

FARO MINE REMEDIATION PROJECT

Indigenous Engagement



September 12, 2018
Northern Latitudes Conference





Presentation Outline

1. Background on the Project
2. Engagement Approach
3. Lessons Learned

Faro Mine Complex Landmarks Map

Mining for lead and zinc at the Faro Mine began in 1969 and lasted for almost 30 years. During its operation, the mine processed between 5,000 and 9,300 tonnes of ore per day. In 1998, the owner, Anvil Range Mining

Corporation, went into receivership and stopped all mining operations. The Faro Mine site is 25 km² or 2,500 hectares in size. There is a total of 70 million tonnes of tailings and a total of 386 million tonnes of waste rock on the site.



Faro Mine Remediation Project
Projet d'assainissement de la mine Faro

LEGEND

Creeks

Diversions

Channel that diverts clean water around the site.

0 0.5 1 2 KM

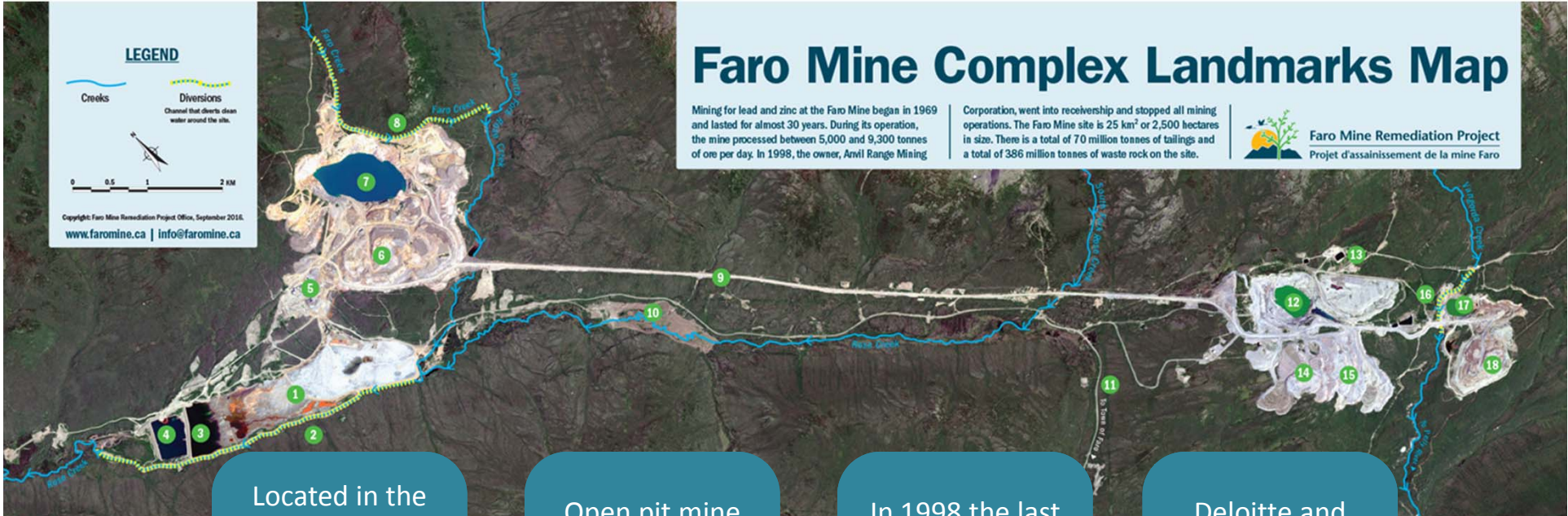
Copyright Faro Mine Remediation Project Office, September 2016.
www.faromine.ca | info@faromine.ca

Located in the Yukon on a 2500 hectare site 350 kilometers northeast of Whitehorse

Open pit mine produced lead and zinc, operated from 1969 until 1998

In 1998 the last operator, Anvil Range Mining Corp, went into receivership

Deloitte and Touche was the court appointed Interim Receiver until 2009



Learn About the

FARO MINE REMEDIATION PROJECT

What is Faro Mine?

Faro Mine was once the largest open pit lead-zinc mine in the world. Today it is one of the most complex abandoned mine clean-up projects in Canada.

The Faro Mine site is 25 sq. km – the same size as the City of Victoria, B.C.

It is located outside of the Town of Faro in Yukon, on the asserted traditional territory of the Kaska Nation and upstream from Selkirk First Nation.



