

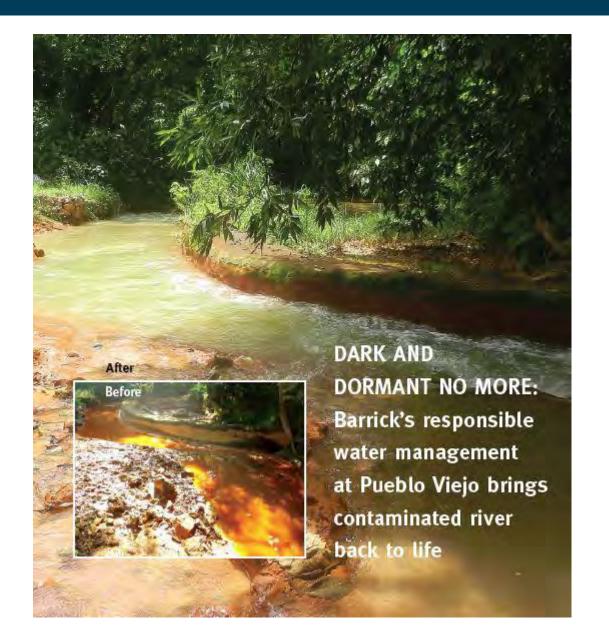
# Dramatic Improvements at Margajita River at Pueblo Viejo Gold Mine

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#### Overview





- Background
- Legacy of Environmental issues
- ETP Overview
- Dramatic Results

#### Pueblo Viejo DOMINICAN REPUBLIC





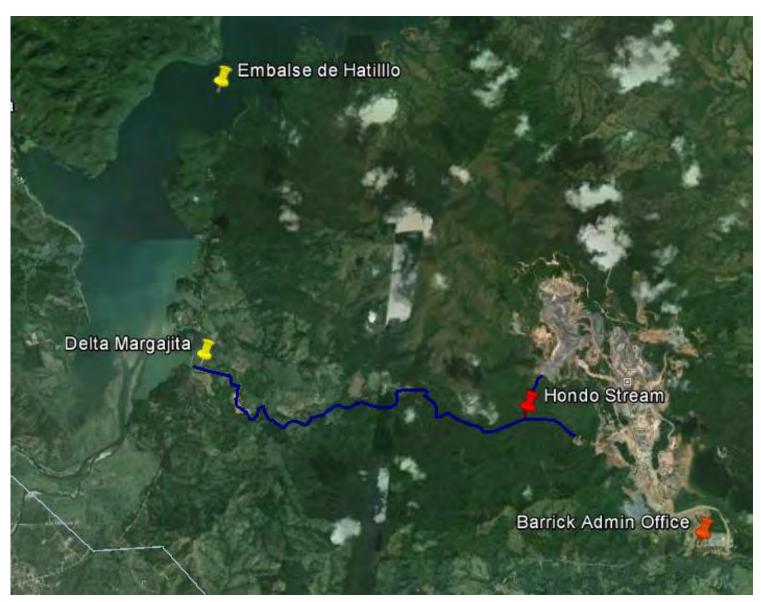
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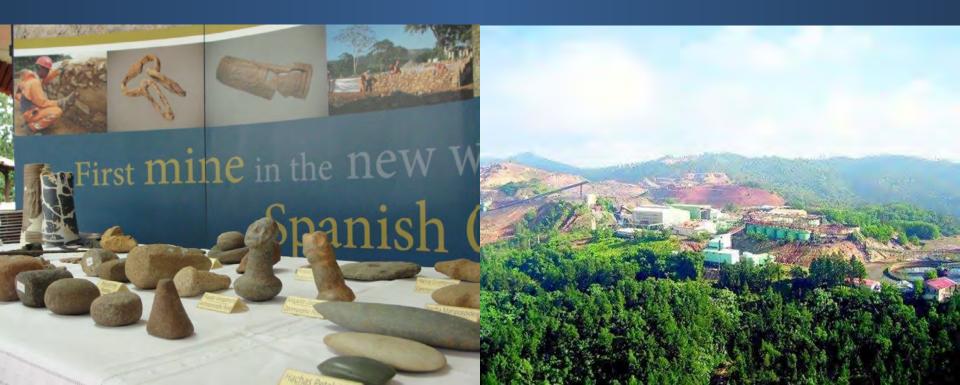
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# Pueblo Viejo Gold Mine Background



