



GISTM Principle 15 – August 2026 Public Disclosure

Turquoise Ridge
Sage TSF

5 August 2026

FACILITY LEVEL STATEMENT OF CONFORMANCE¹

The Sage Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) is in Full Conformance with the GISTM.

PRINCIPLE 15

Publicly disclose and provide access to information about the tailings facility to support public accountability.

REQUIREMENT 15.1

Publish and regularly update information on the Operator's commitment to safe tailings facility management, implementation of its tailings governance framework, its organization-wide policies, standards or approaches to the design, construction, monitoring and closure of tailings facilities.

- A. For new tailings facilities for which the regulatory authorisation process has commenced, or that are otherwise approved by the Operator, the Operator shall publish and update, in accordance with Principle 21 of the UNGP, the following information:**
- 1. A plain language summary of the rationale for the basis of the design and site selected as per the multicriteria alternatives analysis, impact assessments, and mitigation plans (Information may be obtained from the output of multiple Requirements including, but not limited to, Requirements 3.2, 3.3, 5.1, 5.3, 6.4, 6.6, 7.1 and 10.1); and**

Facility Description and Design Basis

Nevada Gold Mines LLC (NGM), a joint venture between Barrick Mining Corporation (Barrick) and Newmont Corporation (Newmont), is planning the proposed Sage TSF at the Turquoise Ridge Complex Site located approximately 60 kilometers northeast of Winnemucca, Nevada, USA. Permitting, detailed design, and preparation of construction packages including drawings and technical specifications has been completed. Phase 1 (starter dam) of the Sage TSF is currently under construction.

The Sage TSF will be a ring dam facility contained by embankments constructed with run of mine materials (maximum height of approximately 50 m). The TSF basin and starter dam will be lined with geomembrane. Above the starter dam the embankments will be centerline raised with a vertical chimney drain. The ultimate capacity of Sage TSF is planned to store approximately 77 M tonnes of conventional slurry tailings deposited between 2028 and 2050.

The TSF supernatant pool is planned to be operated in a center pool configuration for most the operations and will transition to a side-hill pool configuration in late-operations to promote tailings beach sloping toward the closure spillway location. During operations, the TSF will maintain sufficient

¹**Facility-Level Conformance Definitions:**

- **Full Conformance:** All applicable requirements are met in full; or, all applicable requirements are met but the facility requires remedial works to conform to specific requirements (e.g. 4.7 or 5.7), for which basic engineering is complete, budgeted, and a construction schedule has been developed and approved by the Accountable Executive to complete remedial works as soon as reasonably practicable.
- **Partial Conformance:** Some requirements are fully met; others are partially met or not met.
- **Non-Conformance:** No applicable requirements are either partially or fully met.

flood storage and freeboard to contain the inflow design flood and mitigate against unintentional releases (i.e., zero-discharge facility with no constructed spillway). Flow through tailings will report to the underdrain collection system. The underdrain collection system is comprised of a network of perforated pipes installed within a drainage blanket above the geomembrane liner. The flows collected by the underdrain collection system will report to the underdrain ponds via gravity flow.

The closure concept will include regrading embankment slopes to 3 Horizontal:1 Vertical (3H:1V), lightly scarifying, and seeding embankment slopes for their final closure configuration. Once tailings deposition has ceased and sufficient drain down has occurred, the tailings will be capped, covered, and seeded to form a stable landform. A spillway will then be established to route meteoric water off the facility.

Design for Sage TSF has been informed by the following:

- Knowledge base developed for the project including site investigation and characterization of the site, a climate change study completed for the site, and dam breach analysis.
- Site specific water management plan and TSF water balance model.
- Potential failure modes analysis (PFMA).
- Review by Barrick's independent geotechnical review board (IGRB).

An Operation, Maintenance, and Surveillance (OMS) program and manual will be developed, including instrumentation to monitor and verify performance, and will be implemented prior to construction and operation of the facility.

Site Selection and MAA

In 2023, a multiple-criteria alternatives analysis (MAA) was completed and identified the selected Sage TSF location and tailings storage technology as the preferred alternative. The MAA included technical assessments, developing conceptual layouts, site constraints, economic evaluations, as well as environmental and social impacts for 17 candidate sites. These sites were narrowed to 6 candidate sites and 2 tailings technologies (conventional slurry and dry stack of filtered tailings) for detailed evaluation. Other alternative technologies evaluated included in-pit disposal, paste tailings, co-disposal of tailings and waste rock, and cyclone sand embankments. The Sage TSF site and tailings technology of (slurry tailings) were selected due to favorable environmental, social, and economic considerations.

Impact Assessment

An Environmental Assessment (EA) was completed in 2017 to support federal permitting through the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). This study includes impact assessments on environmental, social, cultural, and economic factors. The Sage EA was approved by the BLM in 2019.

Once constructed and operational, the facility will include leak detection systems using dual-containment HDPE piping and regular visual inspections, along with vibrating wire piezometers and downgradient monitoring wells. Fencing will ensure safety and restrict access during operations.

