

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT S.B.C. 2002, c.43
(ACT)
AND
AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE
TENAS COAL PROJECT
(PROPOSED PROJECT)**

ORDER UNDER SECTION 11

WHEREAS:

- A. Telkwa Coal Limited (Proponent) proposes to construct and operate the Tenas Coal project (proposed Project), an open pit coal mine with associated rail facility and loop, approximately seven kilometers southwest of Telkwa, BC;
- B. The proposed Project constitutes a reviewable project, pursuant to Part 3 of the Reviewable Projects Regulation (B.C. Reg. 370/02), because the proposed Project is a new mine facility that will have a production capacity of $\geq 250,000$ tonnes/year of clean coal during operation;
- C. The Executive Director has delegated to the undersigned, certain powers and functions under the Act, including the power to issue Orders under Section 11 of the Act; and
- D. On November 6, 2018, the Environmental Assessment Office issued an Order under Section 10(1)(c) of the Act, stating that the proposed Project requires an environmental assessment certificate and that the Proponent may not proceed with the proposed Project without an assessment.

NOW THEREFORE:

Pursuant to Section 11 of the Act, I order that the environmental assessment of the proposed Project be conducted according to the scope, procedures and methods set out in Schedules A and B to this Order.



Terry Pratt
Project Assessment Director

Dated June 25, 2019

Enclosure: Schedule A
 Schedule B
 Schedule C

**SCHEDULE A TO ORDER UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE BC ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT ACT**

**SCOPE, PROCEDURES AND METHODS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPOSED TENAS COAL PROJECT**

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PART A - GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. DEFINITIONS

“Aboriginal Interests” means asserted or determined Aboriginal rights, including title, and treaty rights.

“Act” has the same meaning as on page 1 of the Order.

“Application” means the Proponent’s application for an environmental assessment certificate for the proposed Project, made under Section 16 of the Act.

“Application Information Requirements” means the information that must be included in the Application, pursuant to Sections 11(2) and 16(2) of the Act and Section [6](#) of this Order.

“Application Review Stage” means that part of the environmental assessment that occurs after the Application has been accepted for review.

“Assessment Report” means the report, as defined in Section 1 of the Act, and referred to in Section [10](#) of this Order.

“Cumulative Effects” means the residual effects of the proposed Project that have the potential to interact with the effects of other past, present or reasonably foreseeable projects or activities.

“Environmental Assessment Office” means the office continued under Section 2 of the Act.

“Executive Director” has the same meaning as Executive Director in Section 1 of the Act.

“Electronic Project Information Centre” means the project information centre continued under Section 25 of the Act, and operated as a website maintained by Environmental Assessment Office.

“Environmental Assessment Certificate” means an environmental assessment certificate issued under Section 17 of the Act.

“Indigenous Consultation Plan” means a plan developed by the Proponent in consultation with Indigenous Nations listed on Schedule B and determined to be adequate by the Project Assessment Lead, which outlines how the Proponent will undertake procedural aspects of consultation with Indigenous Nations listed on Schedule B on behalf of the Crown during the environmental assessment.

“Indigenous Consultation Report” means the Proponent’s periodic reporting at times specified in Section [13](#) of this Order, or at the request of the Project Assessment Lead, on the results of the consultation activities specified in the Indigenous Consultation Plan.

“Indigenous Nations” means those Aboriginal entities as defined in Section 35(2) of the *Constitution Act, 1982* of Canada as identified on Schedules B and C of this Order.

“Ministers” has the same meaning as Ministers in Section 1 of the Act.

“Order” means this Order, which is issued under Section 11 of the Act, including all schedules.

“Pre-Application Stage” means that part of the environmental assessment that occurs after an Order under section 10 of the Act has been issued and before an Application has been accepted for review.

“Project Assessment Lead” means an employee of Environmental Assessment Office who has been delegated certain authorities to conduct the environmental assessment of the proposed Project by the Executive Director under the Act.

“Proponent” has the same meaning as on page 1 of the Order.

“proposed Project” has the same meaning as on page 1 of the Order.

“Public Consultation Plan” means a plan, developed by the Proponent and approved by the Project Assessment Lead, which outlines how the Proponent will undertake consultation with the public during the environmental assessment.

“Public Consultation Report” means the report required under Section [16](#) of this Order.

“Valued Components” means specific environmental, economic, social, heritage, and health attributes that may be potentially impacted by the proposed Project and that will be assessed during the environmental assessment.

