

Say No to the Reed Mine!071
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of natasha salgado
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Sent: February-06-13 2:50 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Scott Nystrom
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Sent: February-06-13 2:58 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

What can I say besides "I oppose this proposal for development of a mine in a PROVINCIAL PARK." If this project is approved, I will lose all faith in the abilities of this provincial government to adequately manage our protected spaces.

Thanks,
Scott Nystrom
Winnipeg

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Say No to the Reed Mine!073
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Lorraine de Jong
[lorraineleodejong@shaw.ca]
Sent: February-06-13 3:09 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Dear Ms. Winsor:

In view of Hudbay's less than stellar record on cleaning up the environmental messes they leave behind and of the fragility of the relevant woodland caribou herd (significant human activity in their range WILL impact the herd adversely), please note that I strongly object to a license being granted for the proposed Reed Mine. Provincial parks at least should be permanent preserves of wildlife habitat, especially that of endangered species.

Sincerely yours,
Lorraine de Jong
68 Monck Avenue, Winnipeg

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Say No to the Reed Mine!074
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Esther Garvett
[egarvett@gmail.com]
Sent: February-06-13 3:12 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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Say No to the Reed Mine!075
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of CLAY BAUMUNG
[cbaumung@mts.net]
Sent: February-06-13 3:14 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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Say No to the Reed Mine!076
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Karin Woods
[karinwoods@shaw.ca]
Sent: February-06-13 3:25 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

I am completely opposed to any additional mining in our already fragile parks.
We must preserve these lands and the wildlife for our future generations.
These are the things that make life worth living.
I'm not sure why, with all of the evidence available, these plans to mine are
being given the ok. This would be a big mistake.
from Karin woods

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Say No to the Reed Mine!077

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Keith Advice
[keitha@mts.net]
Sent: February-06-13 4:02 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Does the NDP not care at all about our parks? You waste all our money to get us in to billions in debt, then promise you will not raise taxes then you raise taxes and continue to NOT protect our parks and environment? I and many others love manitoba's outdoors and use it all year long. lake winnipeg where I have a cabin is so poluted you cant even swim in it, you allow the pete mine in grindstone park. You waste tax dollars and rape the citizens and environment for profit. STOP the Madness!!

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Say No to the Reed Mine!078

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Kelly Mitchell
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Sent: February-06-13 6:15 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

We need something off limits around our beautiful Manitoba, especially around our provincial parks. Provincial Parks have unfortunately too many loop holes that allow mining and other long term environmental impacts to take place in this current day and age. American parks are actually much better than Canadian Parks particularly in Manitoba. However, usually it's American mining claims that come up to Canada to take their claim. Leave our parks... America is ahead of us on conservation in their parks, but unfortunately it just makes them want to cross the border even more for our old parks. Even if this park mining claim is not an American mining co. claim or an old British co. claim it doesn't mean in 2013 these companies have the right to access any parcel of land. As the Manitoba government is aware caribou habitat is in jeopardy therefore made a commitment to protecting them in 2000. So why would they accept anything along a migration route for them. Reed Mine should not be approved.

From a financial stand point the more natural beauty our province has the more power it has to attract people whether it is immigrants or tourists in the distant future it will be our ultimate power. Mining is the lowest form of economic growth, short term and ill sighted. It's the bottom of the barrel for any people especially Manitobans in the North because it takes our land longer to heal. 50 years where the face of the world has been destroyed due to mining claims. New Zealand will be the last great place to visit, there fight is constant against old claims.

It's always after the fact when land is destroyed when nobody would believe this could happen? When ill informed decisions are made which have supposed low environmental impact and they get compiled with other ill informed decisions down stream, then it's no longer an isolated issue and it's a nightmare that can not be erased in our lifetime.

Keep the greed out of our parks. Stay focused on conservation and teach other provinces how important Manitoba holds conservation.

Yours Truly,

Kelly Mitchell

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Say No to the Reed Mine!079

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of gerald henessey
[hannah23734@hotmail.com]
Sent: February-06-13 6:20 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

since the laws governing pollution are so lax in this country allowing mining any area that can be contaminated and never, and i mean never be returned to it's natural condition prior to contamintaion is senless ! time after time when these companies pollute they are not held accountble and can never return the damaged areas to the pristine conditions prior to mining pollution. either change the laws to require mines not to pollute or don't allow them access to out public recreation areas.

thankyou
gerald

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Say No to the Reed Mine!080
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of t. bell
[tangi.bell@mtsallstream.com]
Sent: February-06-13 7:28 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

to hear that Hudbay is currently constructing a mine in the Grass River Provincial Park prior to any public review is unacceptable. i, and many other Canadians/voters feel that Canada should choose a new direction. choose to go into the potential 60 billion dollar clean tech industry. Leave our parks and wilderness areas as they are. Protect our precious land, water and air. Clean energy, solar and wind is our saving grace.