#### PV Background & History

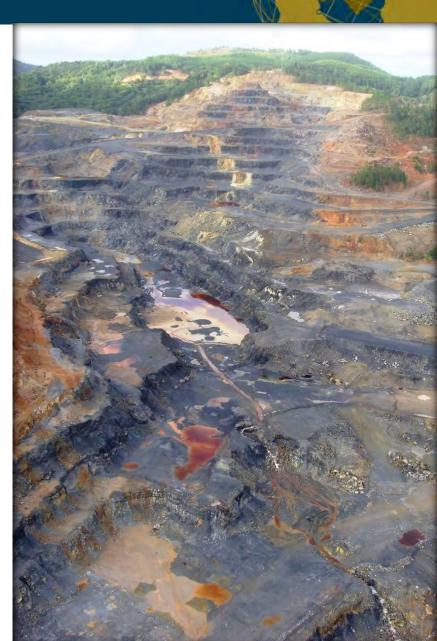


- First Mining Camp of the new world (Circa 1510-1530)
- Rosario Dominicana operated from 1975 -1999
- In 2001, the DR Government called for an international tender of PV Mining rights and to remediate environmental liabilities
- Barrick Gold Corporation assumed Pueblo Viejo Project responsibilities in 2006 (Placer Dome)

#### Rosario Environmental Legacy

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- Rosario Dominicana operated for 25 years.
- Poor mining practices derived in acid drainage contamination of nearby land and streams.
- Remediation of historical contamination is responsibility of DR State.



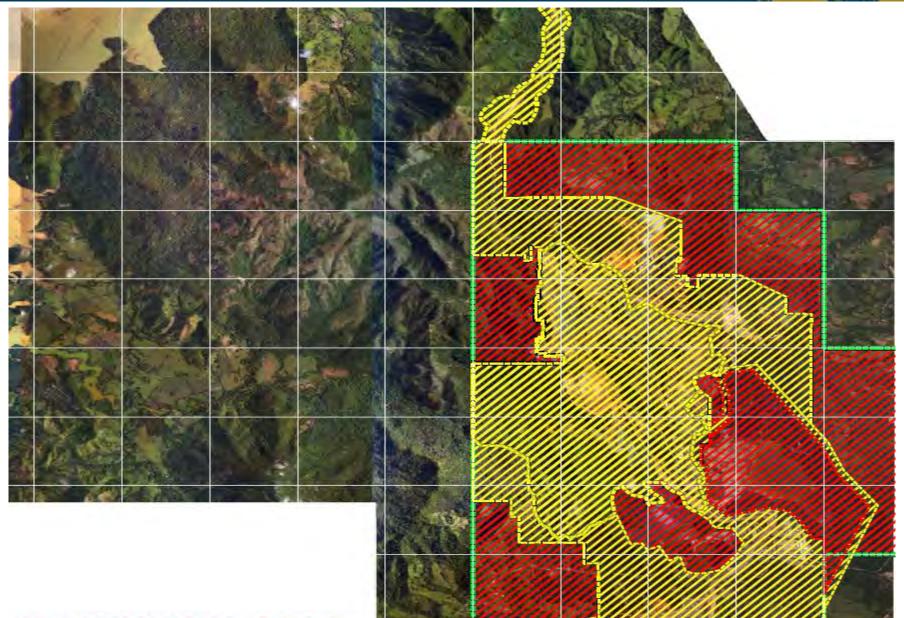
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#### Background & History



- Margajita Stream and Hatillo Reservoir have been most negatively impacted with ARD and heavy metals
- Under SLA of Mining Rights, Barrick committed to remediate some historically impacted areas.
- Other areas remain under DR Government's responsibility (PVDC committed \$75 M to fund some DR Government remediation costs).