“Working Group” means an advisory group established under Section [4](#) of this Order, including representatives of Aboriginal Groups identified on Schedule B, and federal, provincial and local government agencies.

PART B - SCOPE OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT

2. ON-SITE AND OFF-SITE COMPONENTS

2.1 The approximate location of the proposed Project is shown on Figure 1.

2.2 Pursuant to Section 11(2)(a) of the Act, the proposed Project consists of the following components and facilities:

1. Surface mine pit excavations;
2. A coal processing plant;
3. Storage piles for waste rock, overburden, coarse and fine rock separated from coal in processing plant, and topsoil;
4. Materials handling systems for raw coal, coarse and fine rock and washed product coal including plant conveyors, storage bins and stockpiles;
5. Administration, first aid, maintenance, mine dry, warehouse, laboratory, and vehicle wash facilities;
6. Surface water management systems including ditches, sedimentation and storage ponds;
7. Solid waste management systems including recycling and composting facilities;
8. Water supply wells, storage, and distribution system;
9. Fuel, lubricant and propane storage facilities;
10. Explosives magazine and storage facilities;
11. Mine haul roads within the mine site, including access roads;
12. A 25 kilovolt (kV) power line and a 600 volt (V) substation adjacent to the processing plant;
13. Rail infrastructure facility including rail loop and loadout connecting to the existing main Canadian National Railway line;
14. A permanent bridge over Goathorn Creek;
15. Improvements to approximately 6.5 kilometres of existing roads; and
16. A dedicated coal haul road from the mine site to the rail facilities.

2.3 Exploration activities or other activities required to prepare the Application are not part of the reviewable project for the purposes of the assessment.

PART C – SCOPE OF THE ASSESSMENT

3. SCOPE OF THE ASSESSMENT

3.1 Pursuant to Section 11(2)(b) of the Act, the scope of the assessment for the proposed Project will include consideration of:

- 3.1.1 potential adverse environmental, economic, social, heritage, and health effects of the proposed Project, including Cumulative Effects, and practicable means to mitigate such potential adverse effects; and

- 3.1.2 potential adverse effects of the proposed Project on an Indigenous Nations' Aboriginal Interests, and, to the extent appropriate, ways to mitigate or otherwise accommodate such potential adverse effects.

PART D – THE WORKING GROUP AND AGENCY CONSULTATION

4. THE WORKING GROUP

- 4.1** The Environmental Assessment Office will establish a Working Group comprised of those Indigenous Nations identified on Schedule B and government bodies identified by the Project Assessment Lead. The Working Group will focus on the scope of the proposed Project as outlined in Section 3.1 of this Order and will provide input as requested by the Project Assessment Lead on aspects of the environmental assessment, including:
- 4.1.1 the information required for the environmental assessment;
 - 4.1.2 the data collection and analysis used in the development of the Application;
 - 4.1.3 the conformity of the Application with the Application Information Requirements;
 - 4.1.4 potential effects on Valued Components and measures to prevent or reduce potential adverse effects;
 - 4.1.5 potential effects on Aboriginal Interests and measures to prevent or reduce potential adverse effects; and
 - 4.1.6 the information and conclusions in the Application;
 - 4.1.7 Environmental Assessment Certificate conditions; and
 - 4.1.8 the draft Assessment Report.
- 4.2** The Project Assessment Lead may form sub-committees of the Working Group to discuss specific issues in the environmental assessment.
- 4.3** When required by the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must participate in meetings of the Working Group or any sub-committees.
- 4.4** The Proponent must consult with federal and provincial government agencies and local government through the Working Group, as required by the Project Assessment Lead.
- 4.5** The Proponent must prepare and submit to the Project Assessment Lead and Working Group members, within set time limits established by the Project Assessment Lead, responses to comments received from any Working Group members.

PART E – ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES – PRE-APPLICATION STAGE

5. VALUED COMPONENTS

- 5.1** Within a timeframe established by the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must prepare a document that sets out the Valued Components it proposes to be considered in the preparation of the draft Application Information Requirements, having regard to the requirement to assess the potential of the proposed Project to result in adverse environmental, economic, social, heritage, and health effects.
- 5.2** The Proponent must submit the draft Valued Components proposal to the Project Assessment Lead, who will make it available to the Working Group and Indigenous Nations for review and comment.
- 5.3** The Project Assessment Lead will review the draft Valued Components proposal and the Proponent must amend the draft Valued Components proposal as requested by the Project Assessment Lead. This may include incorporation of any comments from the Working Group and Aboriginal Groups that the Project Assessment Lead determines are relevant.
- 5.4** The draft Valued Components and the methods for how the effects on Valued Components will be defined and assessed must be included in the draft Application Information Requirements prepared pursuant to Section [6](#) of this Order.

