

## ***Appendix 3-I***

*Summary of AuRico's Communications with Government  
Agencies and VC Scoping Document and AIR Timelines*

KEMESS UNDERGROUND PROJECT

**Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate**

## APPENDIX 3-I. SUMMARY OF AURICO'S COMMUNICATIONS WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AND VC SCOPING DOCUMENT AND AIR TIMELINES

Note - Tables 3I-1 and 3I-2 do not include records of government agency participation in the Environmental Assessment Working Group meetings and site visits; these are included in Table 3I-3.

### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

**Table 3I-1. Summary of AuRico's Communications with Federal Government Agencies (to September 30, 2015)**

Date	Method	Communication Summary
<b>Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC)</b>		
1/20/14 9:30 AM	Meeting (Ottawa)	AuRico met with AANDC to provide a Project update.
4/3/14 5:34 AM	E-mail	AuRico provided a briefing note about the Project and requested a meeting with the AANDC Regional Director General.
4/7/14 10:00 AM	Meeting (Vancouver)	AuRico met with AANDC Regional Director General to provide a Project. Discussion included a review of the mining method, employment opportunities and discussion of the local Aboriginal communities.
<b>Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEA Agency)</b>		
5/9/13 1:00 PM	Meeting (Vancouver)	AuRico provided an overview of the Project and outlined their interpretation of the EA processes going forward. TLFN in attendance.
10/30/13 4:00 PM	Meeting (Ottawa)	AuRico provided an overview of the Project.
1/10/14 6:13 PM	E-mail	AuRico submitted a cover letter and table of concordance to CEA Agency, and advised the Project Description would be transmitted in a separate e-mail.
1/17/14 1:30 PM	Meeting (Vancouver)	AuRico met with CEA Agency to discuss the Project Description, the Substituted EA process, Aboriginal consultation, AIR, Section 11 Order, and review panel decision.
1/20/14	Meeting (Ottawa)	AuRico provided an update on the project since the Oct. meeting. Discussion around the substitution process took place.
1/31/14 9:00 AM	Meeting (Vancouver)	AuRico met with CEA Agency and BC Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) to discuss the Project Description, Treaty 8 First Nations, and timelines for substitution request.

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Communication Summary</b>
<b>Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEA Agency) (cont'd)</b>		
4/16/14 9:00 AM	Meeting	AuRico met with CEA Agency and BC EAO to discuss Project scoping, including the Omineca Resource Access Road (ORAR), site infrastructure, engagement & consultation, and substituted EA process.
9/30/15	E-mail	AuRico sent an e-mail to the CEA Agency with respect to the agenda for a meeting planned for October 1, 2015.
<b>Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)</b>		
6/29/14	E-mail	NRCan provided comments on Valued Components (VC) Scoping Guidance document.
<b>Major Projects Management Office (MPMO)</b>		
10/30/13 9:30 AM	Meeting (Ottawa)	AuRico provided an overview of the Project.
1/20/14	Meeting (Ottawa)	AuRico provided an update on Project activities since the October meeting. Discussion around substitution process and discrepancies between federal and provincial governments with respect to Treaty 8 Traditional Territory took place.

## PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

**Table 3I-2. Summary of AuRico's Communications with Provincial Government Agencies (to September 30, 2015)**

Date	Method	Communication Summary
<b>BC Environmental Assessment Office (BC EAO)</b>		
5/8/13 8:30 AM	Meeting	AuRico met with the BC EAO to provide an overview of the Project and to discuss options for the assessment and permitting process.
1/10/14 6:19 PM	E-mail	AuRico submitted a cover letter and Table of Concordance to BC EAO and CEA Agency and advised the Project Description would be transmitted in a separate e-mail due to the large size.
1/17/14 9:00 AM	Meeting (Victoria)	AuRico met with BC EAO to discuss the Project Description, Section 7 Order, the substituted EA process, AIR, and the existing Kemess South EA certificate.
1/31/14 9:00 AM	Meeting (Vancouver)	AuRico met with CEA Agency and BC EAO to discuss the Project Description, Treaty 8 First Nations, and timelines for substitution request.
4/16/14 9:00 AM	Meeting	AuRico met with CEA Agency and BC EAO to discuss project scoping, including the Omineca Resource Access Road (ORAR), site infrastructure, engagement and consultation, and substituted process.
4/30/14	E-mail	AuRico provided BC EAO with the draft VC Scoping Guidance document.
5/22/14 10:55 AM	E-mail	BC EAO provided AuRico with comments on the draft VC Scoping Guidance document. Recommendations included narrowing the environmental VCs and there was overall support for the proposed socio-economic VCs. BC EAO noted the VCs would be reviewed and modified dependent on conversations with the Working Group. BC EAO sent additional VC Scoping Summary comments from NRCan (June 29, 2014), BC FLNRO (July 21, 2014).
7/21/14 11:09 AM	E-mail	BC EAO indicated to AuRico that it would like to schedule a discussion with BC FLNRO to address their comments regarding the wildlife VC.
8/14/14	E-mail	BC EAO advised AuRico that the VC Scoping Document was finalized and that it would be posting the document to their public internet site.
10/7/14 4:07 PM	E-mail	AuRico provided the BC EAO with the updated draft Application Information Requirements (dAIR) version D.1 which addressed the BC EAO's comments in a tracking table. AuRico stated that the D.1 version of the dAIR was assumed to be ready for review by the Working Group. AuRico requested that the BC EAO inform AuRico when this document had been sent to the Working Group.
12/2/14 1:48 PM	E-mail	AuRico submitted the Public Consultation Plan to the BC EAO.
12/18/14 10:58 AM	E-mail	AuRico provided the revised Aboriginal Consultation Plan and cover letter to the BC EAO.

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Date	Method	Communication Summary
<b>BC Environmental Assessment Office (BC EAO) (cont'd)</b>		
2/25/15	E-mail	BC EAO provided AuRico with a letter giving direction regarding the Section (1)(c) of CEAA 2012. The letter outlined the procedures to be taken for the 5(1)(c) analysis of Aboriginal groups.
2/27/15 11:51 AM	E-mail	AuRico sent the Project's Interim Pre-Application Aboriginal Consultation Report to the BC EAO.
3/19/15 11:22 AM	E-mail	BC EAO provided a letter to AuRico regarding Mount Polley expert panel considerations. The BC EAO indicated that the province would accept recommendations from the expert panel findings and any relevant considerations for new proposals will be incorporated in the AIR.
3/23/15 9:46 AM	E-mail	AuRico provided BC EAO with the shape files for the four discharge waterlines currently under consideration.
3/30/15 12:30 PM	Phone	AuRico had a call with BC EAO to discuss dAIR updates including comments from Health Canada and TKN (additional comments sent from TKN on dAIR on November 15, 2014 were not received by AuRico; the comments were re-sent on March 20, 2015), CEA Agency requirements for a table of concordance, Schedule C First Nations letters, and Water Management Alternatives Assessment including assessment of downstream effects on communities.
6/16/15 1:30PM - 4:30PM	Meeting (Victoria)	AuRico met with BC EAO to discuss the dAIR.
6/26/15 9:58 AM	E-mail	AuRico provided the proposed 2015 sampling program and two 2014 baseline reports (Fish and Fish Habitat and Aquatic Resources) to BC MOE and BC EAO.
8/19/15 4:09 PM	E-mail	AuRico provided the BC EAO with a copy of the G.1 version of the dAIR with figures included.
8/26/15	Meeting (Vancouver)	AuRico met with BC EAO to discuss BC FLNRO Qualified Professional (QP) Questionnaires. AuRico discussed concerns with the FLNRO QP related to the liability and role of QP. AuRico indicated that discharge alternatives had been screened down to four options and will present a decision to TKN. AuRico also provided an update on the dAIR. Additional dAIR comments were received from TKN on August 25, 2015 with a request that recommendations R1 to R17, dated March 20, 2015, be incorporated into the AIR. AuRico committed to providing updated AIR language on hydrogeology and tailings alternatives.
8/27/15 1:30 PM	Meeting (teleconference)	AuRico, BC EAO and TKN attended a Kemess Underground AIR teleconference to discuss outstanding issues in the dAIR (items 317 - 334). AuRico indicated it would add the required language to the dAIR and would provide an e-mail with specific language and location.