## Pueblo Viejo Dominicana Corporation (PVDC) Joint Venture Barrick 60/40 Goldcorp 2006 - Present



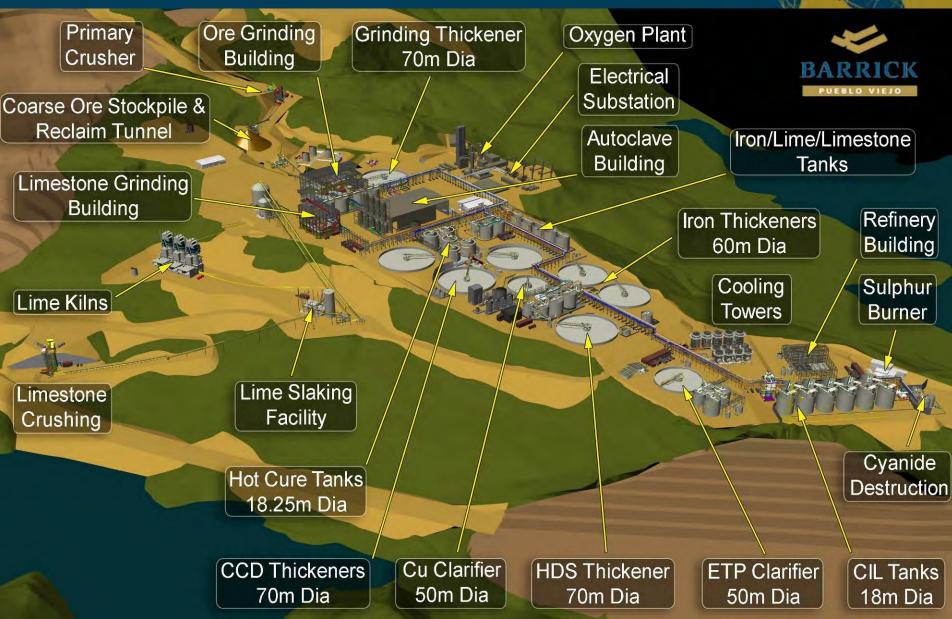
#### Background & History



- \$3.7B in mine construction capital
  - +26 years mine life
    - 16M oz reserves
- 0.813M oz of production in 2013
- 1.0-1.1 M oz of production in first five years

