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

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

In the coming 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 data collection (survey, stream flow measurement, water level surveys, installation of monitoring equipment April - October)
- Groundwater 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
- Invasive Plant Treatment and Surveys
- Erosion and Sediment Control Installations and inspections
- *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 main contractors involved with this work include Avison Management Services, Triton Environmental Consultants, DWB Consulting Services, and ERM – Environmental Resources Management.

Ongoing road maintenance activities will continue on the Kluskus FSR and the Mine Access Road. This work **will include** heavy equipment for grading, dust control, right-of-way brushing, culvert maintenance, and bridge maintenance. The main contractor involved with this work will be Dalchako Road Services (DRS).

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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