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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

Created: 07-Oct-1997 04:14pm PDT Sent: 08-Oct-1997 03:58pm PDT From: Ed Beswick of EI EBESWICK Title. Regional Manager Dept: Employment & Investment Tel No: 565-6125

TO: See Below

Subject: Prince George Update to Oct 8/97

Issues:

Monitor Gold - Quesnel River: A placer mine employee is reported to have committed suicide after damaging equipment around the site. The matter is under investigation by RCMP and coroner.

Kemess: Under formal investigation by MELP and DFO for alleged contraventions to permits/authorisations. B. C. Supreme Court Settlement Conference resumes in Victoria Oct. 16. Presently the Province and the Tsay Keh are involved, however, we expect Kemess and Takla will be called in by the Judge.

Cariboo Wagon Road: Friends of Barkerville concerned about a portion of this road that has washed away. Under investigation by MOF/MSBTC.

* Strict interpretation of FPC and LRMP documents continuing to frustrate clients.

* Unable to attend to and participate in SRP initiatives.

* Kakwa Rec Area Wishaw Quarry: sensitive administrative and political issue re this proposed park. To boot, MOF charged the operator a \$7000 fee to use the road that they have spend thousands of \$ fixing up for the benefit of all.

* MK Management Area announcement

MDBC: Machine back Victoria for tune up.(great turnaround but still debugging) Formatting being worked on. Need to be compatible to other agencies (MOF) for data sharing.

Sheep Creek: In referral/consultation process.

FYI:

Pine Valley Coal: EA review progressing, with an open house scheduled for Nov. 3rd in Chetwynd. First Nations having a seat on the project committee should go a long way to fulfil consultation requirements.

QR: Removing ore from main zone pit under tight supervision, monitoring and

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

Created: 14-Oct-1997 09:09am PDT Sent: 20-Oct-1997 03:47pm PDT From: Ed Beswick of EI EBESWICK Title. Regional Manager Dept: Employment & Investment Tel No: 565-6125

TO: See Below

Subject: Prince George Update to Oct 20

Issues:

Land Use: Kakwa - A claim has been staked on the access road leading to the Wishaw Quarry. If anything materialises out of this staking the LRMP table members are likely to call MEI to task as to why the area wasn't protected by an NSR. (already started with members of IPT.

MK - Staff continue to field calls of concern from both industry who feel the MK is not worth exploring now cause of preconceived regulatory hurdles that will be placed and form the general public who have asked why government (through the press) is saying its protected an areas the size of Nova Scotia, yet its open to mining.

Kemess:) With winter upon us, siltation concerns will likely ebb until spring when thaws will spark another round of regulators to the project. The company has announced the project is on schedule for production in April, with 384 M of the projected capital cost of 430 M now committed in contracts and equipment purchases. 100 of 166M now paid. Mine life estimated at 16 years.

DO on powerline involving a power pole being dragged down by a line stringing truck. No injuries.

Sheep Creek: Referrals from First Nations coming in. More information requested by WLIB.

McKenzie LRMP: J. Pardy planning trip to Tsay Keh and Fort Ware to meet First Nations about the LRMP.

Kluskus: Resource Planner from MOF concerned about agencies lack of attendance. MEI will not attend due to staff shortage.

Willow Creek: EA review continues. Permit application submitted and will be circulated for review.

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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TO: See Below

Subject: Prince George Update to Mar 6 th

Issues:

Willow Creek: Project Committee work completed. Referral to Ministers should occur late today. Permit being drafted.

Kemess:)Several months ago discussion about a road network to connect Kemess to Stewart was initiated. The company has now advised us this option for concentrate haul may make economic sense. The issue of new roads in the area is very important to NGO's.

Target date for production now late April. Powerline essentially complete with system testing scheduled over the next two weeks..

Land use:

Prince George LRMP: Kakwa - Wishaw Quarry issue of allowing the area to be open for a limited time after claims lapse being addressed at IAMC. Previous ADM direction was the area should be left open indefinitely. Table recommended that the area become protected if claims lapse.

CCLUP: Dobson/Chapman report under review by RRB and CMA. Placer representatives concerned the report will limit future activity. MEM concerns sent to IAMC and RRB. Detailed comments being formulated.

FYI:

Ramona Blackwell started this week as our new Mineral Land Officer. Welcome Ramona!

DO at Bullmoose: Scraper lost control and driver knocked unconscious. Has recovered with minimal memory loss, and abrasion and 3 stitches to the head.

<u>CIM branch meeting in Quesnel scheduled for June 6th.</u> Theme is "B.C. Mining - A Partnership in Crisis".

Ed

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