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Communication Summary</b>
<b>BC Ministry of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation (BC MARR)</b>		
1/29/14 10:36 AM	E-mail	AuRico provided an overview of KUG to BC MARR.
6/5/14 5:04 PM	E-mail	AuRico sent BC MARR the slides of a presentation that had been presented earlier in the month at the TKN communities in response to an e-mail received by BC MARR (Jun 5, 2014) regarding Aboriginal relationships.
6/17/15 1:30 PM - 3:00PM	Meeting (Victoria)	AuRico met with BC MARR to provide an overview of the Project, introduce team members. Discussion of how BC MARR approaches Economic Community Development Agreements also took place.
<b>BC Ministry of Energy and Mines (BC MEM)</b>		
9/5/14 1:28 PM	E-mail	BC MEM sent an e-mail to AuRico and BC FLNRO indicating that reclamation standards and liability concerns must be resolved to include range use as an end land use at Kemess South Mine. BC MEM indicated that studies needed to be implemented that would assess whether or not recovery would be hindered by the proposed range use. BC MEM indicated that it would need to address range manager liability that would remove responsibility from the crown or mine proponent if something were to happen to the range holder's animals while browsing on the former mine site. BC MEM noted that once the issues are addressed grazing could be a compatible land use for the area.
6/17/15 10:30AM	Meeting (Victoria)	AuRico met with BC MEM (Major Mines Permitting Office [MMPO]) to provide an overview of the Project, introduce team members and receive an introduction to the BC MMPO.
9/10/15 9:00 AM	Meeting (Victoria)	AuRico met with BC MEM, BC MMPO and BC MOE to discuss outline of BC MMPO role, engagement with Aboriginal groups, Project overview, Phase One-Two permitting, and overview of Project permits. AuRico presented their September 2015 Project Overview which covered a company overview, Kemess North vs. Kemess Underground, Project Overview, Aboriginal engagement, community engagement, water management strategy, and the EA process.
<b>BC Ministry of Environment (BC MOE)</b>		
4/9/14 1:15 PM to 3:15 PM	Meeting (teleconference)	AuRico met with BC MOE and BC FLNRO to discuss background information for fish and aquatics in the footprint area and outline of proposed sampling to complete baseline.
11/5/14 11:18 AM	E-mail	AuRico sent BC MOE the detailed model plan for the Project.
1/6/15 10:17 AM	E-mail	AuRico sent draft responses to BC MOE regarding comments made by BC MOE on the Project's detailed model plan.
1/7/15 3:10 PM	E-mail	AuRico sent BC MOE a copy of the Diavik Diamond Mine Report to review TSP concentrations and modified previous comments made regarding significance of TSP contributions.