6. APPLICATION INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1** In accordance with this Order and any additional guidance provided by the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must prepare draft Application Information Requirements.
- 6.2** The Proponent must submit the draft Application Information Requirements to the Project Assessment Lead, who will make it available to the Working Group and public for review and comment.
- 6.3** The Proponent must respond to comments received from Indigenous Nations listed on Schedule B, Working Group members and the public on the draft Application Information Requirements in the form specified by, and to the satisfaction of, the Project Assessment Lead.
- 6.4** The Proponent must prepare and resubmit a revised draft Application Information Requirements, as required by the Project Assessment Lead.
- 6.5** Upon approval of the revised draft Application Information Requirements, the Project Assessment Lead will issue the final Application Information Requirements to the Proponent.

7. PREPARING AND SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION

- 7.1** The Proponent must prepare the Application in accordance with the Application Information Requirements, and must submit it to the Project Assessment Lead for evaluation and decision on whether to accept the Application for review.
- 7.2** Prior to submitting the Application to the Project Assessment Lead under Section [7.1](#) of this Order, the Proponent must ensure that copies of the Application in the required formats have been delivered to the members of the Working Group and Indigenous Nations listed on Schedule B, as specified by the Project Assessment Lead.

8. APPLICATION EVALUATION

- 8.1** The Project Assessment Lead, with input from the Working Group and Indigenous Nations, will evaluate and decide whether the Application contains the information required in the Application Information Requirements.
- 8.2** If, in the opinion of the Project Assessment Lead, the Application does not include the information required by the Application Information Requirements, the Project Assessment Lead will identify the deficiencies in writing to the Proponent and the Proponent may revise the Application to address the deficiencies and re-submit the revised Application.
- 8.3** If the Application is accepted for review, the Project Assessment Lead will advise the Proponent, and the Proponent must distribute a specified number of paper or electronic copies of the Application as directed by the Project Assessment Lead.

9. APPLYING FOR CONCURRENT PERMITTING

- 9.1** The Proponent, if applying for concurrent review of one or more applications for approval under other enactments, pursuant to Section 4 of the Concurrent Approval Regulation (B.C. Reg. 371/2002), must submit the request to the Project Assessment Lead within seven days of the Project Assessment Lead notifying the Proponent that the Application has been accepted for review, in accordance with Section 5 of the Concurrent Approval Regulation.
- 9.2** The Project Assessment Lead can set an earlier time limit than by the date on which those copies are received by the Project Assessment Lead.

PART F – ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES – APPLICATION REVIEW STAGE

10. PREPARING THE ASSESSMENT REPORT

- 10.1** The Project Assessment Lead will prepare an Assessment Report and proposed conditions of an Environmental Assessment Certificate, taking into

consideration the Proponent's Application and input provided by the Working Group, Indigenous Nations and the public.

- 10.2** Members of the Working Group, Indigenous Nations and the Proponent will have an opportunity to provide to the Project Assessment Lead their comments on a draft of the Assessment Report and proposed conditions of an Environmental Assessment Certificate within timelines established by the Project Assessment Lead.
- 10.3** Members of the public will have an opportunity to comment on a draft of the Assessment Report and proposed conditions of an Environmental Assessment Certificate as per as per subsection [15.7](#) in Part H and within timelines established by the Project Assessment Lead

11. MINISTERIAL REFERRAL AND DECISION

- 11.1** The Project Assessment Lead will advise the Proponent, Indigenous Nations and the Working Group of the date that the final Assessment Report is referred to the Ministers.
- 11.2** The final Assessment Report will be made available to the public by the Environmental Assessment Office after a decision has been made by the Ministers under Section 17(3)(c) of the Act.
- 11.3** In accordance with Section 17(4) of the Act, the Project Assessment Lead will deliver to the Proponent the decision of the Ministers and the Environmental Assessment Certificate, if granted. The Project Assessment Lead will inform Indigenous Nations and other members of the Working Group of the Ministers' decision.

