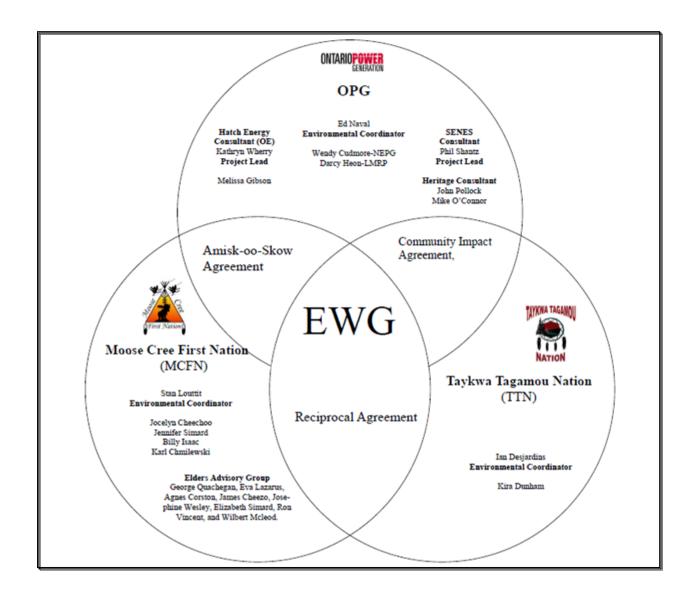


# **Environmental Working Group**

# **Monthly Report**

**June 2012** 

# **ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING GROUP**Relationship Organizational Chart



- Weekly Environmental Working Group (EWG) and EWG/Kiewit Alarie, a Partnership (KAP) meetings.
  - The EWG review its Action Items that include priority permit reviews, and deliverables to the Mattagami Extensions Coordinating Committee (MECC).
  - ➤ KAP gives EWG a construction up date every week and discusses any upcoming issues and/or urgent permit reviews.
  - Specific items that were discussed are below.
- Inclusion of a First Nation perspective on the Cost Benefit Analysis of Mitigating and Reducing Spill in Adam Creek. MCFN and TTN are currently conducting community interviews. MCFN continues to transcribe the interviews that have been completed.
- Review and compilation of comments on Environmental Effects Monitoring Workshop Report.
- Review of the Fish Habitat Assessment Report and Mercury in Fish Flesh Summary Report intended to fulfill EA Term and Condition 4b.
- Preliminary reviews of the Terrestrial Habitat Restoration Downstream of Kipling report intended to fulfill EA Term and Condition 5b.
- Review of the Interim Measures Agreement as it relates to EA Term and Condition 14c (Permit Review and Compliance Monitoring Protocol).
- Members of the EWG held a teleconference for the "Peoples of the Moose River Basin"; historical text (EA Term and Condition 2c) to
  discuss next steps in the development of the text. Discussions included a summary of the workshop held in May, as well as a MCFNTTN youth workshop to be held in by the late summer/early fall.
- Reviewing proposals from potential candidates to facilitate the EWGs Team Building exercise.

#### **ACTIONS TO BE COMPLETED in 2012**

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EA Terms and Conditions Environmental Compliance Plan – EWG Review and												
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EWG present to the MECC the "Waste Management Plan" (EA T&C 19).												<u> </u>
EWG present to the MECC "The Noise Protocol Plan" (Condition 18 of EA T&Cs).												
EWG present to the MECC "Environmental Monitoring Plan, Lower Mattagami												

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Development" (EA T&C 14).												
EWG present to the MECC the "Erosion Monitoring Plan" (EA T&C 6).												
EWG present to the MECC the "Evaluation of the Need to Conduct Terrestrial												
Habitat Restoration Downstream of Kipling" (EA T&C 5).												
Draft of Traditional Ecological Knowledge in relation to the Lower Mattagami												
River Project.												
EWG present to the MECC the results and recommendations of periodic re-												
evaluations (Condition 10 of EA T&Cs).												

## Construction Little Long

- Concrete work is progressing well, with 427 m3 of (neat line) concrete poured in the powerhouse and intake areas this month, bringing the total poured to date to 10,335 m3 versus a total volume planned of 12,574 m3.
- Rebar and form work continues to progress at a good pace.
- One of the subcontractors (AFI Hydro) has completed setting and aligning the draft tube stop log sill beams, side guides, and lintels, and has conducted a survey prior to pouring the concrete for those areas.
- The embedded electrical cable damaged in May was replaced by KAP electricians.
- Work to repair the intake gate guides has started, with epoxy injection of the seal face under way.
- Work on the Little Long switchyard has started with excavation, grading, concrete form work and rebar in progress.
- The shoring towers in the intake have been removed, and the scroll case soffit shoring tower erection is nearing completion (Figure 1).