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Communication Summary</b>
<b>BC Ministry of Environment (BC MOE) (cont'd)</b>		
1/7/15 5:08 PM	Phone	AuRico had a conference call with BC MOE to discuss air quality assessment requirements including planned geophysical input, planned emission sources and characteristics, and planned model output background concentrations. The Project indicated that it would provide BC MoE with copies of all modeling files.
1/20/15 2:27 PM	E-mail	AuRico responded to BC MOE air quality model comments (received from BC MOE on January 20, 2015).
6/26/15 9:58 AM	E-mail	AuRico provided the proposed 2015 sampling program and two 2014 baseline reports (Fish and Fish Habitat & Aquatic Resources) to BC MOE and BC EAO.
7/24/15 1:00 PM	Phone	AuRico provided BC MOE with information regarding the proposed Thutade Lake and Finlay River Fish and Aquatics Habitat Sampling Program. BC MOE indicated it was satisfied with the spatial and temporal aspects of the pelagic portion of the program. BC MOE noted that it wanted to see more characterization of the littoral habitat. As a result, three littoral sampling sites were added to the plan with each site being sampled for sediment quality, periphyton and benthic invertebrates.
9/10/15 9:00 AM	Meeting (Victoria)	AuRico met with BC MEM, BC MMPO and BC MOE to discuss outline of BC MMPO role, engagement with Aboriginal groups, Project overview, Phase One-Two permitting, and overview of Project permits. AuRico presented their September 2015 Project Overview which covered a company overview, Kemess North vs. Kemess Underground, Project Overview, Aboriginal engagement, community engagement, water management strategy, and the EA process.
<b>Ministry of Forests Lands and Natural Resource Operations (BC FLNRO)</b>		
2/18/14 3:00 PM	Phone	AuRico requested direction from BC FLNRO regarding a proposed cattleguard installation south of Johanson Lake on the ORAR. BC FLNRO noted consultation would likely include TKN and a trapline holder.
3/28/14 4:38 PM	E-mail	AuRico provided BC FLNRO with a letter discussing the installation of a cattleguard and noted concerns about the potential for guided trips to take place in the proposed mine site area. On March 28, 2014 BC FLNRO advised AuRico that it would commence consultation and referrals on the proposed cattleguard.
4/9/14 1:15 PM to 3:15 PM	Meeting (teleconference)	AuRico met with BC MOE and BC FLNRO to discuss background information for fish and aquatics in the footprint area and outline of proposed sampling to complete baseline.
5/20/15	Memo	AuRico provided a memo to BC FLNRO to explain the rationale for the exclusion of aquatic predators (i.e., mink and otters) as VCs in the Application in response to comments during the July 29 2014 Working Group teleconference meeting.

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Communication Summary</b>
<b>BC Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training (BC JTST)</b>		
11/26/14 2:00 PM	Meeting (Vancouver)	AuRico met with BC JTST's Major Investment Office (BC MIO) and provided overview of the Project.
12/11/14 3:42 PM	E-mail	AuRico sent a Project overview presentation to the BC JTST BC MIO to refer to during the scheduled call December 12, 2014.
12/12/14	Meeting (teleconference)	AuRico met with BC MIO to discuss the Project, provide and update on the EA status.
1/5/15 2:00 PM	Phone	AuRico called BC MIO to provide a project update AuRico noted that it was negotiating an exploration agreement with TKN for the 2015/2016 field seasons.
1/19/15 3:39 PM	E-mail	AuRico provided BC JTST with an update on the Project.
2/5/15 3:46 PM	E-mail	AuRico provided the BC JTST with background information about the design and construction of the Kemess South Tailings Facility.
3/13/15 10:25 AM	E-mail	AuRico e-mailed BC JTST to provide a Project update.
6/18/15 9:30AM	Meeting	AuRico met with BC JTST (BC MIO) to introduce new team members and provide Project update.
7/29/15 6:05 PM	E-mail	AuRico provided BC JTST with investor coverage from NBF and Macquarie investment banks in response to an inquiry about Project tax figures received from BC JTST (March 24, 2015). AuRico also informed BC JTST of the meeting with the BC MEM (BC MMPO) on September 10, 2015.
8/7/15 9:15 AM	Phone	AuRico provided BC JTST (MPI) with an overview of the Project including the relationship history to Kemess South, the current EA status and permitting timeframe and the relationship and an overview of agreements with TKN.
9/10/15 2:00 PM	Meeting (Victoria)	AuRico met with BC MIO and presented the September 2015 Project Overview which covered a company overview, Kemess North vs. Kemess Underground, Project Overview, Aboriginal engagement, community engagement, water management strategy, and the EA process. AuRico and MIO discussed IBA, road and powerline.

