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### **1. Our support:**

The Town of Smooth Rock Falls (TSRF) supports the Canada Nickle Crawford (CNC) project. Our community is eager for the economic benefits that it will bring to the region of Northern Ontario.

### **2. The project influence:**

- The project has influenced the development of the Smooth Rock Falls Waterfront 20-year Master Plan; highlighting the 140 acres that has a plan for 435 residential units (mixed uses); Phase 1 Eighth Crescent Ave Development for 8-10 lots. We will be moving forward with the planning for the year of 2023, and we have the intent to service the lots in 2024. Full plan can be found here: <https://www.smoothrockfalls.ca/introducing-the-smooth-rock-falls-waterfront-20-year-master-plan/>.
- The development of the Near North Industrial Centre (Industrial Park); this project will attract new industrial/commercial businesses to start up in Smooth Rock Falls.
- Senior housing: The development of 7 duplexes (14 units) to be constructed on newly developed Catherine Street in 2023-2024. This will result in providing affordable housing for our senior residents and availability of private homes for sale in Smooth Rock Falls.
- The Town of Smooth Rock Falls has a Community Improvement Plan (CIP) to support and attract new residential, commercial, and industrial builds with land rebates, tax incentives and more. CIP can be found here: <https://www.smoothrockfalls.ca/doing-business-here/programs-and-incentives/>.

### **3. Community involvement:**

- CNC staff are very friendly and easy to work with. They held a community session in Smooth Rock Falls on April 7th, 2022; This session was very successful resulting in an estimate 80 resident's participation. The community session was very appreciated by Town Council and residents.
- CNC invited Smooth Rock Falls to participate in the Procurement Policy Committee, and as well the Environmental Committee.
- CNC invited TSRF for a site tour on February 17th 2023; as always the project information shared was clear, concise and productive.



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#### 4. Community concerns:

- The challenges/concerns which have been currently identified in the Impact Statement is the municipal water intake from the Mattagami River (*Taken from the draft statement - Additionally, if necessary to avoid effects, the Impact Statement must describe: mitigation to avoid affecting the municipal water intake at Smooth Rock Falls*); TSRF will want adequate information to be comfortable with this possibility as we do not want to risk of the health and safety of our residents as well the environment surrounding the Mattagami River .
- Additionally identified in the Impact Statement TSRF supports the requirement of the Ministry of Environment for the review of species at risk in the effected area.

Should you require additional information do no hesitate to contact me at [shannon.michaud@townsrf.ca](mailto:shannon.michaud@townsrf.ca)

Sincerely,

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