

## COMMUNIQUÉ – DSO PROJECT

Wachiya,

We hope that you have been enjoying your summer in the beautiful Schefferville/Kawawachikamach region!

Tata Steel Minerals Canada is pleased to announce that the end of construction of the iron ore process plant under the dome is nearing, which will bring some calm to the area. Mining in the Kivivic area began in May and the process plant is expected to be operational this Fall/Winter.

TSMC remains committed to seeing the DSO Project advance, and is proud of the benefits flowing to the community by way of :

- Numerous jobs on the Project, with TSMC and its contractors, occupied by First Nation women and men;
- Important contracts awarded to local Aboriginal contractors and suppliers;
- Financial contributions managed by your Council for training and economic development activities, including Security Officer training, Essential Skills Training, Heavy Equipment Operator training, Process Plant training, the Fiber Optic Project and the Naskapi Heavy Machinery Light Vehicle Mechanics Project; and
- Sponsorship of community projects including Innu Meshkenu, the First Nations Angeliss supper in Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré, numerous other community events.

Regarding access to the land around our facilities, we wish to assure the population that local land users continue to have access to their traditional lands including Irony Mountain, Greenbush, Kivivik and Goodwood. In order to address concerns raised by local residents, and to ensure people's safety while travelling near mining operations, the company has invested significantly to complete a secondary road that allows local residents to completely bypass the Timmins site, including the security gate. This bypass road is now complete (please see the enclosed map) and local land users can travel on the new bypass road to the Goodwood area.

Finally, TSMC is happy to sponsor the 60th anniversary of the Town of Schefferville being organized at the end of August by the Town of Schefferville in collaboration with the First Nation communities. This celebration of friendship between nations, highlighted by music and song by local artists, is an opportunity to mark the cooperation between stakeholders, who have a common goal to ensure respectful economic development of the local communities and their environment.

We wish you an enjoyable rest of the summer.

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