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Date	Method	Communication Summary
<b>Northern Health (NH)</b>		
7/24/14	Meeting (teleconference)	AuRico met with NH to provide a Project overview and to discuss human health, VCs, and respond to questions. Meeting notes were provided by e-mail following the meeting and NH indicated they were satisfied with the responses provided in the meeting.
11/25/14 1:00 PM	Phone	AuRico and NH had a call to follow up on information provided by BC EAO that NH would no longer be "active" participants in Working Group due to limited resources. NH indicated to BC EAO (and AuRico) that they would be available for technical advice on an ad hoc basis. AuRico followed up in light of the importance of health issues in local Aboriginal communities.
12/4/14 11:15 AM	E-mail	AuRico acknowledged the receipt of Northern Health's "Health and Medical Services Best Management Guide for Industrial Camps" which was sent to AuRico on December 3, 2014.

## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKING GROUP

**Table 3I-3. Summary of Environmental Assessment Working Group Meetings (to November 30, 2015)**

Date	Method	Aboriginal Group Participation	Government Agencies Participation	Topics	Discussion
6/25/14 All day	Site visit	TLFN TKDN KwN	BC EAO BC MEM BC MOE BC FLNRO Environment Canada (EC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Site visit</li> </ul>	Project overview.
6/26/14	Meeting (Prince George)	TLFN TKDN KwN	BC EAO BC MEM BC MOE BC FLNRO EC NRCan Transport Canada NH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EA Process and Working Group</li> <li>Project Overview</li> <li>Valued Components (VC)</li> </ul>	Discussion about the EA process including VCs and the role of the Working Group. Meeting focused on an overview of the Project and VCs.
7/21/14 2:00 PM	Teleconference	TLFN TKDN KwN	BC EAO BC MOE Health Canada (HC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fish Tissue Sampling</li> </ul>	Discussion about the fish tissue sampling issue raised during the June 26, 2014 Working Group meeting by TKN. Specifically, the issue was related to the adequacy of existing fish tissue sampling to assess the potential effects of the project on migratory adult bull trout in Thutade Lake, who may use Attichika Creek, increasing their risk of metals bio-accumulation.
7/24/14	Teleconference		NH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Health</li> </ul>	Meeting to provide a Project overview and to discuss human health, VCs, and respond to questions.

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Aboriginal Group Participation</b>	<b>Government Agencies Participation</b>	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
7/29/14 2:00PM	Teleconference	KwN TKN (Technical Coordinator)	BC EAO BC FLNRO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aquatic Predators</li> </ul>	Discussion about the suitability of an aquatic predator VC for the EA, specifically whether otter and mink should be considered in order to assess potential effects relating to bioaccumulation of metals.
8/5/14 10:00AM	Meeting (Vancouver)	TLFN KwN TKN (Technical Coordinator and Advisor)	BC EAO BC FLNRO EC NRCan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hydrogeology</li> <li>• Hydrology</li> <li>• Geochemistry</li> <li>• Surface Water Quality</li> <li>• EA Methodology</li> </ul>	Discussion about ground and surface water, including hydrogeology, hydrology, geochemistry, surface water quality and overall EA methodology. AuRico presented a Project overview, including Kemess South.
10/9/14 9:30AM	Teleconference	TLFN KwN TKN (Technical Coordinator and Advisor)	BC EAO HC NH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TK/TLUS</li> <li>• Human Health</li> <li>• Noise Modelling</li> <li>• Air Quality Modelling</li> <li>• Drinking Water Assessment</li> <li>• Country Foods Risk Assessment</li> </ul>	Discussion to promote an understanding of human health and key issues from Kemess North Panel (2007), and to provide an overview of communications to date, and future plans. The Kemess North panel recommended additional trace metal work in the Project and potentially a collaborative approach on a more regional scale between government, First Nations, and the proponent. Trace metal work was undertaken in 2014 and will feed into country foods baseline and risk assessment.
11/ 20/14 11:15AM	Teleconference		BC EAO CEA Agency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aboriginal Consultation</li> </ul>	Discussion about federal consultation requirements relating to the Aboriginal Groups listed in Schedule C on the Section 11 order.

