



Red Pine Exploration project site is situated in the Upper Great Lakes Indigenous region within the territories of three First Nations communities. Red Pine has consulted and continues to engage with The Batchewana First Nation, Garden River First Nation and the Michipicoten First Nation. The Company is engaged in open and transparent dialogue before and during the exploration phases and continues to engage with the Chief's and Counsel's to further strengthen our partnerships.

Red Pine is committed to working with Indigenous communities to address concerns, maximize social, economic opportunities, and remain environmentally responsible. Red Pine is committed to strengthening its relationships with Indigenous peoples based on the principles of trust, mutual respect, fairness, transparency, and reconciliation. We are committed to enhancing our understanding of Indigenous perspectives, traditions, and knowledge to develop, and to undertake, sustainable business practices

The region surrounding the Wawa Project is subject to significant resource activity and has resulted in demands for local labour and contractor services. This has an impact on the capacity for First Nations in the area to be active in all company activities due to their relative sizes. In addition, our Wawa Gold Project is relatively small compared to other organizations and at a less advanced stage of exploration. This limits our ability to secure First Nations employment and contractors. As the scope of the exploration programs increases with time, we believe there will be greater opportunities with the First Nations to participate directly.

In 2022 Red Pine was proud to have helped the local first nations Natural Resources Department move into their own facility and hire two new employees, an environmentalist and a forest tech. We are very happy to be able to help the community reach their objectives and enhance there Natural Resource Department.

We also reached out to our local First Nations to start the process of Indigenous Rights, culture and history learning opportunities, with of hope of having all of our staff take part in a learning session by the middle of 2023.

An additional goal in 2023 is to recommit with a youth education, program at our exploration site. The focus will be an introduction to exploration with our First Nations student members for the purpose of gaining experience at an Exploration camp. The program will enable First Nations students to shadowing experienced personnel in all aspects of exploration and geology. Due to Covid restrictions, we delayed our student programs this year, and look forward to commencing them in 2023

We are committed to being a good neighbour through enhanced community engagement and support in the communities where we operate.