

# Environmental Assessment of the Cariboo Gold Project

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## Virtual Open House *and* Invitation to Comment

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Osisko Development Corporation (ODV) proposes to develop the Cariboo Gold Project, an underground gold mine with a production capacity of 4,750 tonnes per day in and near the District of Wells, B.C. with a proposed operating life of 16 years. The ore would be milled at the existing Quesnel River mill, located 58 km southeast of Quesnel, B.C. Waste rock would be used as fill material at the mine site or stored at the existing Bonanza Ledge Mine, located south of the District of Wells. The project would also include an approximately 70 km transmission line to BC Hydro's Barlow substation near Quesnel.

The Cariboo Gold Project is subject to review under B.C.'s *Environmental Assessment Act* (2018). The Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) is inviting the public and Indigenous nations to review the Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate for the proposed Cariboo Gold Project.

The proposed Cariboo Gold Project is in the Application Development & Review phase of the environmental assessment (EA) process. In this phase, the EAO has 180 days to review the Application in collaboration with participating Indigenous nations and in consultation with advisory committees and the public. Further information on the Cariboo Gold Project can be found at <https://openhouse.cariboogold.com>.

The EAO is inviting the public to the following virtual **open houses**, which will both be held online due to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated safety measures:

on: **September 22, 2021**  
from: **5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. PDT**

on: **September 23, 2021**  
from: **11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. PDT**

**For details on how to connect to the virtual open houses, please visit:** <https://projects.eao.gov.bc.ca>, click on 'List of Projects,' then search: 'Cariboo Gold Project'

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The virtual open houses will include:

- A presentation by the EAO on the Application Development & Review phase of the EA process;
- A presentation by ODV on the proposed project and its Application; and
- An opportunity to ask questions online.

The EAO presentation slides will be available on the EAO's Project Information Centre (EPIC) website following the open houses.

**A comment period on the Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate will be open for 30 days from September 7, 2021 to October 7, 2021 at midnight PDT.**

The EAO accepts comments:

- **By Online Form:**  
[gov.bc.ca/eao](http://gov.bc.ca/eao) - click 'Commenting on Projects'
- **By Mail:**  
Katherine St. James  
Environmental Assessment Office  
PO Box 9426 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC V8W 9V1
- **By Fax:** 250-356-7477

The Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate and other public engagement materials are available on the EPIC website at: <https://projects.eao.gov.bc.ca>, click on 'List of Projects,' then search: 'Cariboo Gold Project'

For more information on the environmental assessment process, visit: [gov.bc.ca/eao](http://gov.bc.ca/eao)

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**NOTE:** All submissions received by the EAO during the public comment period in relation to the Cariboo Gold Project are considered public and will be posted to the EAO's website. All comments must adhere to the EAO's [public comment policy](#) to be considered.

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