



Describe due diligence practices and procedures with respect to indigenous rights of communities in which it operates or intends to operate (SASB EM-MM-210a.3)

Rio2 Limited does not have operations in “conflict areas.” Its Fenix Gold Project is located in Chile, a country not considered an area of active conflict. However, the Company has developed various activities involving the Indigenous Colla Communities and members of civil society as guided by the Environmental Assessment process, and the Company’s corporate standards.

One of these was the implementation of an Early Community Relations process. This process was developed following the reference guidelines provided by the “Guide for Early Community Participation in Projects Undergoing Review by the Environmental Impact Assessment System” (SEA Chile, 2013), the “Guide to Methodological Orientation for the Indigenous Consultation Processes,” “OIT Convention 169 - Supreme Decree No. 66” (Chilean Ministry of Social Development), “United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” and also by the SEIA (Chilean environmental impact evaluation system) Regulations.

The objectives of the process were to:

1. Inform the various local actors and Indigenous Communities regarding the Project, its objectives, scope, and Timelines.
2. Communicate the development of the Project's EIA to the various stakeholders.
3. Receive feedback, concerns, suggestions, and observations from the different actors and indigenous Colla communities regarding the Project.
4. Collect and incorporate relevant information from the Indigenous Communities in the Project.
5. Contribute to the success of the Public consultation process once the EIA was submitted to evaluation.

You can find more information about the early community engagement phase at https://seia.sea.gob.cl/archivos/2020/04/17/13_Acciones_Previas_Rev_0.pdf (Available only in Spanish).