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GISTM Principle 15 – August 2025 Public Disclosure

Carlin Complex

North Block TSF

5 August 2025

FACILITY LEVEL STATEMENT OF CONFORMANCE[1]

The North Block 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

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:

Requirement 15.1 A is not applicable as this is an existing facility.

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:

1. A description of the tailings facility (information may be obtained from the output of Requirements 5.5 and 6.4)

Nevada Gold Mines LLC (NGM), a joint venture between Barrick Mining Corporation (Barrick) and Newmont Corporation (Newmont), owns and operates the North Block Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) located at the Goldstrike site as part of the Carlin complex, approximately 40 kilometres northwest of Carlin, Nevada, USA.

The North Block TSF is described by the following details:

- **Facility Operational Status**: Operating.
- **Expansion methods**: Staged construction, downstream raise method.
- **Embankment Type**: Side-hill facility contained by zoned embankments consisting of run-of-mine waste rockfill with a geomembrane liner on the upstream face of the embankments.
- **Basin**: Geomembrane liner with a drainage system (above the liner) to capture and convey seepage to ancillary ponds which are pumped to supernatant pond.
- **Deposition start and expected end (year)**: 1994 – End of year 2030
- **Tailings Storage Capacity**: Conventional slurry tailings; 280 M tonnes planned ultimate storage, 229 M tonnes currently stored.

[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.

- **Current Permitted impoundment**: Dam is permitted and constructed through Stage 12 (crest elevation 1,806 m).
- **Current Maximum Embankment Height**: 145 m.
- **Supernatant Pool Configuration**: The pond is actively being migrated to the northeast corner where the reclaim system is currently located to align with the planned closure configuration. Water is pumped to the mill for reuse.
- **Long-term closure plan**: Embankments will be sloped, covered, and seeded to their final closure configuration. After tailings deposition has ceased and sufficient drain down has occurred, the facility will be covered and seeded to form a stable landform. Once the cover is complete, a closure spillway will be established to route meteoric water off the facility. Long term drain down will be passively managed in evaporation cells.

2. The Consequence Classification (Requirement 4.1)

Facility Consequence Classification

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

3. A summary of risk assessment findings relevant to the tailings facility (Information may be obtained from the output of Requirement 10.1)

The North Block TSF Risk Assessment was updated in July 2023 and the risk drivers summarized in the table below were identified along with additional controls to be implemented for the facility to ensure the risk level is as low as reasonably practicable (ALARP).

Summary of Risk Assessment Findings

Reference	Risk Driver PFM[2]	Existing Controls	Additional Controls to Meet ALARP
2023 RA[3]	Northwest Corner Foundation displacement under static or seismic loading.	Regular inspections, Instrumentation, InSAR, construction methods.	Complete buttress construction in 2025
2023 RA	West Leg Foundation displacement under static or seismic loading due to an unidentified weak layer	Regular inspections, instrumentation, InSAR, construction method	Completed additional geotechnical investigation and characterization of foundation materials. No weak layers were identified along the West Leg.

[2] Risk Driver Potential Failure Mode (PFM) are derived from ongoing TSF Risk Assessment work.
[3] RA: Risk Assessment.

4. A summary of impact assessments and of human exposure and vulnerability to tailings facility credible flow failure scenarios (Information may be obtained from the output of Requirements 2.4 and 3.3)

The following is a summary of the material environmental, social, and critical facilities/infrastructure that may be impacted in the unlikely event of a catastrophic tailing's facility failure. For each aspect, the table provides a summary of the nature of the potential impacts and vulnerabilities. The assessment of human exposure and vulnerability was completed utilizing information from previous dam breach and downstream inundation analysis, and Emergency Action Plans (EAP).

