

## Canagold Proposed Mine New Polaris, Tulsequah River

## **TRTFN Indigenous Protected & Conserved Area**

Early in 2023 TRTFN declared an Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area (IPCA) for the entire Taku River Watershed.

This IPCA has two main designations; protected areas and specially managed areas.

In <u>Protected Areas</u>, industrial activities such as mining will not be allowed to take place. These areas are designated for the protection of the land, wildlife, water and air. Non-extractive activities such as tourism, research, restoration and TRT culture will be allowed.

<u>Specially Managed Areas</u> will provide opportunities for respectful mineral development and other industrial activities. Developments in these areas will have enhanced conditions that must be followed, conditions that go above what the BC government already requires. This allows TRT values to take a focal point with regards to any proposed development.

The proposed mine by Canagold is within the IPCA and the TRTFN teams have been discussing how this will influence the work that Canagold is proposing, how Canagold will need to change or alter their plans and what commitments they can make to TRTFN to adhere to the upcoming conditions of the IPCA.

Because the enhanced conditions for the Specially Managed Areas have not been developed, TRTFN will be developing them in real time within the process of assessing this proposed mine!