

Hello,

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) is conducting a 40-day comment period from January 31, 2022 to March 12, 2022, to provide an opportunity to comment on the Upper Beaver Gold Project (the Project). Please see the Public Notice on the Impact Assessment Registry Page: <http://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/document/142682?culture=en-CA>

Request for comments

At this time, the Agency would like to invite your input on the draft Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines and the draft Public Participation Plan. The Agency requests you submit comments by no later than **March 12, 2022**. You may choose to provide your comments in any format of your choice.

These documents are available on the Project's Canadian Impact Assessment Registry page: <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/proj/82960>

All comments should be submitted via the **Submit a Comment** feature available on the Project's Canadian Impact Assessment Registry Internet site (Reference #82960 at <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/proj/82960>). Attachments can be uploaded using this feature. If you have any difficulties submitting this way, please contact the Agency at UpperBeaver@iaac-aeic.gc.ca.

Your comments will inform the final Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines and Public Participation Plan. The final Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines and Plans will be posted with the Notice of Commencement for the Impact Assessment by April 20, 2022, which marks the end of the 180-day Planning Phase.

Important note: Please note that any information submitted to the Agency to inform this project assessment will be made publicly available as part of the project file, and may be posted online via the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry (Reference #82960) subject to certain exceptions related to privacy, security or confidentiality. The Agency's Submission Policy (<https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/participation/conditions>) determines which submitted information can be shared publicly, and what should remain private. For further information on how we protect your privacy, please refer to the Privacy Notice (<https://www.iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/Protection?culture=en-CA>). If you do not want your comment posted on the Registry, please contact us at UpperBeaver@iaac-aeic.gc.ca or call the Agency at 416-952-1576 prior to submitting the comment.

Notice to Members of the Distribution List

In addition to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry, the Agency uses print, web, radio and social media to advertise comment periods. We would appreciate your support in making those on your organization's distribution list, as applicable, aware of the Agency's comment period. If you routinely send notices to members, the Agency would appreciate it if you would forward this email.

Engagement Sessions

The Agency invites the public and Indigenous groups to attend a virtual information session via Zoom on the Project. Representatives from the Agency will deliver presentations on the overview of the impact assessment process and the proposed Project, guide discussion sessions, answer questions and collect comments from the public on the draft Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines and the draft Public Participation Plan. Interested participants can select and join one of the following sessions:

English Sessions

- February 8, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- February 17, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- March 4, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

French Session

- February 24, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00p.m.

Please register for one of the public information sessions 24 hours in advance of the sessions, by completing the following survey: <https://iaac-aeic.survev-sondage.ca/f/LanguageSelection.aspx?s=CC68AB65-AB0A-41C6-A193-7F0B03AD6879> . Meeting details will follow to those who register.

Please indicate if you would like to stop receiving communications from the Agency regarding the Project. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at 416-952-1576 or by email at UpperBeaver@iaac-aeic.gc.ca .

Sincerely,

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