Summary of Potentially Material Impacts

Aspects	Impact description	Mitigation Measure(s)
Environmental	Tailings and water released into Bell Creek and Rodeo Creek. Sedimentation impacts to ephemeral streams would impact water quality until cleanup was completed. A release could impact local areas of habitat for species of special interest resulting in insignificant loss of habitat. Tailing is unlikely acid-generating, but metals concentrations may pose risk to the environment until mitigation is completed following a release.	Develop and implement a recovery and rehabilitation plan.
Public Infrastructure	The unlikely losses to recreational facilities and infrequently used transportation routes within the potential inundation area would be temporary as this facility is not expected to have off-site impacts.	In the event of an emergency, site personnel will initiate communication via mine radios across all channels covering the affected area, coordinate with local authorities, and proceed to set up road closures and detour routes as outlined in the Emergency Action Plan (EAP).
Health, Social, & Cultural	There are no known community welfare or assets, significant disruption of business, service or social dislocation are unlikely. There is a low likelihood of loss of cultural assets—no Significant recreational or community assets within the potential inundation area.	In the event of an emergency, site personnel will initiate communication via mine radios across all channels covering the affected area, coordinate with local authorities, and proceed to set up road closures and detour routes as outlined in the Emergency Action Plan (EAP).
Economic	The unlikely losses to recreational facilities and infrequently used transportation routes within the potential inundation area would be temporary as this facility is not expected to have off-site impacts.	Regular TSF inspection and monitoring data review. Emergency Action Plans to provide warning.

5. A description of the design for all phases of the tailings facility lifecycle including the current and final height (Information may be obtained from the output of Requirement 5.5)

The North Block TSF is a side-hill facility contained by zoned embankments constructed with run-of-mine waste rockfill and natural topography along the east, with a composite geomembrane liner over the upstream face of the embankments and within the basin. The liner is underlain by either low permeability fill through Stage 7 or a geosynthetic clay liner (GCL) through Stage 8 onwards for redundancy. The embankment dams are downstream raised over stages.

The supernatant pool is currently situated toward the northeast corner which is aligned with the planned closure configuration. Sufficient flood storage and freeboard is maintained to contain the inflow design flood and mitigate against unintentional releases (i.e., zero-discharge facility with no constructed spillway). An upstream diversion channel conveys surface runoff around the facility.

Seepage through tailings reports to the underdrain system above the geomembrane liner, comprising of a series of finger drains. The underdrain system and seepage reports to the ancillary ponds via gravity flow.

The underlying geology of the facility consists of Tertiary Carlin formation, a geologic unit comprised of loosely cemented sand, silts, gravels, volcanic tuffs, and clays. The Carlin formation is underlain by Devonian aged limestones and siltstones at depth (30 m or greater). Localized zones of relatively weak clay have been identified within the South Leg and Northwest Corner embankment foundations. Stabilizing buttresses have been constructed in these areas to meet required stability criteria.

Each stage of the tailing facility has been engineered, and the design and construction of the facility was overseen by a qualified engineer and the appointed Engineer of Record. The table below summarizes the historical and planned stages of construction.

Stages of Dam Construction

Construction Stage	Completion Date	Crest Elevation (m)	Significant Design Changes
Stage 1 Starter Configuration	1994	1,702	Modified to fully lined basin instead of basin lining in localized areas.
Stage 2	1996	17,10	Additional blanket underdrain connected to Drainage Collection Sump.
Stage 3	1998	1,721	Sloping drain pipes included at the barge ramp.
Stage 4	1999	1,731	Updated design through to Stage 9 (original design to Stage 5).
Stage 5	2001	1,742	
Stage 6	2004	1,753	
Stage 7	2006	1,764	Switched from HDPE to LLDPE primary liner. Discontinued geotextile between seal zone and mine waste (Zone A)
Stage 8	2008	1,775	Adjusted to new liner system consisting of LLDPE geomembrane underlain by geosynthetic clay liner panels. Compacted low permeability soil layer switched to fine material fill “buffer zone” due to lack of low permeability on-site availability.
Stage 9	2012	1,784	Changed downstream embankment slopes to 1.5H:1V
Stage 10	2017	1,789	Increase embankment height and reduce embankment crest width to fully construct the Stage 10 embankment within the existing embankment crest
Stage 11	2020	1,794	North Embankment was constructed through Stage 12, with a ramp extending to the Stage 11 west embankment.
Stage 12	2023	1,806	Water pool relocated from southwest corner to northeast corner. Tailings distribution and reclaim pipelines established to allow tailings from both Roaster and Autoclave to be deposited. Reclaim ramp constructed in northeast corner to reclaim water to both Roaster and Autoclave facilities.
Northwest Buttress	2025	1,806	Northwest buttress construction commenced in 2023 and is planned to be completed in 2025.