Reclamation will involve grading, covering with oxide and alluvium to reduce infiltration, fluid management, fence removal, and revegetation. Reclamation activities will occur progressively during mine operations as practicality allows

2. The Consequence Classification (Requirement 4.1)

Facility Consequence Classification

Current Classification	Classification used for Design
High (GISTM 2020)	Extreme (GISTM 2020)

B. For each existing tailings facility and in accordance with Principle 21 of the UNGP, the Operator shall publish and update at least on an annual basis, the following information:

Requirement 15.1 B is not applicable as the Sage TSF is not an existing facility.

C. Provide local authorities and emergency services with sufficient information derived from the breach analysis to enable effective disaster management planning (Information may be obtained from the output of Requirement 2.3)

An EAP has been developed for Sage TSF to meet permitting requirements through the Nevada Division of Water Resources. The EAP outlines emergency response procedures to be implemented during various identified emergencies and has been shared with local authorities. The EAP will be reviewed and updated annually.

List of Documents Shared with Local Authorities and Emergency Services

Local Authority or Emergency Services	Document
Bureau of Land Management	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Nevada Division of Water Resources	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Nevada Department of Emergency Management	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Nevada Department of Transportation	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
National Weather Service	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Humboldt County (Golconda and Winnemucca)	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Humboldt County Sheriff	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Humboldt County EMS	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
NV Energy	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed

REQUIREMENT 15.2

- A. Respond in a systematic and timely manner to requests from interested and affected *stakeholders* for additional information *material* to the public safety and integrity of a *tailings facility*. When the request for information is denied, provide an explanation to the requesting *stakeholder*.**

Barrick is committed to the timely response to requests for additional information material to the public safety and integrity of their TSFs from interested and affected stakeholders. In the event that specific information cannot be shared with the requesting stakeholder, an explanation will be provided. Information on Barrick's Tailings Management policy and our Social Performance Policy can be found at the following links:

[Tailings Management Policy](#)

[Social Performance Policy.pdf](#)

REQUIREMENT 15.3

- A. Commit to cooperate in credible global transparency initiatives to create standardised, independent, industry-wide and publicly accessible databases, inventories or other information repositories about the safety and integrity of *tailings facilities*.**

Barrick is committed to global transparency around the public safety and integrity of our TSFs. A link to Barrick's Tailings Management Policy can be found here.

[Tailings Management Policy](#)

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT ON FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

Certain information contained in Barrick's Global Industry Standard on Tailings Management ("GISTM") tailings disclosure ("GISTM Disclosure"), including any information as to the design and operation of Barrick's tailings facilities and Barrick's sustainability strategy and vision, projects, plans or future technical, or operating performance constitutes "forward-looking statements". All statements, other than statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements. The words "target", "plan", "project", "develop", "estimate", "potential", "may", "will", "likely", "unlikely", "can", "could", "would" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. In particular, this GISTM Disclosure contains forward-looking statements including, without limitation, with respect to: mitigation measures for the proposed Sage Tailings Storage Facility ("Sage TSF"); the design, storage capacity and lifecycle of the Sage TSF; the potential environmental and social impacts of Sage TSF and related monitoring and risk assessments; and anticipated future reclamation associated with Sage TSF.

Forward-looking statements are necessarily based upon a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by the company as at the date of this Response in light of management's experience and perception of current conditions and expected developments, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies. Known and unknown factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements and undue reliance should not be placed on such statements and information. Such factors include, but are not limited to: operating or technical difficulties in connection with mining or development activities, including geotechnical challenges, tailings dam and storage facilities failures; physical and transition risks related to climate change, including extreme weather events and resource shortages; risk of loss due to acts of war, terrorism, sabotage and civil disturbances; changes in national and local government legislation, taxation, controls or regulations and/or changes in the administration of laws, policies and practice; political or economic development in Nevada, United States, or other countries in which Barrick does or may carry on business in the future; timing of receipt of, or failure to comply with, necessary permits and approvals; our ability to maintain relationships with public sector agencies and the communities surrounding the Sage TSF; contests over access to water, power and other required infrastructure; and disruptions in the maintenance or provision of required infrastructure and information technology systems. In addition, there are risks and hazards associated with the business of mineral exploration, development and mining, including environmental hazards, industrial accidents, unusual or unexpected formations, pressures, cave-ins and flooding. Many of these uncertainties and contingencies can affect our actual results and could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements made by, or on behalf of, Barrick. Readers are cautioned that forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance.

All of the forward-looking statements made in this GISTM Disclosure are qualified by these cautionary statements. Specific reference is made to the most recent Form 40-F/Annual Information Form on file with the SEC and Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities for a discussion of some of the factors underlying forward-looking statements and the risks that may affect Barrick's ability to achieve the expectations set forth in the forward-looking statements contained in this Response.

Barrick disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law.