#### Site Overview





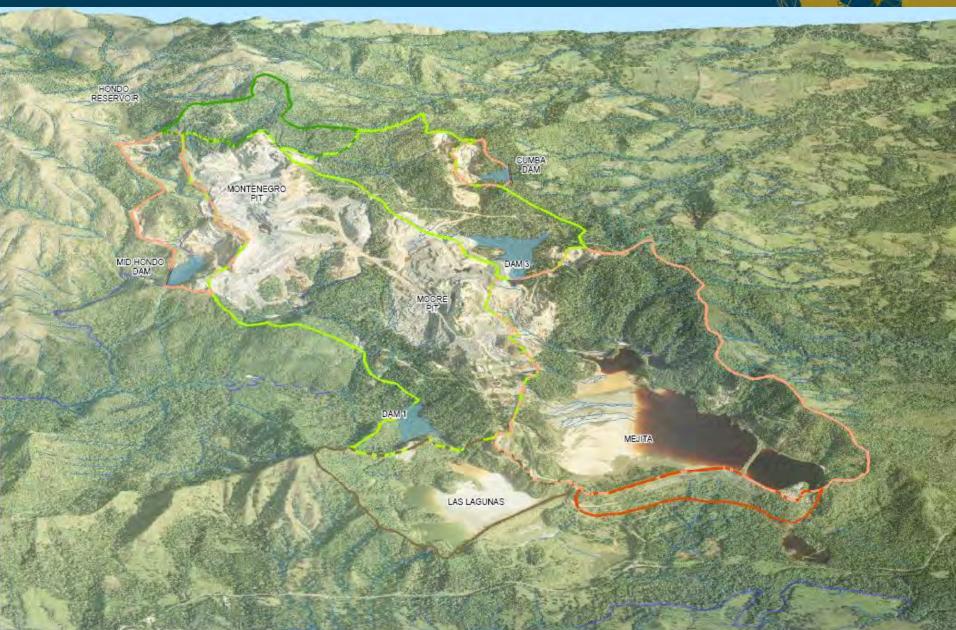


# Collection and Treatment of Mining-Influenced Water



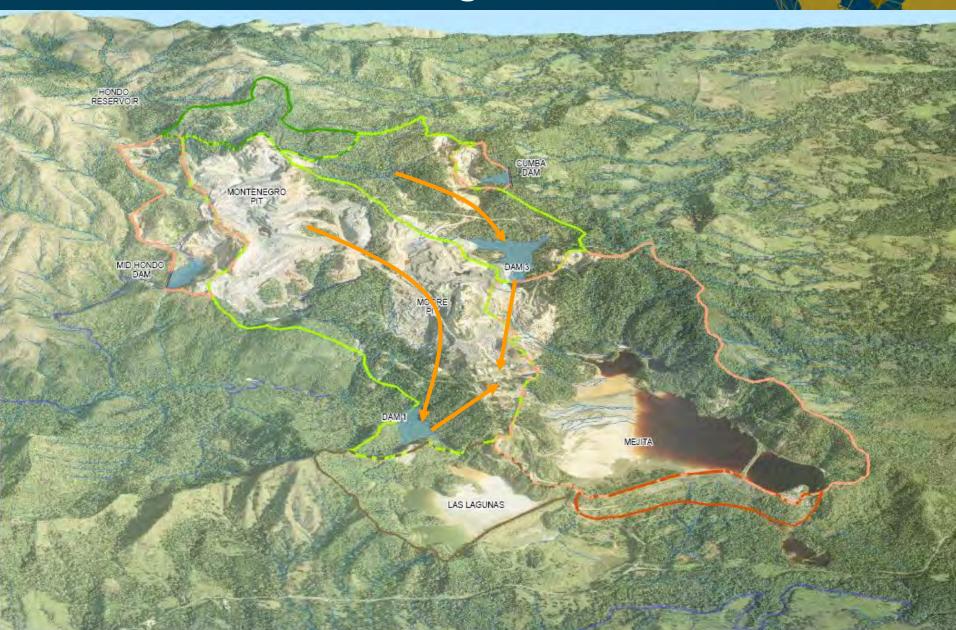
# Division of Responsibilities





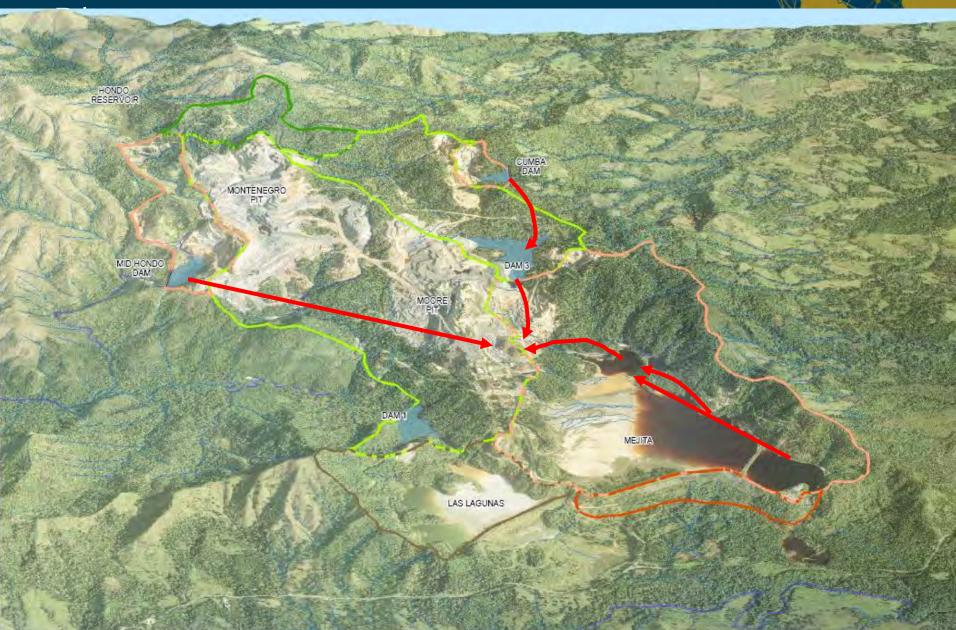
