

SUMMARY OF TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING ON DEWATERING OF COPPER MOUNTAIN PIT

July 3, 2024, from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Durina this fifth meeting, the environmental team shared with committee members details on the field efforts made in June on the site and downstream on the York River. The results of the work could not be communicated the committee to members as they are still either at the laboratory or awaiting compilation.

The sampling and characterization protocol for fish, benthic fauna, and algal biofilms was presented, and engaging discussions led to improvements in future work. Fieldwork is scheduled for the fall, with permit applications in preparation. This work will document the presence of contaminants in organisms along the York River and in a branch not influenced by the effluent from Murdochville.

Given the upcoming fieldwork and the busy schedules of all committee members, it was agreed to hold a sixth meeting at the end of September.

