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# 1 INTRODUCTION

This Climate Risk and Resilience Assessment has been prepared by WSP Canada Inc. (WSP) to estimate climate change associated risks for the proposed Great Bear Gold Project (the Project) and identify how potential risks are expected to be managed through treatment / adaptation measures to demonstrate the climate resilience of the Project throughout its lifetime.

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## 1.1 REPORT OVERVIEW

Canada's climate is warming at a rate about twice that of the global average (Bush and Lemmen 2019). Ontario is experiencing similar increasing trends that are projected to continue in the future, including changes in the frequency and magnitude of extreme weather events (Douglas and Pearson 2022). As these changes impact the surrounding environment, they will also very likely impact the Project. This report has been prepared to identify and understand the potential ways climate may interact with the Project, as well as outline how these potential impacts are being considered in the Project design, and the operation, maintenance and closure of the Project. These considerations are called climate treatment or adaptation measures and are used to manage climate-related impacts or risks over the Project lifetime.

This report provides the climate change risk assessment (CCRA) of the Project and is developed in line with well know climate risk frameworks such as the Mining Association of Canada (MAC) *A Guide on Incorporating Climate Change Adaptation into Decision Making for the Mining Sector* (MAC 2021) and the Draft Technical Guide Relating to the Strategic Assessment on Climate Change (SACC): *Assessing Climate Change Resilience* (ECCC 2022). A more detailed discussion of the assessment objectives and how they relate to these frameworks is available in Section 1.2, below. These frameworks follow a stepwise process to identify and understand the potential risks associated with a project. The first step is to understand which aspects of a project may interact with climate and then assess the risk associated with the interactions by looking at the likelihood the interaction could occur given the design of the project and the consequence of the impact. Based on the risks identified, treatment or adaptation measures can be identified to manage these risks over time, as mentioned above. Looking at how the treatment and adaptation measures help to address projected changes in climate supports the evaluation of whether a project could be considered resilient in the face of a changing climate.

This report outlines how the Project has been integrating future climate considerations throughout the planning phase and will continue to consider climate change throughout each phase of the project by following available guidance for the mining sector and relevant regulatory requirements, and by leveraging risk management and adaptation processes already planned for the Project. While climate risk will likely always be present for any major project in Canada, climate-informed design and decision making (e.g., treatment and adaptation measures) support resilient project operation in the face of a changing climate. This report demonstrates how the Project can operate resiliently throughout all phases of the project.

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## 1.2 REGULATORY OBJECTIVE

This CCRA has been prepared to support the Impact Statement for the Project and focuses on physical climate change risk and resilience of the Project. Climate change resilience is defined as:

*The ability of a system (built, natural, social or economic) to anticipate, withstand, recover, adapt to and transform in response to a climate-related hazards* (ECCC 2022).

The objectives of this CCRA included:

- Establishing the relevance of the Project and interaction with climate change. This included identifying key infrastructure and operations and considering this infrastructure in the operation and post-closure phases of the Project.

- Identifying the relevant climate hazards that may interact with the Project infrastructure and operations and establishing the likelihood of these interactions using climate change projections. The Detailed Climate Change Dataset Report (WSP 2024) prepared for the Project was used in this CCRA.
- Complete a physical risk analysis and evaluation using the consequence of a given climate hazard interaction, and the likelihood of the interaction to occur based on the current Project description, understanding this assessment has been completed ahead of the finalized design of the Project.
- Identifying proposed risk treatment and adaptation measures of how climate change risks will manage through design, operation and post-closure to demonstrate climate resilience of the Project.

This CCRA aligns with the Draft Technical Guide Relating to the Strategic Assessment on Climate Change (SACC): Assessing Climate Change Resilience (ECCC 2022), which provides a technical guidance for how proponents pursuing a project under a federal impact assessment can consider the resilience of their project. In addition to the SACC, the CCRA has been prepared in consideration with the Mining Association of Canada (MAC) *A Guide on Incorporating Climate Change Adaptation into Decision Making for the Mining Sector* (MAC 2021). That document provides a stepwise approach that mining facilities such as the Project may apply to incorporate climate change adaptation into decision-making and to increase climate resilience.

Table 1 provides a roadmap of the report sections and identifies how they coincide with each of the steps outlined in the SACC's (2022) climate risk framework.

**Table 1: Report Roadmap and SACC Alignment**

<b>SACC (2022) Risk Framework Step</b>	<b>CCRA Report Section</b>
Step 1: Establishing the Project Context	Section 1.2: Project Context
Step 2: Identifying Climate Hazards	Section 3.1: Climate Hazards and Project Components
Step 3: Risk Analysis Step 4: Risk Evaluation	Section 3.2: Risk Analysis and Evaluation
Step 5: Risk Treatment and Adaptation Measures	Section 3.3: Risk Treatment and Adaptation Measures
Statement on the Projects Resilience to Climate Change	Section 4: Climate Change Resilience

## 1.3 PROJECT CONTEXT

A brief description of the Project stage schedule and infrastructure / processes is provided below aligning with the requirements outlined in Step 1 of the SACC (2022).

Great Bear Resources Ltd. (Great Bear Resources) a wholly owned subsidiary of Kinross Gold Corporation, is proposing to develop a gold mine at the Great Bear Property. The Property is located approximately 25 kilometres (km) southeast of the Municipality of Red Lake in northwestern Ontario. The purpose of the Project is to produce gold doré bars on site, by constructing and operating an underground and open pit mine, process plant and associated facilities. A breakdown of the Project infrastructure components at each life stage is presented in Section 3.1.1.

The Project includes the potential development / construction, operation, and decommissioning and closure of an underground and open pit gold mine. The Project schedule has been established based on current knowledge. The Project phases are planned as follows:

- Construction phase: Year -3 to Year -1, 3 years in length
- Operations phase: Year 1 to Year 26, 26 years in length

- Decommissioning and closure (closure) phase:
  - Active closure period: Year 27 to Year 29, 3 years in length
  - Passive closure period: Year 30 plus (one to a few years expected)
  - Final closure period (removal of water management infrastructure): Less than one year in length after regulatory approval for passive discharge received.

Following the current proposed schedule, the operations phase of the Project will begin in 2030 and carry through to 2055. Active closure is expected to last three years from 2056 to 2058, to be followed by a passive closure period of site management while the mine workings of filling with water and a final closure period when water management infrastructure is decommissioned. These closure-related activities and monitoring will extend past 2060. After final closure, there may be an additional period of environmental monitoring.

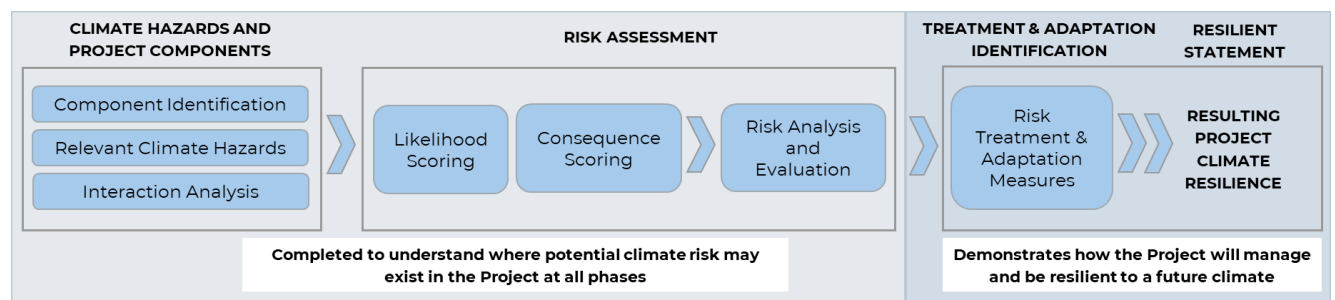
This CCRA considers two future time horizons, the 2050's (2041 to 2070) and the 2080's (2071 to 2100) as these time horizons will be representative of the operations and post-closure activities. Further details on the CCRA future time horizons and climate projection analysis are presented in Section 2.2.

# 2 APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY

This section outlines the approach and methodology used for this CCRA to achieve the objectives presented in Section 1.1. To assess the potential climate change risk for the Project, the following tasks were completed:

- **Climate Hazards and Components:** Identified relevant climate hazards and Project’s infrastructure components and identify the interactions between them (known as interactions).
- **Risk Assessment:** Completed a risk analysis through assessing likelihood and consequence to develop a risk score for each relevant interaction. This risk analysis is completed for the current Project description with the understanding that the design will be finalized in the future.
- **Treatment and Adaptation Measure:** Assessed how climate change risk has already been considered in the current Project description or will be addressed through treatment and adaptation measures to assess potential resilience to climate change.

Figure 1 outlines the assessment approach taken to evaluate the Project’s resilience to future climate conditions.



**Figure 1: Assessment Approach**

A detailed description of the approach and methodology for each step are described in this section.

## 2.1 INTRODUCTION TO CLIMATE CHANGE

An important step in the risk assessment process is identifying climate hazards and gathering climate change projections to assess potential risk. A site-specific climate change dataset was prepared (WSP 2024) for the Project to estimate both current and future projected climatic conditions. To understand the climate projection methodology, and how climate change is considered in this assessment, a brief introduction to climate change can be useful. More information on the technical approach of how the climate dataset was developed is available in WSP (2024).

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is generally considered to be the definitive source of information related to past and future climate change as well as climate science. The IPCC is a United Nations body dedicated to providing an objective, scientific assessment of climate change information, and the potential natural, political, economic, and human impacts of climate change. The IPCC periodically releases Assessment Reports, each of which provides the current state of climate change science, where there is agreement within the scientific community. The *Fifth Assessment Report (AR5)* was released in 2013 (IPCC 2013), and the *Sixth Assessment Report (AR6)* was released in 2021 (IPCC 2021). AR6 represents the most current complete synthesis of information regarding climate change. Hence, the future climate projections described in this section are based on AR6 data.

When projecting future climate conditions, there needs to be consideration of future climate scenarios which is based on assumptions about future GHG emissions and atmospheric concentrations. In AR6, these scenarios, are called Shared Socioeconomic Pathways (SSPs), and are summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2: Characterization of Shared Socioeconomic Pathways in IPCC Sixth Assessment Report**

SSP	Radiative Forcing in 2100	Challenges	Global Temperature Change	Characterization
SSP1	1.9 W/m <sup>2</sup> 2.6 W/m <sup>2</sup>	Sustainability – Low for mitigation and adaptation	1.0°C to 2.4°C	Sustainable development proceeds at a reasonably high pace.
SSP2	4.5 W/m <sup>2</sup>	Middle of the Road – Medium for mitigation and adaptation	2.1°C to 3.5°C	An intermediate case between SSP1 and SSP3. Analogous to RCP 4.5 scenario.
SSP3	7.0 W/m <sup>2</sup>	Regional Rivalry – High for mitigation and adaptation	2.8°C to 4.6°C	Unmitigated emissions are high due to moderate economic growth.
SSP4	3.4 W/m <sup>2</sup> 6.0 W/m <sup>2</sup>	Inequality – High for adaptation, low for mitigation	—	A mixed world, with relatively rapid technological development in low carbon energy sources in key emitting regions, leading to relatively large mitigative capacity in places where it mattered most to global emissions.
SSP5	8.5 W/m <sup>2</sup>	Fossil-fuelled Development – Low for mitigation, high for adaptation	3.3 to 5.7°C	In the absence of climate policies, energy demand is high and most of this demand is met with carbon-based fuels. Analogous to RCP 8.5 scenario.

Note:

W/m<sup>2</sup>: watts per metre squared

These scenarios represent the uncertainty in human contribution to climate change from now to the end of century.

## 2.2 CLIMATE HAZARD AND PROJECT COMPONENTS

The initial step, and to align with Step 2 of the SACC (2022), the assessment identified relevant Project infrastructure components that could be impacted by climate hazards. Project infrastructure components were identified and categorized into infrastructure categories by reviewing Project documentation. Only Project infrastructure components in the operations and post-closure phases of the Project were considered in this assessment (Table 3) and detailed in Table 8 and Table 9.

The construction phase, and decommissioning / closure phase were not considered in this assessment as they are only expected to extend from 2027 to 2029 and 2056 to the early 2060's, respectively. Any climate hazard variation in these timeframes would be within interannual variation rather than long-term variation due to climate change.

**Table 3: Project Infrastructure Assessed**

<b>Project Facility</b>	<b>Operations Phase Condition</b>	<b>Post-closure Condition</b>
Underground mine	Underground operating over the entire life of mine, extracting and bringing rock to surface by ramp or shaft	Water filled mine workings, sealed at surface
LP Central pit	Open pit mine operating for the first about 9 years of operations, bring rock to surface by ramp	Water filled open pit (pit lake) passively overflowing to Dixie Creek
Surface stockpiles: low grade ore stockpile, run of mine ore stockpile, overburden stockpile and mine rock stockpile	Actively storing rock (ore and mine rock) and overburden extracted from the mine  Ore stockpiles depleted over the life of mine as removed for processing  Progressive reclamation (shaping and revegetation) of the mine rock stockpile later in mine life	Revegetated stockpile areas (ore) or stockpiles (overburden and mine rock)
Ore process plant	Actively processing ore from stockpiles	Revegetated process plant area
Facilities to manage tailings from the processing of ore: tailings management facility (TMF) and Viggo management facility (VMF)	TMF to receive thickened desulphurized tailings with surrounding dams raised as needed using aggregate to increase tailings storage capacity  VMF receiving concentrate tailings stored under water	Revegetated tailings surface contained by natural topography and permeable rock dams  Isolated flooded facility having a stable water level below the ground surface
Water management and treatment works	Collection and treatment of contact waters in sumps, ditches and ponds for treatment to meet regulatory standards, with excess treated water discharged through a pipeline to the Chukuni River	Reshaped and revegetated landscape, with passive runoff by gravity only
Onsite quarries and sand and gravel pits	Active extraction of rock, and sand and gravel for use in site operations as needed	Reshaped and revegetated landscape
Other onsite buildings, facilities, areas and infrastructure.	Active use of buildings and infrastructure to support mining and processing operations	Reshaped and revegetated landscape

Project Facility	Operations Phase Condition	Post-closure Condition
Fish compensation areas: diversion dam and pond along Watercourse 3B, reconstruction of Waterbody 6B, diversion channel connecting the diversion pond and Dixie Creek Pond complex.	Constructed fish habitat that is actively monitored for effectiveness.	Present at the site but not actively managed or monitored.

Following the identification of Project's infrastructure components, climate hazards that could impact the infrastructure were selected. This was done by considering what climate hazards may be applicable to the Project region, and what physical characteristics of the Project could be impacted by climate. The following climate hazards were identified:

- Temperature-related: temperature increase, extreme heat, evapotranspiration, drought, extended cold spells and freeze-thaw cycles
- Precipitation-related: precipitation increase, extreme precipitation, flooding and snowfall
- Extreme events: freezing rain, high winds and wildfires.

