

ORDER

SECTION 35, THE MINING ACT, R.S.O. 1990

ORDER NO. W-S-145/25

WHEREAS pursuant to subsection 35(1) of the Mining Act, the Minister may, by order signed by him or her, withdraw from prospecting, mining claim registration, sale and lease any lands, mining rights or surface rights that are the property of the Crown, and the lands, mining rights or surface rights shall remain withdrawn until reopened by the Minister;

AND WHEREAS the Minister's authority to make an order under subsection 35(1) of the Mining Act has been delegated to staff of the Ministry of Energy and Mines including to the Director, Information and Lands Branch;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Indigenous Affairs and First Nations Economic Reconciliation has requested that the areas described below be withdrawn in order to facilitate the resolution and negotiated settlement of a claim by Whitefish River First Nation to additional lands reserved for it under the Robinson Huron Treaty of 1850;

AND WHEREAS, although this withdrawal order will continue unless and until it is revoked by an order made pursuant to subsection 35(4) of the Mining Act, the ministry intends to review the withdrawal periodically to ascertain whether it is appropriate to maintain the withdrawal in light of the status of efforts by Ontario, Canada to establish land for settlement for Whitefish River First Nation's boundary claim;

I HEREBY ORDER:

Pursuant to subsection 35(1) of the Mining Act, that the SURFACE AND MINING RIGHTS of the areas outlined in red on the map attached as Schedule "A", situated in the Township of Foster, Sudbury Mining Division, containing 132.57 hectares more or less, be WITHDRAWN from prospecting, mining claim registration, sale and lease.

This order comes into effect upon signing.

Date: August 6, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM

Carol Smith, Director
Information and Lands Branch



Copies:

Provincial Mining Recorder, MEM Senior Manager, Mining Lands Section, MEM Director, Indigenous Consultation and Partnerships Branch, MEM Provincial Lands Specialist, Crown Land Registry, MNR

