BRUCEJACK GOLD MINE PROJECT

Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate / Environmental Impact Statement

Appendix 21-G

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	BJ018									BJO)19		BJ020					
		Parameters	in Calcula	tion	Sheperdia canadensis					Vaccinium me	embranaceum		Vaccinium membranaceum					
					Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted		
	Rp for	kp	Тр	Yp for Berries	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴		
Metals	Berries	(year ⁻¹)	(year)	(kg DW/m ²)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)		
Selenium	0.39	18	0.247	0.250	0.100	0.122	0.128	0.250	0.100	0.100	0.00301	0.103	0.100	0.100	0.0691	0.169		

		BJC	024		BJ028					BJC)29		BJ030			
	Vaccinium ovalifolium					Vaccinium uliginosum				Vaccinium o	ovalifolium		Sheperdia canadensis			
	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted												
	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴
Metals	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)
Selenium	0.100	0.100	0.0691	0.169	0.100	0.100	0.000474	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.000263	0.100	0.100	0.0349	0.00984	0.0448

		BJ0	030		SOIL 4					SOI	L 4		12-7166			
	Vaccinium membranaceum					Vaccinium membranaceum				Vaccinium (ovalifolium		Vaccinium ovalifolium			
	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted
	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration⁴	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴	Concentration ¹	Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴	Concentration	1 Concentration due to	Concentration due to	Concentration ⁴
Metals	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	(mg/kg)
Selenium	0.100	0.0349	0.00984	0.0448	0.100	0.0602	0.0691	0.129	0.100	0.0602	0.0691	0.129	0.100	0.0787	0.0691	0.148

	12-7167 Vaccinium ovalifolium					12-7 Vaccinium o	168			12-7 Vaccinium	7169		12-7169 Vaccinium membranaceum			
	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted	Baseline	Predicted	Predicted	Predicted
		Concentration due to Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Concentration due to Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	Concentration4 (mg/kg)	Concentration ¹ (mg/kg)	Concentration due to Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Concentration due to Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	Concentration ⁴ (mg/kg)	_	Concentration due to Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)		Concentration ⁴ (mg/kg)	_	Concentration due to Root Uptake ² (mg/kg)	Concentration due to Dustfall ³ (mg/kg)	Concentration ⁴ (mg/kg)
Metals Selenium	0.100	0.0712	0.0691	0.140	0.100	0.0977	0.0691	0.167	0.100	0.0524	0.0102	0.0626	0.100	0.0524	0.0102	0.0626

Notes

¹ Baseline concentrations are from samples collected in 2012 (dry weight)

² Predicted vegetation concentration due to root uptake is calculated by multiplying the predicted total soil concentration from Appendix 21-E with the biotransferfactor. For site where soil and berry were not co-collected, it was assumed that the predicted concentration via root uptake is equivalent to the measured baseline concentration at that site.

³ Predicted vegetation concentration due to dustfall deposition is calculated using US EPA (2005).

 $^{^4}$ Total predicted vegetation concentrations are the sum of concentrations due to root uptake and deposition.