For each climate hazard identified, climate indicators were selected to represent how the climate hazard may change over time. Climate indicators are selected as proxy variables to the climate hazard and relate to the most probable climate condition that would result in a potential interaction occurring. As noted in *Canada in a Changing Climate Synthesis Report* (Lulham et. al. 2023), confidence levels associated with different climate hazard projections vary. This is due to the confidence in the climate models themselves, for any given climate hazard. Using the confidence scale provided by Lulham et. al. (2023), climate hazards assessed in this CCRA were qualitatively assigned a confidence rating, as shown in Table 4. For the purposes of this assessment, confidence levels should be considered informational only and be assessed in more detail as the project progresses. This confidence rating scale is based on Canada wide trends and aligns with the IPCC.

**Table 4: Confidence Scale**

Confidence/likelihood not assessed for this finding	Low Confidence	Medium Confidence	Likely / High Confidence	Very Likely / Very High Confidence	Virtually Certain	Fact
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Following the identification of climate hazards and Project infrastructure, interactions between the two were identified. Where a potential interaction was identified the interaction was carried forward into the risk analysis. Notably, the interactions identified are related to physical risk rather than potential opportunities. Although it is acknowledged that potential opportunities due to climate change may exist, they were not the focus of this assessment as the purpose of this CCRA is to identify the potential climate risks to the project. A preliminary, non-exhaustive list of potential climate change opportunities has been included that can be built on as the Project moves forward.

## 2.3 RISK ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

This section outlines the approach and methodology taken to complete the risk analysis and evaluation. Specifically, this section outlines:

- The likelihood scales and how the likelihood scores were developed.
- The consequence scales and how the consequence scores were developed.
- The risk matrix and impact ratings definitions.

The risk analysis and evaluation approach for this CCRA was developed in alignment with Great Bear's risk analysis scales and ratings that were provided for consistency.

### 2.3.1 LIKELIHOOD SCORING

Likelihood was used to describe the frequency at which an interaction may occur between climate hazards and the Project's infrastructure. A likelihood scale was used to define categories that describe this frequency and is provided in Table 5: For each climate hazard, a related climate indicator was used to estimate the likelihood of an interaction. An example of a climate indicator could be average annual total precipitation, used to describe increasing precipitation as a climate hazard.

**Table 5: Climate Risk Likelihood Scale**

Likelihood	Score	Description
Almost Certain / Frequent	A (5)	Climate – infrastructure interaction is almost certain to happen.
Likely	B (4)	Climate – infrastructure interaction is likely to occur. Climate – infrastructure interaction occurs once every 2 years
Possible	C (3)	Climate – infrastructure interaction is possible. Climate – infrastructure interaction occurs once every 10 years
Unlikely	D (2)	Climate – infrastructure interaction is unlikely to occur, but it may happen unexpectedly. Climate – infrastructure interaction occurs once every 100 years
Rare	E (1)	It is almost certain that the climate – infrastructure interaction will not happen, but it may occur in rare or exceptional circumstances. Climate – infrastructure interaction outcome occurs once every 500 years

The WSP (2024) detailed climate change dataset was used to estimate frequency of future climate event interactions and formed the basis of the likelihood scores for this assessment. A multi-model ensemble of future climate projections was extracted from ClimateData.ca to derive climate indicators, which is used to estimate likelihood for each interaction. The multi-model ensemble considers low (SSP1-2.6), moderate (SSP2-4.5), and high (SSP5-8.5) emissions scenarios, consisting of future climate projections for a total of 26 climate models, each representing a potential future climate for each emissions scenario (total of 78 potential future climates). By taking this approach, uncertainty in the climate models can be considered as

variation in future climate projections is captured across three future emission scenarios. Climate indicators were derived for three periods to represent:

- Current (1991 to 2020).
- Mid-century (2041 to 2070).
- Late-century (2071 to 2100).

The modelled current period was chosen to represent the most recent World Meteorological Organization (WMO) climate normal period to base projected changes in climate from this period to the mid-century and late-century future periods. These future time periods are also consistent with the life stages of the Project. Each period was set at a length of 30 years to represent climatic conditions at a given point in time, while reducing the influence of climate oscillations that occur on interannual timescales including El-Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) and Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO) (WMO 2017).

The likelihood of Project interactions was estimated by fitting appropriate statistical distributions to a set of climate indicators, which are used to represent the occurrence of climate hazards under current and future climate. The statistical distribution was then mapped and aligned with the internal likelihood scale provided by Great Bear Resources and is outlined in Table 5. Using the descriptions provided for each likelihood level, a recurrence period was mapped to each of the five categories to provide a quantitative estimate of how often the event would occur. This was done to understand the climate signals (probability of change) associated with the different reoccurrence periods, across the time horizons within the modelled data.

Following this stepwise approach, likelihoods were qualitatively assigned to assume lower likelihood in current climate, under the assumption that the Project will be designed to current climate conditions. This section aligns with the likelihood analysis requirements outlined in Step 3 of the SACC (2022).

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### 2.3.2 CONSEQUENCE SCORING

Consequence scores were used to describe the expected impact of a given climate hazard interaction if it was to occur. That is, how impactful an interaction will be if it happens. Consequence impacts for each interaction were assessed across three main categories, which include dollar impact, licence to operate, and safety. Within these categories, six sub-categories are scored as described in Table 6. This consequence scale was adopted from the Great Bear Resources internal risk management frameworks.

For this CCRA, consequence scores were qualitatively scored across each of the six sub-categories for each identified climate hazard interaction. This was done by evaluating the interaction descriptions against the impact rating criteria in Table 6. Where available, external literature or other like projects were used as a reference in ranking impacts across the consequence sub-categories. As a conservative approach, the highest consequence score achieved for any given interaction was carried over into the risk analysis and evaluation assessment to understand the potential maximum probable risk. This section aligns with the consequence analysis requirements outlined in Step 3 of the SACC (2022).

**Table 6: Consequence Scale**

Impact Rating	Score	Impact of Climate – Infrastructure Interaction					
		Potential Dollar Impact		Licence to Operate Impact			Safety Impact
		Dollar Impact (revenue, cost, Project budget and value)	Project Schedule Delay	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations and Reputation (Operations)	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations and Reputation (Corporate)	Environment	Health and Safety
<b>Extreme</b>	<b>5</b>	> 20%	> 6 months	Vehement opposition and mine shutdown	Loss of confidence in the management of Company	Detrimental incident such as a tailings dam failure	Multiple deaths
<b>Major</b>	<b>4</b>	10 - 20%	3 - 6 months	Strong opposition and production interruptions	High impact on confidence in the management of Company	Major incident such as a leak or spill causing environmental damage	Death or severe injury of multiple employees
<b>Moderate</b>	<b>3</b>	5 - 10%	1 - 3 months	Moderate opposition and bad publicity	Medium impact on confidence in the management of Company	Minor incident resulting in a fine or written warning. Some remediation required	Severe Injury
<b>Minor</b>	<b>2</b>	1 - 5%	2 - 4 weeks	Some opposition	Limited impact on confidence in the management of the Company	Incident involving 3rd party supplier, off-site (e.g. consumables spill)	Minor Injury
<b>Incidental</b>	<b>1</b>	< 1%	< 2 weeks	Potential opposition	No impact on confidence in the management of the Company	Minor incident, no cleanup and no warning	Near Miss

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### 2.3.3 RISK SCORING AND EVALUATION

Once the climate projections were gathered, the climate interactions were identified and likelihoods and consequences completed, potential future risks were calculated with out any future treatment or adaptation measures. This was completed to understand where climate change related risks exist, to better inform treatment and adaptation measure identification.

Risk ratings were assigned using the combination of the likelihood and consequence scoring using a scale from low risk to high risk, as described in Table 7, and as described in Step 4 of the SACC (2022). The risk rating matrix was developed to align with Great Bear Resources internal risk scale. Interactions that have low risk have either a low to moderate frequency, or a low to moderate severity, but cannot have a moderate to high frequency and severity. Interactions identified as having a medium or high-risk rating are projected to occur more frequently and have more severe impacts to a project. For example, extreme events (e.g., storms, extreme precipitation) have a lower probability of interacting with the Project infrastructure, however, the consequence of such an interaction may be more substantial rendering it a medium to high risk.

Notably, each risk level has been assigned with a designed nomenclature, which has been used to summarize and evaluate the risk results. For this CCRA, results have been summarized by main infrastructure / phase type as well as by climate hazard. High potential risk interactions would be the most impactful to the site. As such, high risks (H7 and above) were then the focus of the treatment and adaptation identification assessment, outlined in Section 3.3. However, Section 3.3 also provides treatment and adaptation measures across all identified risks.

Climate risks were also estimated in the current time period for Project-related infrastructure, to compare how climate risk may change over the lifetime of infrastructure and operations. By completing this comparison, the potential influence of a changing climate can be better understood on infrastructure. Current climate risk was not completed for any closure or post-closure infrastructure since closure infrastructure will not be in place during operations.

**Table 7: Risk Rating Matrix**

Risk Rating Matrix						
Likelihood Rating	5	L <sub>18</sub>	M <sub>11</sub>	H <sub>6</sub>	H <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>1</sub>
	4	L <sub>20</sub>	M <sub>14</sub>	M <sub>10</sub>	H <sub>4</sub>	H <sub>2</sub>
	3	L <sub>22</sub>	L <sub>19</sub>	M <sub>12</sub>	H <sub>7</sub>	H <sub>5</sub>
	2	L <sub>24</sub>	L <sub>21</sub>	M <sub>15</sub>	M <sub>13</sub>	M <sub>8</sub>
	1	L <sub>25</sub>	L <sub>23</sub>	M <sub>17</sub>	M <sub>16</sub>	M <sub>9</sub>
Consequence Rating						
	1	2	3	4	5	

H = High
M = Moderate
L = Low

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## 2.4 RISK TREATMENT AND ADAPTATION IDENTIFICATION

In the final step of this assessment, and in alignment with the SACC (2022), potential risk treatment and adaptation measures were identified for all estimated climate risks. Adaptation and treatment measures were identified to be applicable to multiple interactions that had similar impacts. Treatment and adaptation measure were identified to mitigate or reduce the climate impacts or likelihood of occurrence associated with each infrastructure component. The resulting expected resilience of infrastructure to climate hazards was then completed. Note, as the Project is still in the planning phase, the objective of this analysis was to understand how these potential climate-related risks can be managed, and at what point in the life of the Project they should be considered for further evaluation and / or treatment. The proposed risk treatment and adaptation measures identified form the basis of how the Project can be resilient to a future climate, and how climate change can be considered as part the continuous improvement process throughout its life.

The level of assessment for the risk treatment and adaptation varied based on the risk score level and were as follows:

- For potential high risks (H7 risks or higher) specific design and infrastructure management measures were identified for each infrastructure type.
- For potential moderate risks (M17 to M8) specific treatment and / or adaptations and measures such as best practices, continual improvement process were identified for each infrastructure type.
- For potential low risks (L25 to L19) the need for treatment and adaptations can be included as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans to be developed as part of the operations and post closure phases.

# 3 CLIMATE CHANGE RISK AND RESILIENCE ASSESSMENT RESULTS

This section provides the results and evaluation of this CCRA. This includes an overview of the climate hazards and Project's infrastructure components assessed, their interactions and estimated risk rankings. Potential future risk treatment and adaptation measures were then identified that could be applied to manage these risks.

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## 3.1 CLIMATE HAZARDS AND PROJECT COMPONENTS

In this section a detailed breakdown of the Project's infrastructure components by Project phase and climate hazards that were assessed is provided. Additionally, a summary of the Project's climate-interactions as well as a summary future climate projection trends for the Project site is presented.

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### 3.1.1 PROJECT COMPONENTS AND PHASES

The Project has three phases: construction, operations and closure phases. Both the construction phase as well as the active closure period will be completed over short periods of time. Due to the short-projected timeframe, these phases have not been considered in this assessment, as any climate hazard variation in these timeframes would be within interannual variation rather than long-term variation due to climate change. The assessment focused on the operations, and post-closure phases. Following the current proposed schedule, the operations phase of the Project is expected to last 25 years which will begin in 2030 and carry through to 2055. Active closure is expected to last three years from 2056 to 2058, to be followed by a period of site management while the mine workings of filling with water and a final closure period when water management infrastructure is decommissioned. These closure-related activities and monitoring will extend to the early 2060's, followed by post-closure. As such, infrastructure associated with the operations phase of the Project were assessed against the 2050s climate change projections. The 2080s climate change projections were used to assess potential climate risk associated with infrastructure that will remain on site post-closure.

A description of all infrastructure assessed as part of the operations phase of the Project is presented in Table 8. A description of all infrastructure assessed as part of the post closure phase of the Project is presented in Table 10.

**Table 8: Infrastructure List – Operations**

Type	Infrastructure	Description
<b>Mining and Aggregate Infrastructures</b>	Surface portals, ramps, underground workings, shaft, headframe and hoist room	Ore will be extracted from underground working with conventional drilling and blasting using explosives. Ore will be transported by truck to the surface via the ramp and shaft later in the mine life. Personnel will access the workings by the ramp and shaft. Portals and raises to surface will maintain ventilation requirements and help meet safe working environment.
	LP Central pit	The will operate during initial years of the mine life (approximately nine year). Water in the pits will be managed by sump(s) and pumping stations.
	Mine rock stockpiles	Storage capacity is approximately 165 Mt. The mine rock will also be re-used as aggregate or as underground rockfill as appropriate.
	Ore stockpiles (run of mine and low grade ore)	The run of mine consists of uncrushed rock directly transported from the mine. Its storage capacity ranges 0.1 to 0.5 Mt compared to the low grade ore stockpile reaching 5 to 20 Mt. The ore from these stockpiles are conveyed to the on site crushing facility.
	Overburden and organic soil / organics stockpiles	Overburden will be trucked from open pit to overburden stockpiles. Two primary and potentially four supplemental overburden stockpiles are proposed, located close to the source. Stockpiled overburden will be used for progressive reclamation during operations.
	Sand and gravel pits, quarries	Quarries and sand and gravel pits will continue to operate on the property as needed.
<b>Tailings Management</b>	Viggo Management Facility (VMF)	Concentrated tailings which are potentially acid generating, will be piped to the repurposed pit to be stored under water throughout operations.
	TMF	Majority of tailings will be desulphurized, thickened and piped to the TMF which is an on-surface storage area.
	Tailings pipelines	The tailings pipelines carry tailings from the process plant to the final destinations (TMF or VMF).
	TMF and mine water ponds and associated dams	Contact water from the TMF is managed including use of downstream pond(s) and is sent for treatment prior to discharge to the environment (Chukuni River) as needed.
<b>Buildings and Supporting Infrastructures / Systems</b>	Crushed ore facility (potentially covered), process plant, conveyance system, backfill plants and similar	Run of mine and low grade ore will be transported to the crushing facility. Once crushed, the ore is conveyed to the process plant for gold recovery. Processing will include several stages such as grinding and classification, and cyanide leaching to separate gold from the gangue leading to production of doré bars.

