

# Wollaston and Hatchett Lake – June 23, 2025

## Attendees

- SRC
  - Alexey Klyashtorin
  - Corey Burgess
  - David Sanscartier
  - Jennifer Brown
  - Mike Menzies
  - Toni Stavely
- CNSC Torin Talka
- Ministry of Energy and Resources Aaron Saufert
- QMP Glen Strong

# Agenda

SRC would like to provide an update on Project CLEANS and answer any questions or concerns community members or guests may have.

# Discussion:

### **Satellite Sites**

Q. Is there a fence around the whole site (Lorado Mine)?

A. For the most part, yes. The fence is around the mine openings and areas where there are hazardous crown pillars, which are areas where they mined quite close to the surface, and have the potential to collapse in the future. There are other areas of the mine site which are not surrounded by the fence. Those areas had debris collected, and did not pose a safety hazard to the community.

#### **Lorado Mill**

Q. You had to add to the lake to make it safe again, it doesn't regenerate itself?

A. We did add lime to help reduce the acidity of the water. It was sitting around a ph of 3(which is like vinegar), and now it is a ph of 7(which is ideal for frogs and other creatures).

Q. How many fish can be eaten from the surrounding lakes, and when will that change?

A. The Ministry of Environment sent out new information recently (which SRC brought up and showed the public). These numbers will continue to be updated as more fish surveys are completed.

#### Gunnar

Q. Why can't you cover (remove?) all the contaminated soil?

A. The tailings are covered to protect people from radiation exposure and radioactive dust transport. The covers are designed to shed rain water and to reduce infiltration of water into the tailings.



# Stony Rapids – June 23, 2025

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## Discussion

There were no questions asked relating to any Project CLEANS activities.

## **General Comments**

General discussion, comments,

There were questions regarding the open position on the CNSC board and how someone from Athabasca can get on it. It was explained that this position is appointed by the Governor of Canada based on respective individual qualifications and experience.



# Black Lake – June 24, 2025

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#### Discussion

Q. How many people from Black Lake are working at Gunnar?

A. In 2025, three people.

Q. How much are you working with the new mining companies?

A. Other areas of SRC may be working with them, but Project CLEANS is not.

### **Satellite Sites**

Q. What do you do with all the blasted trenches?

A. For the deeper ones (which are defined as deep enough where a person or an animal would have difficulty getting out of the trench) within site boundaries, we will fill with rock to mitigate the hazard.

Q. What do you do with the pipes sticking out of the ground?

A. We cut them flush to the ground. If any are producing water, we will grout/cement them.

Q. What do you do with all the old cores?

A. We put them through an extensive scanning procedure. If they produce a gamma signature over a specified limit, we bury or dispose of the core. If the core has no gamma signature and poses no safety risk, it can be left in place. We make sure all core boxes, nails, etc. are removed.

#### Lorado

No Questions



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No Questions

**Ministry of Energy and Resources** 

No Questions

**CNSC** 

No Questions



# Fond du Lac – June 25,2025

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#### Discussion

#### **Satellite Sites**

Q. Who was the Primary Contractor on all these jobs? Was it someone other that Uranium City Contracting?

A. For Satellite Sites, the bulk of our jobs were posted in 2018/19 for about 2 months. When the RFP closed, we evaluated each bid using the criteria outlined in the tender (including price and experience) to determine the successful candidate. The Nicholson scope of work was posted in the spring of 2025 and there were three bids. The winning proponent was WSP and UCC, is the selected sub.

Q. There is a Satellite Site close to Fond du Lac. What is the progress on it?

A. While this site, Homer Yellowknife, is technically not part of Project CLEANS, SRC completed the phase 1 assessment last year and submitted the work to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). We are in discussion with ISC about getting funding to work on this. ISC has all the preliminary reports we have done on this and we can send them to you.

Q. Are Satellite Sites going to be included in ICP?

A. Yes, there are four satellite sites currently in the ICP program. Eventually all of the Satellite Sites will be transferred into the program.

#### Lorado

Q. Are you asking the province to take Nero Lake back (with ICP) even with its raised uranium levels?



A. Yes, we may start the application process next year when we have all the environmental information.

Q. Have you tested the fish in there?

A. The fish currently in Nero Lake are the first ones we have seen in 50 years. We will be doing fish surveys later this year.

#### Gunnar

Q. Before remediation took place, was there ever a service fee or toll for all the equipment that went through our Reserve?

A. This is not something we know about.

Q: Do you include any fishing advisories to the media?

A. We put information in our bi-annual newsletter and there are signs posted in Zeemal Bay and Langley Bay.

Q. What are tailings?

A. Tailings are what is left behind after extraction of the uranium. The ore (the rock containing uranium) is crushed into small particles, uranium is extracted, and the material that is left over is called tailings.

#### **QMP**

Q. Why is the majority of workers at Gunnar from the West (of the Athabasca Basin)?

A. The highest percentage of workers at Gunnar are from the whole Athabasca Basin.

Q. What is the percentage of workers from Fond du Lac on site?

A. These numbers will be provided to the community by QMP.

## **Ministry of Energy and Resources**

Q. When does long-term monitoring end for Gunnar and Lorado?

A. Monitoring will never end.

Q. What are the requirements around radiation levels on the site (Lorado Mill & Gunnar) to get it into ICP?

A. The levels need to be low enough for CNSC to release the license.

#### **CNSC**

No Questions

## Additional Information

• Any related information to the question (e.g., definitions)



# **General Comments**

- Fond du Lac First Nation sent a letter to the province stating that they are no longer working with Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources and that any duty to consult must be brought right to Fond du Lac First Nation.
- Fond du Lac First Nation is interested in working with SRC on the long-term monitoring program to help build capacity and business in their community.



# Uranium City – June 26, 2025

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#### Discussion

### **Satellite Sites**

Q. What is happening with Nicholson?

A. We have a contract with WSP in place and the assessment will start in July 2025.

Q. Will it be camp work?

A. No, it is not a big enough job right now. Next year, we may set up tent trailers, but it won't be a camp like Gunnar.

Q. Is Nicholson included in the "four sites left to be remediated"?

A. Yes.

#### Lorado

Q. What was the pH of Nero Lake (before remediation)?

A. It was between 3 and 5 (similar to vinegar) before remediation and became 7 to 7.5 after remediation.

Q. We used to see lots of animals on Nero Lake, there haven't been any for many years.

A. Last year, we saw a number of smaller animals around the lake (ducks, frogs, otters, and others).

#### Gunnar



- Q. Will SRC be maintaining the airstrip currently at Gunnar after remediation?
- A. Not regularly. Only if we need to maintain it to support our monitoring work after remediation.
- Q. What is worse, the water quality in Nero Lake or Langley Bay?
- A. The uranium levels are higher in Langley Bay.

# QMP

No Questions

# **Ministry of Energy and Resources**

No Questions

## **CNSC**

No Questions