

Preparing the Dryden Area for Mining Sector Expansion

Hosted by the
Dryden Development Corporation and
Eagle Lake First Nation



Welcome and Introductions

Hosts

- Dryden Development Corporation and Eagle Lake First Nation

Facilitators

- Genevieve Knauff and Erin Laine from gck Consulting Ltd.

gck Consulting Ltd.	MNDMF
KPDSB	Activation Laboratories
Treasury Metals	Manitou Gold
Laurentian Goldfields	Eagle Lake First Nation

Overview of the Sessions

- Mining Development Sequence
 - > MNDMF
- Specialist High Skills Major in Mining
 - > Keewatin Patricia District School Board
- Status of Mining Exploration Activities
 - > Activation Laboratories
 - > Treasury Metals
 - > Manitou Gold
 - > Laurentian Goldfields
- Public and Aboriginal Notification
 - > Eagle Lake First Nation

Why we are doing this?

- Over 70 active mining exploration projects in the Kenora District
- Recent mining developments are quickly yielding employment and business development opportunities
- Dryden is strategically positioned to capitalize on these developments if the community is aware and prepared

Significance of the Mining Sector

- Ontario's mining sector is tied for the highest ranking in the world for overall investment attractiveness
- Suppliers within 80km of the mine site on average provide 45% of the total value of goods and services required for mine operations
- Significant direct, indirect and induced jobs associated with all stages of the mining sequence

Significance of the Mining Sector

- Mining sector employed more people than any other natural resource-based sector in Ontario
- Average weekly earnings in Ontario's mining sector exceed the average for all industries combined;
- Between \$200-\$250 million is being spent annually on exploration in Northwestern Ontario
- Labour shortage of trained professionals

Potential Missed Opportunities

- Mining exploration companies require goods and services far in advance of commissioning a mine
 - Companies attempt to purchase goods and services in close proximity to their claims
- If unavailable, companies will source their required goods and services elsewhere
 - These represent missed opportunities for local businesses

Capturing the Opportunity

- Businesses, students and residents can be unaware of mining activity in the area
- Understanding the mining sequence can allow residents, businesses and future labour force to:
 - › Access re-training courses and programs
 - › Expand businesses and capture additional market share
 - › Enrol in appropriate secondary and post-secondary courses

Purpose of the Session

- Session provides an opportunity for residents, businesses and students to interact with mining exploration companies active in the Dryden area
- Dryden Development Corporation needs to understand if businesses are interested in expanding to service this emerging sector
 - › *Otherwise business attraction efforts will be initiated and focused to support mining exploration activities*

Support for the Session

- Funding for the session was provided by the provincial government through the Northern Communities Investment Readiness (NCIR) fund
 - DDC and Eagle Lake First Nation made financial contributions to the session
- Projects partners would like to thank Activation Labs for their inspiration
 - R. Mackie approached the DDC and suggested this information session to get the community involved in this emerging sector

Information and Resources

- Dryden Development Corporation website:
 - › Mineral Exploration Resource Guide
 - › Preparing the Dryden Area for Mining Sector Expansion
 - Presentations
 - Link to the Eagle Lake First Nation website
 - › Mineral Exploration Companies
 - › Mining in Ontario Brochures
 - › Exploration and Mining Links
 - › Dryden Business Directory
 - Important to register your business

ExploreDryden.ca > Target Sectors > Exploration & Mining

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