitters, instrumentation technicians, etc. Technical skills would enhance northerners' abilities to advance to management positions at the site. Indicating further that the best way to prepare the youth for the jobs available in the future was to encourage all high school students strive to complete all of their sciences and maths, these courses would prepare them for post-secondary training they would need to access these future jobs, whether they be trades or university degree programs.
- Denison also indicated that they were willing to look at ways of helping support the training to the extent possible.
- Pinehouse indicated that they were willing to work with other stakeholder communities together towards a single agreement that works for all, and that Mayor has had early conversations with representatives of other communities.
- Denison reiterated the importance of developing businesses either through partnerships or by growing them from the ground up now so that these businesses are well established and capable of successfully bidding on the construction contracts that will be tendered for the construction phase of the project. There will be a lot of construction activities required over a very short time frame. Denison committed to continue to have an open dialogue with representatives of the leadership to try and make this growth in business development a success.
- Denison committed to meet with the leadership at their convenience and suggested a broader community meeting in Pinehouse could be tentatively set up for sometime in March.
- PBN inquired about the potential for Denison to make introductions between Pinehouse and potential external suppliers of
 goods and services for Wheeler in order to develop relationships with the vendor. Denison responded it is possible but it
 might not be possible to identify the preferred vendor at that point in time due to a competitive bidding process. Discussions
 to be continued.

The Meeting was Adjourned

Date: June 13, 2019

Denison: Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Corporate Social Responsibility Manager)

English River First Nation: Lands and Resource Manager

Meeting Notes:

- ERFN hasn't intervened in other Projects because those projects aren't occurring in the lands most connected to ERFN members. It is an appropriate time to state this.
- Discussed the potential of ERFN comments on the Project Description; To highlight traditional territory of ERFN; To affirm regions as ERFN territory.
- Discussed possibility of working with [redacted] to help develop Indigenous Knowledge workshops for the Environmental Assessment.

Date: June 14, 2019 Event: Meeting

Participants: Denison Representatives, English River First Nation Chief.

Meeting Notes:

Furblock N-18 and N-16 were amalgamated into management by English River First Nation a while back, under a comanagement regime. Denison can work with the band directly by contacting ERFN member about (smaller) opportunities for band members or band businesses. English River First Nation people regularly went to Black Lake and Wollaston Lake – will find name ties to English River there. ERFN members would also travel all the way to Carswell Lake to trap, and then come back to their area. The Basin people would occasionally come down, but didn't ever live in the area. ERFN Trapper has stated that PBN is taking jobs away from him – need to find out if this is Denison or Rio Tinto

Date: June 24, 2019

Participants: Denison Representative, Cabin Leaseholder

Event: 30 Minute Phone Discussion

In response to the Project Description letters Denison sent out to nearby leaseholders in June 2019.

Cabin Leaseholder:

- -Has a cabin in the area around Wheeler.
- -Has no concerns about the mine proceeding.
- -Has not had any major negative issues with Key or McArthur
- -Main concern is that the gate stays in place at Key Lake. Prefers controlled access to the area north of Key. Concerned that no gate will allow for vandalism and theft. Less concerned that no gate will lead to overfishing.
- -Would consider selling cabin if gate were to be removed.
- -Under impression that road north of Key is privately owned by Cameco.
- -Requested updates, specifically as they relate to gate access.

Denison:

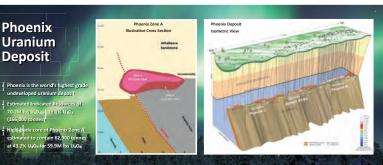
- -Acknowledged concerns.
- -Denison not certain about the access and any potential changes related to Wheeler proceeding.
- -Noted Denison is currently planning to build a new road but wants to use Highway 914 (in response to leaseholder question)
- -Denison will need to ensure access for our staff and suppliers.
- -Road north of Cameco provincial and maintained by Cameco.
- -Any changes to access would be years away 3-5 after EA approval, licensing, etc.
- -Key Lake gate control. No change in the near term.
- -Will provide updates.

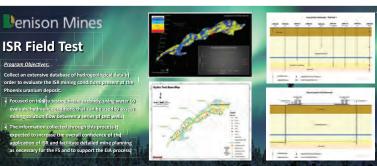




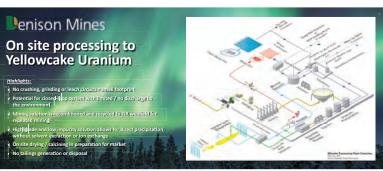


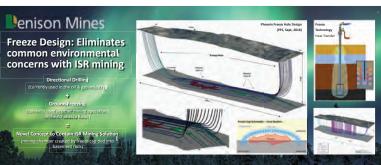














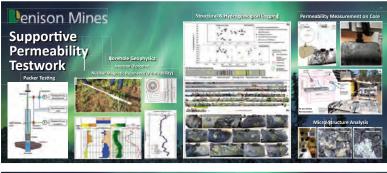




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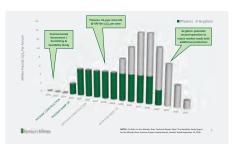


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Wheeler River Site Visit: Safety and site orientation



IMPORTANT: During the visit, the project site will be active. Accordingly, there are hazards that you may need to be made aware of during the field tour. Always listen to and follow instructions from your Denison hosts during the visit.

Station #1 – Gate House Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation



Station #2 - Phoenix Camp

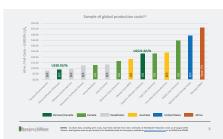
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~305,000 Hectares of Prospective Exploration & Development Ground Focused in the Infrastructure Rich Eastern Athabasca Basin



Phoenix ISR Operation: Potential to be one of the lowest cost uranium mining operations



Wheeler River 2019 Field Tour



Station #1 - Gate House Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation



Station #2 - Phoenix Camp

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- Targeted to Wheeler Partner Comm Up to 300 jobs during -2 years of construction



Wheeler River Site Visit August 2019

- > Arrive at Wheeler River
- > Denison Mines overview

- > Depart for Field Tour of Stations #1-9
- > Snacks / refreshments (Station #6) > Return to camp for late lunch
- > Depart Wheeler River





Pre-Feasibility Study Highlights⁽²⁾:

- Conventional UG Gryphon contributes additional low cost pounds US\$11.70/lb U₃O₈
- additional low cost pounds US\$11.70 no L

 109.4M libs U,O₄ Probable Reserves

 14 year mine life (7.8m libs U,O₄Vyear on av,

 Base-case pre-tax NPV_{es} (100%) of \$1.318

 Base-case pre-tax (RR of \$8.7%

 Initial CAPEX of \$322.5M (100%)

✓ Ownership⁽³⁾: 90% Denison, 10% JCU





- Mac McDonald VP Finance & CFC
 Tim Gabruch VP Commercial
- Dale Verran VP Exploration
- Chad Sorba Technical Services Ma
- Carolanne Inglis-McQuay CSR Ma
 Pam Bennett Environment Manager
- Jared Orynik Project Manager, Project D Clark Gamelin - Project Manager, Exploration
- Shae Frosst Corp. Dev. & IR Manage



Station #1 - Gate House Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation

- ransmission line along Highw Planned Site Infrastructure -7km site road connection to 914 outlined in Project Descrip





Station #3 – ISR Wellfield Bringing the world's lowest cost uranium mining method to the jurisdiction hosting the world's highest-grade uranium deposits



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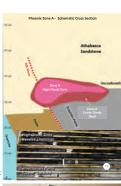
Station #3 - ISR Welifield

- Two distinct ore zones Phoenix A + B
 Approximately 400 m below surface
 World's highest-grade undeveloped uranium deposit
- Indicated Mineral Resources 70.2 M lbs U₃O₈ (166,000 tonnes at **19.1% U₃O₈**)
- Cut-off grade of 0.8% U₃O₈

Station #4 - ISR Processing Plant

Phoenix PFS Test Work⁽¹⁾: Confirms suitability of ISR mining method

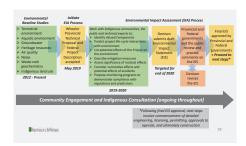
- No need for ion exchange or solvent extraction circuits = reduced costs





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Station #6 – Environment and Community The environmental impact assessment process.



Station #6 - Environment and Community Respect for Indigenous communities and knowledge

- We acknowledge and respect that we are working within Treaty 10 and the traditional territory of the English River First Nation and the Métis
- We wish to share the land together and work in partnership, to return maximum benefits from the Project to the communities

- We have designed the Project to have minimal adverse impacts to Indigenous and Treaty Rights, as well as to the environment



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Station #8 - Hot Shack Supportive permeability test work & metallurgical sampling

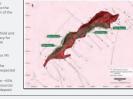
Summer 2019 ISR Field Program designed to facilitate various additional test work:

Station #3 – ISR Welifield First of its kind ISR Field Test in the Athabasca Basin

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ISR Field Test Objectives:

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Station #4 – ISR Processing Plant On-site processing to Yellowcake Uranium





Station #6 – Environment and Community Committed to collaborative engagement with all interested parties



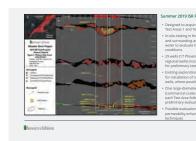
Station #7 – Gryphon Deposit Turnoff Gryphon uranium deposit

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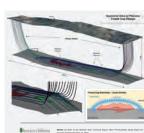
Station #9 - Core Yard



Station #3 – ISR Wellfield First of its kind ISR Field Test in the Athabasca Basin



Station #5 - Freeze Plant & Collars
Novel concept to contain lixiviant, using established technology



Station #6 -Environment and Community

Environmental baseline studies

- Environmental baseline studies provide an understanding of current or existing conditions



Station #6 – Environment and Community Committed to collaborative engagement with all interested parties



Station #7 - Gryphon Deposit Turnoff Gryphon uranium deposit



Appendix: Pre-Feasibility Study (PFS) Economics



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Wheeler River PFS: Uranium price assumptions, and sensitivities



Wheeler River PFS⁽¹⁾: Statement of Reserves and Denison indicative post-tax results

Deposit	Class.	Tonnes	Grade	Lbs U ₃ O ₄	Denison (90%)
Phoenix ⁽⁵⁾	Probable	141,000	19.1% U ₃ O ₈	59.7M	53.7M
Gryphon ⁽⁶⁾	Probable	1,257,000	1.8% U ₃ O ₈	49.7M	44.7M
Total	Probable	1,398,000	3.5%	109.4M	98.4M
Initial capital co				\$290.3 million	
Financial Results				Denison (90%)	1
Initial capital co:	sts			\$290.3 million	
Base case post-to	ax IRR(9)			32.7%	
Base case post-to	ax NPV _{8%} ⁽⁹⁾			\$755.9 million	
Base case post-tax payback period ⁽¹⁰⁾			~ 26 months		
High case post-tax IRR ⁽³⁾		55.7%			
High case post-t	ax NPV _{8%} ⁽⁹⁾			\$1.48 billion	
High case post-t	ax payback period	(10)		~12 months	



Phoenix Operation: ISR mining method delivers industry leading cost per pound $\rm U_3O_8$

Phoenix Operation		PFS Result ⁽¹⁾	
Mine life		10 years (6.0 million lbs U ₃ O ₈ per year on average	
Average cash operating costs		\$4.33 (US\$3.33) per lb U ₃ O ₈	
Initial capital cost	(100% basis)	\$322.5	million
Operating margin	4)	89.0% at US	\$29/lb U ₃ O ₈
All-in cost ⁽²⁾		\$11.57 (US\$8.5	10) per lb U ₃ O ₈
Assumptions /	Results	Base Case	High Case
Uranium selling p	rice	UxC Spot Price ⁽³⁾	US\$65/lb U ₃ O ₈
Operating margin	4)	91.4%	95.0%
Pre-tax NPV _{RN} ^(S) (3	.00%)	\$930.4 million	\$1.91 billion
Pre-tax IRR(5)		43.3%	71.5%
Pre-tax payback p	eriod ^(E)	~ 21 months	~ 11 months
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Gryphon Operation: Additional low-cost production with conventional UG mining

Mine life	6.5 years (7.6 million lbs	U ₃ O ₈ per year on average)
Average cash operating costs	\$15.21 (US\$1:	1.70) per lb U ₃ O ₈
Initial capital costs (100% basis)	\$623.:	1 million
Operating margin ⁽³⁾	77.0% at U	\$\$50/lb U ₃ O ₈
All-in cost ⁽²⁾	\$29.67 (US\$2	2.82) per lb U ₃ O ₈
Assumptions / Results	Base Case	High Case
Uranium selling price	US\$50/lb U ₃ O ₈	US\$65/lb U ₃ O ₈
Operating margin ⁽³⁾	77.0%	82.3%
Pre-tax NPV _{8%} (4) (100%)	\$560.6 million	\$998.8 million
Pre-tax IRR ⁽⁴⁾	23.2%	31.0%
Pre-tax payback period(5)	~ 37 months	~ 31 months
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Appendix: Wheeler River 2019 Field Tour Maps



Date: August 28, 2019

Chad Sorba Denison

Event: English River First Nation (ERFN): Wheeler River Project Site Tour

In Attendance:

David Cates Denison President and CEO Catherine Stefan Chair of Denison Board Carolanne Inglis-McQuay Denison Dale Verran Denison

Mark Liskowich SRK Consulting

Chief Lawrence McIntyre ERFN Norman Wolverine ERFN Archie Campbell ERFN Louis Wolverine ERFN Bobby John ERFN

Notes

ERFN: Denison land acknowledgement doesn't go far enough; we want to see concrete action; you need to do more in employing ERFN members. **ERFN:** These are not [redacted]'s traditional lands; ERFN should be getting the work here; The smaller businesses can provide the services, like [redacted]

ERFN: ISR is shortcutting the mining method; you are going to affect a lot of things up here. Why are the other mines not doing this too?

DENISON: Not all geologic deposits are potentially amenable to ISR technology

ERFN: The life of Phoenix is only 10 years; 10 years is a major impact to English River. The people who have worked at Key Lake and McArthur River have come back to get cabins on Russell Lake, in our territory, we've become strangers in our own backyard. Everyone can get through the gate now; we don't like this. We need Denison to support our position on this. There are bird sites, burial sites

ERFN: What percentage of your profits are you going to share with ERFN? The aftermath of mining will be on ERFN.

ERFN: We want the First Nation harvesters involved in planning

DENISON: You can talk to us directly; we have a budget in place and planning to include people like [redacted] and other harvesters in our understanding of the potential impacts of the Project.

ERFN: Are you going to block the Fox Lake road?

DENISON: No

ERFN: Do the freeze plants use lots of power? Where would the power come from?

DENISON: Assessing power usage now. Would tap into the existing power infrastructure, which is largely sourced from hydro

ERFN: Is exploration continuing at Wheeler? You need to keep [redacted] working.

DENISON: Yes.

ERFN: What will be the impact to water from the operation? Those freeze plants could affect the groundwater

DENISON: Not predicted to be any impact to groundwater. The freeze holes will be in double walls to prevent the brine from leaking.

ERFN: What is the PSI going down the wells (test phase)? **DENISON**: About 60 right now during the test phase **ERFN**: The mining solution; what is it made of?

DENISON: It is a low ph solution

ERFN: What would replace the ore body once the uranium is mined out? Is it like taking a tooth out and leaving a hole?

DENISON: Sort of. Depending on the concentration of the uranium, it could leave some holes in areas where there is really high concentration of uranium. The freeze dome would remain in place, however, until the water in the entire cavity was returned back to conditions that were similar to pre-mining state.

ERFN: Where are you getting the water for this pump test?

DENISON: Groundwater, from right here. Water saturates much of the ground that we are currently standing on. It is not coming from a lake.

ERFN: How much water is used in this test? Why are you using PVC for the well screen?

DENISON: PVC is being used just for the testing phase with these PQ and HQ sized holes – as a cost effective way of testing the approach. Stainless steel is being used on the commercial scale wells.

ERFN: What would be the drawdown in the other pumps?

DENISON: We are seeing that the other wells go up and down in response to the test; that generally reflects how they are connected within the ore body.

ERFN: How can you drill the wells if you have no EA approval?

DENISON: Just testing phase, necessary for the EA.

ERFN: What would be the impact on air?

DENISON: We are currently assessing the emissions – but there will be no diesel plant, a small plant, and the uranium will be in solution only – no dust from traditional mining activities.

ERFN: How much concrete will you use?

DENISON: Not presently sure.

ERFN: What is your reclamation plan? How will you deal with the hot items from the mining activities?

DENISON: The freeze dome will be kept in place while reclamation of the ground water within the cavity is complete – meaning it is back to water that is reflective of pre-mining activities.

ERFN: What about the permafrost?

DENISON: There is no permafrost around here. **ERFN:** Type of piping for the freeze drill?

DENISON: L80 steel

ERFN: Generally opposed to any reference that the Metis used the land here. This is our traditional territory.

Date: August 13, 2019

Participants: Denison Representative, Cabin Leaseholder Event: In office meeting

Cabin Leaseholder:

- -Concerned about changes to access. Specifically concerned about changes to Key Lake gate.
- -Worries that removing Key Lake gate as a control to access will lead to increased vandalism and theft.
- -Did not specify additional concerns.

-Denison:

- -Provided Summary of project.
- -Provided printed out Project Description executive summary.

Meeting, September 18, 2019 Participants:

Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Denison), Hamlet of Patuanak, Patuanak Local #80 President

Notes:

- Prior to the community meeting, had a pre-meeting with a representative of the Hamlet of Patuanak and the Patuanak Local #80 President
- The Hamlet / Metis feel left out of the Agreements made with the mining companies.
- They use the same land, and most of their community members are ERFN members.
- They would like to create a vision of working together, in the long term.
- Discussed things like a tire shop, elders / seniors center, little tourist cabins.
- There is interest in signing an similar MOU to what was signed in the other communities.

August 1, 2019, Meeting outside the Pilgrimage

Denison: Carolanne Inglis-McQuay English River First Nation: ERFN Elder

Notes:

Denison met with ERFN Elder. Topics of discussion were the Wheeler River Project, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission, who the CNSC are consulting with (concerning to ERFN), and some particulars about the site tour on August 28.

Date: June 18, 2019

Denison: Pam Bennett, Environment Manager

English River First Nation: Trapper

Phone Call Notes:

Denison and ERFN Trapper had a phone discussion. ERFN Trapper received a letter from Denison and was interested in meeting to discuss the Project. ERFN Trapper had not heard about the Project prior and expressed dissatisfaction regarding this, stating that although they are a member of ERFN, they don't get much information from ERFN. Denison confirmed that they will phone ERFN Trapper by the end of the week.

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Date: June 21, 2019

Denison: Carolanne Inglis-McQuay, Corporate Social Responsibility Manager

English River First Nation: Trapper

Phone Call Notes

Denison called ERFN Trapper offering to provide a site tour in August. ERFN Trapper requested calling one week in advance of tour and stated that they would like to have a site tour. ERFN Trapper appreciated the phone call.

Phone Call

Date: September 17, 2019

Denison: Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Corporate Social Responsibility Manager)

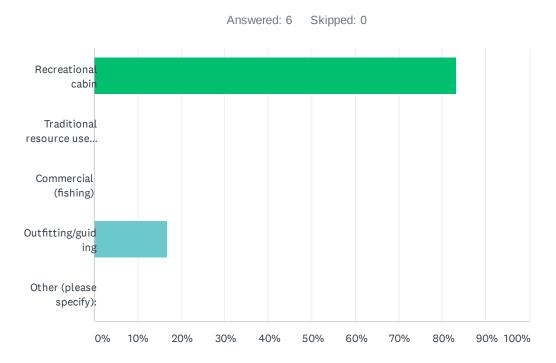
A La Baie: Leadership

Notes:

• A La Baie Leadership appreciated the site tour

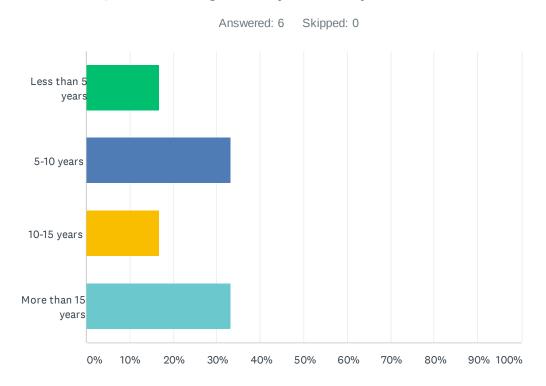
- Is impressed that Denison is community oriented
- Likes the way Denison is doing things.
- Is impressed with ISR and likes the technology.
- Offered to help wherever possible.

Q1 What is your Crown Resource Land Lease used for?



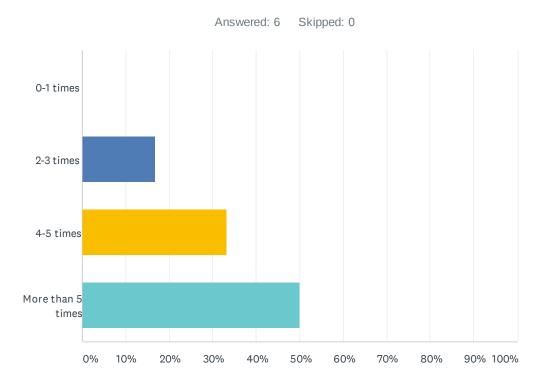
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Recreational cabin	83.33%	5
Traditional resource use cabin	0.00%	0
Commercial (fishing)	0.00%	0
Outfitting/guiding	16.67%	1
Other (please specify):	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

Q2 How long have you had your lease?



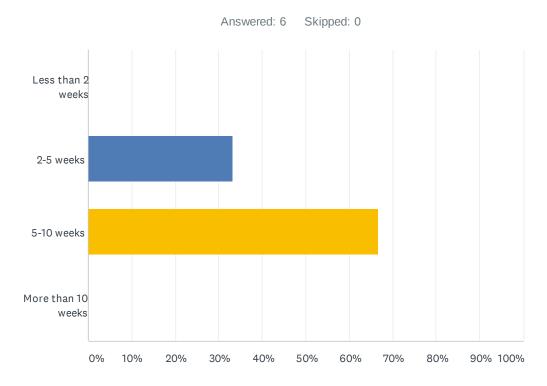
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 5 years	16.67%	1
5-10 years	33.33%	2
10-15 years	16.67%	1
More than 15 years	33.33%	2
TOTAL		6

Q3 How many times do you go to your cabin or land each year?



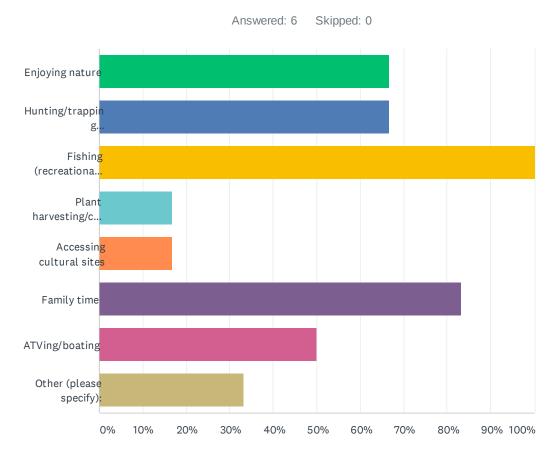
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-1 times	0.00%	0
2-3 times	16.67%	1
4-5 times	33.33%	2
More than 5 times	50.00%	3
TOTAL		6

Q4 How much time in total do you normally spend at your cabin or land each year?



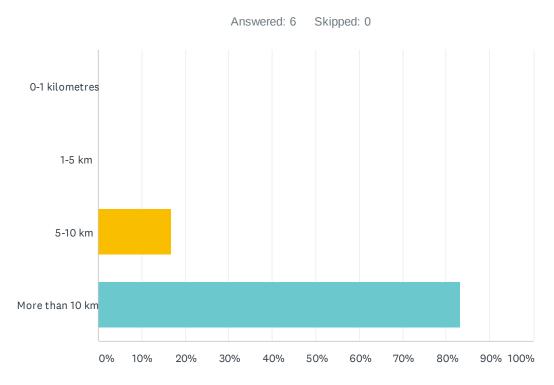
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 2 weeks	0.00%	0
2-5 weeks	33.33%	2
5-10 weeks	66.67%	4
More than 10 weeks	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

Q5 What do you use your cabin or land for mostly? (Please check all that apply)



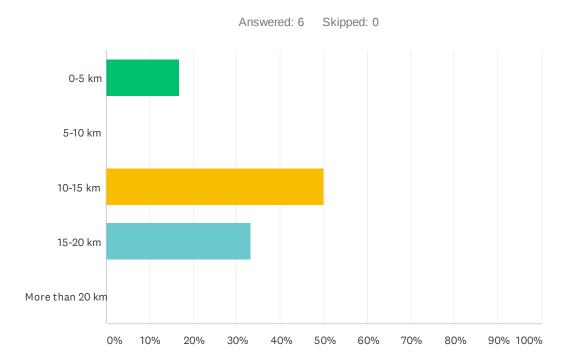
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Enjoying nature	66.67%	4
Hunting/trapping (recreational/commercial)	66.67%	4
Fishing (recreational/commercial)	100.00%	6
Plant harvesting/collecting	16.67%	1
Accessing cultural sites	16.67%	1
Family time	83.33%	5
ATVing/boating	50.00%	3
Other (please specify):	33.33%	2
Total Respondents: 6		

Q6 In relation to your cabin or land, how far do you travel in the area to conduct the activities you selected in Question 5 above?



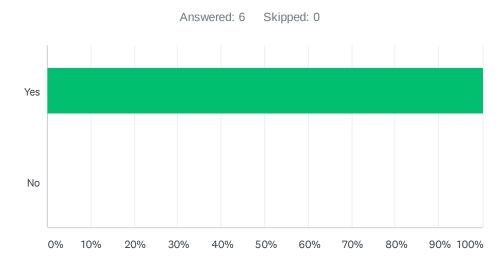
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-1 kilometres	0.00%	0
1-5 km	0.00%	0
5-10 km	16.67%	1
More than 10 km	83.33%	5
TOTAL		6

Q7 How far is your cabin or land from the Project site? (See map)



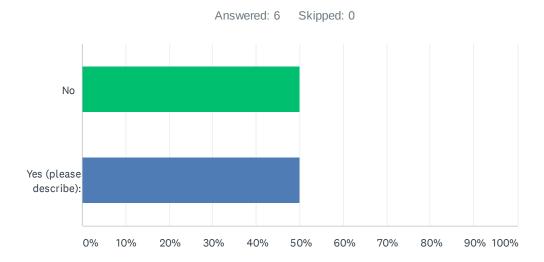
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-5 km	16.67%	1
5-10 km	0.00%	0
10-15 km	50.00%	3
15-20 km	33.33%	2
More than 20 km	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

Q8 Have you heard about the Project?