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Date	Method	Aboriginal Group Participation	Government Agencies Participation	Topics	Discussion
3/17/15 10:30AM	Meeting (Vancouver)		BC EAO BC MEM BC MOE BC FLNRO EC NRCan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approach to Assessment of Discharge Options</li> <li>• Review of Proposed Discharge Options</li> <li>• Preliminary Water Balance</li> <li>• Surface Water Quality and Treatment Options</li> <li>• Aboriginal Consultation</li> </ul>	<p>Discussion about underground water modeling. Discussion included an overview of water management at Kemess, Aboriginal engagement related to water management, discharge alternatives, preliminary water balance analysis and review of 4 possible options (Kemess South TSF, Attichika Creek, Finlay River, and Thutade Lake), water quality and treatment options, receiving environment baseline studies, water quality, surface water quality, and alternatives assessment.</p>
7/ 16/15 9:00AM	Meeting (Vancouver)	TLFN TKDN KwN TKN (Advisor)	BC EAO BC FLNRO EC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discharge Alternatives Process</li> <li>• Community Meeting Outcomes</li> <li>• Water and Water Discharge</li> <li>• Water Quality Modelling Results</li> <li>• Treatment Options and Economics</li> <li>• Evaluation of Alternatives</li> </ul>	<p>Discussion of the alternatives assessment process to date, and summaries of the community meetings. The TKN then presented some questions and comments regarding the discharge options and the alternatives assessment process. On behalf of AuRico, consultants presented the water quality monitoring results available to date, as well as details about water treatment options and the design of the discharge infrastructure. The remainder of the meeting was conducted as a facilitated workshop, examining the potential issues and concerns associated with each of the three discharge areas: Attichika Creek, Thutade Lake, and Finlay River.</p>

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Aboriginal Group Participation</b>	<b>Government Agencies Participation</b>	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
10/23/15 9:00AM	Teleconference		BC EAO BC FLNRO BC MOE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aquatic predators</li> </ul>	Discussion about the aquatic predator information that will be presented in the Application. Discussion regarding the fish dataset, including whitefish, which will be included in the baseline report and Application.
11/5/15 9:00AM – 2:30PM	Meeting (Vancouver)		BC EAO BC MOE BC MEM BC MMPO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attichika Creek Water Quality Discharge Predictions</li> </ul>	Discussion about the water management work completed to date.
11/12/15 1:00 – 2:00 PM	Meeting (Vancouver)		BC EAO BC FLNRO BC MMPO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ORAR in context of AIR</li> </ul>	Discussion regarding the ORAR and monitoring.
11/20/15 9:30AM – 11:00AM	Meeting (Vancouver)		BC EAO BC MEM BC MMPO BC MOE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment of Alternative Technologies for Tailings Storage</li> </ul>	Discussion about the approach to the tailings alternatives assessment including the review of best available technology and best available practice.
12/1/15	Teleconference	TLFN	BC EAO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ORAR monitoring</li> </ul>	Discussion regarding the ORAR and proposed monitoring.

**Table 3I-4. Summary of Dates related to Valued Scoping Document and Application Information Requirements (Prepared by AuRico, August 18, 2015)**