1969-1998

Thirty years of mining

Processing the minerals left behind waste rock and finely crushed particles (known as tailings) which have the potential to leach heavy metals and acid into the land and water.

That's enough mining waste to cover

**26,179
FOOTBALL
FIELDS,
1 METER DEEP**

Legacy of Traditional LAND USE

The **Affected First Nations** identified under the Yukon Devolution Transfer Agreement, are:

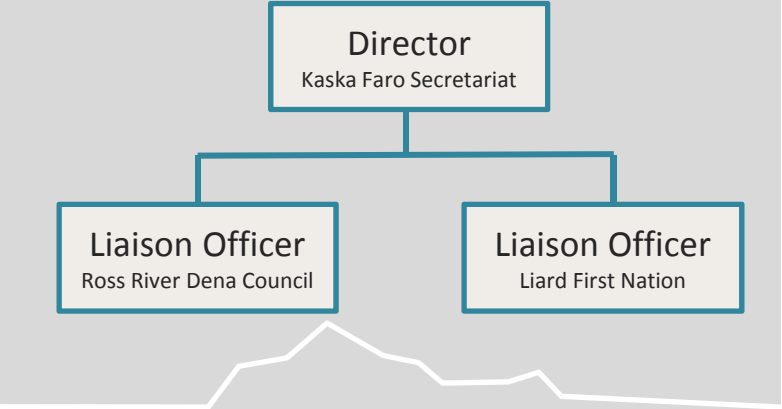
- **Ross River Dena Council,**
- **Liard First Nation,**
- **Kaska Dena Council,**
- **Selkirk First Nation**





“The Secretariat”

- Established in June 2016
- Kaska’s preferred method for increased involvement
 - One-window into Kaska communities
 - Coordinates participation/interests
 - Mechanism for building capacity
 - Access to technical experts



PARTNERSHIP APPROACH

Collaboration

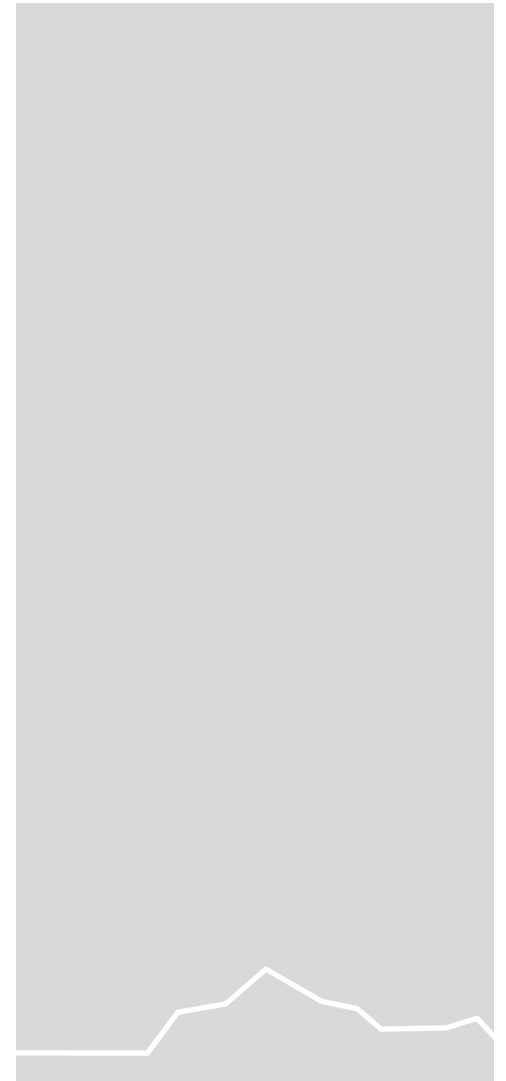
- Working together
- Making decisions together
- Involvement in ALL ASPECTS of the project