6. **A summary of material[4] findings of annual performance reviews and dam safety review (DSR), including implementation of mitigation measures to reduce risk to ALARP (Information may be obtained from output of Requirements 10.4 and 10.5);**

Summary of *Material Findings* and Mitigation Measures

Source	Material Finding	Mitigation Measures
2019 DSR[5]	Evaluate the effects of static and seismic loading on the foundation in the northwest corner of the facility and evaluate options for buttressing.	Stability analyses were updated based on updated geotechnical characterization of foundation materials and to consider construction loading. Results were used to inform buttress designs to meet required stability criteria. Phase 1 Northwest corner buttress construction is complete, Phase 2 construction is underway with anticipated completion in 2025.

7. **A summary of material[6] findings of the environmental and social monitoring programme including implementation of mitigation measures (Requirement 7.5)**

There have been no material incidents or findings from the environmental and social incidents monitoring programme since the August 2023 Public Disclosure was issued for the North Block TSF.

8. **A summary version of the tailings facility EPRP for facilities that have a credible failure mode(s) that could lead to a flow failure event that:**

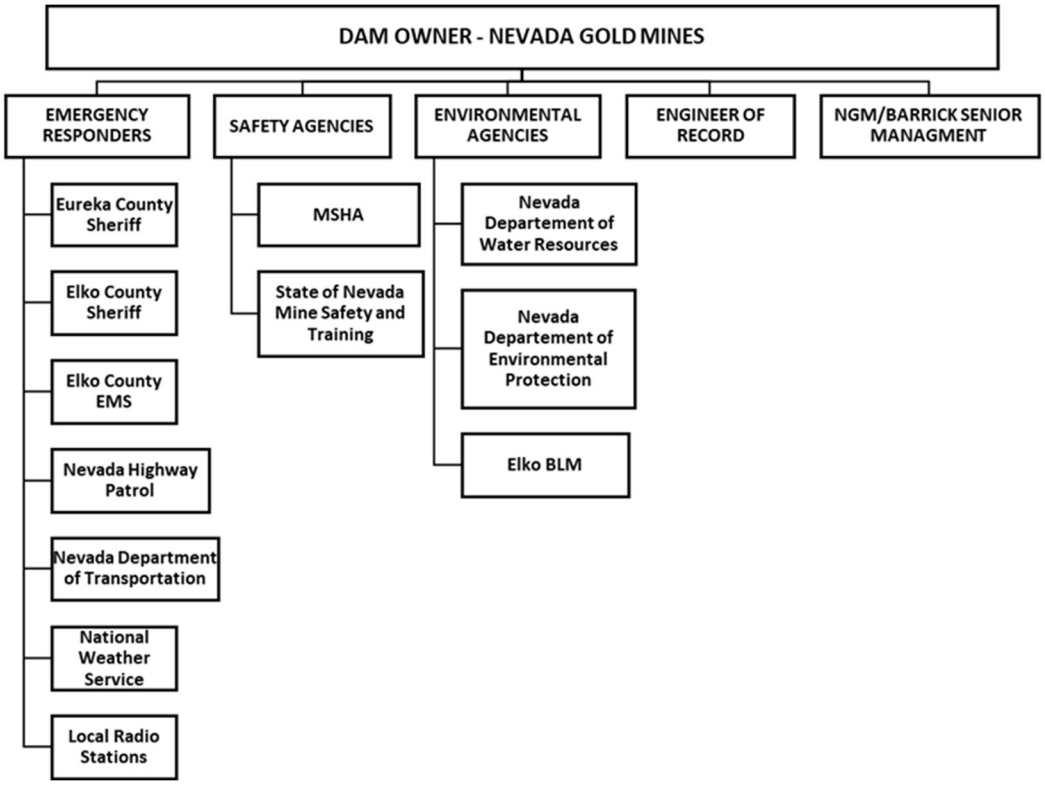
- **Informed by credible flow failure scenarios from the tailings facility breach analysis;**
- **Includes emergency response measures that apply to project affected people as identified through the tailings facility breach analysis and involve cooperation with public sector agencies; and**
- **Excludes details of emergency preparedness measures that apply to the Operator's assets, or confidential information (Requirements 13.1 and 13.2);**

An Emergency Action Plan (EAP) has been developed specifically for the North Block TSF using a credible failure scenario to meet regulatory requirements as set forth by the Nevada Division of Water Resources (NDWR) Dam Safety Program. The EAP describes procedures for reporting and responding to a wide range of potential adverse events and includes a notification flowchart (see below) to ensure stakeholders and responders are informed promptly and engaged in event response.