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Say No to the Reed Mine!081
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Harold Thwaites
[hbthwaites@gmail.com]
Sent: February-06-13 9:23 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

I feel that the new Reed Mine in Grass River Provincial Park should not go ahead. Parks need to be permanently protected to safeguard ecosystems and wildlife habitat. Species like the woodland caribou depend on undisturbed wilderness to survive.

Provincial park mining can have long-term toxic impacts. The Reed Mine site is located within a key caribou migration route and right beside calving grounds on Reed Lake. The project is located in the "Naosap" range, which the Manitoba government lists as one of the three most high-risk caribou herds in the province.

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Say No to the Reed Mine!082
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Graham Epp
[caboosejam@hotmail.com]
Sent: February-06-13 11:16 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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Say No to the Reed Mine!083
From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Marlene Beaty
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Sent: February-06-13 11:18 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

I would like to express my disappointment and concern that provincial government is going ahead with allowing Hudbay to begin construction of the Reed Mine in the Grasslands Provincial Park. I believe that mines have no place in a provincial park, a place designated with protecting a fragile ecosystem. The mine is located within a key migration route of the woodland caribou, an endangered species, and close to the calving area of these animals. The mine will threaten the caribou, who require undisturbed wilderness and may have long-term toxic effects on the ecosystem of the par,

In 200, your government committed to protecting caribou habitat. Please follow through on your committment and reconsider this decision.

Marlene Beaty

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Say No to the Reed Mine!084

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of brett sokoloski
[b_sokoloski@hotmail.com]
Sent: February-07-13 4:52 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Parks need to be permanently protected to safeguard ecosystem services and wildlife habitat.

Species like the woodland caribou—listed as “threatened” under both the federal and provincial endangered species acts—depend on undisturbed wilderness to survive. The Manitoba government first committed to protecting caribou habitat in 2000.

The Reed Mine site is located within a key caribou migration route and right beside calving grounds on Reed Lake. The project is located in the “Naosap” range, which the Manitoba government lists as one of the three most high-risk caribou herds in the province.

A full licence for the Reed Mine has not yet been granted, however the provincial government has quietly allowed Hudbay to begin construction of this mine—before the public comment period even began.

Immediately banning new mining claims will demonstrate the provincial government’s commitment to park protection.

Provincial park mining can have long-term toxic impacts. While Hudbay insists that its previous mine work in Grass River park has had minimal impact, the devastation from the company’s Spruce Point Mine Site is still plainly visible.

The Reed Mine should NOT be approved.

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Say No to the Reed Mine!085

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of steven carpenter
[scarpenter123@gmail.com]
Sent: February-07-13 8:00 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Parks need to be permanently protected to safeguard ecosystem services and wildlife habitat. Species like the woodland caribou—listed as “threatened” under both the federal and provincial endangered species acts—depend on undisturbed wilderness to survive. The Manitoba government first committed to protecting caribou habitat in 2000.

The Reed Mine site is located within a key caribou migration route and right beside calving grounds on Reed Lake. The project is located in the “Naosap” range, which the Manitoba government lists as one of the three most high-risk caribou herds in the province.

A full licence for the Reed Mine has not yet been granted, however the provincial government has quietly allowed Hudbay to begin construction of this mine—before the public comment period even began. Immediately banning new mining claims will demonstrate the provincial government’s commitment to park protection.

Provincial park mining can have long-term toxic impacts. While Hudbay insists that its previous mine work in Grass River park has had minimal impact, the devastation from the company's Spruce Point Mine Site is still plainly visible. The Reed Mine should NOT be approved.

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Say No to the Reed Mine!086

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Annette Gargo
[larryannegargo@hotmail.com]
Sent: February-07-13 9:43 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Dear Ms. Winsor,

Please register my opinion that the Reed Mine should NOT be approved. It is distressing to hear of continued industrial activity with our provincial parks. Our parks are in existence for mining companies and their profits. They are for the public, for the protection of natural habitat and species and for future generation to enjoy.

