

# SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (SEIS) UPDATE

MORE INFORMATION:



The 2018 Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) evaluated a hypothetical failure of the project's proposed Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) Main Dam, considering a release involving a 0.5% of the dam's total capacity. The Orutsararmiut Native Council (ONC) challenged the analysis arguing that larger failures should be evaluated. On Sept. 30, 2024, the Alaska District Court ruled that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), should have evaluated the effects of a larger hypothetical spill. In June 2025, the scope of the remand ruling was issued, requiring the USACE and BLM to supplement the current EIS to include this expanded evaluation.

## WHAT TO EXPECT: SEIS PROCESS



### Notice of Intent (NOI)

The NOI will notify the public that USACE and BLM are preparing a SEIS, as required by the court ruling. The SEIS will focus on analyzing a larger hypothetical tailings spill, and the public will be invited to comment on this specific issue.



### Public Comment

Public reviews and submit comments on NOI



### Draft SEIS

Agency(s) writes and issues Draft SEIS



### Public Review

Public reviews and submit comments on Draft SEIS



### Final SEIS

Comments are addressed and Final SEIS issues



### Public Availability of FINAL SEIS

Final SEIS is issued to the public



### RECORD OF DECISION

Final decision on project is signed by the USACE and BLM

## WHAT THIS MEANS

- This does not mean the tailings dam design has changed or that the risk is higher.
- Instead, this is about adding another "what if" scenario to the already thorough review process.
- The USACE and BLM will use this new information to inform their decisions on the project.

## PROJECT SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS

- Donlin Gold incorporates advanced safety features, real-time monitoring, and strict protocols to reduce risks during construction, operation, and closure.
- The Alaska Dam Safety Program, managed by the Department of Natural Resources, must approve each phase of tailings dam construction; progress halts if any stage fails to meet design standards.
- The Donlin Gold TSF Dam will be a rock-filled, downstream structure built on bedrock, with rigorous monitoring throughout construction, operation, and closure to ensure stability.

## HOW CAN I MAKE A COMMENT OF RECORD?

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will lead the SEIS process and will offer public comment and review periods throughout the entire process.

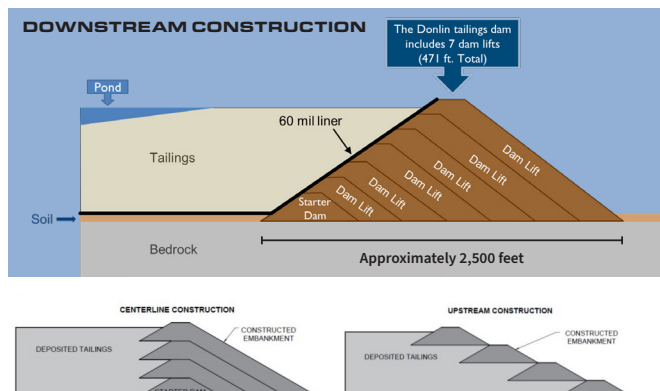
## WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE ON THIS?

For more information, visit [LetsTalkDonlin.com](https://www.donlingold.com/LetsTalkDonlin).

Donlin Gold will continue to work closely with Tribal governments and stakeholders throughout the SEIS process.



# TAILINGS STORAGE & DAM



- The **Tailings Storage Facility (TSF)** is located approximately 10 miles from the Kuskokwim River.
- Tailings will be treated prior to entering the TSF to reduce cyanide levels. The tailings are not acid generating.
- Generally, engineered dams that are constructed, operated and maintained properly do not fail. Water management is a significant aspect for the project; understanding and managing the site water balance is important for safe TSF operation.

## MINE DEVELOPMENT AND RECLAMATION

After closure, water will be pumped out of the TSF to the open pit. The TSF and waste rock facility will be regraded, covered and revegetated. The pit would begin to fill over a long period of time, approximately 50 years. When filled, water would be treated to meet water quality standards for protection of aquatic life and human health prior to discharge.



End of mine life—year 27

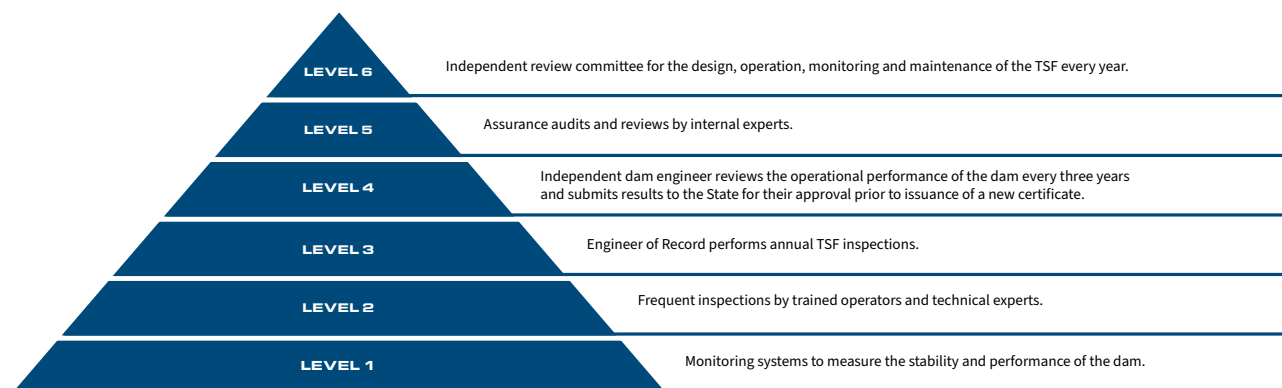


Final reclamation and closure view—year 5



Final reclamation and closure view—year 50

## SIX LEVELS OF MONITORING THE TAILINGS DAM



## TAILINGS STORAGE DAM OVERSIGHT:

- ☑ State of Alaska
- ☑ Calista Corporation and The Kuskokwim Corporation
- ☑ Internal technical experts
- ☑ Independent technical experts and review boards