## PVDC Water Management Plan





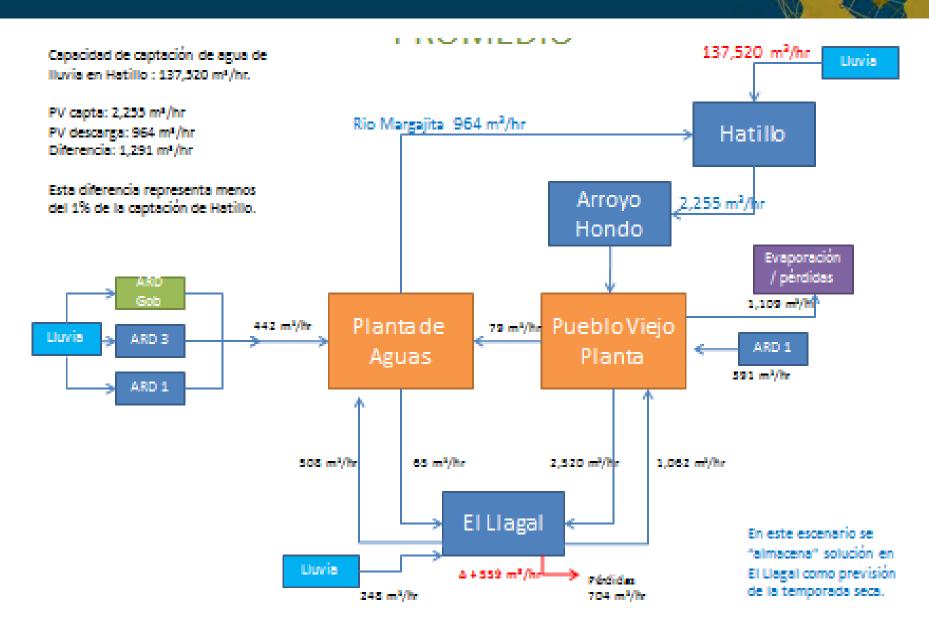
# Proposed DR State Water Mgmt. BARRICK





#### PVDC Water Balance





# Capture & Controlled ARD

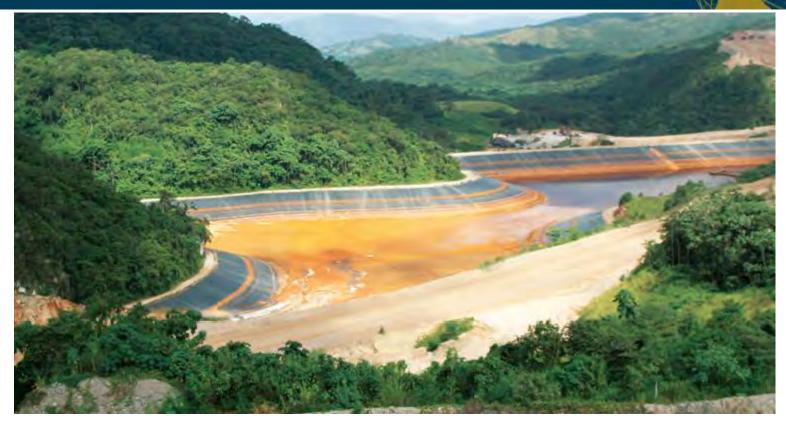






# Water Consumption (m3/hr)





<ul><li>Hatillo</li></ul>	ARD1	ARD3	Reclaim W	Margajita