Grass River Provincial Park and all provincial parks need to be permanently protected to safeguard ecosystem services and wildlife habitat. Species like the woodland caribou—listed as “threatened” under both the federal and provincial endangered species acts—depend on undisturbed wilderness to survive. The Manitoba government first committed to protecting caribou habitat in 2000. The Reed Mine site is located within a key caribou migration route and right beside calving grounds on Reed Lake. The project is located in the “Naosap” range, which the Manitoba government lists as one of the three most high-risk caribou herds in the province.

I understand that a full licence for the Reed Mine has not yet been granted, however the provincial government has quietly allowed Hudbay to begin construction of this mine—before the public comment period even began. This is unacceptable!

Immediately banning new mining claims will demonstrate the provincial government's commitment to park protection. Provincial park mining can have long-term toxic impacts. While Hudbay insists that its previous mine work in Grass River park has had minimal impact, the devastation from the company's Spruce Point Mine Site is still plainly visible.

I strongly oppose the Reed Mine and request that the licence be denied.

Thank you,
Annette Gargo
915 Mulvye Avenue, WPG
larryannegargo@hotmail.com

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Say No to the Reed Mine!087

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Heather Erickson
[heatheranderickson@gmail.com]
Sent: February-07-13 10:29 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Parks were created to protect our natural spaces for future generations to enjoy. Now simply because it has been determined that there is money to be made off the natural resources therein is threatening our National and Provincial Parks as well as the ecosystems outside the confines of the parks.

Surely to goodness maintaining the integrity of our home, Canada, Earth, is more important than money, a currency that was developed short century and a half ago to replace bartering. I am not suggesting we return to the Dark Ages but I am suggesting that we as a country should be striving to encourage enterprise that nurtures the natural resources given to us rather than exploiting them. Stop selling out our birthright!

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Say No to the Reed Mine!088

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Kevin Miller
[k.a.miller@mts.net]
Sent: February-07-13 10:49 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

To: Jennifer Winsor, Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch
CC: Gord Mackintosh, Conservation Minister
Subject: Reed Mine proposal

I am dismayed that the provincial NDP government is again allowing new mines to be built in provincial parks, and ashamed that Hudson's Bay Mining was allowed to start construction of the mine before the Public Comment period began.

Mining should be banned in all provincial parks! If we look at the mess left over at the Spruce Point mine, we'll know one reason why. Parks should be permanent protection for wildlife habitat and ecosystems.

What's particularly disturbing about the Reed Mine is that it is located within the threatened woodland caribou's migration route and very close to calving grounds.

In 2000, the NDP government committed to protecting caribou habitat. No mining in provincial parks is consistent with that commitment.

Please reject the Reed Mine.

Kevin Miller <k.a.miller@mts.net>
winnipeg

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Say No to the Reed Mine!089

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Susan Kemp
[susankemp@allankdesign.com]
Sent: February-07-13 10:53 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Manitoba deserves thoughtful and balanced management of its resources. Please consider the long term environmental ramifications of succumbing to economic pressure. Jobs will come and go as markets fluctuate. Mines are abandoned once they are no longer profitable for the owners, but the health of the park and the caribou that depend on it will endure for centuries if we don't mess it up. Please, for the sake of your children, your grandchildren and all Manitobans, do not allow mining development in our provincial parks. Please, don't mess it up.

Susan Kemp
41 Carlotta Cres.
Winnipeg, MB R3R 2P4

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Say No to the Reed Mine!090

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Sheldon Bergmann
[ssimonsbergmann@gmail.com]
Sent: February-07-13 12:05 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Though not a Canadian citizen, I have witnessed time and again the destruction of natural habitat in the good ol' USA. Please DO NOT allow the further raping of National Parks in Canada and particularly the Reed Lake area. This is detrimental to the already high-risk caribou that migrate and calve in that area, not to mention the toxic effect on other populations as shown by previous Hudbay sites such as Spruce Point. Recall the 2000 Manitoba commitment to the caribou habitat. DO use the same commitment generated in 2000 to further caribou and other species protection, including our own as we are, ecologically speaking, so connected "on the world-wide web".

Sincerely,
Sheldon A. Bergmann
Walker, AZ, USA (still toxic by myriad mining operations started in 1850's)
ssimonsbergmann@gmail.com

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Say No to the Reed Mine!091

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Garry Christoff
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Sent: February-07-13 2:38 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

To whom it may concern,

I do not support further industrial development in any of our Provincial
Parks.

Therefore I am opposed to the development of the Reed Lake mine in Grass River
Provincial Park.

