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Telkwa Coal Project - Stage II Geotechnical, Hydrogeological and Hydrological Design Report

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

This report presents preliminary designs and geotechnical, hydrogeological and hydrological recommendations in support of a Stage II Permit Application for the Telkwa Coal Project.

The scope of work included the following:

- review of geological, hydrological and hydrogeological data
- . geotechnical investigations
- . groundwater investigations including packer permeability testing and installation of piezometers
- . pit slope stability
- . waste dump design
- design of tailings pond
- . design of drainage ditches and settling ponds
- . design of groundwater control measures
- . presentation of designs and recommendations

Results of the data review and field investigations show that the project site comprises variable thicknesses of glacial till and gravel, overlying a sequence of sandstones, siltstones, mudstones and coal. The bedrock materials range from strong to very weak rocks. The mudstones are low to medium plastic.

The bedrock dips at $15^{\circ}-20^{\circ}$ to the east and is structurally dominated by a number of north-south trending reverse faults and normal faults which trend north-south and east-west.

The bedrock is generally of low permeability and contains no stratigraphically definable aquifers. The groundwater table is at or close to ground surface over much of the eastern part of the project site. Open or breccia filled fault zones are expected to be the only significant conductors of groundwater.

(i)

RECOMMENCED PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Pit Slopes

Pit slopes have only been considered for #3 Pit. The highwall is located on the east side of the pit and will trend north-south. Conditions for highwall stability are favourable as the major structural discontinuities, the north-south trending faults and the bedding planes both dip east. Highwall slopes up to 100 m high may be cut at an overall 60° angle. Locally, secondary faults may require flatter high wall angles over short sections.

Horizontal drains will be required to reduce groundwater pressures where the highwall is more than 50 m high.

The footwall will be parallel to the bedding planes and will dip at 20° to the east. To prevent instability, footwall strata should not be undercut. Pressure relief wells will be required in the footwall to reduce the risk of floor heave.

Overburden slopes in glacial till may be cut at 2H:1V.

Waste Dumps

Waste dumps will be constructed in out-of-pit and in-pit locations. Out-of-pit dumps may be constructed by end dumping in lifts. Lift thicknesses and berm widths should be adjusted to maintain an overall 2H:1V slope. Foundations should be stripped of topsoil and overwet materials. Uphill construction is recommended to minimize overburden stripping. Deleterious and sulphur rich materials may be placed in isolated cells within dumps to minimize the potential for acid drainage. These materials should be compacted in 1 m lifts.

In-pit dumps in #3 Pit should be constructed with north-south trending slopes dipping into the footwall at 1.6H:1V and east-west trending slopes at 2.25H:1V. All wet and loose material should be removed from the foundation area before construction.

(ii)

Pit Dewatering

Groundwater inflows into the pits will be small with average flows of m²/hour beina approximately 50 expected. Short duration exceptional flows when fault zones are intersected may effectively double the inflow rate. Infiltration should be collected by means of ditches and sumps. Pumping capacity requirements will be dictated by inflows from direct precipitation. Average pumping requirements will range from 90 m²/hr in year 1 to a maximum of 120 m²/hr in years 19 and 20. Emergency pumping capacity will be required to handle major precipitation events. Water will require pumping to drainage ditches and passing through settlement ponds prior to discharge.

Surface Water Management

Head water diversions are recommended to divert all uncontaminated surface runoff from the up hill side of the mine area. The diversions are designed in accordance with the Ministry of Environment Regulations.

Interceptor ditches will minimize the contamination of surface water in the mine area and prevent release of untreated water to natural water courses. All contaminated water will be held in settlement ponds with sufficient detention time for suspended matter to be removed. Discharge points will be monitored to ensure that clarified water meets water quality standards.

Tailings Pond

Fine tailings from the wash plant will be stored in a tailings pond. Clarified water will be recycled to the plant for use as process water.

The dam will be constructed by the downstream method of mine waste rock and faced with glacial till and will have an ultimate height of 18 m.

A 6 m high starter dam will be constructed of glacial till.

(iii)

Tailings will be discharged from the uphill end of the pond and clarified water will be reclaimed by a barge mounted pump.

Seepage through the pond floor will be minimized by the use of filters, and wells will be installed to monitor seepage from the pond.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION

The designs presented in this report are appropriate to the present stage of the project. Further work will be required during the detailed design phase of the project and some additional data collection will be required to confirm assumptions made during the Stage II preliminary design.

Hydrology

The level of data available is adequate for detailed design with the exception of monitoring data for Hubert Creek. A large proportion of the project site lies within the Hubert Creek catchment. It is recommended that concurrent precipitation and continuous stream flow monitoring be carried out for a minimum period of 1 year. The data will be used to determine the surface run off potential of the site and may result in more economic designs for the drainage system and settling ponds.

All existing stream gauging and climate monitoring should be continued.

Waste Dumps

The preliminary design for the proposed out-of-pit waste dumps are based on assumed foundation conditions. During the detailed design phase of the project site investigations should be carried out at the two out-of-pit waste dump sites to determine foundation conditions. The preliminary waste dump designs will be confirmed or modified as appropriate and the amount of overburden stripping determined.

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Tailings Pond

Investigations should be carried out during the detailed design phase of the project to determine foundation conditions in order to confirm the preliminary tailings dam design.

In addition, design of a filter system will be required to control seepage from the pond and to prevent migration of fines into the gravel aquifer.

Groundwater

The groundwater monitoring currently in progress should be continued. Water quality sampling and testing programs should also be continued. Field pH measurements should be made on all water samples collected.

Plantsite and Rail Spur Foundations

Site investigations will be required at the detailed design stage to determine foundations conditions for the plant site and rail spur.

Make Up Water Intake

Site investigations will be required at the detailed design stage to determine design parameters for an infiltration gallery or well type make up water intake.

Haul Road Crossing for Goathorn Creek

Site investigations and hydraulic design will be required at the detailed design stage for a haul road crossing for Goathorn Creek.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Project

Crows Nest Resources Ltd. (CNRL) proposes to develop a coal mining operation near Telkwa, British Columbia. Plans call for the development of several open pit mines located both sides of Goathorn Creek, a tributary of the Telkwa River.

Based on current reserves the project will have a life of over 20 years at a production rate of 800,000 to 830,000 clean tonnes of coal per annum.

Six open pit mines will be developed. Pits No. 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 will be small, typically 600 m x 600 m. The bulk of the reserves will be worked by #3 Pit, approximately 2800 m x 750 m located east of Goathorn Creek. Pit #3 will be worked throughout the life of the project and will be supplemented by production from the other pits worked in rotation.

During the early years of the project, rock waste will be placed in an out-of-pit dump. In later years the majority of the waste will be disposed of in in-pit dumps.

Run of mine coal will be processed in an on-site wash plant and the clean coal product will be transported by rail to Ridley Island.

Details of the location of the open pits, waste dumps, plant site, and sedimentation ponds are shown on Drawing D-0104.

1.2 The Assignment

Klohn Leonoff Ltd. were retained by CNRL to provide geotechnical, hydrological and hydrogeological consulting services with respect to the following aspects of the project: -2-

- . Groundwater and Pit Dewatering
- . Site Drainage
- Surface Water Hydrology
- . Sediment Pond Design
- . Tailings Pond Design
- . Process Water Supply
- . Waste Dump Design
- . Pit Slope Stability

This report discusses investigations carried out and presents designs in support of CNRL's application to Environment and Land Use Committee of B.C. for Stage II of the project assessment process.

There is a marked reduction in precipitation at lower elevations; the winter precipitation inferred from snow course surveys at 1480 m elevation on the east slope of Hudson Bay Mountain (located 14 km north of the minesite), is nearly 200% greater than precipitation precipitation measured at Smithers Airport which is located at the foot of the same mountain. The Telkwa and Bulkley Valleys, including the project site, are not subject to the high precipitation typical of maritime climates.

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The climate at the minesite is considered to be similar to that at several nearby meteorologic stations in the Bulkley River Valley with long term records, as the temperature and precipitation records of these stations do not appear to differ significantly from the stations in the Telkwa River Valley, with only short term records.

2.2.2 Meteorologic Stations

There are numerous meteorologic recording stations in the Bulkley and Telkwa River Valleys near the project site, as shown on Drawing B-0105. Relevant details of these stations including period of record, elevation, aspect, recording agency and distance from the minesite, are given in Table 2-1.

Only the Telkwa River and the CNRL stations are located within the limits of the project site and its drainage area. However, their data alone are insufficient for establishing long term trends and extreme event projections, because the period of record is too short.

The CNRL station was installed in November, 1983 and is being operated in support of the Stage II mine development permit application. The precipitation data recorded at this station will be very useful during final design in conjunction with concurrent local stream flow data, for establishing rainfall-runoff relationships.

2.2.3 Precipitation

Precipitation Data

Precipitation data is available at all of the stations listed in Table 2-1. The short term stations located in the Telkwa River Valley were used to check for any obvious trends relative to the precipitation measured at several long term meteorologic stations in the Bulkley River Valley. Several other short term meteorologic stations located in the Bulkley Valley were included to assess the effects of elevation and slope on precipitation. Other long term stations in the Bulkley River Valley were used to assess variations in precipitation within the Bulkley Valley.

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The Smithers Airport precipitation data was selected to represent the plantsite area and the lower minesite area because it is a principal meteorologic station incorporating a Knifer snow gauge to determine reliable winter precipitation records. Unlike the other long term stations, it is located on the west side of the Bulkley Valley and has a similar aspect and elevation to the minesite.

TABLE 2-1

INVENTORY OF WEATHER STATIONS

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5	STATION	STA. NO.	TOTAL	PERIOD	TYPE	2	ELEV.	AGENCY	DIST.	ASPE	ст	LAT/LONG.	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	YEARS	YEAR	2 PI	T	n		SITE		<u> </u>		; ;
1.	Smithers	1077471	3	1945-48	x	x	497	AES	16	E	54 ⁰	47°/127° 10'	
2.	Smithers A	1077500	42	1942-83	хx	x	524	AES	22	E	54 ⁰	49'/127 ⁰ 11'	
з.	Smithers 4E	1077508	6	1969-75	x	X	578	AES	16	¥	54 ⁰	47°/127° 05'	
4.	Smithers CDA	1077505/470	30	1938-68	x	X,	515	AES	11	SW	54 ⁰	44*/1270 06'	
. 5.	Telkwa	1078070	46	1922-68	¥	x	682	AES	16	SW	54 ⁰	39'/126° 50'	
6.	Telkwa Round Lake	1078080	1	1968-69	x	x	579	AES	12	ŚW	54 ⁰	41'/126° 55'	
• 7.	Telkwa Woodmore Rd.		2	1982-03				AES	· _		•	•	•
8.	Telkwa Maclure Lake	1078074	11	1964-74	x	•	640	AES	12	SW	54 ⁰	44*/127 ⁰ 01*	·
9.	Topley Landing	1078209	22	1962-83	x		722	AES	64	E	54 ⁰	49'/126 ⁰ 10'	
10.	Houston	1073612	4	1970-74	x	x	587	AES	45	ы	54 ⁰	23'/126° 43'	
ίi.	Houston CDA	1073615	7	1957-64	x	x	585	AES	45	N	54 ⁰	23'/126° 40'	
12.	Quick	1076638	22	1962-83	x		533	AES	14	NE	54 ⁰	37'/126° 54'	. • •
13.	Campfire	107260	· 3	1974-77	X .		646	ASB	12	ί.	•4	37 50/127 18	15-
14.	Gassy Jack	107259	3	1974-77	×		585	ASB	6	N	54	38 45/127 12 0	90
15.	Telkwa R.	107146	3	1974-77	x	ĸ	7 25	ASB	3	N	54	36 15/127 07	42
16.	Bulkley 1500	107123	2	1967 -6 9		x	466	ASB	14	w	54	45 19/127 07	25
17.	Bulkiey 1700	107124	2	1967-69	х	x	515	ASB	13	w	54	44 48/127 06	23
10.	Bulkley 1900	107125	2	1967-69	x	x	595	ASB	14	w	54	45 23/127 05	17
19.	Bulkley 2100	107126	2	1967-69	x	x	659	ASB	14	w	54	45 26/127 05	48
20.	Coal Mine	107263	з	1974-77	x	x	508	ASP	6	N	54	41 10/127 04	55
21.	Coal Mine l	107147	ì	1967-68	x		686	ASB	6	N	54	35 47/127 09	15
22.	Webster	107145	1	1967-68	x		549	ASB	4	N	54	40 18/127 06	00
23.	Windfield	107262	3	1974-77	x	x	1055	ASB	21	s	54	37 45/127 27	30
24.	Washout	107261	3	1974-77	×		689	ASB	20	N	54	36 30/127 25	55
25.	Kathlyn	107113	5	1967-69 1974-77	x	x	756	ASB	23	ε	54	49 23/127 15	12

Including years of missing data
 Type of weather station

 P - records daily total precipitation
 PI - records precipitation intensity
 T - records temperature

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Annual Precipitation

The mean annual precipitation at the northern part of the project site is estimated to be 510 mm based on a 42 year record at Smithers Airport. This compares with other nearby long term meteorologic stations in the Bulkley River Valley as noted below:

Record	Mean Annual Precipitation
(years)	(mm)
42	509
7	. 435
30	485
46	- 43 <u>1</u>
11	437
7	478
18	472
	<u>Record</u> (years) 42 7 30 46 11 7 18

This comparison shows little variation of mean annual precipitation in the vicinity of the project site.

As indicated in Table 2-1, there are several other short term stations in the Telkwa River Valley including the Telkwa River station located at the minesite. "Normalized" mean annual precipitation rates have been estimated for these stations by the Air Studies Branch (ASB) of the B.C. Ministry of the Environment, based on regression relationships with precipitation measured at Smithers Airport. The mean annual precipitation rate of 510 mm estimated above is somewhat higher than these normalized rates.

Precipitation records at Smithers Airport are higher than the concurrent precipitation recorded at the new on-site CNRL meteorologic station in 1984. However, the differences are not considered significant as the data collected at most of these stations is seasonal and the period of record is too short to provide reliable estimates of long term annual precipitation.

The Smithers precipitation data are representative of the northern half of the project site. Precipitation is probably somewhat greater at higher elevations in the southern half of the project site. The effect of elevation on summer precipitation is apparent on the east side of the Bulkley Valley where seasonal precipitation was measured at three 'Bulkley' stations at elevations 515 m, 595 m and 659 m. The seasonal precipitation at the highest station was 7% higher than the lowest station during the 1967 to 1969 period of record. That is equivalent to about 5% increase per 100 m of elevation.

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The precipitation gradient is greater on the west side of the Bulkley River Valley at higher elevations due to spillover of Maritime air masses. A gradient of 10% increase in annual precipitation per 100 m rise in elevation is estimated for the project area.

Monthly Precipitation

The estimated monthly mean total precipitation and mean total rainfall at the plantsite and lower minesite are based on the record at Smithers Airport (1942 - 1983) and are presented below:

	Total	Total		Total	Total
Month	Rainfall	Precipitation	Month	<u>Rainfall</u>	Precipitation
	(mm)	(mm)		(mm)	(mm)
Jan	8.7	56.5	July	47.6	47.6
Feb	5.0	30.0	Aug	40.1	40.1
March	5.9	23.6	Sept	48.5	48.7
April	14.2	20.2	Oct	53.5	59.8
May	31.5	32.3	Nov	22,8	54.5
June	41.5	41.5	Dec	8,8	54.4

The estimated variation of monthly precipitation and monthly rainfall is illustrated on Drawing A-OlO6. The pattern of low precipitation in early spring and high precipitation in fall and early winter, is also exhibited at all of the other local year-round meteorologic stations. As illustrated on Drawing A-OlO6, April is the driest month and October, November, December and January are the wettest months.

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Rainfall Intensity

Extremes of high intensity rainfall were estimated for the project site based on the Smithers Airport data as follows:

Duration	Mean Annual	10 Year Peak	200 Year
	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
5 min	2.8	5.6	11
10 min	4.3	9.0	17
15 min	5.0	9.9	18
30 min	6.8	12	22
l hour	9.1	16	29
2 hours	12	21	36
6 hours	18	29	48
12 hours	22	35	58
24 hours	27	43	71

The Modified Gumbel method was used to compute the return periods using the 24 hr. rainfall data. The resulting frequency curve is shown on Drawing A-D107.

The shorter duration rainfall intensities were determined from the Intensity-Duration-Frequency (IDF) curves given on Drawing A-OlO8. The curves are based on IDF curves provided by the Environment Canada Atmospheric Environment Service (AES), adjusted to account for 24 hour precipitation.

The design 24 hour peak annual rainfall rates given above are similar to the rates calculated for other meteorologic stations in the region as noted below.

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Station	Record	Elev.	Mean Annual	Year Peak	<u>Year Peak</u>
	(Years)	(m)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
Smithers					
Airport	42	524	27	43	71
Smithers CDA	30	515	28	43	71
Quick	20	533	26	43	72
Telkwa	46	682	25	40	69
Telkwa-Maclure	10	640	29	47	77

No adjustment is made for change in elevation because short duration thunderstorm rainfall intensity is relatively independent of orographic effects. High intensity rainfall is most likely to occur in summer from June to October.

Snow

The estimated monthly snowfall is based on the Smithers Airport data and is shown on Drawing A-OlO6. The Smithers Airport records are considered representative of the northern half of the project site. Snowfall is expected to be somewhat greater on the southern half of the project site which extends to 860 m elevation, and the upstream catchment area which extends to 1220 m elevation.

The mean annual snowfall at Smithers airport is 180 mm (equivalent water depth) which accounts for 35% of the mean annual total precipitation.

There are no snow course survey stations at the project site. Near by data is available from Smithers Airport (Elev. 500 m) and Hudson Bay Mountain (Elev. 1480 m). The Smithers Airport data are probably representative of the northern part of the project site but are of too short a duration to be of value. The Hudson Bay Mountain Station is at too high an elevation to be representatiove of the project site. Snow course data have not been used for design purposes.

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2.2.4 Temperature

Monthly Temperatures

The temperatures at the project site are highly dependant on elevation. The Smithers Airport data recorded at 525 m elevation are considered to be applicable to the northern part of the project site where elevations range from 540 m to 560 m. The short term Telkwa River data recorded at 725 m elevation is applicable to the mid-elevation project site area.

Relevant monthly temperature statistics for these reference meteorologic stations are given in Table 2-2. As indicated on the table, temperatures at Telkwa River are about 2°C lower, on average, than temperatures at Smithers Airport.

2.2.5 Evaporation

Data

In the absence of representative pan evaporation data at nearby meterorological stations, lake evaporation has been estimated using a Thornthwaite Climatic Water Balance Analysis based on Smithers Airport temperature data. The estimated annual total lake evaporation is 550 mm which is considered representative of the northern part of the project site. The annual distribution is as follows.

Period	Lake Evaporation (mm)
Nov-Apr	52
May	77
June	107
July	123
Aug	104
Sept	62
0ct	28
TOTAL	553

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TABLE 2-2

MONTHLY TEMPERATURE STATISTICS

SMITHERS AIRPORT AND TELKWA RIVER METEOROLOGIC STATIONS

	°c												
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Мау	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
DAILY MAXIMUM							•				•		
Smithers Airport Telkwa River	-6.8 -9.7	-0.4 -3.0	3.9 1.5	9.9 8.0	15.4 13.8	18.9 17.5	21.3 20.1	20.6 19.3	15.7 14.1	9.0 6.8	0.8	-3.9 -6.8	9.7 6.6
DAILY MINIMUM							•		•				
Smithers Airport Telkwa River	- 15.1 -16.6	-10.1 -11.7	-6.4 -8.2	- 1.7 -3.6	2.5 0.3	6.0 3.7	8.1 5.8	7.6 5.3	4.0 1.8	0.5 -1.5	-5.5 -7.3	-11.2 -12.9	-1.8 -3.7
DAILY MEAN							на страна 19						
Smithers Airport Telkwa River	-10.9 -13.1	-5.3 -7.4	-1.3 -3.3	4.2 2.2	9.0 7.1	12.5 10.6	14.7 13.0	14.1 12.3	9.8 8.0	4.7 2.6	-2.3 -4.5	-7.6 -9.8	3.5 1.4
EXTREMES OF RECORD AT SMITHERS AIRPORT													
Maximum Minimum	15.6 -43.9	11.7 -35.6	15.6 -33.3	24.3 -18.3	31.1 -7.2	33.9 -2.2	34.4 -1.1	33.9 -2.2	30.6 -6.7,	22.2 -15.6	· 15.6 · -31.7	11.5 -36.7	34.4 -43.9

SOURCE: Atmospheric Environment Service Air Studies Branch Smithers Airport 1942-1983 Telkwa River 1967-1977, normalized to Smithers Airport

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2.2.6 Wind

Smithers Airport is the only meteorologic station in the vicinity which records wind speeds. A detailed statistical breakdown of data from this station is presented in the Stage I submission for the project.

Wind speeds and wind direction at the project site may be somewhat different from those recorded at Smithers Airport because of differences in local topography and aspect. However, wind speeds at the project site and the Airport are expected to be similar as they are caused by the same weather systems.

A statistical analysis of peak annual wind speeds was carried out for purposes of estimating wave height and wave runup at the proposed tailings pond and settling ponds. Maximum annual 1 hour wind speeds were used to estimate the following wind speeds by Modified Gumbel frequency distribution.

Recurrence Interval	Peak Annual 1 Hr. Wind Speed						
(years)	(km/hr)						
mean	50						
10	61						
50	72						
100	76						
200	80						

2.3 Surface Water Hydrology

2.3.1 General

Section 2.3 addresses the surface hydrology of the project site, the impact of the mine on the existing fluvial system and the derivation of hydrologic parameters for design of the mine and plant facilities.

Details of the regional hydrologic setting, watershed morphometry, low flow conditions, flood hazard assessments and flood flow characteristics of nearby rivers and creeks are presented in "Hydrology Component - Stage I Studies" dated September 1983, prepared by M. Miles and Associates Ltd. for Crows Nest Resources Ltd. Project site specific parameters presented below were derived by Klohn Leonoff Ltd.

2.3.2 Local and Regional Drainage

Local and regional watersheds are shown on Drawing D-OlO9. As shown, the plantsite and part of the minesite presently drains into Hubert Creek which is a small tributary of the Bulkley River. Part of the minesite drains directly into the Telkwa River several kilometres upstream of its confluence with the Bulkley River. The remainder drains into the lower reaches of Goathorn Creek, near its confluence with the Telkwa River.

Runoff from the project site flows to the Bulkley River via Hubert Creek and Telkwa River. The drainage area of the Bulkley River upstream of its confluence with the Telkwa River is about 7500 km² comprising mountainous terrain of the eastern Coast Mountains.

The Telkwa River drains 1200 km^2 of mountainous terrain in the Bulkley Range of the eastern Coast Mountains. The drainage area includes the north slopes of the Telkwa Range, the south slopes of the Hudson Bay Range and the east slopes of the Howson Range. The headwater areas are relatively steep with numerous glaciers occuring above elevations 1800 m.

The Goathorn Creek drainage area covers 132 km^2 comprising the northeast slopes of the Telkwa Range. Like the Telkwa River Basin, elevations range from 515 m to over 2300 m, with several north facing glaciers occuring at the steep headwater areas. Tributary creeks include Tenas Creek (63 km^2), Four Creek (18 km^2) and Cabinet Creek (55 km^2).

The Hubert Creek drainage basin is located east of the Goathorn Creek drainage basin and drains 44 km^2 of the lower northeast slopes of the Telkwa Range. Elevations range from 515 m to 1400 m. Unlike the Telkwa River and Goathorn Creek basins, the drainage area comprises relatively gentle slopes.

