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## **Teck Trail Operations Completes Construction of Groundwater Treatment Plant**

**Trail, B.C.** - Teck Trail Operations has completed construction of the Groundwater Treatment Plant, a \$46 million investment to address groundwater affected by the site's historical activities. Commissioning of the plant is currently underway, and the plant is expected to be fully operational by summer 2017.

"The Groundwater Treatment Plant demonstrates our commitment to addressing effects of our historical operations and aligns with our ongoing focus to ensure the environment is protected," said Thompson Hickey, General Manager, Teck Trail Operations.

The plant will use modern treatment technology to treat affected groundwater to remove substances of concern and meet all regulatory requirements. There are no human health concerns as the groundwater is not a source of drinking water. In addition, studies conducted to date have found that the fish populations in the river are not affected by the groundwater and the water quality of the river meets drinking water standards.

The affected groundwater is believed to have originated from historical operations and storage of materials prior to the 1980s. It is located directly beneath Trail Operations and a part of East Trail.

### **About Teck Trail Operations**

Teck Metals Ltd. Trail Operations represents one of the world's largest fully integrated zinc and lead smelting and refining complexes. Trail's metallurgical operations also produce a variety of precious and specialty metals, chemicals and fertilizer products. Trail has a two-thirds interest in the Waneta hydroelectric dam as well as ownership of the related transmission system. The Waneta Dam provides clean and renewable power to the metallurgical operations.

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