

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
					<i>Date: September 2015</i>		
EAB5	Aboriginal Consultation		<p>Regarding the Information Request comment EAB-51, more detail needs to be provided to fulfil the ToR requirement.</p> <p>Elaborate on the answers in general and in particular "Consideration of traditional use information collected through workshops with Elders was considered in the environmental assessment." More detail is needed in general, but in particular in the section pertaining to Mine waste alternatives assessment.</p> <p><i>EAB-51: Not enough information is included to fulfill the requirements of the approved ToR section 9.4.1 which states that the EA Report will meet these objectives by clearly: "documenting how the project has been modified as a result of input from potentially affected Aboriginal communities"; "if necessary, explaining why the Project cannot be modified to reduce or avoid any identified impacts"; "explaining how the communities have been appropriately accommodated, where required, for any impacts on Aboriginal or treaty rights that cannot be avoided". Additionally, it is not clear what the predicted impacts are to Aboriginal or treaty rights as the focus of the EA is on the positive socio-economic benefits of the project.</i></p>	<p>Detail on how the project was modified as a result of input from Aboriginal communities is provided in the Record of Communications, as well as Chapter 7 of the EIS/EA Report. Section 7.3.4 identifies Issues Identified through Aboriginal Engagement. Section 7.3.5 provides CMC's Commitments and Responses to these issues. Information collected in workshops with Elders is confidential, and was provided through oral communication with the lead agencies only.</p> <p>Potential effects to Aboriginal or treaty rights are detailed in the Aboriginal Interests Technical Support Document, as well as Chapter 6 of the EIS/EA Report. Section 6.3.2.1 Aboriginal Interests Effects Assessment. The report outlines potential impacts to three Aboriginal Valued Social Components: Aboriginal community characteristics, Aboriginal heritage resources, and Traditional use of land and resources.</p> <p>With regards to the mine waste alternatives assessment, Aboriginal interests are outlined in Section 2.5.3 of the Mine Waste Disposal Alternatives Assessment Report. Project details, alternatives and conclusions presented in the EIS/EA Report were shared with each Aboriginal community.</p> <p>Feedback received from Aboriginal communities regarding alternatives and mine waste tailings alternatives were considered in the assessment by assigning the concerns raised Accounts or Subaccounts used in the alternatives assessment.</p>	No additional information is required at this time.	Acknowledged.	