2.3.3 Streamflow Data

The Water Survey of Canada (WSC), lists 32 active and inactive stream gauging stations within a 40 km radius of the project site. Table 2-3 provides a list of these stations indicating the WSC station number, period of record, catchment area, proximity to the site and the latitude and longitude. The locations of stations with more than 5 years of records are shown on Drawing B-0110.

CNRL have installed a number of water quality monitoring stations near the site and are periodically measuring stream discharge at four of these stations, including Tenas Creek, Four Creek, Cabinet Creek and Hubert Creek. However the periodic discharge data are not suitable for hydrologic analysis because continuous streamflow monitoring is required to measure the highly variable discharge on creeks of such small size.

INVENTORY OF STREAM GAUGING STATIONS

STATION	STA. NO.	RECORD	PERIOD YEARS	CATCHMENT AREA km ²	DIST. FROM SITE km	LAT/LONG
Bulkiey R. nr. Hazelton	C8EE 001	23	1915-16, 20-52	12300	74	55.15.32/127.36.10
Bulkley R. nr. Hubert	" 002	2	1915, 16	7490	10	54.38.55/126.58.25
Bulkley R. nr. Houston	* 003	23	1930-82	5380	39	54.23.45/126.42.30
Bulkley R. at Quick	• 004	51	1930-82	7360	15	54.37.05/126.53.55
Bulkley R. nr.Smithers	* 005	8	1915, 46-52, 71	8940	15	54.46.58/127.07.59
John Brow Cr. nr. Smithers	* 006	2	1947-49	79	42	55.00.37/127.19.5B
Hospital Cr. nr Hazelton	* 007	1	1948-49		75	55.15.16/127.39.04
Goathorn Cr.	" 00B	22	1960-82	132	at site	54.38.50/127.07.20
Richfield Cr.	* 009	9	1964-74	173	53	54.30.59/126.20.04
Kathlyn Cr.	" 010	12	1967-79	24.6	19	54.48.45/127.12.05
Kathlyn Lk.	" 011	10	1968, 71-80	-	19	54.49.03/127.11.55
Simpson Cr.	" 012	10	1969-71, 74-82	13.2	19	54.48.36/127.12.09
Buck Cr.	08EE 013	9	1973-82	580	41	54.23.52/126.39.04
Canyon Cr.	" 014	9	1973-82	256	19	54.48.26/127.07.49
Foxy Cr.	015	1	1974/75	16.1	74	54.12.46/126.15.30
Lu Cr.	" 016	1	1974/75	7.25	74	\$4.12.29/126.15.53
Waterfall Cr.	017	1	1974/75	•	73	55.14.45/127.35.26
Naxan Cr. above Bulkey Lk.	° 018	5	1974-79	368	69	54.21.25/126.10.12
Maxan Cr. at outlet Maxan Lk.	" 019	2	1974-76	246	74	54.19.10/126.06.59
Telkwa R.	" 020	7	1975-82	368	25	54.36.10/127.29.42
Cygnet Cr. at Adams Rd.	* 021	1	1970 R	10.4	22	54.50.54/127.04.34
Deep Cr.	" 022	1	1978-79 R	89.9	20	54.35.32/126.50.03
McKinnon Cr.	" 023	1	1978-79	-	18	54.47.59/127.13.19
Cygnet Cr. above Diversion	* 024	1	1979	6.73	23	54.51.05/127.04.22
Nanika R.	08ED 001	12	1950-52, 72-82	741	82	53.55.50/127.27.10
Morice R. nr. Houston	" 002	22	1929, 61-82	1910	62	54.07.05/127.25.26
Morice R. at Mouth	" 0 03	1	1971	4270	38	54.22.56/126.44.24
Fulton R. at Mouth	08EC 002	26	1929, 45-70	1400	64	54.48.50/126.10.15
Pinkut Cr.	" 004	22	1929, 61-82	862	113	54.24.52/125.25.26
Fulton R. at Fulton Lk. Narrows	" 005	3	1960-63	1340	56	54.48.25/126.18.00
Morrison R.	* 000	5	1965-70	414	79	55.10.20/126.18.10
Fulton R. at Outlet Channel Man Lake	" 009	. 3	1967-70	332	41	54.54.00/126.39.00

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Stations located on the rivers or creeks affected by the project include the following:

<u>Creek/River</u>	<u>Sta. No.</u>	Record	Catchment Area			
		(yrs.)	(km ²)			
Goathorn Creek	08EE 008	22	132			
Telkwa River	08EE 020	7	368			
Bulkley River	08EE 004	51	12,300			

The station on Goathorn Creek is located within the project area. Flow data is therefore directly applicable to the reach of river through the project site.

The station on the Telkwa River is located just below Tsai Creek and measures discharge from 30 percent of the entire Telkwa River Basin. The Telkwa River data could therefore not be applied directly to the lower reach at the mouth of Goathorn Creek as its catchment is located much further west of the project site and is mainly at high elevation. About 50% of the catchment exceeds 1500 m elevation.

The station on the Bulkley River is located at Quick about 10 km upstream of the mouth of Hubert Creek and about 14 km upstream of the mouth of Telkwa River.

2.3.4 Annual Runoff

Mean Annual Runoff

Mean annual runoff per unit area varies significantly in the region. Higher runoff occurs at higher elevation, in drainage basins located at the western side of the region and in drainage basins with soil conditions which inhibit infiltration. Low runoff occurs in drainage basins at lower elevations, to the east of the region with permeable soils.

Eleven local gauged drainage basins with long periods of record have been compared as follows:

Drainage Basin	Elevation High-Medium-Low	Location East-Central-West of minesite	Mean Annual Runoff (mm)
Bulkley River			
ଥି Quick	н	С	584
Simpson Creek	· H	С	609
Kathlyn Creek	н	С	277
Nanika River	н	W	1182
Morice River	н	W	1238
Telkwa River	Н	С	1203
Goathorn Creek	н	С	425
Canyon Creek	М	C	264
Richfield Creek	L	E.	241
Pincut Creek	L	E	200

The project site is located in the lower part of Goathorn Creek at generally low elevation (610 - 915 m). At low elevations the runoff is expected to be considerably less than that gauged for the whole of the Goathorn Creek and is expected to be similar to the runoff gauged at the other low and medium elevation catchments, Canyon Creek, Richfield Creek and Pincut Creek. The overall gradient of the project site is approximately 1:16 which is similar to Richfield and Canyon Creeks but considerably flatter than the overall gradient for Goathorn Creek. The southern half of the project site is covered by till and is estimated to have a mean annual runoff of 250 mm, similar to Richfield and Canyon Creeks. The northern half of the project site is overlain by highly pervious gravel and sands and is estimated to have a mean annual runoff of 150 mm.

Annual Runoff Variations

Runoff yield on the Goathorn Creek basin has ranged from 326 mm to 595 mm over a period of 22 years of record.

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Extreme wet year total annual runoff has been estimated for the plantsite and minesite based on a statistical analysis of the Goathorn Creek annual runoff data, assuming that runoff variation at the minesite and plantsite would be proportional to that of the gauged Goathorn Creek Basin. The results of this analysis follow:

Condition		on	·······	Annual Runoff (mm)							
			Goathorn Ck.	<u>Plantsite Area</u>	Upper Minesite Area						
	Mean		425	150	250						
10	Year	Wet	525	190	310						
50	Year	Wet	620	220	365						
100	Year	Wet	660	230	385						
200	Year	Wet	700	250	410						

Seasonal Variation in Runoff

The seasonal variations in runoff on the Bulkley River near Quick, Telkwa River below Tsai Creek, and Goathorn Creek are shown on Drawing B-Olll. Peak monthly discharge occurs in May on Goathorn Creek; May and June on the Bulkley River; and in June and July on the gauged upper Telkwa River basin.

The mean annual seasonal variation in runoff from the project site has been estimated based on monthly runoff measured on Richfield Creek and the results are shown on Drawing B-Olll. The headwater area of Richfield Creek is at lower elevation than the headwater areas of Goathorn Creek but somewhat higher than the minesite catchment. Maximum monthly discharge is expected to occur in May. The mean monthly discharge in May is about 50% of the mean annual discharge.

2.3.5 Flood Discharge

Flood runoff on the Bulkley River near Telkwa is controlled by snowmelt. Maximum daily, and peak instantaneous discharges are caused by snowmelt or by snowmelt combined with rain.

The Goathorn Creek drainage basin is smaller and steeper than that of the Bulkley River and is more prone to peak floods caused by rainstorms. However, like the Bulkley River the more extreme floods occur during snowmelt.

The upper Telkwa River basin is at relatively high elevation and has steep slopes. This area is subject to heavy precipitation, consequently the flood peaks on the upper Telkwa River basin are dominated by rainfall runoff, producing much greater extreme flood peaks than snowmelt. Though the lower Telkwa River is not gauged, it is expected that the annual flood peaks would be caused by either rainstorms or snowmelt because the total Telkwa River Basin, like Goathorn Creek, is composed of both high elevation headwaters and lower elevation areas with flatter slopes.

Annual Maximum Daily Discharge

A frequency analysis of annual maximum daily discharges was carried out for 10 selected basins with eight or more years of stream flow data. The Modified Gumbel Distribution which includes an upward adjustment for small sample size, was utilized for this analysis.

Frequency analyses of flood data on selected gauged creeks and rivers were carried out for both rainfall floods and snowmelt floods. The results in terms of discharge per unit area are given on Table 2-4.

River	Drainage	Annual Maximum Daily Discharge (m ³ /s)							
<u>Basin*</u>		Snowmelt Flood			Rainstorm Flood				
	km ²	Mean	10 Year	200 Year	Mean	<u>10 Year</u>	200 Year		
Goathorn Cr.	132	13.9	25.1	44.9	9.2	16.0	28.5		
Telkwa R.	368	71.0	105.0	165.0	67.1	158.0	308.0		
Richfield Cr.	173	14.4	24.2	41.1	3.4	8.2	16.4		
Simpson Cr.	13.2	1.9	2.8	4.4	1.2	2.1	3.8		
Buck Cr.	580	49.9	75.4	121.0	6.2	12.0	22.0		
Canyon Cr.	256	19.5	30.2	48.6	5.3	9.0	15.3		
Kathlyn Cr.	24.6	0.9	1.4	2.3	0.7	1.1	1.9		
Nanika R.	741	115.0	156.0	230.0	112.0	215.0	392.0		
Bulkley R.	7360	581.0	802.0	1180.0	-	-	-		
Pinkut Cr.	862	39.7	68.1	118.0	-	-	-		

TABLE 2-4

FREQUENCY OF SNOWMELT AND RAINSTORM FLOODS

Upstream of stream gauging station.
 See Drawing B-0110 and Table 2-3.

The snowmelt discharges of Table 2-4 were divided into three groups; high elevation basins with steep topography located west of the site, lower elevation basins with gentle slopes located east of the high Coast Mountain Range and those basins whose catchment included both high and low elevations areas. The mean, 10 year and 200 year annual maximum daily discharges per unit area are shown on Drawings A-0112.

Drawing A-0015 shows the estimated 200 year annual maximum daily rainfall flood discharge variation with basin area. The best fit lines representing the high and low elevation basins are much steeper than those for the mean, 10 year and 100 year return periods reflecting the effect of local high intensity rainfall on small areas. As indicated on Drawing A-0115 the daily rainfall flood discharge potential on the lower elevation basins is much less than that of the high elevation basins. The daily snowmelt flood discharge potential falls between these limits.

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The project catchments are like the other lower elevation basins with respect to elevation, topography and location however, the project catchments have a small elevation range resulting in a greater annual maximum daily snowmelt discharge per unit area. The annual maximum daily snowmelt flood discharges for the project site, as shown on Drawing A-O112, A-O113 and A-O114 are therefore assumed to be 50% greater than that of the other low elevation basins to account for the smaller elevation range.

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The resulting design annual maximum daily discharges for several catchment sizes at the project site, are indicated below:

Catchment Area	Annual Maxi	imum Daily C)ischarge (m ³ /s	5)
(km ²)	Mean	<u> 10 Year</u>	<u>200 Year</u>	
1	0.17	0.26	0.41	
2	0.33	0.50	0.79	
5	0.78	1.20	1.90	
10	1.50	2.30	3.62	

Annual Maximum Peak Instantaneous Discharge

Peak instantaneous discharges are required for design of diversions, inteceptor ditches and flow control structures because these flows may be significantly higher than mean daily discharges.

On large river basins such as the Bulkley River which are dominated by snowmelt floods, peak flood discharges are nearly equal to the respective daily river discharges.

Smaller basins such as Goathorn Creek and Telkwa River respond more quickly to rainstorms and variations in the rate of snowmelt. As a result, peak instantaneous discharges are significantly greater than mean daily discharges.

Rainfall flood peaks on small watersheds are highly dependant on shape of catchment, channel gradients, topography, vegetation cover rainfall intensity and rainfall time distribution. Rainfall flood peaks cannot therefore be reliably estimated by regional analysis of other larger drainage basins. Peak instantaneous discharges were estimated by the U.S. Soil Conservation Service (SCS) curve number method. A curve number of 70 was selected based on a calibration of the rainfall/runoff model using other nearby gauged drainage basins. The results of this analysis for the 10 and 200 year recurrence rainstorms are given on Drawing A-Oll6.

Peak instantaneous snowmelt flood peaks for the project site catchments were estimated by factoring upward the projected maximum daily snowmelt discharges given on Drawings A-Oll2, A-Oll3 and A-Oll4. The results are given on Drawing A-Oll7. The factors were determined by analysis of the annual maximum daily and annual peak instantaneous snowmelt discharge of several local gauged watersheds. The ratio of extreme peak instantaneous snowmelt flood discharge to extreme maximum daily discharge, for equal recurrence intervals, was plotted in terms of basin area. A best fit line was drawn to extrapolate the ratio to the smaller project catchment areas.

The peak instanteaneous discharges computed for Goathorn Creek are of interest for design of a mine haul road crossing on Goathorn Creek. Extreme peak instantaneous discharges were estimated by the Gumbel frequency distribution using annual peak instantaneous snowmelt discharges. The results of this analysis follow.

Recurrence Interval	Peak Instantaneous Discharg					
	(m ³ /s)					
Mean Annual	19					
10 Year	33					
50 Year	48					
100 Year	53					
200 Year	60					

2.3.6 Flood Hazard Assessment

A flood hazard assessment by flood plain mapping was carried out by Environmental and Planning Associates, for the Stage I Application.

Except for one river crossing on Goathorn Creek and a water intake on the Telkwa River, mine facilities will not be located on any of the areas classified as having even rare flood occurrances. Flood protection of the river crossing and the water intake are discussed in Sections 5.3.3 and 5.2.5 which deal with the design of these facilities.

2.3.7 Low Flow Conditions

A regional analysis of low flow on the major rivers and creeks near the project site was carried out in 1983 by the Hydrology Section, Water Management Branch, British Columbia Ministry of Environment. Table 2-5 presents the results of that study applied to the three main rivers and creeks near the project site. Minimum measured daily discharge data are also included in Table 2-5.

2.3.8 Ice Conditions

WSC stream gauging records show that ice forms on Goathorn Creek in October or early November and breaks up in April or early May. Ice forms on the Telkwa River at the gauging station below Tsai Creek in late November or December and generaly breaks up in February or March. WSC personnel report that river ice forms to a maximum thickness of about 0.8 m.

Maximum ice thicknesses on small lakes such as the proposed tailings pond and settling ponds are expected to range from 0.8 m to 1.2 m, depending on the snow cover.

TABLE 2-5

FREQUENCY ANALYSIS OF MINIMUM 7-DAY AVERAGE DISCHARGE

	River/Creek	W.S.C. Station	Drainage Area	Period of	Length of	Minimum Observered Daily Discharge (m ³ /s)	Minimum 7-day Average Discharge (m ³ /s) for Specific Return Periods					
		No.	(Kni)	Record	(years)		*	2 years	10 years	20 years	30 years	50 years
KLOHN	Bulkley River	O8EE004 7.	7.360	1931-83	1-83 38 10.5	10.5	1	86.0	64.9	60.2	57.9	55.4
	at Quick					2	22.8	13.7	11.9	11.1	10.1	
	Telkwa River 08EE	08EE020	8EE020 368	1976-83	6	0.68	1	10.3	6.32	-	-	-
LEONO	Below Tsai Creek				Ū		2	1.62	0.874	-	-	-
7	Goathorn Creek	08EE008 132	132	1960-83	21	0.066	1	0.867	0.531	0.457	0.421	0.382
	near Telkwa						2	0.145	0.073	0.057	0.050	0.041

Note: * Analysis based on the period:

1. August to September,

2. November to April.
2.3.9 Existing Hydrologic Balance

The existing average annual hydrologic balance conditions at the proposed plantsite (Elev. 550 m) and at the proposed upper minesite (Elev. 850 m) have been estimated based on the design climatic and hydrologic parameters presented previously in this report. The results are given below:

Elevation	Precipitation	Evapotrans-	Groundwater	Runoff
<u> </u>	mm	piration (mm)	Inflow mm	mm
550	510	355	5.	150
850	660	403	7.	250

The estimated evapotranspiration of 355 mm to 403 mm compares with the potential evapotranspiration of about 560 mm.

3.0 GEOLOGICAL AND GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATIONS

- **3.1** Geology of Project Site
- **3.1.1** Bedrock Stratigraphy

The Telkwa coal leases comprise a triangular shaped area approximately 5×9 km in the valley of Goathorn Creek near its confluence with the Telkwa River.

The lease area occupies an outlier of the Skeena Group of lower Cretaceous age and comprises a typical coal bearing sequence of siltstone, mudstone, sandstone, shale and coal. Sporadic volcanic activity occurred throughout the period of deposition of the Skeena Group and thin bands of volcanic tuffs are found within the sediments.

The sedimentary coal bearing sequence is underlain by an undifferentiated group of volcanic rocks known as the Hazelton This group comprises andesite, trachyte and basalt with group. associated tuffs and breccias. The volcanic rocks outcrop to the south east and south west of the lease area. The northern margin of the lease area is marked by late Cretaceous age intrusive igneous rocks.

3.1.2 Structural Geology

Faulting

The project area is situated on the Skeena Arch which trends northeast - southwest and separates the Jurassic age sedimentary rocks of the Bowser basin in the north and the Nechako basin to the south. Published reports indicated that major valleys such as the Bulkley River valley lie along fault zones.

The project area is dominated by a series of sub-parallel north-south trending reverse faults which dip to the east. The structure is further complicated by a number of normal faults some of which trend north-south and some east-west.

Bedding and Joint Patterns

Average bed dip and dip direction has been measured down the drill holes and these data are summarized below:

Discontinunity Set	Dip Angle	Dip Direction
Bedding Planes	20° <u>+</u> 10°	065° <u>+</u> 25°
Joint Set A	340	258° <u>+</u> 20°
Joint Set B	50° <u>+</u> 5°	085° <u>+</u> 10°
Joint Set C	50° <u>+</u> 5°	135° <u>+</u> 5°

The average dip angle for the project site is 20° with variability of $\pm 10^{\circ}$ between drillholes. Inspection of the CNRL logs shows that there is little variation in dip down individual drillholes due to drag folding, although isolated occurences of drag folding have been found.

3.1.3 Surficial Deposits

Bedrock at the project site is overlain by variable thicknesses of glacial till and outwash gravels.

The till occurs in the southern part of the project site on the higher elevation ground and varies from 0 - 10 m in thickness. In the valleys of the major creeks, till deposits up to 20 m have been observed. The till comprises a silt with some clay, a little sand and a trace of gravel. The material is low to medium plastic and dense. The till is interbedded with sand and gravel deposits.

The northern part of the project site, near the proposed tailings pond and wash plant sites, is underlain by outwash sand and gravel deposits up to 20 m thick.

3.2 Field and Laboratory Investigations

3.2.1 General

More than 200 test holes have been drilled by CNRL for the purposes of evaluating coal reserves. Approximately 190 of the test holes were fully cored, the remainder being drilled with a tricone bit and

cored through the coal zones. All test holes were geophysically logged with a variety of tools including Gamma Ray, Long Spaced Density, Caliper Multi-Channel Sonic, Neutron-Neutron and Dipmeter. All test holes were lithologically logged by CNRL geologists. Some geotechnical data were collected by CNRL geologists and are stored in computer file form.

During the 1982 and 1983 field seasons, selected test holes were used for detailed geotechnical and hydrogeological investigations. The test holes used and the data collected are summarized in Table 3-1. The locations of the test holes are shown on Drawing D-Oll8.

As part of the 1983 investigation program, two large test pits were excavated in order to collect bulk samples of coal from several seams. One of the test pits was inspected by a Klohn Leonoff geological engineer. The locations of the test pits are shown on Drawing D-0018.

3.2.2 Investigation of Overburden Materials

Samples of glacial overburden materials were collected from test holes 255, 256, 257, 259 and 261. Locations of the test holes are shown on Drawing D-0018. Test hole logs are presented in Appendix I.

Test holes were drilled through the overburden using a tricone bit; samples were taken at 3.0 m intervals using an open tube drive sampler with a drop hammer. The overburden proved to be dense and considerable difficulty was experienced in obtaining samples. The disturbed samples obtained by this method were sealed to preserve the moisture content and transported to the laboratory.

3.2.3 Investigation of Bedrock Materials

Test holes 335 and 336 were drilled during the 1983 field season under the supervision of Klohn Leonoff engineers. The test holes were drilled using a rotary coring rig equipped with wire line tools and water circulation.

TABLE 3-1

SUMMARY OF GEOTECHNICAL AND HYDROGEOLOGICAL TEST HOLES

Year	<u>Test Holes</u>	Data Collected				
1982	255	Overburden materials sampled, packer tests in coal seams, niezometer installed.				
	256	As above.				
	257	As above.				
	259	Overburden material sampled.				
	261	Overburden material sampled.				
	258	Packer permeability tests in coal piezometer installed.				
	265	As above.				
1983	335	Bedrock core logged and sampled. Packer permeability tests on continuous basis and piezometers installed.				
	336	Bedrock core logged and sampled. Packer oermeability tests carried out.				
	312	Piezometer installed (by CNRL).				
	313	As above.				
	318	As above.				
	323	As above.				
	325	As above.				
	342	As above.				
	343	As above.				
	344	As above.				
	345	As above.				
	347	As above.				
1984	406	As above.				
	410	As above.				
	412	As above.				

The test holes were advanced through the unconsolidated overburden material using a tricone bit. Steel casing was set to the top of the bedrock. The test holes were drilled in bedrock using an HQ double tube barrel with a diamond bit.

Continuous core was obtained from test holes 335 and 336 was logged on site by Klohn Leonoff geological engineers. Point load index tests were carried out on selected core samples and representative

samples of core were shipped to the laboratory for testing. The test hole locations are shown on Drawing D-Oll8 and the logs and Point Load Index test results are presented in Appendix I.

Several additional test holes were geotechnically logged by CNRL staff and these data are available on computer file. Additional core samples were taken from other test holes drilled during the 1982, 1983 and 1984 investigations for laboratory testing purposes.

3.2.4 Investigation of Bedrock Permeability

Bedrock permeability was investigated during the 1982 and 1983 investigations.

In 1982 falling head permeability tests were carried out in standpipe piezometers installed in selected coal horizons in test holes 255, 256, 257, 258 and 265. Details of piezometer completions are presented in Appendix II. Each piezometer was developed and falling head tests were carried out to determine the permeability of the response zone. The results of the permeability tests are summarized in Table 3-2.