Figure 1: Little Long removal of intake shoring

#### Harmon

- 945 m3 of (neat line) concrete was poured in the powerhouse and intake areas this month, bringing the total poured to date to 5,756 m3 versus a total volume planned of 10,763 m3.
- Rebar and form work for the next intake and powerhouse pours are advancing.
- Point and patch repairs in the intake are progressing (Figure 2).



Figure 2: Working on access to G3 intake

## **Kipling**

- Drill and grout of cofferdam Cell #2 and the shore tie-in was completed.
- Cofferdam dewatering started on June 9th, and was successfully completed on June 25<sup>th</sup> (Figure 3). Some leakage was identified at Cell #3, but was stopped with a mixture of gravel, hydro-lite, and bentonite pellets placed on the river side of the cofferdam.
- The Unit 3 intake block wall removal complete.
- Drill and blast operations have started in the intake area, and excavation is under way in the powerhouse area.



Figure 3: Kipling dewatering completed on June 25

#### **Smoky Falls**

- 6,574 m3 of (neat line) concrete was poured this month in the service bay, powerhouse, and intake areas, bringing the total poured to date to 37,416 m3 compared with a total volume planned of 135,913 m3.
- Twenty four other concrete pours are in various stages of work (form work started and/or rebar being installed) and progressing in the intake, powerhouse, and East gravity dam areas.
- Drilling for the galvanized rock anchors for the permanent bridge is complete and anchor installation is under way.
- West gravity dam: a blasting proposal was received from SLI for the removal of the embedded wood on the downstream face of the existing dam. Test blasts are being planned.
- Several concrete pours were completed for the East Gravity Dam (Figure 4).
- Work in the switchyard (concrete form work, rebar, pours, and backfilling) continues to progress.



Figure 4: Smoky Falls Site Overview from West Tower Crane

**Monthly Summary – June 2012** 

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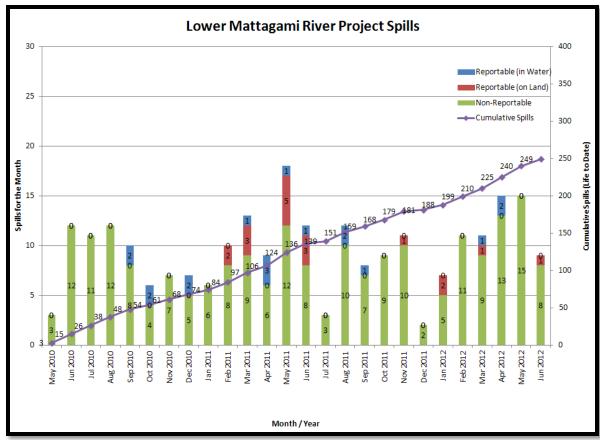


Figure 6: Lower Mattagami River Project spills

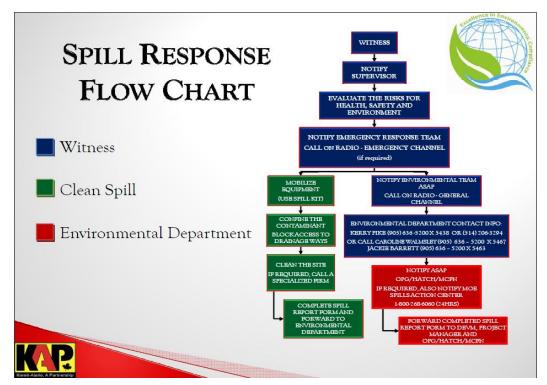
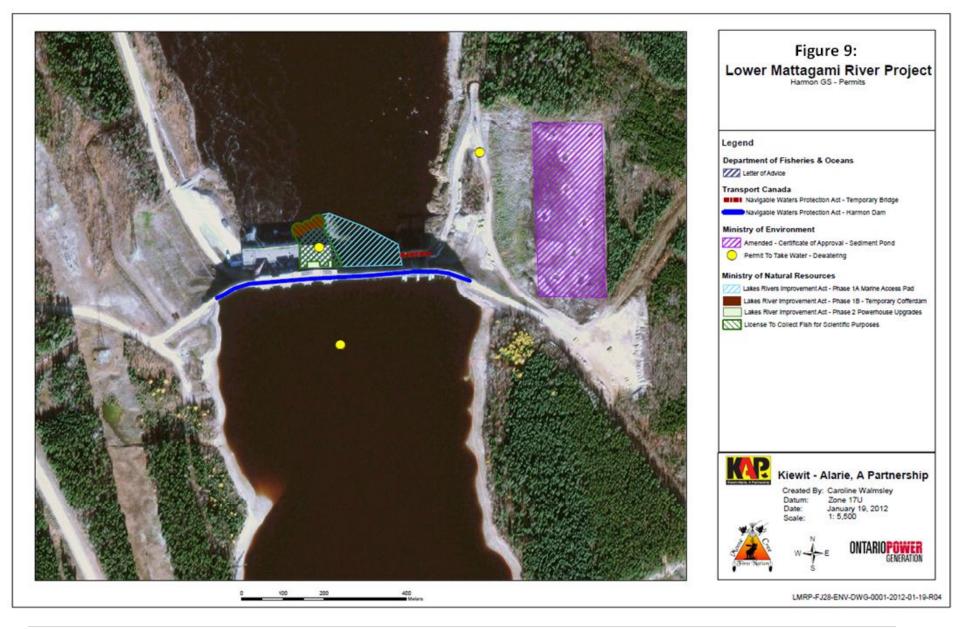