Type	Infrastructure	Description
	Permanent camp, service and administration, mine dry, core storage, cold and warm storage buildings, facilities, laboratory and outbuildings	The new permanent facilities will be connected by roads and have water (piping) and power supply as needed.
	Communication systems	Infrastructures in place to allow communication on site, like wired networking, physical security systems and satellite links for example.
	Explosive storage facility, explosive magazines, and reagent storage	Explosives storage area will be maintained on surface and underground. All storage facilities will be managed to meet federal regulatory requirements. Explosives will be manufactured by an external company.
<b>Integrated Water Management System</b>	Chukuni effluent discharge pipeline and diffuser, and freshwater pipeline	Additional pipelines will be established to draw freshwater and discharge the water from the effluent treatment plant to the Chukuni River.
	In-pit and underground sumps and pumps and freshwater pumphouse	Water in the pits will be collected by sumps and pumped at the surface for proper dewatering of the open pits and the underground mine.
	Effluent treatment plant	The plant is designed to ensure all regulatory requirements are met to discharge water to environment (Chukuni River).
	Exterior and firewater tankages	There will be firewater tank (or pond) established to provide sufficient water to respond to a potential Project fire together with all other site ponds.
	Dixie Creek flood protection berm	A berm will be established to mitigate potential flooding from the Dixie Creek.
	Unnamed Watercourse 6B diversion ditch, contact water collection ditches, contact water management ponds and culverts	Precipitation and surface runoff that will be in contact with mine-related facilities will be collected in ditches and collection ponds and directed to the water management system including the VMF, as needed for treatment and discharge. Non-contact water will be diverted away as practical.
	Reject solution management	Excess reject solution from membrane filtration treatment of select contact waters, will be pumped for temporary storage in the west VMF for storage during operations. At closure it will be pumped underground for permanent storage.
	On site well and potable water treatment plant	Freshwater or domestic needs will be provided by on site well or the Chukuni River. Potable water treatment plant will be constructed to treat water for domestic use.
	Domestic sewage treatment plant	Domestic sewage will be treated by an appropriately sized, technically acceptable method such as sewage treatment plant.

Type	Infrastructure	Description
<b>Power Supply</b>	Power line, substation(s) and power distribution (on site)	Power line will be connected to the existing regional electrical grid where it crosses property.
	Natural gas pipeline and power generating facility (on site above ground service connections)	A gas pipeline will connect the existing natural gas pipeline (Enbridge) located on Highway 105 to support on site natural gas power generation.
<b>Roads</b>	Site roads, haul roads, laydown and parking areas (gravel) – on site	A network of roads will be established on site as needed that will be designed to minimize water crossings. New roads will be constructed using aggregate or non-potentially acid generating rock.
	Offsite access (paved)	The main paved access road is the Highway 105, providing year-round access and connection to Red Lake and Ear Falls. Due to the proximity of Red Lake, Ear Falls, and Indigenous communities, Great Bear anticipates that some workers will wish to commute daily from their existing communities. Red Lake and Ear Falls, and other residences are located within about a one-hour drive.
<b>Fish Compensation Areas</b>	Diversion dam and pond along Watercourse 3B, diversion channel, Dixie Creek Pond complex.	Fish compensation areas to offset an estimated 20 ha of impacted fish frequented waterbodies. The purpose is to replace lost fish habitat within the Dixie Creek watershed resulting from the Project. The habitat will be in kind replacement for the waterbodies affected by the Project and will be actively monitored.

**Table 9: Infrastructure List – Post Closure Phase**

Type	Infrastructure	Description
<b>Post Closure</b>	Secured openings (backfilled portals and capped shaft and raises)	All openings from underground will be secured in accordance with Mine Rehabilitation Code of Ontario. The portals are anticipated to be backfilled with rock. Raises and shaft will be capped with engineering cover (typically reinforced concrete keyed to bedrock).
	Flooded underground workings	Underground workings will be filled with water naturally through groundwater seepage gradually. No long-term discharge is expected from workings.
	LP Central pit lake	Open pit will naturally fill with water through precipitation, groundwater and localized runoff, enhanced by pumping of water as appropriate to create a pit lake. Pit lake water quality will be monitored during filling and managed with treatment if needed. The pit lake will be allowed to overflow by gravity through a constructed channels to a residual tributary of Dixie Creek once the water quality meets all regulatory requirements.
	Reclaimed rock storage areas	Reclamation measures will be put into place to mitigate acid drainage and metal leaching. Design and placement of appropriate cover over potentially acid generating rock that remains on surface is proposed. Mineral waste storage will be revegetated.
	Revegetated TMF	TMF surface will be covered and revegetated.
	VMF	Concentrate tailings will remain covered permanently in an isolated water-covered facility having a stable water level below the ground surface
	Other revegetated areas	Project site will be revegetated, through both active seeding and passive revegetation.
	Dixie Creek Protection Berm	Dixie Creek flood protection berm will be reshaped to allow an overflow spillway from the LP Central pit lake to Unnamed Watercourse 3, which flows to Dixie Creek.
	Fish compensation areas	Permanent naturalized landscape features that will remain in place that are not actively managed or monitored.

### 3.1.2 RELEVANT CLIMATE CHANGE HAZARDS

The climate hazards and their associated climate indicators that were used in this assessment are presented in Table 10. Hazards have been grouped into temperature hazards, precipitation hazards and extreme events.

**Table 10: List of Climate Hazards and Associated Climate Indicators**

	Climate Hazard	Climate Indicator	Unit	Description
Temperature	Temperature Increase	Annual cooling degree days	°C-days	Total degree days above 18°C at which spaces are cooled
		Growing season length	Days	Annual count of days between first span of at least six days where temperature < 5°C
	Extreme Heat	Maximum of Annual Maximum Temperature (TXx)	°C	Maximum temperature within a given year
		Warm spell duration index	Days	Annual count of days with at least 6 consecutive days when daily maximum temperatures are greater than the 90th percentile
	Evapotranspiration	Annual total potential evapotranspiration	mm	Depth of annual total potential evapotranspiration
	Drought	Consecutive dry days	Days	Maximum length of dry spell with precipitation < 1 mm
	Extended Cold Spells	Cold spell duration index	Days	Annual count of days with at least 6 consecutive days when daily minimum temperatures are less than the 10th percentile
Freeze-thaw Cycles	Annual number of freeze-thaw cycles	Cycles	Number of days where maximum daily temperature is above 0°C and minimum daily temperature is at or below 0°C	
Precipitation	Precipitation Increase <sup>(1)</sup>	Annual total precipitation	mm	Depth of annual total precipitation
	Extreme Precipitation <sup>(1)</sup>	1 day 100-year event	mm	Depth of precipitation falling in a 1-day duration for a given return period
	Flooding	Extreme combined rainfall and snowmelt	mm	Combination of extreme rainfall and snowmelt during spring freshet over 30-day duration
	Snowfall	Extreme snowpack	mm (water equivalent)	Peak snow accumulation over October through June period
Extreme Events	Freezing Rain	1/50 ice accretion thickness	mm	Depth of annual total freezing rain with a return period of 50 years
	High Winds	1/2 wind speed	m/s	Annual maximum wind speed with a return period of 2 years
		1/10 wind speed	m/s	Annual maximum wind speed with a return period of 10 years
		1/100 wind speed	m/s	Annual maximum wind speed with a return period of 100 years
Wildfires	Fire Weather Index	n/a	Numeric rating of fire intensity	

Note:

*1 Increased precipitation represents a chronic increase in precipitation annually, while extreme precipitation represents an increase in acute precipitation events.*

### 3.1.3 PROJECT COMPONENT CLIMATE INTERACTIONS

The number of climate interactions identified in this assessment are summarized in Table 11. These are summarized by infrastructure component and climate hazards. An interaction was identified to exist if a potential physical impact associated with the infrastructure component could occur. For each identified interaction, an interaction description was developed. Interaction descriptions are presented in Appendix A, under the Interaction Description column of the Detailed Climate Change Risk Register.

**Table 11: Number of Identified Interactions by Climate Hazard and Infrastructure Type**

Infrastructure type	Temperature Increase	Extreme Heat	Extended Cold Spell	Evapotranspiration	Freeze-thaw Cycles	Precipitation Increase	Extreme Precipitation	Flooding	Extreme Snowfall	Freezing Rain	Drought	High Winds	Wildfires	Total
Mining and Aggregate Infrastructure	0	1	0	1	1	4	6	3	5	0	1	1	1	24
Tailings Management	0	1	0	3	1	0	4	1	0	0	2	2	1	15
Buildings and Supporting Infrastructure / Systems	1	4	1	0	4	0	4	4	3	2	1	2	4	30
Integrated Water Management System	0	2	0	1	6	2	7	5	4	3	3	2	3	38
Power supply	1	2	1	0	2	0	2	2	2	1	0	1	2	16
Roads	0	1	2	1	2	0	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	19
Fish Compensation Areas	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	6
Post-Closure	0	3	0	6	2	2	7	5	1	1	7	6	6	46
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>194</b>

### 3.1.4 POTENTIAL CLIMATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PROJECT

Notably, only physical risks have been considered in detail for this assessment and such climate interactions that would result in a potential physical climate change risk. However, to begin to understand potential climate opportunities for the Project, a preliminary, non-exhaustive list of opportunities was created and presented in Table 12. Potential climate change opportunities should be considered in more detail and included in the future as part of the continual improvement process. Although it is

acknowledged that potential opportunities due to climate change may exist, they were not the focus of this assessment as the purpose of this CCRA is to identify the potential climate risks to the project. A preliminary, non-exhaustive list of potential climate change opportunities has been included that can be built on as the Project moves forward.

**Table 12: Preliminary List of Climate Opportunities**

Climate Hazard	Identified Potential Interaction	Interacting Infrastructure	Potential Opportunity
Increased Temperature	Increased temperature could increase vegetation growth on slopes.	Reclaimed pit slopes	Increased growth could be a benefit revegetation during post-closure
	Increased temperatures could increase vegetation growth on reclaimed mineral waste storage areas.	Reclaimed mineral waste storage areas	
	Increased temperatures could increase vegetation growth on reclaimed areas.	Revegetated areas	

Note:

*This table represents a preliminary list of potential climate opportunities based on the Project information provided at the time of this report. Additional climate opportunities may be identified and added to this list as the Project moves through design and operation phases.*

### 3.1.5 CLIMATE DATASET SUMMARY

In WSP (2024), a detailed climate change dataset was prepared for the Project to estimate both current and future projected climatic conditions. A set of climate variables was derived to assist in technical studies at the site, including this CCRA. A brief summary of the projected changes in climate evaluated in WSP (2024) is provided in Table 13.

**Table 13: Summary of Future Climate Projections for Climate Variables Assessed in WSP (2024)**

Climate Variable	Direction of Change	Confidence Level <sup>1</sup>	Description
<b>Average Temperature</b>	Increasing	Fact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Annual average temperature is projected to increase by 2.5°C in the 2050s and 3.4°C in the 2080s at the 50th percentile, indicating an increasing trend due to changing climate.</li> <li>– Greatest projected changes identified in the winter months</li> </ul>
<b>Annual Total Precipitation</b>	Increasing	Fact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Annual total precipitation is projected to increase by 4% in the mid-century and 6% in the late-century, indicating an upward trend in precipitation on the annual scale at the 50th percentile.</li> <li>– Greatest projected changes identified during the winter months.</li> </ul>
<b>Extreme Temperature Indices</b>	Increasing	Fact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Fewer frost and ice days, more summer days and greater temperature extremes (lowest minimum and maximum temperature, highest minimum and maximum temperature) are projected.</li> <li>– Changes in temperature extremes projected to continue further into the future</li> </ul>

Climate Variable	Direction of Change	Confidence Level <sup>1</sup>	Description
<b>Extreme Precipitation / Flooding</b>	Increasing	Likely / High Confidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The annual amount of precipitation on wet days, and annual maximum precipitation amounts are projected to increase.</li> <li>– Increasing number of heavy and very heavy wet days suggest that precipitation intensity may increase.</li> <li>– Majority of projected change is estimated for mid-century, with a small but continued change for late-century period.</li> </ul>
<b>Extreme Combined Rainfall and Snowmelt</b>	Variable	Medium Confidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Projected changes depend on the composition of the extreme events (rain versus. snowmelt) for a given duration.</li> <li>– Projected increases estimated for shorter durations (less than 7 days) that are primarily composed of rainfall</li> <li>– Durations from 7 to 20 days are projected to decrease due to less snowpack available for melt from increasing temperature under climate change.</li> <li>– Durations beyond 20 days projected to increase as snowpack is typically depleted for melting and rainfall becomes a larger fraction of combined extremes.</li> </ul>
<b>Potential Evapo-transpiration</b>	Increasing	Medium Confidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Following trends in temperature, potential evapotranspiration rates are projected to increase for all months, with an annual total increase of 10% and 13% for the mid-century and late-century, respectively.</li> </ul>
<b>Wind Speed</b>	Variable	Low Confidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– It was found that in the region surrounding the Project site, annual mean wind speeds were projected to change between 0% to 4%, while 50-year return period maximum wind speeds were projected to change between -12% to 8% (Jeong and Sushama 2019).</li> <li>– Annual average surface wind speeds are projected to decrease by approximately -3% for the 2041 to 2060 period and -5% for the 2081 to 2100 period relative to a 1994-2014 baseline under a high emission scenario (IPCC 2021).</li> </ul>
<b>Freeze-thaw Cycles</b>	Increasing	Low Confidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Freeze-thaw cycles occurrence is projected to increase by mid-century.</li> <li>– Majority of projected change is estimated for mid-century, with a small but continued change for late-century period.</li> </ul>
<b>Freezing Rain</b>	Increasing	Low Confidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Freezing rain occurrence is projected to increase by mid-century.</li> <li>– Majority of projected change is estimated for mid-century, with a small but continued change for late-century period.</li> </ul>
<b>Wildfire</b>	Increasing	Medium Confidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Wildfire index is projected to increase into the mid-century, with little change into the later century.</li> </ul>

Note:

