

### **3.0 PARTICIPANTS IN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

#### **3.1 Potentially Affected and Interested Stakeholders**

IAMGOLD has informed and involved the stakeholders associated with the Côté Gold Project (the Project) in a variety of ways (see Chapter 4). The main stakeholders and Aboriginal communities / Aboriginal governance councils involved to date include those with a direct interest in the Project, or those who were able to provide data for baseline studies. This includes Municipal, Provincial, and Federal government department representatives, community-based service providers, economic development agencies and other similar groups. Several open houses were held in Timmins, Gogama and Sudbury to engage local stakeholders. Details of the consultation activities are presented in Chapter 4.

The range of stakeholders is expected to evolve throughout the Project development to reflect varying levels of interest and opportunities over time. Stakeholders who have been or could be involved in the Project include:

- Business and Community Organizations:
  - Cambrian College;
  - Collège Boréal;
  - Gogama Area Citizens Committee;
  - Gogama Area Chamber of Commerce;
  - Gogama Recreation Committee;
  - Gogama Snowmobile Club;
  - Greater Sudbury Chamber of Commerce;
  - Greater Sudbury Development Corporation;
  - Laurentian University;
  - Mattagami Region Conservation Authority;
  - Mesomikenda Lake Cottagers;
  - Northern College;
  - Sudbury Area Mining Supply and Service Association;
  - Timmins Chamber of Commerce;
  - Timmins Economic Development Corporation;
  - Local land and resource users (e.g., trapline permit holders);
  - Adjacent or local mineral and/or surface rights holders;
  - Local small business owners; and
  - Local tourism operators.

- Environmental Non-Government Organizations:
  - Mining Watch Canada;
  - Northwatch; and
  - Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (Wildlands League).
- Non-Government Organizations:
  - Nature and Outdoor Tourism Ontario;
  - Ontario Mining Association;
  - Ontario Prospectors Association;
  - Porcupine Prospectors and Developers Association; and
  - Sudbury Prospectors and Developers Association.
- Municipal Government:
  - Community of Gogama (Gogama Local Services Board);
  - City of Greater Sudbury; and
  - City of Timmins.
- Provincial (Ontario) Government:
  - Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs;
  - Ministry of Economic Development and Trade;
  - Ministry of Energy;
  - Ministry of Infrastructure;
  - Ministry of Labour;
  - Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
  - Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (formerly Ministry of Natural Resources);
  - Ministry of Northern Development and Mines;
  - Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (formerly Ministry of the Environment);
  - Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport;
  - Ministry of Transportation; Ontario Energy Board and Ontario Power Authority;
  - Ontario Provincial Police;
  - Provincial Parliament representatives; and
  - Sudbury and District Health Unit.

- Federal Government:
  - Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada;
  - Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency;
  - Environment Canada;
  - Federal Parliament representatives;
  - Fisheries and Oceans Canada;
  - Health Canada;
  - Major Projects Management Office;
  - Natural Resources Canada; and
  - Transport Canada.

### **3.2 Other Jurisdictions**

IAMGOLD is not aware of other jurisdictions with EA or regulatory requirements with respect to the Project that have not been identified in previous sections.

### **3.3 Potentially Affected and Interested Aboriginal Groups**

The Aboriginal groups initially consulted with and engaged in relation to the Project were identified using the following criteria:

- direction from the Provincial Crown (represented by the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines);
- direction from the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (the Agency) based on information provided by Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada;
- proximity to the Project; if the stakeholders or Aboriginal groups are resident in and/or have jurisdiction over the area in which the Project is proposed or has the potential to affect;
- demonstrated previous interest in potential biophysical and/or socio-economic environmental effects of the Project; or
- Aboriginal groups with traditional lands encompassing the Project site and its related proposed infrastructure.

In March, 2013, the Federal Crown (the Agency) informed IAMGOLD that the following groups should be consulted about the Project:

- Algonquin Anishinabeg Tribal Council;
- Brunswick House First Nation;
- Flying Post First Nation;

- Mattagami First Nation; and
- Métis Nation – Region 3.

The Agency noted that, as the Federal EA progresses, three additional First Nations would be notified about the Project (CEAA, 2013):

- Beaverhouse First Nation;
- Chapleau First Nation; and
- Matachewan First Nation.

In June 2013, the Provincial Crown identified that the following groups should be consulted about the Project (Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, 2013):

- Brunswick House First Nation;
- Flying Post First Nation;
- Matachewan First Nation; and
- Mattagami First Nation;
- Métis Nation of Ontario – Region 3.

Due to requests of self-identified Aboriginal groups, as well as advice provided by the Federal and Provincial Crowns, IAMGOLD engaged 10 First Nations, two Tribal Councils, and the Métis Nation of Ontario (see Chapter 4). IAMGOLD remains open to considering additional assertions of claim over the areas potentially affected by the Project.