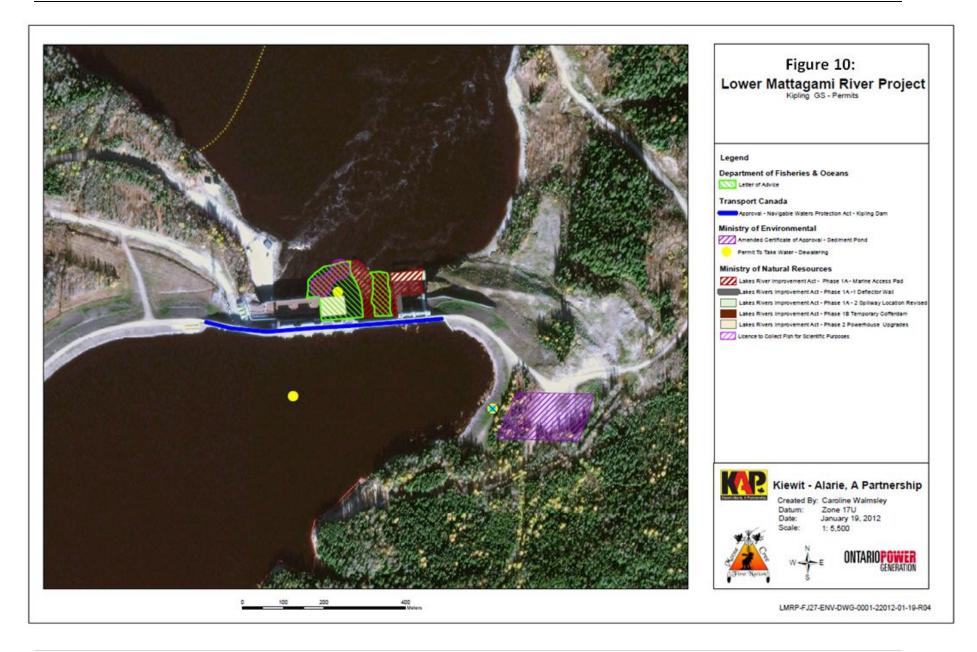
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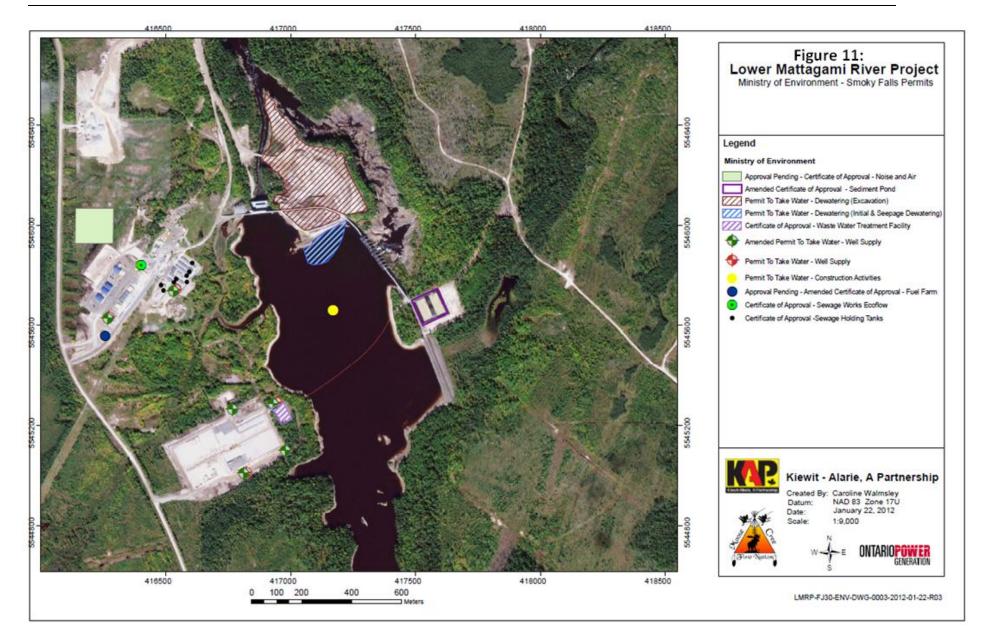
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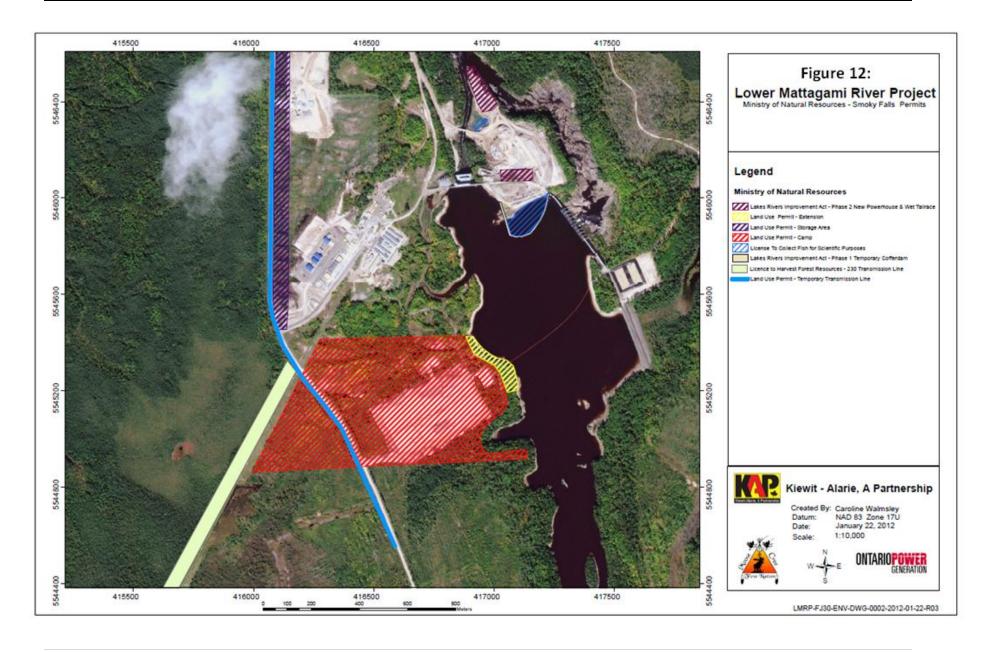
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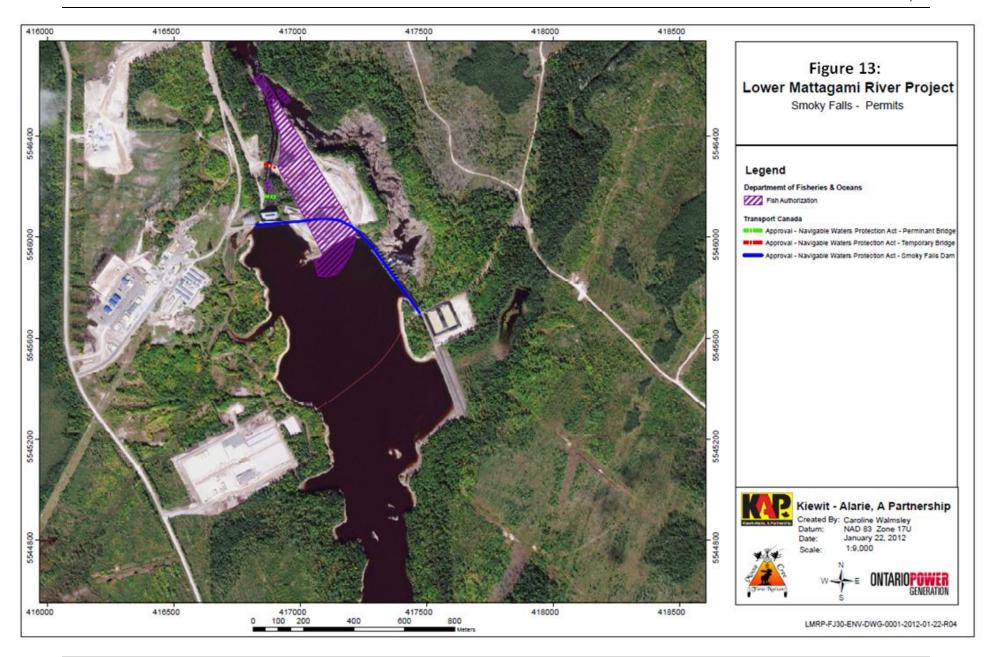












### **Issues and Concerns**

- The EWG would like to have more of a formal memo type document that outlines the MECC interpretations for the EA Terms and Conditions.
- The EWG would like the MECC to improve its teleconference phone systems, or have a protocol in place.

Actions Required: EWG to bring up these recommendation to the MECC during the July 11, 2012 meeting.