

“Let’s Talk Mining” Workshop

Kamloops Exploration Group Annual Conference
April 7, 2014

Introduction

A “Let’s Talk Mining” workshop was organized to help First Nations from the Williams Lake-Kamloops-Okanagan region to gain a better understanding of the life cycle of the mineral industry. This region of the province has a number of new and proposed mines of interest and concern to Aboriginal People. The workshop was offered by C3 Alliance Corp. in partnership with the Kamloops Exploration Group.

The workshop was sponsored by Commerce Resources Corp., KGHM International Limited, Highland Valley Copper, the Mining Association of British Columbia and Teck Resources Ltd. Their support enabled Aboriginal participants to participate for free and reduced the registration fee for others by covering costs for the instructors, meeting room, lunch, coffee breaks, etc. All participants received the Exploration and Mining Guide for Aboriginal Communities.

Key outcomes for the participants included learning about the many economic opportunities related to the mineral industry, understanding the nature of different phases of an exploration program; appreciating modern mine closure and reclamation along with the related challenges; and hearing how the Tahltan First Nation developed agreements related to mineral industry projects.

Workshop Format

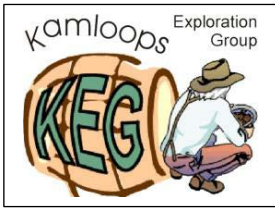
Workshops delivered by C3 are designed to meet the needs of Aboriginal communities and leaders as well as the interested public. The schedule is flexible and responds to the interests of the participants. C3 is effective in creating an environment of respect which allows for significant dialogue and input by the participants. The schedule for the LTM workshop is included as Appendix 1.

The instructors were Jerry Asp and Dave Lefebure who have had lengthy careers related to the mineral industry. Jerry Asp also has extensive experience negotiating and signing agreements with the mineral industry on behalf of Aboriginal communities in Canada and internationally.

The day was spent with a mixture of answering questions, slide presentations, and extended discussions. Jerry Asp presented numerous examples of how the Tahltan and other First Nations are ensuring that mineral industry company activities on Traditional Territories respect cultural and environmental values and benefit Aboriginal Peoples. While the presentations by Dave Lefebure provided numerous pictures of a wide variety of industry activities and explained the basic

“Let’s Talk Mining” (LTM)

- One day session
- Kamloops, BC
- 19 participants
- More than two-thirds of the participants who completed evaluation forms were extremely satisfied or very satisfied.
- Majority of participants would recommend to a friend to take LTM.



characteristics of this unique sector. Both instructors responded frankly to all questions in everyday language.

Some examples of the types of questions asked by participants were:

- Did the company use a lot of influence to get the Trans-Canada highway moved for the Afton mine?
- Does an IP geophysical survey impact wildlife?
- How can a First Nation develop an agreement with a company?
- Explain reclamation bonding? Are there enough funds posted?
- Describe the footprint of the mine operations.

The questions demonstrate the different interests of the people who attended.



Figure 1. Jerry Asp discussing mineral industry related business enterprises at the Kamloops Exploration workshop titled “Let’s Talk Mining”.

Workshop Evaluations

Eleven participants completed feedback questionnaires designed to see if the course was on target and useful for them. The feedback was very positive with more than two-thirds of the participants responding that they were extremely satisfied or very satisfied with the workshop. In response to being asked if they would recommend the “Let’s Talk Mining” sessions to a friend (Question #4), six said yes and four said probably.



A number of participants volunteered positive comments in the written portion of the feedback forms, such as:

- “Nothing” to be done to improve workshop.
- “Very informative and enjoyable.”
- “Attempt to interest some youth for career purposes.”
- “Enjoyed the course.”
- “Lots to cover in a short time but they pulled it off.”

More than half of the people who completed the feedback forms had suggestions for more information to include in future workshops reflecting their interest in the session.

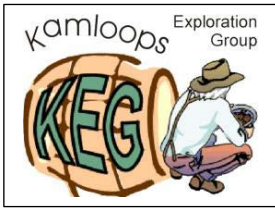
Outcomes

The participants gained considerable knowledge about the mineral resource sector in the workshops, including:

- learning the major differences between exploration and mining;
- identifying the different phases of an exploration program;
- how a mine development project moves from one phase to the next;
- appreciating modern mine closure and reclamation along with the challenges;
- learning how Aboriginal communities can choose to benefit economically from the mineral industry; and
- understanding how a First Nation can participate in government processes related to proposed mineral industry projects.

Dave Lefebure and Jerry Asp
C3 Alliance Corp.

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Appendix 1: Schedule

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***Kamloops Exploration Conference
Monday April 7, 2014***

9:00 am Welcome

Round Table Introductions
Initial Questions
Mineral Industry Overview Aboriginal Rights and Title
Prospecting and Preliminary Mineral Exploration

10:20 am *Coffee Break*

Advanced Exploration
Economic and Employment Opportunities Related to Exploration
Modern Exploration for Gold in the Yukon

12:00 pm *Lunch Break*

1:00 pm Mine Development
Economic and Employment Opportunities Related to Mine Development
Different Types of Mines
Economic and Employment Opportunities Related to Mining

2:30 pm *Coffee Break*

2:50 pm Modern Mine Reclamation and Closure
Economic and Employment Opportunities Related to Mine Development
Mineral Exploration and Mining Activity in the Region

4:00 pm End