Date	Description
April 30, 2014	AuRico emailed table identifying proposed VCs and rationale of inclusion/exclusion to EAO for review and comment.
May 12, 2014	TKN/ AuRico Senior Implementation Committee (SIC) meeting, which included discussion about proposed VCs.
May 16, 2014	AuRico emailed the VC Scoping Summary (May 2014) to Tsay Keh Dene First Nation (Tsay Keh Dene FN) for distribution to the Tse Keh Nay (TKN)/ AuRico Environmental Management Committee (EMC) for review and comment.
May 16, 2014	AuRico emailed the VC Scoping Summary (May 2014) to EAO for distribution to the Kemess Project Working Group for review and comment.
May 16, 2014	TKN/ AuRico EMC meeting which included discussion about proposed VCs, based upon table distributed to TKN prior to meeting.
May 20, 2014	AuRico emailed the VC Scoping Summary (May 2014) to TKN for review and comment.
May 22, 2014	EAO emailed comments on VC Scoping summary to AuRico.
June 4, 2014	AuRico received TKN comments on the VC Scoping Summary (May 2014).
June 11, 2014	TKN/ AuRico EMC meeting, which included discussion about proposed VCs and related boundaries for Local Study Area and Regional Study Area in the VC Scoping Summary (May 2014).
June 18, 2015	TKN emailed preliminary comments to AuRico on the VC Scoping Summary (May 2014).
June 26, 2014	EAO Kemess Project Working Group meeting in Prince George (attended by reps from provincial and federal government agencies and TKN [Takla Lake First Nations (Takla Lake FN), Tsay Keh Dene FN, Kwadacha Nation]), which included discussion of proposed VCs.
June 27, 2014	AuRico emailed draft Application Information Requirements (AIR) to TKN for review and comment.
July 8, 2014	TKN/ AuRico EMC meeting, which included discussion of proposed VCs and draft AIR.
July 11, 2014	TKN emailed comments to AuRico on version of the draft AIR provided to TKN on June 27, 2014.
July 21, 2014	TKN/ AuRico SIC meeting, which included discussion of proposed VCs and draft AIR, as well as the technical subcommittees relating to VCs and TKN participation in the subcommittees.
July 24, 2014	AuRico call with Northern Health Authority (NHA) to discuss proposed health VCs in VC Scoping Summary.
July 29, 2014	EAO Kemess Project Working Group teleconference regarding the requirement for otter/ aquatic predator VC (attended by reps from provincial and federal government agencies and Kwadacha Nation and TKN). EAO concluded it was not required to be included as a VC.
July 30, 2014	EAO Kemess Project Working Group teleconference regarding fish tissue sampling (attended by reps from provincial and federal government agencies and TKN).

**Table 3I-4. Summary of Dates related to Valued Scoping Document and Application Information Requirements (Prepared by AuRico, August 18, 2015)**

Date	Description
Week of August 4, 2014	AuRico emailed responses to EAO comments on VC Scoping Summary in a tracking table and updated VC Scoping Summary.
August 14, 2015	EAO posted the VC Scoping Summary (DATE) and AuRico responses to comments on its sharepoint site.
August 15, 2014	AuRico emailed the first version of the draft AIR to EAO, which incorporated TKN comments.
August 18, 2014	TKN/ AuRico SIC meeting, which included discussion of proposed VCs and draft AIR.
August 19, 2014	AuRico emailed notes of July 24, 2014 phone call with Northern Health Authority (NHA), and NHA's written comments on the proposed health VCs in the VC Scoping Summary, along with AuRico responses to the EMC.
August 20, 2014	AuRico emailed responses to TKN comments on the version of draft AIR provided to TKN on June 27, 2014.
September 5, 2014	EAO emailed comments on first version of AIR provided to EAO on August 15, 2014.
October 7, 2014	AuRico emailed a second version of the draft AIR and table providing responses to comments to EAO for distribution to Kemess Project Working Group.
October 9, 2014	EAO Kemess Project Working Group teleconference regarding health VCs (attended by reps from provincial and federal government agencies and Kwadacha Nation and Takla Lake FN).
October 9, 2014	EAO emailed AuRico providing proposal to amend section 11 order to require AuRico to consult on final VCs instead of the draft AIR (Note: the implication of EAO proposal is that another document had to be prepared and consulted on).
October 14, 2014	EAO participated in SIC Meeting to provide overview of request for change to EA approach (proposed amendment of section 11 order) with respect to draft AIR .
October 21, 2014	EAO sent letter to TKN FNs regarding proposed section 11 order amendment.
October 22, 2014	Tsay Keh Dene responded to EAO (via email) wrt to the Oct. 21, 2014 letter indicating support for the process if as long as this "will not affect the overall rigor of the EA process and TKD will be afforded a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on the draft AIRs within the Working Group and otherwise until the draft AIRs are finalized, TKD supports the amendment. In doing so, TKD reiterates that it is committed to a collaborative approach with AuRico in the current EA process."
October 23, 2014	EAO/ AuRico bi-weekly call: Public Review period of VC scoping document will likely be from November 12 or 14 to December 12 or 14. EAO confirmed the public review comments on VC Scoping Summary would not affect the finalization of the AIR.
November 5, 2014	AuRico-hosted community meeting in Kwadacha; presentation and banners jointly developed with EMC committee. Focus of meeting was to discuss proposed VCs and the collaborative approach to the EA through the EMC
November 6, 2014	AuRico hosted community meeting in Tsay Keh; presentation and banners jointly developed with EMC committee. Focus of meeting was to discuss proposed VCs and the collaborative approach to the EA through the EMC.