In addition, seven through the bit packer permeability tests were carried out in test holes 255 and 258 in order to determine permeability in selected coal horizons. During the 1983 investigation, additional packer permeability testing was carried Continuous profiles of packer tests were carried out in test out. holes 335 and 336 to provide information on the mass permeability of coal and interburden bedrock materials. Results of the packer tests are summarized in Table 3-2. Details of the test procedures and detailed test results are presented in Appendix II.

3.2.5 Test Pit Program

A test pit was excavated by CNRL during the 1983 exploration program to collect bulk samples of coal from the major seams and to investigate the rippability of the bedrock.

The test pit was approximately 600 m long, 30 m wide and up to 30 m in depth located as shown on Drawing D-Oll8. The test pit was excavated from east to west i.e. up dip, and was formed at lower elevations as two pits; the east pit recovering coal from #7 seam and above, the west pit recovering from #6 seam and below.

Slopes in glacial overburden were cut at 2H:1V and were observed to be stable although the unprotected till was eroding badly from rainfall.

Bedrock slopes were cut at 30° to 75° to the horizontal, and ranged from 10 m to 30 m high. Slopes at the eastern end of the test pit were cut in highly weathered mudstone and were standing at 30° . At this location the apparent dip of the bedding was 18° into the pit. Slopes were steeper at the western end of the test pit and were standing at 55° to 60° . The bedrock at the western end of the pit was lower in the sequence and generally moderately weathered.

Bedding dip and dip direction were measured at eight locations on the north and south walls of the test pits and are as follows:

Discontinuity Set	Dip Angle	Dip Direction
Bedding Planes	14º <u>+</u> 10º	50° <u>+</u> 20°
Joint Set A	62° <u>+</u> 20°	212° <u>+</u> 20°
Joint Set B	84° <u>+</u> 5°	122° <u>+</u> 20°

TABLE 3-2

PERMEABILITY TEST RESULTS

Drill Hole	Test Section	Test Type	Natorial	Coefficient of Permeability
DITITIOLE	TEST SECTION	Test Type	material	
255	91.7 - 93.9	Packer	Coal	5 x 10-7
255	107.9 - 110.3	Packer	Coal	6×10^{-7}
255	114.9 - 121.0	Packer	Coal	2 x 10-8
255	138.4 - 139.9	Piezometer	Coal	3 x 10-8
256	157.9 - 159.4	Piezometer	Siltstone	7 x 10-9
257	28.8 - 31.1	Piezometer	Coal	3 x 10-8
258	44.5 - 46.3	Piezometer	Coal	5 x 10-9
258	45.7 - 48.0	Packer	Coal	6 x 10 - 8
258	50.6 - 52.9	Packer	Coal	7 x 10 ⁻⁹
258	64.3 - 69.2	Packer	Coal	2×10^{-8}
258	114.9 - 121.0	Packer	Coal	2×10^{-8}
335	10.7 - 14.3	Packer	Coal/Mudstone/ Sandstone	4 × 10-/
335	17.0 - 20.4	Packer	Coal/Mudstone	8×10^{-8}
335	21.9 - 23.0	Packer	Siltstone	2×10^{-7}
335	27.6 - 32.6	Packer	Mudstone/Siltstone	6 x 10-9
335	32.1 - 38.7	Packer	Mudstone/Siltstone	5×10^{-1}
335	38.2 - 44.8	Packer	Mudstone	1×10^{-10}
335	41.3 - 44.8	Packer	Mudstone/Coal	$\cdot 1 \times 10^{-10}$
335	48.9 - 50.9	Packer	Mudstone/Coal	1×10^{-10}
335 775	50.9 - 57.1	Packer	Mudstone	1×10^{-10}
<i>555</i>	57.1 - 62.1	Packer	Mudstone/Coal	1×10^{-1}
222	6/.2 - /2.2	Packer	Siltstone	1×10^{-10}
222 775	75.2 - 81.4	Packer	Siltstone/Mudstone	1×10^{-10}
775	03.5 - 91.4	Packer		2×10^{-10}
272	92.0 - 96.0	Packer	Mudstone	1×10^{-10}
222	96.2 - 102.7	Packer	MUDStone/Loal	1×10^{-10}
335	102.9 - 100.0	Packer	Siltatana	1×10^{-10}
335	100.4 - 114.9	Packer	Sandatana	1×10^{-10}
336	114.5 - 121.0	Packer	Mudstope	1×10^{-10}
336	17.0 - 20.4	Packer	Mudstone	1 2 10 -10
336	201 - 265	Packer	Siltstope	1×10^{-10}
336	26.1 - 32.6	Packer	Mudstope	1×10^{-10}
336	32.2 - 38.7	Packer	Siltstone	1×10 1×10^{-10}
336	38.2 - 44.8	Packer	Siltstone	1×10^{-10}
336	44.4 - 50.9	Packer	Siltstone	1×10^{-10}
336	50.4 - 57.0	Packer	Siltstone	$\frac{1}{1} \times \frac{1}{10} - 10$
336	56.5 - 63.0	Packer	Siltstone/Mudstone	1×10^{-10}
336	63.6 - 69.8	Packer	Coal/Mudstone/ Sandstone	1 × 10-8
336	71.9 - 75.3	Packer	Siltstone	1 x 10-10
336	77.9 - 87.4	Packer	Siltstone/Mudstone	1×10^{-10}
336	90.0 - 99.6	Packer	Sandstone	1 x 10 ⁻¹⁰

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3.2.6 Laboratory Testing Program

Laboratory tests were carried out to determine the engineering properties of key materials at the minesite. The following tests were performed on overburden materials:

Water Content Atterberg Limits Grain Size Analysis

Detailed descriptions, water contents and Atterberg limit results are provided on the test hole logs in Appendix I. Results of the grain size analyses are presented in Appendix III.

The following tests were carried out on bedrock material:

Atterberg Limits Direct Shear Tests Slake Durability Sulphate Soundness Unconfined Compression Tests

Results of the Atterberg limits and unconfined compression tests are presented on the test hole logs in Appendix I, with other test results presented in Appendix III.

3.3 Engineering Geology and Lithology of the Bedrock Sequence The rocks of the Telkwa Basin comprise sediments typical of coal bearing formations. Five major rock types have been identified and their percentage occurence in the test holes drilled is as follows:

Sandstone	27%
Siltstone	34%
Mudstone	25%
Coal	11%
Igneous	1%
Miscellaneous	2%

3.3.1 Sandstones

The following sandstone lithologies have been identified:

- <u>SS 1</u> The sandstones designated SS 1 are very fine grained green to grey in colour, massively bedded and range from moderately weak to moderately strong. The rock is generally calcite cemented with local secondary glauconite cementing. Locally, the sandstones are friable and contain minor quantities of pyrite. This is the most commonly occuring sandstone on the property.
- <u>SS 2</u> Sandstones designated SS 2 are fine to medium grained, light grey to brown, thickly bedded and moderately strong.
- <u>SS 3</u> Sandstones designated SS 3 are pebbly sandstones, light grey to brown in color.

3.3.2 Siltstones

The siltstones are typically grey, thinly laminated to thinly bedded, ranging in strength from very weak to moderately strong rocks. The siltstones are commonly interbedded with mudstone or sandstone horizons and the bedding is often undulating; small calacreous nodules and calcite veins are common.

3.3.3 Mudstones

The mudstones are dark grey and massive. They are variable in composition and are locally carbonaceous, silty, sandy and tuffaceous. The mudstones vary from fresh to completely weathered. Strengths range from very weak to moderately weak.

3.3.4 Coal

The coal is high volatile Bituminous A rank and comprises dull, bright and brilliant bands and high ash content bands. The coal is generally hard with cubic and conchoidal fractures. Pyrite is frequently visible in the core. Detailed composition varies widely from seam to seam. The coal is classified as moderately weak rock. ----

4.0 GROUNDWATER

4.1 Introduction

This part of the report characterizes the hydrogeology and groundwater conditions of the proposed Telkwa Coal Project Site and presents estimates of groundwater inflows to the open pits.

4.2 Summary of Existing Data

The regional geology of the Telkwa-Smithers area has been mapped by the Geological Survey of Canada (Armstrong, 1944; Tipper, 1976; Tipper and Richards, 1976 and Tipper, et al, 1979). The regional hydrogeology and groundwater resources have not been investigated. However, groundwater resources in the vicinity of Telkwa Village have been investigated for water supply purposes and the results of these investigations are available in unpublished reports by Livingston Associates and Campbell.

Records of waterwells drilled in the Telkwa and Smithers area are held by the Groundwater Section, Water Management Branch of the B.C. Ministry of Environment. Review of the records indicates that none of these wells are located in the vicinity of the mine site, and therefore are of little practical application to this development.

4.3 Field Investigations

Details of the field investigations are presented in Section 3.2.4.

4.4 Water Quality

4.4.1 Rural Water Supplies

Twenty three rural households within 3 km of the mine area obtain their domestic water supplies from groundwater, either by means of dug wells (2 to 6 m depth) or by drilled wells generally less than 50 m in depth. The locations of the wells and details of the water supplies are presented on Drawing D-Oll9.

The dug wells are commonly constructed with a 900 mm diameter galvanized corrugated steel pipe as a casing. The drilled wells are cased with steel pipe generally 150 mm in diameter, and may have a well screen or slotted length of pipe as an intake. All wells appear to be producing water from surficial deposits rather than bedrock. Some wells on the flood plain of Goathorn Creek Valley are installed in channel sand and gravel deposits having limited groundwater yielding potential (L. Hart and L. Parks for example). Such wells provide marginal water supplies for domestic water purposes. A group of residents located on a sand and gravel plain to the northeast of the mine site obtain water supplies from the surficial sand and gravel deposits which comprise a productive aquifer.

During the period September 11 to 15, 1984, samples of water supplies were collected for chemical analysis from several domestic wells in the vicinity of the mine site. Samples were collected and preserved in accordance with procedures recommended by Can Test Ltd. and as described with the test data in Appendix II. It is noted that field determinations of acid pH (less than 7) are inconsistent with with measured levels of bicarbonate alkalinity (HCO_z). The shift of sample pH to the higher lab values is indicative of post-collection sample chemistry changes which may have given rise to an increase in bicarbonate alkalinity at the expense of carbonic acid content. Drawing A-0120 illustrates the common ionic composition of the groundwater supplies. The water supplies are of a calcium magnesium bicarbonate type with only minor amounts of sulfate and chloride The predominance of Ca, Mg and HCO, affects the water salts. quality by imparting hardness which ranges between 48 and 416 ppm. Hardness is not a significant factor in terms of water consumption by humans, however 13 of the 24 domestic well water supplies tested have hardness in excess of the accepted limit of 120 ppm (Environment Canada Water Quality Source Book, 1979). Iron content ranges up to 9 ppm and in 11 of the 24 well waters exceeds the 0.3 ppm maximum acceptable limit recommended by Health and Welfare Canada (1978) and Environment Canada (1979). Several samples also indicate excessive manganese content and high turbidity.

Other than the foregoing, concentrations of most dissolved metals and notably all the heavy metals are within acceptable limits for human consumption.

4.4.2 Mine Site Groundwater

Groundwater samples were obtained from piezometers installed in coal seams in test holes 255, 257 and 258.

Laboratory analyses have produced some anomalous results as follows:

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pH values are high, ranging from 8.0 to 11.2. The two analyses from test hole 258 give values of 10.2 and 11.2 which are considered to be due to grout contamination.

pH values are measured in the laboratory and these values may be up to 1 unit higher than the corresponding field measurement. The variation in pH values between field and lab measured values is due to exsolution of CO_2 during transportation.

Charge Balance

There are charge balance errors of over 5% on 5 of the 6 analyses carried out; this may be due to inaccuracies in the analyses or due to the presence of an additional cation present in the water but not identified in the analyses.

A groundwater sample was obtained during September 1984 from a major seepage in the area of the bulk sample test pit. The pH of this sample was determined in the field and found to be 7.0, which is slightly higher than the samples obtained from domestic wells, but lower than the samples from the piezometers.

The groundwater from bedrock sources is a sodium bicarbonate type with minor sulphate and chloride and secondary calcium, magnesium and potassium. The water is very hard with total dissolved solids ranging from 312 - 1700 ppm.

4.5 Hydrogeology

4.5.1 Groundwater Occurrence

Surficial Deposits

The best developed aquifers in the project site area are the glacial and post glacial sand and gravel deposits. Shallow, unconfined aquifers are developed in the sand and gravel deposits found in the Bulkley, Telkwa River and Goathorn Creek Valleys.

Deeper confined aquifers are developed in horizons of outwash gravels deposited directly on the bedrock surface or between successive till layers.

Wells in both confined and unconfined aquifers in Smithers and Telkwa produce up to 75 $1/\sec$ (4.5 m³/min).

In the vicinity of the proposed plant site and tailings dam to the north and east of the pit locations, a large deposit of sand and gravel of probable glaciofluvial origin underlies a broad plain extending over some approximately 8 km². This deposit forms an aquifer from which residents obtain domestic water supplies from wells to depths of 20 m.

Bedrock Deposits

The permeability test results indicate that the coal beds and interburden have relatively low permeabilities. Results of the 1982 tests carried out on coal zones indicate that the coefficient of permeability (K) values of the coal range between 5 x 10^{-7} and 5 x 10⁻⁹ m/s. The 1983 test data from other bedrock strata indicate low permeabilities. Of the 13 tests performed in test hole 336, all but one was less than 10^{-10} m/s, or too low to measure with the available field instrumentation. The remaining test interval indicated a K of 5 x 10^{-8} m/s. In test hole 335, 7 of the 21 permeability values ranged from 10^{-7} m/s to 6 x 10^{-9} m/s and the permeability of ll intervals was too low to measure. Permeable intervals do not appear to correlate with any particular lithologic or stratigraphic units but tend to be concentrated at shallower depths, and in the case of test hole 335, less than 40 m.

Permeability test results are summarized in Table 3-2. The packer test results from test holes 335 and 336 are presented on the logs in Appendix I.

Groundwater transmission in bedrock is largely dependent on the presence and nature of fractures. The coal beds, shales, siltstones and weathered volcanic rocks of the mine site area are generally fine grained, relatively weak bedrock materials characterized by discontinuous fractures which tend to be closed, and thus have a low permeability.

Fault zones, particularly normal faults, can be well fractured and brecciated and may serve as significant conductors of groundwater. Some of the fault zones in the mine site area are expected to fall into this category. However, fault zones may also be characterized by the presence of finely ground low permeability gouge materials which may seal fractures and hinder groundwater movement. Thus, the effect of fault zones is difficult to predict without specific investigations aimed at assessing their hydrogeologic nature.

4.5.2 Regional Groundwater Flow

In the Telkwa area the water table configuration is expected to reflect the topographic surface. Topographic highs define areas of high head and are natural groundwater recharge areas. Topographic lows, chiefly creek and river valleys, represent areas of low head and are natural groundwater discharge areas. Accordingly, groundwater flow originates in the uplands and extends downward and laterally away from the uplands toward the valleys. Between regional recharge and regional discharge areas, the course of flow paths is influenced locally by the topography and permeability of the geological materials. These conditions create local flow systems which are of significance to drainage and slope stability.

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The sixteen piezometers installed within the mine site area have been monitored by CNRL staff on a regular basis. Water levels measured in the piezometers are summarized in Drawing B-D118 and show that groundwater pressures are relatively high with upward gradients and discharge areas occuring on some of the slope areas. Examples are as follows:

- a) <u>Test Hole 335</u> Piezometric surface is at ground level and surface seepage is visible in two small valleys to the west of the test hole.
- b) <u>Test Hole 250</u> Surface seepage adjacent to test hole 250 is indicative of upward groundwater flow.
- c) <u>Test Holes 321, 313, 323, 342</u> Water levels are high in these piezometers and test hole 323 is flowing. These test holes are located in the area of the 1983 test pit. A large seepage area has developed at the western end of the test pit area. Seepage is originating largely from the #6 seam.
- d) <u>Test Holes 318, 343, 344</u> These test holes are located in a sloping area in the northern part of the east mine area. The water level in test hole 315 is relatively low indicating good subsurface drainage. The higher water levels measured in test holes 343 and 344 are thought to be due to the presence of a small lake 100 metres to the south of the test holes.
- e) <u>Test Holes 345 and 347</u> These test holes, located on the west side of Goathorn Creek, have relatively low water levels and thus indicate good subsurface drainage in that area.

The general regional directions of groundwater flow in the project site area are shown on Drawing B-0122. The project areas located east of Goathorn Creek are situated on the divide between the catchment of Goathorn Creek and the Telkwa River (Catchment A_2 and B respectively). It is probable that the surface divide and

groundwater divide coincide with the result that groundwater recharge in the eastern mine area moves partly in a westerly direction towards Goathorn Creek and partly in a north easterly direction towards the Telkwa River. The mining areas west of Goathorn Creek lie entirely within the catchment of the Goathorn Creek and its tributary, Four Creek.

4.5.3 Groundwater Recharge

The packer tests and falling head test results indicate that the bedrock formation is of generally low permeability and therefore it is probable that the amount of infiltration is equal to a small percentage of precipitation. Infiltration has been estimated as 3% of annual infiltration made using estimated groundwater flux and a value for hydraulic conductivity derived from the packer tests. Details of the calculations supporting this estimate are presented in Appendix III.

4.5.4 Structural Modification of Groundwater Flow

Structural discontinuities such as faults, bedding planes and joints have considerable effect on groundwater flow.

Sedimentary formations are hydraulically anisotropic with hydraulic conductivity along bedding planes being greater than conductivity across the bedding planes. In weak rocks such as those occurring in the mine site area joints are generally poorly developed and tend to be discontinuous. In such formations anisotropy is greater than in competant formations.

In the eastern mining area where pits #1, 2 and 3 will be developed, bedding dips at 7° to 20° E. Groundwater flow in the western area of #3 pit is across the bedding planes and will be impeded by the relatively tight nature of the joints. Flow in the eastern part of #3 pit and in pits #1 and #2 will be down dip towards the east.

The regional groundwater flow is modified by faults which offset beds and thus affect the continuity of the permeability of the formation.

The mine site east of Goathorn Creek is affected by a complex system of northwest/southeast trending normal and reverse faults which divide the area into a number of discrete blocks. Several faults have been intersected by drillholes and have been inspected by CNRL geologists. A major fault affecting #6 seam was seen in outcrop during the excavation of the test mine in 1983. It has not been possible to predict the local effects of faulting on groundwater distribution. Normal faults in sandstone and coal tend to produce a permeable coarse fault breccia; in some cases however, normal faults are tight and clean. Reverse faults vary from tight to infilled. Where infill material is present it takes the form of a clay gouge. In the more competent materials such as the sandstones, movement associated with reverse faults appears to have taken place along joint and bedding planes.

4.6 Groundwater Inflow Estimates

4.6.1 General

Groundwater inflow estimates have been calculated for the #3 Pit. This is the best defined pit in geological terms and it will contribute the major part of the coal to be mined throughout the mine life. The opening cut for the #3 Pit will be located at the northern end of the pit and the pit will be developed toward the south.

The inflow estimates are based on hydrogeological parameters selected on the basis of the permeability tests and a review of other geological data. It should be noted that the particular aquifers are not definable on a stratigraphic basis, and the fault zones, which are probably the most significant groundwater conductors, also are not explicitly definable. The selected hydrogeological parameters are as follows:

specific yield- 3%storage coefficient- 0.0001fault zone coefficient of permeability- 1 × 10⁻⁴ m/s

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The glacial drift and the near surface bedrock to a total depth of 30 to 50 metres together are probably the most permeable hydrogeological unit. Below this depth the bedrock appears to become less permeable with fewer fractures. The coal beds, judging from the few permeability tests performed, do not serve as aquifers and the mudstone and siltstone interburden, although fractured, have even less permeability than the coal. Thus, the entire sequence is considered to have a low permeability and contains no definable aquifers.

As pit excavation proceeds, generally small amounts of groundwater can be expected to discharge from the pit walls into the pit. Occasionally, well fractured zones, including fault zones, will be intersected and will have the potential of yielding flows of water considerably larger than average pit wall drainage flows. However, because of limited storage within fractured zones and limited recharge potential, groundwater flow rates from fracture zones will diminish rapidly.

The groundwater inflows estimated in the following sections are based on the following sources of groundwater:

- Drainage from the excavated rock mass over the life of the pit.
- Drainage from the footwall as a result of depressuring by drainage holes required to ensure footwall stability.
- Discharge of groundwater from the pit highwall and endwalls.
- Infiltration to the groundwater system within the area of influence of the pit.
- Extraordinary inflows from fault zones.

4.6.2 Drainage of Excavated Rock Mass

Assuming an average stripping ratio of 7:1 and an annual raw coal production of 1.1 million tons per year, 7.8 million cubic metres of rock will be excavated annually. Assuming a specific yield of 3 percent (i.e. the amount of gravity drainage from the material), it is estimated that 234,000 m³ of groundwater will be released annually from the excavated material into the pit.

4.6.3 Footwall Drainage

As pit excavation proceeds, the unloading of the underlying strata will induce upward movement of groundwater through the footwall into the pit. However, because of the low permeability of the footwall materials, additional vertical drainage by means of boreholes will be required in order to relieve footwall pore pressures and to maintain floor stability. Excluding fault zones, drainage of the footwall will contribute a relatively small amount of groundwater to the pit.

The footwall inflows are dependent on the thickness of material excavated from above the footwall, the difference in groundwater pressures between the water table and the footwall, the volume of rock beneath the footwall subject to depressuring, and the groundwater storage coefficient. For estimating purposes the storage coefficient is assumed to be 0.0001, a value which typifies confined groundwater conditions and the water table is assumed to be at ground surface.

The following are estimates for footwall inflows over the life of the mine:

Footwall Depth Interval	Inflow	Footwall Area	Inflow
(m)	(m ³ /m ² *)	(m ²)	(m ³)
0 - 25	0.01	350,000	3,500
25 - 50	0.09	350, 000	31,500
50 - 75	0.25	350,000	87,500
75 - 100	0.48	350,000	168,000
	Inflo	ow Total	290,500

m³ of water/m² of footwall (Total footwall area is estimated to be 1.4 million m² and is assumed to be apportioned equally amongst the four depth intervals.)

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The total inflow of 290,500 m^3 over the 20 year life of Pit 3 is equivalent to an average of 14,500 m^3 annually.

4.6.4 Highwall and Endwall Drainage

As excavation proceeds, groundwater from the highwall and endwalls will move toward and discharge into the pit. Groundwater discharge is likely to be more significant in the upper 50 metres where the permeability appears to be largest. Overall, however, in view of the prevailing low rock permeability, pit wall dewatering will occur at a slow rate and will be limited in lateral extent. This inflow estimate assumes that horizontal drain holes will be provided to ensure slope stability required, particularly in the lower slope areas below a depth of 50 metres, and that the drains will dewater the rock mass behind the pit wall above a 20 degree slope drawn from the toe of the pit wall.

On this basis, assuming an average high wall height of 100 m and a specific yield of 3 percent, the drainage water, per metre length of high wall, can be estimated by a simple volume calculation as follows:

inflow = $100 \times 100 \times 0.5 \times 0.03$ = $412 \text{ m}^3/\text{metre length of highwall.}$

Given a highwall length of 2,800 m, the inflow will amount to 1.154 million m^3 over 20 years or 57,700 m^3 annually.

Endwall drainage will add a significant component to this inflow during the first 5 years as the northwall is established and drained. Allowing for an average endwall height of 75 m and a northwall length of 1200 m over a 5 year period, inflows would amount to 236 m³/metre length of wall or 56,600 m³ per year.