2500	300-1700	24-485	1800	1581



# Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP)



# ETP Precipitation of Metals and Neutralization of Acids



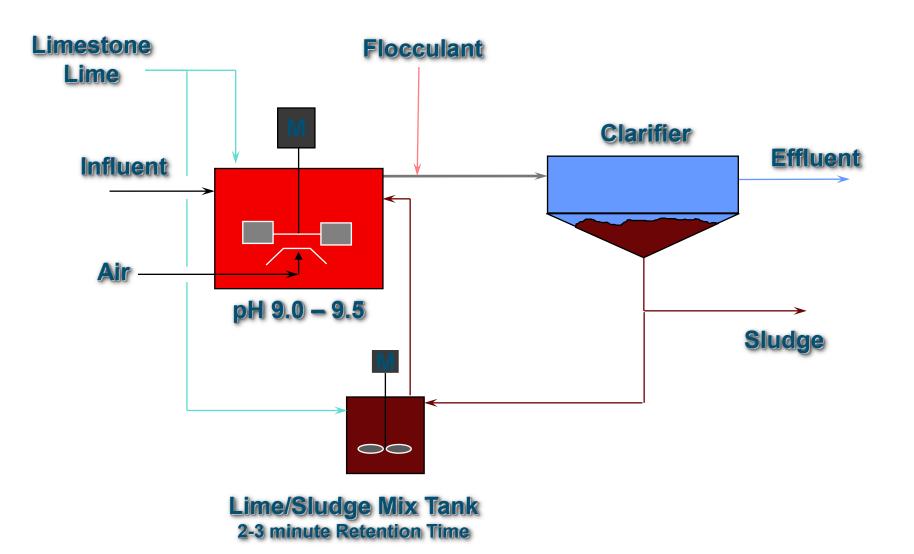


ETP designed as a standard High Density Sludge (HDS) plant.

