

Notice of Opportunity to Provide Input on a Category B Project

Class Environmental Assessment for Activities of the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines under the Mining Act

Lakeshore Gold 144 Project

The Ministry of Northern Development and Mines (MNDM) invites you to comment on the applicant's proposal to retrieve a bulk sample of up to 50,000 tonnes of ore from the 144 Property. The proposed project is located 20 kilometres west of Timmins in Thornloe and Bristol townships (Figure 1).

The bulk sample will be obtained via an exploration drift located on the 765 metre level of the existing Timmins West Complex, extending in a westerly direction for approximately 1060 metres (Figure 2).

This proposed Category B project is being carried out in accordance with the Class Environmental Assessment for MNDM's Activities under the Mining Act (Class EA).

Potential environmental impacts from the bulk sample proposal are minimal, as all work is taking place underground with no requirement for additional surface mine infrastructure in the proposed work area.

Existing studies and documentation conducted by third parties showed no biological or cultural concerns (e.g. Stage 1 Archaeological and Cultural Resource Study, 2006). A Baseline Terrestrial Biological Study and a Baseline Aquatic Biological Study were completed in 2007, and no species at risk (SAR) were documented.

The project documentation for this proposed project is available at <http://www.mndm.gov.on.ca/en/mines-and-minerals/mining-act/class-environmental-assessment-activities/lakeshore-gold-144-project>

You are invited to provide input and express any concerns about this proposed project. Comments must be received by **July 29, 2015**. For more information, or to submit comments on the proposed project, please contact:

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Please note that personal information provided in a submission (such as name, address, and telephone number) and your views and opinions are being collected by MNDM under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* for the purpose of engaging in public consultation and making decisions regarding the project. The personal information may also be shared with the Environmental Approvals Branch of the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change. The collection, use, and disclosure of this information are all governed by the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Questions about the collection of this information should be directed to the contact listed above.

Figure 1: Regional Map



Figure 2: Project area