The southwall will also drain ahead of excavation to some extent but given the slow rate of drainage and the state of continual advancement of the face, the amount of inflow is likely to be relatively small. This inflow component is assumed to be accounted for as drainage from excavated rock. However, as the advancing pit approaches the southern limit of the pit, an additional inflow from drainage of the southern endwall spread over the last two years of pit operation will occur. At 236 m³/m length of wall and for a 400 metre wall length, the inflow will amount to 47200 m³ annually.

4.6.5 Groundwater Infiltration

Pit inflows will be affected by surface infiltration close to the pit. The area of influence of the pit will increase gradually each year as the pit size increases and as adjacent groundwater pressures gradually decline over time due to drainage to the pit. An assessment of water level drawdown in the vicinity of the pit indicates that dewatering effects after 1 year of drainage will not be significant beyond 100 m from the pit boundary. In local areas where fracturing is well developed and provides higher permeability, the zone of influence may extend beyond this distance within a year. For the purpose of estimating the inflow contribution from infiltration it has been assumed that the ultimate zone of influence will extend to a distance of 500 m from the pit boundary with several exceptions. In the southeastern area of the pit, the ultimate radius of influence is taken as the surface catchment boundary defined ground rising to elevation 990 m. To the north of the pit the boundary of influence is assumed to be midway between pits 2 and 3. The zone of influence to the west of the pit is negligible in view of the proximity of the valley slope of Goathorn Creek. On this basis, the ultimate recharge area outside the pit boundary is estimated to be 2.8 million m^2 . The ultimate pit area is estimated to be 2.1 million m^2 .

For estimating purposes it is assumed that over the 20 year operating period the pit area is developed linearly and pit recharge area will expand linearly.

Thus the recharge area for year 1 is taken as 5 percent of 4.9 million m^2 , for year 2 10 percent of 4.9 million m^2 less the pit area developed during year 1 (5 percent of 2.1 million m^2) and so on through to year 20. The resulting annual pit inflow from recharge ranges from 3,750 m^3 in year 1 to 44,500 m^3 in year 20.

4.6.6 Exceptional Inflows From Fault Zones

Exceptional groundwater inflows will occur when the pit intersects major fault zones. However, because there are no major aquifers in the minesite area there is limited potential for recharge to fault zones and therefore discharge from faults will diminish over time. Assuming a fault zone permeability of 10^{-4} m/s, an average zone width of 10 m and an effective fault zone drainage area of 1000 m long by 500 m wide, such a fault can be expected to discharge in the range of 100 to 1000 m³/day. Given the limited storage capacity within the fault zone and limited recharge potential, it is likely that exceptional flows from fault zones will diminish over a period of a few months. Although 2 or 3 fault zones may be intersected by Pit 3, it can be assumed that no more than one zone will be contributing exceptional inflows to the pit at any one time.

4.6.7 Total Groundwater Inflows - Pit 3

Total annual groundwater inflows in the first 5 years are expected to be high due to excavation of the relatively long north wall. Following drainage of the north wall, the annual inflows should drop in year 6, but then gradually increase as the area of influence of the pit expands, resulting in an increased annual recharge component.

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Thus the annual groundwater inflows over the life of Pit #3 are expected to vary over a relatively small range, from 421,000 m³ to 498,000 m³ (175 to 210 igpm).

Table 4-1 summarizes estimated groundwater inflows to Pit 3.

Year	Excavated Rock (m ³)	Footwall (m ³)	<u>Highwall</u> (m ³)	North & South Endwalls (m ³)	Infiltration (m ³)	Inflows from Faults (m ³)	Totals (m ³)
1	234,000	14.500	57,700	57.700	3,750	100.000	467.650
2	234,000	14,500	57,700	57,700	5 900	100,000	469 800
3	234,000	14,500	57,700	57,700	8,000	100,000	471,900
4	234,000	14,500	57 700	57 700	10,200	100,000	474 100
5	234,000	14,500	57,700	57,700	12,200	100,000	476 200
6	234,000	14,500	57,700	-	14,500	100,000	420 700
7	234,000	14,500	57,700	-	16,600	100,000	422,800
8	234,000	14,500	57 700	_	18,700	100,000	/2/ 900
9	234,000	14,500	57,700	_	20,900		427 100
10	234,000	14,500	57,700	_	23,000	100,000	429,200
11	234,000	14,500	57,700	-	25,200	100,000	431,400
12	234,000	14,500	57,700	_	27,300	100,000	433,500
13	234,000	14,500	57,700	_	29,500	100,000	435,700
14	234,000	14,500	57,700	-	31,600	100.000	437,800
15	234,000	14,500	57,700	-	33,700	100,000	439,900
16	234,000	14,500	57,700	-	35,900	100.000	442,100
17	234,000	14,500	57,700	_	38,000	100,000	444,200
18	234,000	14,500	57,700	_	40,200	100,000	446 400
19	234,000	14.500	57 700	47 200	42,300		495,700
20	234,000	14,500	57,700	47 200	44 400		497 800

TABLE 4-1 SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED GROUNOWATER INFLOWS, PIT 3

4.6.8 Pits 1 and 2 Inflows

Detailed estimates of groundwater inflows to each pit development have not been carried out. Although certain hydrogeologic parameters and pit dimensions vary to a degree amongst the several pit areas, the hydraulic conductivity, groundwater storage and natural recharge characteristics of Pits 1, 2 and 3 are very similar. These are the major governing controls on groundwater inflows. Thus, for mine planning purposes it can reasonably be assumed that annual groundwater inflows to Pits 1 and 2 will fall within the limits estimated for the first 5 year development of Pit 3.

4.6.9 Pits 4, 5 and 6 Inflows

Inflows to Pits 4, 5 and 6 have not been estimated. For Pits 4 and 5 mining will advance westward and the pits will develop essentially as benches into the valley slope of Four Creek. In view of the relatively small size of the pits and their location on the valley slope the groundwater inflows will be relatively small, and significantly less than estimates for Pit 3. Pit water can best be discharged by ditching with water being directed to a settling pond to control sediment content.

The groundwater conditions and scale of operations in Pit 6 will be comparable to the north end of Pit 3. Detailed groundwater estimates have not been made for this pit. However, assuming a 5 year mining operation for Pit 6, the groundwater inflows are expected to be similar in magnitude to those for the first 5 years of operation in Pit 3.

4.7 Direct Precipitation to Pit 3

The amount of precipitation falling directly into the pit is dependent on the excavated area of the pit. No waste will be placed in #3 pit during years 1 to 5. The waste from years 6 to 10 will be dumped in the area mined in the first 5 years of operation. From year 6 onwards it is assumed that the area of pit open will remain the same as the area open at year 5.

During the construction of the in-pit waste dumps some precipitation will infltrate the waste and the remainder will run off into the open pit area. For the purposes of estimating it is assumed that the pit area, comprising the area being mined and the area being actively backfilled, increases in size during the first 8 years of operation and thereafter, remains constant as shown in Table 4-2.

Annual inflow, 24 hour maximum and 48 hour maximum inflows are presented in Table 4-2. Inflows are based on annual precipitation of 510 mm and an evaporation rate of 30%.

TABLE 4-2

<u>Year</u>	<u>Pit Area</u> (m ²)	Annual Inflow <u>Precipitation</u> (m ³)	Maximum 24 Hour <u>Inflow</u> (m ³)	Maximum 48 Hour <u>Inflow</u> (m ³)
1	100,000	35,700	1,890	2,240
2	200,000	71,400	3,780	4,480
3	300,000	107,100	5,670	6,720
4	400,000	142,000	7,560	8,960
5	500,000	178,500	9,450	11,200
6	600,000	214,200	11,340	13,440
7	700,000	249,900	13,230	15,680
8	800,000	285,600	15,120	17,920
9-20	800,000	285,600	15,120	17,920

4.8

Effect of In-pit Waste Dumps on Pit Inflows

As waste rock is placed in the pit behind the mining operation, groundwater inflows which previously reported directly to the open pit will be intercepted by the waste rock. In addition, precipitation will infiltrate the surface of the waste rock and begin to establish saturated groundwater conditions.

The hydraulic characteristics of the waste material are not known, but in general because of segregation during dumping operations, coarse materials are likely to be concentrated near the base of the dump lifts and finer materials in the upper part. Thus, alternating layers of coarse and fine materials will create variations in permeability with the coarser more permeable layers behaving as horizontal drains. As the waste dump increases in height, and the rock progressively degenerates in quality due to weathering, consolidation and permeability reduction will occur.

Within the operating life of the mine, the waste dumps will serve as water storage reservoirs. As discussed in 4.6.2 approximately 7.8 million m^2 of waste will be produced per year. Assuming that 10 percent of the waste volume is available for moisture storage approximately 780,000 m^3 of water storage space would be created annually by the waste dumps. If the waste is placed over an area of

100,000 m^2 each year, and progressively over the nominal 2.1 million m^2 of Pit 3 in 20 years, then a rough estimate of the storage volume and anticipated volume of accumulated recharge can be made as indicated in the following:

<u>Year</u>	Cumulative Waste Dump <u>Area</u> (m ²)	Accumulated Recharge (m ³)	Cumulative Waste <u>Material</u> (m ³)	Total Storage Volume (m ³)
1	100,000	10,200	7,800,000	780,000
2	200,000	20,400	15,600,000	1,560,000
3 ·	300,000	30,600	23,400,000	2,340,000
4	400,000	40,800	31,200,000	3,120,000
5	500,000	51,000	39,000,000	3,900,000

Accumulated recharge is the amount of water which infiltrates the waste pile from direct precipitation. For loose dumped rock fill material the infiltration is estimated to be 20% of precipitation (510 mm pa). As illustrated above, the volume of recharge is small compared to the available storage volume. Rainfall falling directly onto in-pit waste dumps is therefore likely to be retained in the waste material as groundwater and will not make a significant contribution to pit inflows.

Waste materials will also retard and/or intercept pit wall inflows, thus progressively reducing the amount of water reporting to pit sumps from the backfilled areas.

4.9 Pumping Capacity - Pit 3

It is recommended that pumping capacity be installed to handle regular inflows, exceptional fault inflows and average precipitation. Reserve pumping capacity should be available at the minesite to handle major rainfall events. The size of reserve pumping capacity is an operational decision, but all contaminated water pumped out of the pit must be clarified. For the purposes of

sizing sedimentation ponds it has been assumed that reserve pumping capacity will be sized to handle the maximum 48 hr precipitation event.

Pumping capacity requirements are presented in Table 4-3 and are summarized below:

Recommended Installed Pumping Capacity: 120 m³/hr (440 igpm). Recommended Reserve Pumping Capacity: 50 m³/hr (180 igpm) in

120 m²/hr (440 igpm).
50 m³/hr (180 igpm) in
year 1, to 400 m³/hr
(1470 igpm) in year 8-20.

TABLE 4-3

PUMPING CAPACITY REQUIREMENTS - PIT 3

				Recommended	l
			Average	Total	Recommended
			Precipi-	Installed	Available Re-
	Recular	Fault	tation	Pumpina	serve Pumpina
Year	Inflows	Inflows	Inflows	Capacity	Capacity
<u></u>	3	. 3	3	(3.)	
	(m ⁻ /hr)	(m ⁻ /hr)	(m /hr)	(m ⁻ /hr)	(m /hr)
1	42	42	4	88	47
2	42	42	8	92	93
3	43	42	12	97	140
4	43	42	16	101	187
5	43	42	20	105	233
6	37	42	24	103	280
7	37	42	28	107	327
8	37	42	32	111	373
9	37	42	32	111	373
10	38	42	32	112	373
11	38	42	32	112	373
12	38	42	32	112	373
13	38	42	32	112	373
14	39	42	32	113	373
15	39	42	32	113	373
16	39	42	32	113	373
17	39	42	32	113	373
18	40	42	32	114	373
19	45	42	32	119	373
20	45	42	32	119	373

5.U SURFACE WATER CONTROL

5.1 Hydrologic Water Balance

Disruption of Natural Drainage

The mine drainage plan will necessarily alter local drainage patterns but will not significantly affect the overall basin drainage system. The net changes to the existing local drainage areas are shown on Drawing D-0123 and are relatively small as shown on Table 5-1. Changes to flow conditions of the local creeks will therefore be negligible.

TABLE 5-1

CHANGE IN DRAINAGE BASIN DUE TO PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Drainage Basin	Existing Drainage Area	Revised Drainage Area	Net Change in Drainage Area
	(km²)	(km²)	(km²)
Tenas Ck.	63	63.2	+0.2
Goathorn Ck.	132	138.1	+6.1
Hubert Ck.	44	43	-1.0
Telkwa R.	1200	1201	+1.0

Surface Water Runoff

Clearing operations, open pit excavation, construction of waste dumps and mine reclamation can be expected to affect the quantity of surface water runoff from the site due to changes in evapotranspiration and infiltration. Land clearing will increase the runoff from the site because evapotranspiration will decrease. Disturbance of surficial soils will increase the runoff yield because infiltration will decrease. Open pit excavation will increase the water yield because both evapotranspiration and infiltration will decrease.

The development of waste dumps will affect the water yield. Initially, infiltration will be high in loosely placed spoil materials relative to existing conditions in which the infiltration is restricted by dense till subsoil and high local water tables.

After grading and topsoiling, the infiltration rate will decrease depending on the degree of compaction. Evapotranspiration from the waste dumps will be less than at present until vegetation is fully developed after reclamation.

Although a significant change in the local hydrologic water balance can be expected through the life of the mine, the ultimate disturbed area will be only 9.4 km^2 . Areas of local drainage basin disturbance are as follows:

Ultimate Disturbed Area			
as Percentage of Total			
Drainage Basin			
4.2%			
8.6%			

5.2 Design of Surface Water Handling Facilities

5.2.1 Headwater Diversions

Headwater diversions are provided to minimize the quantity of contaminated surface runoff by diverting all uncontaminated surface runoff from the drainage area upslope of the mine areas. Drawing D-0124 shows the locations of the headwater diversions and indicates catchment areas, flow capacities and flow velocities. Typical sections and design details are provided on Drawing D-0125.

A single diversion will be required for the mine area west of Goathorn Creek and two diversions will be required for the mine area east of Goathorn Creek.

A total of 1.5 km² of catchment will be diverted on the west side of Goathorn Creek. Surface runoff is returned to Goathorn Creek via Tenas Creek. This diversion would cause only a 2% increase in the Tenas Creek catchment. A total of 6.2 km^2 of catchment is diverted on the east side of Goathorn Creek. About 1.1 km^2 is diverted around the north end of the main pit and 5.1 km^2 is diverted southward into a tributary of Hubert Creek.

The headwater diversions are designed in accordance with Ministry of Environment regulations. The following criteria have been included:

- a) The diversions are located at least 50 m from the edge of mine facilities.
- b) The diversions will handle the 200 year flood with a minimum of
 0.4 m freeboard.
- c) The diversions are designed to be non-erodible during the peak instantaneous flow of a 10 year flood. Channel armouring is provided where the maximum velocity during the 10 year flood exceeds 1.5 m/s.

5.2.2 Interceptor Ditches

The primary function of the interceptor ditches is to intercept potentially contaminated runoff from the mine area and to convey it to settling ponds.

Runoff from 1.1 km^2 will be intercepted and routed to Settling Ponds #3 and #4 east of Goathorn Creek. On the west side of Goathorn Creek, runoff from 6.2 km^2 in the pit area will be intercepted by one interceptor ditch system leading to Settling Pond #2. The waste dump area will be drained mainly by existing waterways to Settling Pond #1. Another interceptor ditch system located north of the mine area will intercept runoff from 2.4 km^2 from the plantsite, haulroad and local catchments and will discharge into Settling Pond #5.

The locations of the proposed interceptor ditches is shown on Drawing D-0124. Catchment areas, design capacities and flow velocities are also indicated on the drawing. Typical sections and design details are shown on Drawing D-0125.

Like the headwater diversions, the interceptor ditches are designed to handle the 200 year flood with a minimum of 0.4 m freeboard. No armouring is required for these channels because the flow is directed through settling ponds before release.

Interceptor ditches cannot be provided for pits #4 and #5 because they are located alongside the relatively steep valley walls. Instead, special pit excavation measures will be implemented to provide in-pit water handling as discussed further in Section 5.2.4.

5.2.3 Roadside Ditches

Roadside ditches are provided for the haul road in the Goathorn Creek Valley. Ditches lined with coarse gravel will be provided on both sides of the haul road to channelize the runoff without causing erosion. Design details are provided on Drawing D-O125.

These measures are not required elsewhere alongside haulroads in the mine area because all roadside drainage will be ultimately collected by interceptor ditches and conveyed to settling ponds.

5.2.4 Settling Ponds

General

Settling ponds will be provided to trap suspended sediment and channel bed load before release of clarified surface runoff into the streams. Runoff from the mine, waste dumps, plantsite and haul roads will be collected by the interceptor ditches and conveyed to five ponds located as shown on Drawing D-0124.

Clarification of the contaminated water will be by unaided settling. Should this prove insufficient, flocculents will be added at the pond intakes to enhance clarification.

Interceptor Ditches are not provided for Pits #4 and #5 located on the west side of Goathorn Creek because the pitwall is too close to the valley wall. Construction techniques employed during clearing,

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stripping and pit excavation at these two pits will ensure that all surface runoff flows into the pit. Operations will begin by opening a trench on the downslope (east) side of each pit. Small ditches will be built on the north and south sides of the pits to ensure that all runoff from the disturbed area is directed into the pit. During operations, surface runoff collected in these pits will be pumped to Settling Pond #4. After these pits have been mined out, Settling Ponds will be built inside the pits and surface water will be released into Goathorn Creek by a spillway channel.

Settling Ponds #1 to #4 are single cell ponds. Settling Pond #5 incorporates two cells, one for relatively coarse sediment and one for fine sediment. A small dugout will be provided ahead of the main pond to trap the coarse sediment originating in the plantsite. This will enable easy removal of the significant quantities of coarse sediment expected from the plantsite. Settling ponds will be constructed ahead of any clearing, stripping or pit excavation.

The plan layout, elevation/volume curve and elevation/area curve of each settling pond is shown on Drawings D-0126 and B-0127.

Sizing and Design

The settling ponds are designed in accordance with the B.C. Ministry of Environment guidelines as outlined in the publication "Guidelines for the Design and Operation of Settling Ponds used for Sediment Control in Mining Operations" dated 1980.

Two representative, near surface samples of glacial till, were analyzed for grain size distribution, erodibility and clarification rate. The grain size distributions shown in Appendix II indicate a substantial fraction of fine silt and clay. However, it is anticipated that sediment transport will include relatively little wash load as the predominant bed load would be composed of fine sand and agglomerated clay/silt particles.

The regulations require that the concentration of total suspended solids in the settling pond discharge does not exceed 50 mg per litre providing that the area background concentration is not exceeded. This criterion applies to flows up to the 10 year, 24 hour flood.

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The settling ponds are sized to remove the 0.006 mm diameter sediment size and provide detention times of 16 to 44 hours during the 10 year flood. The drainage area, inflow rate, required pond area and detention times for each pond are indicated on Table 5-2.

TABLE 5.2

SIZE OF SETTLING PONDS

Catchment Area	Mean Daily* 10 Year Flow	Required Pond Area	Detention Time
(km ²)	(m ³ /s)	(km ²)	(hours)
4.6	1.12	0.056	44
6.9	1.66	0.084	16
0.7	0.18	0.009	31
0.5	0.13	0.007	17
2.5	0.63	0.032	20
	Catchment <u>Area</u> (km ²) 4.6 6.9 0.7 0.5 2.5	$\begin{array}{c} \mbox{Catchment} & \mbox{Mean Daily*} \\ \hline \mbox{Area} & \mbox{10 Year Flow} \\ \hline \mbox{(m}^2) & \mbox{(m}^3/s) \\ \hline \mbox{4.6} & \mbox{1.12} \\ \hline \mbox{6.9} & \mbox{1.66} \\ \hline \mbox{0.7} & \mbox{0.18} \\ \hline \mbox{0.5} & \mbox{0.13} \\ \hline \mbox{2.5} & \mbox{0.63} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c c} \mbox{Catchment} & \mbox{Mean Daily*} & \mbox{Required} \\ \hline \mbox{Mrea} & \mbox{10 Year Flow} & \mbox{Pond Area} \\ \hline \mbox{Mod Area} & \mbox{(km}^2) \\ \hline \mbox{4.6} & \mbox{1.12} & \mbox{0.056} \\ \hline \mbox{6.9} & \mbox{1.66} & \mbox{0.084} \\ \hline \mbox{0.7} & \mbox{0.18} & \mbox{0.009} \\ \hline \mbox{0.5} & \mbox{0.13} & \mbox{0.007} \\ \hline \mbox{2.5} & \mbox{0.63} & \mbox{0.032} \\ \end{array}$

* Mean daily flows are used because of the relatively long detention time of the ponds.

The required size of settling ponds were determined by the following formula:

 $A = \frac{Q}{Vsc}$

Where A = Required pond area

- Q = Average 10 year flood discharge during the pond retention time.

The settling velocity of the critical sediment size is determined by Stokes' Law. The critical size of sediment to be removed can be determined from the grain size distribution of the suspended sediment and from the suspended sediment concentration entering the settling pond.

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In the absence of reliable predictions of sediment concentration and grain size distribution of suspended sediment, a simplified approach was employed as recommended in the Guidelines for Design at Settling Ponds. A settling velocity of 2 X 10^{-5} m/s was selected to provide removal of the suspended sediment to 0.006 mm diameter. Thus all suspended sediment except clay particles and very fine silt will be removed from solution by settling. The quantity of fine silts and clays not removed by settling is expected to be relatively small.

Erosion and Sediment Yield

The rate of soil erosion was estimated by the Universal Soil Loss Equation to be $3300 \text{ m}^3/\text{km}^2$ per year based on 40% of the catchment area being disturbed by mining activities.

The quantity of sediment delivered to the various settling ponds will be smaller than the erosion rate due to sediment storage enroute. The annual quantity of sediment delivered to each settling pond is determined as follows

S = 3300 m^3/km^2 x Area (km²) x Delivery Ratio

The Delivery Ratios are expected to range from 20% to 33% for the various size catchments.

The quantities of sediment delivered annually to each settling pond are given in Table 5.3.

Table 5.3

SEDIMENT YIELD AND SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITIES

	Settling Pond				
	1	2		4	5
Catchment Area (km ²)	4.6	6.9	0.7	0.5	2.5
Delivery Ratio	0.21	0 .2 0	0.33	0.33	0.25
Sediment Yield (m ³ /yr)	3,200	4600	770	550	2100
Sediment Storage Capacity (m ³)	130,000	24 ,0 00	9,500	1,300	12,000

Flood Control and Freeboard

The ponds are designed to pass the 200 year flood with 0.7 m to 1.0 m freeboard. The 0.7 m freeboard will contain the wave runup of the significant wave height (0.4 m) generated by a 100 year, 1 hour wind of speed 76 km/hr.

Open channel spillway outlets are provided on Setting Ponds #1, #2, & #5 capable of passing debris and ice.

Culvert outlets are provided on Settling Ponds #3 & #4 to provide erosion free passage down the steep valley walls of Goathorn Creek. Debris control structures will be provided at the inlets to minimize risk of blockage. An earth cut emergency spillway is provided at each of these ponds to assure failsafe operation. A 1.0 m freeboard is provided to assure adequate freeboard in the event that culvert blockage requires flow over the emergency spillway.

Snowmelt inflow hydrographs were computed for the 200 year flood and are given on Drawing A-0128. These flood hydrographs were routed through the ponds to determine maximum outflow and maximum pond level. The results are given in Table 5-4.
TABLE 5-4 20D YEAR FLOOD ROUTING THROUGH SETTLING PONDS

200 Year Flood	Settling Pond				
	1	2		4	5
Maximum Outflow (m ³ /s)	3.2	4.0	0,45	0.35	1.8
Maximum Flood level above Spillway Invert (m)	0.36	0.5	0.61	0.53	0.31
Maximum Water Elevation (m)	554.4	601.5	701.6	733.0	552.3

Details of the spillway channel and culvert outlets are presented on Drawings D-0124 and B-0127.

