

Dear Grand Chief Mandy Gull-Masty:

On October 17, 2022, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) suspended the 180-day time limit for the Planning Phase under the Impact Assessment Act for Crawford Nickel Project, upon request from Canada Nickel Company (the Proponent). Please see the public notice on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry.

Once the Detailed Project Description and response to the Summary of Issues have been accepted, the Agency will post them on the Project's Registry web page, along with a notice that the 180-day time limit has resumed as of the date the documents were submitted.

The Detailed Project Description and response to the Summary of Issues will be used to inform the Agency's determination of whether to require an impact assessment for the Project. If an impact assessment is required, the Agency will prepare the draft Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines and the draft Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan.

To date, we have not received information or views about potential effects of the Project from the Cree Nation Government. If the Agency does not receive information by November 8, 2022, the Cree Nation Government will not be included in the draft Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan, and will be notified of future impact assessment milestones.

If the Cree Nation Government does not have an interest in this project, and no longer wishes to receive correspondence from the Agency about it, please let us know. Please also let the Agency know if there are specific Cree Nations that would be interested in being contacted about the Project.

If you have any questions or concerns with these items, please contact me at [Crawford@iaac-aeic.gc.ca](mailto:Crawford@iaac-aeic.gc.ca) or by phone at 902-399-8838.

Thank you,

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Dear Grand Chief Mandy Gull-Masty:

I am writing on behalf of the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency), to follow up on the letter sent on August 8, 2022, regarding the proposed Crawford Nickel Project (the Project).

Please see the attached correspondence regarding the Summary of Issues related to the Project that has been provided to Canada Nickel Company (the Proponent), and the anticipated next steps in the planning phase for the Project assessment. For your convenience, I have also re-attached the August 8th correspondence.

To date, we have not received information or views about potential effects of the Project from the Cree Nation Government. If the Agency does not receive information from your community by November 8, 2022, Cree Nation Government will not be included in the draft Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan, and will be notified of future impact assessment milestones.

If your community does not have an interest in this project, and no longer wishes to receive correspondence from the Agency about it, please let us know.

If you have any questions or concerns with these items, please contact me at [Crawford@iaac-aeic.gc.ca](mailto:Crawford@iaac-aeic.gc.ca) or by phone at 902-399-8838.

Thank you,

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