

Proponent Guide to Major Mine Authorizations

Input sought from proponents, potential proponents and mining industry representatives

The Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations (FLNRO) is working with the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Natural Gas and the Ministry of Environment on a guide which will assist proponents seeking government authorizations for major mines. The proposed guide will contain:

- legal requirements, policies and advice related to the multiple authorizations required to construct and operate a mine;
- permit application information requirements and links to detailed application forms and guidance;
- the roles of decision-makers, the Mine Development Review Committee, FLNRO project managers, consultation coordinators and others involved in the review and issuance of permits;
- a coordinated authorizations approach aimed at harmonizing First Nations consultation and coordinating communications with government agencies. (*Guide to Coordinated Authorizations for Major Mines* is primarily for government staff but is publicly available at www.for.gov.bc.ca/major_projects/mining.)

The purpose of this questionnaire is to seek input from the mining industry and their partners to ensure that the guide meets their needs.

1) A guide for proponents seeking government authorizations for major mines is ... (circle one)

not essential could be useful will be very useful is essential

2) Who should be targeted as the primary user of the proponent's guide? (circle one)

manager(s) technical staff lead consultant contractors _____

3) Who else would use the guide? _____

4) What are the priority needs that the guide should address?

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5) What topic areas should be covered in the guide? (Check desired level of detail)

Topic	Level of detail		
	Detailed guidance	Synopsis with links to details	Not needed
Purpose of each authorization			
Mine Development Review Committee			
Coordinated authorizations approach			
Relationship to Environmental Assessment and other process			
First Nations consultation			
Permit Application Information Requirements:			
<i>Mines Act</i> Permit			
Effluent Discharge Permit			
Licence to Cut timber			
Heritage Conservation			
Other permits:			
Federal authorizations			

6) Please describe your involvement with major mines. (circle)

Proponent manager technical staff contractor industry association

Experience with previous/current/future permit applications? _____

7) May we have your name, phone and email address to discuss your input in more detail?

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