Design of Dykes

Five dykes ranging from approximately 2.0 m to 4.0 m in height will be required to impound water for the settling ponds. Each dyke will be constructed with a 2:1 upstream face and 2.5:1 downstream face with a crest width of 4 m. The dykes will be constructed of Zone A material as defined below. Dykes over 3 m high will incorporate a 0.5 m thick drain of Zone C material at the downstream toe. Details of the dyke design are shown on Drawing D-0126.

Zone A material shall be well graded glacial till with a minimum of 20% passing the 0.075 mm seive. The material shall contain no rock fragments larger than 150 mm.

Zone C material shall be designed to act as a filter between the Zone A material and the foundation material.

Zone A material should be placed in lifts not greater than 0.25 m in thickness and be compacted to 98% of maximum density as determined by test ASTM D-698 at +2% of optimum moisture content.

Each dyke will be provided with a spillway set approximately 1.0 m below the dyke crest. Dykes #3 and #4 will incorporate culverts within the embankment. Careful construction procedures and the use of selected material will be required in order to minimize the risk of piping around the culverts. These matters will be addressed at the detailed design stage of the project.

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Settling Pond Operation

Each settling pond will be operated in accordance with B.C. Ministry of the Environment regulations as follows:

- 1) Baffles will be located at the inlet of the pond to spread the inflow and reduce its velocity.
- 2) Accumulated sediment will be cleaned out when 50% of the pond volume is lost to sediment storage or when the surface area is reduced by 20% on account of delta deposits. Sediment will be disposed of by burial. Clean-out will be carried out during dry periods when runoff is minimal.
- 3) Flocculants will be added at the pond inlet if unaided settlement is insufficient to meet the allowable discharge suspended sediment concentration of either 50 mg per litre during a 10 year, 24 hour flood or the area background suspended sediment concentration.
- 4) Dewatering, if required, will be provided by pumping.
- 5) The spillway channel outlets will be cleared of snow and ice before snowmelt each spring.
- 6) The ponds, dams, spillway outlets, culvert outlets and inlet baffles will be inspected for deterioration 3 times per year, once during the freshet.

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7) Discharge water quality will normally be monitored monthly. During the freshet, water quality will be monitored weekly. Additional monitoring will be carried out during rainstorm floods.

5.2.5 Goathorn Creek Crossing

During the later stages of mining operations, a crossing will be required across Goathorn Creek to provide haul road access to pits #4, #5 and #6.

The crossing will be designed to pass the 200 year peak instantaneous flow of 60 m^2 /s and will comprise three 2700 mm structural plate corrugated metal pipe culverts. A spillover section on the haul road alongside the crossing will provide emergency protection against culvert blockage or an unusual flood. Culvert inlets and outlets will have concrete headwalls to prevent erosion and uplift.

The crossing will be constructed of select rock waste and will be provided with rip rap protection.

5.3 Surface Water Supply

5.3.1 Plant Water Balance

The plant water balance as estimated by CNRL is given below:

INFLOWS

Moisture in Raw Coal	10 m ³ /hr
Total Plant Water Demand (Reclaim & Make Up)	<u>43</u>
Total	53

OUTFLOWS

Moisture in Coarse Refuse	8
Moisture in Clean Coal	8
Water in Tailings Slurry	<u>37</u>
Total	53

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5.3.2 Make Up Water Supply

The make up supply system will provide full plant make up water during plant start up and during periods when water cannot be reclaimed from the tailings pond. During periods of normal operation, make up water will supplement reclaim water. Full make up will require 43 m³/hr but peak demand during start up may be as high as 100 m³/hr.

Make up water may be extracted from the Telkwa River downstream of its confluence with Goathorn Creek. Withdrawal of make up water is expected to have minimal effect on flows in the Telkwa River. The nearest stream gauge on the Telkwa River is located 25 km upstream of Goathorn Creek as shown on Drawing B-OllO. The minimum flow recorded at the station is 0.65 m^3 /sec (2448 m^3 /hr). Flow near the plantsite is expected to be considerably greater due to the increased catchment size. The peak make up water demand is expected to be only 1% of the 10 year extreme minimum daily flow.

5.3.3 Make Up Water Intake

Two alternative intake schemes have been considered:

- (a) An infiltration gallery located beneath the river bed.
- (b) A series of shallow wells located alongside the river.

Shallow well intakes are recommended as they are less susceptible to flood damage and less likely to be blocked by the high suspended sediment load of the Telkwa River.

It is expected that 2-4 wells 20 m deep will be required but this will be confirmed at the detailed design stage.

6.0 WASTE DUMPS

6.1 Introduction

This section of the report presents recommendations for the disposal of rock waste materials in both in-pit and out-of-pit locations.

The stripping and stockpiling of topsoil and unconsolidated overburden materials is discussed in the Project Environmental and Reclamation Report.

6.2 Waste Dump Areas and Mining Schedule

Mining will start at the north end of #3 Pit and the waste will be placed in an out-of-pit dump. Pits #1 and #2 will be worked successively to supplement production from #3 Pit. Waste from #1 and #2 Pit will also be placed in the out-of-pit dump. In approximately year 6 reserves in Pits #1 and #2 will be exhausted and at that time waste from Pit #3 will be directed to Pits #1 and #2. As Pits #1 and #2 become backfilled the continuing stream of waste will be directed to the out-of-pit dump until sufficient working space is available in #3 Pit to permit in-pit waste disposal.

Pits #4, #5, and #6 will be worked in succession during the latter stages of the project. Waste from #4 Pit will be placed in an out-of-pit dump. Waste from #5 Pit will be used to backfill #4 Pit and #5 Pit will be backfilled with waste from #6 Pit.

Two out-of-pit waste dumps will be required for the project. Proposed locations for the dumps are shown on Drawing D-OlO4. The East dump will be used for the disposal of waste from Pits #1, #2 and #3 and will have a capacity of 57 million m^3 . The West dump will be used for disposal of waste from Pits #4, #5 and #6 and will have a capacity of 5.5 million m^3 .

On the basis of the current project plans, the two out-of-pit dumps will have sufficient capacity to contain all waste rock not placed in in-pit dumps. -67-

6.3 Dump Site Conditions

6.3.1 East Dump

The east dump covers an area of about 1.6 km^2 of ground which slopes gently, at about 5°, to the north. South of the site the ground steepens as it rises in elevation. A number of sinuous morainal ridges exist on the site.

The waste dump area is covered with a thin layer of topsoil directly overlying a till consisting of silt, sand, gravel and cobbles. The upper 1 m of the till is weathered; below the weathered zone the till is dense. The depth of till at the site is about 15 m, however, large variations in the till thickness may be expected. The till is underlain by sedimentary bedrock.

The area is moderately well drained by a number of small ephemeral streams. Occasional depressions exist where drainage is poor and the ground remains saturated most of the year. The lower part of the waste dump site is cleared and used for growing hay. The upper, south part is forested with poplar and coniferous trees.

Geological and groundwater conditions will be confirmed by site investigation during the detailed design stage of the project.

6.3.2 West Dump

The west dump covers an area of about 0.4 km^2 of flat lying ground which slopes at about 2° to the north.

It is expected that the subsoil strata will be similar to the east dump site. The 1:5000 topographic map does not indicate the presence of any drainage courses across the proposed area and drainage is expected to be similar to the East Dump site.

Foundation conditions will be investigated at the detailed design stage of the project.

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6.4 Material Characteristics

6.4.1 Foundation Materials Out-of-Pit Dumps

Topsoil and organic material will be stripped from the foundation area of the dumps prior to dump construction.

Foundation materials for both sites consist of a dense silt, sand and gravel till. On the basis of visual examination, the strength of this material is estimated to be $\emptyset' = 30^{\circ}$ (effective angle of internal friction). The till is low to non plastic and as such little or no pore pressure is expected to build up due to dump construction. Stability has been analysed assuming an $r_{\rm u}$ range of 0 to 0.2 for pore pressure response. ($r_{\rm u}$ is the pore pressure divided by overburden pressure.)

6.4.2 In-Pit Foundation Conditions

The footwall of the #3 Pit will consist of the rock stratum underlying the #2 seam. This rock varies considerably over the pit area ranging from a sandstone to a mudstone. Stress relief due to unloading of the footwall is expected to cause break up of the footwall, especially where groundwater is present.

In order to provide a consistent and safe design for the in-pit waste dumps a conservative effective angle of internal friction of 0' =17° has been selected for footwall material based on laboratory tests on the mudstone material.

6.4.3 Waste Materials

Waste rock will consist of a heterogeneous mixture of sandstone, siltstone and mudstone. The type of material being wasted will depend on mine scheduling. Waste materials will consist of three general types as follows:

 a) Moderately strong to moderately weak fine grained sandstone of average uniaxial compressive strength 40 MPa and a maximum uniaxial compressive strength of 100 MPa.

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- b) Very weak to moderately strong siltstone and siltstone interbedded with mudstone. Uniaxial compressive strengths range from 12 MPa to 100 MPa with an average of 35 MPa.
- c) Very weak to moderately weak mudstone. Uniaxial compressive strengths range from 12 MPa to 40 MPa.

Relative proportions of these materials for the mine life are given below:

a)	Sandstone	31%
b)	Siltstone and Siltstone-Mudstone interbedded	40%
c)	Mudstone	29%

The geotechnical properties of the waste materials are a function of the relative proportions of the material types in the dump, the dump height, and degree of breakdown of materials. Table 6-1 summarizes the geotechnical properties of the materials. The laboratory test results are presented in Appendix III.

TABLE 6-1

SUMMARY OF GEOTECHNICAL PROPERTIES OF WASTE MATERIALS

		Material				
Parameter	Mudstone	Siltstone	Sandstone	Design Value		
Unconfined Compressive (MPa)						
Strength	12-40	35	40	35		
Slake Durability %	81-89	98-99	98-99	-		
Sulphate Soundness % Lost	N/A	N/A	78-100	-		
Friction Angle Ø:o 2	29-33	31-33	31-33	32		
Dry Density Fill				1800 kg/m ³		
Breakage Factor ³ % at 2 MPa	30-40	20-30	20-30	30		
Unit Weight Ma/m ³	2.53	2.57	2.53	-		

 Based on point load index tests indicated on test hole logs Appendix I, and unconfined uniaxial compressive strength tests, Appendix II.

- 2. Based on method of Barton & Kjaernsli (1981) using $d_{50} = 200 \text{ mm}$, U.S.C. given above, rough rock, porosity n = 40%, n = 0.5 2 MPa, and $\emptyset = 29^{\circ}$.
- 3. Breakage factor estimated on basis of comparative studies with work by Marsal (1967).

Friction Angle

A friction angle of $\emptyset' = 32^{\circ}$ has been selected for waste dump design based on the uniaxial compression tests. Using the method of Barton and Kjaernsli, shear strengths for the waste are expected to range from 29° to 33° depending on the confining stress.

Slake Durability

The slake durability tests indicate that on wetting and drying the mudstone will breakdown to fine to medium gravel sized particles. The siltstone and sandstone exhibited minimal tendancy to degrade in this manner. The test results are presented in Appendix III.

Sulphate Soundness

Magnesium Sulphate Soundness tests were carried out on selected sandstone specimens. The test results indicated that these rocks are sensitive to chemical weathering with 78% - 100% loss during the test.

Crushing Strength

Six uniaxial unconfined compression tests were completed as shown in Appendix III. Point load tests were conducted on selected core samples. The results are presented on the test hole logs in Appendix I. The average and design values are based on these test results and on visual examination of the rock cores.

Rock fill which is subject to stress due to the height of fill above will break down due to crushing of particles. The amount of particle breakdown due to confining load has been quantified (Marsal 1967) by a breakage parameter B; where B is the percent of particles by weight which will undergo some crushing. The interbedded rocks forming the waste have an average unconfined compressive strength of 35 MPa. At confining loads of 1.5 MPa (75 m fill height) the B value is 30% to 40% for the shale and 20% to 30% for sandstone and siltstone. This parameter is important in assessing the longterm permeability of the dumps and the requirement for rock drains in the dumps as discussed in Sections 6.5 and 6.6.

6.5 Design of Out-of-Pit Dumps

6.5.1 General

The out-of-pit waste dumps are designed as free draining loose rock fills. Dumps up to 100 m in height may be constructed with overall 2:1 slopes. Waste material should be placed in horizontal lifts, by end dumping. Lift thickness may be adjusted to suit operational conditions but may be up to 30 m. End dumped waste will stand at the angle of repose which is expected to be 32° (1.6:1). Safety berms should be constructed between lifts to mainatin the overall 2:1 slope.

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Foundation preparation will be required to control the development of progressive failures in the waste dumps. All topsoil and overwet or weak soils should be removed from the toe area. Actual stripping requirments will be determined following the site investigation.

Deleterious and sulphur rich plant waste may be placed in the dumps. These materials should be placed in isolated cells within the dumps in 1.0 m lifts and compacted.

Details of the waste dump design are presented on Drawing D-0129.

6.5.2 Stability Analyses

Stability analyses have been carried out to determine the factor of safety against deep seated instability and surface instability.

The site is located in a Zone 2 seismic area as shown on the Seismic Zoning Map of Canada. Estimated peak ground acceleration for an earthquake with a 100 year return period is 0.06 g.

Stability analyses have been carried out both with and without allowance for seismic conditions.

The following minimum factors of safety against deep seated waste dump failure have been adopted:

Static Case (non earthquake)	-	FoS = 1.3
Seismic loading case	-	FoS = 1.1

The analysis of deep seated failure were carried out using Janbu's method of slices. Infinite slope analysis was used for smaller instabilities. The design parameters for waste material and foundation materials are presented in Section 6.4. Design parameters and stability analysis results are summarized on Table 6-2.

The results of the analyses show that the out-of-pit waste dumps have an adequate overall factor of safety against deep seated and shallow instability under seismic and non-seismic conditions. There will be potential for minor surficial instability on bench slopes under seismic conditions.

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TABLE 6-2

Failure Mode	Ø'° Fill	Ø'° Foundation	ſu	Factor of Safety Non Seismic Case	Factor of Safety Seismic Case
Deep Seated	32	30	0.2	1.8	1.7
for 2:1 H:V Slope	32	30	0.0	1.8	1.7
Deep Seated Translational for 2:1 H:V Slope	32	30	0.2	1.5	1.45
Surface Slide 2:1 H:V Slope	32	-	0.0	1.25	1.21
Bench Instability	32	-	0.0	1.00	0.97

SUMMARY OF GEOTECHNICAL PARAMETERS AND FACTORS OF SAFETY FOR POTENTIAL FAILURE MODES EAST AND WEST DUMPS

6.6 Design of In-Pit Dumps

6.6.1 General

Waste dumps will be constructed in all six open pits. Waste from pit #1 will be placed in pit #2. Pit #2 will be used for the disposal of some of the waste from #3 pit. Likewise only very minor amounts of waste will be placed in pits #4, #5 and #6 as they are being mined. Waste dumps will be constructed in #3 Pit from year 6 onwards, starting at the northern end of the pit and progressing southward.

The pit #3 footwall dips east at approximately 20°. In order to maintain stability on the west facing face of the #3 pit, dump construction should be started at the highwall toe and progress up dip in a westerly direction.

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The in-pit dumps are designed as free draining loose rock fill dumps and should be constructed as follows:

- North south trending face. Where the footwall dip is 13° or greater to the east, north south trending faces should be 1.6:1, H:V (angle of repose).
- East west trending dump faces should be constructed with overall
 2.25:1, H:V slopes. This should be achieved by placing waste in
 10 m lifts. Bench angles may be at 1.6:1. Safety berms should
 be incorporated to acheive the overall 2.25:1 slope.

Loose and overwet material should be removed from the footwall prior to dump construction and ditches and sumps should be used to drain water away from the toe of the waste dump.

6.6.2 Stability Analysis

Stability analyses have been carried out to determine the factor of safety against deep seated and surface instability. The acceptable factors of safety are as discussed in Section 6.5.2.

It is unlikely that any major pore pressure will develop in either the foundation or the fill material due to construction of the in-pit waste dump, consequently, the effect of only a small pore pressure response of $r_{\mu} = 0.2$ was examined.

Results of the stability analysis are presented in Table 6-3.

TABLE 6-3

SUMMARY OF GEOTECHNICAL PARAMETERS AND FACTORS OF SAFETY FOR POTENTIAL FAILURE MODES, IN-PIT DUMPS

Failure Mode	Slope H:V	Ø'° Fill	Ø'° Found- ation	Dip of Bedrock Into Dump	ru 2	Factor of Safety Non Seismic Case	Factor of Safety Seismic Case
Deep Seated Translational	2 .25: 1	32	17	0	0.0	1.3	1.26
Deep Seated Translational	2.25:1	32	17	0	0.2	1.2	1.16
Deep Seated Translational	1.6:1	32	17	13	0.0	1.3	1.26
Surface Slide	1.6:1	32	-	-	-	1.0	0.97
Surface	2.25:1	32	-	-	-	1.4	1.36

Results of the analyses indicate that the design for in-pit dumps is adequate. Factors of safety for deep seated and surface instability under seismic and non-seismic conditions are acceptable for the overall waste dump. However, there is potential for minor surface instability on individual benches on the trenching faces and on the north south trending faces during construction.

6.7 Long Term Settlement

The long term settlement of mine waste depends on a variety of factors such as long term phreatic conditions, breakdown of rock particles and, as such, is difficult to predict accurately. However, experience with similar materials indicates that settlements will be in the order of 2% of fill height and will be substantially complete after about 10 years. For in pit waste which will be loose dumped, the rise in water table after completion of mining may cause some further settlement, estimated to be 3 to 5 percent. The rate of settlement will depend on the rate of rise of the groundwater table.

7.0 FINE TAILINGS DISPOSAL

7.1 Introduction

This section of the report presents the conceptual design of a tailings dam to impound fine refuse. The anticipated output of fine tailings from the process plant is 120,000 tonnes of solids per year. The tailings pond is designed to store tailings for an operating period of 20 years. A preliminary design is provided together with an outline of operating and construction procedures. At this preliminary design stage, no site investigation or materials testing have been undertaken.

7.2 Description of Fine Tailings Materials

Fine refuse will emerge from the coal preparation plant as a thickener underflow in the form of a tailings slurry with a pulp density of 36% solids by weight. The fine refuse is expected to have a top grain size of 1 mm with about 72% by weight, passing 0.15 mm (#100 sieve size) and 58% by weight, passing 0.044 mm. The gradation was provided by CNRL and is shown in Appendix IV, Plate 1.

The clay minerals fraction of the fine tailings is expected to be 95% kaolinite and illite; with 5% smectites. The relatively high percentage of particles less than 0.044 mm necessitates the use of flocculants to settle the finer sizes.

The properties of the tailings have been assessed by comparison with published data (Samaresinghe et al, 1980). The Telkwa tailings will contain a high percentage of fine particles and the gradation is at the finest limit of normal grain size distributions for fine coal tailings. Based on the published data, specific gravity for fine coal refuse varies from 1.4 to 2.4, and it is anticipated that the average specific gravity of the tailings will be about 2.0.

The dry density of coal tailings settling without flocculation normally varies from about 0.64 T/m^3 (40 lb/cu ft) to 1.2 T/m^3 (75 lb/cu ft), although densities as low as 0.3 T/m^3 (19 lb/cu ft) have been used for design elsewhere. The effect of flocculant on the

settled density of the tailings can be determined in bench tests, however scaling up of test results to full scale production is difficult and tailings density in the pond will not be known accurately until the pond is in operation. For design purposes the dry density of the tailings was assumed to be 0.64 T/m³ (40 lb/cu ft).

The volume of tailings to be stored is inversely proportional to their density, thus the assumed density relates directly to the size of impoundment required. The design assumption of 0.64 T/m^3 is a relatively low density which provides for conservatism in impoundment sizing. With tailings dam construction the dam is raised each year thereby permitting adjustments to be made should the density vary from the design value.

The permeability of the settled tailings is expected to be between 1×10^{-6} and 1×10^{-7} m/sec.

The design values for dry density, void ratio and permeability are listed below in Table 7-1.

Table 7–l

SUMMARY OF DESIGN PARAMETERS FOR FINE TAILINGS

<u>Parameter</u> Dry Density Specific Gravity Permeability Design Value 0.64 T/m³ 2.0 1 x 10⁻⁴ m/sec

7.3 Site Conditions

The proposed tailings pond site is located about 2 km north east of the mine area adjacent to the plant site as shown on Drawing D-DlOl. The ultimate pond will cover an area of some $.56 \text{ km}^2$ of lightly forested ground which slopes gently at about 1° to 2° down to the east. As currently located, the toe of the finished dam abuts the proposed railway spur. It is understood that this railway line may

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be relocated and a minimum clearance of 100 m from the toe of the finished dam is recommended. The site was chosen because of the proximity to the process plant and the availability of a sufficiently large area to store all the tailings in one location. The site is lower in elevation than the plant thereby minimizing the head for tailings slurry pumping.

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7.4 Subsurface Conditions

Based on visual inspection of the site and on information given by Pedology Consultants in their 1984 report, foundation conditions at the site are expected to comprise topsoil overlying a well graded, dense sand and gravel deposit.

An investigation of foundation conditions will be necessary at the detailed design stage.

Domestic well records indicate that groundwater in the area is at about 12.5 m depth within the gravel layer.

7.5 Tailings Pond Design

7.5.1 General

The tailings will be discharged into the tailings pond via a pipeline; the tailings will settle in the pond and the remaining clarified water will be recirculated to the process plant by pumping from a barge mounted pump.

A starter dam constructed of locally available borrow will be required to store tailings in the first year of production. The dam will be raised each year to meet storage requirements using mine waste. The height of embankment required depends on the volume of tailings produced plus additional hydraulic considerations such as flood storage and wave runup.

The volume of settled tailings produced each year is estimated at $187,500 \text{ m}^3$ based on the assumed density of 0.64 T/m^3 . Hydraulic design criteria are outlined in the following section.

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7.5.2

Water Balance

Hydraulic Design of Tailings Pond

The proposed tailings pond will operate as a closed circuit during normal hydrologic conditions. As shown on Table 7-2, there is a net water deficit for both average hydrologic conditions and the 10 year wet year. Provision is made for spill in the event of an inflow flood in excess of the 10 year return period.

The water balance analysis is based on the following operating conditions, material characteristics and hydrologic parameters.

a) Reclaim Operation:

Excess water in the tailings pond will be reclaimed to the plant from April to December inclusive. It is assumed that recirculation will not be possible during January, February and March because of significant ice thickness.

b) Hydrologic Conditions:

Annual precipitation:

Mean	510 mm
10 Year Wet	650 mm
Annual Lake Evapora	ation:
Mean	550 mm
Annual Catchment Ru	inoff:
Mean	150 mm
10 Year Wet	190 mm

c) Pond and Catchment Area:

	Pond Area	Net Catchment Area*
	² km	km ²
Starter Dam Stage	0.30	0.05
Ultimate Stage	0.50	0.12

- Pond catchment areas downstream of diversion ditched and excluding pond area.
- d) Water Content of Settled Tailings is 105% (dry weight basis) or 48% solids.

