

## Flying Post First Nation

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Dear IAAC- Upper Beaver Project Team,

Thank you for your letter dated Sept 13, 2021, notifying Flying Post First Nation about the Agnico-Upper Beaver Gold Project and our Nation's opportunity to review and comment on the Initial Project Description (IPD). We have reviewed the IPD and understand that this project is situated approximately 20 kilometers northeast of Kirkland Lake, Ontario and within the traditional territory of our sister community, Matachewan First Nation (MFN).

It is our understanding that the main project components will include an Open Pit and Underground Gold/Copper Mine, related infrastructure on site (including several stockpiles, shaft complex, shaft and portal, storage buildings, roads, gatehouses, parking, storage laydown area, power distribution line, electoral substation and emergency generator, water management facilities, sewage treatment plant and potential portable water treatment plant, temporary industrial waste storage bins, freshwater intake pump house and explosive magazine), a dry stack tailings storage facility, and the diversion of the Misema River around York Lake.

Due to the proximity of the Upper Beaver project to their lands and greater potential for impacts to Rights, we recognize and support the fact that Matachewan First Nation has chosen a more detailed approach to engagement with the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) and with the proponent directly. To facilitate our review, MFN has shared with us, their initial comments on the IPD. We have reviewed MFN's submission and consider it to be sensible and thorough. Flying Post First Nation does not have any additional comments or concerns to raise regarding the Upper Beaver Project and have not identified any direct impacts to our aboriginal and treaty rights at this time.

In the spirit of collaboration, we are pleased to support our sister community in their more in-depth engagement and consultation approach on the Upper Beaver Project.

For more information, please reach out to myself or Nicole Charbonneau, Mineral Development Advisor at the Wabun Tribal Council at <a href="mailto:mdadvisor@wabun.on.ca">mdadvisor@wabun.on.ca</a>.

Regards,

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