



EMAB Meeting Summary – December 10-11'24

Meeting held in-person and by teleconference/videoconference

Minutes/Action Item Follow-Up

- Finalize and send TK fish camp recommendation letter to DDMI

Finance

- ED to organize payment to Jack Kaniak scholarship recipient

Inspector's Update

- ES presented recent water licence inspection results (Inspector not available due to illness)
 - Jan'24 fuel spill almost completely cleaned up
- ED to request GNWT water resources to provide update on water sampling in Coppermine River

Annual Report Status Update

- Board approved text of annual report; staff to submit for design and print

Update on Closure Workshop #1 and #2 – Water Quality and Revegetation

- New discharge criteria for collection ponds
- Concern about treatment and disposal of hydrocarbon contaminated soil

Diavik Water Licence Renewal Presentation

- Renewal application expected first week of January 2025; requesting a 10-year licence to 2035.
- Renewal licence will reflect recent WL amendments – request breaching remaining 9 collection ponds. Largely aimed at authorizing closure activities and monitoring.

TK Monitoring Plan Discussion

- Board discussed and revised draft ToR; main concerns were:
 - Party/community representation,
 - Governance and role of TK Panel, including Diavik participation,
 - need for endorsement of draft ToR
 - budget for monitoring and how long to monitor
- Board to provide comments on draft revisions by Dec 13'24

Two-Year Budget Discussion

- Mostly Diavik agrees with EMAB recommendations. Diavik does not agree with guaranteeing additional funding for review of FCRP and Water Licence Renewal if budget is not enough.
- Board approved revised response letter to Diavik, revised attachment 1, and revised budget description
- If no agreement by Dec 17'24, need to involve ECC Minister.



EAQMP Investigation Update

- GNWT has received DDMI's revised EAQMP; GNWT will review for adequacy and decide next steps.
- Aim to have review completed by Jan 10'25

Round Table

- Board members provided community updates, no major concerns.

Next Board meeting is scheduled for Feb 11-12'25