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#### Arctic Gold and Silver and Venus Mines Roadmap to Remediation and Reconciliation

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## OVERVIEW

- Introduction and pre-history of the site Patrick James
- Site history and closure Ryan Martin
- Monitoring and Problem Discovery Clayton Dyck and Donna Wolfe
- Reclamation, Relationships, and Closure Next Steps Kristina Gardner and Ryan Martin

## INTRODUCTION: CARCROSS / TAGISH FIRST NATION

As a self-governing first nation with complete control over its own destiny, Carcross/Tagish First Nation (C/TFN) is looking for ways to advance the business potential that exists in the Carcross and Tagish regions.

The Carcross / Tagish Management Corporation (C/TMC) is responsible for the development of economic self reliance for C/TFN and therefore acts on behalf of the C/TFN citizens (the Shareholders) in the areas of business & professional development and economic sustainability.



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#### **A VISION FOR OUR YOUTH & COMMUNITY** CARCROSS / TAGISH FIRST NATION TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

# LOCATION



# THE PRE-HISTORY OF THE SITE The Game Mother Story



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## **THE GOLD RUSH**



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#### **ARCTIC GOLD & SILVER**



Photo# 1: Aerial View of the Tailings Impoundment and Drainage to Lake



Photo# 11: Mill Site Foundation and Ore Piles

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## **AGS CLOSURE**



Photo 1 - Existing tailings impoundment being regraded by a D8 and D4 dozer, July



Photo 14 - Excavator placing riprap in drainage channel, August 1999.

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#### **VENUS CLOSURE**



Photo 1: Waterloo Barrier Installation 5 September 1995

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- Wet system
- Waterloo Barrier

## **COLLABORATIVE MONITORING**



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# **RECONCILIATION RELATIONSHIPS**

The Montana Mountain Mines Roadmap to Remediation and Reconciliation Project, is a joint initiative led by Carcross/Tagish First Nation in collaboration with Carcross Tagish Management Corporation and Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)

C/TFN and CIRNAC are collaborating on the project on a Government-to-Government level, with C/TFN as the director of goals and objectives, and CIRNAC as the project funder.

The Carcross Tagish Management Corporation (CTMC) is responsible for, manages and is the primary contact for all mining related initiatives, including abandoned mines, specifically within the Traditional and Self-Governing Territory of the Government of the Carcross/Tagish First Nation.

CTMC implements and manages the projects' delivery through the CTMC Stewardship Program. The program is a diverse and inclusive capacity development program, aimed at connecting citizens with traditional knowledge for their the day to day use in employment and career development to the benefit of the entire community and their economy.

#### **OVERALL VISION FOR AGS AND VENUS**

- Mandate from C/TFN Land Management Board: Provide a clean, publicly safe site for future C/TFN use
- What is the Standard for clean?

**National or Tlingit Standards** 

Site Closure Planning and Implementation through the CTMC Stewardship Program



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#### **QUESTIONS?**





#### THANKS **Gunalchèesh**

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