

Dear Chief Steeve Mathias,

On April 20, 2022, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) [posted a Notice of Commencement](#) of the Impact Assessment for the Upper Beaver Gold Project (the Project) proposed by Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (the Proponent).

The Project is now in the impact statement phase of the federal impact assessment.

The Agency has also issued the [Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines](#) and the following plans to the Proponent, to guide the development of the Impact Statement for the Project:

- Public Participation Plan
- Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan
- Cooperation Plan
- Permitting Plan

These documents are available at the following link: <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/proj/82960>

In the coming weeks, the Agency will follow-up with a separate letter that will include a summary table of comments received during the planning phase and Agency responses.

At that time, the Agency will also share, for validation by your community, [a summary of information available to the Agency](#) based on your participation during the planning phase on the following matters:

- a) The nature and extent of your community's Aboriginal and/or treaty rights;
- b) The potential impacts of the Project to the exercise of your community's rights; and
- c) Other potential impacts of the Project on health, social, or economic conditions of your community.

The Agency intends to share the summary table of comments and the summary of information available to the Agency with the proponent to inform its work while preparing the Impact Statement.

In addition, your concerns relating to compliance with the *Impact Assessment Act* have been forwarded to the Agency's Compliance Promotion and Enforcement Unit for review.

We look forward to working with your community in the next phases of the impact assessment process.

Best regards,
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