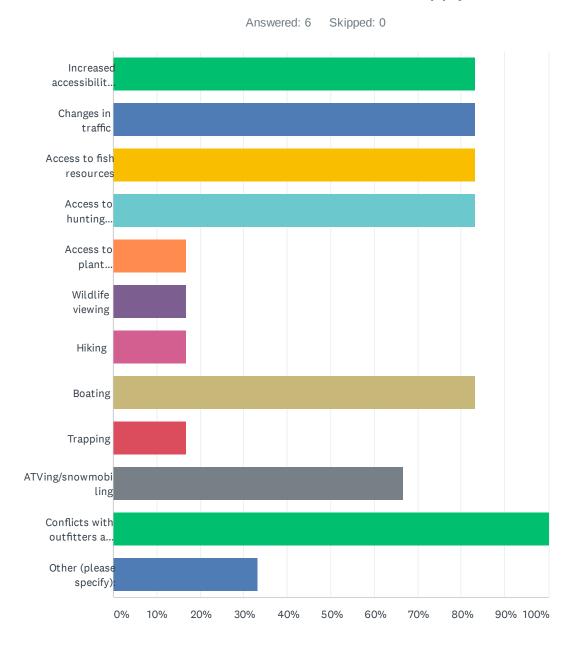
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	100.00%	6
No	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

Q9 Based on what was shared in the Project Fact Sheet, do you have any questions today about the Project?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No	50.00%	3
Yes (please describe):	50.00%	3
TOTAL		6

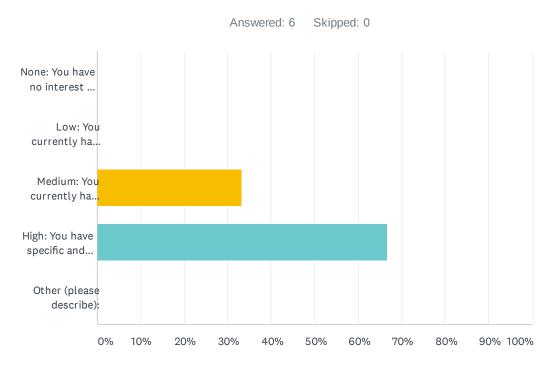
Q10 What issues or concerns are of particular interest to you? What do you feel should be considered in the Project Environmental Impact Assessment? Check all that apply:



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Increased accessibility to the area	83.33%	5
Changes in traffic	83.33%	5
Access to fish resources	83.33%	5
Access to hunting resources	83.33%	5
Access to plant harvesting/collecting resources	16.67%	1
Wildlife viewing	16.67%	1
Hiking	16.67%	1
Boating	83.33%	5
Trapping	16.67%	1
ATVing/snowmobiling	66.67%	4
Conflicts with outfitters and cabin owners	100.00%	6
Other (please specify):	33.33%	2
Total Respondents: 6		

Q11 We are committed to ensuring you have access to Project-related information in a format that best meets your interests and preferences. We will continue to provide Project updates on our website (www.denisonmines.com/projects/core-projects/wheeler-river-project/) but would also like to let you know when these updates occur including information that may be of interest to you. You would best describe your level of interest with the Project as:



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONS	SES
None: You have no interest in the Project or the assessment process and would not like to be updated on project status as the process advances.	0.00%	0
Low: You currently have a few concerns or questions about the project but would like to receive regular updates about the status of the Project.	0.00%	0
Medium: You currently have some concerns or questions with the Project and would like to receive regular information about these areas of interest and the project in general.	33.33%	2
High: You have specific and important concerns or questions with the Project and would like to be actively involved throughout the process to ensure these issues receive appropriate consideration.	66.67%	4
Other (please describe):	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

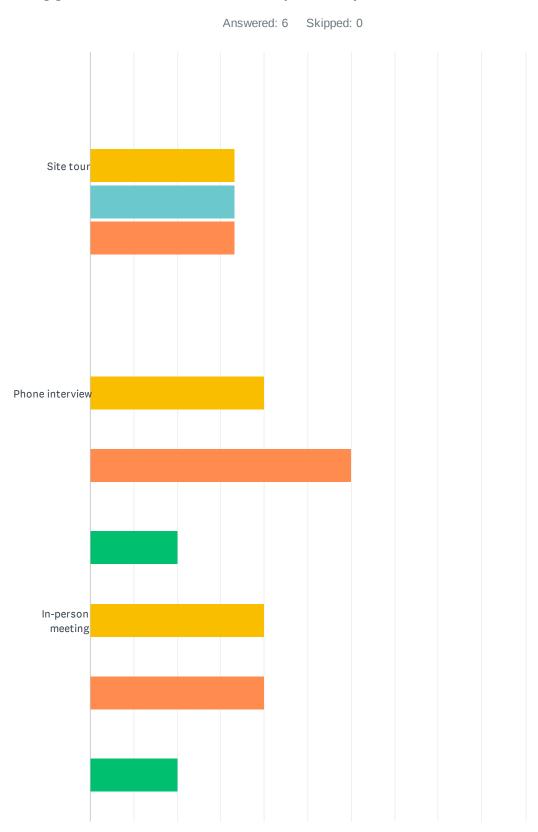
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Q12 How would you prefer to receive future Project information?

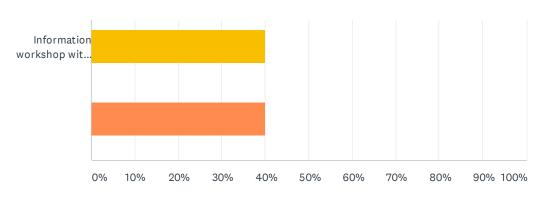
Answered: 6 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Email:	66.67%	4
Mail:	66.67%	4
Phone:	66.67%	4
Other:	0.00%	0

Q13 We are currently looking at opportunities to directly interact with lease holders and would like to know your interest level for any of the following? Please indicate your preference for each of the following. If you have suggestions or other ideas, please provide them as well:

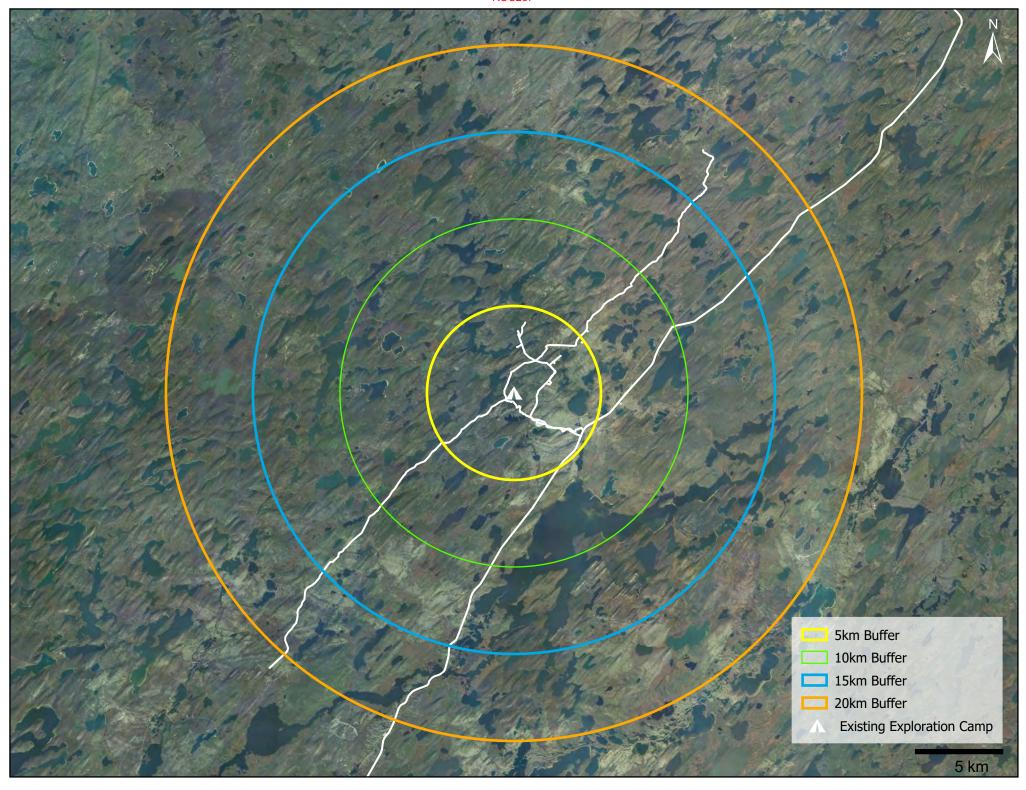


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No Interest 1	2	Some Interest 3	4	Strong Interest 5

	NO INTEREST 1	2	SOME INTEREST 3	4	STRONG INTEREST 5	TOTAL
Site tour	0.00%	0.00%	33.33% 2	33.33%	33.33% 2	6
Phone interview	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	0.00%	60.00%	5
In-person meeting	20.00%	0.00%	40.00%	0.00%	40.00%	5
Information workshop with other lease holders	20.00%	0.00%	40.00%	0.00%	40.00%	5



Record Summary

Denison and ERFN Trapper email correspondence, relating to ERFN Trapper interview on October 29, 2019, and the annotated material that followed. Text below highlights email subject matter in detail, with sensitive information removed.

Denison to ERFN Trapper, Nov 15, 2019

Denison and a Terrestrial Biologist met with ERFN Trapper on October 29th at Denison's Wheeler River camp. Denison and the Terrestrial Biologist compiled notes from our meeting with ERFN Trapper. Denison mailing printed hardcopies of the draft meeting notes, along with three larger maps, markers, blank sheets of paper, and return postage. The package is going to ERFN Trapper's mailing address and should arrive next week or early the following week. Denison has attached PDFs of the draft meeting notes and a list of action items here. The action items include some guidance on the land use mapping we discussed with ERFN Trapper. Denison wanted to give ERFN Trapper the file electronically in case this is easier to review. If there are any questions about the review and additional land use mapping once you receive the box, please let Denison know.

ERFN Trapper to Denison, Jan 02, 2020

ERFN Trapper forwarded Denison a copy of ERFN Trapper's interview notes with the annotated changes. All of these interview notes have been reviewed, with changes added that ERFN Trapper has identified. ERFN Trapper will send the maps and the hard copy shortly.

Denison to ERFN Trapper, Jan 02, 2020

Denison extends thanks to ERFN Trapper for taking the time to thoroughly go through this material. Denison will connect with ERFN Trapper in the in the near future to maintain communication, keep ERFN Trapper informed, and determine next stages.

Date: January 31, 2020 Event: In Person Discussion

Participants: Denison Representative, Cabin Leaseholder

Cabin Leaseholder:

Concerned with increase in lease fees, unable to establish contact with province about this. Interested in regulatory process.

Inquired over potential for change to haul road.

Stated people find ways around Key Lake gate along Old Fox Road.

Hasn't had issues related to theft.

Hears drilling noise at cabin. Unconcerned about noise from The Wheeler River Project, if it goes ahead.

Inquired about air quality

Main concern:

Treated effluent release to Whitefish Lake, flowing into McGowan Lake.

Denison staff overfishing on McGowan Lake, in future if project were approved.

Denison Representative:

Presented general information on the Wheeler River Project.

Noise assessment will include various human and animal receptors.

Explained mine water source, treatment, limits, and inclusion in the EA.

Stated that controls are in place to prevent overfishing.

Phone Call

Date: July 6, 2020

Denison: Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (CSR Manager), Janna Switzer (Environmental Manager)

Ile a La Crosse: Mayor

Notes:

Denison explained that the main purpose of the work this summer is to ensure that we really understand the groundwater movement patterns; groundwater movement understanding is key. Part of the plan is to drill some holes close to the lake so that we can make sure we understand what is happening with water movement near the close lakes.

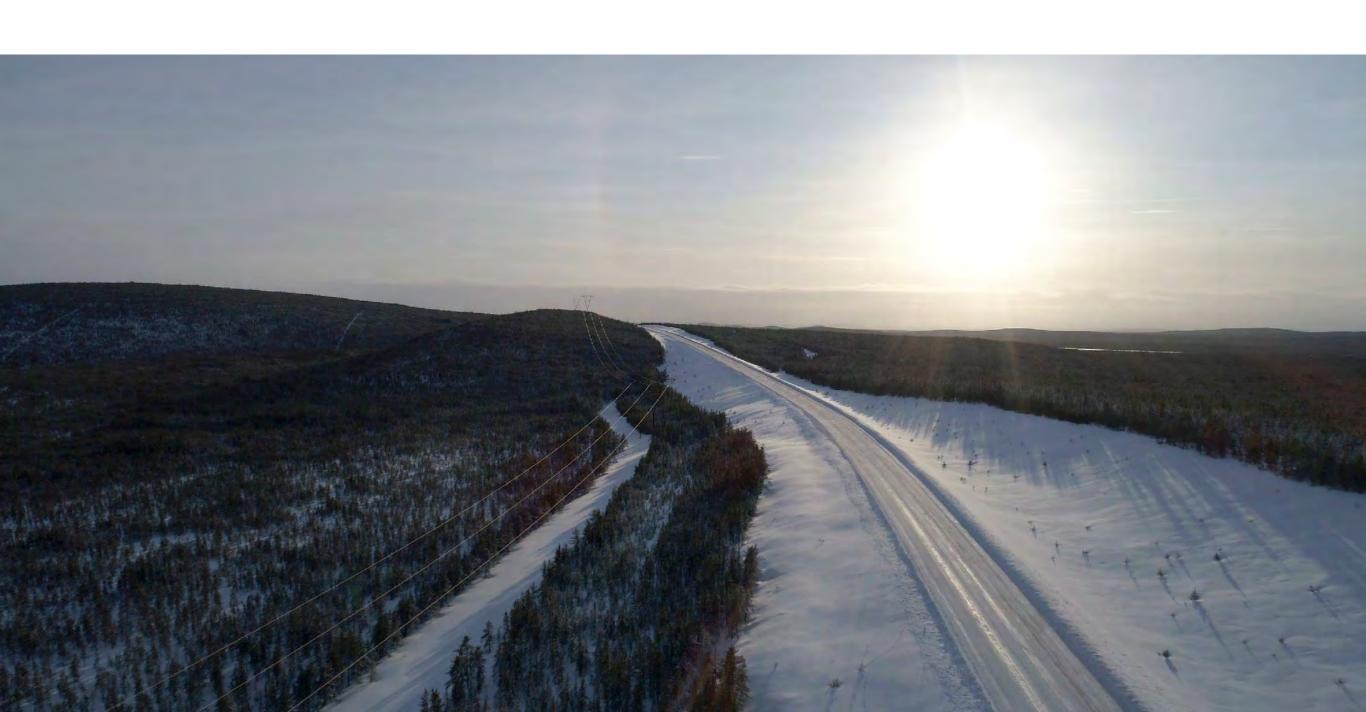
- Mayor: Are there aquifers in the area?
- Denison: Yes, the ore body is 400m below the sandstone, which is a water-laden sandstone, that can be considered an aquifer. The water around the ore body is extremely slow moving and very old water – it doesn't flow freely.
- Mayor: Will you open up / restart in January?
- Denison: Right now, that is part of the plan, but we will formally announce it when we are ready. Discussions on the predicted effects will be the first part of the communications plan.

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Cautionary Statements & References

Qualified Persons

The disclosure of a scientific or technical nature within this presentation, including the disclosure of mineral resources, mineral reserves, as well as the results of the Wheeler PFS and Waterbury PEA, was reviewed and approved by David Bronkhorst, P.Eng., who is a Qualified Person in accordance with the requirements of NI 43-101.

Technical Reports

- For further details regarding the Wheeler River project, please refer to the Company's press release dated September 24, 2018 and the technical report titled "Prefeasibility Study for the Wheeler River Uranium Project, Saskatchewan, Canada" with an effective date of September 24, 2018 ("Wheeler PFS").
- For further details regarding the Waterbury Lake project, please refer to the Company's press release dated November 17, 2020 and, with respect to mineral resource estimates, the technical report titled "Technical Report with an Updated Mineral Resource Estimate for the Waterbury Lake Property, Northern Saskatchewan, Canada Mineral Resource Estimate" dated December 21, 2018. ("Waterbury PEA"). The PEA is a preliminary analysis of the potential viability of the Project's mineral resources, and should not be considered the same as a Pre-Feasibility or Feasibility Study, as various factors are preliminary in nature. There is no certainty that the results from the PEA will be realized. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. Scheduled tonnes and grade do not represent an estimate of mineral reserves.

For a description of the data verification, assay procedures and the quality assurance program and quality control measures applied by Denison, please see Denison's Annual Information Form dated March 13, 2020. Copies of the foregoing are available on Denison's website and under its profile on SEDAR at www.secdar.com and on EDGAR at www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml.



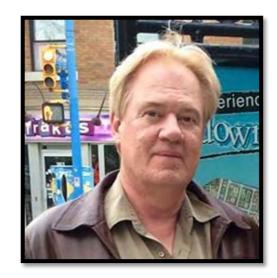
Agenda

- Introductions
- Denison Mines Corp.
 - Brief overview and ties to Athabasca Basin
- Wheeler River Project
 - Location, type of deposit
 - In Situ Recovery Mining
 - Status of Project
 - New and improved designs
- What's Next?

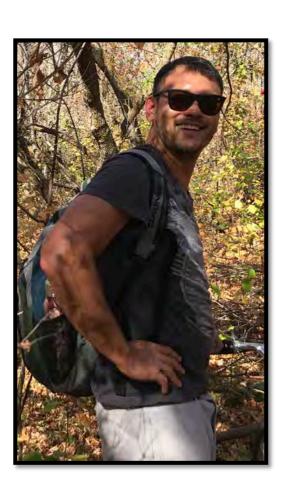


Denison Team

- Dave Bronkhorst, VP Operations
- Janna Switzer, Environment Manager
- Chad Sorba, Technical Manager
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- Xavier Lu Dac, Senior Engineer













Denison Mines / Wheeler River: Overview – building an Athabasca Basin focused uranium mining business



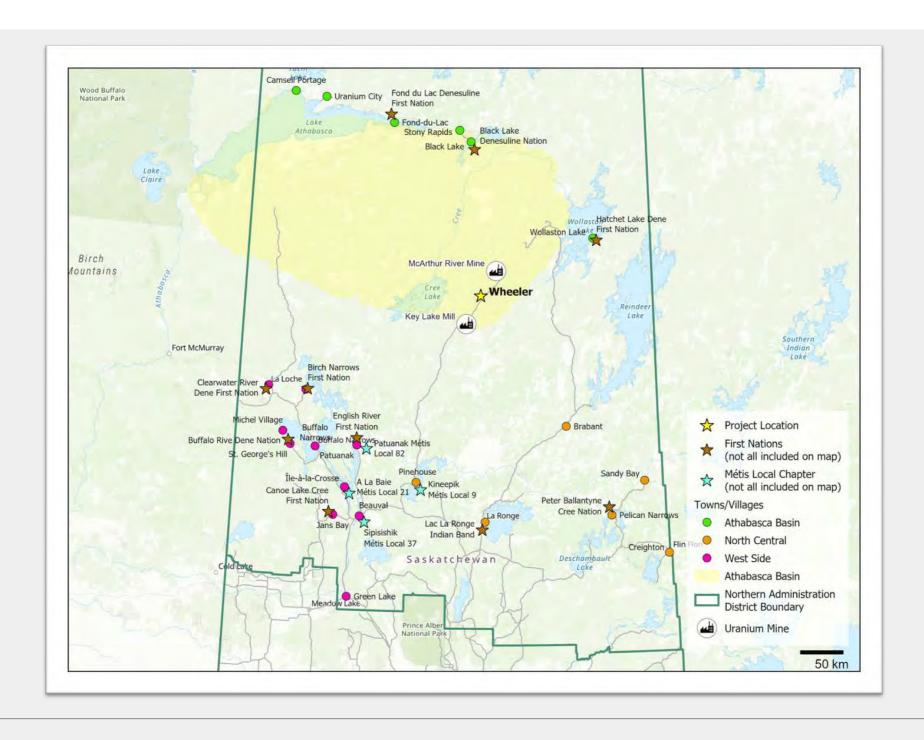
Strategic Asset Portfolio:

- 22.5% interest in McClean Lake Uranium Mill
- 90% interest in Flagship Wheeler River project
 - Advancing through development process
 - Largest undeveloped uranium project in the infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
 - Environmental Assessment ("EA") initiated
 - Innovative approach to mining using In Situ Recovery ("ISR") method
- 66.9% in the **Waterbury Lake Property**, hosting the Tthe Heldeth Tué (formerly J Zone) deposit
 - Recently completed Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA")
 - Amenable to ISR mining method
- Additional leverage to the uranium price
 - McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake all in close proximity to McClean mill
 - +250,000 hectares of exploration ground



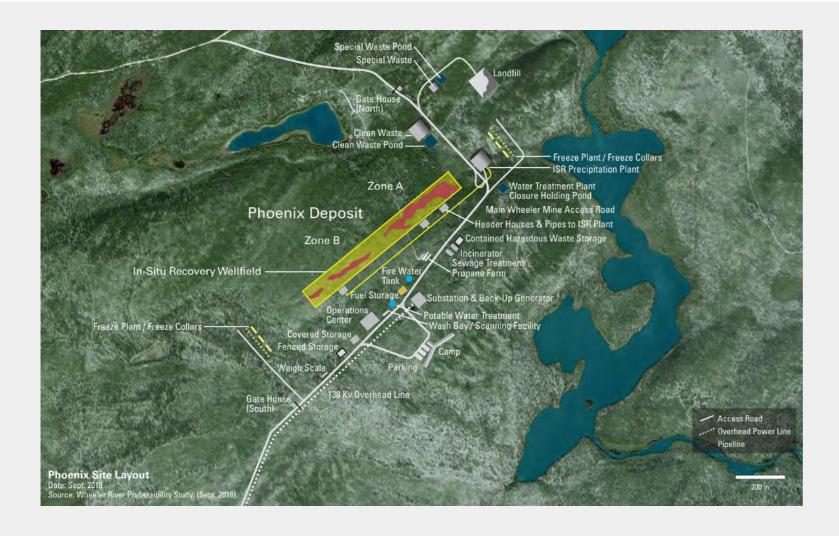


The Wheeler River Project: Location within northern Saskatchewan





Overview of Wheeler River Project: Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation

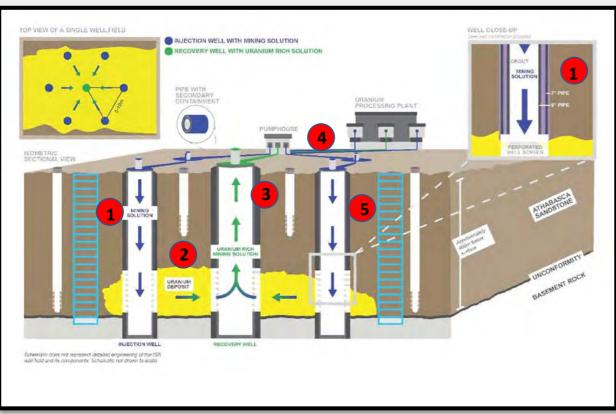


- ~200 person camp facility
- ISR wellfield & freeze plant
- Processing plant / Process Water Treatment Plant
- Water Treatment Plant holding ponds and treated effluent discharge point
- Clean and Special waste storage areas
- Plant Precipitates storage areas
- Warehousing and fuel storage facilities
- Back-up power generators
- Wash bay, scanning and weight scale facilities
- Potable and waste water treatment / storage



In Situ Recovery Mining Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca region





ISR is an Established Mining Method

 In Situ Recovery ("ISR") was first used in the 1960s and ISR produces more than half the world's uranium

How Does ISR Work?

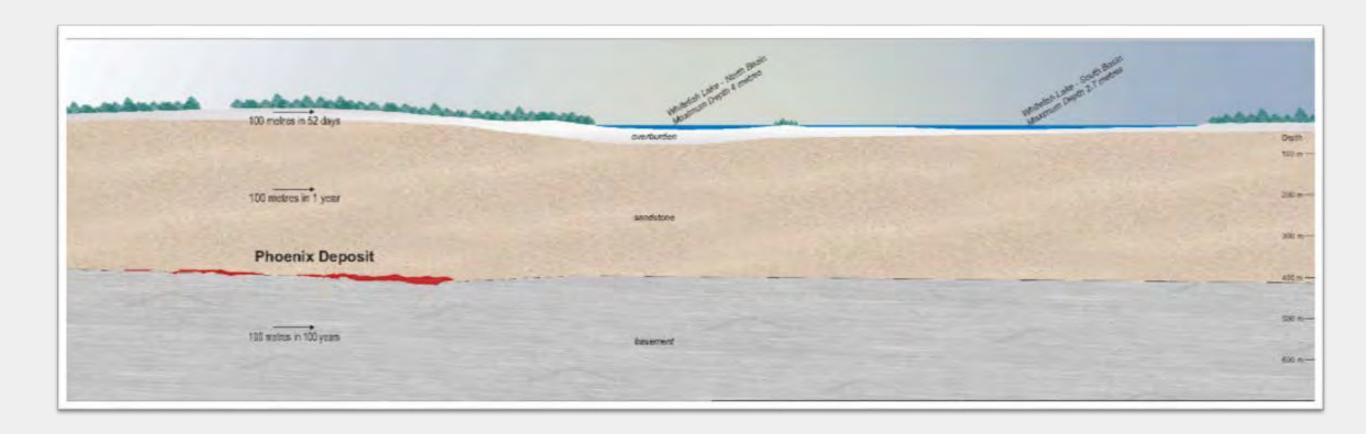


ISR mining: A progressive approach to mining uranium in the region



- All activities occur at surface; there are no traditional underground workings
- The ISR mining area has only wells (see picture to left) and pipes to plant; no open pits or major earthworks
- There is no tailings production, no large waste rock piles

ISR mining: What goes down, stays down



- The ore body is more than 400m below the lakes and river systems (almost height of CN Tower)
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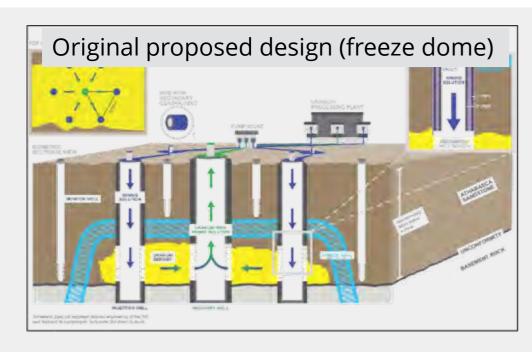


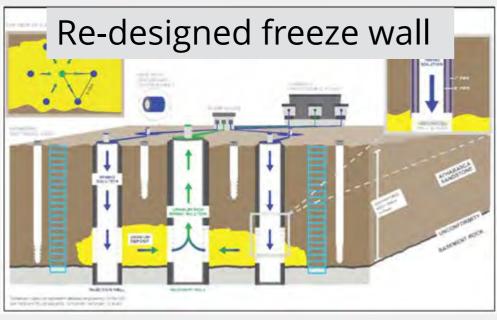
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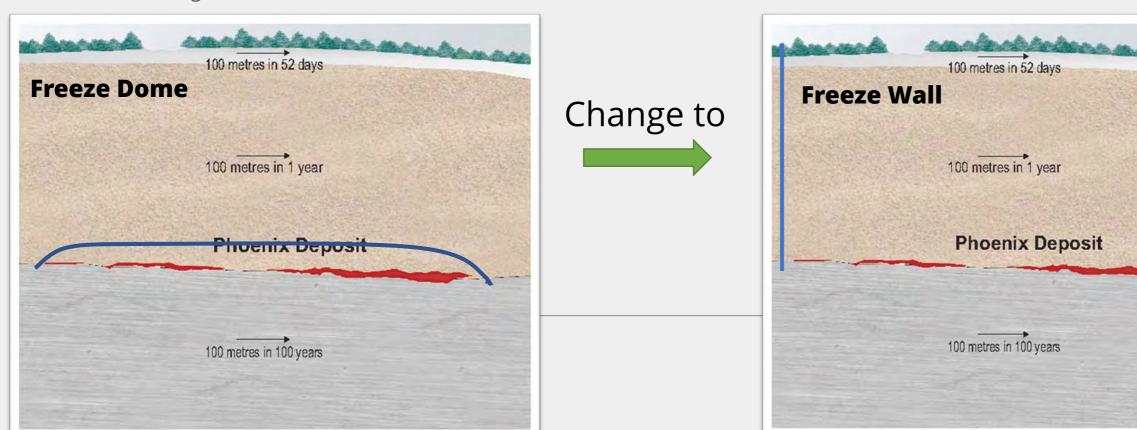


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Thank you





Date: December 9, 2020: 12:00pm to 1:00pm Event: Meeting with Beauval Mayor and Council

Beauval Mayor and Council

- Mayor Nick Daigneault
- Melvin Roy
- Thomas Durocher
- Wendy Eldridge
- Alvina Aubichon

Denison

- Dave Bronkhorst
- Carolanne Inglis-McQuay
- Xavier Lu Dac
- Janna Switzer
- Chad Sorba

Overview:

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Questions / Comments:

Q: Will you have an agreement similar to the ones that Cameco and Orano have? Will you have employment and training targets?