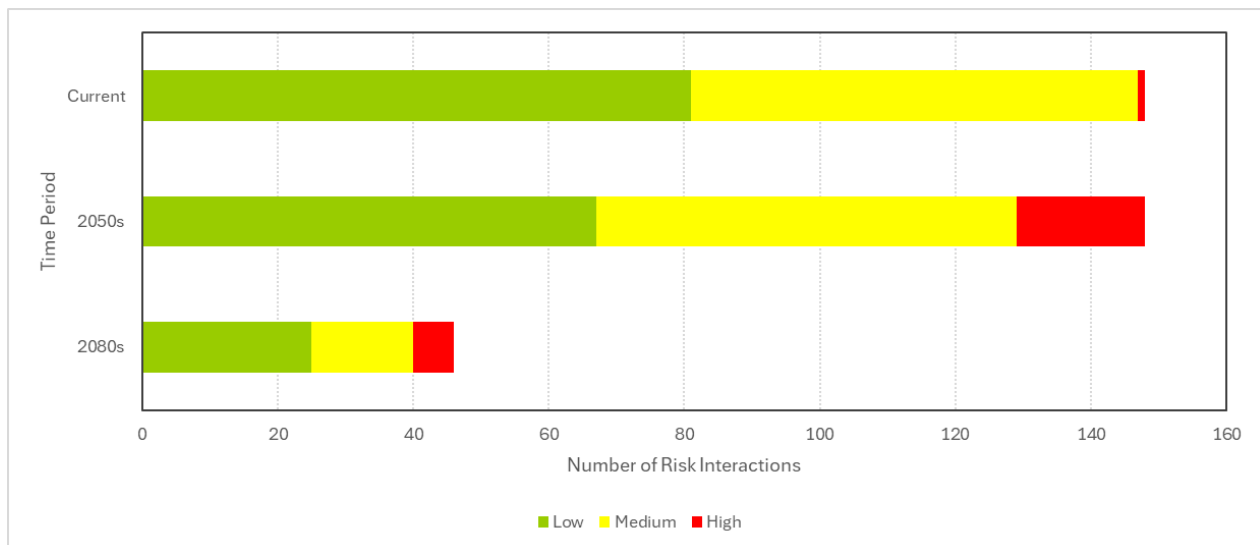
*1 Confidence levels have been qualitatively applied to WSP (2024) projections using the Canada in a Changing Climate Synthesis Report (Lulham et. al. 2023).*

In general, warmer, wetter, and more extreme conditions are projected for the Project, which can drive climate risk. In addition, confidence levels were qualitatively assigned for each climate variable using the confidence scale shown in Table 4. Confidence ratings are based on Canada-wide trends and align with the IPCC.

## 3.2 RISK ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION

The results of the climate change risk assessment (carried out as described in Section 2) are summarized below to describe the potential impacts of climate change on the infrastructure at the Project, as well as the change in risk from current climate to future climate. The risks are summarized prior to application of treatment and adaptation measures, but with current project in-design measures in place. This was completed to understand where climate change related risks exist, to better inform treatment and adaptation measure identification. The treatment and adaptation measures are evaluated qualitatively in Section 3.3. In addition to this summary, Appendix A – Climate Change Risk Register, provides a matrix containing the infrastructure interactions, impacts, likelihood scores, consequence scores and risk scores used to support the analysis in this section.

Each interaction identified was categorized into high, moderate, and low risks across the three time periods (see Section 2.3.3). Figure 2 presents the number of in interactions by risk level and time period to illustrate the distribution of risk levels and changes in climate risks over time. The current and 2050s time periods have the greatest number of interactions, since these time periods include operating infrastructure. In the 2080s, only post-closure infrastructure will remain, resulting in a lower number of interactions and risks.



**Figure 2: Number of Interactions by Risk Category and Time Period**

Comparing the distribution of risk levels, there is an increase in high risks between from the current and 2050s periods. This is driven by the changing climate increasing the likelihood of interactions between the two periods. In the 2080s, the majority of interactions fall into the low and medium risk category, where a smaller proportion of interactions have been estimated to be high risk without any treatment measures. The distribution of risk interactions and how they may change over time is discussed below.

### Current Time Period

As noted in Section 2.3.1, likelihood scores for the current time period were set to be lower (unlikely or rare) under the assumption that the Project will be designed to current climate conditions. The only exception to this was for wildfire, where current likelihood level was assigned to a three (possible). This was assigned based on the lower confidence in the climate hazard, the vulnerability of the Project to

wildfire events, and the impact wildfire could have on the Project. There is only one high risk identified related to wildfire in the current period where it interacts with tailings management infrastructure. This remains a high risk in the 2050s time period.

Medium risks in the current time period were driven by infrastructure interacting with extreme precipitation and flooding. Although the likelihood scores associated with these climate hazards were assessed as one (rare), the consequences associated with extreme precipitation and flooding interactions were more severe, resulting in medium risks. Other medium risks identified in the current time period were a result of various climate hazards such as extreme winds, freezing rain, and evapotranspiration. These climate interactions also had likelihood scores of one (rare) but had more severe consequences. In addition, these climate hazards had lower confidence associated with the projections.

### **2050s Time Period**

High risks were estimated in five infrastructure categories for the 2050s period: mining and aggregate infrastructure, tailings management infrastructure, buildings and support infrastructure, integrated water management infrastructure, and power supply. These risks are driven by climate change increasing the likelihood of interactions with wildfire, flooding / extreme precipitation, and freeze-thaw cycles. Wildfire and freeze-thaw cycles have lower confidence levels in the projection data. As there is less certainty in these risks results, flexible treatment and adaptation measures allow for updates as more information about the interactions or confidence in the projections becomes available. For wildfire, damage to infrastructure such as buildings, facilities, pipelines, power lines, can be consequential across the site independent of the infrastructure types. In addition, wildfires could be associated with localized environmental contamination depending on the affected component, together with health and safety issues notably through poor air quality and potentially deaths in case of a catastrophic event. It is understood that an Emergency Response Plan will be in place, and firewater tanks are planned for the Project. In the case of wildfire, the proper evacuation of staff and the containment of the fire are very likely sufficient to reduce higher risks at the Project.

Notably, Great Bear Resources is actively integrating climate projections into water management designs for the Project which will help manage high risks associated with extreme precipitation / flooding. When comparing medium risk between the current and 2050s periods, the risks remain relatively consistent related to the smaller changes in the projection data for the relevant climate hazards. Refer to Section 3.3 for details on the proposed treatment and adaptation measures associated with these risks.

Consequence categories that have contributed to the highest risks across all climate hazards for operating infrastructure (current and 2050s time periods) were health and safety, environmental, impact to Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder relations, and additional costs and Project schedule delay. Consequence drivers were used to support the identification and development of treatment and adaptation measures shown in Section 3.3.

### **2080s Time Period**

Most of the operating infrastructure will be removed before the 2080s time period (based on the current Project schedule) resulting in a lower number of interactions and risks associated with post-closure infrastructure. For post-closure infrastructure, six interactions driven by higher precipitation and flooding were estimated to be high risk. Integrating climate projections into post-closure infrastructure design and maintenance will help manage these high risks by proactively considering potential future climate conditions.

Unlike earlier periods, wildfire was estimated to have moderate risk interactions. There are fewer interactions with the post-closure infrastructure resulting in lower consequence impacts. This is also true for snowfall and freezing rain, which have lower estimated risk interactions.

Since post-closure infrastructure will not be in place until the second half of the century, there is more time to integrate climate change treatment and adaptation measures into the design and management of post-closure infrastructure. Resilient post-closure infrastructure can be achieved by considering future climate impacts during planning, following mining sector guidelines and regulations, and utilizing existing risk management and adaptation plans.

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### 3.3 RISK TREATMENT AND ADAPTATION MEASURES

As a final step, this section suggests potential treatment and adaptation measures for the impacts that were evaluated as potential high, medium and low risks due to climate change. Although high risks have been identified as the focus of the assessment, potential treatment and adaptation measures for low and medium risks were also identified. In Table 14, the climate risks and impacts, and associated treatment and adaptation measures are summarized according to infrastructure category. To help further understand the impacts, they have been organized according to the high, medium and low risks over the future periods. The proposed potential treatment and adaptation measures are applicable to both operation (2050s time period) and post-closure (2080s time period) infrastructure, which is why the risks are summarized across both periods. All risks identified in Section 3.2 are captured in the impact statements. Since high risks pose the greatest potential impacts to the Project, prioritization of risk treatment and adaptation measures should be as follows:

- For potential high risks (H7 risks or higher) risk treatment and adaptation measures should be the highest priority for consideration and should be considered in the detailed design and construction phases as well as infrastructure management plans and procedures. These measures involve the development of design criteria and management strategies that incorporate the projected changes in climate so that infrastructure is resilient to future changes.
- For potential moderate risks (M17 to M8) risk treatment and adaptation measures should be considered the next priority of implementation and/or be incorporated into Best Management Practices Plans along with some design considerations as noted. Great Bear Resource policies to regularly update the Best Management Practices to account for observed conditions, operational and changes in likelihood are incorporated.
- For potential low risks (L25 to L19) existing codes and standards for the infrastructure types as well as the current risk treatment and adaptation measures that will form part of the Operating, Surveillance and Monitoring Plans that will be developed in the operation and post closure phases are sufficient to manage these risks in both the short and long term. Great Bear Resource require plans to be regularly updated so that observed conditions and operational experience are incorporated.

Continued monitoring and review of all climate risks and how they may change over time will promote effective risk management and Project resilience through its lifetime. In addition to this summary, Appendix A – Climate Change Risk Register, provides a Microsoft Excel based matrix containing the potential treatment and adaptation measures for each estimated climate risk.

Table 14: Potential Risk Treatment and Adaptation Measures

Infrastructure Category	Current Climate Risk	Potential Future Climate Risk <sup>2</sup>	Potential Future Climate Impacts <sup>1,2</sup>	Treatment and Adaptation Measure Considerations	Considered Resilient to Climate Change?
Mining and Aggregate Infrastructure	Medium Risks	High Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Erosion and slope stability issues of the pit slopes in case of flooding and extreme precipitation (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Flooding / water accumulation in the LP Central pit leading to increased need for dewatering (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consider climate change projections into water management designs and construction for the proposed site.</li> <li>- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address / accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify exiting measures.</li> <li>- Geotechnical and slope stability monitoring to be utilized for LP Central pit.</li> </ul>	Yes
	Low to Medium Risks	Medium Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Underground working conditions could become uncomfortable for workers due to extreme heat (Confidence level: fact).</li> <li>- Extreme precipitation could cause flooding and need for dewatering in underground workings, sand and gravel pits (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Increased runoff, movement of contaminants from stockpiles, unexpected increase in acid generation from rock, erosion of stockpiles and slope stability concerns (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- In the case of a wildfire that goes through site, there could be damage to above ground components, which impacts access and procedures of underground workings (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> <li>- Increased dust in sand and gravel pits, and quarries as a result of dry conditions (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Incorporate climate change projections into underground working design to accommodate increasing extreme heat and dewatering abilities.</li> <li>- Evaluate the need for cooling infrastructure as a part of the underground ventilation plan and implement if required.</li> <li>- Apply best management practices and monitoring, including climate change considerations, which will be documented in an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan.</li> <li>- Apply fugitive dust best practices and monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations.</li> <li>- Continually update health and safety plans and emergency response plans to help manage potential impacts associated with extreme events throughout operations.</li> </ul>	Yes
	Low Risks	Low Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Access issues to site and infrastructure within site due to extreme snowfall / rain on snow events (Confidence level: likely / high confidence)</li> <li>- Groundwater availability could impact soil stability impacting slope stability in VMF and contributing to erosion at the LP Central pit and requirement for increased dewatering (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Extreme precipitation and flooding causing erosion of stockpiles (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Damage to concrete structures associated with infrastructure from freeze-thaw cycles could cause need for repair and maintenance (Confidence level: low confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Follow current practices for design of infrastructure.</li> <li>- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Yes
Tailings Management	Medium to High Risks	High Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Release of tailings from facility due to extreme precipitation exceeding containment structure capacity (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Release of tailings from pipeline due to pipeline damage (freeze-thaw and wildfire) (Confidence level: low to medium confidence).</li> <li>- Wildfire could damage tailings management infrastructure, resulting in a need for repairs and failure of tailings infrastructure outside of typical budgeted ranges (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consider climate change projections into water management designs and construction for the proposed site.</li> <li>- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate</li> </ul>	Yes

Infrastructure Category	Current Climate Risk	Potential Future Climate Risk <sup>2</sup>	Potential Future Climate Impacts <sup>1,2</sup>	Treatment and Adaptation Measure Considerations	Considered Resilient to Climate Change?
				<p>new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify exiting measures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Follow Canadian Dam Safety Guidelines.</li> <li>- Incorporate Independent Tailings Review Board into planning and management of tailings facilities.</li> <li>- An Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance manual will be developed to facilitate training of staff for safe operation of the TMF dams. The manual will include guidelines for daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly inspections. Procedures for monitoring and surveillance will include background information on the climate change indicators and warning signs that would require corrective action well in advance of any potential event. Geotechnical dam instrumentation will also be used.</li> <li>- Regular inspections of pipelines with ongoing maintenance and appropriate remote monitoring of competence.</li> </ul>	
	Low to Medium Risks	Medium Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Extreme precipitation could increase contact water managed in the VMF, increasing pumping and treatment needs, with possible inability to treat water fast enough (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Extreme heat could cause overheating of equipment involved in moving tailings through pipeline (Confidence level: fact).</li> <li>- Dry conditions (drought and evapotranspiration) could lead to water scarcity in ponds (Confidence level: medium confidence)</li> <li>- Dry conditions (drought and evapotranspiration) or high wind could cause dust conditions on TMF causing increased need for dust management practices (Confidence level: medium to low confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify exiting measures.</li> <li>- Consider future extreme precipitation regimes into treatment capacity with continual monitoring procedures for the proposed site.</li> <li>- Implement fugitive dust best practices and continual monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations.</li> <li>- An Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance manual will be developed considering climate change to facilitate training of staff for safe operation of the TMF dams, which will include processes for downed equipment.</li> </ul>	Yes
	Low Risks	Low Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dry condition could lead to water scarcity at the VMF to maintain full water cover on the concentrate tailings (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Follow current practices for design of infrastructure.</li> <li>- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Yes
Buildings and Supporting Infrastructure / Systems	Medium Risks	High Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wildfire could cause damage to processing facility, which could cause need for repair or replacement, and could lead to downtime of processing infrastructure on site / costs for repair (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consider climate change projections for building design for the proposed site.</li> <li>- Follow building code and other infrastructure codes of practice.</li> <li>- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for building infrastructure throughout operations.</li> <li>- Insurance policy for site to include extreme events where appropriate.</li> </ul>	Yes
	Low to Medium Risks	Medium Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Freeze-thaw, extreme snowfall / rain on snow, freezing rain, high winds and flooding could damage buildings including the processing plant and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Follow building code and other infrastructure codes of practice.</li> <li>- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for building infrastructure throughout operations.</li> </ul>	Yes