I like my wilderness as wild as possible.

Just last year I had the rare opportunity to view a woodland caribou in it's
natural habitat in this area.

Garry Christoff
Manitou, MB

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Say No to the Reed Mine!092

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Linda Hull
[ljhull@mts.net]
Sent: February-07-13 5:01 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

As a resident of Manitoba I would like to add my voice to those who believe that our provincial parks should be protected from industrial development. We are so fortunate to have the plants and wildlife that we do in Manitoba and I want them protected for the benefit of my grandchildren and their children and their children's children. Please DO NOT allow the Reed Mine to build in the Grass River Provincial Park. I believe that there will be considerable impact on the woodland caribou who return there to have their young as they are already threatened by habitat change.

Yours Truly,
Linda Hull
175 Wildwood Park
Winnipeg R3T0E2

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Say No to the Reed Mine!093

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Ian Band
[ihband@mts.net]
Sent: February-08-13 7:25 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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Say No to the Reed Mine!094

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Rob Ross
[tephmepher@hotmail.com]
Sent: February-08-13 11:31 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Dear Honourable Public Servants,

Please do not approve the HudBay Reed Mine. Its potential threats to Caribou population decline and environmental degradation is not worth it. Park land should not be for industrial activity, but conservation. How is it that partial licence was granted without public comment?

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Say No to the Reed Mine!095

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of lindy clubb
[lindy@frozen.ca]
Sent: February-08-13 12:56 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Caribou are in danger of losing their existence in Manitoba, not mining, which is proliferating at a much greater rate than caribou and other endangered wildlife. Mining and other harmful activities like road building and quadding should be banned from our crown lands and parks. Please protect our public spaces and caribou, not the profits and pollution from private mining.

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Say No to the Reed Mine!096

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Nancy Page
[nancy@sigurdsonmcfadden.com]
Sent: February-09-13 2:39 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

Dear Ms. Winsor,

It has come to my attention that the government has allows Hudbay to begin construction for a copper mine on Reed Lake. As this area is located within a caribou migration/calving grounds, I cannot see how the government can in good faith go ahead with these plans. As the woodland caribou are listed as a threatened species under the Federal and Provincial endangered species list, this seems in direct violation of the Manitoba government commitment in 2000 to protecting this very same habitat for caribou.

Can you please explain your position? Or perhaps do the right thing and stop construction of this very ill advised project?

Sincerely,
Nancy J. Page
34 Deer Run Drive
Winnipeg, MB R3P 2L1

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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Say No to the Reed Mine!097

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Maria Grazia Verrelli
[mariagrazia@shaw.ca]
Sent: February-10-13 9:53 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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Say No to the Reed Mine!098

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Maria Grazia Verrelli
[mariagrazia@shaw.ca]
Sent: February-10-13 10:00 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment. Please take the time to consider the impact that all this mining could have on our environment as a whole. We human beings are part of that too. Is it really necessary? Is profit more important than us?

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Say No to the Reed Mine!099

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of tyrone
[tymartin@shaw.ca]
Sent: February-11-13 2:00 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Please stop destroying the planet. We already have enough copper in circulation.

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Say No to the Reed Mine!100

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of René Vielfaure
[bsrv@mymts.net]
Sent: February-12-13 3:30 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

Dear Ms. Winsor,

I am writing to express my deep concern about mining in our provincial parks. In my view, allowing mining in any of our parks blatantly contradicts the very reason for their existence: to permanently protect and safeguard irreplaceable ecosystems and wildlife habitats.

I am particularly worried about the Reed Mine project in Grass River Provincial Park. My understanding is that this mine site is located within a key caribou migration route and right beside calving grounds on Reed Lake. I've also learned that the project is located in the "Naosap" range, which the Manitoba government lists as one of the three most high-risk caribou herds in the province. You are no doubt aware that species like the woodland caribou - listed as "threatened" under both the federal and provincial endangered species acts - depend on undisturbed wilderness to survive.

The government of Manitoba first committed to protecting caribou habitat in 2000. I believe the people of Manitoba expect our government to honour it's commitment by immediately banning any new mining claims. I therefore respectfully urge you to reject the Reed Mine project.