Project Governance

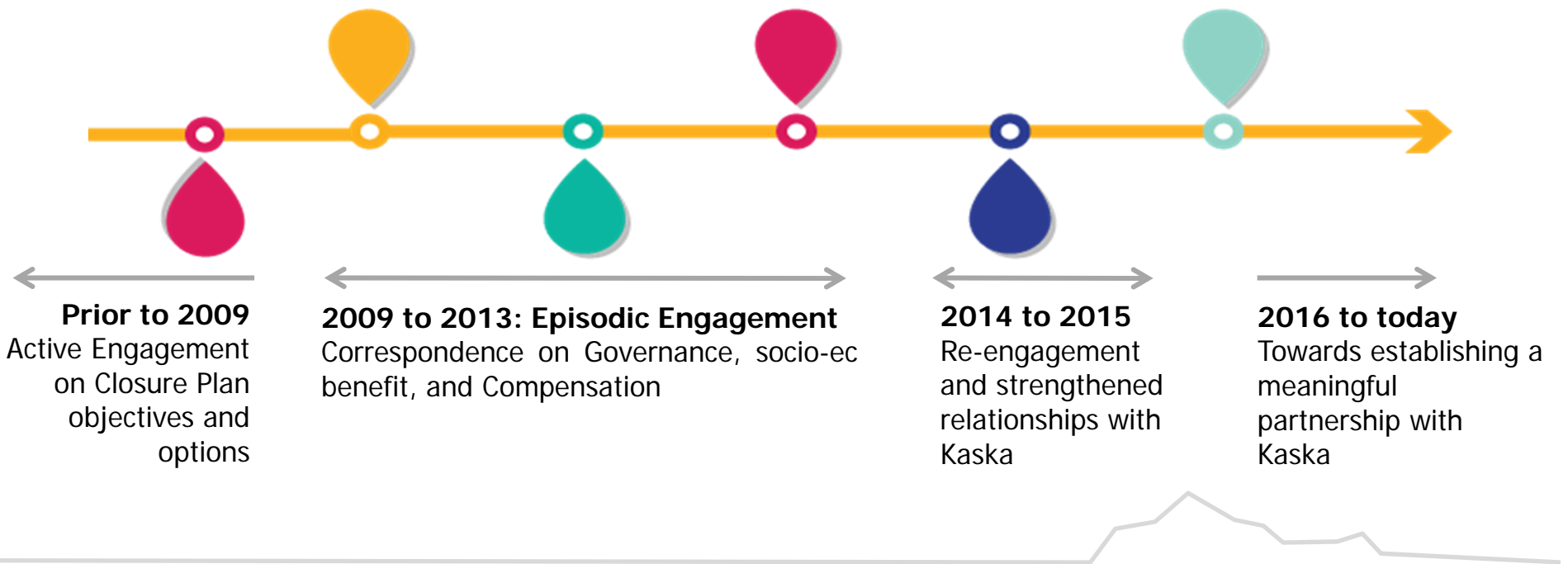
- Project oversight
- Technical Review Committee
- Working groups

Project Planning

- Risk management
- Work planning
- Communications products



EVOLVING Relationships



Community CONSULTATION

Phase 1: June-August 2017

- ✓ To determine the key interests that should be examined during the assessment process

Phase 2: June 2018

- ✓ To review how public interests and concerns have been addressed
- ✓ To solicit feedback on the proposed measures that mitigate project impacts



LESSONS LEARNED

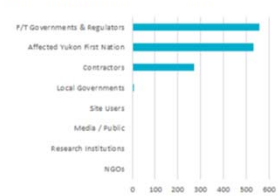
ENGAGEMENTS BY TYPE



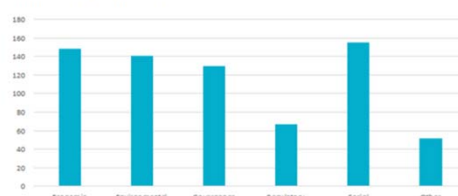
ENGAGEMENT INDICATOR OVER-TIME



ENGAGEMENT INDICATOR BY CATEGORY



ENGAGEMENT INDICATOR BY ISSUE



Maintaining Robust Consultation Record

Massive Faro mine cleared after closure
The former lead zinc mine in Yukon, closed in 1992

Abandoned site will require care forever
Implementing the final closure plan for the second-worst contaminated site in Canada should begin in five years, says the federal official in charge.

Communication & Transparency



Opportunities
for meaningful
involvement



Strengthened
Relationships



Faro Mine Complex Landmarks Map

Engaging
with
Community
Members



Compensation &
Accommodation

LESSONS LEARNED

Northern Contaminated Sites Branch **FARO MINE REMEDIATION PROJECT**

Get in touch!



Natasha St-Pierre

Consultation Coordinator
natasha.st-pierre2@canada.ca

Jesse George

Manager, Consultation & Engagement
jesse.george@canada.ca

INAC·AANC



THANKS

Faro Mine Remediation Project Indigenous Engagement

September 12, 2018

Northern Latitudes Conference