A: We will have a Surface Lease Agreement with the Province that will likely have specified goals regarding employment and training. And we will be going forward pursuing agreements with Indigenous communities as well. Those are in progress.

Q: What are the estimates for employment during construction and operation?

A: During construction, 200 - 300, during operation 150 - 200. We will be able to train people for the ISR positions in Meadow Lake and in Saskatoon, and also the training programs run like the one that Hy-Tech runs is applicable to the Project, because drillers will be needed for the freeze holes and also the wellfield.

Q: Do you have the Hy-Tech Driller Helper training program numbers over the past years?

A: Not handy but I will get them to you. Follow up to Nick D. on Hy-Tech numbers

Q. You are using Hy-Tech? Not Team Drilling?

A. We are using Hy-Tech for drilling at Wheeler. We are also connecting with other drilling companies in particular, for some research work related to the possibility of using a regular diamond drill and adapting it to use for the ISR well-field

Q. Can we have a site tour next summer?

A. Yes

Q. Team Drilling and Northlands College have a drilling training program. Would you bring something like this to our region?

A. Yes, we would and we would capitalize on the success they have had with delivering training programs to different regions in the north.

Q. What about the HR Database that was being worked on for the region by Nap Gardiner? We want to re-ignite that process to get a database going that will be helpful for us all, including Denison.

A. We've been in discussions with Nap, and I can bring this back up to him.

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 - Brief overview and ties to Athabasca Basin
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 - Location, type of deposit
 - In Situ Recovery Mining
 - Status of Project
 - New and improved designs
- What's Next?



Denison Team

- Dave Bronkhorst, VP Operations
- Janna Switzer, Environment Manager
- Chad Sorba, Technical Manager
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Denison Mines / Wheeler River: Overview – building an Athabasca Basin focused uranium mining business



Denison: Focused on opportunities within northern Saskatchewan

Strategic Asset Portfolio:

- 22.5% interest in McClean Lake Uranium Mill
- 90% interest in Flagship Wheeler River project
- · Advancing through development process
- Largest undeveloped uranium project in the infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
- Environmental Assessment ("EA") initiated
- Innovative approach to mining using In Situ Recovery ("ISR") method
- 66.9% in the Waterbury Lake Property, hosting the Tthe Heldeth Tué (formerly J Zone) deposit
- Recently completed Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA")
- Amenable to ISR mining method
- Additional leverage to the uranium price
- McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake all in close proximity to McClean mill
- +250,000 hectares of exploration ground

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The Wheeler River Project: Location within northern Saskatchewan



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Overview of Wheeler River Project: Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation



Key Site Elements:

- ~200 person camp facility
- ISR wellfield & freeze plant
- Processing plant / Process Water Treatment Plant
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- Clean and Special waste storage
- Plant Precipitates storage areas
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In Situ Recovery Mining Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca region





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ISR is an Established Mining Method

 In Situ Recovery ("ISR") was first used in the 1960s and ISR produces more than half the world's uranium

How Does ISR Work?

- 1. A mining solution is injected into the orebody using an Injection Well
- 2. Uranium is dissolved "in situ" (or, in place) as the mining solution travels through the orebody
- 3. The same solution carrying dissolved uranium is pumped to surface using a Recovery Well
- 4. The dissolved uranium is extracted from the solution on surface at a Processing Plant
- 5. The mining solution is returned to the Injection Wells for further production in a closed loop

ISR mining: A progressive approach to mining uranium in the region



How is ISR Different?

- All activities occur at surface; there are no traditional underground workings
- The ISR mining area has only wells (see picture to left) and pipes to plant; no open pits or major earthworks
- There is no tailings production, no large waste rock piles

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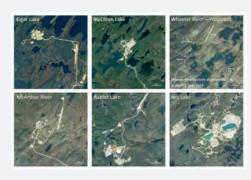


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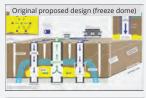
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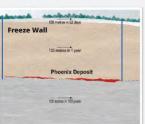
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December 9, 2020: 5:00PM to 5:45PM

Meeting with Pinehouse Mayor and Council

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- Acting CAO Stephanie
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Questions / Comments:

Q: Since we are the primary impact community, we need to make sure our community members understand In-Situ Recovery mining method – the community will question it and they need to understand it.

During the inquiry, our partner, Cameco, was missing, wasn't supportive of us anymore. We are supportive of the industry but we need support back and in return.

What kind of training and business opportunities will there be?

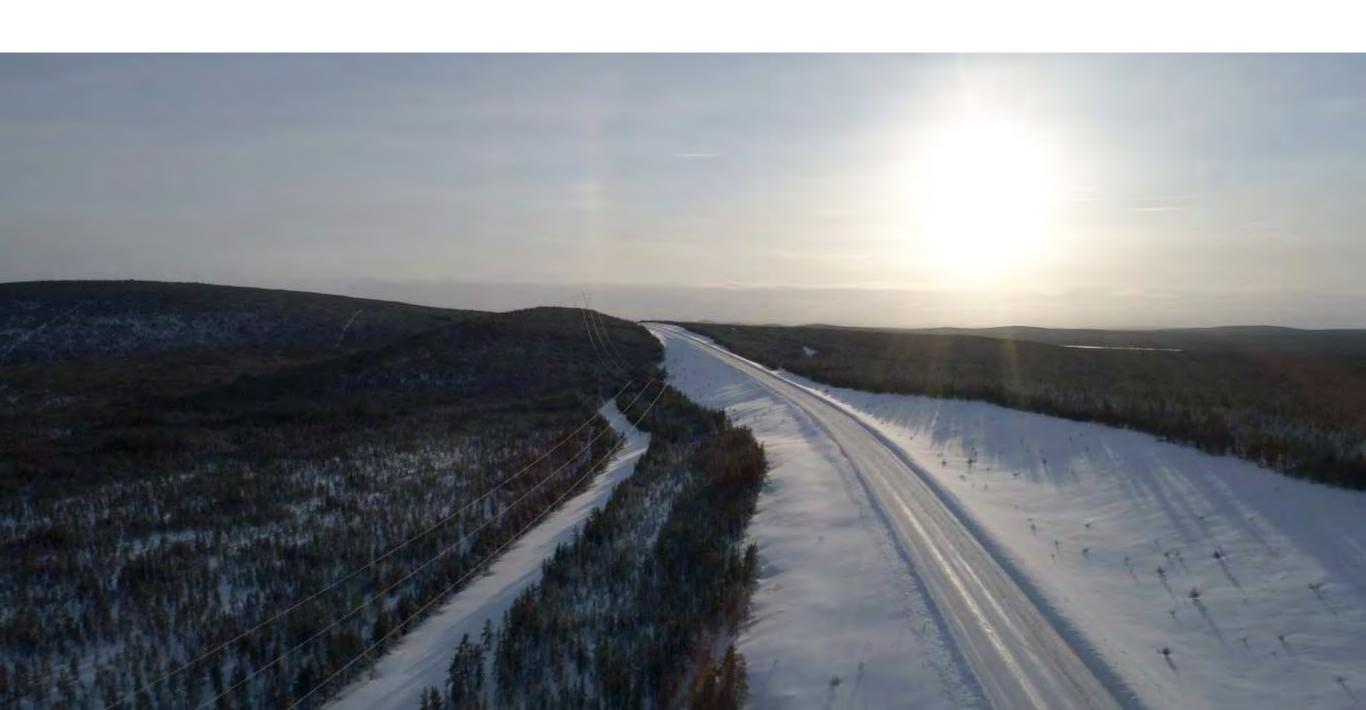
A. Training for process operators (ISR wellfield operators) and usual other training. On business side we will be able to offer benefits for both construction and operation, which will be an unusual things for the industry to be in a position to do.

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Denison Mines / Wheeler River: Overview – building an Athabasca Basin focused uranium mining business



Diversified Athabasca Basin Asset Base with Superior Development Leverage

Strategic Asset Portfolio:

- 90% interest in Flagship **Wheeler River** project
 - Development stage project
 - Largest undeveloped uranium project in the infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
 - Environmental Assessment ("EA") initiated
- 22.5% interest in McClean Lake Uranium Mill
 - Processing +12% of global uranium production
 - Excessed licensed capacity
- Additional leverage to the uranium price from interests in undeveloped uranium resources at McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake
- ~305,000 hectares of prospective exploration ground in the Athabasca Basin
- ✓ Internal sources of cash flow from Denison Environmental Services (DES), and management services contract with Uranium Participation Corp. (TSX-U)





~305,000 Hectares of Prospective Exploration & Development Ground Focused in the Infrastructure Rich Eastern Athabasca Basin



Flagship Wheeler River Development Project

Highlights⁽¹⁾:

- Host to two high-grade uranium deposits
- NI 43-101 compliant Pre-Feasibility Study ("PFS") considers staged development plan
- Phoenix estimated to potentially have lowest costs of any undeveloped uranium deposit globally
 - In-Situ Recover ("ISR") mining method
 - On-site processing to finished yellow cake
 - Initiation of EA approved by Board & JV
 - All-in costs of US\$8.90/lb U₃O₈
 - Operating costs of US\$3.33/lb U₃O₈
- **Gryphon** contributes additional low-cost pounds
 - Conventional underground mining approach
 - Assumes toll-milling at McClean Lake mill
 - All-in cost of US22.82/lb U_3O_8$
 - Operating costs of US\$11.70/lb U3O8
- Combined **109.4M** lbs U₃O₈ Probable Reserves
- Combined 14 year mine life
- Initial CAPEX (Phoenix) of **\$322.5M** (100%)
- ✓ Ownership: 90% Denison, 10% JCU





Denison Mines / Wheeler River: Phoenix – combining the world's lowest-cost uranium mining method with the world's highest-grade undeveloped uranium deposit



Denison Mines / Wheeler River: Transitioning from exploration to project development focus



Current Project Status

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Overview of Project Location: Future home of the Phoenix ISR uranium mining operation



Key Site Elements:

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Phoenix Geology: Unique uranium deposit with exceptionally high grades

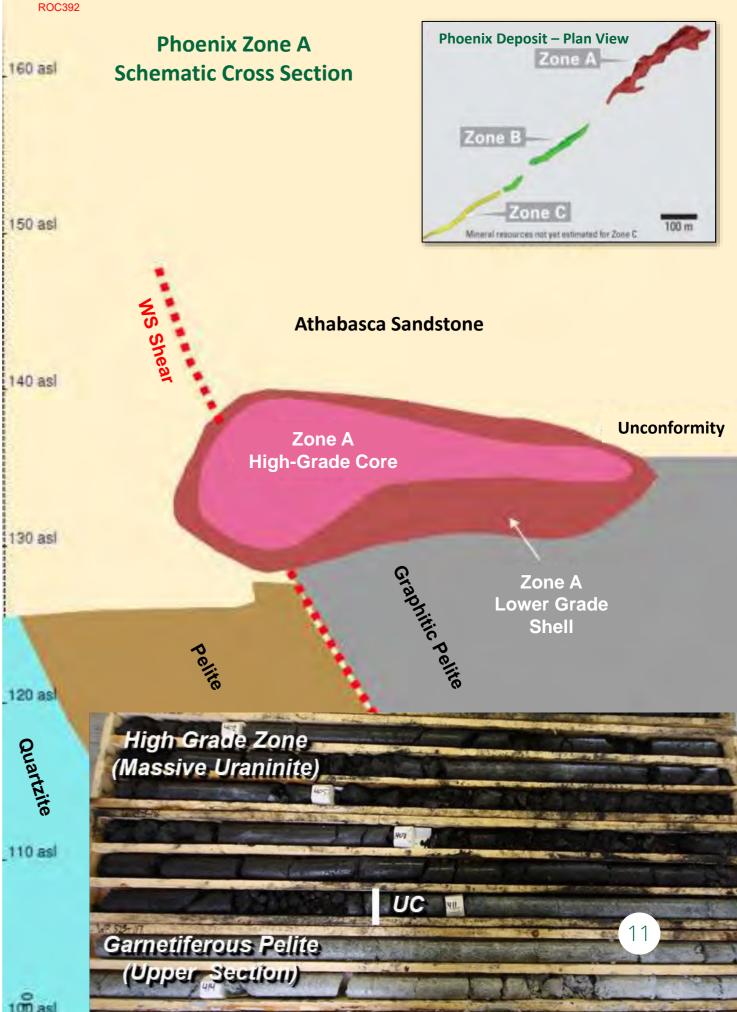
Highlights⁽¹⁾:

- Mineralization is situated at or immediately above the unconformity("UC")
- Two distinct zones Phoenix A + B
- Approximately 400m below surface
- World's highest-grade undeveloped uranium deposit
- 70.2 million pounds U₃O₈ @ 19.14% U₃O₈ Indicated mineral resources (166,400 tonnes)⁽²⁾
 - Zone A High-Grade Core contains an estimated 59.9 M lbs U₃O₈ @ 43.2% U₃O₈ (62,900 tonnes)
 - Cut-off grade of 0.8% U₃O₈
 - 1.1M lbs U_3O_8 in Inferred mineral resources (8,600 tonnes @ 5.8% U_3O_8)⁽³⁾

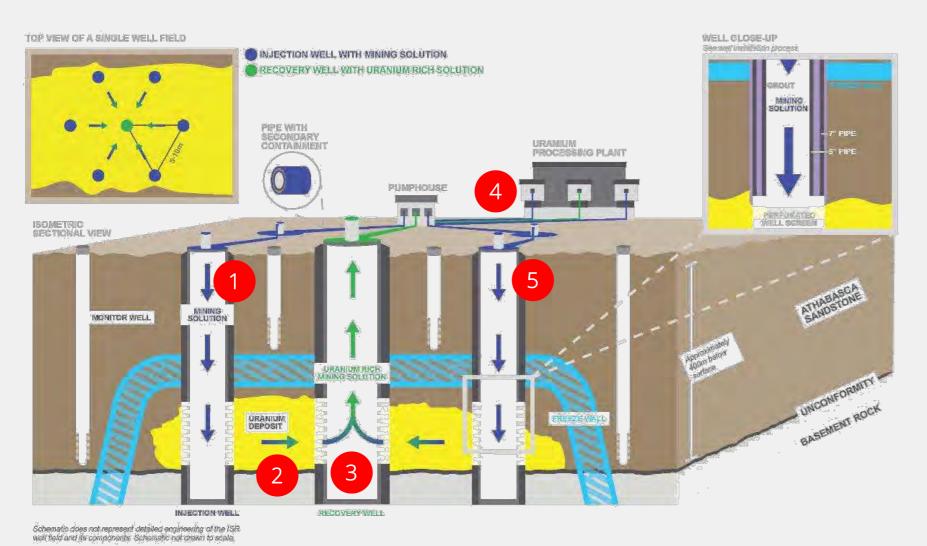
Geological setting expected to be amenable to ISR mining, with ~90% of the mineral resource (contained metal) hosted in sandstone

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Phoenix Operation: Application of low-cost ISR mining method to high-grade Athabasca Basin



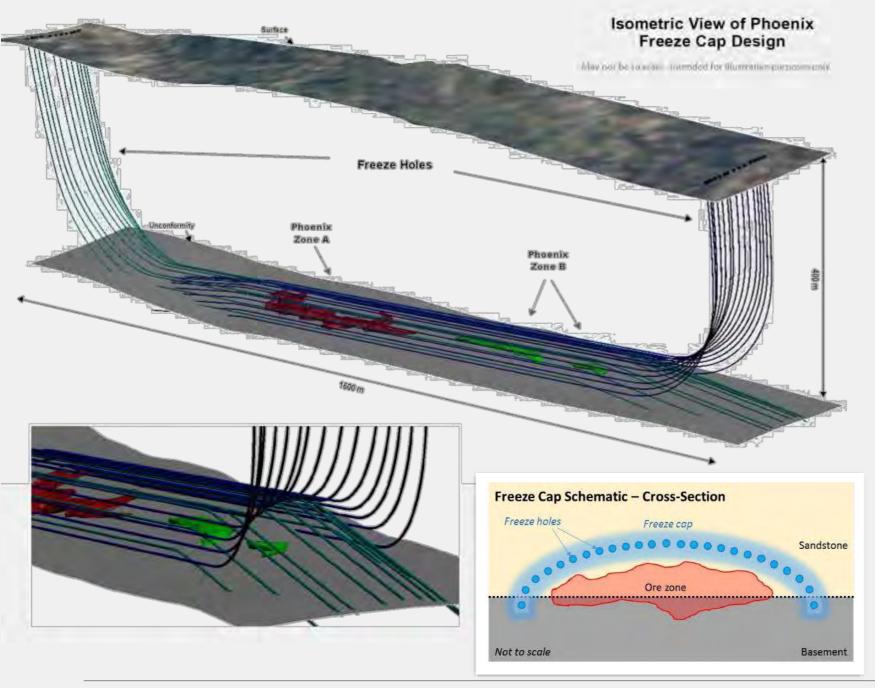
ISR Mining Process⁽¹⁾:

- Mining solution (also known as "lixiviant") is pumped through a permeable orebody via injection well
- 2. Lixiviant dissolves the uranium as it travels through the orebody
- 3. Uranium bearing mining solution ("UBS") is pumped back to surface via recovery well
- 4. UBS is sent to a processing plant on surface for chemical separation of the uranium and reconditioning of lixiviant
- 5. Lixiviant is returned back to well field for further production



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Phoenix Freeze Cap: Novel concept to contain mining solution, using established technology



Artificial freeze cap replicates confining layer typically required for ISR mining operations⁽¹⁾

- Parallel cased holes drilled from surface and anchored into impermeable basement rock surrounding the Phoenix deposit
- Circulation of low-temperature brine solution through cased pipes will freeze groundwater in sandstone surrounding the deposit
- 10 metre thick freeze wall, together with basement rocks will encapsulate Phoenix deposit
- ✓ Eliminates common environmental concerns with ISR mining and facilitates controlled reclamation

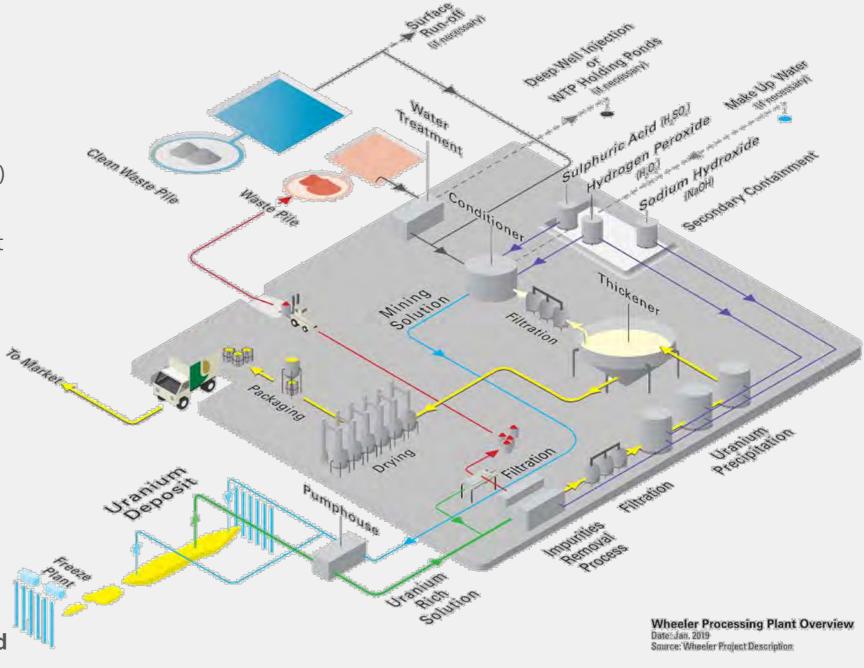


Phoenix ISR Processing Plant: Closed loop system and simplified plant design reduces the need for discharge

On-Site Processing Plant⁽¹⁾

- Annual production between 6 and 12 million lbs U₃O₈ – depends on uranium concentrations from wellfield (10 g/L → 6M lbs U₃O₈ / yr)
- No crushing or grinding circuits required – results in small footprint
- Low impurity solution allows for direct precipitation and eliminates need for ion exchange or solvent extraction circuits
- Potential for closed loop system that recycles mining solution with little to no discharge of treated effluent
- Drying/calcining to be done on-site in preparation for market

✓ Powered by Provincial power grid





Multimedia: Bringing the Wheeler River project to life





Wheeler River / Phoenix ISR: Different mining method and a different type of operation

Comparison to Precedent Athabasca Basin uranium mining operations:

Project Element	Existing Operations	Wheeler River Project	Observation
Annual jobs during operation	~1,050 – McArthur/Key Lake ~ 800 – Cigar / McClean	100 - 150	Wheeler work-force is <15% of existing operations; fewer opportunities to share benefits.
Estimated uranium resources amenable to selected mining method	~400 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ (remaining) at McArthur ~180 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ (remaining) at Cigar	~70 M lbs U ₃ O ₈ amenable to ISR mining	Wheeler ISR resources are <20% of the remaining uranium resources at McArthur, despite a decade plus of mining;
Annual production	~18M lbs U ₃ 0 ₈ at each of McArthur & Cigar	~6-12 M lbs U ₃ O ₈	Wheeler annual production expected to be 1/3 rd to 2/3 ^{rds} of each of McArthur and Cigar + small resource base means shorter mining life, and fewer years / opportunities to share benefits.
Initial costs of construction / initial capital costs	Estimated ~\$3B for Cigar	Estimated at \$325M per PFS	Building Wheeler is expected to cost ~10% of Cigar; fewer opportunities to share benefits

Other important considerations:

- On-site processing to yellowcake product: no trucking of mine production to off-site processing plant;
- · All jobs for ISR operation are above ground



Wheeler River / Phoenix ISR: Different mining method and a different type of operation⁽¹⁾



Advantages of ISR mining compared to existing uranium mining in Canada:

- ✓ Small surface footprint
- ✓ Lower water consumption
- ✓ Lower energy consumption
- ✓ Potentially near zero CO₂ emissions
- ✓ Small volume (potentially zero) treated effluent released to surface water bodies
- ✓ Potential for lower radiation doses to workers
- ✓ No tailings production
- ✓ Very small volumes of clean waste rock (sandstone core from wellfield development)



Denison Mines / Wheeler River: Maximizing current opportunities with a long-term view



Building a local workforce and supply chain:
Maximizing current opportunities

Efforts by Denison Contractors

 Main contractors at Wheeler Project site are contractually required to employ from Wheeler Partner communities and focus expenditures within Northern Administrative District (where possible)

Hy-Tech Drilling

- ➤ In 2019, 46% of employees from NAD and Wheeler Partner communities
- ➤ In 2019, 37% of expenditures with companies from NAD

• Pinehouse Business North

- ➤ In 2019, 100% of employees (working on Wheeler Project) from Pinehouse
- Catering service provider from Ile a la Crosse
 - ➤ 66% of employees from Wheeler Partner communities

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Supporting local business and investing in the community

Denison's Continual Efforts to Expand Business Opportunities

- Pinehouse Business North
- Beauval General Store (English River First Nation)
- Catering / camp services from Ile a la Crosse
- Pinehouse Photography Club
- Athabasca Basin Security / Medical
- CanNorth (Supporting EIS Preparation)

Community Investment

- Denison supports initiatives the communities consider important
 - ➤ Elders Gatherings; wellness and healing events; cultural and hunting camps
- Budget is reflective of early development / advanced exploration stage of the project
- Denison is open to innovative and different ideas to support communities



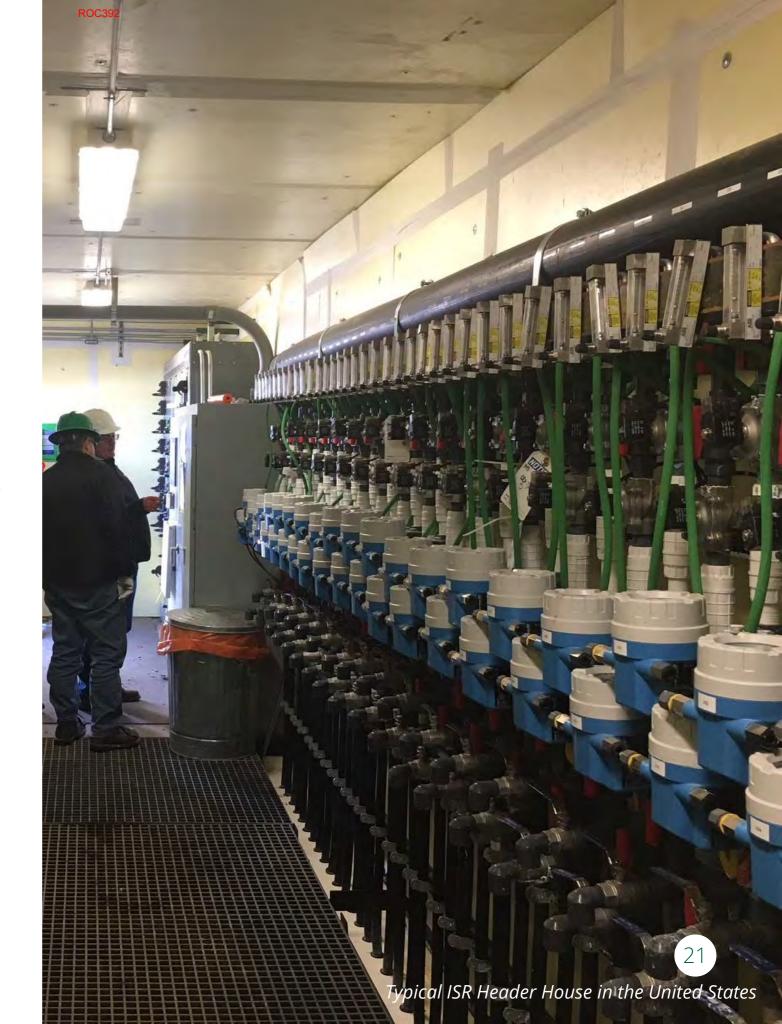


Building a local workforce

Potential employment opportunities associated with ISR mining operation:

- Targeted to Wheeler Partner Communities
- Up to 300 jobs during ~2 years of construction
- Approximately 100 jobs during operation of the planned ISR mining operation
- Opportunities similar to other uranium mining operations (processing plant, camp, security and EH&S roles)
- Various unique opportunities specific to an ISR mining operation, which will require diploma or technical certification available in Saskatchewan:
 - ✓ Process Operation Technician (SIIT in Meadow Lake)
 - ✓ Chemical Technology (Sask Polytechnic)
- In-house training programs can be developed once operations begin
- ISR mining positions are all surface-based
- Expected to operate as a fly-in / fly-out operation from planned Wheeler River airstrip
- Denison expects to support communities in efforts to build future workforce





Denison Mines / Wheeler River: Questions?



