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Identifier	Topic	Reference to EIS/EA Report	Summary of Previous Comment	Proponent's Response to Previous Comment	Follow-up comment/ Request for Information	New Proponent Response	Subsequent Comment
			Date: August 2015 MNRF-9	Date: September 2016	Date: April 2017	Date: June 2017	
MNRF-9B	Aquatic Habitat		Thank you for providing a preliminary outline of the planning to drain Mitta Lake in the response to comment T-62, however this should be written into the EA document and more detail will be required (for example, fish stocking destinations, lake sediment disposal) when permits are triggered as it should be noted that there are likely permits/approvals that are required from MNRF for the transport and stocking of fish and specific details will be required before they will be issued. When will the conceptual design for the water removal of Mitta Lake be available to review if construction is expected to commence shortly after the EA is approved? The conceptual design should be available to the public as a whole, not just Aboriginal groups and project stakeholders.	The preliminary framework for the draining of Mitta Lake described in the response to comment T-62 is part of the formal EA record because the response to T-62 is documented in Part 1 of the Addendum to the Final EIS/EA Report (submitted in June 2015). CMC is not planning to revise the Final EIS/EA that has been submitted and is now part of the public record. As noted in T-62, the development of the plan to drain Mitta Lake will include consultation with DFO and MNRF. CMC understands and acknowledges that more detail will be required to support the required permit applications for the draining of Mitta Lake. Permits will be sought after the detailed plan has been developed and the required information is available. Detailed planning will take place during the permitting phase of the project which will not commence until EA approval is received. Once the plan has been developed, it will be made available to the public as a whole. All permit applications will be submitted and approvals will be in place before construction. A revised project schedule has been provided in response to comment EAB-08NEW. This schedule is dependent on economic considerations and of timing of EA approval. If the economic environment is supportive of the project and EA approval is received in 2016, the detailed planning and permitting associated with the draining of Mitta Lake will take place prior to the beginning of 2019.	No further MNRF comment.	Acknowledged	N/A