

## **FW: Help put an end to drilling at Teẓtan Biny & Nabas**

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**Sent:** February 14, 2020 10:49:45 AM PST

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**From:** Heyman.MLA, George  
**Sent:** July 12, 2018 2:11 PM  
**To:** Minister, ENV ENV:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Help put an end to drilling at Teẓtan Biny & Nabas  
**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 11, 2018 2:05 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX <[Premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Premier@gov.bc.ca)>; Mungall.MLA, Michelle <[Michelle.Mungall.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Michelle.Mungall.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>; Heyman.MLA, George <[George.Heyman.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:George.Heyman.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Help put an end to drilling at Teẓtan Biny & Nabas

Hello,

I'm calling on the BC Government to adhere to the principles of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and do what is needed to make sure this ends now and that no further work will be done on this project.

Enough is enough, and consent has not been given: both the T̓silhqot'in Nation and the Federal Government have said no to the Prosperity/New Prosperity mining project at Fish Lake & Nabas – it is time for the BC Government to step up and help put an end to this.

Thank you,

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**From:** [FormAssembly](#) on behalf of **s.22**  
**To:** [Minister, ENV ENV:EX](#); [Minister, EMPR EMPR:EX](#); [OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX](#); [Minister, AG AG:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Protect Teztan Biny  
**Date:** April 30, 2020 9:49:47 PM

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Dear Premier Horgan, Minister Heyman, Minister Ralston and Attorney General Eby,

I demand the B.C. government reject Taskeo Mines' drilling permit.

The Prosperity mine and 'New' Prosperity mine were both rejected by the Government of Canada. Taseko's unnecessary drilling program jeopardizes prime freshwater fish and grizzly bear habitat at Težtan Biny (Fish Lake), an area of profound cultural significance to the Tsilhqot'in people.

Allowing Taseko to move forward without consent infringes on the Tsilhqot'in people's proven rights and title. Furthermore, allowing Taseko to proceed with heavy machinery despite the Tsilhqot'in Nation's objections creates unnecessary and avoidable conflict.

This is unacceptable. The province has the legal jurisdiction to put and end to this -- that is why I am calling on you to reject Taseko's drilling permit on Tsilhqot'in territory.

Sincerely,

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**Subject:** Protect Teztan Biny  
**Date:** March 12, 2020 10:37:17 PM

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**Subject:** Protect Teztan Biny  
**Date:** February 17, 2020 7:54:44 PM

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**To:** Minister, ENV ENV:EX; Minister, EMPR EMPR:EX; OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; Minister, AG AG:EX  
**Subject:** Protect Teztan Biny  
**Date:** February 17, 2020 1:26:43 PM

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**To:** Minister, ENV ENV:EX; Minister, EMPR EMPR:EX; OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; Minister, AG AG:EX  
**Subject:** Protect Teztan Biny  
**Date:** January 5, 2020 3:10:18 PM

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Dear Premier Horgan, Minister Heyman, Minister Mungall and Attorney General Eby,

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**Subject:** Protect Teztan Biny  
**Date:** May 1, 2020 3:32:09 PM

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Your government adopted the United Nation Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People. So live by it.

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## EA Milestone Update: Prosperity Gold-Copper Project

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Sent: January 15, 2020 1:27:23 PM PST  
Attachments: image001.png  
Good afternoon,

Below is an EA milestone update for the Prosperity Gold-Copper project.

Many thanks,

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***The EAO respectfully acknowledges that it carries out its work on the traditional territories of Indigenous nations throughout British Columbia.***

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### **Prosperity Gold-Copper Project (Kevin Jardine, Chief Executive Assessment Officer and Associate Deputy Minister, Environmental Assessment Office)**

On January 13, 2020, the EAO issued a 12-month certificate extension under Section 31(4) of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, 2018 (the Act), to Taseko Mines Ltd. (Taseko) for the Prosperity Gold-Copper Project (Prosperity).

Taseko requested a 12-month extension jointly with the T̓silhqot'in Nation (collectively, the Parties) in order to engage in a facilitated process aimed at exploring a long-term resolution of the issues between the Parties relating to Prosperity. In the absence of the extension, the Certificate would have expired on January 14, 2020.

This third extension to the Certificate was enabled by a regulation under Section 77(2)(h) of the Act, deposited on December 19, 2019 (the Exemption Regulation No. 2), that allows the Chief Executive Assessment Officer of the EAO to extend the duration of the Certificate as requested by the Parties, for a period of up to 12 months. With the extension, the Certificate expiry date is now January 14, 2021.

Prosperity would consist of a large open pit gold-copper mine located 125 km southwest of Williams Lake in South Central British Columbia.

<i>Section of the Act</i>	<i>Definition</i>
31(4)	Duration of an Environmental Assessment Certificate