February 13, 2020: 1PM Denison Mines Corp. Wheeler River Project Presentation to Lac La Ronge Indian Band Lands and Resources Subcommittee

Attendees:

1.	Elder Grace Cook	5.	Councillor Larry Charles	9.	Jeanine Patterson
2.	Councillor Sam Roberts - Chair	6.	Gladys Christiansen7.	10.	Carolanne Inglis-McQuay
3.	Councillor Norman Ross	7.	Wilma Ratt	11.	Janna Switzer
4.	Councillor Dennis Sanderson	8.	Karen Adam	12.	Chad Sorba

Meeting Objective

Lac La Ronge Indian Band ("LLRIB") Lands and Resources Subcommittee requested Denison Mines Corp. ("Denison") to attend a scheduled meeting for an update on the Wheeler River Project ("The Project"). Denison provided a presentation to outline the In-Situ Recovery ("ISR") mining process and freeze dome containment envisioned for the Project deposit. An update on future well bore testing and intent to complete an Environmental Impact Statement was also provided.

List of Questions / Comments

Q – How did Denison get the property from Cameco

A – Denison has been a minority owner in the Project since 1984, owning a 40% equity stake in the Project with Cameco Corp. ("Cameco") as majority owner and operator among other partners. In 2006, Denison earned additional 20% equity stake in the Project from Cameco and Japanese Canada Uranium ("JCU") by way of exploration expenditures. As a result Denison became operator of the property and had a 60% equity interest. In 2018, Denison earned subsequent equity in the Project from Cameco. At present ownership in the Project in Denison 90%, JCU, 10%.

Q - How is ISR working so far?

A – Denison is taking a staged disciplined de-risking approach to the Project. De-risking the Project hinges on the testing of three main parameter (permeability, containment and leachability). The 2019 field program aimed to de-risk the permeability aspect of the project. To date results show that the deposit is permeable and have confirmed the ability to achieve bulk hydraulic conductivity values (a measure of permeability) consistent with the Pre-Feasibility Study ("PFS") released in 2018.

Q – Is it the same extraction method as oil? Is fracking involved?

A – No. Fracking is not involved in this. It is not the same extraction method as oil well removal. The extraction technique is more akin to Potash solution mining in Southern Saskatchewan. Denison has tested other permeability enhancement techniques as part of the 2019 field program that are mechanical in nature and do not involve 'fracking' of the rock.

Q – What about employment? If there are no underground workers then there will be less workers.

A – Yes, there are a reduced number of workers required at the operation because it is a different mining method. There won't be the same as the other operations. Those working with the ISR wellfield will have a different skill set, that is attainable at SIIT in Meadow Lake.

Q – Is this a more environmentally friendly mining method?

A – Generally speaking, yes. It will still have waste streams that have to be managed, but they will be different, as this is a different kind of mining. There won't be a tailings management area as northern Saskatchewan is presently familiar with.

Q – So no uranium tailings left behind?

A – Not in the traditional sense. There will have to be waste streams managed from the processing facility and the volumes will be much less than traditional tailings.

Q - How many wells would you need on surface?

A – At this point we've planned for 310.

Q – Where would the yellowcake be shipped?

A – Generally speaking to a refinery as dictated by our customers.

Q – How are you going to protect the water quality? We are concerned about mercury in fish, other animals, etc. Is there mercury or arsenic in the uranium solution?

A – The ore is very clean relative to other existing unconformity deposits in the Athabasca Basin (i.e.: Midwest, Cigar Lake etc.), and so levels of contaminants like mercury and arsenic are very low, if not completely absent. The water quality will meet all surface water quality guidelines.

Q – Is there any ammonia in the solution?

A – No.

Q – When are you aiming to construct?

A - 2024. This guideline is as per 2018 PFS report assumptions.

Q – Are you doing an individual Environmental Assessment? Do you need a permit for road construction?

A – We are doing our own Environmental Assessment for the Project, which would include any of the road work.

Q- Will the Wheeler River Project fall under the "Blanket Permit" of Cameco?

A- No. Denison will be required to obtain our own individual permits for the Project

Q – How many employees do you presently have with exploration?

A – Our camp can hold 40 people at one time. Many of the people on site are contractors for the drilling company or other companies. Denison does not have many direct employees.

Q – How much lower (in percentage form) are you in terms of environmental impacts? Are you 50% less impacts than the other operations? 60%? 30%?

A – It's hard to say specifically. We can look at our air emissions, water discharged, and surface area disturbed and come up with an estimate. At present we can't say. The environmental assessment will predict the effects of the project.

Phone Call, March 1, 2021

Denison: Carolanne Inglis-McQuay

Ile A la Crosse: Member of the Public

Notes:

The Member of the Public from Ile A la Crosse stated that monitoring should be done by northern Saskatchewan people / company; northern Saskatchewan people/companies have a focus on groundwater protection and a northern business would be the best to do this.

The Member of the Public from Ile A la Crosse stated that they have friends who work at Key Lake; they do testing for the companies.

The Member of the Public from IIa A la Crosse stated that Denison could start this company up now and return benefits back to the north. They stated that Northerners have the capability to do this. This could employ people over time; 20-30 people over the years

Denison and the Member of the Public from Ile A la Crosse discussed how these things were part of a vision for Denison over time, but it takes time to enact.

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Uranium Development & Exploration The Wheeler River Project

February, 2021 Ile a la Crosse Mayor and Council Meeting



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- Valued Components

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· Next Steps from Denison



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- · Xavier Lu Dac, Senior Engineer
- Dana Harris, Project Services Coordinator
- Mike Dawe, Environment and CSR Coordinator
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- · Regulate the use of nuclear energy and materials to protect health, safety, security and the environment
- Implement Canada's international commitments on the peaceful use of nuclear
- . Disseminate objective scientific, technical and regulatory information to the public



Introductions: CNSC

CNSC Regulates All Nuclear Facilities and Activities



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Introductions: CNSC

CNSC Staff

- Perform technical assessments and reviews
- Presents staff's assessment findings and recommendations
- Implement Commission decisions
- Conduct compliance inspections and oversight of the licensees facilities and activities
- Verify and enforce compliance with regulatory requirements
- Develop regulatory requirements and guidance
- Engage the public and Indigenous groups through outreach



Introductions: CNSC

Responsibilities

CNSC Responsibilities:

- . Make independent, objective, science based and risk-informed decisions
- · Set requirements
- Verify compliance

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ated Effluent Discharge

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Introductions: CNSC

Environmental Assessment

- Opportunities for public and Indigenous consultation are continuous
- Federal and provincial agencies are involved and contribute their expertise in Impact Assessments and Environmental Assessments
- Decisions are independent, transparent and evidence-based

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Introductions: CNSC

Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission **Environmental Assessment Process**

Introductions: CNSC

EA and Licensing



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In Situ Recovery ("ISR") Mining1: Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin

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ISR Mining:

A progressive approach to uranium mining uranium in the Athabasca Basin

How is ISR Different?1

- All activities occur at surface: there are no traditional underground workings
- · The ISR mining area has only wells and pipes to plant; no open pits, head-frame, or major earthworks
- · There is no tailings production or longterm tailings storage, plus no large waste

Waste Management Vision

- · Two main waste streams expected:
- > Gypsum (non-radioactive) remediated on site
- > Radium/Iron precipitates (radioactive) - removed from surface
- · No long term waste management expected to be required after mine closure

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✓ Groundwater in the sandstone around the ore body is not directly connected to surface water

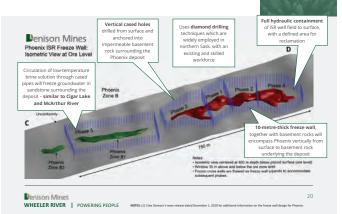
✓ Field testing in 2019 and 2020, as well as detailed hydrogeologic modelling shows that ground

water stays at depth - it doesn't move upward towards surface, and only moves laterally (at a very

✓ The freeze wall / fence is the ultimate contingency method to contain mining solution within mining.

Freeze Containment:

Established method to create frozen barrier around mining area1



Athabasca Basin Ground Water Modelling:

Ground water at depth stays at depth

~0.01km in on

slow rate) at the depth of the ore body

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Key Components

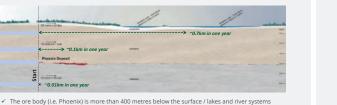
for the Project



Socio-economic Considerations:

Relatively small operation with opportunity to use existing skills











· ISR operators are similar to process operators (training can be done in Meadow Lake) · Specific ISR training will be provided

communities

security

 Pre-requisite training will include diploma or technical certification available in Saskatchewan. Examples: Process Operation Technician (SIIT in Meadow Lake)

Denison is committed to maximizing opportunities

Approximately 100 jobs during operation for 10 years

broad focus on northern Saskatchewan and Indigenous

• Similar job types to those at existing uranium operations

Trades, surface, environment, radiation, safety, camp.

Targeted efforts to Communities of Interest, with a

. Up to 300 jobs during ~2 years of construction

Chemical Technology (Sask. Polytechnic)

 Construction and operation activities targeted to Northern Saskatchewan / Indigenous-owned businesses

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Community Engagement Survey Completion:

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We are looking for your feedback

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Onen the camera on your phone or a OR scanning app

2. Hold it over the QR code

3 A link to the online survey online will pop up on your phone

4. Click on the link

5. Complete the survey

Survey closes on

February 18, 2021

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We are looking for your feedback





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Community Engagement Survey Completion:

Step 1 - Click link or scan QR code

CLICK HERE TO START SURVEY!

The survey link will be posted in the chat function of

Step 2 - Complete the survey by February 18, 2021

for a chance to win 1 of 10 VISA Gift Cards (\$100)

the Zoom meeting, as well as posted on your

community Facebook page after the meeting

Step 3 - Cross your fingers...

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Environmental Assessment:

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Understanding the Project's interactions with human and biophysical environment

Baseline Studies

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- · Environmental baseline studies have been ongoing since 2012
- · Denison needs to understand the current environmental conditions within and around the Wheeler River Project area

Environmental Assessment

- Initiated the federal and provincial environmental assessment processes in May 2019 with the Wheeler River Project Description
- Lead federal regulator: Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
- Lead provincial regulator: Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment, Environmental Assessment Branch
- · Technical studies designed to understand potential effects of the Project on the biophysical and human environments

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Valued Components: Understanding effects on the

things that are important

- · Gain an understanding of what is important to the people who use the area and to the people who may be affected by project activities.
- · Gather information through research, from regulator feedback and through engagement with communities and Indigenous groups communities
- Design the environmental studies to predict how the VC's may change and what measures can be put in place to minimize and monitor the changes
- · Monitoring and reporting of the changes to VC's will carry on throughout all phases of the project into decommissioning and post closure



Economy



Land and Resource Use, Cultural Continuity



Quality of Life



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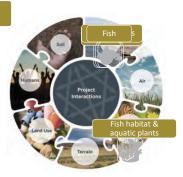
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Terrestrial



Aquatic



Groundwater



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Atmosphere & Acoustic



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Next Steps: *Keeping conversation going and community informed*



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Conversation Channels

- Denison will be continually improving communication
- Denison will use information shared with us to inform environmental assessment
- Denison will share information back with the community and leadership regarding what we heard from these sessions
- Contact us at WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmi nes.com

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Meeting with Leadership of Ile a La Crosse February 10, 2021

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Xavier Lu Dac
Carolanne Inglis-McQuay

CNSC Doug Wylie Ryan Froess **Province of Saskatchewan** Aimann Sadik Breanne England Jeff Dereniwski Ile a la Crosse Municipal Leaders Mayor Duane Favel Donny Favel (CAO) Councillor Gerald Roy Councillor Vince Ahenakew Councillor Myra Malboeuf Councillor Kevin Favel

Denison showed the video of the updated Wheeler River Project and confirmed it remained acceptable for Denison to go ahead with the virtual meeting for the municipality in the evening, given the concerns raised by the Metis Nation – Saskatchewan

Leadership confirmed this was appropriate, as the village represents all residents, including Status, non-Status, Metis, non-Indigenous, etc.

Leadership asked if MNS had contacted the Village asking to cancel the meeting.

Another member of leadership responded by saying that MNS had contacted the Village and had asked if it was appropriate for the MNS to attend, to which Leadership indicated the meeting was open to everyone, including the MNS.

A question was asked about Denison's recent press release regarding high grade discovery at the Wheeler Project and its impact on the Project.

Denison noted that it was good to have these kind of results but that they need to be looked at in the bigger picture in terms of exploration to support the Project.

A question was asked of the CNSC whether or not the MNS or the Village can get intervener status for the Project and associated funding.

Response was that anyone can get intervener status for the Project; they just have to apply at the right time to the right agency.

Leadership asked about the timelines for the Project, in terms of getting the communities ready.

Denison responded by saying that overall, once the Project receives approval, it is likely about a 20-year Project. Timeline to begin construction has not yet been publicly released.

Email

Date: February 11, 2021

Denison: Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Corporate Social Responsibility Manager)

Ile a La Crosse: Member of the Public

Notes:

Denison received a follow-up question after a virtual community presentation in Ile a La Crosse. The email stated:

Just want to say it was an excellent presentation

I have some questions for follow up. Once production begins it was said that there would be 100 employees. Would you be able to break that down a bit more so we can let our high school students know and to get some training happening. I am assuming this is 50 people per shift. Could you break down the numbers to

Upper managemen & engineering

Office staff

Catering staff is this contracted?

Environmental monitoring

Mill operators

Radiation technicians

Other fields I might not know about

Labourers

We can then make some strategic training plans around these numbers

Thanks

Wheeler River Project information presentation for Beauval residents

February 9, 2021 rescheduled to 6pm tonight

Use the link provided in the body of this post to access the Zoom session.

Meeting ID: 852 9113 9517 - Passcode: 12345

The Wheeler River Project Team looks forward to seeing you and hearing from you on Zoom.

This community meeting was planned in collaboration with the Mayor and staff of the Northern Village of Beauval to provide information and seek feedback with respect to Denison's proposed Wheeler River Project. This is a public meeting, which is open to all residents of the Village and surrounding areas.

Denison is also working with Métis Nation-Saskatchewan to arrange separate meetings with Métis leadership and citizens to understand the distinct interests of the Métis in respect of the project.

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Win Door Prizes
Listen to Local Entertainment
During Breaks

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Join the Wheeler River Project team for an online information presentation.



February 9

Northern Village of Beauval The Beauval meeting has been rescheduled to 6:00pm - 7:30pm tonight.

February 10

Northern Village of Ile-à-la-Crosse 6:30pm - 8:00pm

February 11

Northern Village of Pinehouse 6:30pm - 8:00pm

The link to join each presentation and feedback session is available on your community's Facebook page and Denison's.

Or use the following Zoom Login Information:

Beauval Meeting ID: 852 9113 9517 - Passcode: 12345

Ile-a-la-Crosse Meeting ID: 880 7924 4502 - Passcode: 12345

Pinehouse Meeting ID: 810 9625 9594 - Passcode: 12345

Win **door prizes** from local companies and others. Listen to **local entertainment** during breaks.

We look forward to meeting with you via Zoom.

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Denison Public Meetings FB Post

Beauval Facebook Page

Residents of Beauval are invited to attend a public meeting with Denison's Wheeler River Project team next week.

The meeting will take place virtually via Zoom **at 6pm**. There will be entertainment from local artists during the breaks and the opportunity to win door prizes and participation prizes during the meeting. All of the details are below:

Rescheduled to 6:00pm - 7:30pm Tuesday, February 9, 2021

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85291139517?pwd=NUJqWVIzdzVkczhaMHRKM092NFhwdz09

Meeting ID: 852 9113 9517 Meeting Passcode: 12345

To join by phone; 1 647-374-4685

Enter Meeting ID: 852 9113 9517#

Password: 12345#

Entertainment

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Doors Prizes

Five \$100 gift certificates to Beauval General Store

Five \$100 gift certificates to Mdeez

Survey Participation Prizes

Two \$250 gift certificates to Beauval General Store

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February, 2021 Beauval Public Information Meeting



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This community meeting was planned in collaboration with the Mayor of the Northern Village of Beauval to provide information and seek feedback with respect to Denison's proposed Wheeler River Project. This is a public meeting which is open to all residents of the Village and surrounding areas.

Denison respects the Delegation of the Duty to Consult Responsibilities signed by the Métis Local Presidents in August 2019, delegating consultation matters to the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan (MNS). In accordance with that delegation, Denison has been requested to direct all local Métis-related consultation to the MNS leadership and designated negotiators.

Denison is working with MNS to arrange separate meetings with Métis leadership and Citizens in the coming weeks to understand the distinct interests of the Métis in respect of the project.

'Virtual Meal' to Support High School Fundraising



- Denison is proud to make a \$2,500 **donation** to the school for a 'virtual' meal to support high school fundraising efforts
- the schools teachers, janitors, bus drivers, librarians, maintenance and administration

Agenda

- Opening
- · How to Use Zoom
- 'Virtual' Meal Support to the High Schools
- · Introductions (Denison, Province, CNSC)
- · Wheeler River Project Overview
- · Door prize draws and entertainment
- Environmental Assessment Process
- Valued Components
- Questions and Answers
- Next Steps from Denison
- · Final door prize draws and entertainment

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How to Participate using Zoom Features





Chat and Video Function

- Enter your name and community in the chat function if you'd like to be entered to win a prize for
- · The chat function is also where we will have you answer questions we pose throughout the presentation to be entered to win a prize for participation
- The chat function is a place to ask us questions, as the microphones will be muted
- Video you can turn your video on or off (video off often improves quality of video conference)

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Denison's Guiding Principles

- · Denison recognizes and is deeply respectful of the fact the that Wheeler River project is located within the boundaries of **Treaty 10**, and is in the heart of the traditional territory of the English River First Nation, and in the homeland of the Métis of Saskatchewan
- Denison has the utmost respect for Indigenous communities, Indigenous Rights, and Indigenous knowledge
- We wish to **share the land** and to work in
- Denison understands the importance of protecting the area in which we are

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- **Thank you** to all staff working so hard in

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In Situ Recovery ("ISR") Mining: Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin **Key Components** for the Project

Project Location First Nations (not all included on map)

Athabasca Basir

North Central

Athabasca Basir Northern Administration District Boundary

Métis Local Chapter (not all included on map







In Situ Recovery ("ISR") Mining1:

Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin



Athabasca Basin Ground Water Modelling: Ground water at depth stays at depth





- ✓ The ore body (i.e. Phoenix) is more than 400 metres below the surface / lakes and river systems ✓ Groundwater in the sandstone around the ore body is not directly connected to surface water
- ✓ Field testing in 2019 and 2020, as well as detailed hydrogeologic modelling shows that ground
- water stays at depth it doesn't move upward towards surface, and only moves laterally (at a very slow rate) at the depth of the ore body
- ✓ The freeze wall / fence is the ultimate contingency method to contain mining solution within mining. area

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ISR Mining:

A progressive approach to uranium mining uranium in the Athabasca Basin

How is ISR Different?1

- · All activities occur at surface; there are no traditional underground workings
- · The ISR mining area has only wells and pipes to plant; no open pits, head-frame, or major earthworks
- · There is no tailings production or longterm tailings storage, plus no large waste

Waste Management Vision

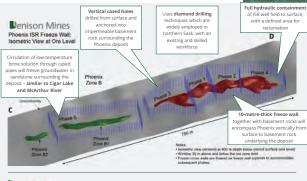
- · Two main waste streams expected:
- Gypsum (non-radioactive) remediated on site
- > Radium/Iron precipitates (radioactive) - removed from surface
- · No long term waste management expected to be required after mine closure

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Freeze Containment:

Established method to create frozen barrier around mining area1



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Wheeler River / Phoenix ISR:

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Community Engagement Survey Completion:

Step 1 - Click link or scan QR code

Different mining method and a different type of operation1

Key Components for the Project

Advantages of ISR mining compared to existing uranium mining in Canada:

- ✓ Small surface footprint
- ✓ Lower water consumption
- ✓ Lower energy consumption ✓ Lower CO_¬ emissions
- ✓ Small volume treated effluent released to surface water
- ✓ Potential for lower radiation doses to workers
- ✓ No tailings production; storage of precipitated byproducts
- ✓ Very small volumes of clean waste rock (sandstone core from wellfield development)

Socio-economic Considerations:

Relatively small operation with opportunity to use existing skills

Key Components for the Project

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can be done in Meadow Lake) · Specific ISR training will be provided

communities

security

 Pre-requisite training will include diploma or technical certification available in Saskatchewan. Examples:

Denison is committed to maximizing opportunities

 Approximately 100 jobs during operation for 10 years Targeted efforts to Communities of Interest, with a broad

Similar iob types to those at existing uranium operations

· Trades, surface, environment, radiation, safety, camp,

· ISR operators are similar to process operators (training

• Up to 300 jobs during ~2 years of construction

focus on northern Saskatchewan and Indigenous

- · Process Operation Technician (SIIT in Meadow Lake) Chemical Technology (Sask. Polytechnic)
- Construction and operation activities targeted to Northern Saskatchewan / Indigenous-owned businesses

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15 Minute Break



Door Prizes

- ✓ 3 x \$100 Gift Certificate to the Beauval General Store
- ✓ 3 v \$100 Gift Certificate to Mdeez Confectionary

Prizes at end of Presentation

- ✓ 2 x \$100 Gift Certificate to Beauval General Store
- ✓ 2 x \$100 Gift Certificate to Mdeez Confectionary
- ✓ 2 x \$250 Gift Certificate to

CLICK HERE TO START SURVEY! The survey link will be posted in the chat function of the Zoom meeting, as well as posted on your community Facebook page after the meeting

Step 2 - Complete the survey by February 18, 2021

Step 3 - Cross your fingers...

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for a chance to win 1 of 10 VISA Gift Cards (\$100)

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- Open the camera on your phone or a OR scanning app
- 2. Hold it over the QR code
- 3. A link to the online survey online will pop up on your phone
- 4. Click on the link
- 5. Complete the survey

Survey closes on February 18, 2021



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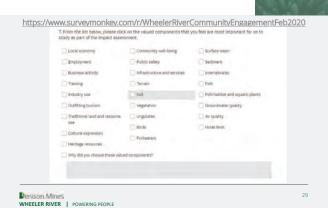


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Environmental Assessment:

Understanding the Project's interactions with human and biophysical environment

Baseline Studies

- · Environmental baseline studies have been ongoing since 2012
- · Denison needs to understand the current environmental conditions within and around the Wheeler River Project area

Environmental Assessment

- Initiated the federal and provincial environmental assessment processes in May 2019 with the Wheeler River Project Description
 - Lead federal regulator: Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
 - Lead provincial regulator: Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment, Environmental Assessment Branch
- · Technical studies designed to understand potential effects of the Project on the biophysical and human environments

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Valued Components: Understanding effects on the things that are important

- Gain an understanding of what is important to the people who use the area and to the people who may be affected by project activities.
- Gather information through research, from regulator feedback and through engagement with communities and Indigenous groups communities
- Design the environmental studies to predict how the VC's may change and what measures can be put in place to minimize and monitor the changes
- · Monitoring and reporting of the changes to VC's will carry on throughout all phases of the project into decommissioning and post



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Economy



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Quality of Life



Terrestrial



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Aquatic



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Groundwater



Atmosphere & Acoustic



Questions / Comments Summary of questions



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Next Steps:

Keeping conversation going and community informed

Wheeler River Project

- UNDER DEVELOPMENT



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Conclusion: Thank you for attending!



Conversation Channels

- Denison will be continually improving communication channels
- Denison will use information shared with us to inform environmental assessment
- Denison will share information back with the community and leadership regarding what we heard from these sessions
- Contact us at
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A summary of the survey results will be shared on the Denison Mines website in March 2021. There are several benefits of sharing your thoughts in the survey questionants. Vour input will help Benison Mines focus on environmental components, concerns or topics that matter most to your commanity. If you choose to leave your manne and contact information at the conclusion of the survey, you will be entered into a prize draw for one of ten \$100 VEA gift cards. Participation in the draw is optional and only those who complete the survey will be entered in the draw.

Porticipation in this survey is voluntary. If you agree to participate it will require a minimum of 15 minutes of your time to answer questions about components of the environment that you value, and any interests or concerns you have related to the Wheeler River Project. During the survey we will sak you some questions including your age, residence, if you identify as an Aboriginal person, and how you draw about the survey. Finally in order to be entered into the prize draw, you must provide your name and counter information.

Providing your name and contact information is optional. All information you share in this survey questionnaire will be kept strictly confidential and your name will not be associated with the data we collect. Your identity will remain confidential in all publications and public presentations related to this research.

If you have any questions or concerns about this survey questionnaire, please contact WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmines.com



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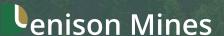
Beauval Community Presentation – Questions and Comments February 9, 2021

Questions

- How long do you anticipate for this EIA to go through the whole process?
- Would Denison mines be open to signing a collaboration agreement with Beauval and surrounding communities? Kinda like the one Pinehouse and Patuanak have with Cameco/Orano.
- Where are you planning on processing this ore, are you planning on trucking it to an existing mill similar to the Cigar process?
- Sounds like a lot of drilling, Is Denison mines planning to partner up with Northlands College or other training organizations to offer some training courses to get our people trained and ready for employment?
- What is the percentage U308 of this ore body and is this fairly clean ore, are you anticipating any arsenic in this ore?

Community comments from the chat

- "Thanks Denison Mines for the great presentation. This is my second presentation from Denison mines I've attended, and I appreciate the great communication. Cheers"
- "Thanks guys excellent presentation have a great night"



POWERING PEOPLE WHEELER RIVER

WHAT WE HEARD FROM RESIDENTS OF BEAUVAL AND REGION

Thank You for Attending

Denison's Wheeler River Project team thanks everyone who attended its municipal presentation via Zoom or 94.1FM Beauval radio on February 9, 2021, and for responding to the follow-up survey.

Although we are not sure how many of you listened on the radio, we counted 15 participants logged into Zoom to attend this online event, while some of you had others watching with you at home. Seventy percent (70%) of the people who attended and answered our post event survey were between the ages of 16 and 34 years old, while 35 to 64-year-olds accounted for 30%, and there were none who identified as being 65 and over. Thank you also to Jordyn Burnouf for being the emcee for the evening, to Elder Mabel Morin for the prayer and Ernestine for the entertainment.

The Purpose of This Municipal Presentation

We wanted to make sure that community members and leadership are aware of the proposed project, the plans for the future, the opportunities for the community, and to also give an opportunity to the project's provincial (Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment) and federal (Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission) regulators to participate and introduce themselves.

Wheeler River Project in a nutshell

The Wheeler River Project is located 35 km north-east of the Key Lake mill and 35 km southwest of the McArthur River uranium mine in the south-eastern portion of the Athabasca Basin region.

This proposed uranium mining project will use the In Situ Recovery (ISR) mining method, which is different than any of the existing uranium mines in the Athabasca Basin region - all activities occur at the surface, meaning there are no shafts/underground workings, no open pits, and no major earthworks. While new to the Athabasca Basin, ISR mining is the most common uranium mining method globally. A 10-metre-thick freeze wall separates the mining areas from the surrounding ground water. A solution is injected into the orebody to dissolve the uranium in place (in situ) and the solution carrying the dissolved uranium is pumped to surface where the uranium is extracted from the solution. The same solution is then pumped back into the ground to dissolve more uranium and so on in a closed loop. With this method there is no production of tailings and no large waste rock piles.



