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Environmental protection through adherence to applicable legislation and Best Management Practices (BMPs) is considered an important component of constructing, operating and reclaiming the Casino mine and access road. Proper planning and implementation contributes to ongoing environmental site protection and greatly reduces the potential for adverse environmental effects. Mitigation measures such as delineation of environmentally and culturally sensitive areas, establishment of communications and reporting protocols, and implementation of environmental compliance monitoring and reporting programs will be integral to the program.

Casino Mining Corporation is committed to conducting its operations and activities in a manner that protects the natural and social environments, protects the environmental health and welfare of its employees and contractors, meets or exceeds requirements of all applicable environmental acts, regulations and permitting requirements, and keeps employees and the public informed about its environmental plans through its internal and external communication programs.

To achieve these objectives, an Environmental Monitoring, Surveillance and Reporting Plan (EMSRP) will be developed in accordance with the Plan Requirement Guidance for Quartz Mining Projects (Yukon Government 2013) to monitor the predicted residual effects of the Project and the effectiveness of implemented mitigation measures. The Plan will identify any variances from predictions that occur and whether such variances require action, including any additional mitigation measures. A conceptual EMSRP was submitted in Section 23 of the Proposal.

On January 27, 2015, the Executive Committee requested that Casino Mining Corporation (CMC) provide supplementary information to the Casino Project (YESAB Project No. 2014-0002) to enable the Executive Committee to commence Screening. The Executive Committee considered comments from various First Nations, Decision Bodies and regulators on the adequacy of the Project Proposal in the preparation of the Adequacy Review Report (ARR). The Executive Committee had no requests related to information presented in Section 23 Conceptual Environmental Monitoring Plan of the Project Proposal submitted on January 3, 2014. As such, CMC considers that the documentation provided in the Proposal to be sufficient to deem the Proposal adequate for this Valued Component.