

# ATTACHMENT ##

## Government Review Team Comments

**Proposal:** Springpole Gold Project Environmental Assessment

**Proponent:** First Mining Gold

**Ministry/Agency:** Ministry of Energy and Mines

**Commenter Name and Job Title:**

Comment #	Reference to Draft EA Report	Comments & Rationale	Proposed Action/Solution	Reviewer (MEM use only)
Comment #:	Provide identifier information (specific volume, section and page number)	Provide your comment along with explanation for why it is important regarding IAAC's EA Report purposes. Identify only Red Flag issues at this point (e.g. IAAC appears to be speaking to MEM mandate, or describing MEM role incorrectly, specific aspect of the project cannot be permitted given current legislation, etc.).	Describe in detail what action you recommend to address your comments. Actions may include but are not limited to: revisions to the document, information requests, etc.	Name or initials of reviewer
1.	10.2.7 Impacts on Economic Benefits and Governance (Page 102)  "IAAC shall require the Proponent, directly or indirectly, in coordination with LSFN and the Province of Ontario, to develop and implement a rehabilitation plan for legacy mine sites within Lac Seul's traditional territory. This plan must:	The requested rehabilitation of historic mine hazards is within provincial jurisdiction.  The referenced mine hazards are not necessarily part of the proposed Springpole project.  Responsibility for rehabilitation of historic mine hazards depends on the specific facts of a site.	Legacy and abandoned mine sites in Ontario, typically pre-date Part VII of the <i>Mining Act</i> .  The Province delivers programs to assess, prioritize and reduce risks associated with these sites, including the Abandoned Mines Rehabilitation Program.  Ontario Ministry of Energy and Mines is committed to setting up a meeting with LSFN to discuss the Abandoned Mines	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be co-designed and co-led with LSFN, ensuring meaningful participation and approval by the Nation;</li> <li>• Include clear timelines, measurable restoration targets, and monitoring protocols for each site; and</li> <li>• Secure sufficient financial assurance to guarantee completion of rehabilitation activities.</li> </ul> <p>Even with these conditions, the Project will not fully align with Anishinaabe Law and LSFN's governance rights."</p>		Rehabilitation Program and sites within their traditional territory.	