

Enclosure 1: Summary of information available to the Impact Assessment Agency with respect to the potential adverse impacts of the Upper Beaver Gold Project on Kebaowek First 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 Kebaowek First 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 Kebaowek First Nation's Aboriginal rights;**
- b) Potential impacts of the Project to the exercise of Kebaowek First Nation's rights; and**
- c) Potential impacts of the Project on the health, social, or economic conditions of Kebaowek First Nation.**

a) Summary of the information available to the Agency related to the nature and extent of Kebaowek First Nation's Aboriginal rights:

- Members of Kebaowek First Nation have Aboriginal rights that are recognized and affirmed under section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.
- Kebaowek First Nation's reserve is approximately 166 kilometres south-east from the project area.
- The project area is located within Kebaowek First Nation's asserted traditional territory.
- Kebaowek First Nation is part of the Algonquin Anishinabeg Nation Tribal Council.

b) Summary of the information available to the Agency on the potential impacts to the exercise of Kebaowek First Nation's rights resulting from any change to the environment due to the Project:

Potential impacts to physical and cultural heritage

- Potential impacts to the area of spiritual significance, such as the
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Potential impacts to the current use of lands and resources for traditional purposes

- Potential changes to continued access to the project site, including access to traditional lands for ceremonial purposes, hunting, harvesting, or fishing in the project area.

Potential impacts to any structure, site, or thing that is of historical, archeological, paleontological, or architectural significance

- No information currently available.

c) Summary of the information available to the Agency on any potential changes to the health, social, or economic conditions of Kebaowek First Nation due to the Project:

- No information currently available.

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 Kebaowek First Nation's exercise of rights by **February 1, 2023**. Additional details about the nature and extent of potential impacts to Kebaowek First Nation or the exercise of rights of Kebaowek First 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 Kebaowek First Nation to share information with the proponent to inform the development of the proponent's Impact Statement.