PART G – CONSULTATION WITH INDIGENOUS NATIONS

12. CONSULTATION WITH INDIGENOUS NATIONS

- 12.1** Following the issuance of this Order, as identified on **Schedule B**, the Environmental Assessment Office will consult with the Wet'suwet'en Nation through the Office of the Wet'suwet'en Hereditary Chiefs, as follows:
 - 12.1.1** The Environmental Assessment Office will seek to co-develop work plans with Wet'suwet'en Nation, to support the engagement and participation of the Wet'suwet'en Nation as contemplated by other provisions in this Order.
 - 12.1.2** The Environmental Assessment Office will provide notification at the following milestones, so that Wet'suwet'en Nation can be informed of the progress of the environmental assessment and will have the opportunity to raise any issues to the Environmental Assessment Office for discussion:
 - 12.1.2.1** Acceptance of the Project Description;
 - 12.1.2.2** Issuance of the Section 11 Order and any Section 13 Orders;
 - 12.1.2.3** Approval of draft Valued Components proposal;

- 12.1.2.4 Public comment period for the draft Application Information Requirements;
- 12.1.2.5 Approval of the final Application Information Requirements document;
- 12.1.2.6 When the Application has been accepted and the start of the review of the Application has commenced;
- 12.1.2.7 Public comment period for the Application;
- 12.1.2.8 Public comment period for the draft Assessment Report and proposed conditions of an Environmental Assessment Certificate; and
- 12.1.2.9 Decision on the Application.
- 12.1.3 Invite the Wet'suwet'en Nation to be a member of the Working Group and to attend Working Group meetings or relevant Working Group subcommittee meetings;
- 12.1.4 Ensure that Wet'suwet'en Nation has the opportunity to provide comments on the Section 11 Order, draft Valued Components and draft Application Information Requirements and will consider any such comments;
- 12.1.5 Ensure that Wet'suwet'en Nation receives a copy of the Application and invite comments from Wet'suwet'en Nation during the applicable legislated time period in regard to the conformity of the Application with the Application Information Requirements;
- 12.1.6 Provide Wet'suwet'en Nation the opportunity to submit comments on the Application;
- 12.1.7 Determine the adequacy of the Proponent's response to the comments received from Wet'suwet'en Nation;
- 12.1.8 At the request of Wet'suwet'en Nation, meet to discuss its Aboriginal Interests in relation to the proposed Project and measures to avoid, mitigate, or otherwise address or accommodate potential adverse impacts on Aboriginal Interests, as appropriate;
- 12.1.9 Provide Wet'suwet'en Nation with an opportunity to comment on the draft Assessment Report and proposed conditions of an Environmental Assessment Certificate, and the Environmental Assessment Office's consultation report within established timelines;
- 12.1.10 Provide the opportunity for Wet'suwet'en Nation to provide to the Environmental Assessment Office a submission regarding their views on the Assessment Report. Any such submission must be provided within the timeline established by the Project Assessment Lead and will be included in the package of materials sent to Ministers when the proposed Project is referred to Ministers for decision; and

12.1.11 Direct the Proponent to conduct the following activities:

- 12.1.11.1 Within specified timelines, provide to the Project Assessment Lead an Indigenous Consultation Plan that will guide consultation activities with Wet'suwet'en Nation during the Pre-Application and Application Review Stages of the assessment. Prior to submitting the Indigenous Consultation Plan to the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent must provide the draft Plan to Wet'suwet'en Nation and must advise the Project Assessment Lead how such groups were consulted and what feedback was provided when submitting the Indigenous Consultation Plan to the Project Assessment Lead. The Project Assessment Lead will assess the Indigenous Consultation Plan and determine whether the proposed activities are adequate. The Project Assessment Lead may order additional consultation activities within prescribed time limits;
- 12.1.11.2 In the Application, identify potentially affected Aboriginal Interests raised by Wet'suwet'en Nation and identify measures to avoid or mitigate such potential adverse effects and/or to otherwise address or accommodate the concerns of Wet'suwet'en Nation, as appropriate;
- 12.1.11.3 As directed by the Project Assessment Lead, provide a response to comments received from Wet'suwet'en Nation, to the satisfaction of and within the timeframe specified by the Project Assessment Lead; and
- 12.1.11.4 Implement additional measures for consultation and accommodation of Wet'suwet'en Nation and revise the Indigenous Consultation Plan, where required by the Project Assessment Lead.