Sincerely,

René Vielfaure
263 Montrose Street
Winnipeg MB R3M 3L9

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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Say No to the Reed Mine!101

From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Valerie Paape
[amanval@mymts.net]
Sent: February-13-13 9:23 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

I am horrified that the provincial government has allowed Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting to begin construction before a full licence for the Reed Mine has even been granted or before public consultation has occurred. I am opposed to the Reed Mine for the following reasons. First, our Provincial Parks should be closed to all but recreational uses. The parks need to be permanently protected in order to insure that there are significant land areas of Manitoba where the ecosystems are intact and wildlife and their habitat are protected. Second, the fact that the Reed Mine is located within a key caribou migration route and near the calving grounds on Reed Lake is reason enough to prevent the mine. This caribou herd is at risk according to the Manitoba Government. In view of these reasons, I ask that the Reed Mine NOT be approved and that provincial parks be protected from all industrial development and that any commercial development for recreational purposes be highly regulated and controlled. Thank you.

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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Kate Storey
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Sent: February-13-13 4:41 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

The Reed Lake Mine should NOT be approved because this mine will destroy the Caribou herd which lives there. The promises made by Hudbay Mining are meaningless propaganda. We can see from the toxic mess left at the company's Spruce Point Mine Site that HudBay company promises are worthless. Not only are their promises to keep a clean site meaningless, but the industrial activity at this site will stop the caribou herd from migrating to their calving grounds.

In 1977-79 I was part of the team of researchers who followed this Caribou herd in the Grass River Provincial park. I worked for the Wildlife Research Branch of the Dept of Renewable Resources, now known as the Dept of Conservation. You can find our reports on this herd in the Manitoba government archives, 77-12, 77-15, etc.

The Reed Lake Mine site is located on one of the key migration routes to the nearby caribou calving grounds. Caribou in this area have lost significant habitat from logging. There are only a few migration routes available to get to the calving grounds on the islands of Reed Lake. The Reed Lake Mine risks the existence of this endangered herd because it will block the spring migration of the mother caribou to the islands where their calves can be born, safe from wolves.

Provincial Parks were created to protect wilderness areas for the people and the animals of Manitoba. The Reed Lake Mine, located in Grass River Provincial Park, is a shameful example that money is valued more than wildlife. In five years, the ore from this mine will be exhausted and the jobs will be gone, but the caribou herd will be decimated.

Please, stop the Reed Lake Mine and prevent the loss of one of our last beautiful herds of woodland Caribou.

Kate Storey
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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Will Bailey-Elkin
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Sent: February-13-13 4:43 PM
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Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

The Clean Environment Commission designated the Grass River as a protected "High Quality Surface Water" resource because the river water is filtered through the vast substrata of peat. I think it is disgusting that people are stupid enough to create a mine that could take that away. Manitobans believe that our provincial parks are created to protect the areas that their borders encompass. If this mine happens it would be another slap in the face towards your lovely citizens.

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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Doug Turner
[dwhturner@hotmail.com]
Sent: February-13-13 6:26 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Susan Kemp
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Sent: February-14-13 11:34 AM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Susan Kemp
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Sent: February-14-13 12:29 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Please demonstrate your commitment to Manitoba by NOT approving the Reed mine and by banning any new mining claims in our provincial parks. With proper management, the health of our parks and the caribou herds will last for centuries, but the economic benefit of mining can be very short term. We don't have to look very far to see the mess that is left behind when a mine is no longer profitable and has been abandoned. Mining is a dirty business and has no place within a provincial park. As a Manitoban, I hope that you will use the power of your office wisely, to ensure the health of our province and our wildlife. Thank you.

Susan Kemp
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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Brent Hewitt
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Sent: February-16-13 12:10 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

These are designated parks - supposedly not for mining and/or logging.
Construction has already started? Could you please advise how and why this is
allowed? Also see February 16, 2013 Winnipeg Free Press - Letters To The
Editor - "Last of these caribou" from Kate Storey.
Gord Mackintosh - minister of "conservation" - exactly what is he
"conserving"?
Brent Hewitt
St. Andrews, MB

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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Billie Jo Reimche
[Hamletsmom@shaw.ca]
Sent: February-16-13 7:17 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

I was very disappointed to learn that Grass river provincial park and it's inhabitants will be disturbed to allow the reed mine development. We need to protect our precious natural areas both for future generations to enjoy and more importantly threatened species. Please do right by those whose value is far more substantial than monetary. The Reed mine should NOT be approved.

Thank you,
Billie Jo Reimche
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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Talia Bogaski [splash-of-wind@live.ca]
Sent: February-17-13 5:38 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Please do not approve this mine in a provincial park!

