

NORTHWATCH COMMENT ON THE MARATHON MINE PROJECT



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Introduction

Northwatch's Mining Lens

- Will the mine project, if in an area with past or active mines, result in or contribute to the remediation of past mining impacts?
- Will the mine project maximize economic / social benefits to local communities, especially communities who have previously been mine-dependent?
- Will the mine assessment be carried out in a way that adequately identifies the ecological values in the project area and adequately assesses the degree to and the manner in which the proposed mining-related activities imperils these values?
- Will the mining activities be carried out in a manner that avoids environmental harm?
- Will the mine project avoid adversely impacting recreational opportunities and pastimes in the mine's vicinity?
- Will the mine project be carried out in a manner that respects and preserves the rights, land uses and interests of Indigenous peoples?



Project Purpose

Copper, another product of the Project, is a key element necessary for the expansion of electric and fuel cell vehicles and is expected by many to face critical supply shortages in the near future as that developing industry begins to expand into the mainstream. Electric cars do not use PGMs but require more copper than ICE or diesel automobiles.

A large proportion of both PGMs and copper supply worldwide is sourced from countries with well-known geopolitical and/or developmental issues, making uninterrupted supply from these regions something that cannot be taken for granted.

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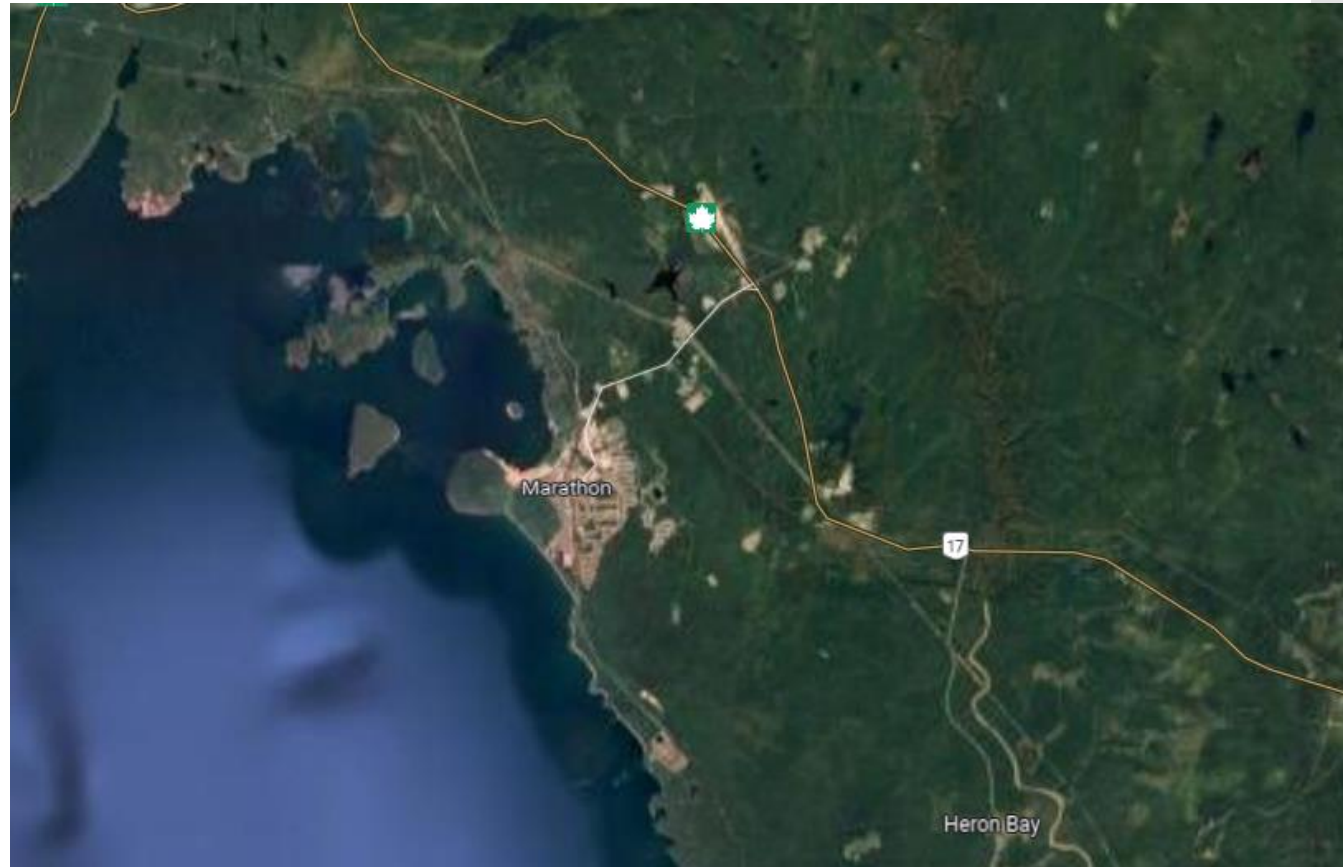
Work Force Accommodations