12.2 Following the issuance of this Order, Wet'suwet'en First Nation, the Indigenous Nation identified on **Schedule C** will be consulted as follows:

12.2.1 Environmental Assessment Office will provide notification at the following milestones, so that Wet'suwet'en First Nation can be informed of the progress of the environmental assessment and have the opportunity to raise any issues to Environmental Assessment Office for discussion:

- 12.2.1.1 Issuance of the Section 11 Order and any Section 13 Orders;
- 12.2.1.2 Public comment period for the draft Application Information Requirements;
- 12.2.1.3 Approval of the final Application Information Requirements document;
- 12.2.1.4 When the Application has been accepted and the start of the review of the Application has commenced;

- 12.2.1.5 Public comment period for the Application;
- 12.2.1.6 Public comment period for the Draft Assessment Report; and
- 12.2.1.7 Decision on the Application.

12.3 The Project Assessment Lead may at any time notify the Proponent that one or more Indigenous Nations are to be added to Schedule B or C of this Order, and in doing so may identify any modifications to any of the procedures and obligations contained in this Order, having regard to the status of existing procedures and obligations at the time the additions are made.

12.4 The Project Assessment Lead may direct the Proponent to conduct the following activities:

- 12.4.1 provide a response to comments received from any Indigenous Nation, to the satisfaction and within the timeframe specified by the Project Assessment Lead; and
- 12.4.2 implement additional measures for consultation and accommodation of any Indigenous Nation.

13. PROPONENT REPORTING

13.1 The Proponent must provide the Project Assessment Lead with Indigenous Consultation Reports, consistent with the approved Indigenous Consultation Plan, at the following times:

- 13.1.1 60 days after the issuance of the Application Information Requirements;
- 13.1.2 At the time of submission of the Application;
- 13.1.3 100 days from the commencement of the Application Review stage, unless otherwise directed by the Project Assessment Lead; and
- 13.1.4 At any other time specified by the Project Assessment Lead.

13.2 The Proponent must submit their Indigenous Consultation Reports to Wet'suwet'en Nation for review and comment prior to submitting the reports to the Project Assessment Lead and must advise the Project Assessment Lead how Wet'suwet'en Nation was consulted and what feedback was provided when submitting the Indigenous Consultation Report to the Project Assessment Lead.

13.3 Indigenous Consultation Reports must:

- 13.3.1 summarize the efforts undertaken by the Proponent to consult with Wet'suwet'en Nation in accordance with the approved Indigenous Consultation Plan, and also summarize the efforts undertaken by the Proponent to consult with any other Indigenous Nations, if directed to do so by the Project Assessment Lead pursuant to Section [12.4](#) of this Order;
- 13.3.2 identify the feedback and information received during consultation;

- 13.3.3 identify the potential adverse impacts of the proposed Project on Aboriginal Interests;
- 13.3.4 identify how the potential adverse impacts of the proposed Project on Aboriginal Interests will be avoided, mitigated, addressed or otherwise accommodated, as appropriate; and
- 13.3.5 outline next steps or future consultation activities, other than those outlined in the approved Aboriginal Consultation Plan.

PART H – PUBLIC CONSULTATION

14. PRE-APPLICATION STAGE

- 14.1** The Proponent must, within timelines established by the Project Assessment Lead, provide the Project Assessment Lead with a Public Consultation Plan.
- 14.2** The Project Assessment Lead will assess the Proponent's Public Consultation Plan and determine if the proposed activities are adequate. The Project Assessment Lead may order that additional consultation activities be undertaken within time limits set by the Project Assessment Lead.
- 14.3** During the Pre-Application Stage of the assessment, the Project Assessment Lead will provide a public comment period of at least 30 days on the draft Application Information Requirements referred to in Section [6](#) of this Order.
- 14.4** The Project Assessment Lead may require an open house(s) to provide the public with an opportunity to review the draft Application Information Requirements.
- 14.5** On the direction of the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent may be required to attend one or more of these open houses.
- 14.6** The Proponent must make the draft Application Information Requirements available at accessible public locations as specified by the Project Assessment Lead, and the Project Assessment Lead will make the draft Application Information Requirements available on the Electronic Project Information Centre.
- 14.7** During a public comment period, the public may comment on the draft Application Information Requirements by providing comments through the Environmental Assessment Office's website.
- 14.8** The Proponent must respond to public comments received pursuant to Section [14.7](#) of this Order, unless the Project Assessment Lead informs the Proponent that a comment:
 - (a) is not within the scope of the assessment, or
 - (b) contravenes Environmental Assessment Office's Public Comment Policy.

