



Regional Pre-Investment Studies in the Eastern Russian Arctic Closure and reclamation of the tailings at the Kular gold mill



Background

NPA-Arctic Project is a programme which shall contribute to prevent pollution of the Arctic marine environment. The pre-investment studies provide information for potential investment projects that can contribute to pollution reduction.

The pre-investment studies include a full technical description of the projects, including concept, regulatory requirements, environmental and social aspects as well as concept cost calculations. The technical description is followed by a financial analysis which assesses the investment needs and suggests potential investment and financing possibilities.

Closure and reclamation of the tailings at the Kular gold mill

The Project Initiator and Beneficiary is the State Organisation “Executive Directorate for Elimination of Impacts of Spring-time Flood and Organization of Restoration Work in the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia)”.

The main objective of the Project is to carry out closure of the tailings of the Kular gold mill as a source of the current pollution of surface waters in the Omoloy River basin based on sound environmental and health and safety principles and in compliance with the Russian and international standards and requirements set out for reclaimed tailings, as well as to restore the area of the reclaimed tailings and return the land to agricultural use.

Implementation of the Project will ensure closure of the tailings of the former Kular gold mill which is currently a source of contamination of the Omoloy River basin posing serious threat to the fish resources in the river, as well as to the Omoloy nature reserve and health of residents of Khaiyr indigenous village. The closure of the Kular tailings will enable to use the reclaimed land as reindeer pasture.

For more information:

The Final Report with the pre-investment study for the project is available at the offices of the Client, Project Initiator and Consultant or their web-sites and is open for comments during two weeks since its publication. For more information please contact:

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