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e) Plant Water Balance:

Total Water to Tailings Pond in Tailings Slurry 37 m³/hr Makeup Water Required for Plant (may be supplied by reclaim from tailings pond or river intake) 43 m³/hr

TABLE 7-2

ANNUAL WATER BALANCE OF TAILINGS POND

	Average Hydrologic Conditions		10 Year Wet		
	Starter Ultima Dam Dam		Starter Dam	Ultimate Dam	
	1000 m ³	1000 m ³	1000 m ³	1000 m ³	
INFLOW					
Precipitation	153	255	195	325	
Runoff	8	18	10	23	
Excess Slurry Water $^{ m l}$	86	86	86	86	
TOTAL	247	359	291	434	
OUTFLOW					
Evaporation	165	275	165	275	
Reclaim Required to					
Balance Water Flows	80	84	126	159	
Release	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL	247	359	291	434	

Notes:

2. Maximum Reclaim is the rate at which water can be accepted by the plant; based on a maximum flow rate of 43 m³/hr for 9 months of the year.

Maximum Reclaim = $9/12 \times 43m^3/hr \times 5700 hrs/yr$ = 184,000 m³/yr. -81-

Freeboard and Flood Control

Criteria

The freeboard and flood control design comply with the criteria for design of tailings impoundment as defined by the B.C. Ministry of the Environment "Guidelines for Design, Construction, Operation and Abandonment of Tailings Impoundments" 1983.

Freeboard

In accordance with the guidelines, a freeboard of 1.0 m is provided above the 200 year flood level to contain wind setup and wave rise produced during a 1 hour extreme wind of 100 years recurrence interval.

Emergency Spillway

An emergency spillway is provided to release excess water in the event that an inflow greater than a 10 year snowmelt flood occurs. The water will be discharged into a ditch leading to an existing water course below the plant site settling pond as shown on Drawing D-O124. The 5 m wide open spillway channel is designed to handle the 200 year spring flood at a flow depth of 0.1 m. With 1.0 m of freeboard the spillway invert is required to be 1.1 m below the dam crest. The spillway will be located at the north abutment of the tailings dam and will be relocated upslope as the dam is raised.

Flood Storage

The tailings pond water level will be controlled by reclaim of water to the plant as the annual water required by the plant will normally exceed the excess water which will accumulate at the tailings pond. The pond will be regulated to provide enough flood storage below the invert of the emergency spillway so that a 10 year flood will not cause spillage. Drawdown of the pond to provide a 0.4 m flood storage depth is required before snowmelt commences to store the 10 year total precipitation from November to April. Only 0.1 m flood storage is required after snowmelt to store the 10 year rainstorm.

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Excess Water During Winter

Reclaim of free water to the plant is expected to be restricted to about 9 months per year because ice buildup will restrict clarification in winter. Ice thickneses up to 1.2 m are anticipated. The average depth of freewater would increase by about 0.2 m during the three winter months when tailings slurry discharge would continue without reclaim.

Normal Free Water Depth

The recommended minimum depth of normal free water is 1.0 m to provide for clarification of slurry water.

Maximum Regulated Pond Level

The maximum regulated pond levels based on the above criteria, are shown on Drawing A-OlO2. As indicated on the drawing, the maximum regulated pond level before snowmelt should not exceed 1.7 m below dam crest and 0.6 m below the spillway invert. The maximum regulated pond level after snowmelt should not exceed 1.2 m below dam crest and 0.1 m below the spillway invert.

Diversion Ditch

A diversion ditch is required to minimize catchment runoff entering the pond. An initial diversion location is shown on Drawing D-OlOl. This diversion should be relocated uphill as the dam is raised.

The diversion should be cleaned of snow accumulation each spring to ensure that all runoff is diverted.

7.6 Tailings Dam Design

7.6.1 <u>General</u>

The recommended tailings dam will be constructed by the downstream method with the centreline progressing outward from the pond as the dam is raised. The starter dam will form a integral part of the main embankment. Tailings should be spigotted near the western (uphill) end of the pond and clarified water reclaimed from the eastern end of

the pond, which is the area of maximum embankment height. Water would be in contact with the embankment above the settled fine tailings deposit. Dam slopes are 2:1 H:V upstream slope and a 2.5:1 H:V downstream slope with a 4 m wide crest as shown on Drawing No. D-1962-101. A 4 m thick impervious facing will be placed on the upstream slope; as potential wave heights are small no additional erosion protection is considered necessary on the dam face. In a storm, waves will erode the till facing to a limited depth before a self armouring surface forms.

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The proposed dam is designed for an operating life of 20 years with a final crest elevation of about 558 m and a maximum height of about 18 m. The final crest width is set at 4 m, although intermediate crest widths may be greater for construction convenience. The final length of the dam will be about 2.4 km. The storage/elevation curve and the dam volume/elevation curve for the proposed tailings pond are shown on Drawing D-0103.

7.6.2 Foundation Preparation

All wet and organic soils should be stripped from beneath the foundation area. The exposed sand and gravel foundation should be proof rolled with at least four passes of an 8 T vibratory roller prior to fill placement.

7.6.3 <u>Starter Dam</u>

A starter dam constructed of borrow material is required to form an initial tailings pond. The starter dam will form an integral part of the ultimate tailings dam. The height of the starter dam is dependent mainly on providing storage for precipitation and clarification of water.

The starter dam should be constructed to an elevation of 546 m; a maximum height of 6 m. The starter dam will require fill of about 100,000 m³ and will provide storage for 187,000 m³ of tailings.

The starter dam and pond are shown in plan on Drawing D-OlOl along with a typical dam cross section. Material types and compaction requirements are discussed in Section 7.6.4.

7.6.4 Main Tailings Dam

The main tailings dam is expected to have a maximum height of about 18 m and is shown in plan, and with a typical section on Drawing D-OlOl. The dam is designed with three different zones. Assumptions have been made about the availability and suitability of the various material types and these must be confirmed by investigation prior to final design.

- a) Zone A is low permeability fill used to form the starter dam and a 4 m wide facing on the upstream face of the dam. The purpose of Zone A is to prevent excessive seepage through the dam. Zone A should consist of well graded glacial till with a minimum of 20% passing the 0.075 mm sieve, placed in maximum lifts of 300 mm and compacted to a minimum of 98% of maximum Standard Proctor Density at optimum moisture content +2%.
- b) Zone B is the general fill which may consist of waste rock from the mine, provided that a suitable gradation of material can be produced. The waste rock should be well graded with a maximum size of 150 mm and consist predominantly of siltstone and sandstone. Compaction specifications should be determined after a field trial to ensure an adequate density, without excessive particle breakdown and loss in permeability. It is anticipated that the material will be spread in lifts about 250 mm thick and compacted with 4 passes of a smooth drum vibratory roller with minimum static weight of 8 T.

The local sand and gravel materials may be used as an alternative to mine waste. This material has significant advantages in terms of engineering properties and may not prove

significantly more expensive than the mine waste especially if rehandling of waste is necessary to produce a suitable construction gradation.

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c) Zone C is a filter material. The gradation requirements for the filter will be defined when the grain size of the foundation and construction materials are known. It may be necessary to place the filter between the shell and the Zone A fill as well as above the foundation.

The dam is designed as a semi-pervious structure. Seepage will occur through the dam foundation especially in the early period of operation. The final design must address the potential for water loss, piping or excessive erosion of the foundation due to seepage water. Piezometric levels in the dam and foundation should be measured during operations to confirm that the embankment is well drained.

It is likely that material quality, particularly the waste rock quality, will vary significantly during the 20 year construction period. A program of instrumentation and to help identify problems in construction monitoring is discussed in Section 7.8. Staged construction of the tailings dam will permit observation and development of construction procedures to suit variations in material quality.

7.6.5 Seepage

The base of the proposed tailings pond consists of pervious, well graded sands and gravels. Seepage from the pond is expected to be high, particularly during the early period of pond operation. The permeability of the foundation and construction materials should be measured as part of the foundation investigation in order to calculate seepage rates through the dam and foundation to ensure the integrity of the structure. The calculations may indicate a need for design modifications to control seepage.

7.6.6 Stability

The stability of the dam will depend on the results of seepage analyses and on the strengths of the construction and foundation materials. Assuming a typical foundation and dam fill strength of $\underline{O}^{1} = 35^{\circ}$ and a phreatic line in the dam equivalent to $r_{u} = 0.1$ the safety factor against deep seated circular failure will excede 1.8.

7.6.7 Tailings Pond Operation

Tailings should be discharged at the uphill end of the pond. A beach of tailings will form near the discharge point and slope down towards a pool of water impounded by the dam. The location of the discharge point within the reservoir should be moved during pond operations such that tailings are evenly distributed throughout the pond.

During winter the discharge point should be centrally located where a pond of water can form. By maintaining a water pond, removal of water by reclaim may continue into the winter period and reduce storage loss due to freezing.

7.7 Pumps and Piping

A slurry pump is required in the plant to pump the tailings to the tailings pond, and a reclaim water pump is required to pump clarified water back to the plant. Approximately 2 km of pipe is required for each of the tailings and reclaim lines.

Static head from the plant to the tailings pond is negative at the starter dam level and of the order of 5 metres ultimately. To maintain the tailings in suspension in the slurry line requires a velocity in excess of 1.0 m/sec, or a maximum pipe ID of 120 mm. Use of a H.D.P.E. pipe such as Sclairpipe is common in tailings operations because of the ease of handling of the pipe. For example, a 110 mm series 100 Sclairpipe will carry the design flow at an average velocity of 1.8 m/sec and a head loss equivalent to 56 m. A centrifugal slurry pump with an electrical motor drive at a steady output of approximately 20 kW will be required.

The tailings line should be laid on the ground surface between parallel earth dykes to contain the slurry in the event of a pipe break. Dyke details are shown on Drawing D-0125.

In order to return clarified reclaim water to the plant a small pump is required. The reclaim pump should be installed on a floating barge in the pond. A pumping capacity of $43 \text{ m}^3/\text{hr}$ should be provided to allow the complete makeup water supply for the plant to be provided from the pond in the event of a shutdown in the river water supply. A pump with a 7.5 kW motor will provide the flow required through a 125 mm nominal diameter pipe. The reclaim water pipeline should be buried to prevent freezing and to make winter-time reclaim possible.

7.8 Instrumentation and Monitoring

In order to ensure the safety and efficient operation of the tailings system the following instrumentation and monitoring of the tailings pond and dams is recommended.

- a) The elevation of the tailings pond water surface should be recorded regularly.
- b) Standpipe piezometers should be installed in the tailings dam and its foundation along 3 or 4 sections. The piezometers may consist of 75 mm dia PVC pipe, with a capped slotted section in the lower 2 m, with solid PVC pipe extending upward through the fill surface. The piezometers should be protected by tripods or other suitable barriers to avoid damage from construction equipment. The water levels in the piezometers should be measured and recorded monthly.
- c) Measurements should be taken periodically to determine average in-situ density, specific gravity and water content of the deposited fine tailings. These measurements will provide confirmation of design assumptions or allow adjustment of future storage requirements.

- d) Suitable measurements should be taken annually to estimate the tonnage or volume of tailings produced. These may include regular measurements of slurry flow rate and pulp density and/or annual profiling of the settled tailings surface.
- e) Annual survey cross-sections of the tailings dam should be carried out to provide a check on construction scheduling.

Placement and compaction procedures for dam construction should be observed frequently.

- f) Standard Proctor compaction tests and in situ field density tests should be performed on a regular basis to monitor fill density. A minimum of one field density test should be performed for every 1500 m^3 of fill placed. Representative gradation analyses of the dam construction materials should be obtained regularly. One test per week should be sufficient unless significant material changes occur.
- g) Groundwater observation wells should be installed downstream of the tailings dam and monitored monthly to measure the static water levels and to obtain samples for water quality determinations.
- Regular observations of the toe of the dam should be carried out to detect any visible seepage.
- A record of all dam construction activities should be made on a shift-by-shift basis.
- j) Continued liaison with a qualified geotechnical consultant should be maintained throughout the operating life of the tailings pond. Full time inspection of the construction of the starter dam by the designer is recommended. Subsequently, at least once annual inspection of the tailings dam by the designer should be made.

8.0 PIT SLOPE STABILITY

8.1 Introduction

The geological and geotechnical data collected to date is sufficient for determination of overall slope stability, however, there is insufficient geological control at the present time to identify structures of the scale which will control local slope and bench stability.

High wall, end wall and footwall stability have been considered for the #3 Pit. Slope stability for slopes 1 and 2 has not been considered but geological conditions are similar to those in Pit #3 and therefore pit slopes are expected to be similar. Insufficient data is available for Pits 4, 5 and 6 to allow an evaluation of pit slope stability to be made at the present time.

Geological interpretations made by C.N.R.L. have been used to develop a slope cross section which represents the probable large scale failure mode. Stability analyses have been carried out using the Janbu routine for non-circular failure surfaces.

8.2 Slope Design Parameters

The engineering parameters selected for use in the stability analyses are based on results of laboratory tests.

Mudstone

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Mudstones occur throughout the bedrock sequence but are concentrated stratigraphically beneath each coal seam and as partings and interburden within multiple seams. The mudstone becomes very weak when wetted and softened. Occasional discontinuous slickensided surfaces have been observed.

Shear strength parameters for the mudstone footwall material have been selected on the basis of direct shear tests on remoulded mudstone material. The following parameters were selected for use in the stability analysis.

Shear Strength along bedding planesØ' = 17° and through softened or partiallyC = 0 kPaslickensided mudstone.2100 kg/m³

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Bedrock Overburden Materials

The pit slopes will comprise a sequence of interbedded mudstones, sandstones, siltstones and coal. Failure through the sequence is expected to be discontinuity controlled, the overall failure plane being stepped along joint surfaces and bedding planes. The following cross bedding shear strength parameters have been selected for the bedrock overburden sequence:

Bedrock Materials	Ø' = 25° C = 300 kPa
Average Saturated Unit Weight	2100 kg/m ³

Localized faulting has reduced the shear strength of the overburden sequence. The following shear strength parameters have been selected for the bedrock overburden sequence when faulted:

Faulted bedrock	Ø' = 25° C = 0 kPa
Average Saturated Unit weight	2100 kg/m ³

8.3 High Wall Stability

The #3 Pit high wall will trend north south and will be located on the eastern side of the pit. The main continuous structural discontinuities such as bedding planes and primary faults dip east into the high wall and are generally beneficial to slope stability. Although not identified, it is probable that a west dipping series of

antithetic secondary faults are associated with the primary faulting system. The secondary faults will have a detrimental effect on slope stability but are probably discontinuous.

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Slope stability is assumed to be controlled by the cross-bedding strength of the overburden bedrock sequence. The potential failure surface is a curved, stepped surface comprising intersecting secondary fault and joint planes. Failure along such a failure plane will be accompanied by crushing and rotation of rock blocks along the failure plane. With high wall slopes 100 m high the stresses at the toe of the slope will be relatively small and only the weakest of the mudstones are expected to crush. The apparent cohesion of C = 300 kPa accounts for the anticipated roughness along the failure surface.

Slope failure will be accompanied by some sliding along softened footwall material. The footwall comprises either mudstone or siltstone, however, for the purpose of the analysis a mudstone footwall has been assumed.

Stability analyses have been carried out for a range of slope heights and overall slope angles. Details of the analyses are presented on Drawing B-0130.

8.4 Recommended High Wall Angles

High wall slopes up to 100 m in height may be excavated at an overall angle of 60°. In areas seriously affected by secondary faulting, long term slope stability will be controlled by the dip angle of the faults. The secondary fault area is not expected to be continuous and therefore the safe highwall angle in faulted areas is not expected to be less than 40°.

In areas of #3 Pit which will not be backfilled, long term high wall stability into the abandonment phase of the project will be a concern. To provide longterm stability, horizontal drainage wells

are required to ensure that the groundwater table is maintained below a line drawn at 20° from the toe of the highwall slope.

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Drainage wells should not be required where high wall slopes are to be buttressed by backfilling.

During the operating phase of the project, safety berms should be incorporated into the high wall to control local bench instability and to provide access to the slope for inspection and monitoring.

8.5 End Wall Stability

The north and south endwalls of the #3. Pit will be oriented perpendicular to the strike of the bedrock. With this orientation, the effective dip of the bedding planes is 0° relative to the end wall slopes and therefore there is no potential for planar or wedge failures of the slopes due to sliding along bedding planes.

In view of the intent to construct in-pit waste dumps against the north and south endwalls of #3 Pit there is no requirement for longterm slope stability. On the basis of the analyses shown on Drawing B-0130 the end walls may be excavated at an overall 60° angle. The requirements for safety berms are as presented for the high wall.

8.6 <u>Footwall Stability</u>

The bed dip angle and dip direction in conjunction with the low shear strength of the footwall material preclude the excavation of a stable low wall slope. It will therefore be necessary to extend the footwall until it daylights at the western margin of Pit #3.

The footwall strata dip angle ranges from 13° to 20° creating potential for block sliding along the bedding planes if the footwall is undercut, or if groundwater pressures below the footwall are not releived.

In order to prevent instability careful mining procedures are required to ensure no undercutting of footwall strata occurs. The installation of vertical drainage wells is required to prevent heave of the footwall.

8.7 Monitoring

Regular inspection of the pit walls should be undertaken during mining operations to identify potentially unstable areas in order that minor instabilities may be anticipated. During the first 5 years of operation, groundwater levels should be monitored to confirm that drainage of groundwater into the pit is occuring.

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7.0 8.0					 minor siltstone bands medium plastic minor ironstone and calcite seams at 8.8 m liquid Limits = 45 Plastic Index = 23 					
9.0	3	4.70			SANDSTONE		98	33	0	
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GROUNDWATER

RECORDED GROUNDWATER LEVELS

	Ground		Groundwater
Drillhole	<u>Elevations</u>	Tip Elevation	Elevation July 1984
255	8D2.30	662.90	802.60
256	890.30	731.20	883.05
257	728.60	697.5 0	727.08
258	744.10	698.10	742.88
265	737.30	673.70	718.55
312	764.90	Blocked	
313	750.60	695.60	740.54
318	684.60	560.60	644.97
323	769.70	626.70	768.18
325	803.10	737.10	777.19
335	810.60	758.20	810.60
339	720.60	638.60	720.60
342	757,50	682.20	755.98
343	698,50	571.30	695.50
344	694.30	596.30	694.30
345	763.50	674.70	712.74
347	760.10	714.70	727.17
406	673.60	588.60	665.07
410	662.50	580.50	657.93
417	739.80	653.30	739.50

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QUALITY ANALYSES

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RESULTS OF TESTING:		Pa	ige No: 3		
SAMPLE #		5321-1	5321-2	5321-3	5321-4
CLIENT SAMPLE I.D.		1. L. Hart	2. Cosman	3. Mortenson	4. E.Langhaug
TEMPERATURE OC		-	-	-	-
SAMPLE DATE		09/12/84	09/12/84	09/13/84	09/13/84
PHYSICAL TESTS					
pH		6.90	7.00	6.85	7.85
Conductivity (micromhos/cm)	116.	149.	227.	484.
Color [Pt-Co Scale](Co)		L S.	5.	L 5.	15.
Turbidity (NTU)		$(\underline{1},\underline{0})$	$(\underline{6},\underline{7})$	4.0	9.9
Amiardness (mg/L)	Cacus	48.	59.	117.	(240,)
SOLIDS (mg/L)					1.0
Total Suspended		9.5	9.0	4.0	1.0
Total Dissolved		106.	148.	204.	447.
DISSOLVED ANIONS (mg/L)					
Alkalinity: Bicarbonate	HC03	68.0	103.	137.	293.
_Alkalinity: Carbonate	C03	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Alkalinity: Hydroxide	ОН	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
chlorides	Cl	1.3	L 0.5	ե 0.5	2.2
Sulfaces	504	2.3	1.3	12.5	37.1
H itrates	r)	1.15	L 0.01	L 0.01	L 0.01
litrites	N	0.003	L 0.002	L 0.002	L 0.002
Total Dissolved Phosphates	P	0.015	0.024	0.001	L 0.001
ertho-Phosphates	P	0.013	0.021	L 0.001	L 0.001
J ilica	5102	4.62	5,92	4.20	5.41
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)					
luminum	A 1	0.054	0.12	0.018	0.029
Intimony	sb	0.003	0.002	L 0.001	L 0.001
<pre> Arsenic </pre>	AS	L 0.001	0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
arium	Ва	0.031	0.061	0.10	0.10
eryllium	Be	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003
Bismuth	BI	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5
	сd	0.043	0.027	0.019	0.036
				L 0.001	L 0.001
	Cr	14.9	18.4	33.1	63.4
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	Cu	0.001			
	Fe	0.001	0.001		
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aggesium	Mq	2.60	3 10	8 12	19 4
v manganese	Mn	0.032	1.56	0.005	0.29
Molybdenum	MO	L 0.005	1. 0.005	L 0.005	1. 0.005
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raosphorus	P04	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4
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SAMPLE K		5321-1	5321-2	5321-3	5321-4
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DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)	(CON 'T)			_	
Silicon	S102	7.79	10.3	7.59	11.9
Silver	۸g	L 0.005		L 0.005	L 0.005
Sodium	Na	1.66	1.87	3.97	18.1
Strontium	Sr	0.065	0.084	0.12	0.34
Tin	Sn	L 0.030		L 0.030	L 0.030
Titanium	Ti	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006
🖉 Vanadium	v	L 0.010		L 0.010	L 0.010
Zinc	Zn	4.77	9.57	0.032	0.015
TOTAL METALS (mg/L)					
Aluminum	۸1	0.79	0.26	0.11	0.058
Antimony	Sb	0.003	0.002	L 0.001	L 0.001
∠ Arsenic	As	L 0.001	0.002	L 0.001	L 0.001
Barium	Ba	0.039	0.065	0.10	0.10
Beryllium	Be	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003
Bismuth	Bi	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5
🖬 Goron	8	0.046	0.044	0.055	0.14
Cadmium	Cd	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Calcium	Ca	15.3	18.7	33.7	63.9
Chromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Cobalt	Co	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
	Cu	0.011	0.018	0.015	0.018
⊻ lron	Fe	(1.57)	(2.99)	(1.08)	(1.00)
Lead	Pb	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Magnesium	Mg	2.38	3.12	8.12	19.5
🗸 Manganese	พก	0.058	(1.58)	0.013	0.29
Mercury	Ha	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005
Molybdenum	MO	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	0.005
/Nickel	NÍ	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
🖌 Phosphorus	P04	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4
Selenium	Se	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Silicon	SiO2	10.7	11.1	7.71	12.0
_Silver	Ag	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Sodium	Na	1.72	1.88	4.01	18.1
Strontium	Sr	0.067	0.085	0.12	0.34
Tin	Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
Titanium	Ti	0.024	0.007	L 0.006	L 0.006
Vanadium	v	L 0 <u>.0</u> 10	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010
Zinc	Zn	(5.00)	(10.5)	0.061	0.047
POLLUTANT TESTS (mg/l)					
Total Phosphate	Р	L 0.02	L 0.02	L 0.02	L 0.02
Ammonia Nitrogen	N	0.037	0.073	0.027	0.034
Total Phenolics as Phenol		L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
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_ PHYSICAL TESTS					
pH		7.20	7.35	8.55	8.05
Conductivity (micromhos/cm	i)	281.	452.	724.	463.
Color (Pt-Co Scale)(Co)		L 5.	L 5.	L 5.	15.
Turbidity (NTU)		1.2	Q.60	4.8	1.6
Hardness (mg/L)	CaC03	(135.)	(237)	(157.)	220
SOLIDS (mg/L)					
Total Suspended		L 0.5	0.8	_20.	L 0.5
Total Dissolved		252.	415.	(691)	414.
DISSOLVED ANIONS (mg/L)	- •	14.2			
Alkalinity: Bicarbonate	HC03	162.	278.	460.	271.
Alkalinity: Carbonate	C03	NIL	Nil	18.4	Nil
Alkalinity: Hydroxide	он	NII	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chlorides	C1	14.1	20.5	0.55	1.86
Sulfates	S04	5.90	4.9	33.9	32.7
Nitrates	N	1.00	3.63	L 0.01	L 0.01
Nitrites	И		L 0.002	0.018	L 0.002
Total Dissolved Phosphates	р Р		0.006	0.035	0.013
ortho-Phosphates	P		0.002	0.028	0.012
Sílica	5102	J.20	7.08	5.68	7.10
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)	. 1	0.06)	0.023		
Aluminum	A1 Ch	1 0 001	0.021	0.11	0.021
Antimony	50			L 0.001	L 0.001
Arsenic	AS	0.001	L 0.001	0.001	L 0.001
Barium	Ba	L 0 003	t 0.003	1 0 003	0.092
Beryllium	Be	L 0.5	1 0 5		
Bismuth	8	0.030	0 023	0.5	
Boron	C4	L 0.001	L 0.001	1 0 001	0.030
	Ca	37.4	73.5	34.6	L 0.001
Chromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	F 0 001	1 0 001
	C0	L 0,005	1. 0.005	τ 0.005	
Copper	Cu	0.008	0.10	1. 0.001	0.006
	Fe	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	0 66
Lead	РБ	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Magnesium	Mg	9.98	12.6	16.9	13.9
Manganese	Mn	L 0.003	L 0.003	0.15	0.34
_Molybdenum	Мо	L 0,005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Nickel	Ni	L 0,005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Phosphorus	P04	L 0.4	L 0,4	L 0.4	L 0.4
Potassium	К	1.79	1.38	4.95	0.98
Selenium	Se	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001