Read the Wheeler River Fact Sheet here



Watch the Wheeler River ISR Method Video <u>here</u>



at the Phoenix Deposit in April 2021 <u>here</u>



Community Insight

During the meeting participants asked many questions and also provided valuable insight in responding to the follow-up survey. Here are the main points made by community members:

Of all 26 interconnected valued components (VCs), which are the environmental or social aspects that may be impacted by a project, you indicated that the following were most important:

- Air qualit
- Birds
- Employment and trainin
- Fish, their habitat ai aquatic plants
- Local Economy
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- Surface water and Groundwater quality
- Traditional land and resource use



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Continue involving communities through public sessions as well as correspondence to community leaders.

- Beauval Community Memb

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You also told us some of your worries and concerns about the project. These are the main points:

- The performance of environmental monitoring and the importance of having an outside, impartial body conducting the monitoring to ensure that the results can be trusted by the community
- The mistrust between community members and regulator bodies and industry
- The impacts to mental health due to the development of the land
- The potential damage to the land as many people still live off the land
- The community's safety in view of the increase in traffic

ou acknowledged some of the opportunities you are looking rward to with this project, including the potential for:

- Training and increased employment and reduced unemployment
- Employee transportation to the site from the communitie:
- Establishing a legacy fund for the impacted communitie

The Next Steps

The information gathered by Denison through community engagement activities will be included in future value components studies when possible, and in our formal report to the regulators.

The Wheeler River Project team will continue community engagement through future meetings with community leadership and residents as required, and will continue to share information via our Wheeler River dedicated website.

We also anticipate that the regulators will inform community leadership and residents of opportunities to participate in the project

Denison is also working with Métis Nation-Saskatchewan to arrange separate meetings with Métis leadership and citizens to understand the distinct interests of the Métis in respect of the project.

Tell Us More

Denison is committed to engaging with our neighbours and invite you to contact us to share ideas or concerns with the Wheeler River Project team. You can also contact our team to request information or offer your services.

Email: WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmines.com

Tel: 306-652-820

Website: www.denisonmines.com



Wheeler River Project information presentation for Ile-à-la-Crosse residents

February 10, 2021 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Use the link provided in the body of this post to access the Zoom session.

Meeting ID: 880 7924 4502 - Passcode: 12345

The Wheeler River Project Team looks forward to seeing you and hearing from you on Zoom.

This community meeting was planned in collaboration with the Mayor and staff of the Northern Village of Ile-à-la-Crosse to provide information and seek feedback with respect to Denison's proposed Wheeler River Project. This is a public meeting, which is open to all residents of the Village and surrounding areas.

Denison is also working with Métis Nation-Saskatchewan to arrange separate meetings with Métis leadership and citizens to understand the distinct interests of the Métis in respect of the project.

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Win Door Prizes
Listen to Local Entertainment
During Breaks

www.denisonmines.com

Join the Wheeler River Project team for an online information presentation.



February 9

Northern Village of Beauval The Beauval meeting has been rescheduled to 6:00pm - 7:30pm tonight.

February 10

Northern Village of Ile-à-la-Crosse 6:30pm - 8:00pm

February 11

Northern Village of Pinehouse 6:30pm - 8:00pm

The link to join each presentation and feedback session is available on your community's Facebook page and Denison's.

Or use the following Zoom Login Information:

Beauval Meeting ID: 852 9113 9517 - Passcode: 12345

Ile-a-la-Crosse Meeting ID: 880 7924 4502 - Passcode: 12345

Pinehouse Meeting ID: 810 9625 9594 - Passcode: 12345

Win **door prizes** from local companies and others. Listen to **local entertainment** during breaks.

We look forward to meeting with you via Zoom.

This community meeting was planned in collaboration with the Mayor and staff of the Northern Village of Beauval, Ile-à-la-Crosse and Pinehouse to provide information and seek feedback with respect to Denison's proposed Wheeler River Project. This is a public meeting, which is open to all residents of the Village and surrounding areas.

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Denison Public Meetings FB Post

Ile a la Crosse Facebook Page

Residents of IIe a la Crosse are invited to attend a public meeting with Denison's Wheeler River Project team next week.

The meeting will take place virtually via Zoom. There will be entertainment from local artists during the breaks and the opportunity to win door prizes and participation prizes during the meeting. All of the details are below:

Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88079244502?pwd=RjVpOEpxakNsNTBTRFBJSkFsck1ZQT09

Meeting ID: 880 7924 4502 Meeting Passcode: 12345

Doors Prizes

Ten \$50 gift certificates to Yewr-Way

Survey Participation Prizes

One \$250 gift certificate to Yewr-Way

One \$250 gift certificate to Northern

Wheeler River Project Community Engagement Wheeler River Project Survey

The purpose of this survey questionnaire is to inform Denison Mines which components of the environment community members value most, and to identify interests or concerns related to the proposed Wheeler River Project.

Valued components (VCs) refer to environmental hisophysical or human features that may be impacted by a project. The value of a component not only relates to its role in the ecosystem, but also to the value people place on it. For example, it may have scientific, social, cultural, economic, historical, archaeological or aesthetic importance.

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This survey is conducted by Denison Mines with support from Canada North Environmental Services.

The survey results will be used to help Denison Mines determine which valued components should be studied in detail as part of the Wheeler River effects assessment. Results of the survey will also help Denison Mines understand which valued components the community would like to receive updates on once the early results of the effects assessment are ready to be shared.

A summary of the survey results will be shared on the Denison Mines website in March 2021. There are several benefits of sharing your thoughts in the survey questionants. Vour input will help Denison Mines focus on environmental components, concerns or topics that matter most to your community. If you choose to leave your name and contact information at the concision of the survey, you will be entered into a prize draw for one of ten \$100 VISA gift cards. Participation in the draw is optional and only those who complete the survey will be entered in the draw.

The compared the survey will be entered in the draw minimum of 15 minutes of your time to answer questions about components of the environment that you value, and any interests or concerns you have related to the environment that you value, and any interests or concerns you have related to the Wheeler River Project. During the survey we will ask you some questions including your age, residence, if you identify as an Abortiginal person, and how you heard about the survey. Finally in order to be entered into the prize draw, you must provide your name and contact information.

Providing your name and contact information is optional. All information you share in this survey questionnaire will be kept strictly confidential and your name will not be associated with the data we collect. Your identity will remain confidential in all publications and public presentations related to this research.

If you have any questions or concerns about this survey questionnaire, please contact WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmines.com



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In previous engagement events, we heard that the valued components provided in the list below are important to community members. During the environmental impact assessment process, we plan to study these valued components to better understand if and how the Wheeler Project may impact them.

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February, 2021 Ile a la Crosse Public Meeting



Denison's Land Recognition

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- . Denison understands the importance of protecting the area in which we are

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Denison respects the Delegation of the Duty to Consult Responsibilities signed by the Métis Local Presidents in August 2019, delegating consultation matters to the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan (MNS). In accordance with that delegation, Denison has been requested to direct all local Métis-related consultation to the MNS leadership and designated negotiators.

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- Opening
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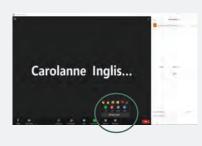


Chat and Video Function

- · Enter your name and community in the chat function if you'd like to be entered to win a prize for
- The chat function is also where we will have you answer questions we pose throughout the presentation to be entered to win a prize for participation
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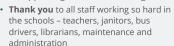
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'Virtual Meal' to Support High School Fundraising









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- Dave Bronkhorst, VP Operations
- Janna Switzer, Environment Manager

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- Chad Sorba, Technical Manager
- Carolanne Inglis-McQuay, CSR Manager
- · Xavier Lu Dac, Senior Engineer
- · Dana Harris, Project Services Coordinator
- Mike Dawe, Environment and CSR Coordinator · Jenn Skilnick, Environment Coordinator











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- · Responsible and accountable for the safe operation of facilities and activities

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Introductions: CNSC

Canadian Nuclear Safety Commissio **Environmental Assessment Process**

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Cautionary Statements & References

Denison Mines WHEELER RIVER | POWERING PEOPLE Company Overview:

Denison is focused on opportunities in northern Saskatchewan

- 22.5% interest in McClean Lake Uranium Mill
- · 90% interest in Flagship Wheeler River project · Advancing through development process
- · Largest undeveloped uranium project in the infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
- Environmental Assessment ("EA") initiated
- Progressive approach to mining using In Situ Recovery ("ISR") method
- 66.9% in the Waterbury Lake Property, hosting
- the Tthe Heldeth Túé (formerly | Zone) deposit Recently completed Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA")¹
- · Amenable to ISR mining method
- · Several other interests in the Athabasca Basin
- McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake properties, all in close proximity to McClean mill
- +250,000 hectares of exploration ground

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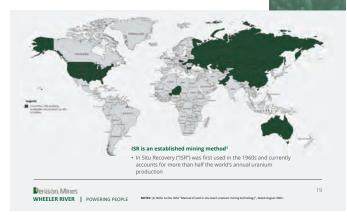




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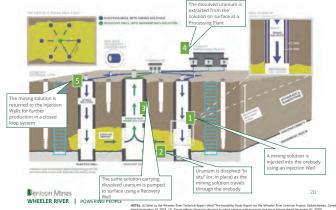
Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin

Key Components for the Project



In Situ Recovery ("ISR") Mining1:

Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin



ISR Mining:

A progressive approach to uranium mining uranium in the Athabasca Basin

How is ISR Different?1

- All activities occur at surface; there are no traditional underground workings
- · The ISR mining area has only wells and pipes to plant; no open pits, head-frame, or major earthworks
- · There is no tailings production or longterm tailings storage, plus no large waste rock piles

Waste Management Vision

- · Two main waste streams expected:
- > Gypsum (non-radioactive) remediated on site
- Radium/Iron precipitates (radioactive) - removed from surface
- No long term waste management expected to be required after mine closure

Ground water at depth stays at depth

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Athabasca Basin Ground Water Modelling:

Key Components for the Project



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- ✓ The freeze wall / fence is the ultimate contingency method to contain mining solution within mining area

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bodies

WHEELER RIVER | POWERING PEOPLE NOTES: (1) See Denison's news release from June 4, 2020 for details

Key Components Freeze Containment: Established method to create frozen barrier around mining area1 for the Project Full hydraulic containment Vertical cased holes Uses diamond drilling of ISR well field to surface with a defined area for **Penison Mines** anchored into widely employed in rmeable basemer northern Sask. with ar existing and skilled Phoenix ISR Freeze Wall: D rock surrounding the Isometric View at Ore Level Phoenix der workforce Circulation of low-temperature brine solution through cased pipes will freeze groundwater in sandstone surrounding the Phoenix Zone B deposit - **similar to Cigar Lake** and McArthur River 10-metre-thick freeze wall compass Phoenix vertically from surface to basement rock underlying the deposit

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Socio-economic Considerations:

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Wheeler River / Phoenix ISR:

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Different mining method and a different type of operation1

Key Components for the Project





- ✓ Small surface footprint ✓ Lower water consumption
- ✓ Lower energy consumption
- ✓ Lower CO₂ emissions ✓ Small volume treated effluent
- released to surface water
- ✓ Potential for lower radiation doses to workers
- ✓ No tailings production; storage of precipitated byproducts
- ✓ Very small volumes of clean waste rock (sandstone core from wellfield development)

Relatively small operation with opportunity to use existing skills





Denison is committed to maximizing opportunities

Key Components

for the Project

- Up to 300 jobs during ~2 years of construction
- · Approximately 100 jobs during operation for 10 years Targeted efforts to Communities of Interest, with a broad focus on northern Saskatchewan and Indigenous communities
- Similar job types to those at existing uranium operations · Trades, surface, environment, radiation, safety, camp,
- · ISR operators are similar to process operators (training can be done in Meadow Lake)
- Specific ISR training will be provided

security

- Pre-requisite training will include diploma or technical
- certification available in Saskatchewan. Examples:
- Process Operation Technician (SIIT in Meadow Lake) Chemical Technology (Sask. Polytechnic)
- Construction and operation activities targeted to Northern Saskatchewan / Indigenous-owned businesses





Door Prizes

- ✓6 x \$50 Gift Certificate to Yewr-Way
- ✓6 x \$50 Gift Certificate to Northern Sunset Motel

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We are looking for your feedback



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Step 1 - Click link or scan QR code

CLICK HERE TO START SURVEY!

The survey link will be posted in the chat function of the Zoom meeting, as well as posted on your community Facebook page after the meeting



Step 2 - Complete the survey by February 18, 2021

Step 3 - Cross your fingers... for a chance to win 1 of 10 VISA Gift Cards (\$100)

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- 2. Hold it over the QR
- 3 A link to the online survey online will pop up on your phone
- 4. Click on the link
- 5. Complete the survey

Survey closes on February 18, 2021

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Environmental Assessment: Understanding the Project's

interactions with human and biophysical environment

Baseline Studies

- Environmental baseline studies have been ongoing since 2012
- Denison needs to understand the current environmental conditions within and around the Wheeler River Project area

Environmental Assessment

- Initiated the federal and provincial environmental assessment processes in May 2019 with the Wheeler River Project Description
- Lead federal regulator: Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
- Lead provincial regulator: Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment, Environmental Assessment Branch
- Technical studies designed to understand potential effects of the Project on the biophysical and human environments

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Valued Components: Understanding effects on the things that are important

- Gain an understanding of what is important to the people who use the area and to the people who may be affected by project activities.
- Gather information through research, from regulator feedback and through engagement with communities and Indigenous groups communities
- · Design the environmental studies to predict how the VC's may change and what measures can be put in place to minimize and monitor the changes
- Monitoring and reporting of the changes to VC's will carry on throughout all phases of the project into decommissioning and post closure

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Economy

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Land and Resource Use, Cultural Continuity



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Quality of Life



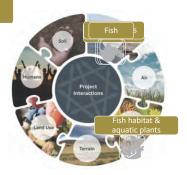
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Terrestrial



Aquatic



Groundwater



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Atmosphere & Acoustic



Questions / Comments Summary of questions

Next Steps: Keeping conversation going and community informed

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Wheeler River Project

- UNDER DEVELOPMENT

Conversation Channels

- Denison will be continually improving communication
- shared with us to inform environmental assessment
- Denison will share information back with the community and leadership regarding what we heard from these sessions
- Contact us at WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmi nes.com

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Conclusion: Thank you for attending!



- √ 4 x \$50 Gift Certificate to Yewr-Way
- ✓1 x \$250 Gift Certificate to Yewr-Way
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Ile a la Crosse Community Presentation Questions and Comments – February 10th, 2021

Environment

- Who is monitoring the environment throughout the project? Will you hire a Northern owned company?
- Will the northern people have assurances that the people's interests will be protected?
- Is the environment monitored after the closure of the mine? Who monitors it?
- What is the plan for storing and cleaning the water and where does it flow? What is the impact of this mining on water quality?
- What happens when the freeze wall melts? Will there be monitoring of ground water?
- What happens to the waste that goes back into the ground?
- Will any migration routes or critical habitat areas be impacted by the project?
- Will the Northern people have confidence that the environment is being looked after?
- I imagine there will be a huge amount of water utilized in this venture; what is the plan for cleaning, storing, and where does the water flow from this and surrounding mine sites? More concerned with water quality and assurance that the impact on this is minimal.
- With two other mines in the area what's the need for another airstrip in the area? Another airstrip will cause more environmental disturbance
- What routes will the yellowcake take? Will it travel right by the communities? Is there any monitoring along the highway for radioactivity?

Mining

- How many years is the mine expected to be in operation? What is its lifespan?
- Why is ISR mining only being introduced to Canada at this point if it has been a proven technique around the world for over 60 years?
- What type of solution is pumped down the wells?
- When you pump up the Uranium with the solution how is the uranium isolated (removed) from the solution?
- Is this presentation only for the Phoenix site? What will happen at the Gryphon site?
- With all the testing done, is the ISR method going to work or is there a backup plan to have a shaft/open pit mine?
- What are the timelines for the project? When do you think you will be in construction/production?

Economy

- Will Northerners be hired in upper-level positions or simply technical and entry level positions?
- What legacy are you going to be leaving behind for the people of the North?
- What is the difference between Denison and all other Uranium companies in terms of employment for northern people and revenue sharing?
- Is there a possibility for the village and other towns to get revenue sharing?
- What legacy are you leaving behind for people in the north.
- Is there an opportunity for joint ventures between northern companies and Denison? Will northern companies have an opportunity to bid on contracts?
- Can you quantify Denison's level of commitment to doing business with northern and aboriginally owned businesses? Does Denison currently have a minimum target percentage that they are committed to achieving/exceeding? Does Denison currently employ or do business with anyone/company from Ile-a-la-Crosse?
- Can training take place locally?
- Will there be an agreement in place that Dennison will hire locals as apprentices?
- What percentage of aboriginals does Denison intend to employ/have on the company payroll? Specifically, are there opportunities to work directly for Denison, not just for companies that are contracted by Denison.
- What is the likelihood for communities in the identified impact areas to have ownership or equity in future projects including the Wheeler River project?

Questions for the CNSC

- Does CNSC acknowledge UNDRIP in the EA and review process?
- How does Bill C-69 impact the Wheeler River project?

Follow up Question (received after the presentation)

- Once production begins Denison has stated that there will be about 100 employees. What is the breakdown of these positions? We would like
 to provide our high school students with information about employment opportunities and arrange for training. Assuming it is 50 people per
 shift could you please break down the jobs into the following categories:
 - Upper management & engineering
 - o Office staff
 - o Environmental monitoring
 - Mill operators
 - o Radiation technicians
 - Labourers
 - Catering staff is this contracted out?
 - Other fields I might not know about



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WHAT WE HEARD FROM RESIDENTS OF ILE-A-LA-CROSSE AND REGION

Thank You for Attending

Denison's Wheeler River Project team thanks everyone who attended its municipal presentation via Zoom or 92.5FM Beauval radio on February 10, 2021, and for responding to the follow-up survey.

Although we are not sure how many of you listened on the radio, we counted 34 participants logged into Zoom to attend this online event, while some of you had others watching with you at home. It was great to see so many young people in attendance as 67% of the participants that evening were between the ages of 16 and 34 years old (30% between 35 and 64, and 3% 65 and over).

Thank you for welcoming us to engage with your students and teachers. Thanks also to Jordyn Burnouf for being the emcee for the evening, to Elder Dorothy Debrule for the prayer and Ernestine for the entertainment.

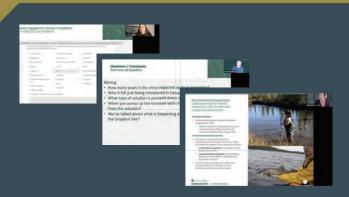
The Purpose of This Municipal Presentation

We wanted to make sure that community members and leadership are aware of the proposed project, the plans for the future, the opportunities for the community, and to also give an opportunity to the project's provincial (Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment) an federal (Ganadian Nuclear Safety Commission) regulators to participate and introduce themselves

Wheeler River Project in a nutshell

The Wheeler River Project is located 35 km north-east of the Key Lake mill and 35 km southwest of the McArthur River uranium mine in the south-eastern portion of the Athabasca Basin region.

This proposed uranium mining project will use the In Situ Recovery (ISR) mining method, which is different than any of the existing uranium mines in the Athabasca Basin region - all activities occur at the surface, meaning there are no shafts/underground workings, no open pits, and no major earthworks. While new to the Athabasca Basin, ISR mining is the most common uranium mining method globally. A 10-metre-thick freeze wall separates the mining areas from the surrounding ground water. A solution is injected into the orebody to dissolve the uranium in place (in situ) and the solution carrying the dissolved uranium is pumped to surface where the uranium is extracted from the solution. The same solution is then pumped back into the ground to dissolve more uranium and so on in a closed loop. With this method there is no production of failings and no large waste rock piles.



Read the Wheeler River Fact Sheet <u>here</u>



Watch the Wheeler River ISR Method Video <u>here</u>



at the Phoenix Deposi in April 2021 <u>here</u>



Community Insight

During the meeting participants asked many questions and also provided valuable insight in responding to the follow-up survey. Here are the main points made by community members:

Of all 26 interconnected valued components (VCs), which are the environmental or social aspects that may be impacted by a project, you indicated that the following were most important:

- Air quality
- Employmen
- Local economy
- Traditional land and resource use
- Trainin

You also mentioned that you would like the Wheeler River Project team to consider the following additional VCs during its assessment

- Connection to the land, language, culture and traditions
- Youth involvement and Elders' experience and knowledge sharing with youth
- Opportunities specific to porthern husinesses

You also told us some of your worries and concerns about the project. These are the main points:

- The potential impacts to the environment and the need for transparency about the actual impacts, including the potential for spills pollution and water contamination
- The safe transportation of uranium to avoid impacts on the environment and the communities
- The after mine issues, such as the decline in employment, which raises mental health concerns for the region
- The need for communities to work in partnership to benefit the region
- The lack of knowledge and understanding about the potential benefits of the uranium industry for the community

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Keep us posted on the development and progress of permits. If need be, involve community members/leadership in meetings with provincial and federal governments and regulators.

– Ile-a-la-Crosse Community Membe

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You acknowledged some of the opportunities you are looking forward to with this project including:

- Training and education
- Employment for community members throughout the life of the mine.
- Donations from the company to the communities
- Involvement of northern companies in environmental monitoring and other business partnerships, joint venture
- Potential for northern communities to work together

You invited the Wheeler project team to continue its engagement activities with the community and consider bringing all the region's communities together to share ideas and discuss opportunities amongst themselves and with the company.

The Next Steps

The information gathered by Denison through community engagement activities will be included in future value components studies wher possible, and in our formal report to the regulators.

The Wheeler River Project team will continue community engagement through future meetings with community leadership and residents as required, and will continue to share information via our Wheeler River dedicated website.

We also anticipate that the regulators will inform community leadership and residents of opportunities to participate in the project regulatory review process when appropriate.

Denison is also working with Métis Nation-Saskatchewan to arrange separate meetings with Métis leadership and citizens to understand the distinct interests of the Métis in respect of the project.

Tell Us More

Denison is committed to engaging with our neighbours and invite you to contact us to share ideas or concerns with the Wheeler River Project team. You can also contact our team to request information or offer your services.

Email: WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmines.com

Tel: 306-652-8200

Website: www.denisonmines.com



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Wheeler River Project information presentation for Pinehouse residents

February 11, 2021 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Use the link provided in the body of this post to access the Zoom session.

Meeting ID: 810 9625 9594 - Passcode: 12345

The Wheeler River Project Team looks forward to seeing you and hearing from you on Zoom.

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Win Door Prizes

Listen to Local Entertainment During Breaks

www.denisonmines.com

Join the Wheeler River Project team for an online information presentation.



February 9

Northern Village of Beauval The Beauval meeting has been rescheduled to 6:00pm - 7:30pm tonight.

February 10

Northern Village of Ile-à-la-Crosse 6:30pm - 8:00pm

February 11

Northern Village of Pinehouse 6:30pm - 8:00pm

The link to join each presentation and feedback session is available on your community's Facebook page and Denison's.

Or use the following Zoom Login Information:

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Denison Public Meetings FB Post

Pinehouse Facebook Page

Residents of Pinehouse are invited to attend a public meeting with Denison's Wheeler River Project team next week.

The meeting will take place virtually via Zoom. There will be entertainment from local artists during the breaks and the opportunity to win door prizes and participation prizes during the meeting. All of the details are below:

Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81096259594?pwd=djdqRUt1WXIOWFIWSHgvZEFuTEdEdz09

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Entertainment

Frank Natomagan

Doors Prizes

Five \$100 gift certificates to Northern Store Trading Post

2 ladders and a cutting board from LakeShore Custom Builders

Five \$100 gift certificates to Co-op Gas Bar

Survey Participation Prizes

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Virtual Meal' to Support High School Fundraising



Denison is proud to make a \$2,500 **donation** to the school for a 'virtual' meal to support high school fundraising efforts

Thank you to all staff working so hard in the schools – teachers, janitors, bus drivers, librarians, maintenance and

administration

Denison Team Dave Bronkhorst, VP Opera · Janna Switzer, Environment Manage



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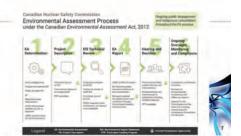
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Environmental Assessment

- Opportunities for public and Indigenous consultation are continuous
- · Federal and provincial agencies are involved and contribute their expertise in Impact
 Assessments and Environmental Assessments
- Decisions are independent, transparent and evidence-based

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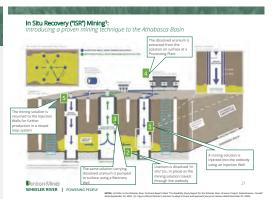




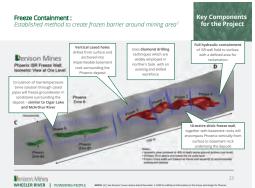














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Wheeler River / Phoenix ISR: Different mining method and a different type of operation¹

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Socio-economic Considerations: Relatively small operation with opportunity to use existing skills



Denison is committed to maximizing opportunities

Up to 300 jobs during ~2 years of construction
 Approximately 100 jobs during operation for 10 years
 Targeted efforts to Communities of Interest, with a broad focus on northern Saskatchewan and Indigenous communities.

communities

Similar job types to those at existing uranium operations

Trades, surface, environment, radiation, safety, camp, security

ISR operators are similar to process operators (training can be done in Meadow Lake)

Specific ISR training will be provided

Pre-requisite training will include diploma or technical certification available in Saskacthewan. Examples:

Process Operation Technician (SIIT in Meadow Lake)
 Chemical Technology (Sask, Polytechnic)
 Construction and operation activities targeted to Northern Saskatchewan / Indigenous-owned businesses

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15 Minute Break



- ✓ 1 Handmade wooden cutting board by Lakeshore Custom Builders
 ✓ 1 Handmade wooden ladder by Lakeshore Custom Builders
 ✓ 3 x \$100 Gift Certificate to Co-Op Gas Bar

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Valued Components: Understanding effects on the things that are important



- project activities. **Gather information** through research, from regulator feedback and through engagement with communities and Indigenous groups communities
- Monitoring and reporting of the changes to VC's will carry on throughout all phases of the project into decommissioning and post closure



Economy



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Quality of Life





Aquatic



Groundwater



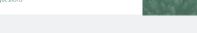
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Questions / Comments



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Next Steps: *Keeping conversation going and community informed*

Wheeler River Project



- Conversation Channels

 Denison will be continually improving communication channels
 Denison will use information shared with us to inform environmental assessment
 Denison will share information back with the community and leadership regarding what we heard from these sessions

 Contact us at Wheeler fixed enisonmines.Com

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Conclusion: Thank you for attending!



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Wheeler River Project Community Engagement

The purpose of this survey questionnaire is to inform Denison Mines which components of the environment community members value most, and to identify interests or concerns related to the proposed Wheeler River Project.

Valued components (VCs) refer to programmental hisphysical or human features that may be impacted by a project. The value of a component not only relates to its role in the ecosystem, but also to the value people place on it. For example, if may have scientific, social, cultural, economic, historical, archaeological or aesthetic importance.

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This survey is conducted by Denison Mines with support from Canada North Environmental Services.

The survey results will be used to help Denison Mines determine which valued components should be studied in detail as part of the Wheeler River effects assessment. Results of the survey will also help benison Mines understand which valued components the community would like to receive updates on once the early results of the effects assessment are ready to be share ready or the start of the

A summary of the survey results will be shared on the Denison Mines website in March 2021. There are several benefits of sharing your thoughts in the survey questionants. Vour input will help Denison Mines focus on environmental components, concerns or topics that matter most to your community. If you choose to leave your name and contact information at the concision of the survey, you will be entered into a prize draw for one of ten \$100 VISA gift cards. Participation in the draw is optional and only those who complete the survey will be entered in the draw.