Parks need to be permanently protected to safeguard ecosystem services and wildlife habitat. Species like the woodland caribou—listed as “threatened” under both the federal and provincial endangered species acts—depend on undisturbed wilderness to survive. The Manitoba government first committed to protecting caribou habitat in 2000. The Reed Mine site is located within a key caribou migration route and right beside calving grounds on Reed Lake. The project is located in the “Naosap” range, which the Manitoba government lists as one of the three most high-risk caribou herds in the province. I am irrate that the provincial government has quietly allowed Hudbay to begin construction of this mine—before the public comment period even began. Mining can have long-term toxic impacts. While Hudbay insists that its previous mine work in Grass River park has had minimal impact, the devastation from the company's Spruce Point Mine Site is still plainly visible. The Reed Mine should NOT be approved.

Sincerely,

Ms. Bogaski

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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Leena
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Sent: February-18-13 9:22 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

I was shocked and disappointed to discover that the Manitoba government is allowing Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting company to start construction of a mine in Grass River Provincial Park without consulting the public. Mining in Grass River will have devastating impacts to the woodland caribou, who are listed as threatened under the endangered species acts of both the federal and provincial government, as the Reed Mine site is located in a key region of the caribou migration route.

Sincerely,

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From: webmaster@wildernesscommittee.org on behalf of Mary Jane Eason
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Sent: February-19-13 11:53 PM
To: Winsor, Jennifer (CON)
Subject: Say "No" to the Reed Mine!

Jennifer Winsor
Manitoba Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation

RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

I strongly disagree with allowing mining in Grass River Provincial Park. The designation of a protected area means that animal species are protected against human activities that will endanger them. Allowing mining operations in a protected area is counter to the purpose of having such areas preserved for the benefit of endangered species such as the high-risk caribou herds which are not at present self-sustaining. The government of Manitoba must take a strong stand against the interests of developers and set a precedent of respecting the legislation that has been passed and honouring the purpose of the legislation which is the protection of the caribou, our own Manitoba reindeer.

Mining pollutes water with heavy metals. Caribou depend upon water as do all living things. Where will they get clean water? The long-term toxic impacts of mining operations should make it very obvious that there is no place for mining in provincial parks. The disruption of caribou herds and their calving areas will surely decimate the vulnerable caribou populations and increase loss through predation. By not allowing mining in Grass River Provincial Park the NDP government demonstrates its commitment to the protection of our provincial parks and its caribou inhabitants. There is no middle ground here. Mining companies have had their day. They cannot operate without poisoning the environment and destroying wildlife --they cannot co-exist with endangered species in their own habitat. Take the strong position and say no to Reed Mine.

Sincerely,

Mary Jane Eason

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1 February 2013

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Jennifer Winsor
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RE: Reed Mine Proposal - Public Comment

Dear Ms. Winsor:

I am writing to express my strong disapproval of the Reed Mine Proposal. I understand that mining is an important industry in Manitoba, and that mining has, in the past, been permitted in Manitoba parks. But the popular consensus on such practices has changed, and Manitobans like myself are no longer willing, as people were in the past, to sacrifice our precious natural resources and the environment to the demands of resource industries. Manitobans must move forward and build an economy that is not so resource-dependent, recognizing that the costs of reckless resource extraction outweigh the short-term benefits and that resource extraction is not a stable economic policy in the long term.

Manitoba's parks must be protected. Our ecosystem services and wildlife habitat are not only inherently valuable, but are the foundation of a more sustainable economy. A number of Manitoba species, including the woodland caribou, which are already identified as a threatened species, depend on undisturbed wilderness to survive. Manitoba's government, moreover, is on record as promising to protect caribou habitat. The Reed Mine site is located within a key caribou migration route and right beside calving grounds on Reed Lake. The project is located in the "Naosap" range, which the Manitoba government lists as one of the three most high-risk caribou herds in the province.

I would also like to register my objection to ^{the} undemocratic and non-transparent way that the government has advanced this project. Although the Reed Mine is not yet licenced, Hudbay Minerals, a repeat environmental violator, has been allowed to begin construction. Manitobans have had no opportunity to comment, and no public information has been provided. This lack of transparency demonstrates a failure on the part of the Manitoba government to respect the public process, and its "behind the scenes" behavior raises the question: if the government has nothing to hide, why is it hiding its covert approval of this project?

There are too many unanswered questions, a flawed and non-transparent process, and a high risk of environmental harm to the province. The Reed Mine should not, in my view, be approved.

Sincerely,


Julie Guard

CC: Gord Mackintosh, Manitoba Minister of Conservation