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

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### COMMENT – T-50

**Source:** Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency

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#### Summary of Comment

Section 6.2.2.1 states that Mitta Lake will be drained by pumping water into Sawbill Bay. The potential impacts on water quality as the water is released into Sawbill Bay is not clear.

#### Proposed Action

Provide clarification on the effects on Sawbill Bay water quality from draining Mitta Lake into Sawbill Bay.

#### Reference to EIS

Section 6.2.2.1

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#### Response

Profile sampling indicates that the water quality in Mitta Lake is similar to the water quality in Sawbill Bay. These results are provided on pg. 7-8 of Table 1 in Appendix 2.III of the Water and Sediment Quality TSD for stations HRWQP1 (Mitta Lake) and HRWQP2 (Sawbill Bay). The discharge of water drained from Mitta Lake will be treated for suspended solids prior to release and will comply with all applicable discharge criteria to be established in the Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) for the Project. For these reasons, Sawbill Bay water quality is not expected to be effected by the release of water drained from Mitta Lake.