

Stakeholder Engagement Feedback

Policy 09.07, Accepting Mine Plans (NEW POLICY)

The Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission (WSCC) of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut is proposing a new policy, *Policy 09.07, Accepting Mine Plans*.

Policy 09.07 is being proposed as a new policy to provide governance level direction for the Chief Inspector of Mines' acceptance of mine plans as required by the respective *Mine Health and Safety Regulations* of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut. The policy goal is to provide clarity for mine owners and managers, but also for current and future Chief Inspectors of Mines. The goal of the policy is to ensure that the acceptance of mine plans is based on expert and professional engineer knowledge and not only the professional knowledge of the Chief Inspector as is the indication from the regulations.

While the policy is relatively short, simple, and direct in purpose, there is a lack of governance level documentation about how mine plans are accepted. This lack of documentation has created confusion and on inconsistent application over time. The goal of the policy therefore is to eliminate confusion about how acceptance of mine plans occurs, and to eliminate the confusion.

Please review the attached policy in its current form and provide comments that you believe will benefit the policy development process.

Comments

Policy 09.07, Accepting Mine Plans is being proposed as a new Governance Council policy. The WSCC is asking for your feedback on the proposed policy's overall clarity, and to understand if there are any gaps in the proposed policy from the perspective of stakeholders.

The WSCC of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut would like your feedback on the overall understanding and effectiveness of the policy. If you have any comments to provide about the content or clarity of the policy, please submit them to policy@wsc.nt.ca by **Sunday July 30, 2023**. When providing feedback please make it clear that your comments concern the draft Policy 09.07.

The WSCC would like to thank you in advance for your feedback. Your participation contributes to the improvement of the service we provide to our stakeholders.

Attached Documents:

Policy 09.07, Accepting Mine Plans

