



Canagold Proposed New Polaris Gold Mine Tulsequah River

TRTFN Agreement with Canagold

A consent-based, decision-making agreement was signed by TRTFN and Canagold in March 2023. This contract outlines how the two parties will work together to explore any concerns, questions, or topics that TRT Citizens or the TRTFN Technical Working Group is interested in seeking more information.

What the agreement does not do

1. This contract with Canagold does not affect the rights, title, or interests of TRT Citizens. Those terms are explicit in the contract.
2. This contract does not make decisions, it outlines that those decisions are to be made, at a JCM.

What the agreement does do

There are many details within the contract and below are four important topics that are in the document.

1. It established an engagement process.
 - a. A process for TRTFN representatives through a Technical Working Group, to engage with Canagold representatives.
2. It provides capacity funding.
 - a. The capacity funding will be used to cover engagement costs associated with the review of the proposed New Polaris Gold mine.
3. It establishes that future employment and business opportunities for TRT Citizens and TRT related businesses will be given priority.
 - a. this will become more detailed within future contracts with Canagold.
4. **Canagold provides a commitment to not proceed with project development without first obtaining TRT consent.**

Contract Details

The details of the contract were worked on by the TRTFN's Senior Negotiator, Lands Manager, and the Mining Officer along with TRTFN legal representation, over many months. In many ways this agreement is like many other contracts that TRTFN works on.

One main difference is the clause that Canagold has committed to not proceeding with project development without first obtaining TRT consent.

Many other aspects are similar if not exactly the same as other contracts that TRTFN has with various other entities. All these contracts specifically state items such as



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“The Taku River Tlingit (“TRT”) have existing TRT Rights throughout TRT Territory, which TRT Rights have never surrendered or extinguished, and are recognized and affirmed under section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982 (Canada). TRTFN has not entered into any treaty or agreement with the Governments of Canada, British Columbia or Yukon that extinguishes, cedes, surrenders, or modifies any TRT Rights;

“TRT have used, occupied, managed, and protected TRT Territory since time immemorial. The historic and contemporary uses and stewardship of land, water and resources by TRT are integral to TRT society, well-being, self-determination, governance and economy;”

“The lands, waters and resources within TRT Territory belong to the TRT and are subject to the inherent sovereignty and jurisdiction of TRT, which are exercised on behalf of the TRT by TRTFN;”

Contract Summary

A more detailed summary of the entire agreement is forthcoming and will be distributed both in paper copy and digital format as soon as possible.

For those citizens that wish to view the document itself, please make an appointment with your Mining Officer, Jackie Caldwell. Due to confidentiality clauses, you will need to come into the office to view it, as no copies are able to be distributed due to the confidential nature of some of the content within. For example, funding amounts can not be disclosed as it could affect future contracts with other mine development companies.

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