

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT AND PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE HARDROCK PROJECT

Federal Environmental Assessment and Ministry of Transportation Class Environmental Assessment

The Study

Premier Gold Mines Limited (Premier) proposes to construct, operate and ultimately close/rehabilitate a new open pit gold mine and associated activities recognized as the Hardrock Project. The property is located on a site that was actively mined in the 1930-1990's.

The Hardrock Gold Deposit is located approximately 275 kilometers northeast of Thunder Bay in the amalgamated Municipality of Greenstone. It is situated a few kilometers south of the ward of Geraldton near the TransCanada Highway (Highway 11), see map.

The Project Description Report can be viewed online at the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency Registry referencing # 80068 (<http://www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca/050/details-eng.cfm?evaluation=80068>) or from the Premier website (<http://www.premiergoldmines.com>).

A hard copy of the Project Description Report is also available for review at Premier's Geraldton Office : 404 Main St., Suite D, P.O. Box 1521, Geraldton, ON P0T 1M0.

The Process

Premier has engaged Stantec Consulting Limited (Stantec) and TBT Engineering to aid in the completion of the federal and provincial environmental assessment processes which will include, but may not be limited to:

- Federal Environmental Assessment (Federal EA), pursuant to CEAA 2012
- Class Environmental Assessment for Transportation Facilities (MTO Class EA), Project Group A
- Class Environmental Assessment for Resource Stewardship and Facility Development (MNR)
- Class Environmental Assessment of the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines under the Mining Act (MNMD Class EA)

Two Public Information Centers (PICs) will be held as the project progresses. The first PIC will provide a project overview and information on the environmental baseline studies being undertaken, as well as details on future project activities and information on the environmental assessment processes being followed. In addition, alternative alignments will be presented for the intersection of Highway 11 and Michael Power Boulevard. PICs will be held as open house format drop-in sessions.

Meeting Locations

Longlac

DATE: Tuesday, June 24, 2014
TIME: 1pm - 4pm
PLACE: Longlac Sportsplex Upstairs Meeting Room
200 Picnic Point Rd, Longlac, ON

Geraldton

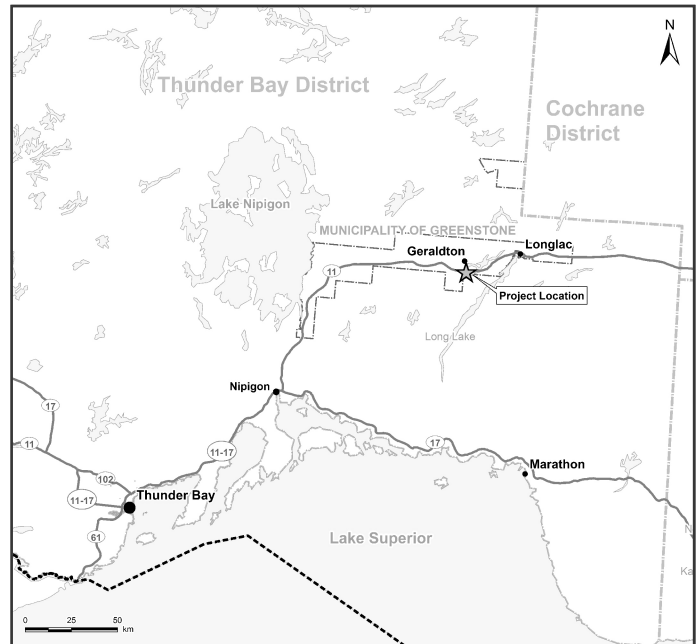
DATE: Tuesday, June 24, 2014
TIME: 6pm - 9pm
PLACE: Royal Canadian Legion (Br. 133)
520 Main Street, Geraldton, ON

Nakina

DATE: Wednesday, June 25, 2014
TIME: 6pm - 9pm
PLACE: Nakina Community Centre
200 North Avenue, Nakina, ON

Long Lake #58 First Nation

DATE: Thursday, June 26, 2014
TIME: 2pm - 5pm
PLACE: Long Lake #58 First Nation Cultural Centre Long Lake #58 Reserve,
Longlac, ON ***Members Only***



Note: Presentation boards will be in English, with French translations available as a hand-out. French-speaking staff will also be available at both PICs.

Comments Invited

Public input and comments are invited for incorporation into the planning and design of this project. A second PIC is anticipated for fall, 2014. Upon completion of the study, a federal environmental assessment will be prepared, as well as a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR), and other class EAs as appropriate. To provide comment or to request additional information concerning this project, please contact Premier directly, with a copy to our consulting team:

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Freedom of Information Statement Comments are being collected to assist Premier in meeting the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. This material will be maintained on file for use during the study and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.