



Yukon Environmental & Socio-economic Assessment Act Decision Document

This document meets the Yukon government's requirements as a Decision Body as set out in the *Yukon Environmental & Socio-economic Assessment Act*.

Decision Document Issued By:

YG Decision Body:	EMR Mineral Resources
Federal Decision Body(ies):	
First Nation Decision Body(ies):	

Project:

Project Name:	Bjork – Ruby Creek Placer Mining	YESA File Number: 2009-0212
Proponent Name:	Bryan Bjork	

Project Scope

The scope of the project for this assessment has been determined to be as follows:

The principal activity of this project is the operation and activities associated with placer mining on Ruby Creek, a tributary of the Jarvis River. The project is located approximately 50 km from Silver City on 9 claims and is expected to occur seasonally from April to October over the next 10 years.

Associated activities include:

- Use of heavy equipment for clearing, trenching, preparing work area, constructing diversions and settling ponds, and processing of materials;
- Use of existing road network for access and mobilization of supplies;
- Material to be processed: approximately 45,000 m³/year for 10 years;
- Overburden removal: approximately 10,000 m³/year for 10 years;
- Water use: approximately 3,500 m³/day;
- Reclamation of the mined area during and upon project completion.

Accessory activities include:

- Storage of petroleum products totaling approximately 8,000 L including: diesel, gas, oil and lubricants;
- Camp with a 8-person capacity consisting of 4 trailers;
- Solid waste will be disposed of by burning and hauling to an approved solid waste facility.

Other Decision Bodies:

Other Decision Body Consultation:	▪ Champagne & Aishihik First Nation
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Non-Self Governing First Nations:

Non-Self Governing First Nation Consultation:	▪ [list First Nation consulted where applicable]
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Decision

Pursuant to ss.75, 76 and 80, the Yukon government has considered the YESAA Assessment and:

a) Accepts the following recommendation(s):

- 1) All attractants, including kitchen waste, solid waste and food, shall be stored in such a way that prevents access by wildlife until properly disposed of in accordance with the Solid Waste Regulation by 1) transporting to a licensed landfill facility or 2) by burning daily to ash by forced air or fuel fired incineration.
- 2) The District Conservation Officer shall be contacted in the event of all wildlife conflict arising from project activities;
- 3) The proponent shall backfill trenches or provide a means of escape for wildlife at one end to prevent wildlife entrapment.

b) Rejects the following recommendation(s) as follows for the reason(s) specified:

c) Varies the following recommendation(s) as follows for the reason(s) specified:

Dates

Project Recommendation Issued: February 3, 2010	Decision Document Issued: February 24, 2010
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Recommendation Received From:

		Location:
Designated Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Haines Junction
Executive Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Panel	<input type="checkbox"/>	a) Panel of the YESAB
	<input type="checkbox"/>	b) CEAA Panel
	<input type="checkbox"/>	c) Joint Panel (YESAB and other assessment body)

Authorization

By signing below, the Yukon government has exercised its authority as per YESAA s. 75 or s. 76 to issue a decision document on this project.

Name: Robert Holmes Position: Director, Mineral Resources
 Signature: Date: February 24, 2010



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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other Decision Bodies | [list] | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Project Proponent | [name] | <u>Bryan Bjork</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | DAP Branch, Executive Council Office | | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YESAB Designated Office | [location] | <u>Haines Junction</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | YESAB Executive Committee | [when applicable] | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Minister Environment (Canada) | [when applicable] | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Yukon Surface Rights Board | [when applicable] | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Yukon Water Board | [when applicable] | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Land Use Planning Commission: | [when applicable] | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Independent Regulatory Agency | [when applicable] | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other Body/Person as Required | [List] | _____ |