**Response to Comments from Draft Report Version (as Received September 22, 2015).**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Comment No.** | **Page** | **Comment** | **Response** |
| 1 | 1 | Merge to introduction | Merge Completed |
| 2 | 10 | Please explain further here (i.e. give rationale provided in October 2014 report). | A rationale for the inclusion has been provided in the text. |
| 3 | 23 | Explain what this means. So as a result of this test; is there any change that should happen with the program; why or why not. | An explanation and rationale has been provided. |
| 4 | 24 | Is this something that can be completed by Hemmera (i.e. within budget)? Was it completed in Fall event? | This comment has been revised. This recommendation was re-assessed by a new program hydrogeologist and at the time of the September 2015 sampling event a submersible pump was not used as there was sufficient volume in the well to sample using flexible Waterra tubing with a footvalve. Should conditions favour the implementation of this recommendation during future events, it should be achievable within the regular program budget. |
| 5 | 24 | Is this something that can be completed by Hemmera (i.e. within budget)? Was it completed in Fall event? | The recommended repairs could have been completed within the available budget for well repairs during the fall event, however a repair was not attempted as the well was found to be dry during that sample event. This repair can be attempted during a future sampling event. |
| 6 | 25 | Through air lift method or other? | Text has been revised. Due to the presence of tailings fines that are quite thick it should be possible through one of three methods – using open ended Waterra tubing to capture the sediment (repeatedly pushing the tubing into the sediment and cutting off the end of the tubing, they re-inserting into the well), adding water as needed to re-suspend the sediment or soften fines, and re-developing using foot valves and surge blocks. |
| 7 | 25 | Is this something that can be completed by Hemmera (i.e. within budget)? Was it completed in Fall event? | Yes – some initial cleaning was completed during the September 2015 event. An interim repair to the broken well tubing was completed in order to prevent further introduction of fines. Re-developing was also attempted, and did remove some fines, however this was limited by the available water column within the well. |
| 8 | 25 | Through air lift method or other? | Text has been updated. This would be likely completed using Waterra tubing with a surge block. |
| 9 | 25 | Is this something that can be completed by Hemmera (i.e. within budget)? Was it completed in Fall event? | This is something that can be completed within the existing program, however it was not completed during the fall 2015 event. |
| 10 | 25 | Is this something that can be completed by Hemmera (i.e. within budget)? Was it completed in Fall event? | This is something that could be completed within the program budget and was started during the fall 2015 sampling event, but has not been fully completed. |