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Participation in this survey is voluntary. If you agree to participate it will require a minimum of 15 minutes of your time to answer questions about components of the environment that you value, and any interests or concerns you have related to the Wheeler River Project. During the survey we will ask you some questions including your age, residence. If you identify as an Aboriginal person, and how you day about the survey. Finally in order to be entered into the prize draw, you must provide your name and contact information.

Providing your name and contact information is optional. All information you share in this survey questionnaire will be kept strictly confidential and your name will not be associated with the data we collect. Your identity will remain confidential in all publications and public presentations related to this research.

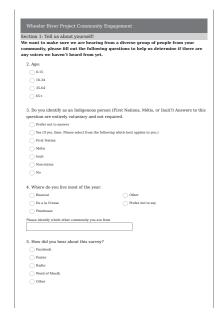
If you have any questions or concerns about this survey questionnaire, please contact WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmines.com



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In previous engagement events, we heard that the valued components provided in the list below are important to community members. During the environmental impact assessment process, we plan to study these valued components to better understand if and how the Wheeler Project may impact them. Value (of the

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Industry use	Soil	Fish habitat and aquatic plants
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Meeting Notes

Date: February 11, 2021

Event: Pinehouse Community Meeting

Mining

- How much water is used during the injection process?
- Are there current studies on the freeze wall method and climate change?

Environment

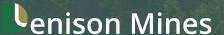
- Will Denison collaborate with Pinehouse in the eventual reclamation and decommissioning once the Wheeler River Operations cease?
- Will chemicals be hauled on the 914 highway, either to or from the Wheeler River Camp? If so, what chemicals are they? What potential harms to they present to surface plants and animals? And, if these chemicals present a danger to surface water, or plants and animals, will Denison develop an emergency response team to respond to any potential accidents that may occur on the highway? My concern is the Churchill River system that is adjacent to the road in many areas en route to the camp. What preventative measures are being developed with this in mind? Would training opportunities be given to those individuals who already have existing traditional ecological knowledge of the land base like those in Pinehouse?
- Will Denison partner with Pinehouse to create an emergency response teams in Pinehouse?
- Does Denison anticipate climate change will potentially affect the EA baseline information? If so, is Denison flexible - in collaboration with Pinehouse - to continually redefine "baseline" information and expectations?

Economy

- Will there be an opportunity for people from Pinehouse to be employed at the mine?
- As per the existing Human Resources Development Agreement that Cameco & Orano have (which they have failed to meet) is Denison Mines willing to commit to 53% RSN in its workforce once Wheeler River Operations Commence
- Will Denison offer in-house training for jobs?
- As the Wheeler River Project is located on Kineepik Métis Local's territory (as illustrated through mapping) is Denison wiling to enter into a Collaborative Agreement (similar to the one with Cameco) with Kineepik Métis Local once operations commence?
- There will be significant opportunities for contract work at the mine. Does Denison have plans to have contracts with Northern Indigenous companies, especially those from impacted/rights bearing communities? Will there be contracts for northern businesses for the life of the mine?
- Will Denison consider development for community-based opportunities at the Junction at Pinehouse that can support the mining operations where community members will have access to those opportunities? This could benefit personnel that are not comfortable working at the sites, specifically single parents.
- Will there be a Denison Mines "representative" residing in Pinehouse? Possibly an office?
- Will Denison offer specific apprenticeship opportunities to Pinehouse residents?
- Will Denison commit to ensure that technical opportunities are being offered to Pinehouse residents and that those training programs are hosted in the community where the trainees are fully supported?
- Will Denison entertain a partnership for an industrial training centre in Pinehouse?
- Will Denison possibly contribute into our Recovery Lake Program?

Comments

- I hope Denison gives every northern contractor a fair chance at contract work without too much politics "other users"
- Its great with these mega projects that it is mandatory to hold public meetings and duty to consult however consultation should happen throughout the entire process, combining land-based knowledge (Traditional Knowledge) with science.



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WHAT WE HEARD FROM RESIDENTS OF PINEHOUSE AND REGION

Thank You for Attending

Denison's Wheeler River Project team thanks everyone who attended its municipal presentation via Zoom or CFNK-FM 89.9 radio on February 11, 2021, and for responding to the follow-up survey.

Although we are not sure how many of you listened on the radio, we counted 52 participants logged into Zoom to attend this online event, while some of you had others watching with you at home. Seventy percent (70%) of the people who attended and answered our post event survey were between the ages of 35 and 64 years old, while 16 to 34 year old accounted for 30%, and there were none who identified as being 65 and over.

Thank you also to Jordyn Burnouf for being the emcee for the evening, to Elder Emil Natomagan for the prayer and Frank Natomagan for the entertainment.

The Purpose of This Municipal Presentation

We wanted to make sure that community members and leadership are aware of the proposed project, the plans for the future, the opportunities for the community, and to also give an opportunity to the project's provincial (Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment) and federal (Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission) regulators to participate and introduce themselves.

Wheeler River Project in a nutshell

The Wheeler River Project is located 35 km north-east of the Key Lake mill and 35 km southwest of the McArthur River uranium mine in the south-eastern portion of the Athabasca Basin region.

This proposed uranium mining project will use the In Situ Recovery (ISR) mining method, which is different than any of the existing uranium mines in the Athabasca Basin region - all activities occur at the surface, meaning there are no shafts/underground workings, no open pits, and no major earthworks. While new to the Athabasca Basin, ISR mining is the most common uranium mining method globally. A 10-metre-thick freeze wall separates the mining areas from the surrounding ground water. A solution is injected into the orebody to dissolve the uranium in place (in situ) and the solution carrying the dissolved uranium is pumped to surface where the uranium is extracted from the solution. The same solution is then pumped back into the ground to dissolve more uranium and so on in a closed loop. With this method there is no production of failings and no large waste rock piles.



Read the Wheeler River Fact Sheet <u>here</u>



Watch the Wheeler River ISR Method Video <u>here</u>



Watch the mobilization at the Phoenix Deposit in April 2021 <u>here</u>



Community Insight

During the meeting participants asked many questions and also provided valuable insight in responding to the follow-up survey. Here are the main points made by community members:

Of all 26 interconnected valued components (VCs), which are the environmental or social aspects that may be impacted by a project, you indicated that the following were most important:

- Air qualit
- Rinds
- Employment
- Fish habitat and aquatic plants
- Groundwater quality
- Local economy
- Public Safe
- Surface water
- Traditional land and resource use



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It would be refreshing to see a mining company actively engaged and legitimately concerned about addressing our concerns and hearing our voices.

- Pinehouse Community Membe

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You also mentioned that you would like the Wheeler River Project team to consider the following additional VCs during its assessmen

- Housing
- Community participation

You also told us some of your worries and concerns about the project. These are the main points:

- The potential to impact the environment (contamination), displace wildlife and interrupt traditional land users access to the land
- Being asked to choose between the land and economic opportunities.
- · An increase in traffic impacting road quality
- · The transportation of dangerous chemicals to and from the mine
- The possibility that residents won't be able to take advantage of the opportunities presented to them by the project due to existing social issues like the lack of bousing.

ou acknowledged some of the opportunities you are looking ward to with this project, including the potential for:

- Training and increased Employment
- Jobs in Pinehouse that could benefit community member who can't work away from home
- Funding to the community
- Collaboration agreement
- · Denison to form a partnership with the community
- Increased opportunities for community improvement and participation

you invited the Wheeler project team to continue its engagement activities with the community and to consider having a Denison representative residing in Pinehouse. Another idea was to develop community-based employment opportunities to offer work to people who can't leave the community for work (such as single parents).

The Next Steps

The information gathered by Denison through community engagement activities will be included in future value components studies when possible, and in our formal report to the regulators.

The Wheeler River Project team will continue community engagement through future meetings with community leadership and residents as required, and will continue to share information via our Wheeler River dedicated website.

We also anticipate that the regulators will inform community leadership and residents of opportunities to participate in the project regulatory review process when appropriate.

Denison is also working with Métis Nation-Saskatchewan to arrange separate meetings with Métis leadership and citizens to understand the distinct interests of the Métis in respect of the project.

Tell Us More

Denison is committed to engaging with our neighbours and invite you to contact us to share ideas or concerns with the Wheeler River Project team. You can also contact our team to request information or offer your services.

Email: WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmines.com

Tel: 306-652-8200

Website: www.denisonmines.com



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February, 2021 High School Workshop



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CNSC Mandate

- · Regulate the use of nuclear energy and materials to protect health, safety, security and the environment
- Implement Canada's international commitments on the peaceful use of nuclear
- Disseminate objective scientific, technical and regulatory information to the public

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Introductions: CNSC

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CNSC Regulates All Nuclear Facilities and Activities

















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Introductions: CNSC

CNSC Staff

- Perform technical assessments and reviews
- Presents staff's assessment findings and recommendations
- Implement Commission decisions
- Conduct compliance inspections and oversight of the licensees facilities and activities
- Verify and enforce compliance with regulatory requirements
- Develop regulatory requirements and guidance
- Engage the public and Indigenous groups through outreach

Introductions: CNSC

Responsibilities

CNSC Responsibilities:

- * Make independent, objective, science based and risk-informed decisions
- · Set requirements
- · Verify compliance

Licensee Responsibilities:

- Manage regulated activities in a manner that protects health, safety, security and the environment, while respecting Canada's international
- · Responsible and accountable for the safe operation of facilities and activities

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Environmental Assessment

- Opportunities for public and Indigenous consultation are continuous
- Federal and provincial agencies are involved and contribute their expertise in Impact Assessments and Environmental Assessments
- Decisions are independent, transparent and evidence-based

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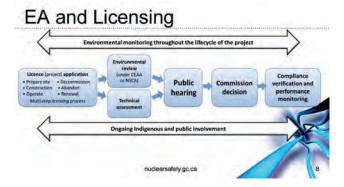






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Introductions: CNSC



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Company Overview:

Denison is focused on opportunities in northern Saskatchewan

- 22.5% interest in McClean Lake Uranium Mill
- + 90% interest in Flagship Wheeler River project
- Advancing through development process
 Largest undeveloped uranium project in the
- infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
 Environmental Assessment ("EA") initiated
- Progressive approach to mining using In Situ Recovery ("ISR") method
- 66.9% in the Waterbury Lake Property, hosting the Tthe Heldeth Túé (formerly J Zone) deposit
- Recently completed Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA")¹
- Amenable to ISR mining method
- Several other interests in the Athabasca Basin region
- McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake properties, all in close proximity to McClean mill
- +250,000 hectares of exploration ground

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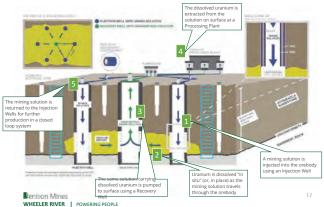
In Situ Recovery ("ISR") Mining: Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin





In Situ Recovery ("ISR") Mining1:

Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin



ISR Mining:

A progressive approach to uranium mining uranium in the Athabasca Basin

How is ISR Different?1

- All activities occur at surface; there are no traditional underground workings
- The ISR mining area has only wells and pipes to plant; no open pits, head-frame, or major earthworks
- There is no tailings production or longterm tailings storage, plus no large waste rock piles

Waste Management Vision

- Two main waste streams expected:
- Gypsum (non-radioactive) remediated on site
- > Radium/Iron precipitates (radioactive)
- removed from surface
- No long term waste management expected to be <u>required</u> after mine closure

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✓ The ore body (i.e. Phoenix) is more than 400 metres below the surface / lakes and river systems

✓ Groundwater in the sandstone around the ore body is not directly connected to surface water

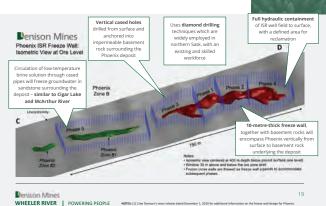
✓ Field testing in 2019 and 2020, as well as detailed hydrogeologic modelling shows that ground

water stays at depth - it doesn't move upward towards surface, and only moves laterally (at a very

✓ The freeze wall / fence is the ultimate contingency method to contain mining solution within mining.

Freeze Containment:

Established method to create frozen barrier around mining area1



Athabasca Basin Ground Water Modelling:

Ground water at depth stays at depth

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slow rate) at the depth of the ore body



Wheeler River / Phoenix ISR:

Different mining method and a different type of operation1





Advantages of ISR mining compared to existing uranium mining in Canada:

- ✓ Small surface footprint
- ✓ Lower energy consumption
- ✓ Lower CO₂ emissions
- ✓ Small volume treated effluent released to surface water
- ✓ Potential for lower radiation doses to workers
- ✓ No tailings production; storage of precipitated by-products
- ✓ Very small volumes of clean waste rock (sandstone core from wellfield development)

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Socio-economic Considerations:

Relatively small operation with opportunity to use existing skills

Key Components

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Community Engagement Survey Completion:

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- Construction and operation activities targeted to Northern Saskatchewan / Indigenous-owned businesses

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Step 1 - Click link or scan QR code **CLICK HERE TO START SURVEY!** The survey link will be posted in the chat function of the Zoom meeting, as well as posted on your community Facebook page after the meeting

Step 2 - Complete the survey by February 18, 2021

Step 3 - Cross your fingers... for a chance to win 1 of 10 VISA Gift Cards (\$100)

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- 4. Click on the link
- 5. Complete the survey

Survey closes on February 18, 2021

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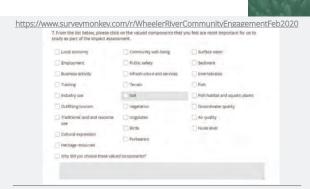


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interactions with human and biophysical environment

Baseline Studies

- · Environmental baseline studies have been ongoing since 2012
- · Denison needs to understand the current environmental conditions within and around the Wheeler River Project area

Environmental Assessment

- Initiated the federal and provincial environmental assessment processes in May 2019 with the Wheeler River Project Description
 - Lead federal regulator: Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission · Lead provincial regulator: Saskatchewan
 - Ministry of Environment, Environmental Assessment Branch
- · Technical studies designed to understand potential effects of the Project on the biophysical and human environments

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Valued Components:

Understanding effects on the things that are important

- Gain an understanding of what is important to the people who use the area and to the people who may be affected by project activities.
- Gather information through research, from regulator feedback and through engagement with communities and Indigenous groups communities
- Design the environmental studies to predict how the VC's may change and what measures can be put in place to minimize and monitor the changes
- Monitoring and reporting of the changes to VC's will carry on throughout all phases of the project into decommissioning and post closure

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Land and Resource Use, Cultural Continuity



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Quality of Life



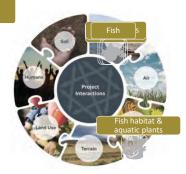
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Keeping conversation going and community informed

Conversation Channels

- Denison will be continually improving communication channels
- Denison will use information shared with us to inform environmental assessment
- Denison will share information back with the community and leadership regarding what we heard from these sessions
- Contact us at
 WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmi
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Presentation Notes

Event: High School Presentations

Valley View, Rossignol, Minahik Waskahigan

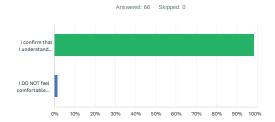
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- Curious about how an environmental assessment protects the trees, rivers, soil, and air.
- Wondering if the other mines are closed (or slowed production), how is this one moving forward?
- Wondering about the freeze wall based on the difficulties that Cigar Lake had.
- Would like to know if the injected material is steam water (like in the oil patch) or some type of chemical pumped into the ground?
- What happens to the "leftovers" when the solution comes back to the surface? And what exactly is in this solution?
- Isn't it correct to say the Brine is in a closed loop system? Like in an artificial ice rink? The brine doesn't actually go into the environment. Is this correct?
- A few years ago, Denison came to Ile a La Crosse asking for input on the location of road construction. Input was given but can't make out the location of that road. Please discuss.
- At the meeting in Ile a La Crosse, a plan to mitigate thermal pollution of the water bodies was discussed. At the time, the plan was not available. Please detail the plan and how that relates to the mine site.
- Are Surface Lease Agreements being formulated with the Northern Communities that align with the life of the mine plan? Being educational institutions; will we be given workforce development plans for this project? In this way Northern Saskatchewan communities, and the appropriate educational institutions from the North, will have ample time to train Northerners to fill these upcoming positions.
- Is the brine, I believe this is what is used to freeze the walls, environmentally friendly once the freeze walls come down?
- Can you explain what an Impact Benefit Agreement (IBA) is, and if there is one in place? If so, what are the benefits to our students here today?

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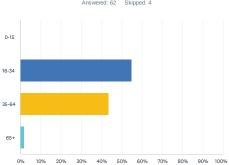
Q1 By checking this box, you confirm that you understand the purpose of the survey, how the information you share will be used, and that participation in the survey is voluntary.



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
I confirm that I understand the purpose of this survey, how the information will be shared, and that participation is voluntary	98.48%	65	
I DO NOT feel comfortable proceeding with this survey and would like to exit	1.52%	1	
TOTAL		66	

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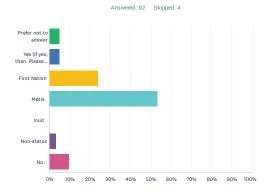
Q2 Age: Answered: 62 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-15	0.00%	0
16-34	54.84%	34
35-64	43.55%	27
65+	1.61%	1
TOTAL		62

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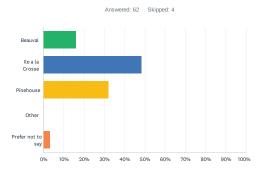
Q3 Do you identify as an Indigenous person (First Nations, Métis, or Inuit?) Answers to this question are entirely voluntary and not required.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Prefer not to answer	4.84%	3
Yes (if yes, then: Please select from the following which best applies to you.)	4.84%	3
First Nation	24.19%	15
Métis	53.23%	33
Inuit	0.00%	0
Non-status	3.23%	2
No	9.68%	6
TOTAL		62

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Q4 Where do you live most of the year:

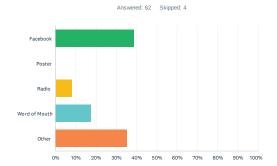


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Beauval	16.13%	10
Ile a la Crosse	48.39%	30
Pinehouse	32.26%	20
Other	0.00%	0
Prefer not to say	3.23%	2
TOTAL		62

#	PLEASE IDENTIFY WHICH OTHER COMMUNITY YOU ARE FROM	DATE
1	none	2/11/2021 7:55 PM
2	shellbrook this year, changes every fall	2/10/2021 10:20 PM

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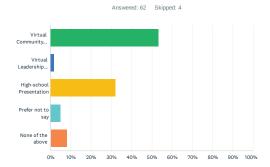
Q5 How did you hear about this survey?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Facebook	38.71%	24
Poster	0.00%	0
Radio	8.06%	5
Word of Mouth	17.74%	11
Other	35.48%	22
TOTAL		62

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Q6 Which of the following presentations did you attend? Check all that apply.

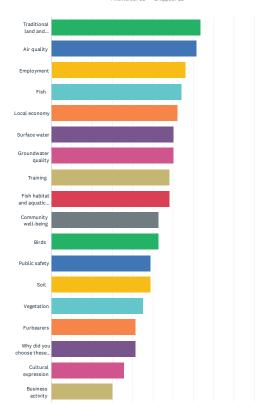


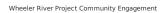
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Virtual Community Meeting	53.23%	33
Virtual Leadership Meeting	1.61%	1
High-school Presentation	32.26%	20
Prefer not to say	4.84%	3
None of the above	8.06%	5
TOTAL		62

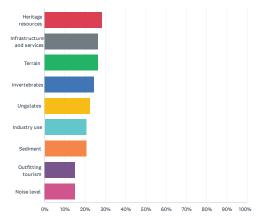
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 $\,$ Q7 From the list below, please click on the valued components that you feel are most important for us to study as part of the impact assessment.

Answered: 53 Skipped: 13







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Traditional land and resource use	73.58%	
	10.0070	39
Air quality	71.70%	38
Employment	66.04%	35
Fish	64.15%	34
Local economy	62.26%	33
Surface water	60.38%	32
Groundwater quality	60.38%	32
Training	58.49%	31
Fish habitat and aquatic plants	58.49%	31
Community well-being	52.83%	28
Birds	52.83%	28
Public safety	49.06%	26
Soil	49.06%	26
Vegetation	45.28%	24
Furbearers	41.51%	22
Why did you choose these valued components?	41.51%	22
Cultural expression	35.85%	19
Business activity	30.19%	16
Heritage resources	28.30%	15
Infrastructure and services	26.42%	14
Terrain	26.42%	14
Invertebrates	24.53%	13
Ungulates	22.64%	12
Industry use	20.75%	11
Sediment	20.75%	11
Outfitting tourism	15.09%	8
Noise level	15.09%	8
Total Respondents: 53		

#	WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THESE VALUED COMPONENTS?	DATE
1	These components are vital to the well being of LIFE on our planet.	2/18/2021 10:00 AM
2	Because this is what we disturb when we explore	2/17/2021 2:31 PM
3	They r the most important	2/12/2021 7:06 PM
4	Important to put low impact on environment plus jobs for people on communities affected.	2/12/2021 1:46 PM

5	Because i feel that they are most important to the well being of every human individual.	2/12/2021 1:10 PM
6	Because Pinehouse is one of the surrounding communities, we rely a lot on our traditional resources, such as fishing, hunting, gathering. This project would also open up a lot of opportunities for pinehouse residents and surrounding communities.	2/11/2021 8:03 PM
7	We are given a lot of assurances about how environmentally safe this energy source can be it still has a LARCE impact on the land. I feel that the land and water are our best resources and in the not too distant future they will be incredibly valuable. Compromising them seems dangerous.	2/11/2021 7:58 PM
8	to protect our way of life	2/11/2021 7:53 PM
9	They will always be needed in order to survive	2/11/2021 7:36 PM
10	Economy is important for jobs/employment of northerners. Water, land and animals are all connected. We still use the land for livelihood.	2/10/2021 8:14 PM
11	Id pick them all because all are important but these are the top of my list.	2/10/2021 8:08 PM
12	We need to have a vested interest in this project	2/10/2021 8:06 PM
13	They are all important topics	2/10/2021 8:06 PM
14	Building for future community health and growth	2/10/2021 8:06 PM
15	I chose these because i feel like we should value our earth and our beliefs heavily, Indigenous most of our cultural practices and beliefs come from mother earth, which we highly appreciate and value	2/10/2021 11:29 AM
16	The environment is more important that businesses and money.	2/10/2021 11:25 AM
17	I feel that they are important	2/10/2021 11:08 AM
18	i don't want our land to be damaged	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
19	All of them are reasonable and none should be bypassed.	2/10/2021 10:50 AM
20	I feel that these components are valuable because this project shouldn't harm the surrounding environment. However I do believe it is a good idea because it'll bring more job opportunities to our northern communities	2/10/2021 10:50 AM
21	I teach to vocation and trades in a high school setting.	2/10/2021 10:49 AM
22	i believe they're important for my future	2/10/2021 10:47 AM

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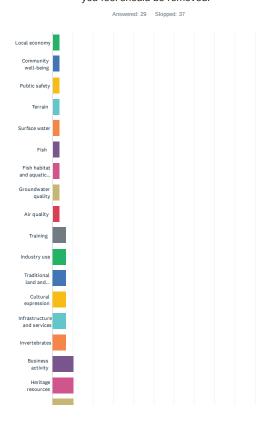
Q8 Are there any valued components that are important to you that are missing from this list? If so, please list them below. Why are these important to you?

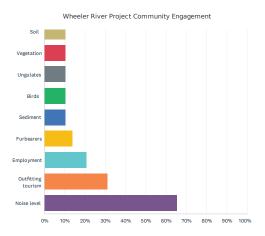
Answered: 28 Skipped: 38

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Truly involving Northem's in the development by providing opportunities and assisting with setting up a environmental monitoring management company owned by impacted communities. The living environment is most important and must be priority.	2/18/2021 10:00 AM
2	No other valued components	2/17/2021 2:53 PM
3	Nope	2/12/2021 7:06 PM
4	None that I could think of.	2/12/2021 1:46 PM
5	Housing. People need to feel safe and secure in their surroundings.	2/12/2021 1:10 PM
6	NO	2/11/2021 7:58 PM
7	No	2/11/2021 7:36 PM
8	Community participation	2/11/2021 6:00 PM
9	No	2/11/2021 4:30 PM
10	Language and connections to the land. Traditional resource users and Elders need to share there experience and knowledge with our young people. Connection to the land, language , culture and traditions.	2/10/2021 8:14 PM
11	We need our youth involved	2/10/2021 8:08 PM
12	Nil	2/10/2021 8:06 PM
13	No	2/10/2021 8:06 PM
14	No	2/10/2021 8:05 PM
15	Opportunities for northern businesses	2/10/2021 8:04 PM
16	Nothing is missing	2/10/2021 11:21 AM
17	yeah	2/10/2021 11:18 AM
18	Traditional Values!	2/10/2021 11:16 AM
19	cultural land	2/10/2021 11:11 AM
20	there is none missing	2/10/2021 11:08 AM
21	well being of the land and any living beings around the mine.	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
22	I just think everything is important for the safety for health	2/10/2021 10:50 AM
23	N/a	2/10/2021 10:50 AM
24	No	2/10/2021 10:49 AM
25	no	2/10/2021 10:47 AM
26	No	2/9/2021 7:38 PM
27	No	2/9/2021 7:35 PM
28	No	2/9/2021 7:34 PM

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Q9 Are there any valued components on the list that are not important to you? If so, please select the valued components from the list below that you feel should be removed.





ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Local economy	3.45%	1
Community well-being	3.45%	1
Public safety	3.45%	1
Terrain	3.45%	1
Surface water	3.45%	1
Fish	3.45%	1
Fish habitat and aquatic plants	3.45%	1
Groundwater quality	3.45%	1
Air quality	3.45%	1
Training	6.90%	2
Industry use	6.90%	2
Traditional land and resource use	6.90%	2
Cultural expression	6.90%	2
Infrastructure and services	6.90%	2
Invertebrates	6.90%	2
Business activity	10.34%	3
Heritage resources	10.34%	3
Soil	10.34%	3
Vegetation	10.34%	3
Ungulates	10.34%	3
Birds	10.34%	3
Sediment	10.34%	3
Furbearers	13.79%	4
Employment	20.69%	6
Outfitting tourism	31.03%	9
Noise level	65.52%	19
Total Respondents: 29		

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Q10 Based on what you know so far about the Wheeler Project, what aspects of the project could benefit, or work well for your community?

