



# Environmental Policy for Highland Valley Copper

Highland Valley Copper (HVC) is a large open pit copper mine operating within the traditional territory of the Nlaka'pamux Nation located in south-central British Columbia. HVC recognizes that Indigenous Peoples have used and occupied the t'mixw (land) for thousands of years. The nature of our mining activities has impacts to the surrounding environment. HVC is committed to incorporating Indigenous Peoples values, culture and resources into environmental planning through all stages of the mining lifecycle.

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As a leader in environmental sustainability, HVC is committed to environmental management in accordance with all applicable Teck Corporate standards and guidelines including the following:

- Charter of Corporate Responsibility
- Code of Sustainable Conduct
- Health, Safety, Environment and Community Management Standards

In addition, HVC will adhere to the following environmental management principles:

- Comply** with regulatory requirements, external commitments and maintain positive relationships with communities of interest.
- Effectively **communicate** our values, obligations, and environmental performance to our communities of interest.
- Maintain a commitment to the prevention of pollution, by using best management practices to **minimize** releases to the environment.
- Use best management practices to regularly evaluate environmental risks and **improve** environmental management programs through proactive planning, engagement, education and training.
- Collaborate** with communities of interest to manage our environmental impacts.

In accordance with these principles, HVC will review activities, results and systems regularly with a commitment to continual improvement of the environmental management system to enhance environmental performance.

Once mining activities have completed, HVC will leave behind ecosystems that support productive uses for future generations in a manner that reflects Indigenous Peoples principles of land stewardship, sustainable resource use, and biodiversity.



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