



Blackwater Mine

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Attention: Stakeholders /Tenure Holders in the Blackwater Mine and Transmission Line Area

Re: Proposed Blackwater Gold Project – Spring/Summer Field Programs and Activities

We are writing to inform you that BW Gold's field programs and activities in and around the Blackwater mine site and transmission line route are underway.

Over the next few months, you may see field crews working around the Blackwater Mine, along the Kluskus FSR, Mine Access Road and transmission line route.

The environmental field programs **will not involve** any disturbance to the land or water and there will be no heavy equipment utilized, with the off-road work being completed by pickup trucks, on foot, by boat, by helicopter or with the aid of UTVs/snowmobiles. The activities underway include the following:

- Hydrometric baseline data collection (survey, stream flow measurement, water level surveys, installation of monitoring equipment April - October)
- Groundwater baseline data collection (ground water sampling and water level measurements)
- Surface water sampling (a year-round project for baseline water samples at various streams and lakes)
- Aquatic sampling (including sediment and invertebrate sampling)
- Various wildlife surveys and data collection (wildlife camera installations and waterbird, upland bird, ungulate, and amphibian surveys)
- Soil and vegetation sampling
- Fish and fish habitat sampling and surveys
- *Note: the above environmental field activities schedule varies, some data is collected on a monthly basis year-round, during summer months only, and other activities may occur once annually.*

The transmission line construction activities **will include** heavy equipment for trail and road development, pole installation and fibre stringing, and the use of helicopters in specific areas. More information about helicopter activity in the area will be forthcoming as plans are finalized. The upcoming activities include the following:

- Conclusion of access trail development, installation of poles, conductor and fibre stringing, electrification, and implementation of access control measures. Temporary road disruptions may occur for specific activities, more information will be provided as plans are finalized.

The main contractors involved with this work on the environmental field activities include Avison Management Services, Triton Environmental Consultants, DWB Consulting Services and ERM –



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Environmental Resources Management, and for transmission line activities Arctic Arrow Powerline Group, Victor Energy Ltd., and Frost Lake Logging Ltd.

We would welcome the opportunity to provide more information on Blackwater's activities. Please contact our Community Office at 250-567-3276, or by email at office.blackwater@artemisgoldinc.com with any questions you may have. Or likewise, you can submit feedback and inquires via our Community Feedback Mechanism located on our website at artemisgoldinc.com/blackwater-community/community-feedback-mechanism. For information on any of the management plans and schedules of planned activities please sign up for notifications at blackwatergoldmine.com.

Sincerely,

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