Answered: 36 Skipped: 30

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Setting aside a legacy fund to benefit impacted communities now and into the future. Ensure employment is available to my community including a pick up point so that there is no undue hardship for workers.	2/18/2021 10:13 AM
2	Employment for our people.	2/17/2021 3:03 PM
3	Training and employment	2/17/2021 2:54 PM
4	employment, environmental impacts and legacy projects,	2/17/2021 2:35 PM
5	Jobs	2/12/2021 7:07 PM
6	Jobs and funding	2/12/2021 1:48 PM
7	This community does very well with communication. I believe once something is said it will will shortly become done. Projects are always finished within our community.	2/12/2021 1:16 PM
8	Economy	2/11/2021 8:05 PM
9	Potential jobs. That is it. All this fancy stuff is just for people hoping they will get work in a place where work is limited and scarce.	2/11/2021 8:00 PM
10	continued communication knowing the opportunity	2/11/2021 7:58 PM
11	Developing an agreement to acknowledge the importance of positive relationships with indigenous communities - who are directly impacted - by mining industry. This has often overlooked by industry, and creates an oppositional relationship with communities. Please do not do this, like other companies have.	2/11/2021 7:57 PM
12	I think it would be good to bring jobs into community	2/11/2021 7:53 PM
13	Employment and contract opportunities	2/11/2021 6:01 PM
14	Employment opportunities	2/11/2021 4:32 PM
15	Employment at all intervals of the lifespan of the mine ie construction, security etc. We have a very active economic development corporation. Ile a la crosse also has a lot of people who have various capacities and skill sets that can be used at your mine. Keep the discussions and engagement going throughout all aspects of the mine development	2/10/2021 8:26 PM
16	Every aspect would benefit because we live at a 80% poverty rate.	2/10/2021 8:24 PM
17	Create more employment opportunities	2/10/2021 8:11 PM
18	Employment Partnerships Business opportunities	2/10/2021 8:08 PM
19	Employment and business involvement	2/10/2021 8:08 PM
20	Training and employment and joint ventures	2/10/2021 8:07 PM
21	Employment, Training	2/10/2021 8:07 PM
22	Employment	2/10/2021 8:06 PM
23	Would create jobs for the community	2/10/2021 8:05 PM
24	Creates jobs for people	2/10/2021 11:23 AM
25	yup	2/10/2021 11:19 AM
26	Donations to school groups!	2/10/2021 11:17 AM

27	employment for more northem people. there's quite a bit of people unemployed that would work hard and well at the mine site.	2/10/2021 10:57 AM
28	the employment rates would rise	2/10/2021 10:56 AM
29	I could make a lot of money and help my family.	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
30	Employment	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
31	Job opportunities	2/10/2021 10:51 AM
32	It will give more jobs for those in my community. Even I can work there	2/10/2021 10:49 AM
33	having employment and having the education of these types of programs	2/10/2021 10:48 AM
34	Employment, training, wellness	2/9/2021 7:41 PM
35	Collaboration agreement between Denison and Beauval	2/9/2021 7:36 PM
36	Job opportunities, business opportunities	2/9/2021 7:35 PM

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Q11 Based on what you know so far about the Wheeler Project, what aspects of the project could be challenging or cause concern for your community?

Answered: 33 Skipped: 33

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Direct benefits and positive impact to community. Environmental monitoring.	2/18/2021 10:13 AM
2	Traditional land users & wildlife interruption	2/17/2021 3:03 PM
3	Unsure	2/17/2021 2:54 PM
4	Vehicles ruining the road	2/12/2021 7:07 PM
5	None	2/12/2021 1:48 PM
6	The well being of people. Without adequate housing, there are many people that can not amount to their full potential if they can not even safely rest their head at night.	2/12/2021 1:16 PM
7	Contamination	2/11/2021 8:05 PM
8	Environmental issues. The feeling of 'selling your soul' (the land)	2/11/2021 8:00 PM
9	environmental impact	2/11/2021 7:58 PM
10	The transportation of dangerous chemicals concerns me. Also the opportunity to overlook the concerns of our community concerns me. It would be refreshing to see a mining company actively engaged and legitimately concerned about addressing our concerns and hearing our voices.	2/11/2021 7:57 PM
11	The affects on the land	2/11/2021 7:53 PM
12	Lack of mutually beneficial agreements	2/11/2021 6:01 PM
13	The impact of mining on the natural habitat and the displacement of the animals that currently inhabit the proposed site.	2/11/2021 4:32 PM
14	Dealing with opposing agencies/organizations/political parties. Jurisdictional challenges, MNS/Métis Local/Municipal not being able to work in a healthy bartership for the benefit of all community members. Also, First Nations working with Métis communities needs to be encouraged/emphasized. Educate our elementary and High School students about uranium and the good that comes from this type of industry, in the north.	2/10/2021 8:26 PM
15	The depression that follows after the mines pack up and leave with the \$\$\$	2/10/2021 8:24 PM
16	Environment impact due to air quality and transportation of uranium	2/10/2021 8:11 PM
17	Environment Legacy Parity with other communities	2/10/2021 8:08 PM
18	Non transparency in regards to spills	2/10/2021 8:08 PM
19	Not being an impact community	2/10/2021 8:07 PM
20	Lack of employment	2/10/2021 8:07 PM
21	N/A	2/10/2021 8:06 PM
22	When the mine eventually closes a lot of people are going to loose jobs	2/10/2021 11:23 AM
23	yup	2/10/2021 11:19 AM
24	Water contamination	2/10/2021 11:17 AM
25	any damage done to the ground and living animals. a lot of people still live off that land.	2/10/2021 10:57 AM

26	The mental health of how the people will react when the land is being damaged.	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
27	No concerns	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
28	The quality of the water if something were to leak. Ile a la crosse is a basin where all of the rivers meet, so if something were to spill into the water system it would be concerning for our community	2/10/2021 10:51 AM
29	Just pollutions	2/10/2021 10:49 AM
30	having lots of information and using it to better ourselves	2/10/2021 10:48 AM
31	Work Safety, community safety from through traffic (semi trucks etc)	2/9/2021 7:41 PM
32	None	2/9/2021 7:36 PM
33	None	2/9/2021 7:35 PM

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Q12 Are there questions you have about the Wheeler Project that you would like to see addressed in future updates or communications? If, so please list your questions in the space below.

Answered: 25 Skipped: 41

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Monitoring activity from start to finish of the project and who is monitoring is important to me. I feel an independent monitoring management company is critical for credibility, otherwise reports are meaningless to me if they come from industry or from the provincial government. There are trust issues, as a Melis citizen I would like to see a company owned by Melis communities doing this work.	2/18/2021 10:13 AM
2	Nothing right now.	2/17/2021 2:54 PM
3	None	2/12/2021 7:07 PM
4	Are you building your own airport?	2/12/2021 1:48 PM
5	NO	2/11/2021 8:00 PM
6	Please sit with the community to HEAR and not only to SPEAK TO. :)	2/11/2021 7:57 PM
7	None	2/11/2021 7:53 PM
8	Future collaboration efforts	2/11/2021 6:01 PM
9	No	2/11/2021 4:32 PM
10	I noticed you have some very good questions posted during this evenings engagement session. I would encourage Denison to continue engagement of the communities you are currently engaging. Maybe some time in the future, Denison can bring all the communities together at a regional area such as South Bay War Beterans Park, to share ideas, share culture and discuss amongst community members and leadership, Muncipal, MNS, Métis Locals, First Nations, Youth, Elders etc.	2/10/2021 8:26 PM
11	The possibility of having 80% northern SK employment rate on the mine site.	2/10/2021 8:24 PM
12	Impacts on environment	2/10/2021 8:07 PM
13	What is the percentage of employment gonna be for northern people	2/10/2021 8:05 PM
14	I have no questions	2/10/2021 11:23 AM
15	yup	2/10/2021 11:19 AM
16	i have no questions.	2/10/2021 10:57 AM
17	what is in the freezing solution?	2/10/2021 10:56 AM
18	I don't have any questions	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
19	None	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
20	N/a	2/10/2021 10:51 AM
21	No questions	2/10/2021 10:49 AM
22	no	2/10/2021 10:48 AM
23	Not right now	2/9/2021 7:41 PM
24	Training courses	2/9/2021 7:36 PM
25	Will there be local hiring?	2/9/2021 7:35 PM

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Q13 Is there anything else you would like us to know related to the Wheeler Project?

Answered: 21 Skipped: 45

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Continue involving communities through public sessions as well as correspondence to community leaders. Leave a legacy by setting aside a fund once processing begins and not based on profit alone, in other words we want a share on the profits to go toward developing communities in all aspects.	2/18/2021 10:13 AM
2	No	2/17/2021 2:54 PM
3	Nope	2/12/2021 7:07 PM
4	No	2/12/2021 1:48 PM
5	Not particularly.	2/11/2021 8:00 PM
6	No	2/11/2021 7:53 PM
7	NA	2/11/2021 6:01 PM
8	Not at this time.	2/11/2021 4:32 PM
9	Keep us posted on the development and progress of permits. If need be, involve community members/leadership in meetings with provincial and federal governments and regulators thank you I really enjoyed the engagement session. Keep up the great work Carolann and the Denison team!	2/10/2021 8:26 PM
10	Our wild life and aquatic life should be top priority	2/10/2021 8:24 PM
11	Requirements for partnerships and use of Northern workforce	2/10/2021 8:08 PM
12	Nothing in particular	2/10/2021 11:23 AM
13	yup	2/10/2021 11:19 AM
14	No thank you.	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
15	None	2/10/2021 10:52 AM
16	No	2/10/2021 10:51 AM
17	Nope	2/10/2021 10:49 AM
18	no	2/10/2021 10:48 AM
19	Not at the moment	2/9/2021 7:41 PM
20	No	2/9/2021 7:36 PM
21	No	2/9/2021 7:35 PM

Wheeler River Project information presentation for English River First Nation

March 31 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Use the link provided in the body of this post to access the Zoom session.

Meeting ID: 881 0342 2958 - Passcode: 12345

The Wheeler River Project Team looks forward to seeing you and hearing from you on Zoom.

This community meeting was planned in collaboration with English River First Nation to provide information and seek feedback with respect to Denison's proposed Wheeler River Project. This is a public meeting, which is open to all residents of the community.

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Win door prizes and listen to local entertainment during breaks

Meeting MC: Tara "T-Rhyme" Campbell

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Join the Wheeler River Project team for an online information presentation.



March 31
English River

6:30pm - 8:30pm

First Nation

ONTOOM

The link to join the presentation and feedback session is available on your community's Facebook page and Denison's.

Or use the following Zoom Login Information:

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Phone: 1 (647) 558-0588

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Denison Public Meetings Facebook Post

English River Facebook Page

Residents of English River are invited to attend a public meeting with Denison's Wheeler River Project team next week.

The meeting will take place virtually via Zoom **at 630pm**. There will be entertainment from local artists during the breaks and the opportunity to win door prizes and participation prizes during the meeting. All of the details are below:

6:30pm - 8:30pm Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88103422958?pwd=Yld3dmZXZXRGQndYSTg2S09NYkNnZz09

Meeting ID: 881 0342 2958

Meeting Passcode: 12345

To join by phone; +1 (647)558-0588

Enter Meeting ID: 881 0342 2958#

Password: 12345#

Entertainment

Comedian Dakota Hebert

Prizes

Gift cards to the Beauval General Store

Gift cards to the Patuanak Gas Bar

Copies of Tenille Campbell's newest book



The Wheeler River Project



Denison's Guiding Principles

- Denison understands the importance of protecting the area in which we are working



Agenda

- Opening
- How to Use Zoom
- 'Virtual' Meal Support to the High Schools
- Introductions (Denison, Province, CNSC)
- Wheeler River Project Overview
- Door prize draws and entertainment
- Environmental Assessment Process
- Valued Components
- Questions and Answers Next Steps from Denison
- Final door prize draws and entertainment

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How to Participate using Zoom Features

Carolanne Inglis...

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Chat and Video Function

'Virtual Meal' to Support High School Fundraising



 Denison is proud to make a \$2,500 donation to the school for a 'virtual' meal to support high school fundraising efforts

Thank you to all staff working so hard in the schools – teachers, janitors, bus drivers, librarians, maintenance and administration

- Janna Switzer, Environment Manager
 Chad Sorba, Technical Manager
 Carolanne Inglis-McQuay, CSR Mana
 Xavier Lu Dac, Senior Engineer
- Dana Harris, Project Services Coordinator
 Mike Dawe, Environment and CSR Coordinator
 Jenn Skilnick, Environment Coordinator





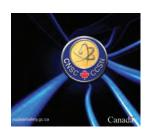


Mr. Aimann Sadik Senior Environmental Assessment Administrator Ms. Brianne England Manager, Applications



Ms. Marcelle Phaneuf Environmental Assessment Specialist

Mr. Ryan Froess Senior Policy Advisor



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Company Overview: Denison is focused on opportunities in northern Saskatchewan

- 22.5% interest in McClean Lake Uranium Mill
 90% interest in Flagship Wheeler River project
 Advancing through development process
 Largest undeveloped uranium project in the infrastructure rich eastern Arbabasca Basin
 Environmental Assessment ("EA") initiated
- Environmental Assessment (FEP) initiated
 Progressive approach to mining using
 in Salu Recovery (FSF) method
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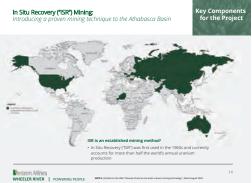
- McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury
 Lake properties, all in close proximity to
 McClean mill
 +250,000 hectares of exploration ground

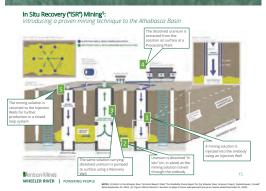












ISR Mining: A progressive approach to uranium mining uranium in the Athabasca Basin

- How is ISR Different?¹

 All activities occur at surface; there are no traditional underground workings
 The ISR mining area has only wells and pipes to plant, no open pits, head-frame, or major earthworks

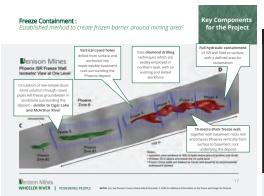
- Waste Management Vision

 Two main waste streams expected:

 Gypsum (non-radioactive) –
 remediated on site

 Radium/rion precipitates (radioactive)
 removed from surface
- No long term waste management expected to be <u>required</u> after mine closure













- ✓ The ore body (i.e. Phoenix) is more than 400 metres below the surface / lakes and river systems ✓ Groundwater in the sandstone around the ore body <u>is not directly</u> connected to surface water
- bodies

 **Field testing in 2019 and 2020, as well as detailed hydrogeologic modelling shows that ground
 water stays at depth it doesn't move upward towards surface, and only moves laterally (at a very
 slow rate) at the depth of the ore body

 **The freeze wall / fence is the ultimate contingency method to contain mining solution within mining

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Wheeler River / Phoenix ISR:

Different mining method and a different type of operation¹



Advantages of ISR mining compared to existing uranium mining in Canada: ✓ Small surface footprint



Socio-economic Considerations:

opportunity to use existing skills

Key Componen for the Projec











Specific ISR training will be provided "Per-requisite training will include diploma or technical certification available in Saskatchewan. Examples: "Process Operation Technical or ISIT in Meadow Lake) Chemical Technology (Sask. Polytechnic) Construction and operation activities targeted to Northern Saskatchewan / Indigenous-owned businesses

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15 Minute Break



- ✓7 copies of Tenille Campbell's newest book: Nedi Nezų: Good Medicine ✓3 x \$100 Gift Certificate to the Beauval General Store ✓3 x \$100 Gift Certificate to the Patuanak Gas Bar



Dakota Ray Hebert

Community Engagement Survey Completion: We are looking for your feedback



https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ERFN2021

The survey link will be posted in the chat function of the Zoom meeting, as well as posted on your community Facebook page after the meeting

Step 2 - Complete the survey by April 7, 2021

Step 3 - Cross your fingers...

for a chance to win 1 of 7 VISA Gift Cards (\$100)

Community Engagement Survey Completion: We are looking for your feedback





- your phone or a QR scanning app
- 2. Hold it over the QR
- 3. A link to the online survey online will pop up on your phone

 4. Click on the link

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Environmental Assessment: Understanding the Project's interactions with human and biophysical environment

- Baseline Studies

 Environmental baseline studies have been ongoing since 2012

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 Technical Studies designed to understand
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Valued Components: Understanding effects on the things that are important

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Economy



Land and Resource Use, Cultural Continuity



Quality of Life



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Groundwater



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Atmosphere & Acoustic

Questions / Comments Summary of questions



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Conclusion: Thank you for attending!



- ✓8 copies of Tenille Campbell's newest book: *Nedi Nezų:* Good Medicine
- ✓2 x \$100 Gift Certificate to the Beauval General Store ✓2 x \$100 Gift Certificate to the Patuanak Gas Bar
- \checkmark 2 x \$250 Gift Certificate to the Beauval General Store



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Next Steps: Keeping conversation going and community informed





Conversation Channels

- Conversation Channels

 Denison will be continually improving communication channels

 Denison will use information shared with us to inform environmental assessment

 Denison will share information back with the community and leadership regarding what we heard from these sessions

 Contact us at WheelerRiverInfo@denisonmines.com

Wheeler River Project Community Engagement Wheeler River Project Survey

The purpose of this survey questionnaire is to inform Denison Mines which components of the environment community members value most, and to identify interests or concerns related to the proposed Wheeler River Project.

Valued components (VCs) refer to programmental hisphysical or human features that may be impacted by a project. The value of a component not only relates to its role in the ecosystem, but also to the value people place on it. For example, if may have scientific, social, cultural, economic, historical, archaeological or aesthetic importance.

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This survey is conducted by Denison Mines with support from Canada North Environmental Services.

The survey results will be used to help Denison Mines determine which valued components should be studied in detail as part of the Wheeler River effects assessment. Results of the survey will also help benison Mines understand which valued components the community would like to receive updates on once the early results of the effects assessment are ready to be share ready or the start of the

A summary of the survey results will be shared on the Denison Mines website in March 2021. There are several benefits of sharing your thoughts in the survey questionants. Vour input will help Denison Mines focus on environmental components, concerns or topics that matter most to your community. If you choose to leave your name and contact information at the concision of the survey, you will be entered into a prize draw for one of ten \$100 VISA gift cards. Participation in the draw is optional and only those who complete the survey will be entered in the draw.

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Participation in this survey is voluntary. If you agree to participate it will require a minimum of 15 minutes of your time to answer questions about components of the environment that you value, and any interests or concerns you have related to the Wheeler River Project. During the survey we will ask you some questions including your age, residence. If you identify as an Aboriginal person, and how you day about the survey. Finally in order to be entered into the prize draw, you must provide your name and contact information.

Providing your name and contact information is optional. All information you share in this survey questionnaire will be kept strictly confidential and your name will not be associated with the data we collect. Your identity will remain confidential in all publications and public presentations related to this research.

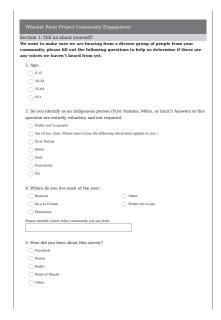
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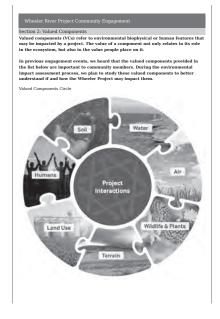


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Meeting Notes

Date: March 31, 2021

Event: English River Community Meeting

- What happens to the solution once you are done mining?
- Why is this type of mining method being used compared to methods used at other mines (like McArthur River)?
- How far is the closest underground river?
- Will the freeze wall remain frozen into perpetuity? If so how?
- Ice Lander River is close to the project if a spill would happen would it reach or contaminate the river?
- What is the mine life of this ore deposit? Is this a worthwhile project if the mine life is so short?
- With all of this construction and noise, how will this affect the moose and caribou population?
- From experience working at McArthur, there were issues with water and radiation passing Cameco's target. They also used a lot of water and there were containment issues? How will this be different?
- Will there be any restrictions for hunters and ERFN members to access the area?
- Once the mine is closed how will the community know that the environment is restored?
- Who is responsible for restoring the environment?
- There looks to be environmental issues in the area caused by exploration drilling. Who will fix this?
- Have you already started drilling?
- Will Denison have an office in Pinehouse
- Will locals get opportunities?
- Will Denison take people on a tour of the site before the mine starts up? People from the community may be able to see good/bad things before they occur.
- How will you get opinions/talk to elders and people who don't use technology? Their opinions are very important.
- Would Denison hire a local person to run an office in Patuanak? People would be more comfortable speaking to a local person who's
 employed by Denison.
- Will this method (ISR) work? Has it been used by other uranium mines?
- What happens to the cavity when you are done mining?
- If Uranium prices ever go down will the mine shut down like Key and McArthur have?
- Have other mines that use this mining method had environmental issues/impacts?
- What would be the main benefits for the community of Patuanak?
- Is the product going to be milled at Key Lake?
- What happens if the environment gets contaminated? How can you restore it to its original state?
- Who is responsible for cleaning up contaminants?
- Is production at Key or McArthur? Will there be minimal buildings at the site? Is there a slurry plant?
- Are there tailings?
- Will Tron and Des Nedhe get opportunities to have contracts?
- Will local companies (Tron, Des Nedhe) and local community members get priority for contracts/employment? Will there be opportunities for negotiations between ERFN and Denison so our community members don't lose out on opportunities?
- If there is no underground shaft how will the freeze pipes be connected?
- Will Denison pay for schooling and training? Specifically trades/tickets. Will they give site specific training or training that can be transferrable?
- Will copies of the EIS be made available to the public before the hearing starts?
- Will the EIS have an executive summary?
- It is important that Elders concerns are heard. They have concerns with the mining project and need to be consulted.
- Are there reservoirs for water treatment?
- The Cameco collaboration agreement was not successful. What will you do about jobs?
- You need to talk to the elders.
- Key Lake has had situations with birds and removing them. How will you deal with this?
- There is a lot of pressure to deal with when drilling (water, clay, sand). There could be issues with this and this will need to be monitored closely.
- Will the reservoirs hold contaminated water, or will it be treated before it gets put in the reservoirs?
- Where will the radium iron material go?



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WHAT WE HEARD FROM RESIDENTS OF ENGLISH RIVER FIRST NATION AND REGION

Thank You for Attending

Denison's Wheeler River Project team thanks everyone who attended its presentation via Zoom or on La Plonge's radio station (93.1 FM) on March 31, 2021, and for responding to the follow-up survey.

Although we are not sure how many of you listened on the radio, we counted 24 participants logged into Zoom to attend this online event, while some of you had others watching with you at home

Thank you to the 22 participants who completed the survey. Seventy six percent (76%) of the people who answered our post event survey were between the ages of 35 and 64 years old, while 16 to 34-year-olds accounted for 19% and 5% identified as being 65 and over

Thank you for welcoming us to engage with your students and teachers. Thanks also to Tara "T-Rhyme" Campbell for being the emcee for the evening, to Elder Isidore Campbell for the prayer, and Dakota Ray Hebert for the entertainment.

The Purpose of This Municipal Presentation

We wanted to make sure that community members and leadership are aware of the proposed project, the plans for the future, the opportunities for the community, and to also give an opportunity to the project's provincial (Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment) and federal (Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission) regulators to participate and introduce themselves.

Wheeler River Project in a nutshell

The Wheeler River Project is located 35 km north-east of the Key Lake mill and 35 km southwest of the McArthur River uranium mine in the south-eastern portion of the Athabasca Basin region.

This proposed uranium mining project will use the In Situ Recovery (ISR) mining method, which is different than any of the existing uranium mines in the Athabasca Basin region - all activities occur at the surface, meaning there are no shafts-/underground workings, no open pits, and no major earthworks. While new to the Athabasca Basin, ISR mining is the most common uranium mining method globally. A 10-metre-thick freeze wall separates the mining areas from the surrounding ground water. A solution is injected into the orebody to dissolve the uranium in place (in situ) and the solution carrying the dissolved uranium is pumped to surface where the uranium is extracted from the solution. The same solution is then pumped back into the ground to dissolve more uranium and so on in a closed loop. With this method there is no production of failings and no large waste rock piles.



Read the Wheeler River Fact Sheet <u>here</u>



Watch the Wheeler River ISR Method Video <u>here</u>



Watch the mobilization at the Phoenix Deposit in April 2021 **here**



Community Insight

During the meeting participants asked many questions and also provided valuable insight in responding to the follow-up survey. Here are the main points made by ERFN members:

Of all 26 interconnected valued components (VCs), which are the environmental or social aspects that may be impacted by a project, you indicated that the following ware most important:

- Air qualit
- Community well-being
- Fmnlovment
- Eich
- Fish habitat and adjustic plants
- Groundwater quality
- Surface wat
- · Traditional land and resource us
- Vegetatio

You also mentioned that you would like the Wheeler River Project team to consider the following additional VCs during its assessment

- Consultatio
- loipt vonture
- Knowledge of resource managemen
- Longevity of the land
- Traditional food
- Working relationships (particularly between ERFN and Denisor

Communication with all levels of membership (not just leaders) is important.

- ERFN Membe

Keep those living on their traditional lands as a top priority.

- ERFN Membe

As a First Nation person I feel it's very important for the habitat and aquatic life to thrive for future purposes.

- ERFN Member

You also told us some of your worries and concerns about the project. These are the main points:

- Use of acids in ISR mining
- Storage and shipping of the yellowcake and other harmfu substances
- Impact on wildlife in the area around the mine.
- Potential negative impacts to community health
- Possibility of the groundwater or the land being impacted.
- Concerns about residual uranium leaking into the groundwater after the removal of the freeze wall
- Concerns about inadequate reclamation being complete.
- Potential impacts to the people who use the area for traditional activities and
- Potential for long-term impacts to the land not helpful for th community as it will harm the earth, which is needed for surviv

You acknowledged some of the opportunities you are looking

- Employment opportunities
- Opportunities for local companies (TPON and Des Nedhe)
- Possibility of royalties for the community
- Potential for community development and a collaborative agreement
- Training opportunities

You invited the Wheeler project team to continue its engagement activities with ERFN members and leadership with more consistent communication and updates to ensure that the project is being completed with integrity and respect. And more specifically you mentioned that "increased communications (quarterly) would be beneficial to the community, possibly through a community liaison."

You indicated that the use of online engagement is a concern for many community members, particularly given that Elders may not be comfortable with online engagement and their opinions are very important. You also mentioned that for engagement to be inclusive a translator should be made available.

The Next Steps

The information gathered by Denison through community engagement activities will be included in future value components studies wher possible, and in our formal report to the regulators.

The Wheeler River Project team will continue community engagement through future meetings with community leadership and residents as required, and will continue to share information via our Wheeler River dedicated website.

We also anticipate that the regulators will inform community leadership and residents of opportunities to participate in the project regulatory review process when appropriate.

Denison is also working with Metis Nation-Saskatchewan to arrange separate meetings with Metis leadership and citizens to understand the distinct interests of the Metis in respect of the project.

Tell Us More

Denison is committed to engaging with our neighbours and invite you to contact us to share ideas or concerns with the Wheeler River Project team. You can also contact our team to request information or offer your services.

