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All Mining Operations
Northwest Territories and Nunavut

ICE ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION

The WSCC conducted a legislative review over the design, construction, and operation of winter roads and ice roads as applicable to either the Mine Health and Safety Act or the Safety Act for the Northwest Territories (NT). It is determined that the NT Safety Act and Regulations will apply to these worksites.

The winter roads and ice roads are constructed for logistical support to the various mines. The roads and operations are not considered a mine as defined in the Mine Health and Safety Act.

Northwest Territories Safety Act and Regulations located here:http://www.wscc.nt.ca/occupational-health-safety/ohs-information/safety-legislation .

Sections of interest would be:

- Part 6 General Health Requirements
- Section 32 Working on Ice Over Water
- Section 33 Working Alone
- Section 139 Risk from Vehicular Traffic
- Part 11 Powered Mobile Equipment
- Part 17 Excavations Trenches Tunnels and Excavated Shafts
- Part 21 Chemical and Biological Substances
- Part 22 WHMIS

The list above is minimal, for any further information we highly recommend you access the WSCC OHS App, located on Google Play Store or iTunes. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our Prevention Services mailbox at OHSREGS@WSCC.NT.CA

The Workers Safety and Compensation Commission ("WSCC") commits to worker safety and quality service.

Regards,

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