
Director, Environmental & Regulatory Affairs

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Location

Whitehorse or Vancouver with travel as required to the Casino Project and other locations.

Summary

Reporting to the VP, Environmental & Community Affairs, the Director, Environmental & Regulatory Affairs is responsible for leading all activities related to environmental programs, regulatory applications, and compliance.

Responsibilities

ESE Team Management:

Managing a complex environmental assessment team including external specialists and scientists responsible for conducting scopes of work in preparation for the submission of an Environmental and Socio-economic Statement to the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Board.

- Drive on the delivery of the ESE Statement on time and on budget.
- Review all ESE Team scopes of work to ensure compliance with ESE Statement Guidelines.
- Work with ESE Team to properly schedule all work and ensure that overlapping work is assigned to the correct party and no gaps exist in scopes of work.
- Weekly/bi-weekly meetings with the ESE Team to provide updates and answer questions.
- Work with ESE Statement Leads (currently Stantec) to provide oversight to their tools used to track progress and compliance.
- Schedule, lead, and/or participate in technical working sessions with ESE Team to resolve technical issues and develop key components of the Project.
- Leading the critical path schedule for all work, including regular check-ins with all members of the ESE Team to track progress.

Budget Management:

- Leading the environmental budgeting, cost management, and site and corporate reporting activities.
- Request scopes of work from all members of the ESE Team, review them, and provide feedback to ensure that work is compliant with CMC requirements.
- Weekly review of all ESE Team budgets in a master Environment Budget, including overall budget, monthly accruals, current spend, estimate to completion, and estimate at completion.
- Create, review, and/or issue all scope changes or contracts required for members of the ESE Team.
- Receive, review, and approve all ESE Team invoices, and send to Accounting for payment.

- Follow-up with Accounting to ensure payment.
- Ensure proper filing of all invoices, contracts, and budget documents.
- Deliver internal budget summary presentations for monthly review by senior management.
- Develop budgets and explanatory notes for presentation to the Board of Directors on a quarterly basis, or more frequently as required.

ESE Statement Management:

- Leading the development and review of environmental assessment documents in collaboration with an internal Project Team and external technical experts.
- Reviewing technical reports generated by environmental consultants to ensure alignment with corporate goals.
- Leading the preparation and review of the environmental assessment process and documentation on behalf of CMC.
 - Working the ESE Team to scope out ESE Statement documents, including baseline reports and effects assessments.
 - Working with the ESE Statement Leads to coordinate the review of all documents and deliverables associated with the ESE Statement.
- Senior review of all technical reports developed by the ESE Team for compliance with CMC requirements, ESE Guidelines, and technical best practices.
- Ensuring QAQC of final external deliverables.
- Managing the environmental assessment project, including leading meetings and/or presentations with regulators, scheduling, budget development and tracking, and providing regulatory guidance and advice.
 - Leading recurring meetings with YESAB, MPY, NPMO, and other regulators as required.

Permitting & Compliance:

- Supervising for the preparation of permit applications and track approvals, or amendments as required.
 - Oversight and/or senior review of all permit applications prepared by Environmental Coordinator or members of the consulting team.
 - Ensure adherence to all CMC permitting requirements and commitments.
 - Liaise with regulatory agencies as required to update permits or obtain new approvals.
 - Complete compliance audits against permit/licence requirements and social obligations, were required.

Camp and Field Oversight:

- Owning accountability for the environmental program.
- Approve all field work plans, provide comments, and ensure alignment with overall Environmental budget.
- Support the Environmental Manager in managing logistics for all field programs, including coordination of required training and orientations, travel planning, and vendor negotiations.
- Review all health & safety incidents and support the development of corrective actions.

Other Responsibilities:

- Supporting the Vice President, Environmental and Community Affairs as required.
- Managing an internal team of Environmental Coordinators, and/or contract staff.
- Support the External Relations team with consultation and engagement initiatives as required, including the coordination and formulation of responses to First Nations.
- Support the External Relations team with meetings with government, regulators, and other interested stakeholders.
- Management of the Environmental Manager and other contract staff, including development of objectives, performance tracking, staff development, scheduling, and day-to-day oversight.
- Supporting the implementation of ESG metric tracking, as required.
- Implementing or supervising the implementation of the Environmental Management System (EMS) and its component EMPs and related SOPs, and other environmental requirements, as directed.
- Performing other duties associated with this position as may be required.

Education & Experience

- Bachelor's degree in environmental science, Engineering, or related field.
- Minimum 12 years related experience, including extensive environmental/regulatory affairs experience with mining operations or resource projects, preferably in Yukon.
- Experience working with regulators related to new mining projects.
- Working knowledge of the applicable territorial and federal environmental regulations.
- Familiar with current regulatory, environmental assessment, and permitting practices.

Required Skills

- Performing work outdoors in all types of weather, and in an office as required.
- Ability to work in a fast-paced, dynamic environment managing multiple priorities under tight deadlines.
- Demonstrated high level of interpersonal skills including the ability to develop trust, negotiate, and manage a variety of external and internal stakeholders across all levels and from varying backgrounds.
- Demonstrated high standard of integrity, ethics, judgement and confidentiality.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills, including the ability to present ideas clearly.
- Ability to take initiative and work independently as well as across different levels of the organization.
- Strong attention to detail and exceptional organizational skills.
- Ability to identify key technical and business issues and develop innovative solutions.
- High degree of business acumen and ability to think strategically.
- Strong leadership skills and ability to build relationship.
- Proficient computer skills, with advanced knowledge of Microsoft Office applications (Power Point, Word, Excel) and ability to learn new software.



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While we thank all applicants for their interest, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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Deadline to apply: May 10, 2024.