[4] Material findings are findings that have a high probability of becoming or actual dam safety issues that require immediate attention and are considered immediately dangerous to life, health or the environment, a significant regulatory enforcement.
[5] DSR: Dam Safety Review.
[6] An incident is considered material if it:
a) Causes significant negative impact on human health or the environment;
b) Extends onto publicly accessible land and has the potential to cause significant adverse impact to surrounding communities, livestock or wildlife;
c) Results in a breach of license conditions, the convention between the mine and government, or a violation of environmental regulations and standards or constitute releases above Reportable Quantities (RQs) any of which is immediately reportable to the government by law or other statute; or
d) Results in a release of cyanide (above 0.5 mg/l of WAD cyanide, confirmed by a certified third-party laboratory as above detection limit) to any surface water that leaves the site boundaries or any groundwater aquifer (whether on or off-site).

The EAP is a subset of an overall Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (EPRP) developed and maintained for the Goldstrike site. The EAP and EPRP are both reviewed annually and updated as necessary to reflect changes in site conditions, NGM's responsible personnel, available resources, and contractors who may be engaged in an emergency response.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION FLOWCHART



The Dam Operator shall immediately:

- Identify the Breach Condition;
- Contact the Dam Owner;
- Contact the Dam Engineer;
- Notify Eureka County Sheriff's Department;
- Notify Elko County Sheriff's Department;
- Notify Elko County Emergency Management;
- Notify Nevada Division of Emergency Management / State Emergency Operations Center;
- Notify State Dam Safety Agency / NDWR;
- Conduct the investigation; and
- Assess and respond.

The Dam Engineer shall immediately:

- Contact the Deputy Dam Engineer;
- Assist with the investigation; and
- Assist with assessment and response**.**

The Dam Owner shall immediately:

- Contact Open Pit Operations Superintendent to notify all downstream personnel to evacuate;
- Contact Local Radio Stations to issue a public warning and begin evacuation; and
- Contact the National Weather Service to issue downstream flood warnings.

9. Dates of most recent and next independent reviews (Requirement 10.5)

Dates of Independent Reviews

Review Type	Latest Review	Previous Review
ITRB[7]	October 2024	October 2023
DSR[8]	March 2025	May 2019

10. Annual confirmation that the Operator has adequate financial capacity (including insurance to the extent commercially reasonable) to cover estimated costs of planned closure, early closure, reclamation, and post-closure of the tailings facility and its appurtenant structures (Requirement 10.7)

Barrick has sufficient financial resources to meet its business requirements for the foreseeable future, including capital expenditures, working capital requirements, interest payments, environmental rehabilitation, securities buyback and dividends.

For additional information refer to Barrick Annual Report 'Financial Position and Liquidity' (page 97) and 'Contractual Obligations and Commitments' table (page 99).

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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 the North Block 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 is reviewed and updated annually.

List of Documents Shared with Local Authorities and Emergency Services

Local Authority or Emergency Services	Document
Nevada Division of Water Resources	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Nevada Department of Emergency Management	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Nevada Highway Patrol	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
National Weather Service	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Eureka County Sheriff	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed
Elko County Sheriff	EPRP, EAP – Updated annually as needed

[7] ITRB: Independent Technical Review Board.
[8] DSR: Dam Safety Review.

REQUIREMENT 15.2

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

REQUIREMENT 15.3

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: the results of Barrick's annual performance and dam safety reviews and related mitigation measures for the North Block Tailings Storage Facility ("North Block TSF"); the results of Barrick's tailings facility breach analysis and inundation studies including human exposure and vulnerability to flow failure scenarios, disaster management planning and emergency preparedness; and estimated costs associated with North Block 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 North Block 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.