Infrastructure Category	Current Climate Risk	Potential Future Climate Risk <sup>2</sup>	Potential Future Climate Impacts <sup>1,2</sup>	Treatment and Adaptation Measure Considerations	Considered Resilient to Climate Change?
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>supporting infrastructure causing increased need for repair and maintenance (Confidence level: low to medium confidence).</li> <li>- Extreme temperature conditions could lead to increased HVAC needs on site. Worker comfort could be compromised (Confidence level: fact).</li> <li>- Explosives facility could be compromised due to extreme weather events such as wildfire (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adhere to the explosives act and regulations.</li> </ul>	
	<b>Low Risks</b>	<b>Low Risks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Freeze-thaw, extreme snowfall / rain on snow, freezing rain, high winds and flooding could cause damage and outages for communications infrastructure (Confidence level: low to high confidence).</li> <li>- Freeze-thaw, extreme snowfall, freezing rain, high winds and flooding could damage buildings including the processing plant and supporting infrastructure causing increased need for repair and maintenance (Confidence level: low to high confidence).</li> <li>- Drought leading to water scarcity could lead to reduced ability to meet production demands (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Follow building code and other infrastructure codes of practice.</li> <li>- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Integrated Water Management System</b>	<b>Medium Risks</b>	<b>High Risks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Extreme precipitation, flooding could exceed pumping capacity / increased need for pumping causing increased need for dewatering and possible damage to pumps (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Increased treatment needs due to increased water on site (extreme precipitation, flooding), could lead to impaired ability to convey water, with potential for release of impacted water (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Overwhelming of dams, berms, ditches and culverts on site, leading to release of water and potential for erosion (extreme precipitation and flooding) (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify exiting measures.</li> <li>- Incorporate climate change projections into water management plans including the Dixie Creek Berm for the proposed site.</li> <li>- Design water management infrastructure components to consider extreme rainfall under future climate projections.</li> <li>- Review the water balance periodically and update site-wide water balance as operations progress and adjust as needed.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Low to Medium Risks</b>	<b>Medium Risks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Damage to water treatment / pumping infrastructure due to extreme events (i.e. wildfire and extreme heat). Could lead to impaired water treatment ability (Confidence level: medium confidence to fact).</li> <li>- Damage or overwhelming of domestic sewage plant due to extreme weather events could lead to release of grey water (Confidence level: low confidence to fact).</li> <li>- Mine-impacted water (contact water) leaving site due to extreme rainfall exceeding water management infrastructure capacity, or other extreme events (freezing rain, high winds, etc.) damaging water management infrastructure (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify exiting measures.</li> <li>- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management infrastructure throughout operations.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Low Risks</b>	<b>Low Risks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dry conditions contributing to water scarcity, could impact domestic sewage treatment, as well as other damage to extreme climate events (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> <li>- Drought could impact functioning of well (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes</b>

Infrastructure Category	Current Climate Risk	Potential Future Climate Risk <sup>2</sup>	Potential Future Climate Impacts <sup>1,2</sup>	Treatment and Adaptation Measure Considerations	Considered Resilient to Climate Change?
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Damage to effluent treatment plant due to extreme weather events could impact ability to treat water (Confidence level: low confidence to fact).</li> <li>- Untreated contact water leaving site due to extreme rainfall exceeding water management infrastructure capacity, or other extreme events (freezing rain, high winds, etc.) damaging water management infrastructure (Confidence level: low confidence to high confidence).</li> </ul>		
Power supply	Medium Risks	High Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wildfire could cause damage to power supplies, which could cause need for repair or replacement, and lead to downtime of processing infrastructure on site and investment for repair (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consider climate change projections for building design for the proposed site.</li> <li>- Follow building code and other infrastructure codes of practice.</li> <li>- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for building infrastructure throughout operations.</li> <li>- Insurance policy for site to include extreme events where appropriate.</li> </ul>	Yes
	Low to Medium Risks	Medium Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Extreme heat could cause overheating of mechanical equipment and could impact power generation facility (Confidence level: fact).</li> <li>- Extreme cold and freeze-thaw could put thermal stress of natural gas pipelines (above ground connections), weakening components and causing potential damage. Damage could also occur from other extreme weather events such as flooding and extreme snowfall (Confidence level: low confidence to fact).</li> <li>- Extreme heat along with other extreme climate events could impact function of power lines (Confidence level: low confidence to fact).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>- Existing plans for temporary backup power supplies (e.g. diesel generators) will help reduce short-term downtimes if power supply is disrupted related to climate impacts.</li> <li>- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for both grid, load management and backup power supplies during operations.</li> </ul>	Yes
	Low Risks	Low Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Extreme weather events such as freeze-thaw, extreme snow, freezing rain, and high winds could cause damage to power lines (Confidence level: low confidence to high confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Yes
Roads	No High Risks	No High Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No high risks identified</li> </ul>	--	--
	Low to Medium Risks	Medium Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dry conditions (drought and evapotranspiration) could cause dust on gravel roads, causing increased need for dust management practices (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> <li>- Extreme precipitation / flooding could increase erosion on roads, leading to washouts and potential site access issues (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Extreme conditions such as wildfire and extreme snowfall could lead to site access issues (Confidence level: medium confidence to high confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consider climate change projections into road design for the proposed site.</li> <li>- Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>- Implement fugitive dust best practices and continual monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations.</li> <li>- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for roads management during operations.</li> </ul>	Yes
	Low Risks	Low Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Freeze-thaw, extreme snowfall, freezing rain, high winds and flooding could cause access issues and damage to roads (Confidence level: low confidence to high confidence).</li> <li>- Extreme heat could lead to softening of pavement, causing rutting in pavement and increased need for maintenance (offsite access roads) (Confidence level: fact).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Yes
Fish Compensation Areas	Low to Medium Risks	Low to Medium Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Extreme heat could affect water temperatures thereby impacting the health of the fish.</li> <li>- Evapotranspiration could affect water levels with potential impacts to the fish.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Select species based on their habitat preferences as per the Fish Habitat Compensation Plan, with consideration for climate change.</li> <li>- Consider climate change in design</li> </ul>	Yes

Infrastructure Category	Current Climate Risk	Potential Future Climate Risk <sup>2</sup>	Potential Future Climate Impacts <sup>1,2</sup>	Treatment and Adaptation Measure Considerations	Considered Resilient to Climate Change?
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Flooding out of water could have potential detrimental impacts to the health of fish.</li> <li>- Extreme precipitation could cause erosion of edges of unnamed water bodies that are planned for fish habitat. This could reduce quality of habitat.</li> <li>- Drought could result in reduced water levels with potential impacts to the health of the fish.</li> <li>- Wildfire could cause vegetation in habitat to die off, which could require revegetation.</li> <li>- Wildfire could cause debris in the water which could reduce quality of habitat.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A combination of onsite monitors, and qualified designates will monitor effectiveness and document compliance with the approved plans.</li> <li>- The detailed design for the diversion channel and reconstructed Unnamed Watercourse 6b will be informed by a detailed topographical survey to confirm grades and elevations to ensure fish passage, as well as a detailed geomorphological design to confirm and design channel diagnostics reflective of the modeled flow.</li> <li>- A combination of onsite monitors, and qualified designates will monitor effectiveness and document compliance with the approved plans.</li> </ul>	
Post-Closure	No Risks	High Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inability to keep Mine Rock Stockpile pits slopes and other revegetated areas stable due to erosion, changes in groundwater level, in the event of high precipitations (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Freeze-thaw cycles could affect the potentially acid generating Mine Rock Stockpile cover performance and may result in the desiccation of the cover, resulting in cracking and an increase in oxygen ingress and decrease in seepage water quality (Confidence level: low confidence).</li> <li>- Failure of the TMF dam and containment structures with increasing precipitation (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use Great Bear Resources existing monitoring and reporting practices to monitor climate over the operations phase to better understand how observed changes in climate hazards and the mine infrastructure may impact post-closure.</li> <li>- Consider climate change projections in detailed design of post-closure infrastructure and update of interim and final closure plan.</li> <li>- Final Closure plan will be reviewed based on the above data.</li> </ul>	Yes
	No Risks	Medium Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Extreme precipitation / flooding could lead to excessive flow through the constructed channels, leading to erosion of the channel (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Dry conditions could slow filling of pit lakes (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> <li>- Erosion of reclaimed pit slopes could occur due to extreme precipitation (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Increased runoff from stockpiles and vegetated areas due to extreme precipitation could increase erosion and impact stability (Confidence level: likely / high confidence).</li> <li>- Difficulty to reach acceptable water quality in the pit lakes due to dry conditions resulting in increased treatment requirements (Confidence level: medium confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management and other infrastructure during post-closure design and into post-closure.</li> </ul>	Yes
	No Risks	Low Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Vegetation die off could occur due to extreme weather events such as extreme heat, drought, wildfire, drought (Confidence level: low confidence to high confidence).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adapt vegetation selected for post-closure to based on future climate conditions.</li> <li>- Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Yes

Notes:

There could be the same risk summary in the Climate Change Related Risk Summaries column for the same infrastructure category under different risk ratings. This is because a variety of risk scores could be associated with the same impact depending on the specific climate hazard causing the impact. Multiple climate hazards could cause the same impact, such as wildfire, extreme wind, and extreme snowfall causing damage to buildings, and fall under the term extreme events in this summary.

1 For each future climate impact statement, confidence levels for the associated climate hazards have been included in brackets following the impact statements for context.

2 Includes future risks and impacts associated with climate interactions for operations infrastructure (2050s) and post-closure infrastructure (2080s).

## 4 CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCE

This CCRA considers infrastructure components for the operations and post-closure phases of the Project. Through the CCRA, it was identified that climate interactions have a range of potential physical climate risks, from low risk to high risks. Treatment and adaptation measures have been identified that could be implemented through the design, operation and post-closure phases of the Project to manage these climate risks. Many of these treatment measures are consistent with already developed best management practices that Kinross Gold Corporation has developed for Great Bear Resources as part of their corporate responsible mining principles.

As mentioned in this report, climate risks were first assessed without the consideration of future climate in the design. This was completed to understand what potential climate risks could result in the largest impacts on the Project and then identify potential treatment and adaptation measures that can manage those risks effectively so that the Project is resilient to future climate. Identification of risk treatment and adaptation measures was completed systematically, evaluating each climate interaction risk identified by considering the underlying impact associated with each interaction, and its estimated risk level so that the treatment and adaptation measure intervention matched the associated perceived risk to the Project. Finally, an evaluation of how resilient infrastructure may be to a future climate if treatment and adaptation measures were implemented for associated infrastructure. The resulting expected climate resilience for risks has been included in Table 14 as well as part of Appendix A – Climate Change Risk Register.

The performance of the implemented measures should be monitored throughout the duration of the Project. As a part of the continual improvement process, an ongoing monitoring and surveillance program could be implemented. This continual improvement process could be used to outline the decision-making process for when action needs to be taken to improve climate resilience. The continual improvement process could be updated through an ongoing process over the lifetime of the Project. This could also include building on the preliminary list of potential climate change opportunities for the Project. The results from the monitoring programs could be integrated into a continual improvement process to test the effectiveness of resilience and adaptation actions and manage the unexpected outcomes.

By following this continual improvement approach, and with the implementation with the proposed treatment and adaptation measures provided in Section 3.3, the Project will be expected to be resilient to a changing climate over its planned lifetime.

