

West High Yield Resources Receives Draft Environmental Management Act Permit for Record Ridge Project

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May 19, 2026 ([Source](#)) – West High Yield (W.H.Y.) Resources Ltd. (TSXV: WHY) (FSE: W0H) (“**West High Yield**” or the “**Company**”) is pleased to announce that it has received the draft *Environmental Management Act* (British Columbia) permit from the British Columbia Ministry of Environment and Parks (the “**EMA Permit**”) for the Record Ridge Industrial Mineral Mine Project (“**RRIMM Project**” or the “**Project**”) located near Rossland, British Columbia, Canada.

The receipt of the draft EMA Permit represents another major milestone in the advancement of the Project and follows the issuance of the Company’s *Mines Act* (British Columbia) permit in October 2025 (the “**Mines Act Permit**”) and the recent receipt of the draft Highway Access permit in March 2026 from the British Columbia Ministry of Transportation and Transit.

The EMA Permit relates primarily to site water management, environmental monitoring, sediment and erosion control, and fugitive dust management for the Project. The Company is currently conducting a detailed technical review of the draft permit and will continue working constructively with the British Columbia Ministry of Environment and Parks toward finalization of the authorization.

“The receipt of the draft EMA Permit represents another important milestone for the RRIMM Project and reflects the

extensive, environmental, technical, and regulatory work completed by the Company over several years,” said Frank Marasco, the Company’s President and CEO. “We believe the continued advancement of the permitting process further reduces overall project development risk and supports ongoing progression toward construction readiness and mining operations in 2026.”

Permitting Updates

The Company also wishes to provide updates regarding other ongoing permitting and Project development activities.

Remaining permits and authorizations, including the final Mine Access permit, Water Licence permit, and Occupant Licence to Cut permit, are now in the final stages of review with the applicable regulatory agencies.

In parallel with permitting, the Company continues to advance post-permit compliance work under the Mine Act Permit, including detailed engineering, environmental management planning, and construction readiness activities for the Project.

Pilot Testing Updates

The Company is also pleased to report continued progress on its downstream processing pilot program previously announced on January 28, 2026. The first major milestone involving pilot setup and commissioning activities has now been successfully completed. In addition, preparation of the Record Ridge ore feed for the leaching process has been completed by the laboratory team, and the pilot plant is currently being prepared for operational testing as part of the Company’s magnesium and silica processing flowsheet development program.

The objective of the pilot program is to generate operational

and process data intended to support future engineering work and potential feasibility-level studies relating to a commercial processing plant.

Construction Funding Updates

The Company continues discussions relating to construction and development financing for the RRIMM Project. The Company is currently in advanced stages of evaluating and progressing funding initiatives and anticipates moving toward finalization following receipt of the remaining key permits and authorizations.

About West High Yield

West High Yield is a publicly traded junior mining exploration and development company, established in 2003, and focused on acquiring, exploring, and developing mineral resource properties in Canada. Its primary objective is to develop its Record Ridge critical mineral (magnesium, silica, nickel, and iron) deposit using green processing techniques to minimize waste and CO₂ emissions.

The Company's Record Ridge critical mineral deposit located 10 kilometers southwest of Rossland, British Columbia has approximately 10.6 million tonnes of contained magnesium based on an independently produced *National Instrument 43-101* – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects (“**NI 43-101**”) Preliminary Economic Assessment technical report (titled “Revised NI 43-101 Technical Report Preliminary Economic Assessment Record Ridge Project, British Columbia, Canada”) prepared by SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. on April 18, 2013 in accordance with NI 43-101 and which can be found on the Company's profile at <https://www.sedarplus.ca>.

Qualified Person

Rick Walker, B.Sc., M.Sc., P.Geo., the Company Geologist is a Qualified Person as defined in NI 43-101 and has reviewed and approved the technical information in this press release.

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