Dissolved metal sulphates and acid are collected into the CCD overflow, and subsequently neutralized and/or precipitated in a high density sludge (HDS) process using limestone and lime to precipitate metals as metal hydroxides.

#### High Density Sludge (HDS) Process





# Precipitation of Metals and Neutralization of Acids





- Water is pumped to two limestone reactor tanks (40 ft Diam) and the slurry overflows into lime reactor tanks (36 ft Diam)
  - All tanks equipped with mechanical agitators

# Precipitation of Metals and Neutralization of Acids





Overflow lime tanks gravity flows to a conventional clarifier (150 ft) Solid/liquid separation

The clarifier tank will be used to separate the treated water from the treatment sludge

#### ETP Discharge to Margajita







ETP effluent after solid/liquid separation in the clarifier gravity flows to the final discharge point. Environmental compliance samples taken

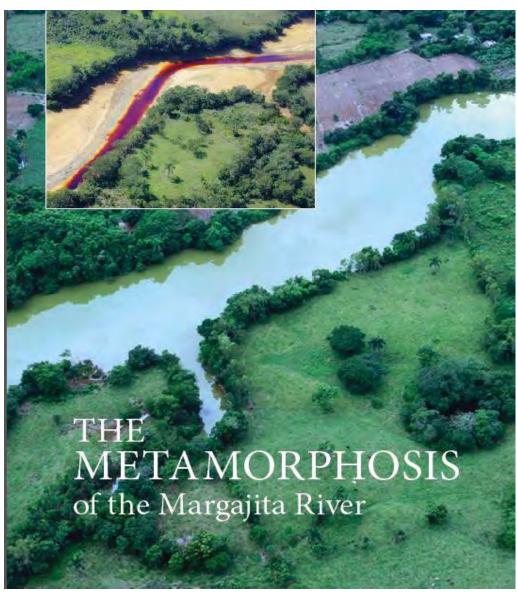


# Dramatic Improvements



#### Positive Effects





#### PVDC ETP Results

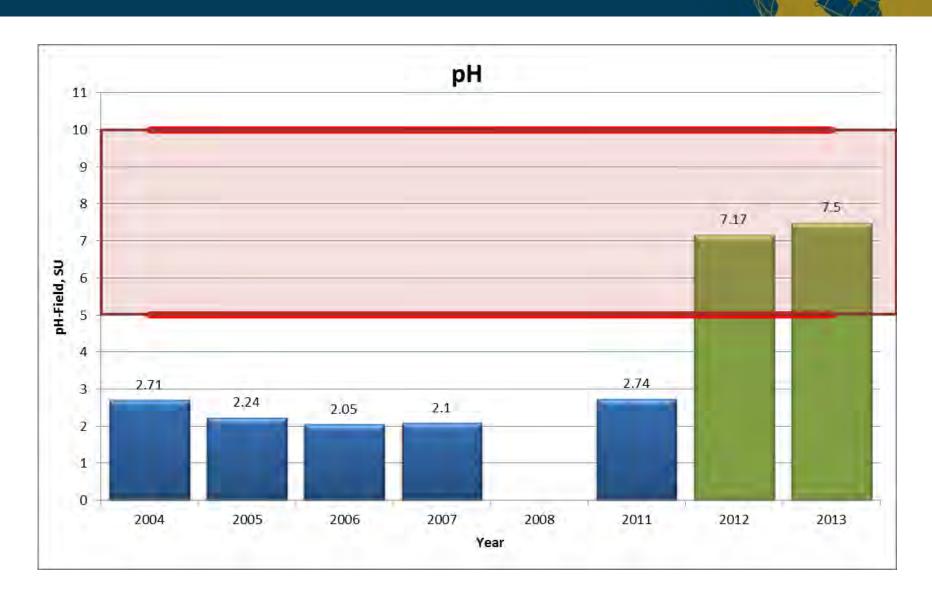


The ETP plant is removing heavy metals to acceptable concentrations

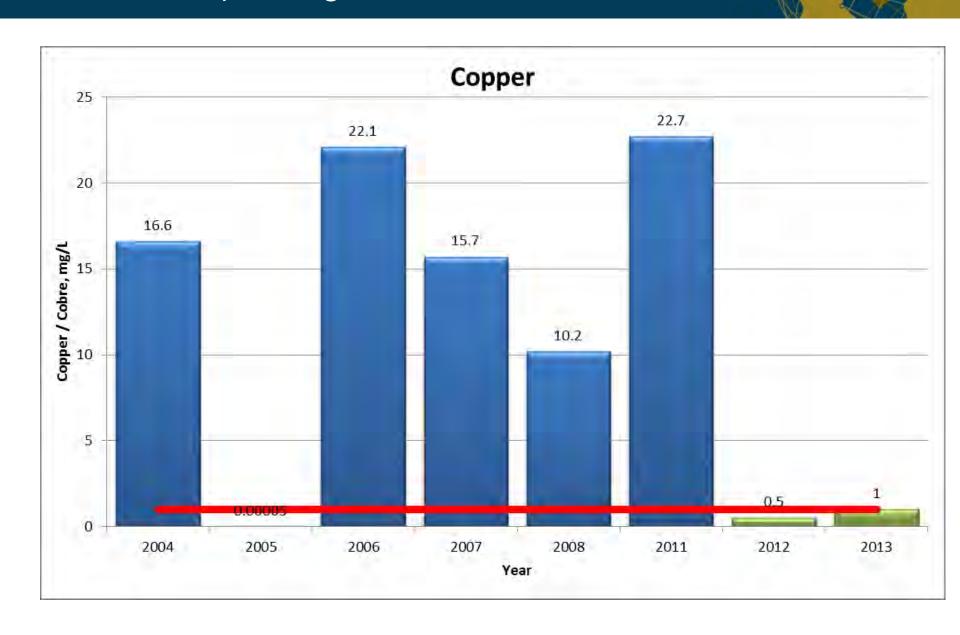
(As, Cr, Cu, Fe, Pb, Ni, Zn)