- 14.9** All public comments, received pursuant to Section [14.6](#) of this Order, will be posted to the Electronic Project Information Centre within seven days of being received, unless a comment falls within the conditions referred to in Section [14.8\(a\)](#) or [14.8\(b\)](#) of this Order.

15. APPLICATION REVIEW STAGE

- 15.1** During the Application Review Stage, the Project Assessment Lead will provide for a public comment period of at least 30 days on the Application.
- 15.2** The Project Assessment Lead may require an open house(s) to provide the public with an opportunity to review the Application. At the direction of the Project Assessment Lead, the Proponent may be required to attend one or more open houses.
- 15.3** The Proponent must make the Application available at accessible public locations as specified by the Project Assessment Lead, and the Project Assessment Lead will make the Application available on the Electronic Project Information Centre.
- 15.4** During a public comment period, the public may comment on the Application by providing comments through the Electronic Project Information Centre.
- 15.5** The Proponent must respond to public comments received pursuant to Section [15.4](#) of this Order, unless the Project Assessment Lead informs the Proponent that a comment:
- (a) is not within the scope of the assessment, or
 - (b) contravenes Environmental Assessment Office's Public Consultation Policy.
- 15.6** All public comments, received pursuant to Section [15.4](#) of this Order, will be posted to the Electronic Project Information Centre within seven days of being received, unless a comment falls within the conditions referred to in section [15.5\(a\)](#) or [15.5\(b\)](#) of this Order.
- 15.7** The Project Assessment Lead will make a draft of the Assessment Report and proposed conditions of an Environmental Assessment Certificate available on the Electronic Project Information Centre for a public comment period of at least 30 days.
- 15.8** The Project Assessment Lead may revise the Assessment Report and proposed conditions of an Environmental Assessment Certificate and/or direct the Proponent to provide a response as a result of public comments received pursuant to Section [15.7](#) of this Order.
- 15.9** The Project Assessment Lead will provide the opportunity for the Proponent to review any submissions to the EAO by Indigenous Nations regarding their views of the Assessment Report. Any such review must be completed within the timeline established by the Project Assessment Lead.

16. PROPONENT REPORTING

- 16.1** The Proponent must provide the Project Assessment Lead with Public Consultation Reports, at the following times:
- 16.1.1 60 days after the close of a public comment period and at the time of submission of the Application; and
 - 16.1.2 any other time specified by the Project Assessment Lead.
- 16.2** The Public Consultation Reports must include:
- 16.2.1 a description of the results of the activities outlined in the Public Consultation Plan;
 - 16.2.2 a summary of: consultations with the public that the Proponent has already carried out in relation to the proposed Project; information, comments, concerns, and questions received from the public within the scope of the environmental assessment, and; how the concerns were addressed; and
 - 16.2.3 proposed next steps for public consultation activities.
- 16.3** The Proponent may be required to undertake additional public consultation activities as required and within a time limit set by the Project Assessment Lead.

17. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS

- 17.1** Prior to the start of any formal public comment period, other than a public comment period on the draft Assessment Report, the Proponent, by means acceptable to the Project Assessment Lead, must provide public notice of:
- 17.1.1 the availability of the draft Application Information Requirements or Application for public review and comment and the time limits for the formal public comment period provided for in this Order; and
 - 17.1.2 the date, time and location of any open houses held.
- 17.2** The Proponent must obtain approval from the Project Assessment Lead for the content, format and publication schedule for newspaper advertisements required under Section [17.1](#) of this Order.
- 17.3** When one or more notices of an event are to be given, then, in accordance with section 5 of the Public Consultation Policy Regulation (B.C. Reg. 373/02), the first notice must appear:
- 17.3.1 in the case of a formal public comment period, at least seven days prior to the date on which the formal public comment period commences; or
 - 17.3.2 in the case of an open house, at least seven days prior to the date on which an open house is scheduled.

