

Dear Chief Dylan Whiteduck:

On March 31, 2023, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) posted the Notice of Commencement of the federal impact assessment for the Crawford Nickel Project proposed by Canada Nickel Company (the proponent). The project is now in the Impact Statement Phase of the impact assessment process.

The Agency issued the following documents to the proponent to guide the development of the Impact Statement and the conduct of the impact assessment for the project:

- Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines
- Public Participation Plan
- Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan
- Cooperation Plan
- Permitting Plan

Please note, in accordance with section 36 of the Impact Assessment Act, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada has until 45 days after the Notice of Commencement to refer the impact assessment to a review panel. If the assessment is referred to a review panel, a notice will be posted to the Registry website.

In the coming weeks, the Agency will share with you and the proponent a summary table of comments received during the Planning Phase with Agency responses; this table will also inform the proponent's work while preparing its Impact Statement.

Thank you,

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