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RESULTS OF TESTING: (CON . T)

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SAMPLE #		5321-5	5321-6
CLIENT SAMPLE 1.0.		Bragg	Metzler
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- DISSOLVED METALS (m	9/L) (CON'T)		
Silicon	SiO2	8,87	12.0
Silver	٨g	L 0.005	L 0.005
Sodium	Na	10.1	8.28
Strontium	Sr	0.22	0.28
Tin	Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030
Titanium	Ti	L 0.006	L 0.006
🖉 Vanadium	v	L 0.010	L 0.010
Zinc	շո	0.26	0.013
- TOTAL METALS (mg/L)			
Aluminum	A1	0.12	0.099
Antimony	SÞ	L 0.001	L 0.001
Arsenic	٨s	L 0.001	L 0.001
Barium	Ba	0.11	0.23
Beryllium	ße	L 0.003	ໍ ເ 0.003
Bismuth	Бi	L 0.5	L 0.5
Boron	B	0.047	0.045
Cadmium	Cd	L 0.001	L 0.001
Calcium	Ca	37.4	75.1
Chromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001

A1	0.12	0.099	1.11	0.098
SÞ	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.0012	L 0.001
٨s	L 0.001	L 0.001	0.002	L 0.001
Ba	0.11	0.23	0.22	0.093
Бe	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003
Бi	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5
В	0.047	0.045	0.20	0.046
Cd	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Ca	37.4	75.1	34.6	65.5
Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Со	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Cu	0.010	0.11	0.003	0.006
Fe	0.038	L 0.030	0.75	(1.02)
Pb	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Mg	10.2	12.6	17.1	14.0
Mn	0.004	L 0.003	(0.19)	0.34
Hg	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005
Mo	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Ni	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
P04	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4
Se	L 0.001	L 0.001	0.001	L 0.001
SiO2	8.92	8.92	13.3	12.4
Ag	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Na	10.3	10.3	116.	12.5
Sr	0.22	0.22	0.89	0.35
Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
Ti	L 0.006	L 0.006	0.049	L 0.006
v	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010
2n	0.26	0.016	L 0.010	0.40
P	L 0.02	L 0.02	0.090	L 0.02
N	L 0.01	L 0.01	0.40	0.050
	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Fe	1, 0.05	L 0.0%	(1.15)	0.90
02	-	11.1	-	8.7
er (= ppm,	parts per milli	lon)		
ted				
	Al Sb As Ba Be Bi B Cd Ca Cr Co Cu Fe Pb Mg Mn Hg Mo Ni P04 Se Si02 Ag Na Sr Sn Ti V Zn P N P Fe O2 er (= ppm, et od	A1 0.12 Sb L 0.001 Ba 0.11 Be L 0.003 Bi L 0.5 B 0.047 Cd L 0.001 Ca 37.4 Cr L 0.001 Co L 0.001 Co L 0.001 Co L 0.001 Fe 0.038 Pb L 0.001 Fe 0.038 Pb L 0.001 Mn 0.004 Hg 10.2 Mn 0.004 Hg L 0.0005 No L 0.005 Ni L 0.005 Ni L 0.005 Na 10.3 Sr 0.22 Sn L 0.030 Ti L 0.001 Zn 0.26	A1 0.12 0.099 Sb L 0.001 L 0.001 As L 0.001 L 0.001 Ba 0.11 0.23 Be L 0.003 L 0.003 Bi L 0.5 L 0.5 B 0.047 0.045 Cd L 0.001 L 0.001 Ca 37.4 75.1 Cr L 0.005 L 0.005 Cu 0.010 0.11 Fe 0.038 L 0.001 Cu 0.010 0.11 Fe 0.038 L 0.001 Mn 0.0044 L 0.001 Mg 10.2 12.6 Mn 0.004 L 0.003 Hig L 0.001 L 0.003 Hig L 0.005 L 0.0005 Ni L 0.005 L 0.0005 Ni L 0.005 L 0.005 Na 10.3 10.3 Sr 0.22 0.22 Sn L 0.005 L 0.02 N L 0.001 L 0.001 <td< td=""><td>Al 0.12 0.099 1.11 Sb L 0.001 L 0.001 0.001 As L 0.001 L 0.001 0.002 Ba 0.11 0.23 0.22 Be L 0.003 L 0.003 L 0.003 Bi L 0.5 L 0.5 L 0.5 B 0.047 0.045 0.20 Cd L 0.001 L 0.001 L 0.001 Ca 37.4 75.1 34.6 Cr L 0.001 L 0.005 L 0.005 Cu 0.010 0.11 0.003 Ca J 7.4 75.1 34.6 Cr L 0.001 L 0.005 L 0.005 Cu 0.010 0.11 0.003 Cu 0.010 L 0.005 L 0.005 Cu 0.010 L 0.001 L 0.001 Mn 0.004 L 0.003 (0.19) Hg L 0.005 L 0.005 L 0.005 No L 0.005 L 0.005 L 0.005 No L 0.005 L 0.005 L 0.005<!--</td--></td></td<>	Al 0.12 0.099 1.11 Sb L 0.001 L 0.001 0.001 As L 0.001 L 0.001 0.002 Ba 0.11 0.23 0.22 Be L 0.003 L 0.003 L 0.003 Bi L 0.5 L 0.5 L 0.5 B 0.047 0.045 0.20 Cd L 0.001 L 0.001 L 0.001 Ca 37.4 75.1 34.6 Cr L 0.001 L 0.005 L 0.005 Cu 0.010 0.11 0.003 Ca J 7.4 75.1 34.6 Cr L 0.001 L 0.005 L 0.005 Cu 0.010 0.11 0.003 Cu 0.010 L 0.005 L 0.005 Cu 0.010 L 0.001 L 0.001 Mn 0.004 L 0.003 (0.19) Hg L 0.005 L 0.005 L 0.005 No L 0.005 L 0.005 L 0.005 No L 0.005 L 0.005 L 0.005 </td

CAN TEST LTD.		C	rows Nest Resc ile No: 5321F	ources	
RESULTS OF TESTING:		4.	age no.		
SAMPLE # CLIENT SAMPLE I.D. TEMPERATURE °C		5321-9 9.Rhodes 10.5	- 5321-10 10.Visser 10.5	5321-11 11.Dutov 9.0	5321-12 12.Hoover 8.5
SAMPLE DATE		09/14/84	09/14/84	09/14/84	09/14/84
PHYSICAL TESTS					
pit		7.95	7.15	7.95	8.20
Conductivity (micromhos/cm)	444.	119.	331.	281.
Color [Pt-Co Scale](Co)		£5.	L 5.	L 5.	L S.
Turbidity (NTU)		1.5	1.0	1.2	1.8
Hardness (mg/L)	CaC03	(237)	56.	(170.)	(147.)
SOLIDS (mg/L)) E	105	0.9	2 6
Total Suspended		1.5		0.0	2.2
Total Dissolved		4.27.	108.	297.	201.
DISSOLVED ANIONS (mg/L)					
Alkalinity: Bicarbonate	HC03	318.	73.1	189.	179.
Alkalinity: Carbonate	C03	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Alkalinity: Hydroxide	он	NIL	Nil	Nil	NIL
Chlorides	C1	5.4	L 0.5	21.5	7.8
Sulfates	504	3.1	3.8	3.9	3.2
Nitrates	N		0.015	1.66	0.82
Nitrites	N			L 0.002	L 0.002
Total Dissolved Phosphates	Р			0.003	0.002
ortho-Phosphates Silica	P SiO2	7.20	5.38	6.12	6.72
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)	A1	0.10	0.020	0.012	0.025
Antimony	Sb	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Arsenic	As	0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Aarium	Ba	0.31	0.032	0.063	0.053
Bervllium	Be	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003
Bismuth	Bi	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5
Boron	в	0.026	0.025	0.042	0.025
Cadmium	Cd	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Calcium	Ca	75.9	17.0	55.7	47.9
_Chromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Cobalt	Co	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Copper	Çu	0.11	0.076	L 0.001	L 0.001
Iron	Fe	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
Lead	РЬ	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Magnesium	Mg	11.3	3.28	7.21	6.41
Manganese	Mn	0.59	L 0.003	0.005	L 0.003
Molybdenum	Mo		L 0.005		
Nickel	N1				
Phosphorus	PU4 P	ե Ս.4 10	L U.4	U.4 0.74	ե Ս.Կ Ո ՀՈ
	N Co		1 0 001	1 0 001	1 0 001
Selenium	5C	1 0.001	F 0.001	1, 0.001	

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RESULTS OF TESTING: (CO	4 1)				
SAMPLE #		5321-9 -	5321-10	5321-11	5321-12
LIENT SAMPLE I.D.		Rhodes	Visser	Dutov	Hoover
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)	(CON'T)				
Silicon	Si02	14.0	7.97	11.0	11.4
Silver	٨g	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Sodium	Na	6.01	2.08	3.08	3.06
itrontium	Sr	0.29	0.070	0.16	0.14
tin	Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
Titanium	Ti	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006
anadium	v	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010
inc	20	1.17	0.31	0.028	0.054
FOTAL METALS (mg/L)					
luminum	A1	0.15	0.12	0.080	0.12
Kntimony	5b	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Arsenic	As	0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
arium	Ba	0.31	0.033	0.064	0.054
seryllium	Be	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003
Bismuth	Bi	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5
oron	8	0.058	0.041	0.053	0.064
admium .	Cđ	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Calcium	Ca	77.3	17.4	56.3	48.7
hromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
pbalt	Co	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Copper	Cu	0.13	0.081	0.006	0.006
Lron	Fe	0.22	0.037	0.097	0.081
ead	Pb	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
agnesium	Mg	11.4	3.37	7.23	6.49
Manganese	Mn	0.60	0.004	0.009	L 0.003
ercury	Hg	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005
plybdenum	MO	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Nickel	Nİ	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
hosphorus	P04	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4
elenium	Se	L 0.001	L 0.001	0.002	0.002
Silicon	SiO2	14.7	8.13	11.8	11.5
<u>Si</u> lver	Ag	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
dium	Na	6.06	2.18	3.12	3.06
Arontium	Sr	0.30	0.073	0.16	0.14
ſin	Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
tanium	Tİ	L 0.006	0.007	L 0.006	L 0.006
nadium	v	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010
linc	Zn	1.23	0.32	0.028	0.059
LLUTANT TESTS (mg/L)					
otal Phosphate	P	L 0.02	L 0.02	L 0.02	L 0.02
Ammonia Nitrogen	N	0.038	0.012	L 0.01	L 0.01
tal Phenolics as Phenol		L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
➡ DTHERS (mg/L)					
rrous Iron	FC	0.16	L 0.05	0.077	U.079
ssolved Oxygen	02		-	-	-
ng/L = milligrams per lit	er (= ppm,	parts per milli	OTU		

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RESULTS OF TESTING: (CON	'T)				
SAMPLE #		5321-13 -	4321-14	5321-15	5321-16
CLIENT SAMPLE 1.D.		Van Der Hors	t Laird	Paine	Beamer
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L) (CON T)				
Silicon	SiO2	7.23	10.4	11.3	3.22
Silver	٨g	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Sodium	Na	1.68	2.86	4.30	6.56
Strontium	Sr	0.057	0.12	0.15	0.11
Tin	Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
Titanium	Ti	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006
Vanadium	v	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010
Zinc	Zn	0.12	0.016	0.037	0.018
TOTAL METALS (mg/L)					
Aluminum	Al	0.12	0.12	0.078	0.089
Antimony	SÞ	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	0.002
Arsenic	As	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
3arium	Ba	0.028	0.040	0.059	0.067
Beryllium	Be	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003
Bismuth	Bi	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5
oron	в	0.050	0.077	0.063	0.040
admium	Cd	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	r. 0.001
alcium	Ca	13.7	45.0	53.9	39.0
hromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Cobalt	Co	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Copper	Cu	0.072	0.002	0.005	0 002
ron	Fe	(1.00)	L 0.030	0.12	913
.ead	РЬ	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
lagnesium	Mg	2.31	5.30	7.02	9.43
langanese	Mn	(0.13)	L 0.003	0.009	0.99
lercury	Hg	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005
olybdenum	MO	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
lickel	Ni	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
hosphorus	P04	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4	0.45
elenium	Se	0.002	0.002	0.001	0.002
ilicon	Si02	7.32	10.9	11.4	3.66
ilver	Ag	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
odium	Na	1.70	3.00	4.32	6.57
trontium	Sr	0.057	0.12	0.15	0.11
in	Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
itanium	Ti	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006
anadium	v	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010
inc	Zn	0.13	0.026	0.037	0.033
OLLUTANT TESTS (mg/L)					
otal Phosphate	Ð	0.037	L 0.02	L 0.02	L 0.02
mmonia Nitrogen	N	L 0.01	L 0.01	0.015	0.071
otal Phenolics as Phenol		L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
THERS (mo/L)					
errous lron	Fe	(0.98)	1. 0. 05	0 12	(50)
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RESULTS OF TESTING:		·	age No: 11		
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CLIDUT CAMPLE I D)]21-17	18 Campbell	JJ21-19	5321-20
			7 5	17. Penner	20. Parks
TEMPERATURE %		-	7.J 09/16/04	-	-
SAMPLE DATE		09/13/84	03/10/04	09/14/84	09/13/84
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PHYSICAL TESTS					
pft		7.85	7.65	7.85	7.25
Conductivity (micromhos/cm)	319.	519.	313.	346.
Color [Pt-Co Scale](Co)		τς.	L 5.	τ5.	L S.
Turbidity (NTU)		0.60	0.32	0.47	5 بھے
📕 Hardness (mg/L)	CaC03	$\overline{\mathbf{u}}_{0}$	(2902)	(169.)	178)
- SOLIDS (mg/1)					
Total Suspended		105	2.0	1.0	2.0
Total Dissolved		20.5	488	200	3.0
iotar bristorica		502.	400.	270.	341.
DISSOLVED ANIONS (mg/L)			、		
Alkalinity: Bicarbonate	HC03	228.	348.	215.	233.
Alkalinity: Carbonate	C03	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
📕 Alkalinity: Hydroxide	OH	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chlorides	C1	0.90	7.9	0.55	1.0
Sulfates	S04	3.7	4.8	3.3	11.0
Nitrates	N	0.59	2.39	0.33	0.072
Nitrites	N	L 0.002	L 0.002	0.086	L 0.002
Total Dissolved Phosphates	P	0.006	0.001	0.025	0.022
ortho-Phosphates	P	0.003	0.001	0.018	0.010
Silica	SiO2	5.78	7.80	7.02	7.20
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)					
	A1	0.018	0.020	0.014	0 019
Antimony	Sb	L 0.001	r. 0.003	1 0 001	0.018
Arsenic	As	L 0.001	L 0.001		
m Barium	Ba	0.063	0.31	0.061	0.038
Beryllium	Be	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	1 0 003
Bismuth	Bi	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0 5	
Boron	8	0.012	0.013	0.017	0.015
Cadmium	Cd	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	T. 0.001
	Ca	54.5	95.0	54.8	43.0
Chromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Cobalt	Со	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Copper	Cu	0.003	L 0.001	L 0.001	0.039
Iron	Fe	L 0.030	0.056	L 0.030	0.13
Lead	P b	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Magnesium	Mg	7.93	12.5	7.51	16.7
Manganese	Mn	L 0.003	0.009	L 0.003	1.07
Molybdenum	мо	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Nickel	Nİ	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Phosphorus	P04	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4
Potassium	к	1.34	0.97	1.41	3.06
Selenium	Se	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001

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RESULTS OF TESTING: (CON	'T}			·			
SAMPLE #		5321-17	· 5321-18	5321-19	5321-20		
CLIENT SAMPLE 1.D.		Cebuliak	Campbell	Penner	Parks		
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L) (CON T)						
Silicon	Si02	11.3	12.3	10.8	12.8		
Silver	Ag	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005		
Sodium	Na	4.82	4.40	4.16	10.9		
Strontium	Sr	0.15	0.22	0.14	0.23		
Tin	Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030		
Titanium	Ti	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006		
Vanadium	v	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010		
Zinc	Zn	0.033	0.015	0.13	0.79		
TOTAL METALS (mg/L)							
Aluminum	A1	0.060	0.072	0.054	0.064		
Antimony	Sb	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001		
Arsenic	As	L 0.001	L 0.001	L_0.001	L 0.001		
Barium	Ba	0.064	0.31	0.061	0.042		
Beryllium	Be	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003		
Bismuth	Bi	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5		
Boron	B	0.042	0.058	0.032	0.027		
Cadmium	Cđ	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001		
Calcium	Ca	54.8	95.6	55.5	43.7		
Chromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001		
Cobalt	Co	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005		
Copper	Cu	0.015	0.007	0.006	0.071		
Iron	Fe	0.041	0.12	0.032	<u>(4.48</u>)		
Lead	5 P	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001		
Hagnesium	Mg	7.99	12.5	7.71	16.8		
Manganese	MD U-		0.010	L 0.003	1.12		
Mercury	нg	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005		
Holybdenum	Mo	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005		
Nickel	N1 DO4	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005		
Phosphorus	P04	L U.4	L U.4	L 0.4	L 0.4		
Selenium	se	0.002	0.002	0.001	0.002		
Silicon	5102	11.4	12.6	10.9	12.9		
Silver	Ag	L 0.005		L 0.005	L 0.005		
Sodium	Na Cr	4.97	4.41	4.27	10.9		
Strontium	51	U.15 I 0 030	0.22	0.15	0.23		
Tin hissoine	511 Ti	1 0 006		L 0.030			
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Zinc	2n	0.034	0.036	0.15	0.89		
OLINTANT TESTS (mg/1)							
Total Phosobate	ρ	L 0.02	t. 0.02	0.031	0.029		
Ammonia Nitrogen	N	L 0.01	0.055	L 0.01	0.013		
otal Phenolics as Phenol	-	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001		
OTHERS (mg/L)					-		
errous Iron	Fe	L 0.05	0.11	L 0.05	3.28		
issolved Oxygen	02	-	-	-	$\underline{-}$		
mg/L ≈ milligrams per lite	er (= ppm	, parts per mil	llion)				
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RESULTS OF TESTING:			Tuge not 19		
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SAMPLE #		5321~21		2271-52	5321-24
CLIENT SAMPLE I.D.		21. Helps	21 B.Reip S Barn	ZZ. Kerr	23. Delloog
TEMPERATURE OC		6.5	-	9.5	8.5
SAMPLE DATE		09/13/84	09/13/84	09/15/84	09/12/84
PRYSICAL TESTS			7 00	7	
pH		7.45	7.00	7.45	7.25
Conductivity (micromnos/cm	1)	205.	200.	123.	625.
Color [Pt-Co Scale] (Co)		L 5.	(50.)	5.	LS.
Turbidity (NTU)		0.54	لفرق	1./	<u> </u>
Hardness (mg/L)	Cacus	100.	103.	(416.)	(290.)
SULIUS (Mg/L)		D C	2 C	, ,	
Total Suspended		2.5	100	3.5	L 0.5
Tocal Dissolved		188.	190.	(120)	(552)
DISSOLVED ANTONS (MO/1)			ι.		
Alkalinitus Bicarbonate	HC03	126	177	(1)(246
Alkalinity: Bicarbonate	C03	Nil	135. Nil	(339).	349. No
Alkalinity: Carbonate	08	Njl	NTT NTT	NII	NII
chloridas		21	1 0 5	9 6	N11
culfates	504	5.8	2 9 9	3.0	48.5
Sullaces	N	0 44	0.040	10.0	0.0
Nitrites	N	1. 0. 007	1 0 003	1 0 002	1.34
Total Dissolved Phosobates	P	0.002	0.02		
Total Dissolved mosphaces	p	0.002	0.021	0.010	
cilica	Si02	6.60	5.92	6.00	L 0.001
314160	0100		5.72	0.00	0.07
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)					
Aluminum	Al	0.070	0.11	0.017	0 089
Antimony	Sb	L 0.001	L 0.001	t. 0.001	1 0 001
Arsenic	As	L 0.001	L 0.001	1. 0.001	1 0 001
Barium	Ba	0.031	0.032	0.21	0 18
Bervllium	Be	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0.003	L 0 003
Bismuth	Ві	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	t. 0.5
Boron	в	0.040	0.018	0.018	0 017
Cadmium	Cd	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Calcium	Ca	25.5	24.2	113.	84.5
Chromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.005	1. 0.001
Cobalt	Co	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0 005
Copper	Cu	0.019	0.006	1. 0.001	0.054
	Fe	L 0.030	(2.53)	0.033	1. 0. 030
a Lead	РЬ	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	
Magnesium	Mq	8.57	10.0	31.7	18.7
Manganese	Mn	0.011	0.080	0.011	0.36
Molybdenum	Mo	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Nickel	Ni	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Phosphorus	P04	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4
Potassium	к	2.43	1.24	0.79	1.00
Selenium	Se	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
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RESULTS OF TESTING: (CON 'T)				
SAMPLE #		5321-21	- 5321-22	5321-23	5771-74
CLIENT SAMPLE I.D.		Helps	Helps Barn	Kerr	De Hoog
- DISSOLVED METALS (mg/1	1 (CON'T)				
Silicon	Si02	11.0	9.26	14 3	14 2
Silver	ρΛ	L 0.005	L 0.005	1. 0. 005	19.2
Sodium	Na	5.61	5.91	15.0	28 5
Strontium	Sr	0.12	0.16	0.50	0.58
Tin Tin	Sn	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
Titanium	Ti	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006
🖉 Vanadium	v	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010	L 0.010
Zinc	2n	0.021	0.13	0.059	0.32
TOTAL METALS (mg/L)					
Aluminum	^1	0.11	0.20	0.20	0 12
Antimony	Sb	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Arsenic	As	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Garium	Ba	0.031	0.033	0.21	0.19
- Beryllium	8e	L 0.003	L 0.003 '	L 0.003	L 0.003
Bismuth	Ві	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5	L 0.5
🗋 Boron	в	0.062	0.080	0.032	0.23
Cadmium	Cd	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Calcium	Ca	25.5	24.2	115.	87.8
👝 Chromium	Cr	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
Cobalt	Co	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Copper	Cu	0.024	0.042	0.0 <u>0</u> 3	0.060
_ Iron	Fe	0.078	(3.79)	(1.83)	0.42
Lead	Pb	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
🛲 Magnesium	Mg	8.57	10.0	32.5	19.7
Manganese	Mn	0.013	(0.080)	0.016	0.36
Mercury	Нд	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005	L 0.00005
Molybdenum	Mo	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Nickel	Ni	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Phosphorus	P04	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4	L 0.4
Selenium	Se	0.003	0.001	L 0.001	0.001
Silicon	Si02	11.1	9.47	14.4	14.4
Silver	Ag	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005	L 0.005
Sodium	Na	5.62	5.95	15.2	29.9
#Strontium	Sr	0.12	0.16	0.51	0.62
	Sn - '	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030	L 0.030
Titanium Usesdium	T1	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006	L 0.006
Zinc	V Zn	0.029	0.14	L 0.010 0.099	L 0.010 0.32
POLLUTANT TESTS (mg/L) Total Phosphate	Р	L 0.02	0.027	L 0.02	I. 0. 02
Ammonia Nitrogen	N	0.030	0.040	0.018	0.030
Total Phenolics as Phen	ol	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001	L 0.001
OTHERS (mg/L)	Fe	0.054	(2.95)	0.81	0.17
Dissolved Oxygen	02	~		0.01	-
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RESULTS OF TESTING:		Page No: 15
SAMPLE #		5321-25
CLIENT SAMPLE I.D.		24. Bulkley Balley Collievies
TEMPERATURE OC		6.1
SAMPLE DATE		09/12/84
PHISICAL TESIS		2 20
pn Conductivity (micrombos/cm	1	205
Color (Pt-Co Scale)(Co)	7	203.
Turbidity (NTU)	•	
Hardness (mo/L)	CACO3	99
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SOLIDS (mg/L)		
Total Suspended		L 0.5
Total Dissolved		161.
DISSOLVED ANIONS (mg/L)		`
Alkalinity: Bicarbonate	HC03	86.6
Alkalinity: Carbonate	C03	Nil
Alkalinity: Hydroxide	OH	Ni)
Chlorides	C1	I. 0.5
Sulfates	S04	29.5
_ Nitrates	N	0.050
Nitrites	N	L 0.002
Total Dissolved Phosphates	P	0.008
ortho-Phosphates	P	0.002
Silica	SiO2	3.51
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)		
Aluminum	Al	0.065
Antimony	Sb	I. 0.001
Arsenic	As	L 0.001
Barium	Ba	0.041
Beryllium	Be	L 0.003
Bismuth	Bi	L 0.5
Boron	В	0.014
Cadmium	Cd	L 0.001
Calcium	Ca	26.0
Chromium	Cr	L 0.001
Cobalt	Со	L 0.005
Copper	Cu	L 0.001
Iron	Fe	0.052
Lead	47 11	L 0.001
Magnesium	Mg	8.15
manganese	rin Ma	
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Bhosphorus	DOV	
Potacsium	соч К	0.55
_Selenium	Se	1 0 001
		P. 0.001