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# **Appendix A**

## **Climate Change Risk Register**







Infrastructure Category	Infrastructure Component	Climate Hazard	Confidence Level	Interaction Description	Consequence Ratings																				Risk Score				Potential Treatment	Expected Treatment Impact	Resilient Statement				
					Dollar Impact				Licence to Operate				Safety				Max. Consequence Score	SSP1-2.6			SSP2-4.6			SSP5-6.6											
					Dollar Impact (Revenue, cost, project budget, value)	Justification	Project Schedule Delay	Justification	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Operations)	Justification	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Corporate)	Justification	Environment	Justification	Health and Safety	Justification		Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Max Likelihood Current	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Max Likelihood 2050s	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score				Max Likelihood 2050s	Risk Score Current	Risk Score (2050s)	Risk Score (2050s)
Tailings pipeline	Tailings pipeline	Drought	Medium Confidence	Drought could cause increased dust conditions on TMF. This could increase need for dust suppressant sprays.	1	Potential costs for legal and financial penalties, health-related issues and air quality management.	1	Temporary shutdown from community opposition and changes to regulatory environment.	2	Temporary shutdown/operational disruption and negative impact.	3	Moderate (Low) effects on strategy and decision making.	3	May lead to legal and financial penalties.	3	May cause severe impacts if exposed to hazardous products.	3	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	M17	M12	—	- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Implement fugitive dust best practices and continual monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations.	- Consideration of future climate conditions into the site's water balance will provide resilience to extreme precipitation events and long-term changes to temperature and precipitation. Implementation of best management practices for tailing management infrastructure will adapt to extreme precipitation, extreme heat, extreme wind, and dry conditions.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		High Winds	Low Confidence	High winds could pick up fine particulate on TMF, causing release of dust material.	1	Potential costs for legal and financial penalties, health-related issues and air quality management.	1	Temporary shutdown from community opposition and changes to regulatory environment.	3	Temporary shutdown/operational disruption and negative impact.	3	Moderate (Low) effects on strategy and decision making.	3	May lead to legal and financial penalties.	3	May cause severe impacts if exposed to hazardous products.	3	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	—	—	—	—	M15	M10	—	- Implement fugitive dust best practices and continual monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations.	- Implementation of best management practices for tailing management infrastructure will adapt to extreme precipitation, extreme heat, extreme wind, and dry conditions.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		Extreme heat	Fact	Extreme heat could cause overheating of equipment involved in movement of tailings through pipeline.	2	Incidental events causing very low financial impact on the project.	2	May lead to temporary shutdown for pipe maintenance.	2	Low impact on production and repair (not internally).	1	Likely no impact on confidence.	2	May need 3rd party suppliers for repairs.	2	Minor risk with proper SME.	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	—	—	—	—	L10	M14	—	- An Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance (OMS) manual will be developed considering climate change to facilitate training of staff for safe operation of the TMF dams, which will include processed for downed equipment.	- Implementation of best management practices for tailing management infrastructure will adapt to extreme precipitation, extreme heat, extreme wind, and dry conditions.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		Freeze-thaw Cycles	Low Confidence	Increased freeze-thaw cycles could damage tailings pipe, partly due to frost heaves, resulting in potential leak of tailings of site.	2	Minor effects on financial performance, O&M & CA.	3	Potential long term loss of operations (due to leak management and pipe maintenance).	4	Negative impact and potentially strong operation.	4	Probable high impact on strategy and decision making.	4	Spilling causing damage.	3	May cause severe impacts if exposed to hazardous products.	4	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	M16	H7	—	- An Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance (OMS) manual will be developed to facilitate training of staff for safe operation of the TMF dams. The manual will include guidelines for daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly inspections. Procedures for monitoring and surveillance will include background information on the climate change indicators and warning signs that would require corrective action well in advance of any potential event. Geotechnical dam instrumentation will also be used.	- Spillways, pipelines, and dams as part of tailing management infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to extreme precipitation events and other extreme climate event risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could cause flooding, leading to damage of tailings pipeline, which could result in a release of tailings off site.	2	Minor effects on financial performance.	3	Temporary to long term loss of operations.	4	Negative impact and potentially strong operation.	4	Probable high impact on strategy and decision making.	4	Spilling causing damage.	3	May cause severe impacts if exposed to hazardous products.	4	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	M16	H7	—	- Consider climate change projections into water management designs and construction for the proposed site. - Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Follow Canadian Dam Safety Guidelines. - Incorporate Independent Tailings Review Board (ITRB) into planning and management of tailings facilities. - An Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance (OMS) manual will be developed to facilitate training of staff for safe operation of the TMF dams. The manual will include guidelines for daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly inspections. Procedures for monitoring and surveillance will include background information on the climate change indicators and warning signs that would require corrective action well in advance of any potential event. Geotechnical dam instrumentation will also be used.	- Spillways, pipelines, and dams as part of tailing management infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to extreme precipitation events and other extreme climate event risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could lead to damage of tailings pipeline, which could result in a release of tailings off site.	2	Minor effects on financial performance.	3	Temporary to long term loss of operations.	4	Negative impact and potentially strong operation.	4	Probable high impact on strategy and decision making.	4	Spilling causing damage.	3	May cause severe impacts if exposed to hazardous products.	4	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	—	—	—	—	M16	H8	—	- Consider climate change projections into water management designs and construction for the proposed site. - Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Follow Canadian Dam Safety Guidelines. - Incorporate Independent Tailings Review Board (ITRB) into planning and management of tailings facilities. - An Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance (OMS) manual will be developed to facilitate training of staff for safe operation of the TMF dams. The manual will include guidelines for daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly inspections. Procedures for monitoring and surveillance will include background information on the climate change indicators and warning signs that would require corrective action well in advance of any potential event. Geotechnical dam instrumentation will also be used.	- Spillways, pipelines, and dams as part of tailing management infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to extreme precipitation events and other extreme climate event risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		Wildfires	Medium Confidence	Wildfire could damage tailing management infrastructure, resulting in significant repairs and failure of tailings infrastructure.	3	Financial impacts related to wildfire on tailing pipeline can be repaired due to potential spraying and the difficulty of access.	3	Potential long term loss of operations.	4	Minor could be closed for a certain period of time, resulting strong operation.	3	Potential moderate loss of confidence depending on how the fire emergency plan has been handled.	4	Spilling causing damage.	3	May cause severe impacts if exposed to hazardous products.	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	H7	H7	—	- Consider climate change projections into water management designs and construction for the proposed site. - An Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance (OMS) manual will be developed to facilitate training of staff for safe operation of the TMF dams. The manual will include guidelines for daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly inspections. Procedures for monitoring and surveillance will include background information on the climate change indicators and warning signs that would require corrective action well in advance of any potential event. Geotechnical dam instrumentation will also be used.	- Spillways, pipelines, and dams as part of tailing management infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to extreme precipitation events and other extreme climate event risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		Evapotranspiration	Medium Confidence	Evapotranspiration could lead to water scarcity, reducing water quality and quantity in ponds, and leading to water quality issues or water scarcity.	2	Minor effects on production/revenue.	1	Incidental event.	2	Low impact on production and repair (not internally).	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to maintenance, water analysis or management.	3	May lead to legal and financial penalties.	2	Minor risk with proper SME.	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	M17	M12	—	- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Implement fugitive dust best practices and continual monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations. - An Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance (OMS) manual will be developed considering climate change to facilitate training of staff for safe operation of the TMF dams, which will include processed for downed equipment.	- Consideration of future climate conditions into the site's water balance will provide resilience to extreme precipitation events and long-term changes to temperature and precipitation. Implementation of best management practices for tailing management infrastructure will adapt to extreme precipitation, extreme heat, extreme wind, and dry conditions.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.







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					Dollar Impact				Licence to Operate				Safety				Max. Consequence Score	SSP1-2.6			SSP2-4.6			SSP3-6.6													
					Dollar Impact (Revenue, cost, project budget, value)	Justification	Project Schedule Delay	Justification	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Operations)	Justification	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Corporate)	Justification	Environment	Justification	Health and Safety	Justification		Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Max Likelihood Current	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score			Max Likelihood 2050s	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Max Likelihood 2050s	Risk Score Current	Risk Score (2050s)	Risk Score (2050s)			
Explosives storage facility, Explosive magazines, reagent storage		Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could cause flooding of explosives facility and magazine, which could lead to seepage of chemicals associated with explosives.	2	Mitigation from seepage of chemical, legal actions and fines may lead to minor costs	2	Environmental mitigation and repairs may lead to delay of more than 2 weeks	3	Bad publicity in case of environmental contamination and fines	3	May lead to moderate loss of confidence due to excessive explosive storage and manufacture through inventory if it leads to environmental contamination	3	Remediation required	3	May cause severe injuries if exposed to hazardous products	3	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	-	-	-	-	H17	M12	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider climate change projections for building design for the proposed site</li> <li>Follow building code and other infrastructure codes of practice</li> <li>Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for building infrastructure throughout operations</li> <li>Insurance policy for site to include extreme events where appropriate</li> <li>Adhere to the explosives act and regulations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consideration of future climate conditions into building design and operations will provide resilience to extreme events</li> <li>Implementation of best practice measures for buildings and supporting infrastructure will adapt to extreme temperature, precipitation and other extreme events on-site</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
				Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could cause flooding of explosives facility and magazine, which could lead to seepage of chemicals associated with explosives.	2	Mitigation from seepage of chemical, legal actions and fines may lead to minor costs	2	Environmental mitigation and repairs may lead to delay of more than 2 weeks	3	Bad publicity in case of environmental contamination and fines	3	May lead to moderate loss of confidence due to excessive explosive storage and manufacture through inventory if it leads to environmental contamination	3	Remediation required	3	May cause severe injuries if exposed to hazardous products	3	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	H17	M10	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider climate change projections for building design for the proposed site</li> <li>Follow building code and other infrastructure codes of practice</li> <li>Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for building infrastructure throughout operations</li> <li>Insurance policy for site to include extreme events where appropriate</li> <li>Adhere to the explosives act and regulations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consideration of future climate conditions into building design and operations will provide resilience to extreme events</li> <li>Implementation of best practice measures for buildings and supporting infrastructure will adapt to extreme temperature, precipitation and other extreme events on-site</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment
				Wildfires	Medium Confidence	In the case that a wildfire goes through site, there could be damage to the explosives facility and magazine, causing unintentional detonation, and release of chemical associated with explosives.	2	Mitigation from seepage of chemical, legal actions and fines may lead to minor costs	2	Environmental mitigation and repairs may lead to delay of more than 2 weeks	3	Bad publicity in case of environmental contamination and fines	3	Potential moderate loss of confidence due to emergency management	3	Remediation required	3	May lead to a catastrophic event causing severe injury	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	H12	M12	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider climate change projections for building design for the proposed site</li> <li>Follow building code and other infrastructure codes of practice</li> <li>Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for building infrastructure throughout operations</li> <li>Insurance policy for site to include extreme events where appropriate</li> <li>Adhere to the explosives act and regulations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consideration of future climate conditions into building design and operations will provide resilience to extreme events</li> <li>Implementation of best practice measures for buildings and supporting infrastructure will adapt to extreme temperature, precipitation and other extreme events on-site</li> </ul>
Chukani effluent discharge pipeline and effluent Freshwater pipeline		Freeze-thaw Cycles	Low Confidence	Freeze-thaw cycles could increase damage to concrete structures, resulting in damage to discharge pipeline and increase need for repair and replacement.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Likely no impact on production	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	L16	L22	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
				Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could exceed capacity of pipelines, causing damage and increased need for repair and replacement. Could result in more impacted water leaving site.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	2	Repair and replacement after flooding may take more than 2 weeks	2	Lack of production may create opposition	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate water analysis or management	2	May need stakeholders to review the system/structure	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans when working during hazardous climate conditions	2	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	-	-	-	-	L23	L19	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment
		Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could cause flooding on site, which could exceed capacity of pipelines, causing damage and increased need for repair and replacement. Could result in more impacted water leaving site.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	2	Repair and replacement after flooding may take more than 2 weeks	2	Lack of production may create opposition	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate water analysis or management	2	May need stakeholders to review the system/structure	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans when working during hazardous climate conditions	2	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	L23	M14	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures.</li> <li>Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management infrastructure throughout operations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consideration of future climate conditions into water treatment containment infrastructure will provide resilience to extreme events</li> <li>Implementation of best practice measures for integrated water management system infrastructure will adapt to future risks to treatment plant/pumping infrastructure, and other water management infrastructure.</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
		Extreme Snowfall	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme snowfall events could cause damage to pipelines, causing increased need for repair.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Likely no impact on production	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans when working during hazardous climate conditions	2	1	1	1	1	3	3	2	3	-	-	-	-	L23	L19	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
		Extreme heat	Fact	Extreme heat could cause overheating of pumping systems, causing down pumping time and need for repair or replacement.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Incidental event	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	L24	L20	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
		Precipitation increase	Fact	Increased precipitation could cause increased pumping volume resulting in wear on pumping systems causing increased need for maintenance and repair.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Incidental event	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	L24	L20	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
		Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could exceed pumping capacity, causing wear on pumps, and need for dewatering in pits and underground workings.	2	Breakdown or inhibition of jobs and underground infrastructure dewatering can lead to a temporary inhibition in production and thus to loss of revenue	2	Time to get the one extraction pump after a temporary dewatering job and underground infrastructure may take more than 2 weeks	3	Prohibited inhibition of one extraction and production may lead to moderate opposition in case of sufficient dewatering of the open pits and underground infrastructure	3	May lead to moderate loss of confidence due to inadequate water analysis or management	4	Potential overflowing of mine impacted waters	3	May cause severe injuries if exposed to hazardous products	4	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	-	-	-	-	H16	H7	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures.</li> <li>Design water management infrastructure components to consider extreme rainfall under future climate projections.</li> <li>Review the water balance periodically and update site-wide water balance as operations progress. Adjust accordingly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water management system infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events and flooding.</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
In-pit and underground sumps and pumps, Freshwater pumphouse		Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could increase need for pumping water on site, causing increased volume pumped leading to wear on pumping systems which leads to increased repair and maintenance.	2	Breakdown or inhibition of jobs and underground infrastructure dewatering can lead to a temporary inhibition in production and thus to loss of revenue	2	Time to get the one extraction pump after a temporary dewatering job and underground infrastructure may take more than 2 weeks	3	Prohibited inhibition of one extraction and production in case of sufficient dewatering of the open pits and underground infrastructure may lead to moderate opposition	3	May lead to moderate loss of confidence due to inadequate water analysis or management	4	Potential overflowing of mine impacted waters	3	May cause severe injuries if exposed to hazardous products	4	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	H16	H4	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures.</li> <li>Design water management infrastructure components to consider extreme rainfall under future climate projections.</li> <li>Review the water balance periodically and update site-wide water balance as operations progress. Adjust accordingly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water management system infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events and flooding.</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
				Extreme Snowfall	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme snowfall event could cause damage to the pumping systems, increasing need for repair and maintenance.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Incidental event	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	1	1	1	3	3	2	3	-	-	-	-	L16	L22	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Freezing Rain	Low Confidence	Freezing rain events could cause damage to the pumping systems, increasing need for repair and maintenance.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Incidental event	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	-	-	-	-	L26	L22	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment			
		Wildfires	Medium Confidence	In the case that a wildfire goes through site, there could be damage to the pumping systems which could cause pumping system downtime.	2	Damage by wildfire on the dewatering system might be a minor issue and probably lead to minor costs	3	May lead to prolonged staff evacuation and delayed monitoring/repairing measures, delay on production	3	Prohibited inhibition of one extraction and production in case of sufficient dewatering of the open pits and underground infrastructure may lead to moderate opposition	3	Potential moderate loss of confidence depending on emergency management	1	Should not require cleanup	2	Minor to low injury with proper planning and emergency plans	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	H12	M12	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management infrastructure throughout operations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consideration of future climate conditions into water treatment containment infrastructure will provide resilience to extreme events</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Extreme heat	Fact	Extreme heat overheating of water treatment infrastructure which could cause need for repair or replacement if over temperature design.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Incidental event	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans when working during hazardous climate conditions	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	L25	M14	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management infrastructure throughout operations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consideration of future climate conditions into water treatment containment infrastructure will provide resilience to extreme events</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
		Freeze-thaw Cycles	Low Confidence	Freeze-thaw cycles could cause damage to effluent treatment plant, causing increased need for maintenance and repair.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Probably no impact on production	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	L26	L22	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment		
Precipitation increase	Fact	Increased precipitation will cause increased water going through effluent treatment plant.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Probably no impact on production	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	L24	L20	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure</li> </ul>	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment				

