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MINES

Manalta Coal-Telkwa Project provided an update to the EAO and to members of the project committee. Modifications within the context of the Project Specifications are being made to the proposal. The EAO identified to the Manalta items which may become major areas of concern in the future. Company aware of them and ensuring adequate response in Project Report. Manalta anticipates submitting Project Report in next 2 to 3 months.

The EAO called a meeting with the Bronson Slope proponents (International Skyline Gold) to determine the status of their response to the Project Specifications. Bronson indicated that were having difficulties with financing, but intended to proceed with the project and anticipated completing the Project Report. Bronson raised several questions regarding the Project Specifications which seemed to be asked late in the process. Responses being prepared by EAO and ministeries.

Paul indicates that there is a high interest in the Prospector Assistance Program with 12 applicants, including 7 who were not on the program last year.

LAND USE PLANNING

A preferred option has been identified between BC Parks and the NW Region to resolve the Tweedsmuir Recreation Area as a part of the Lakes LRMP. The option has to receive agreement from the ministry executive and from the IAMC and then be included into the LRMP package. A long and arduous process to get this far.

Maija Finvers has prepared an exploration history for the Upper/Lower Iskut and Unuk Watershed Areas for the Cassiar-Iskut Stikine LRMP. Mary Lou, the ministry's table rep at the LRMP, was pleased to receive the material and looks forward to using it at the table. Thank you for the assistance Maija and Graham.

ADMIN

As a result of Rod Johnston's recent visit to our office from System Services to service and upgrade our server and PC's, Sandee as prepared a report entitled "Essential New Work-Station Survival Techniques". Sandee has done an excellent job of pulling together all of the