Also lower TSS and increases pH

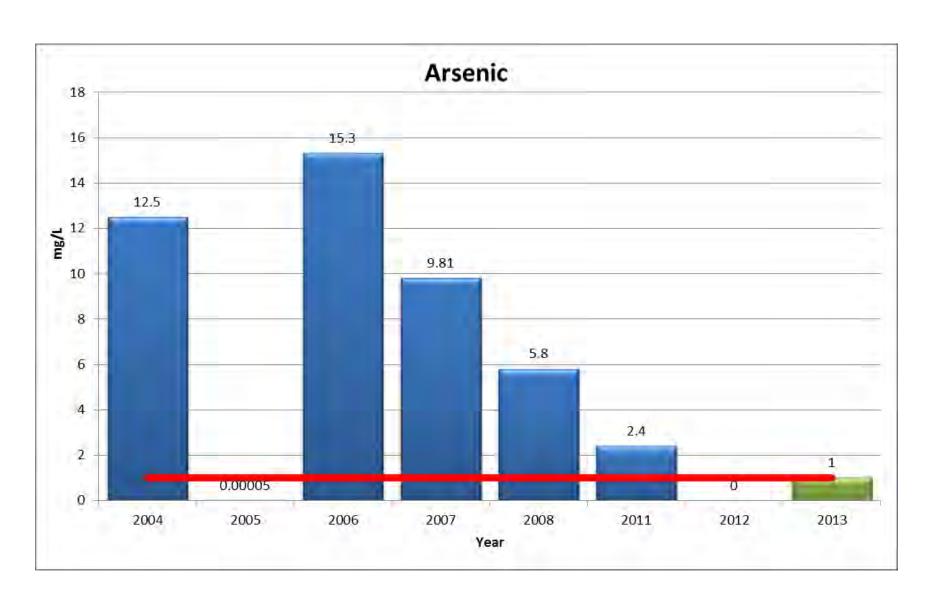




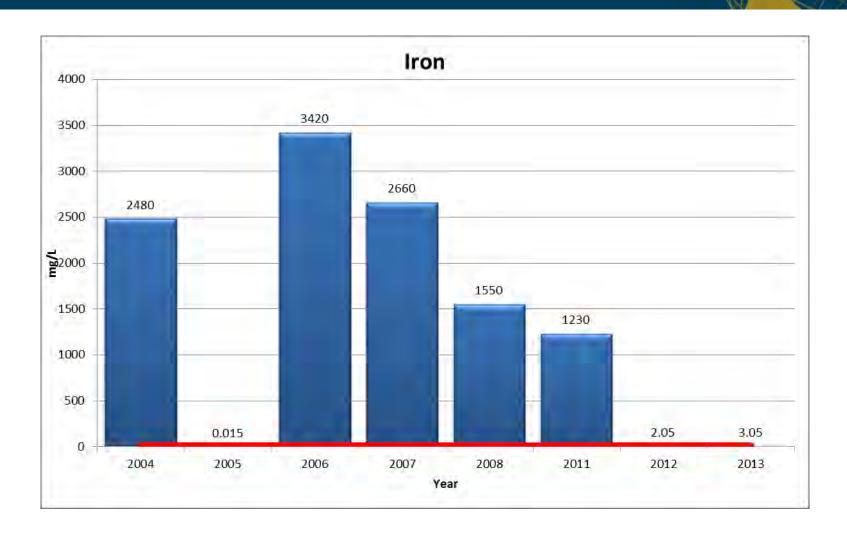


















#### **2014 ETP Discharge (January - July)**

Parameters (mg/l)	DR Standards	Average	Range (Min -Max)
рН	6-9	8.47	7.6 - 9.19
Copper (Cu) mg/L	0.5	0.0202	<0.0003 - 0.1696
Arsenic (As) mg/L	0.1	0.0071	<0.0003 - 0.0433
Iron (Fe) mg/L	3.5	0.3539	< 0.001 - 0.541
Zinc (Zn) mg/L	2	0.1225	<0.003 <b>-</b> 0.586

# Margajita River 2006





ANTES / Marzo 2006 - Desembocadura del río Margajita

#### Margajita Delta at Hatillo 2006





#### Hondo Stream Positive Impact

Before

After



#### Margajita River Positive Impact



#### Positive Impacts Margajita



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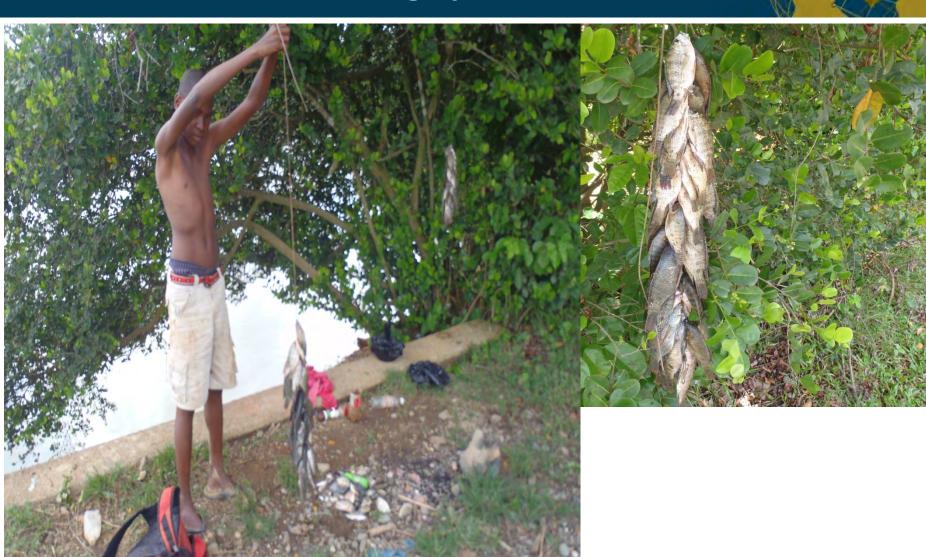
# Life back at Margajita River





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# Positive Impacts Hatillo Reservoir BARRICK Bringing Nile Tilapia to the Hatillo Reservoir

#### Positive Impacts Hatillo Reservoir BARRICK

 In 2007, Hatillo fishermen suffered a set back in their hopes on a fish farming project which they expected to attain social and economic growth for their families

 Due to large storms, high sediments and poor water quality, facilities were lost and project was abandoned

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In 2013, Barrick PVDC supported the Hatillo community to re-initiate a fish farm project.

Recently, fishermen are seeing good results from first harvest. They expect to get about 8100 lbs/year of fish to market in nearby communities.

108 families now have a chance to improve their life and get their dreams realized

# Positive Impacts Hatillo Reservoir



















# Sustainable Mining focus in development of communities, people and the environment