

Enclosure 1: Summary of information available to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada with respect to the potential adverse impacts of the Upper Beaver Gold Project on Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's Exercise of Rights

This document was prepared by the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) following the planning phase for the Upper Beaver Gold Project (the Project). The purpose of this document is to set out the Agency's preliminary understanding of the potential adverse impacts of the Project on Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's exercise of rights. As additional information becomes available throughout the impact assessment process, this document will be updated.

Summary of Information Available to the Agency about:

- a) The nature and extent of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's Aboriginal and treaty rights;**
 - b) Potential impacts of the Project to the exercise of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's rights; and**
 - c) Potential impacts of the Project on the health, social, or economic conditions of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation.**
- a) Summary of the information available to the Agency related to the nature and extent of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's Aboriginal and treaty rights:
- Members of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation have Aboriginal and treaty rights that are recognized and affirmed under section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.
 - Apitipi Anicinapek Nation is a signatory to Treaty 9, which provides rights to hunting, trapping and fishing throughout the treaty area.
 - Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's reserve is approximately 45 kilometres north-west of the project area.
 - The project area is located within Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's traditional territory.
 - Apitipi Anicinapek Nation is affiliated with Nishnawbe Aski Nation and part of the political sector of the Algonquin Anishinabeg Nation Tribal Council.
- b) Summary of the information available to the Agency on the potential impacts to the exercise of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's rights resulting from any change to the environment due to the Project:
- Potential impacts to physical and cultural heritage**
- Potential impacts to ability to revitalize, maintain and transmit their culture.
- Potential impacts to the current use of lands and resources for traditional purposes**
- Potential changes to the ability of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation members to use the land near to and around the Project (which they have done since time immemorial).
- Potential impacts to any structure, site, or thing that is of historical, archeological, paleontological, or architectural significance**
- No information is currently available.
- c) Summary of the information available to the Agency on any potential changes to the health, social, or economic conditions of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation due to the Project:
- Potential impact on health, socio-economic and cultural wellbeing of community members.

FOR ACTION: The Agency requests that you validate the information set out above and provide any additional information about the impacts the Project may have on Apitipi Anicinapek Nation's exercise of rights by **February 1, 2023**. Additional details about the nature and extent of potential impacts to Apitipi Anicinapek Nation or the exercise of rights of Apitipi Anicinapek Nation may refine our understanding of the potential impacts of the Project and allow the Agency to adjust its consultation approach, where necessary. In addition, the Agency would like to meet with your community to discuss the information set out above to better understand how your community may be impacted by the Project. The Agency encourages Apitipi Anicinapek Nation to share information with the proponent to inform the development of the proponent's Impact Statement.