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					Dollar Impact				Licence to Operate				Safety				Max. Consequence Score	SSP1-2.6			SSP2-4.6			SSP5-8.6			Max Likelihood 2050s	Risk Score Current				Risk Score (2050s)	Risk Score (2050s)		
					Dollar Impact (Revenue, cost, project budget, value)	Justification	Project Schedule Delay	Justification	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Operations)	Justification	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Corporate)	Justification	Environment	Justification	Health and Safety	Justification		Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Max Likelihood Current	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score											
Effluent treatment plant	Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could cause increased throughput in treatment plant - requirement of downstream ability to convey flow. It could also cause increased start/stop and adjustments. Additional, influx of water to treatment system for increased need for treatment.	1	Water treatment issues can lead to a diversion in production and thus to small loss of revenue.	2	Flowing normal flow may take more than two weeks	3	May lead to moderate, opposition on water management - Best publicly if well thought out	3	Potential moderate loss of confidence depending on emergency management and due to inadequate water management	4	Potential overflowing of mine impacted water	3	May cause severe injuries if exposed to hazardous products	4	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	M36	H7	—	- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Incorporate climate change projections into water management plans including the Dixie Creek Berm for the proposed site. - Design water management infrastructure components to consider extreme rainfall under future climate projections. Design - Review the water balance periodically and update site-wide water balance as operations progress. Adjust accordingly	- Water management system infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events and flooding.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could cause increased throughput in treatment plant - impairment of downstream ability to convey flow.	1	Effluent treatment issues can lead to a diversion in production and thus to small loss of revenue.	2	Flowing normal flow may take more than two weeks	3	May lead to moderate, opposition on water management - Best publicly if well thought out	3	Potential moderate loss of confidence depending on emergency management and due to inadequate water management	4	Potential overflowing of mine impacted water	3	May cause severe injuries if exposed to hazardous products	4	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	M36	H4	—	- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Incorporate climate change projections into water management plans including the Dixie Creek Berm for the proposed site. - Design water management infrastructure components to consider extreme rainfall under future climate projections. Design - Review the water balance periodically and update site-wide water balance as operations progress. Adjust accordingly	- Water management system infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events and flooding.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Extreme Snowfall	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme snowfall could damage the effluent treatment plant, causing need for repair and replacement with potential downtime.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Incidental event	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	L36	L20	—	- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Freezing Rain	Low Confidence	Freezing rain could damage the effluent treatment plant, causing need for repair and replacement with potential downtime.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Incidental event	1	Very low impact on production and repair cost internally	1	Likely no impact on confidence	1	Should not require cleanup	1	Near miss	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	L36	L20	—	- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Wildfires	Medium Confidence	In the case that a wildfire goes through site, there could be damage to the effluent treatment plant which could cause potential downtime.	2	Damage by wildfire on the effluent treatment plant might be a of a water leak and potentially lead to minor costs	2	May lead to prolonged shut-out production. Repair and replacement of equipment would take more than 2 weeks	3	Potentially moderate impact on production	3	Potential moderate loss of confidence depending on emergency management	3	Leak or spill leading to environmental damage	2	Minor to low injury with proper planning and emergency plans	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	M12	M12	—	- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management infrastructure throughout operations.	- Consideration of future climate conditions into water treatment containment infrastructure will provide resilience to extreme events.
Integrated Water Management System	Evapotranspiration	Medium Confidence	Evapotranspiration could contribute to water scarcity, causing issues with freewater tankage supply.	1	Incidental event	2	Potential shutout if it leads to a temporary reduction in production	2	Low impact on production and repair cost internally	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design	1	Minor incident, no cleanup	1	Near miss	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	L33	L19	—	- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Freeze-thaw Cycles	Low Confidence	Freeze-thaw cycles could damage the tankage, causing need for repair or maintenance.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Incidental event	1	Should not impact production and be dealt internally	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design	1	Minor incident, no cleanup	1	Near miss	2	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	L33	L19	—	- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Drought	Medium Confidence	Drought could contribute to water scarcity posing an issue for water supply for tankage.	1	Incidental event	2	Potential shutout if it leads to a temporary reduction in production	2	Low impact on production and repair cost internally	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design	1	Minor incident, no cleanup	1	Near miss	2	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	L33	L19	—	- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Freeze-thaw Cycles	Low Confidence	Increased freeze-thaw cycles could damage any concrete structure associated with dams and berms, which could lead to increased repair and maintenance.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Regular maintenance	1	Should not impact production and be dealt internally	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design	1	Minor incident, no cleanup	1	Near miss	2	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	L33	L19	—	- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
Dixie Creek flood protection berm, lakeview dams	Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could exceed capacity of dams and berms causing a breach event with release of mine impacted water.	2	Flooding of the pits can lead to a temporary reduction in production and thus to loss of revenue.	3	Flooding of the pits can lead to a temporary reduction in production and thus to loss of revenue.	3	May lead to moderate, opposition on water management - Best publicly in case of fatalities	3	Potentially major loss of confidence depending on emergency management and due to inadequate water facility design	1	Minor incident, no cleanup	4	Can be a catastrophic event leading to death	4	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	M36	H7	—	- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Incorporate climate change projections into water management plans including the Dixie Creek Berm for the proposed site. - Design water management infrastructure components to consider extreme rainfall under future climate projections. Design - Review the water balance periodically and update site-wide water balance as operations progress. Adjust accordingly	- Water management system infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events and flooding.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could cause increased water on site, leading to overtopping of dams and berms, with potential for erosion.	2	Flooding of the pits can lead to a temporary reduction in production and thus to loss of revenue.	3	Flooding of the pits can lead to a temporary reduction in production and thus to loss of revenue.	3	May lead to moderate, opposition on water management - Best publicly in case of fatalities	3	Potentially major loss of confidence depending on emergency management and due to inadequate water facility design	1	Minor incident, no cleanup	4	Can be a catastrophic event leading to death	4	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	M36	H4	—	- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Incorporate climate change projections into water management plans including the Dixie Creek Berm for the proposed site. - Design water management infrastructure components to consider extreme rainfall under future climate projections. Design - Review the water balance periodically and update site-wide water balance as operations progress. Adjust accordingly	- Water management system infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events and flooding.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	High Winds	Low Confidence	Extreme winds could cause increased wave runup, causing a breach of water containment structures releasing some mine contaminated water on site.	1	Incidental event. Maintenance probably included in the budget	1	Regular maintenance	1	Should not impact production and be dealt internally	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design	1	Minor incident, no cleanup	1	Near miss	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	L33	L21	—	- Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for integrated water management infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme rainfall could overwhelm ditches and culverts on site causing release of mine impacted water. Extreme rainfall could also cause debris blocking ditches and culverts, increasing chance of overtopping.	2	Potentially minor costs associated with environmental remediation	2	Repair and replacement after flooding may take more than 2 weeks	3	May lead to moderate, opposition on water management - Best publicly in case of environmental contamination	3	Potentially major loss of confidence depending on emergency management and due to inadequate water facility design	4	Potential overflowing of mine impacted water	3	May cause severe injuries if exposed to hazardous products	4	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	M36	H7	—	- Water management and monitoring plans will be developed inclusive of climate change considerations as the Project progresses, these will include adaptive management measures. Adaptive management is a planned and systematic process for continuously improving environmental management practices and adjusting monitoring by learning from outcomes. It provides flexibility to address/accommodate new circumstances, to adjust monitoring, implement new mitigation or modify existing measures. - Incorporate climate change projections into water management plans including the Dixie Creek Berm for the proposed site. - Design water management infrastructure components to consider extreme rainfall under future climate projections. Design - Review the water balance periodically and update site-wide water balance as operations progress. Adjust accordingly	- Water management system infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events and flooding.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.



Infrastructure Category	Infrastructure Component	Climate Hazard	Confidence Level	Interaction Description	Consequence Ratings																			Risk Score Current	Risk Score (2050)	Risk Score (2090)	Potential Treatment	Expected Treatment Impact	Resilient Statement											
					Dollar Impact			Licence to Operate			Safety			Max. Consequence Score	SSP1-2.6			SSP2-4.5			SSP5-8.5									Max Likelihood 2050s	Max Likelihood 2090s	Max Likelihood 2050s	Max Likelihood 2090s							
					Dollar Impact (Revenue, cost, project budget, value)	Justification	Project Schedule Delay	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Operations)	Justification	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Corporate)	Justification	Environment	Justification		Health and Safety	Justification	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score																	
Power Supply	Power line, substations and power distribution (on-site)	Wildfire	Medium Confidence	Wildfire could damage pipelines, causing release of gas and need for repair and replacement.	4	Potential high cost due to important energy to case of release. Difficulty of access.	4	Potential long term loss of operations.	3	Potentially lost publicly due to health and safety issues.	3	Potential moderate loss of confidence depending on emergency management.	3	May lead to leaks in case of explosion.	3	May lead to a severe injury.	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	M12	H7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider climate change projections for building design for the proposed site.</li> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Existing plans for temporary backup power supplies (e.g. diesel generators) will help reduce short-term downtimes if power supply is disrupted related to climate impacts.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for both grid, load management and backup power supplies during operations.</li> <li>Insurance policy for site to include extreme events where appropriate.</li> </ul>	Implementation of best practice measures for power supply infrastructure will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.					
		Increasing temperature	Fact	Increased temperature could increase growth of vegetation, increasing chance of contact with transmission line, which could cause damage, outages, and safety hazards.	1	Incidental effects on revenue for increased maintenance.	1	Incidental event.	1	Very low impact on production and impact dealt internally.	1	Likely no impact on confidence.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	M14	M14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Existing plans for temporary backup power supplies (e.g. diesel generators) will help reduce short-term downtimes if power supply is disrupted related to climate impacts.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for both grid, load management and backup power supplies during operations.</li> </ul>	Implementation of best practice measures for power supply infrastructure will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.			
		Extreme heat	Fact	Extreme heat could impact functioning of the transmission line, could also contribute to degradation of foundation structures (i.e. concrete materials).	1	Reduced power over the extreme heat extending lead to minor impact on the production/revenue.	1	Incidental event.	1	Very low impact on production and impact dealt internally.	1	Likely no impact on confidence.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans.	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	M14	M14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Existing plans for temporary backup power supplies (e.g. diesel generators) will help reduce short-term downtimes if power supply is disrupted related to climate impacts.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for both grid, load management and backup power supplies during operations.</li> </ul>	Implementation of best practice measures for power supply infrastructure will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.		
		Freeze-thaw Cycles	Low Confidence	Increased freeze-thaw cycles could contribute to degradation of foundation structures.	1	Incidental effects on revenue for increased maintenance.	1	Incidental event.	1	Very low impact on production and impact dealt internally.	1	Likely no impact on confidence.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	1	Near zero.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L20	L20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for power supply infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.		
		Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could cause flooding and damage to transmission lines, leading to power outages.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines may lead to minor costs. Power outages would also affect production/revenue.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines in case of flooding may take more than 2 weeks.	2	Loss of production may cause operation.	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design or management.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	3	Severe signs linked to potential electrocution.	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	M17	M12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Existing plans for temporary backup power supplies (e.g. diesel generators) will help reduce short-term downtimes if power supply is disrupted related to climate impacts.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for both grid, load management and backup power supplies during operations.</li> </ul>	Implementation of best practice measures for power supply infrastructure will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.	
		Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could contribute to damage to foundation of transmission lines, which could cause increased need for repair and maintenance.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines may lead to minor costs. Power outages would also affect production/revenue.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines in case of flooding may take more than 2 weeks.	2	Loss of production may cause operation.	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design or management.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	3	Severe signs linked to potential electrocution.	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	M17	M10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Existing plans for temporary backup power supplies (e.g. diesel generators) will help reduce short-term downtimes if power supply is disrupted related to climate impacts.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for both grid, load management and backup power supplies during operations.</li> </ul>	Implementation of best practice measures for power supply infrastructure will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.	
		Extreme Snowfall	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme snowfall could cause damage to transmission lines, resulting in power outages.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines may lead to minor costs. Power outages would also affect production/revenue.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines in case of a major storm may take more than 2 weeks.	2	Loss of production may cause operation.	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L20	L19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for power supply infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.	
		Freezing Rain	Low Confidence	Freezing rain could cause damage to transmission lines, resulting in power outages.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines may lead to minor costs. Power outages would also affect production/revenue.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines in case of a major storm may take more than 2 weeks.	2	Loss of production may cause operation.	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L20	L19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for power supply infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		High Winds	Low Confidence	High winds could cause damage to transmission lines resulting in power outages.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines may lead to minor costs. Power outages would also affect production/revenue.	2	Replacement/repair of transmission lines in case of a major storm may take more than 2 weeks.	2	Loss of production may cause operation.	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Minor risk with proper SME and safety plans.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L20	L19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for power supply infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
		Wildfires	Medium Confidence	Wildfire could damage transmission lines causing an outage of power and need for replacement of transmission lines.	4	Replacement/repair of power lines and power outages may lead to minor costs. Power outages would also affect production/revenue depending on the damage extent.	4	Potential long term loss of operations.	2	Loss of production may cause operation.	3	Potential moderate loss of confidence depending on emergency management.	3	No cleanup.	2	Minor to low injury with proper planning and emergency plans.	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	M12	H7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider climate change projections for building design for the proposed site.</li> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Existing plans for temporary backup power supplies (e.g. diesel generators) will help reduce short-term downtimes if power supply is disrupted related to climate impacts.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for both grid, load management and backup power supplies during operations.</li> <li>Insurance policy for site to include extreme events where appropriate.</li> </ul>	Implementation of best practice measures for power supply infrastructure will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.	
Site roads, haul roads, laydown and parking areas (gravel)	Extended cold spell	Fact	Extended cold spells could cause increased frost penetration and cause damage to roads, with increased need for maintenance and repair.	1	Potential very low cost involved due to road management.	1	Incidental event with relatively straightforward management measures.	1	Very low impact on production and impact dealt internally.	1	Likely no impact on confidence.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	1	Near zero.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L26	L24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for roads.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.			
	Evapotranspiration	Medium Confidence	Evapotranspiration could lead to increased drying of road, causing dust, which impacts health and safety and could cause need for dust suppressant materials.	1	Potential costs for legal and financial penalties, health-related issues and air quality management.	1	Temporary shutdown from community opposition and change regulatory environment.	2	Low effects on ability and decision making.	3	May lead to legal and financial penalties.	2	May cause minor injuries linked to dust (i.e. a lower level than dust from hazardous materials).	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	M17	M12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider climate change projections into road design for the proposed site.</li> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Implement fugitive dust best practices and continual monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for roads management during operations.</li> </ul>	Consideration of future climate conditions into roads infrastructure will provide resilience to extreme events.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.	
	Freeze-thaw Cycles	Low Confidence	Increased freeze-thaw cycles could contribute to rutting and potholes in gravel roads, causing increased maintenance needs.	1	Potential very low cost involved due to road management.	1	Incidental event with relatively straightforward management measures.	1	Very low impact on production and impact dealt internally.	1	Likely no impact on confidence.	1	Near zero.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L26	L20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for roads.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.	
	Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could lead to increased erosion on gravel roads leading to road washouts and access issues on site.	1	Potential very low cost involved due to road management (partially included in the budget).	2	Replacement/repair of roads in the event of flooding may take more than 2 weeks.	2	Loss of production may create operation.	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design or management.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Hazardous transport conditions can lead to minor injuries.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L20	L19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for roads.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.	
	Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could lead to increased erosion on gravel roads leading to road washouts and access issues on site.	1	Potential very low cost involved due to road management (partially included in the budget).	2	Replacement/repair of roads in the event of flooding may take more than 2 weeks.	2	Loss of production may create operation.	2	May lead to minor loss of confidence due to inadequate design or management.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Hazardous transport conditions can lead to minor injuries.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L20	M14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider climate change projections into road design for the proposed site.</li> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Implement fugitive dust best practices and continual monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for roads management during operations.</li> </ul>	Consideration of future climate conditions into roads infrastructure will provide resilience to extreme events.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Extreme Snowfall	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme snowfall could cause heavy snow loading on roads, causing site access issues.	1	Potential very low cost involved due to road management and ice management (partially included in the budget).	1	Incidental event.	1	Very low impact on production and impact dealt internally.	1	Likely no impact on confidence.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Hazardous transport conditions can lead to minor injuries.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L20	L19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for roads.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Freezing Rain	Low Confidence	Freezing rain could cause heavy ice load on roads, causing site access issues.	1	Potential very low cost involved due to road management and ice management (partially included in the budget).	1	Incidental event.	1	Very low impact on production and impact dealt internally.	1	Likely no impact on confidence.	1	Minor incident, no cleanup.	2	Hazardous transport conditions can lead to minor injuries.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L20	L19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include as part of Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.</li> </ul>	Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for roads.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.
	Drought	Medium Confidence	Drought conditions could cause increased dust on roads, causing health and safety concerns and increasing needs for dust management measures.	1	Potential costs for legal and financial penalties, health-related issues and air quality management.	1	Temporary shutdown from community opposition and change regulatory environment.	2	Low effects on ability and decision making.	3	May lead to legal and financial penalties.	2	May cause minor injuries linked to dust (i.e. a lower level than dust from hazardous materials).	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	M17	M12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider climate change projections into road design for the proposed site.</li> <li>Follow codes and practices.</li> <li>Implement fugitive dust best practices and continual monitoring of dust conditions throughout operations.</li> <li>Continuously update to best management and maintenance programs for roads management during operations.</li> </ul>	Consideration of future climate conditions into roads infrastructure will provide resilience to extreme events.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment.