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Uranium Development & Exploration The Wheeler River Project

March, 2021 St. Louis High School



Denison's Guiding Principles

- · Denison recognizes and is deeply respectful of the fact the that Wheeler River project is located within the boundaries of **Treaty 10**, and is in the heart of the **traditional territory of** the English River First Nation, and in the homeland of the Métis of Saskatchewan
- · Denison understands the importance of protecting the area in which we are working

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Cautionary Statements & References



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Company Overview: Denison is focused on opportunities in northern Saskatchewan

- 22.5% interest in McClean Lake Uranium Mill
- 90% interest in Flagship Wheeler River project
- Advancing through development process · Largest undeveloped uranium project in the infrastructure rich eastern Athabasca Basin
- · Environmental Assessment ("EA") initiated
- Progressive approach to mining using In Situ Recovery ("ISR") method
- 66.9% in the Waterbury Lake Property, hosting the Tthe Heldeth Túé (formerly J Zone) deposit
- Recently completed Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA")¹
- Amenable to ISR mining method
- Several other interests in the Athabasca Basin region McClean Lake, Midwest, and Waterbury Lake properties, all in close proximity to
- +250,000 hectares of exploration ground

McClean mill











In Situ Recovery ("ISR") Mining:

Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin

Key Components for the Project



In Situ Recovery ("ISR") Mining1: Introducing a proven mining technique to the Athabasca Basin



ISR Mining:

A progressive approach to uranium mining uranium in the Athabasca Basin

How is ISR Different?1

- All activities occur at surface; there are no traditional underground workings
- · The ISR mining area has only wells and pipes to plant; no open pits, head-frame, or major earthworks
- · There is no tailings production or longterm tailings storage, plus no large waste

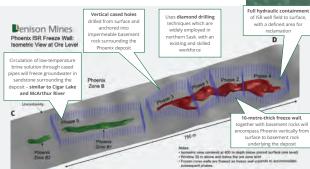
Waste Management Vision

- · Two main waste streams expected: > Gypsum (non-radioactive) remediated on site
- > Radium/Iron precipitates (radioactive) - removed from surface
- · No long term waste management expected to be required after mine closure

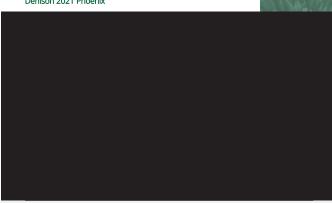
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Freeze Containment: Established method to create frozen barrier around mining area1



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Athabasca Basin Ground Water Modelling: Ground water at depth stays at depth

Key Components



Wheeler River / Phoenix ISR:

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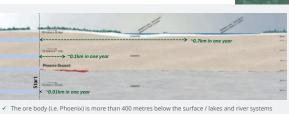
Different mining method and a different type of operation1

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Key Components

for the Project



- ✓ Groundwater in the sandstone around the ore body is not directly connected to surface water
- ✓ Field testing in 2019 and 2020, as well as detailed hydrogeologic modelling shows that ground water stays at depth - it doesn't move upward towards surface, and only moves laterally (at a very slow rate) at the depth of the ore body
- ✓ The freeze wall / fence is the ultimate contingency method to contain mining solution within mining. area

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WHEELER RIVER | POWERING PEOPLE NOTES: (1) See Denison's news release from June 4, 2020 for details

Advantages of ISR mining compared to existing



uranium mining in Canada:

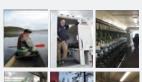
- ✓ Small surface footprint
- ✓ Lower water consumption
- ✓ Lower energy consumption ✓ Lower CO₂ emissions
- ✓ Small volume treated effluent released to surface water
- ✓ Potential for lower radiation doses to workers
- ✓ No tailings production; storage of precipitated by-products
- ✓ Very small volumes of clean waste rock (sandstone core from wellfield development)

WHEELER RIVER | POWERING PEOPLE NOTES: (1) Refer to the "Wheeler River Project Provincial Technical Proposal and Federal Project Description", dated May 2019

Socio-economic Considerations:

Relatively small operation with opportunity to use existing skills

Key Components for the Project





Denison is committed to maximizing opportunities

- Up to 300 jobs during ~2 years of construction
- Approximately 100 jobs during operation for 10 years
- Targeted efforts to Communities of Interest, with a broad focus on northern Saskatchewan and Indigenous communities
- Similar job types to those at existing uranium operations
- · Trades, surface, environment, radiation, safety, camp, security
- · ISR operators are similar to process operators (training can be done in Meadow Lake)
- · Specific ISR training will be provided
- Pre-requisite training will include diploma or technical certification available in Saskatchewan. Examples:
- · Process Operation Technician (SIIT in Meadow Lake)
- Chemical Technology (Sask. Polytechnic)
- Construction and operation activities targeted to Northern Saskatchewan / Indigenous-owned businesses

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Community Engagement Survey Completion:

We are looking for your feedback



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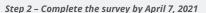
Community Engagement Survey Completion:

We are looking for your feedback

Step 1 - Click link or scan QR code

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ERFN2021

The survey link will be posted in the chat function of the Zoom meeting, as well as posted on your community Facebook page after the meeting



Step 3 - Cross your fingers... for a chance to win 1 of 7 VISA Gift Cards (\$100)

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ERFN2021

7. From the list below, please click on the valued components that you feel are most important for us to study as part of the impact assessment.

(Soil

Birds

Why did you choose these valued components

Surface water

Fish habitat and aquatic plants

Fish





1. Open the camera on your phone or a QR scanning app

- 2. Hold it over the QR
- 3 A link to the online survey online will pop up on your phone
- 4. Click on the link
- 5. Complete the survey

Survey closes on April 7, 2021

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https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ERFN2021 Wheeler River Project Community Engagement Wheeler River Project Survey by a project. The value of a component not only relates to its role in the ecosystem, but also sales people place on it. For example, it may have scientific, social, outrust, economic, historatherological or eartheric importance. 1716-54 Denison Mines

Community Engagement Survey Completion:

We are looking for your feedback

Local economy



Environmental Assessment: Understanding the Project's

interactions with human and biophysical environment

Baseline Studies

- Environmental baseline studies have been ongoing since 2012
- Denison needs to understand the current environmental conditions within and around the Wheeler River Project area

Environmental Assessment

- Initiated the federal and provincial environmental assessment processes in May 2019 with the Wheeler River Project Description
- Lead federal regulator: Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
- Lead provincial regulator: Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment, Environmental Assessment Branch
- Technical studies designed to understand potential effects of the Project on the biophysical and human environments

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Valued Components: Understanding effects on the

things that are important

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- Gain an understanding of what is important to the people who use the area and to the people who may be affected by project activities.
- · Gather information through research, from regulator feedback and through engagement with communities and Indigenous groups communities
- · Design the environmental studies to predict how the VC's may change and what measures can be put in place to minimize and monitor the changes
- Monitoring and reporting of the changes to VC's will carry on throughout all phases of the project into decommissioning and post closure

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Economy

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Land and Resource Use, Cultural Continuity



Quality of Life



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Terrestrial



Aquatic



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Groundwater



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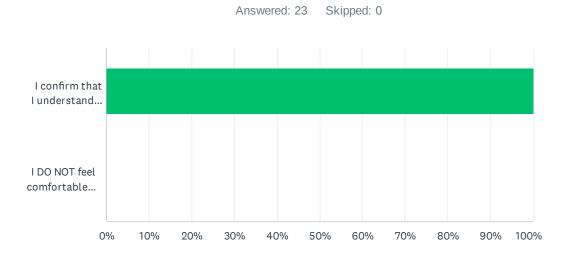
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High School Presentation English River First Nation March 31, 2021

- Any chance of the wells blowing and contaminating the ground around it?
 - The well design will be designed significantly above the rupture pressure, so the risk of this occurring
 is pretty low. Additionally, we will be casing all of the wells and putting grout around the well
 (concrete barrier). And the freeze wall will surround the wells to make sure no ground contamination
 can occur.
- Are the mines filled in when the mining is done?
 - Yes, we will be looking at what the requirements are to make sure the ISR wells and freeze wells are properly decommissioned.
- Are the wells capped when it's done?
 - Yes, we will be looking at what the requirements are to make sure the ISR wells and freeze wells are properly decommissioned.
- Will the project be close to some cabins that are up there?
 - The wheeler river project is located about 10 km from a cabin. An ERFN member has a few cabins and we have been working quite closely with this member of ERFN to make sure that they understand what we are doing and how we are doing it. This ERFN member local knowledge expert on the names of the lake and where the fish move, and they have shared the information with us and it will be used in our EIS.
- When will construction begin on this project?
 - We can't disclose that at this point in time as we are still going through a lot of processes like the EIS and feasibility study. As soon as those are done and approved and then we will start. It can take about 2 to 3 years. So that is a rough time frame.
- How will the radium precipitates be stored?
 - They will be stored at first into a double lined pond with leak detection. The precipitates won't be there permanently. They will be removed. The amount of precipitate will be lower than other mines in the north.
- What kind of impact will the project have on wildlife?
 - o Short answer is that is what the EIS will determine, all of the impacts on the wildlife, etc. This will be given to a 3rd party expert to determine. I don't think we would be moving forward with a project that we thought would have a long-term impact on the wildlife or any species for that matter. Our project footprint is very small compared to some of the other operations in the north. We anticipate our impacts if any will be short term, and isolated to a small area. We don't have a conclusive answer right now, but we will get an answer. We are also working quite closely with ERFN and making sure ERFN does their own work on this question which would be incorporated into the EIS.

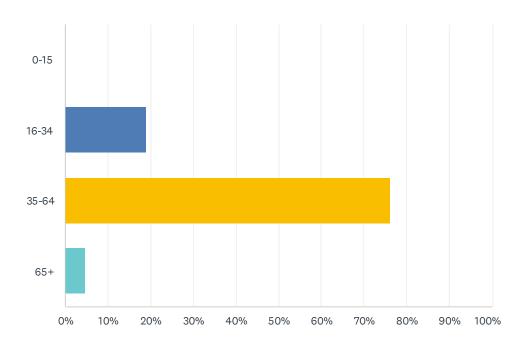
Q1 By checking this box, you confirm that you understand the purpose of the survey, how the information you share will be used, and that participation in the survey is voluntary.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONS	SES
I confirm that I understand the purpose of this survey, how the information will be shared, and that participation is voluntary	100.00%	23
I DO NOT feel comfortable proceeding with this survey and would like to exit	0.00%	0
TOTAL		23

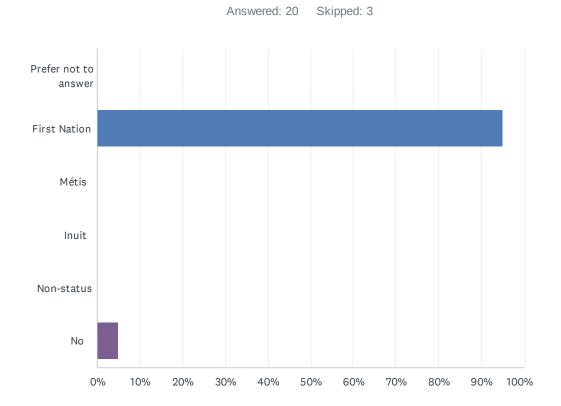
Q2 Age:

Answered: 21 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-15	0.00%	0
16-34	19.05%	4
35-64	76.19%	16
65+	4.76%	1
TOTAL		21

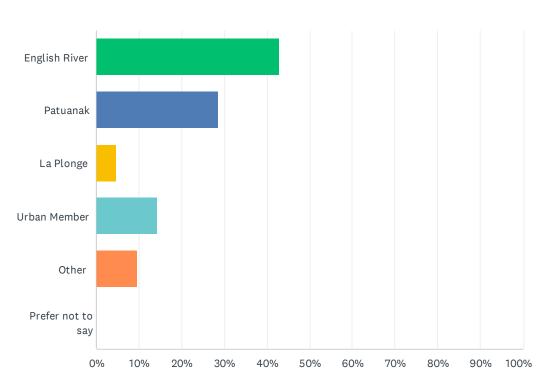
Q3 Do you identify as an Indigenous person (First Nations, Métis, or Inuit?) Answers to this question are entirely voluntary and not required.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Prefer not to answer	0.00%	0
First Nation	95.00%	19
Métis	0.00%	0
Inuit	0.00%	0
Non-status	0.00%	0
No	5.00%	1
TOTAL		20

Q4 Where do you live most of the year:



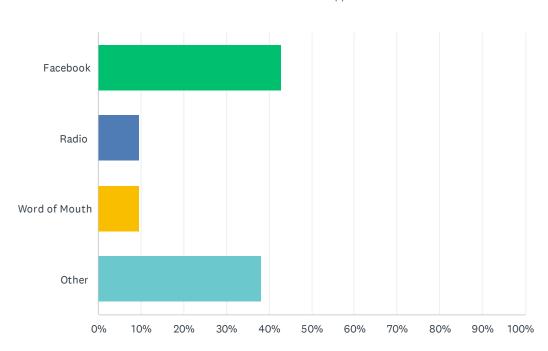


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
English River	42.86%	9
Patuanak	28.57%	6
La Plonge	4.76%	1
Urban Member	14.29%	3
Other	9.52%	2
Prefer not to say	0.00%	0
TOTAL		21

#	PLEASE IDENTIFY WHICH OTHER COMMUNITY YOU ARE FROM	DATE
1	Patuanak	4/7/2021 9:24 AM
2	Patuanak Reserve	3/31/2021 7:43 PM
3	Saskatoon	3/31/2021 7:42 PM
4	Meadow lake	3/31/2021 7:42 PM
5	Wahnapitae First Nation	3/31/2021 1:34 PM

Q5 How did you hear about this survey?

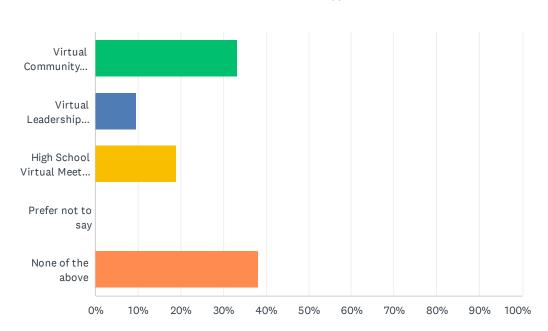




ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Facebook	42.86%	9
Radio	9.52%	2
Word of Mouth	9.52%	2
Other	38.10%	8
TOTAL		21

Q6 Which of the following presentations did you attend? Check all that apply.

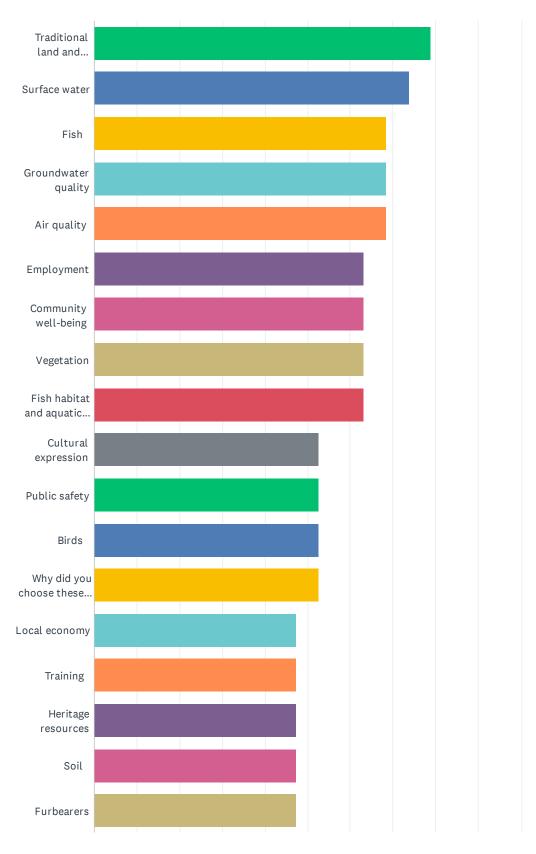




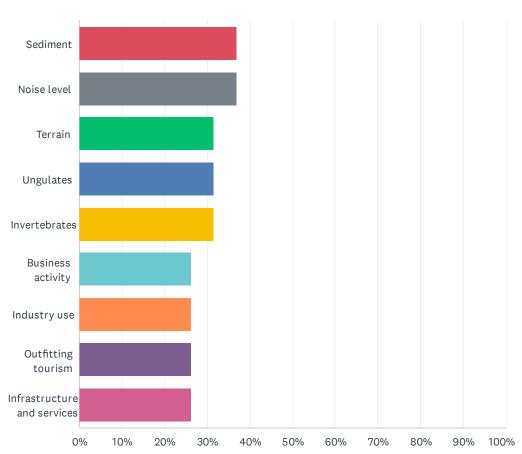
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Virtual Community Meeting	33.33%	7
Virtual Leadership Meeting	9.52%	2
High School Virtual Meeting	19.05%	4
Prefer not to say	0.00%	0
None of the above	38.10%	8
TOTAL	2	21

Q7 From the list below, please click on the valued components that you feel are most important for us to study as part of the impact assessment.





ROC456
Wheeler River Project - ERFN Members Engagement



ROC456 Wheeler River Project - ERFN Members Engagement

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Traditional land and resource use	78.95%	15
Surface water	73.68%	14
Fish	68.42%	13
Groundwater quality	68.42%	13
Air quality	68.42%	13
Employment	63.16%	12
Community well-being	63.16%	12
Vegetation	63.16%	12
Fish habitat and aquatic plants	63.16%	12
Cultural expression	52.63%	10
Public safety	52.63%	10
Birds	52.63%	10
Why did you choose these valued components?	52.63%	10
Local economy	47.37%	9
Training	47.37%	9
Heritage resources	47.37%	9
Soil	47.37%	9
Furbearers	47.37%	9
Sediment	36.84%	7
Noise level	36.84%	7
Terrain	31.58%	6
Ungulates	31.58%	6
Invertebrates	31.58%	6
Business activity	26.32%	5
Industry use	26.32%	5
Outfitting tourism	26.32%	5
Infrastructure and services	26.32%	5
Total Respondents: 19		

#	WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THESE VALUED COMPONENTS?	DATE
1	i chose those to emphasize how we value our eco system and to protect our traditional territory and please try to establish a resource management camp at KM 160 ON KEY LAKE ROAD, to have young teen agers get to know about wildlife and names and characteristics of each wildlife, forestry and know all the names and traditional use of each trees and all the plants, fish species amd aquatic these are important for all young people to know get ahold of integrated resource management to assist with how they teach resource management	4/7/2021 9:40 AM

ROC456 Wheeler River Project - ERFN Members Engagement

2	All living things r important n that's out inherited lands, when r u planning to do a real consulation with our members.our elderes have alot of questions	4/6/2021 5:15 PM
3	There are hardly any employment opportunity for members	4/6/2021 4:56 PM
4	As a First Nation person, I feel it's very important for the habitat and aquatic life to thrive for future purposes	4/6/2021 4:56 PM
5	I wish traditional livelihood to continue by the future generations in these areas	4/6/2021 4:45 PM
6	A clean environment is totally a value of survival and overall health for indigenous persons.	4/6/2021 1:26 PM
7	Cause I'm a hunter and I always use the land	4/6/2021 1:07 PM
8	Community concerns and requirements for the future of our children's, grandchildren's, great grandchildren's connection to the land and utilization of renewable resources by future generations.	4/1/2021 1:45 PM
9	All are a valued process for the community members of Patuanak	4/1/2021 1:44 PM
10	Water and soil	3/31/2021 7:46 PM

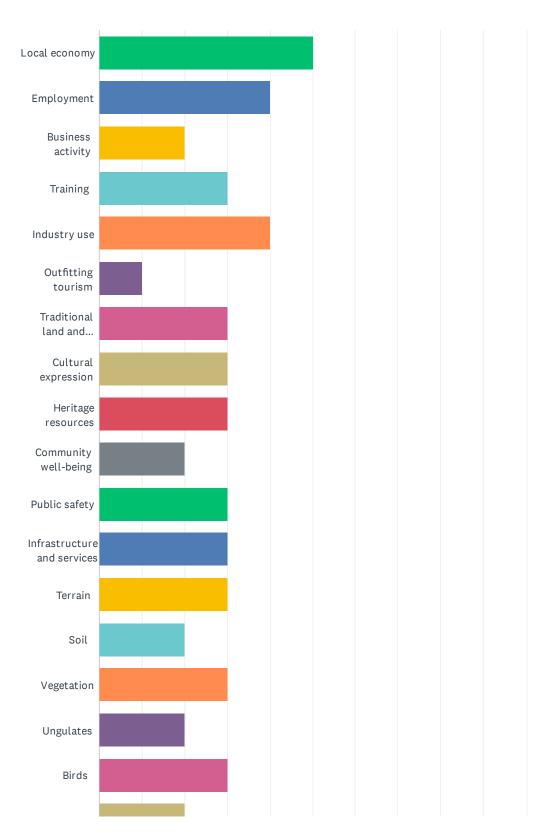
Q8 Are there any valued components that are important to you that are missing from this list? If so, please list them below. Why are these important to you?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 9

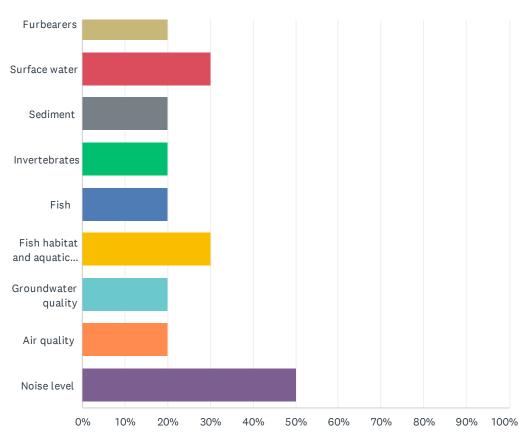
#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	people to know more knowledge of how to do resource management	4/7/2021 9:40 AM
2	No	4/7/2021 3:42 AM
3	Your consulotion is important,not video,not sure y but your visit would be	4/6/2021 5:15 PM
4	No	4/6/2021 4:56 PM
5	Traditional food	4/6/2021 4:45 PM
6	No	4/6/2021 2:51 PM
7	No	4/6/2021 1:22 PM
8	None	4/6/2021 1:07 PM
9	Good working relationship between ERFN membership & Denison Mines	4/1/2021 1:45 PM
10	The longevity of the land after 50 or so years after the mine has been done operation?	4/1/2021 1:44 PM
11	Traplines fish.tourism be a promotion part of Dennison mines &joint ventures to patuanak.erfn	3/31/2021 7:49 PM
12	None	3/31/2021 7:46 PM
13	All of them	3/31/2021 7:44 PM
14	yes they are important	3/31/2021 2:39 PM

Q9 Are there any valued components on the list that are not important to you? If so, please select the valued components from the list below that you feel should be removed.





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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Local economy	50.00%	5
Employment	40.00%	4
Business activity	20.00%	2
Training	30.00%	3
Industry use	40.00%	4
Outfitting tourism	10.00%	1
Traditional land and resource use	30.00%	3
Cultural expression	30.00%	3
Heritage resources	30.00%	3
Community well-being	20.00%	2
Public safety	30.00%	3
Infrastructure and services	30.00%	3
Terrain	30.00%	3
Soil	20.00%	2
Vegetation	30.00%	3
Ungulates	20.00%	2
Birds	30.00%	3
Furbearers	20.00%	2
Surface water	30.00%	3
Sediment	20.00%	2
Invertebrates	20.00%	2
Fish	20.00%	2
Fish habitat and aquatic plants	30.00%	3
Groundwater quality	20.00%	2
Air quality	20.00%	2
Noise level	50.00%	5
Total Respondents: 10		

Q10 Based on what you know so far about the Wheeler Project, what aspects of the project could benefit, or work well for your community?

Answered: 17 Skipped: 6

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	i believe including ERFN in training and having members employed but each member has to be notified that they have to consider holistic well being for them selves, family ans strive for wellness of community. the new technique of mining seems to be a new way and i hope they don't have any spills. please communicate more with the ERFN members quarterly and have a liason person, some one out going to translate	4/7/2021 10:07 AM
2	Work	4/7/2021 3:43 AM
3	To deal with c a agreement before u do more damage to our beautiful land	4/6/2021 5:19 PM
4	E.R.F.N members should be priority employees at Denison mines	4/6/2021 4:58 PM
5	Employment	4/6/2021 4:57 PM
6	Proper management mainly consultations with all members of ERFN	4/6/2021 4:52 PM
7	None	4/6/2021 2:52 PM
8	None- the long term affects will seriously harm our 'Mother Earth' of which we need to survive.	4/6/2021 1:30 PM
9	No	4/6/2021 1:22 PM
10	Jobs	4/6/2021 1:08 PM
11	Employment and regular updates	4/1/2021 1:58 PM
12	Royalties for the community	4/1/2021 1:46 PM
13	Training and comunity development should be under way and planning be underway to have a separate office for wheeler only and not solely through tron	3/31/2021 7:58 PM
14	Employment	3/31/2021 7:51 PM
15	Communication	3/31/2021 7:48 PM
16	Don't know enough	3/31/2021 7:44 PM
17	Providing jobs	3/31/2021 1:40 PM

Q11 Based on what you know so far about the Wheeler Project, what aspects of the project could be challenging or cause concern for your community?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	probably the new technique of putting acid in the ground to extract the uranium, and probably the storage and shipping out and overall safety	4/7/2021 10:07 AM
2	Hunting	4/7/2021 3:43 AM
3	I no your part of ca agreement.n isidore should retire	4/6/2021 5:19 PM
4	Weekly and monthly updates	4/6/2021 4:58 PM
5	None so far	4/6/2021 4:57 PM
6	Integrity, accountability, and respect by both parties	4/6/2021 4:52 PM
7	Health and well-being of humans and wildlife	4/6/2021 2:52 PM
8	Health	4/6/2021 1:30 PM
9	Employment	4/6/2021 1:22 PM
10	Groundwater and the Land affected	4/6/2021 1:08 PM
11	Contamination of the land by not looking far enough into the future and making it useless for future generations looking forward 500 years.	4/1/2021 1:58 PM
12	Cultural way of life for people who utilize the area for survival	4/1/2021 1:46 PM
13	Members be 100% solely involved	3/31/2021 7:58 PM
14	Environmental areas	3/31/2021 7:51 PM
15	Information	3/31/2021 7:48 PM
16	Maybe the company doesn't fulfill cleanup efforts after the mine is closed.	3/31/2021 1:40 PM

Q12 Are there questions you have about the Wheeler Project that you would like to see addressed in future updates or communications? If, so please list your questions in the space below.

Answered: 13 Skipped: 10

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	1st of all a Translator for the elderly. 1. how to closely work with with ERFN 2. COMMUNICATION IS A PRIORITY AND COMMUNICATION NOT TO ONLY LEADERS, BECAUSE THEY GET 1ST HAND INFORMATION AND ONLY CHOSE RELATIVES BUDGET COMMUNICATION STATION AND ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENTS SPECIALLY HOLISTIC WELLNESS	4/7/2021 10:07 AM
2	No	4/7/2021 3:43 AM
3	[Redacted] asked questions n meeting was done,y?	4/6/2021 5:19 PM
4	Who is first priority on the hiring process ?	4/6/2021 4:58 PM
5	No	4/6/2021 4:57 PM
6	Information presentations to both on and off reserve members	4/6/2021 4:52 PM
7	No	4/6/2021 2:52 PM
8	Keep those living on their traditional lands as a top priority for any and all gain from you displacing their life line.	4/6/2021 1:30 PM
9	No	4/6/2021 1:22 PM
10	How will ALL uranium be extracted from the mine site? How will you determine that it has been accomplished? There will be residual uranium in liquid form after the mine has been "depleted" and can you guarantee that none will find it's way into the ground water once the freezing has thawed?	4/1/2021 1:58 PM
11	as time goes	4/1/2021 1:46 PM
12	Employ norther sask residents and agreed by erfn leaving no imports from out of province workers .	3/31/2021 7:58 PM
13	None	3/31/2021 7:48 PM

Q13 Is there anything else you would like us to know related to the Wheeler Project?

Answered: 12 Skipped: 11

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	WE ARE DENESULINA PEOPLE AND ARE DIFFERENT THEN CAUCASIAN, SO PLEASE BE LENIENT TO US	4/7/2021 10:07 AM
2	No	4/7/2021 3:43 AM
3	Ca agreement is related to your plan.I have documents	4/6/2021 5:19 PM
4	No	4/6/2021 4:57 PM
5	Agreement to go through a ratification vote	4/6/2021 4:52 PM
6	No	4/6/2021 2:52 PM
7	No	4/6/2021 1:30 PM
8	No	4/6/2021 1:22 PM
9	We will proceed slowly to make sure we have covered all the bases.	4/1/2021 1:58 PM
10	Sub contract to erfn	3/31/2021 7:58 PM
11	Will this project affect the water quality of Cree Lake?	3/31/2021 7:51 PM
12	Nil	3/31/2021 7:48 PM