

# NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

## HARDROCK PROJECT, PREMIER GOLD MINES HARDROCK INC.

Premier Gold Mines Hardrock Inc. (Premier) has initiated a study under the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act* (EAA) for the Hardrock Project (the Undertaking). This undertaking involves the establishment, construction, operation, and retirement of an open pit gold mine and ore processing facility, and any ancillary activities. The Hardrock Gold Deposit is located in Northern Ontario, Canada, approximately 275 kilometers north east of Thunder Bay. It is situated just a few kilometers south of the urban settlement area in the Ward of Geraldton, which is part of the amalgamated Municipality of Greenstone. The property is located on a site that was actively mined in the 1930-1990s.

As part of the planning process for the Hardrock Project, a terms of reference was submitted to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) for review as required under the EAA. If approved, the terms of reference will serve as a framework for the preparation and review of the environmental assessment for the proposed undertaking.

You may inspect the proposed terms of reference during normal business hours at the following locations:

**Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change,  
Environmental Approvals Access and Service  
Integration Branch**

2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A, Toronto, ON M4V 1L5  
416-314-8001/1-800-461-6290

**Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change,  
Thunder Bay District Office**

331-435 James Street South, Thunder Bay, ON  
807-475-1205/1-800-875-7772

**Premier Gold Mines Thunder Bay**

1100 Russell Street, Suite 200, Thunder Bay, ON  
807-346-1390/1-888-346-139

And in the local community at the following locations:

**Premier Gold Mines Geraldton**

404 Main St., Suite D, Geraldton, ON  
807-788-1191

**Municipality of Greenstone Administration Office**

1800 Main St., Geraldton, ON  
807-854-1100

**Municipality of Greenstone Longlac Ward Office**

105 Hamel Ave., Longlac, ON  
807-876-2316

**Municipality of Greenstone Nakina Ward Office**

200 Centre Ave., Nakina, ON  
807-329-5361

**Municipality of Greenstone Beardmore Ward Office**

100 Main Street, Beardmore, ON  
807-875-2639

**Greenstone Public Library**

Geraldton Branch  
405 Second St. W., Geraldton, ON  
807-854-1490

**Greenstone Public Library**

Longlac Branch  
110 Kenogami St., Longlac, ON  
807-876-4515

**Greenstone Public Library**

Nakina Branch  
216 North St., Nakina, ON  
807-329-5906

**Greenstone Public Library**

Beardmore Branch  
285 Main Street, Beardmore, ON  
(807) 875-2212

The terms of reference, and any subsequent updates, can also be found on the Project website  
<http://www.premiergoldmines.com/s/Hardrock-CommunityRelations.asp>

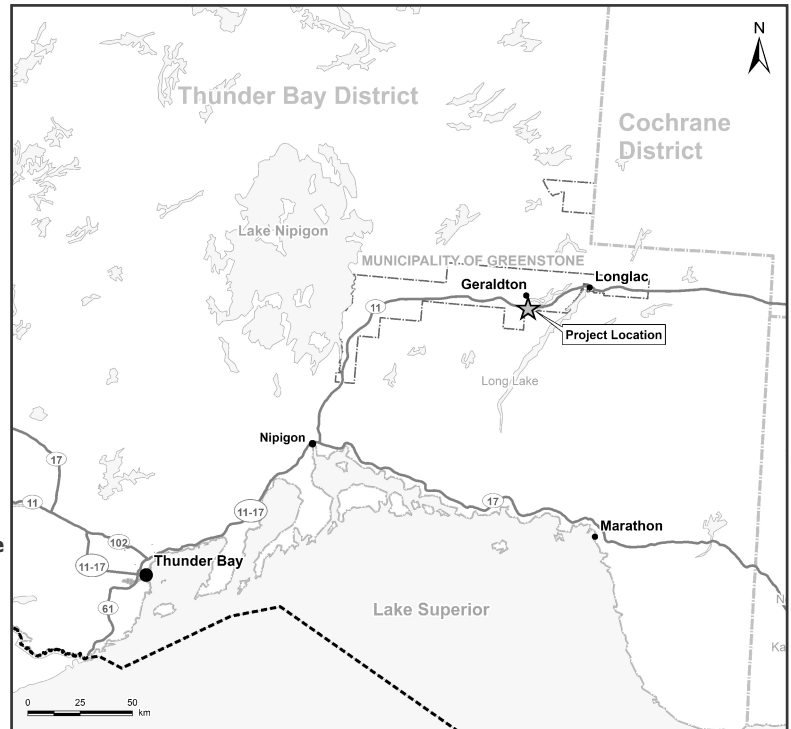
Your written comments about the terms of reference must be received by January 31, 2015. All comments should be submitted to:

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Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, Environmental Approvals Branch  
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A  
Toronto, Ontario M4V 1L5  
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A copy of all comments will be forwarded to the proponent for its consideration.

For further information on the proposed study please contact:

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community-relations@premiergoldmines.com  
<http://www.premiergoldmines.com/s/Hardrock-CommunityRelations.asp>



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**This Notice first issued on December 31, 2014, with documents available for public inspection starting January 2, 2015.**