
HAMMOND REEF GOLD PROJECT RESPONSE TO COMMENTS ON FINAL EIS/EA

COMMENT –T-13

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Summary of Comment

According to Section 3.1.6.1, several receptors (PORs) were not considered as air quality receptors because property access is to be restricted by the proponent (PORs 10, 11, 17, 19, 23, 36 and 37). In Figure 3-5 (Human Health Risk Assessment Receptors), POR 23 is present on the map and appears to have been evaluated, and on Figure 4-1 (Noise Study Areas), an additional POR (POR 41) is identified near the tailings impoundment area but is not listed in Table 4-3 (Point of Reception Summary) for noise nor does it appear to have been evaluated in the air quality study.

Proposed Action

Indicate whether POR 23 was evaluated, and explain what POR 41 is and why it was not evaluated in either the air quality or noise study.

Reference to EIS

Atmospheric Environment TSD.

Response

Some POR locations were removed from the Final EIS/EA Report as they are not considered “points of reception” in accordance with the Ontario Ministry of the Environment noise guideline NPC 300 and therefore do not require assessment in the Atmospheric TSD. Similarly, these sites no longer need to be identified in the HHERA TSD. This is a change that was made between the Draft and Final EIS/EA Report. Figure 3-5 of the Atmospheric Environment TSD has been updated in the Final EIS/EA Report identifying the PORs used in the assessment.

Specifically:

- POR 23 is a Canoe Canada outfitters tourism establishment. Canadian Malartic Corporation has an agreement in place (the terms of which are confidential) with this establishment and access can be restricted; therefore it has not been considered a human health receptor in the Atmospheric TSD nor the HHERA TSD.
- POR 41 was the Accommodation Camp for the Project. It was not evaluated in either the air quality or the noise study because it is not a designated point of reception under NPC 300 as it is part of the actual Project. It should not have been included on Figure 4-1.