Infrastructure Category	Infrastructure Component	Climate Hazard	Confidence Level	Interaction Description	Consequence Ratings												Risk Scoring												Potential Treatment	Expected Treatment Impact	Resilient Statement			
					Dollar Impact			Licence to Operate			Safety			Max. Consequence Score	SSP1-2.6			SSP2-4.5			SSP3-6.5			Max Likelihood 2050s	Risk Score Current	Risk Score (2050s)	Risk Score (2050s)							
					Dollar Impact (Revenue, cost, project budget, value)	Justification	Project Schedule Delay	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Operational)	Justification	Indigenous Peoples and Stakeholder Relations & Reputation (Corporate)	Justification	Environment	Health and Safety		Justification	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Max Likelihood Current	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score	Likelihood Score												
P/Lakes and construction channels, WAF		Evapotranspiration	Medium Confidence	Increased evapotranspiration could slow down filling of P/Lakes, and cause water quality issues that could result in need for increased treatment requirements.	2	Water quality issues due to evapotranspiration could result in increased treatment costs and potential fines. This is a minor dollar impact.	1	Decreased water quality in pit lakes would not cause a project delay.	2	Water quality issues on site may require some reoperation.	2	Water quality issues on site could cause limited impact on confidence in management of company.	2	Environmental impacts from pit lake water quality issues would likely stay on site and require some reoperation.	2	Water quality issues on site would have incidental human health impact.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	5	5	-	-	M8	- Use Great Bear Resources existing monitoring and reporting practices to monitor climate over the operations phase to better understand how observed changes in climate hazards and the mine infrastructure may impact post-closure. - Consider climate change projections in detailed design of post-closure infrastructure and update of interim and final closure plan. - Final Closure plan will be reviewed based on the above data.	- Post closure infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events, flooding and dry conditions.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Freeze-thaw Cycles	Low Confidence	Freeze-thaw cycles could affect the Mine Rock Stockpiles potentially acid generating mine rock cover performance and may result in the desiccation of the clay layer resulting in cracking and an increase in oxygen ingress and decrease in seepage water quality. In addition, freeze-thaw increase, and other extreme weather events (i.e. extreme snowfall) could damage shaft caps and construction channels.	4	Freeze-thaw increase leading to instability in the long term could have major dollar impact (10-20%)	1	Damage will have no project delay	4	Failure of geotechnical cover could cause strong reoperation.	4	Failure of geotechnical cover could result in limited impact on confidence in company.	3	Failure of geotechnical cover could cause detrimental incident.	1	Failure of geotechnical cover could cause health and safety impact.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	3	-	-	H5	- Use Great Bear Resources existing monitoring and reporting practices to monitor climate over the operations phase to better understand how observed changes in climate hazards and the mine infrastructure may impact post-closure. - Consider climate change projections in detailed design of post-closure infrastructure and update of interim and final closure plan. - Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Precipitation increase	Fact	Increased precipitation could lead to changes in groundwater which could impact soil stability, and slope stability.	-	Instability on P/Lake Slope is assumed to have incidental dollar impact.	1	Instability on P/Lake Slope is assumed to have incidental project delay.	2	In the case of instability resulting in failure, there could be some reoperation.	2	In the case of instability resulting in failure, there could be some reoperation.	1	Environmental impact from increased P/Lake Slope would be re-located.	3	In the case of instability resulting in failure, severe injury could occur if personal are in area.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5	5	5	-	-	H6	- Use Great Bear Resources existing monitoring and reporting practices to monitor climate over the operations phase to better understand how observed changes in climate hazards and the mine infrastructure may impact post-closure. - Consider climate change projections in detailed design of post-closure infrastructure and update of interim and final closure plan. - Final Closure plan will be reviewed based on the above data.	- Post closure infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events, flooding and dry conditions.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could lead to flooding of pit lake, which could release water through construction channel impacted by mine. Could also lead to erosion of pit walls, impacting stability.	2	Release of P/Lake water could result in the loss of revenue of mine impacted water.	1	Release of mine impacted water would not delay project more than 2 weeks considering the post-closure phases.	3	Release of mine impacted water from P/Lake could result in the loss of confidence in company.	2	Release of mine impacted water from P/Lake could result in limited impact on confidence in company.	3	Release of mine impacted water from P/Lake could result in the loss of confidence in company.	2	Release of mine impacted water from P/Lake could result in health and safety impact.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	4	4	-	-	M10	- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management and other infrastructure during post-closure design and into post-closure.	- Implementation of best practice measures for post-closure activities will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	Flooding could cause overloading of construction channels, causing water to be released from channels onto site, and potentially causing damage to channels.	1	Damage to construction channels will have incidental dollar impact.	1	Release of mine impacted water would not delay project more than 2 weeks considering the post-closure phases.	2	Release of water from construction channels could result in minor reoperation or instability in confidence in company.	2	Release of water from construction channels could result in minor reoperation or instability in confidence in company.	1	Release of water from construction channels could result in minor reoperation or instability in confidence in company.	1	Release from channels on site will have no serious impact to health and safety.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	5	4	5	-	-	M11	- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management and other infrastructure during post-closure design and into post-closure.	- Implementation of best practice measures for post-closure activities will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Extreme Snowfall	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme snowfall could cause damage to construction channels, causing increased need for maintenance and repair.	-	Damage to construction channels will have incidental dollar impact.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no project delay.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no reoperation.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no reoperation.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no reoperation.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no reoperation.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	3	-	-	L22	- Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Freezing Rain	Low Confidence	Freezing rain could cause blockage and/or damage to construction channels.	1	Damage to construction channels will have incidental dollar impact.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no project delay.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no reoperation.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no reoperation.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no reoperation.	1	Damage to construction channels will have no reoperation.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	3	-	-	L22	- Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
Reclaimed Pit Slopes		Drought	Medium Confidence	Drought conditions could slow filling of pit lake, and cause water quality issues.	2	Water quality issues due to drought could result in increased treatment costs and potential fines. This is a minor dollar impact.	1	Decreased water quality in pit lakes would not cause a project delay.	2	Water quality issues on site could cause some reoperation.	2	Water quality issues on site could cause limited impact on confidence in management of company.	2	Environmental impact from pit lake water quality issues would likely stay on site and require no clean-up.	1	Water quality issues on site would have incidental human health impact.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	4	4	-	-	M14	- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management and other infrastructure during post-closure design and into post-closure.	- Implementation of best practice measures for post-closure activities will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		High Winds	Low Confidence	Extreme winds could cause increased water runoff, causing a breach of water containment structures releasing some mine contaminated water on site.	-	Wash erosion on pit walls causing breach of water containment structures releasing some mine contaminated water on site.	1	Wash erosion on pit walls causing breach of water containment structures releasing some mine contaminated water on site.	2	In the case of instability resulting in failure, there could be some reoperation.	2	In the case of instability resulting in failure, there could be some reoperation.	1	Environmental impact from increased P/Lake Slope would be re-located.	3	In the case of instability resulting in failure, severe injury could occur if personal are in area.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	2	-	-	M15	- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management and other infrastructure during post-closure design and into post-closure.	- Implementation of best practice measures for post-closure activities will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Evapotranspiration	Medium Confidence	Increased evapotranspiration could contribute to dry conditions which could cause vegetation die off. This could cause increased erosion of erosion, and pit wall instability (erosion is a secondary impact here, and not considered in scoring).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental dollar impact.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental project delay (considering in post-closure).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on environment.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on health and safety.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	5	5	-	-	L18	- Adapt vegetation selected for post-closure to based on future climate conditions. - Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could lead to erosion on reclaimed pit walls which to instability, with the possibility of washout and die off of pit wall vegetation.	1	instability on P/Lake Slope is assumed to have incidental dollar impact.	1	instability on P/Lake Slope is assumed to have incidental project delay.	2	In the case of instability resulting in failure, there could be some reoperation.	2	In the case of instability resulting in failure, there could be some reoperation.	1	Environmental impact from increased P/Lake Slope would be re-located.	3	In the case of instability resulting in failure, severe injury could occur if personal are in area.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	4	4	-	-	M10	- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management and other infrastructure during post-closure design and into post-closure.	- Implementation of best practice measures for post-closure activities will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Flooding	Likely / High Confidence	In extreme cases, flooding could cause water to enter pit lake, leading to erosion on reclaimed pit walls which to instability, with the possibility of washout and die off of pit wall vegetation.	-	instability on P/Lake Slope is assumed to have incidental dollar impact.	1	instability on P/Lake Slope is assumed to have incidental project delay.	2	In the case of instability resulting in failure, there could be some reoperation.	2	In the case of instability resulting in failure, there could be some reoperation.	1	Environmental impact from increased P/Lake Slope would be re-located.	3	In the case of instability resulting in failure, severe injury could occur if personal are in area.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	5	4	5	-	-	H6	- Use Great Bear Resources existing monitoring and reporting practices to monitor climate over the operations phase to better understand how observed changes in climate hazards and the mine infrastructure may impact post-closure. - Consider climate change projections in detailed design of post-closure infrastructure and update of interim and final closure plan. - Final Closure plan will be reviewed based on the above data.	- Post closure infrastructure will be designed and maintained to be resilient to future extreme precipitation events, flooding, and dry conditions.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Drought	Medium Confidence	Drought conditions could cause die off of re-vegetated pit slopes, causing need to re-vegetate, or increase plant maintenance.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental dollar impact.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental project delay (considering in post-closure).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on environment.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on health and safety.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	4	4	-	-	L20	- Adapt vegetation selected for post-closure to based on future climate conditions. - Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		High Winds	Low Confidence	High winds could impact rehabilitation plans for cover during post-closure.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental dollar impact.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental project delay (considering in post-closure).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on environment.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on health and safety.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	4	4	-	-	L20	- Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
Reclaimed Waste Rock Storage Areas		Wildfires	Medium Confidence	Wildfire could kill off vegetation on pit slopes, leading to increased erosion, and impacting revegetation planning/natural restoration.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental dollar impact.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental project delay (considering in post-closure).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on environment.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on health and safety.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	3	-	-	L22	- Adapt vegetation selected for post-closure to based on future climate conditions. - Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Evapotranspiration	Medium Confidence	Evapotranspiration could contribute to dry conditions, causing die off of vegetation. This could cause the need for revegetation actions.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental dollar impact.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental project delay (considering in post-closure).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on environment.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on health and safety.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	5	5	-	-	L18	- Adapt vegetation selected for post-closure to based on future climate conditions. - Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		Extreme precipitation	Likely / High Confidence	Extreme precipitation could cause increased runoff from mineral waste pits, and cause erosion with potential impact to stability.	2	Increased runoff of acid and increased acid generation could cause need for intervention and possible fines, having major dollar impact (1-5%).	1	Increased runoff of acid and increased acid generation could cause need for intervention and possible fines, having major dollar impact (1-5%).	3	Increased runoff of acid and increased acid generation could cause need for intervention and possible fines, having major dollar impact (1-5%).	3	Increased runoff of acid and increased acid generation could cause need for intervention and possible fines, having major dollar impact (1-5%).	3	Increased runoff of acid and increased acid generation could cause need for intervention and possible fines, having major dollar impact (1-5%).	3	Increased runoff of acid and increased acid generation could cause need for intervention and possible fines, having major dollar impact (1-5%).	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	4	4	-	-	M10	- Continually update to best management and maintenance programs for water management and other infrastructure during post-closure design and into post-closure.	- Implementation of best practice measures for post-closure activities will adapt to future climate risks.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment
		Drought	Medium Confidence	Drought could cause die off of vegetation on mineral waste pits. This could cause need for revegetation efforts, and increase erosion, causing a potential stability risk (erosion and stability are secondary impacts here and are not considered in scoring).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental dollar impact.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental project delay (considering in post-closure).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on environment.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on health and safety.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	4	4	-	-	L20	- Adapt vegetation selected for post-closure to based on future climate conditions. - Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
		High Winds	Low Confidence	High winds could impact rehabilitation plans for cover during post-closure.	1	veg die off and wind erosion could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental dollar impact.	1	veg die off and wind erosion could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental project delay (considering in post-closure).	1	veg die off and wind erosion could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off and wind erosion could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off and wind erosion could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off and wind erosion could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	4	4	-	-	L20	- Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	
Wildfires	Medium Confidence	Wildfire could kill off vegetation on reclaimed mineral waste storage areas leading to increased erosion, and impacting revegetation planning/natural restoration.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental dollar impact.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental project delay (considering in post-closure).	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	veg die off could cause need for revegetation, however this would have incidental reoperation.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on environment.	1	vegetation die off would have incidental impact on health and safety.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	3	-	-	L22	- Adapt vegetation selected for post-closure to based on future climate conditions. - Include as part of post-closure Operating Maintenance and Surveillance Plans.	- Implementing existing procedures will manage low risks for post-closure infrastructure.	Considered Resilient to Climate Change Post-Treatment	