**Table 3I-4. Summary of Dates related to Valued Scoping Document and Application Information Requirements (Prepared by AuRico, August 18, 2015)**

Date	Description
November 13, 2014	AuRico hosted community meeting in Takla Landing; presentation and banners jointly developed with EMC committee. Focus of meeting was to discuss proposed VCs and the collaborative approach to EA through the EMC.
November 15, 2014	EAO emailed TKN comments to AuRico responses to comments provided to TKN on August 20, 2014.
November 20, 2014	Meeting with CEAA and BCEAO regarding CEAA 2012 Section 5.1(c) and how this may affect the VCs.
November 21, 2014	AuRico couriered VC Scoping Summary, 2014 Project Description and EAO notice of public comment on VC Scoping Document to Takla Lake FN, Tsay Keh Dene FN, and Kwadacha Nation.
November 23, 2014	EAO forwarded Environment Canada's comments on the dAIR (from Nov. 10) to AuRico.
November 24, 2014	EAO forwarded MoE's comments on the dAIR (from Nov. 7) to AuRico.
November 26 to January 2, 2015	Public comment period on VC Scoping Summary.
December 11, 2014	EAO forwarded Takla Lake FN comments on the dAIR (from Nov. 18) to AuRico
December 16, 2014	EAO forwarded MEM geochemistry comments on dAIR (from Dec. 15) to AuRico
December 23, 2014	EAO forwarded MEM reclamation comments on dAIR to AuRico.
January 1, 2015	AuRico received Working Group comments on the second version of the AIR.
January 8, 2015	TKN/ AuRico SIC meeting, which included discussion of status of draft AIR.
January 8, 2015	AuRico received confirmation from EAO that the VC Scoping Summary is approved (no public comments received).
February 24, 2015	AuRico provided a third version of draft AIR to EAO, which tracked changes to AIR based on Working Group comments. Table identifying comments on the second version of the AIR and AuRico responses also provided to EAO.
February 25, 2015	EAO sent letters to all 10 Schedule C FNs regarding CEAA 2012 section 5.1.(c).
March 4, 2015	AuRico provided to BCEAO copies of letters sent to all 10 Schedule C FNs regarding the CEAA 2012 section 5.1 (c).
March 19, 2015	Letter from Doug Caul indicating an alternative means for undertaking the project regarding the tailings facility must be included in the Application (and AIR).
March 20, 2015	AuRico received comments from TKN on the draft AIR (these comments were originally provided to EAO in November 2014) as well as additional TKN comments.
April 9, 2015	EAO emailed table summarizing outstanding comments to date.
April 14, 2015	EAO emailed Environment Canada second round comments to AuRico.
April 22-30, 2015	AuRico emailed draft baseline reports on KUG project and potential effects on Aboriginal Rights and Interests to all 10 Schedule C FNs in response to CEAA 2012 section 5.1.(c)
May 5, 2015	EAO emailed consolidated Working Group comments on second and third version of draft AIR to AuRico.
June 15, 2015	AuRico emailed fourth version of the AIR and AuRico responses to Working Group comments and responses to TKN comments received in March 2015.

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>
June 16, 2015	AuRico and EAO met to review AuRico responses to Working Group and TKN comments and changes to fourth version of AIR.
June 25, 2015	AuRico teleconference with EAO and MEM (Hugh McCreadie) to review and resolve AIR comments regarding hydrogeology.
July 8, 2015	AuRico emailed penultimate draft of AIR to EAO and consolidated tracking tables with responses from AuRico to Working Group and TKN comments