

## HOW WILL WE IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THE SEPA?

The Socio-economic Participation Agreement (SEPA) is potentially very beneficial to Kaska and Selwyn Chihong. There is a lot at stake and everyone who's been involved in its negotiation is 100 per cent focused on making sure the agreement works. For the Kaska and Selwyn Chihong to be successful together, it will take commitment, co-operation, coordination, hard work and resources.

Kaska and Selwyn Chihong will set up five key committees to help us work together regularly and share information about the planning and operations of the Project. It is expected that these committees will work cooperatively and will make decisions through consensus. These are not decision-making committees, with the exception of the Senior Project Oversight Committee, but they will be key to healthy communication between Kaska and Selwyn Chihong.



### THE COMMITTEES

# Negotiators Implementation Taskforce Environment Committee Education, Training & Business Opportunities Committee

### · Senior Project Oversight Committee

- Chiefs of Ross River Dena Council and Liard First
   Nation (or someone they appoint) and three Selwyn
   Chihong senior managers.
- Overall responsibility for the implementation of the SEPA.
- Review all Project Plans and deal with issues as they arise.
- Oversee the other three permanent committees.





### Negotiators Implementation Taskforce

- Made up of the negotiators who crafted the agreement.
  - · They know the agreement inside and out.
  - They will be there to assist all the committees in their work.

### **Environment Committee**

- Review and participate in all environmental matters impacting the Project.
- Ensure Traditional Knowledge is incorporated into environmental management.
- Maintain contact and input from Kaska communities on environmental matters.

### Business Opportunities Committee

- Promote the involvement of Kaska businesses in the Project.
- Provide input into how Selwyn Chihong is contracting goods and services.
- Track business opportunities coming up on the Project.

### Education, Training & Employment Committee

- Develop training plans and funding proposals for Kaska interested in employment on the Project.
- Jointly pursue funding for training programs from Canada and Yukon.
- Design strategies to help have Kaska citizens hired, kept in their jobs and promoted to better jobs.

- A person will be selected by the Senior Project
   Oversight Committee to organize the meetings
   of all the committees and document all meeting
   decisions, tasks, and commitments. This person will
   be completely independent and impartial; not a Kaska
   member and not a Selwyn Chihong employee. This is
   referred to as the SEPA Secretariat.
- Selwyn Chihong will provide all the funding needed to support the work of the committees. The committees will decide how to spend their budgets and may use the funds to hire specialists or experts if they need to.

# About the SEPA

If accepted by Kaska, the SEPA would be an agreement between the Kaska Nation and Selwyn Chihong Mining Ltd. The objective of the SEPA agreement is to share in the benefits and opportunities created by the Selwyn Project; to obtain Kaska consent to a process that respects Kaska Aboriginal rights and title and ensures Kaska involvement in all aspects of the Project and to create a good relationship between Selwyn Chihong and Kaska for the life of the Project. Ross River and Liard First Nation will hold a ratification vote on the SEPA in their communities. If the communities vote in favour, the SEPA will be accepted and move forward.

# For More Information

- Information on the ratification vote can be found at your Band Office or at the Selwyn Chihong Community offices.
- Visit www.selwynchihong.com/sepa to access the SEPA Information Package online.
- Contact your Band Office for the full legal text of the SEPA.
- Like us at **facebook.com/theselwynproject** to keep up to date on Project news.
- Send your questions to info@chihongmining.com
  or contact us through the website at
  www.selwynchihong.com/contact-us/.
- Call or drop in to our Community Offices in Ross River and Watson Lake.

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