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RESULTS OF TESTING: (CON'T) SAMPLE # 5321-25 CLIENT SAMPLE I.D. **Bulkley Valley Collievies** DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L) (CON'T) Silicon **Si02** Silver ٨g Na Sodium Strontium Sr Tin Sn Titanium Τi Vanadium v Zn Zinc TOTAL METALS (mg/L) A1 Aluminum SЪ Antimony Arsenic As Barium Ba 8e Beryllium Bismuth 6i 8 Boron Cd Cadmium Ca Calcium Cr Chromium Co Cobalt Cu Copper Fe Iron .ead Pb Magnesium Mg Mn Manganese Нg hercury lolybdenum MO Ni Nickel P04 hosphorus elenium Se Silicon SiO2 Silver Ag odium Na strontium Sr Sn Tin Тi itanium anadium v Zn Zinc

OLLUTANT TESTS (mg/L) P **Total Phosphate** Ammonia Nitrogen Ν otal Phenolics as Phenol

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OTHERS (mg/L) 0.067 errous Iron Fe 02 issolved Oxygen mg/L = milligrams per liter (= ppm, parts per million) = Less than = Not Detected

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QUALITY ANALYSES

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RESULTS OF TESTING:			Fage NO: 11	
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SAMPLE (13	14	15
CLIENT SAMPLE I.D.		255	257	258
PHYSICAL TESTS				
рн		8.00	8.55	11.20
Conductivity (micromhos/c	m)	401.	668.	1150.
$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} C 2 C 0 3	4.5	11.	5.0	
-nat oness (mg/ b)	Cacus	05.0	50.0	0.0
SOLIDS (mg/L)				
Total Suspended		16.5	135.	10.
Total Dissolved		312.	668.	550.
Alkalinity: Bicarbonate	HOOR	95 2	440	N (1
		95.2 Níl	10.6	92.4
lkalinity: Hydroxide	BO	Nil	Nil	53.0
Chlorides	Cl	57.7	3.42	36.2
Sulfates	S04	55.2	30.0	55.0
itrates	N	0.032	0.032	0.10
Total Photobatac	N DOA	0.005	0.003	0.009
the Phosphates	PU4 P	0.022	0.011	0.008
llica	SiO2	11.0	12.0	14.4
SSOLVED METALS (mg/L)				• • •
	AL	0.028	0.23	0.29
Arsenic	As	0.001	0.002	0.13
Erium	Ba	0.035	0.081	0.051
Beryllium	Be	< 0.003	< 0.003	< 0.003
smuth	Bi	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5
	B	0.027	0.080	0.068
	Ca	< U.UUI 25 2	< 0.001	< U.UUI
	Cr		< 0.005	< 0,005
Coalt	Co	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
Copper	Cu	0.016	0.016	0.042
Iron	Fe	0.12	0.045	0.032
Led	РЬ	0.024	0.004	0.030
Magnesium Manganese	Mg	0 040	3.65	0.021
Manganese .	Mo	< 0.049	0.22	< 0.003
Nikel	Ni	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
Phosphorus	PO4	< 0.4	< 0.4	< 0.4
Pomessium	ĸ	2.41	3.06	8.72
Selenium	Se	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Silicon Silver	5102	7.09	7.13	8.42
South	Na Na	√ 0.00163.6	174	167.
Strentium	Sr	0.11	0.14	0.29
Tin	Sn	< 0.030	< 0.030 ⁻	< 0.030
Ti E nium	Ti	< 0.006	0 .017	0.008
Varidium	ν	< 0.01 RLOHN LEONO	FF < 0.010	< 0.010
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SAMPLE (13	14	15
CLIENT SAMPLE I.D.		255	257	258
TOTAL METALS (mg/L)				
Aluminum	Al	0.30	10.8	0.68
Antimony	Sb	< 0.15	< 0.15	< 0.15
Arsenic	As	0.001	0.004	0.003
Barium	Ba	0.038	0.13	0.059
Beryllium	Be	< 0.003	< 0.003	< 0.003
Bismuth	B1	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5
Boron	8	0.033	0.080	0.068
	Ca Ca	< 0.001		
Calcium	Ca Cr	23.2	13.3	< 0.005
Copper	00 Cu	0.005	0 17	0.46
Iron	Fe	0.55	3.42	0.32
Lead	Pb	0.033	0.040	0.096
Magnesium	Ma	5.24	4.27	0.099
Manganese	Mn	0.053	0.26	0.008
Mercury	Нg	0.00010	<.00005	0.00015
Molybdenum	Mo	< 0.040	0.076	< 0.040
Nickel	Ni	0.005	0.015	< 0.005
Phosphorus	PO4	< 0.4	< 0.4	< 0.4
Selenium	Se	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Silicon	SiO2	9.82	39.0	11.3
Silver	Ag	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Sodium	Na	63.6	174.	167.
Strontium	Sr	0.11	0.15	0.30
rin 	Sn	< 0.030	< 0.030	< 0.030
The addised	TL	0.038	0.43	C 0 010
	70	0.010	0.010	0.24
	211	0.14	0.24	
POLLUTANT TESTS (mg/L)				
Total Phosphate	PO4	0.16	0.10	0.051
mmonia Nitrogen	N	1.79	0.22	2.03
Potal Phenolics as Phenol		< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
THERS	_			
errous Iron (mg/L)	Fe	< 0.10	< 0.10	< 0.10
Temperature C		7.2	-	-

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RESULTS OF TESTING:			Page No: 11	
SAMPLE 4		13	14	15
CLIENT SAMPLE I.D.		255	1257	258
DATE SAMPLE		09/18/83	09/16/83	09/18/83
DHYSICAL TPSTS				
		8.00	8 65	10 20
_ Conductivity (micromhos/cm	n)	960.	1780.	1830.
Turbidity (JTU)	•	5.2	35.	66.
Hardness(mg/L)	CaC03	100.	46.5	11.5
SOLIDS (mg/L)				
Total Suspended		25.5	54.5	98.5
. Total Dissolved		606.	1700.	1040.
DISSOLVED ANIONS (mg/L)				
Alkalinity: Bicarbonate	HCO3	157.	1040.	137.
Alkalinity: Carbonate	CO3	. –	. 159.	370.
Alkalinity: Hydroxide	OH	Nil	Nil	Nil
- Chlorides	C1	205.	2.20	81.0
	504	55.0	40.0	84_0
Nitrates	N	0.011	< 0.010	0.016
Total Phosphates	N	0.002		0.012
Ortho Phosphates	P			< 0.01
Silica	SiO2	14.4	13.1	-
DISSOLVED METALS (mg/L)				
Aluminum	Al	0.022	0.11	0.31
Antimony	Sb	0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Arsenic	As	0.001	0.002	0.003
Barium	Ba	0.038	0 .096	0.093
Beryllium	Be	< 0.003	< 0.003	< 0.003
Bismuth	Bi	< 0.50	< 0.50	< 0.50
Boron	В	0.031	0.18	0.19
Calcium		0,000 כול		< 0.001
Chromium		< 0.001	13.8	2.93
Cobalt	C0			
Copper	Cu	0_041	0.007	0.058
Iron	Fe	0.19	0.040	0.084
Lead	Pb	0.029	< 0.001	< 0.001
Magnesium	Mg	5.26	2.90	0.36
Manganese	Mn	0.054	0.17	0.005
Molybdenum	Mo	0.022	0.015	0.037
Nickel	Ni	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
Phosphorus	PO4	< 0.4	< 0.4	< 0.4
Potassium	ĸ	3.94	5.35	11.5
Selenium	Se	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
-Silicon	5102	6.92	9.41	12.3
Selver Sodium	AG Na		< U.UUD ADR	< 0.005 128
Strontium	Sr	0,12	۹40. n 2n	0 7A
Tin	Sn	< 0.030	< 0.030	< 0.030
 Titanium	Ti	< 0.006	< 0.006	0.006
Zanadium	v	< 0.010	< 0.010	< 0.010
tinc .	7.n	() KUCHN LEONOFF	0.056	0.024

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RESULTS OF TESTING:			Page No: 12	
SAMPLE		13	14	15
CLIENT SAMPLE I.D.		255	1257	258
DATE SAMPLE		09/18/83	09/16/83	09/18/83
TOTAL METALS (mg/L)				
Aluminum	A1	0.33	5.71	12.7
Antimony	Sh	0 001	< 0.001	
Arsenic	As	0,001	0.001	0.001
Barium	Ba	0.038	0.13	0.15
Bervllium	Be	< 0.003	< 0.003	< 0.003
Bismuth	Bi	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5
Boron	B	0.039	0.19	0.19
- Cadmium	ca	0.078	< 0.001	< 0.001
Calcium	Ca	31.4	14.1	4.86
Chromium	Cr	0.003	0.007	0.013
Cobalt	Co	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
Copper	Cu	0.26	× 0.005	0.20
Irop	Fe	0.52	2 23	3 10
Lead	Ph	0.032	0.010	0.008
Magnesium	Ma	5_28	3 35	1.86
Manganese	Mp	0.058	0 22	0.042
Mercury	Ha	0.00038	0.00013	0.00018
Molybdenum	Mo	0 027	0 017	0 037
Nickel	Ni	< 0.027	< 0.005	< 0.005
Phosphorus	PO4	< 0.4	< 0.4	< 0.4
Selenium	Se	< 0.001		< 0.001
- Silicon	SiO2	7.69	31.9	55.8
Silver	Ag	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
Sodium	Na	147.	431	344.
Strontium	Sr	0.12	0.20	0.38
Tin	Sn	< 0.030	< 0.030	< 0.030
Titanium	Ti	0.028	0,25	0.50
Vanadium	v	< 0.010	< 0.010	0.023
Zinc	Zn	0.62	0.20	0.13
POLLUTANT TESTS (mg/L)				
Total Phosphate	P	< 0.020	0.20	0.091
Ammonia Nitrogen	N	1.82	0.66	0.093
Total Phenolics as Phenol	L	3.04	0.003	0.003
OTHERS				
Ferrous Iron	Fe	0.31	1.30	1.93

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mg/L = milligrams per liter < = Less than = Not detected

ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL GROUNDWATER RECHARGE

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COMPUTATIONS

ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL GROUNDWATTER BECHARGE

-Annual precipitation = 510 mm (Smithere Airport) - Annual precipitation = 510 mm (Smithere Airport) - Area of Catchment area Az (see Drawing)= 5.5 km²

if infiltration rate = 1% total annual mechange = $5.5 \times 1000000 \times \cdot 0051$ = 28,050 m³

ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL GROUNDWATER FLOX

Average groundwaller flow path startin in recharge area at elevation 720m and flows approximately 500m to discharge in Goathorn Chark at elevation 555m.

The average hydraulic gradiout = I = (720-655)/500.

I = 0·13.

Assume average hydraulic conductivity (K) for catchment = $5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m/s}$ Cross sectional area(A) of Catchment A₂ = 50 m deep × 8000 m long $A = 400,000 \text{ m}^2$.



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= 2.6 × 10-2 m3/s.s	
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APPENDIX III

LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

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Summary of Slake Durability Tests

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			Slake Dura	ability
Т.Н.	Depth	Material	<u>Test 1</u>	Test 2
267	57.3- 66.2	Mudstone with coal	89.1%	77.6%
267	81.1- 83.1	Mudstone with coal	81.0%	63.7%
271	20.4	Interbedded sandstone & siltstone	97.6%	95.1%
271	59.8	Siltstone	99.5%	99.3%
272	45.7- 51.2	Interbedded siltstone & sandstone	98.1%	94 .9%

SUMMARY OF SULPHATE SOUNDNESS TESTS

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<u>T.H.</u>	Depth	Material	Sulphate Soundness Correct % Loss
268	81.4	Sandstone	100
271	35.1	Sandstone	83
272	40.2	Sandstone	78
272	-82.5	Sandstone	· 92

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	SAMPLE DESCRIPTION: CARBONACEOUS SILTSTONE											
<u>Т</u> Е5 <u>Т</u> NO.	SYMBOL	TEST HOLE NO.	DEPTH (m)	NATURAL MC %	8d (Ma/m³)	L.L. (%)	P.L. (%)	P.I. (%)	NORMAL STRESS G'n(KPa)			
1	O	267	61.5			23	14	9	200			
2		267	61.5			23	14	9	400			
3		267	61.5			23	14	و	800			



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APPENDIX IV

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Sampling	Location	Construction	рн	<u>T(°C)</u>	(ppm)
Kitchen Hand pump	Approximately 10 m from house in depression beside garden	Dug well, 4.3 m deep with 25 cm diameter galvanized corregated steel casing	6.0	-	
Wellhead portable pump	Approx. 10 m from house and 75 m from Telkwa River on flood plain gravel deposit	Dug well, 2.3 m deep with 90 cm diameter galvanized corrugated steel casing No grouting	6.0	5.3	•
Garden hose connected to pressure tank	Well site remote from house and about 15 m from Goathorn Creek	Dug well, 3.7 m deep with 90 cm diameter galvanized corrugated steel casing	6.5	13.0	11.6
House tap	Approximately 12 m from house & 3 m from road	Drilled well 44 m deep with 15 cm diameter steel casing	6.0	7.0	12.0
Wellhead tap	Approximately 15 m from road	Drilled well with 15 cm steel casing Well installed in 1979	6.0		-
Garden hose	Approximately 5 m from trailer	Drilled well 13 m deep	6.0	7.0	11.1
Test Pit seepage	-	-	7.0	10.5	·, ·
Kitchen tap	Approximately 6 m south of house	Drilled well 43 m deep	€.0	8.0	8.7
Kitchen tap	Approximately at toe of slope	Dug well with 90 cm diameter galvanized corrugated casing.	6.0	10.5	· _
Garden hose	Approximately 200 m north of house at base of steep slope	Dug well	6.0	10.5	-
Garden hose	Few metres east of house	Orilled well 21 m deep with 15 cm	6.0	9.0	-
Garden hose	Adjacent to house	Drilled well 21 m deep with 15 cm diameter steel casing	6.0	8.5	-
House tap	Near house in depression	Dug well 2 m deep with 90 cm dia- meter gal- vanized, corrugated casing.	6.0	8.5	
House tap		Drilled well 15 m deep with 15 cm diameter steel casing	6.0	8.5	-
Garden hose at well .head	30 m south of house	Drilled well 12 m deep with 15 cm diameter	6.0	6.5	•
Hand pump at well head	Adjacent to house under construction	Newly drilled well 18 m deep with 15 cm diameter steel casing	6.0	6.5	-
	Adjacent to trailer house	Dug well, 6 m deep with 15 om diameter steel casing. Casing slotted for 2 m.	6.0	_ *	-
		Drilled - 12 m well with 15 cm steel casin	16.0 9	8.5	-
Kitchen tap	200 m south of house in topographic depression	Dug well 6 m deep with large diameter corrugated steel casing	6.0	15.0	-
Garden hose at wellhead	30 m northeast of house in pumphouse	Drilled (?) well with 20 cm diameter steel casing	6.0	6.5	-
Wellhead	Adjacent to	Drilled (?)	6.0	10.0	-

Water Source Notes

Well reported to have about 1/2 m of

Flood plain gravel aquifer provides abundant supply. Well construction surface runoff to enter well allows outside of casing. Water contains high content of suspended material

Well water level about 1 m below ground level. Sufficient supply fed in part by seepage from Goathorn Creek. Heated pump house over wellhead, also houses pressure tank. High water

temperature probably reflects

Well water level about 40 m below ground level. Drilled through 12 m surficial gravel, 18 m of clay and into pea gravel. Wellhead and pressure tank below ground and covered by large diameter corrugated steel culvert.

pressure tank temperature, no groundwater temperature.

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water and to provide limited water supply. Top of well casing is packed with fibreglass insulation.

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1	Wellhead tap	Approximately 15 m from road	Drilled well with 15 cm steel casing Well installed in 1979	6.0	-	-	Water supply not large and resider must be careful with use. Well head constructed with concrete pac and housing with metal siding.	
1	Garden hose	Approximately 5 m from trailer	Drilled well 13 m deep	6.0	7.0	11.1	Well serves two trailer homes. Located on gravelly terrain.	
	Test Pit seepage	-	-	7.0	10.5	· ·	Seepage area on lower slope of reclaimed area. Seepage is diffus and covers area some 60 by 15 m.	
	Kitchen tap	Approximately 6 m south of house	Drilled well 43 m deep	6. 0	8.0	8.7	Wellhead below ground and sealed. No shortage of water.	
	Kitchen tap	Approximately at toe of slope	Dug well with 90 cm diameter galvanized corrugated casing.	6.0	10.5	· _	Less than 3 meters of water in wel which is dug in gravel.	u
	Garden hose	Approximately 200 m north of house at base of steep slope	Dug well	6.0	10.5	-	Well in alluvial sand and gravel deposit. 3 to 4 m of water in wel	u.
	Garden hose	Few metres east of house	Drilled well 21 m deep with 15 cm	6.0	9.0	-	Well drilled in outwash sand and gravel which is exposed in gravel pit some 50 m from house.	
	Garden hose	Adjacent to house	Drilled well 21 m deep with 15 cm diameter steel casing	6.0	8.5	-	Well drilled in outwash sand and gravel aquifer. Water level reported to be 15 m below ground level.	
	House tap	Near house in depression	Dug well 2 m deep with 90 cm dia- meter gal- vanized, corrugated	6.0	8.5	-	Well dug into sand and gravel near a slough and river.	
	House tao		casing. Drilled well	6.0	8.5	-	Sand and gravel aquifer with good	
			15 m deep with 15 cm diameter steel casing				supply of water (20/gpm).	
	Garden hose at well head	30 m south of house	Drilled well 12 m deep with 15 cm diameter	6.0	6.5	-	Well in outwash sand and gravel. Good water supply. Pump and pressure tanks at wellhead enclosed in pumphouse.	the particular from the second s
	Hand pump at well head	Adjacent to house under construction	Steel casing: Newly drilled well 18 m deep with 15 cm diameter steel casing	6.0	6.5	-	Well drilled through outwash sand and gravel to full depth. Water level estimated 6 m below ground level.	
		Adjacent to trailer house	Dug well, 6 m deep with 15 cm diameter steel casing. Casing slotted for 2 m.	6.0		-	Water level 4.3 m and veries only small amount with seasons. Well dug in outwash sand and gravel.	
			Drilled - 12 m well with 15 cm steel casing	6.0)	8.5	-	New well providing good water supply.	
	Kitchen tap	200 m south of house in topographic depression	Dug well 6 m deep with large diameter corrugated steel casing	6.0	15.0	-	Heated pumphouse with concrete floor. Shortage of water. Water turbid.	
	Garden hose at wellhead	30 m northeast of house in pumphouse	Drilled (?) well with 20 cm diameter steel casing	6.0	6.5		Well drained flat outwash plain. Well serves two houses.	
	Wellhead	Adjacent to livestock barn	Drilled (?) well with 20 cm diameter casing.	6.0	10.0		Water turbid with sediment. Wellhead below ground with pressure tank.	
	Pumped directly from well	Dawn slope from house	Dug well 2.5 m deep with 90 cm dimeter corrugated steel casing.	7.0	9.5	-	Well pumped 20 minutes before collecting sample. Well not in good condition and had not been in use.	
	Garden hose	30 m north of house and adjacent to small lake	Dug well with 90 cm dia- meter galvanized corrugated casing.	6.0	8.3	-	Water level estimated 2 m below ground level. Water shortage in dry periods and dependant on seepage from small lake.	
	Small reservoir in house	Estimated 8 m from house and 15 m from Goathorn Creek	Dug will installed in 1956 and cased with three 45 gal. drums.	6.0	6.1	-	Wellhead covered by several feet soil and overgrown by grass and weeds. Located in small corral.	of
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-HEIGHTH=50m., 100m., 200m. -SLOPE ANGLE - 30,45, 50, 60' -WATER LEVEL W -20°, 30°, 40° FROM TOE MATERIAL PARAMETERS (\$\$ = 30° C'.300 KPa - SHEAR STRENGTH THROUGH ROCK (φ'= 17° (c'=OKPa DESCRIPTION OF SLOPE MODEL 1. FRILURE PLANE COMPRISES CURVED, STEPPED SURFACE CONSISTING OF SECONDARY FAULT PLANES & BEDDING PLANES WITH A SHORT SECTION OF THE FAILURE PLANE ALONG THE 2. FOOTWALL MATERIAL COMPRISES SCALE MOUECT TELKWA PROJECT HIGHWALL SLOPE STABILITY - MODEL I DATE OF ISSUE FEB. 1985 DWQ. No. PA B-0130 1692





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