

Community Consultation Plan

Thunder Bay North Critical Minerals Project

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Clean Air Metals has been in operation since May 2020. Since that time, the company has been actively engaged and consulted with affected Indigenous and Metis communities in the vicinity of the Thunder Bay North Critical Minerals Project. Under the guidance of JM Development solutions in 2020 to 2021, the company was able to virtually consult with these Rights Holders while maintaining COVID-19 restrictions. All Indigenous Rights-Holder consultations are completed in compliance with the company's *Indigenous Engagement Policy* and records are maintained on a consultation log that is updated regularly. At minimum, the company meets monthly with the Implementation Committee formed from members of the three Participating First Nations of Fort William First Nation, Red Rock Indian Band and Biinjitiwaabik Zaaging Anishinaabek (the "participating nations"). Clean Air Metals provided funds to the participating nations to create a 3-way partnership called Aki Resources Northwest, which is intended as one of several economic development opportunities for these First Nations related to the Thunder Bay North Critical Minerals Project. This committee reviews important project components such as permit applications, payments to Aki Resources Northwest, project milestones, etc. Clean Air Metals staff participated in several community information session meetings and also provided information booths at each of the participating nation summer Pow-Wow events.

Clean Air Metals continues to consult with the other potentially impacted nations of Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek (KZA), Metis Nation of Ontario and Red Sky Metis Independent Nation. Clean Air Metals was invited to participate with the MNO in celebrating Louis Riel Day in November 2022. The Company is in early stage discussions with the potentially affected Metis communities around signing Community Agreements.

Contact with local stakeholders such as cabin owners and trappers was maintained through yearly progress update letters and incidental meetings and/or telephone calls. In 2022, the company implemented a Community Consultation Plan, described below. Community stakeholders including Indigenous rights holders are sent a quarterly newsletter called "AIRMail" that provides project related updates and news (see attached). The company met with local stakeholders from Hicks Lake Cottagers Association in the fall of 2022 to answer questions around the proposed development project. The meeting was positive and similar meetings in the future will be held with all stakeholders.

Identification of	
1 Interested Parties	Interested parties will be identified by their proximity to the project, their potential for impact, by Ministry requirements and by self-identification to Clean Air Metals.
Consultation	
2 Methods	
Project Notices	These will be published, as needed, in local newspapers, social media (Facebook, LinkedIn, etc.) and on the Clean Air Metals website.
Public Information Centres	These will be held in First Nation and local communities to support the anticipated Environmental Assessment.
Newsletters	Regular project updates sent by mail or email to all stakeholders
Project Website	A dedicated information location on our website for project updates
Community Relations Email	A separate email address will be provided to stakeholders and the public to allow communication to be sent to Clean Air Metals
Local Office	Clean Air Metals has its head office in Thunder Bay and stakeholders are able to come in and review project details with Clean Air Metals staff.
Questionnaires and Surveys	These will be incorporated into the anticipated Environmental Assessment stages
Stakeholder	
3 Consultation	
Stakeholder Meetings	Clean Air Metals will meet regularly with all Rights Holders and Stakeholders to discuss project plans and identify possible concerns, alternatives and mitigation measures.
Agency	
4 Consultation	
Pre-EA Meetings	Clean Air Metals will set up meetings with various federal and provincial ministries to review project plans, requirements and various permits in advance of the anticipated Environmental Assessment and permitting
Post-EA Meetings	Following receipt of a successful Environmental Assessment, Clean Air Metals will continue to meet with various ministries to ensure open dialogue regarding commitments, concerns, permits, etc.
Indigenous	
5 Consultation	
Identification of Indigenous Communities	Indigenous communities with traditional territory and treaty interests in regard to the Thunder Bay North Critical Minerals project were identified to the predecessors of Clean Air Metals in 2007 as part of the Crown's duty to consult on early exploration activities. Additional communities were identified to Clean Air Metals by the Ministry of Mines in 2022.

Indigenous Territorial and Treaty Rights	Clean Air Metals will maintain an open dialogue with all communities that have been identified or self-assert territory or treaty rights related to the Thunder Bay North Critical Minerals Project
Approach to Indigenous Consultation	Clean Air Metals has developed an Implementation Committee consisting of Clean Air Metals representatives and two members of each of the proximate communities. The committee meets quarterly to discuss the project. Non-proximate communities and Metis interest will be identified and consulted.
Individual Community Consultation	Individual meetings with Chief and Council, as well as, community open house format meetings will be held for each Indigenous and Metis community identified.

6 Summary of Consultation

A summary of the consultation will be provided in a final report. Comments received by stakeholders will be provided along with responses.

7 Ongoing Consultation

Consultation will be ongoing following completion of the anticipated Environmental Assessment. A plan to continue consultation with stakeholders will be prepared and summarized.