“According to the MMIWG report, “the National Inquiry heard testimony and examined evidence that suggested resource extraction projects can exacerbate the problem of violence against Indigenous women and girls. Expert Witnesses told the National Inquiry that resource extraction can drive violence against Indigenous women and girls in several ways, including issues related to transient workers, harassment and assault in the workplace, rotational shift work, substance abuse/ addictions, and economic insecurity.

They argued that resource extraction can lead to increased violence against Indigenous women at the hands of non-Indigenous men, as well as increased violence within First Nations, Métis, and Inuit communities.”



Cumulative Effects



Climate



Alternative Means Assessment



Aquatic Impacts



Review Challenges

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Public Notice
Joint Review Panel Issues Notice of Public Hearing - Marathon Platinum Group Metals and Copper Mine Project

December 17, 2013 - The Joint Panel reviewing the proposed Marathon Platinum Group Metals and Copper Mine project today announced that it has received sufficient information to proceed to the public hearing. The hearing will begin in Marathon, Ontario on February 4, 2014, and will be completed within approximately 4 weeks.

The Public Hearing
All hearing sessions are open to members of the public wishing to observe the process. The purpose of the hearing is for the Panel to receive the information it requires to complete its environmental assessment of the project. The Panel will hold public hearings to receive information from the public and to present their views on the project to the public. The Panel will hold public hearings to receive information from the public and to present their views on the project to the public.

- **General hearing sessions** will provide an opportunity for the public to present their views on the project and to provide information relevant to the project. Sessions will be held in Marathon, Ontario.
- **Topic-Specific hearing sessions** will provide an opportunity for the public to provide information relevant to the hearing on specific technical issues related to the project in Marathon, Ontario.
- **Community meetings** will be held to allow the public to provide information to the Panel on the importance of the project to the communities of Marathon, Ontario.
- **Closing Remarks** will be held by the Panel to thank the public for their participation in the assessment process.

How to Participate
The Panel will conduct the public hearing on February 4, 2013, which describe how to participate in the hearing.

For the General and Community meetings, participants may submit a written submission or both. At the time of the written submission, participants should also submit an accompanying written submission.

Participants who wish to make a presentation should be asked to register by contacting the Panel and to assist with scheduling. The Panel allows. Written submissions should be submitted to the Panel.

To register, schedule a presentation, call 948-2039 or Jeff Sewell at 705-670-2039.

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Public Notice

Notice of Public Hearing for the Marathon Palladium Project

OTTAWA, December 7, 2021 - The Joint Review Panel (the Panel) established to review the proposed Marathon Palladium Project (the Project) and conduct an assessment of the environmental effects of the Project has determined that the information provided to date is **sufficient** to proceed to a public hearing. The public hearing will begin on February 15, 2022 and is anticipated to take place over 30 days. Additional details and a hearing schedule will be announced at a later date.

Members of the public, Indigenous groups, governments and other organisations are invited to participate in this next stage of the process. See below for information on how to participate in the hearing.

The Panel will prioritize the safety of all hearing participants and will hold the public hearing sessions virtually by video.

The Public Hearing

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE MARATHON PGM-CU PROJECT AT MARATHON, ONTARIO

MARATHON PGM-CU ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

STILLWATER 1357, Thunder Bay, ON

STILLWATER CANADA INC.

Marathon Palladium Project Environmental Impact Statement Addendum VOLUME 1 OF 2

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Conclusions