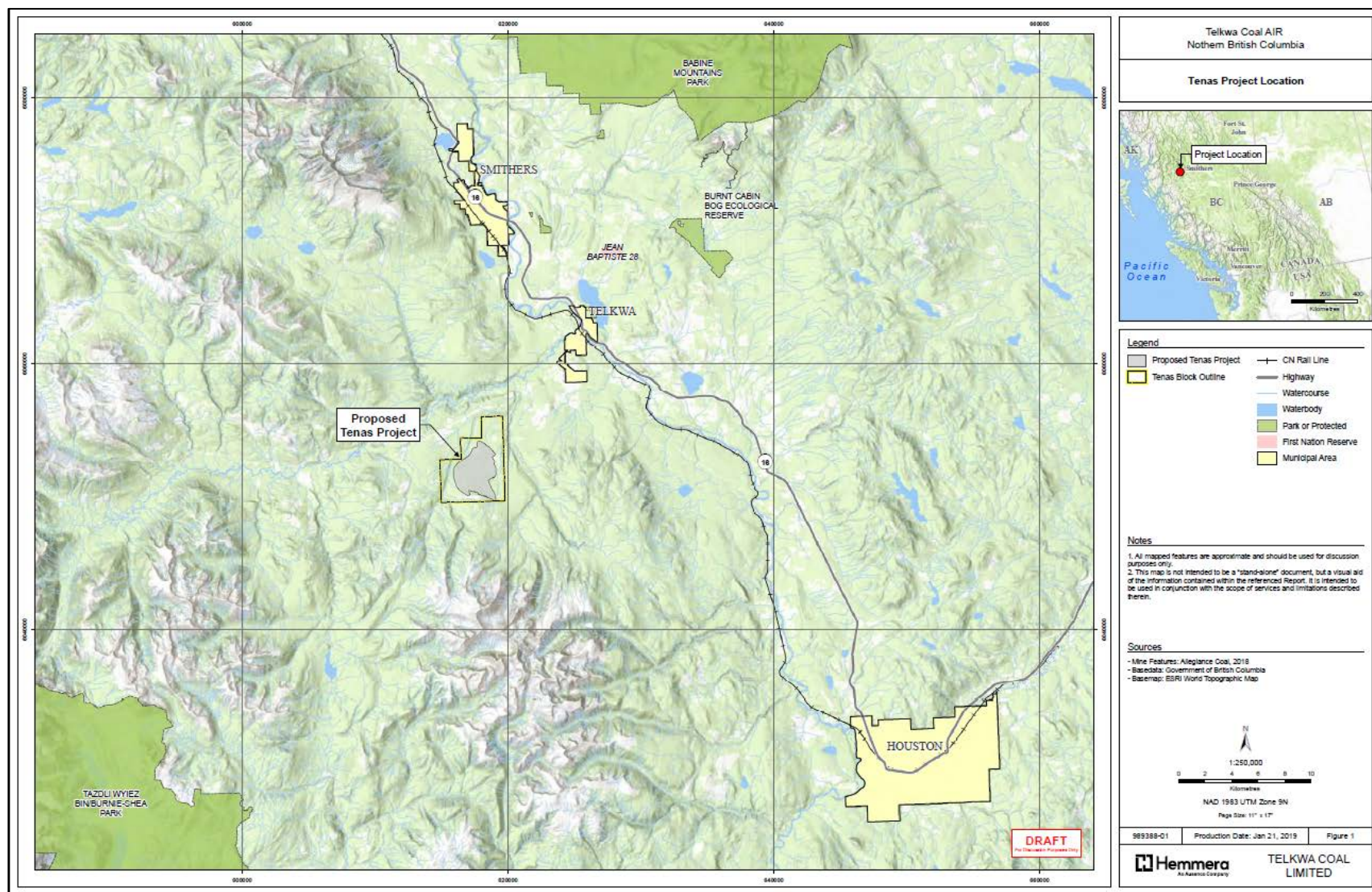
- 17.4** In the case of a Public Comment period on the draft Assessment Report, the project Assessment Lead will coordinate advertisement and notification requirements outlined in Sections 17.1 through 17.3, as relevant.
- 17.5** Information and records listed in Section 6 of the Public Consultation Policy Regulation (B.C. Reg. 373/02) that pertain to the assessment of the proposed Project will be made available to the public through the electronic Project Information Centre.

PART I – PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

18. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 18.1** Without limiting any of the requirements in this Order, the Proponent must, at the request of the Project Assessment Lead, provide the Project Assessment Lead with any information or address any issues that the Project Assessment Lead considers necessary in order to complete the environmental assessment of the proposed Project.

Figure 1: Location Map



SCHEDULE B

Wet'suwet'en Nation

Office of the Wet'suwet'en Hereditary Chiefs

SCHEDULE C

Wet'suwet'en First Nation