



THE SPRINGPOLE EXPLORER

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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROGRESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING UPDATE

As the area around the Springpole site moved out of the mild winter and into spring, the Springpole Environmental Team resumed the water quality monitoring program for the Springpole Project. Key updates from this quarter:

- There were 32 surface water stations in the ongoing program, spanning Birch Lake, North Basin of Springpole Lake, Southeast Arm, and 3 regional stations sampled.
- At some sampling locations, we sample multiple depths (“Deep Basin Samples”), which brings the total number of samples collected up to 54.
- The geochemistry monitoring program consisted of sampling 12 field leach bins at site.
- There were 15 groundwater wells sampled in the ongoing program.
- Information regarding the transmission line alternative route update was distributed to the Indigenous communities, government reviewers and stakeholders (see *Bulletin #9* on our website at: firstmininggold.com).

First Mining Gold will be continuing consultation with local Indigenous communities and stakeholders throughout the coordinated provincial-federal environmental assessment process and aims to submit the final EIS/EA in the fall of 2024.



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FIRST MINING GOLD PROVIDES DONATION FOLLOWING NURSING STATION FIRE

On March 2, 2024, Cat Lake First Nation lost the Central access point of Health Care Services to a devastating fire.

The Nishnawbe Aski Police Services were called to the Margaret Gray Nursing Station after calls of a structural fire. The First Nation community of Cat Lake once again showed its resiliency and began planning for a temporary Health Care Access Centre. First Mining Gold worked with Cat Lake representatives to address immediate needs and provided relief in the form of medical supplies and over the counter medication as requested by the Health Task Force Team. It was a great honour for First Mining Gold to support the community after a significant infrastructure loss.



JUNE 21 NATIONAL INDIGENOUS DAY

On June 21, communities across Canada celebrated National Indigenous Peoples Day, and Sioux Lookout was no exception. First Mining Gold was pleased to join in celebrating the diverse culture and history of the Nishnawbe People who inhabit this land. The Meno Ya Win Health Centre teamed up with the Sioux Lookout First Nations Health Authority to host a Pow Wow, appearances from the Asham Stompers Métis Jiggers, and guest visit from social media content creator and comedian “The Native Pool Boy” at the SLMHC site. Additionally, the Nishnawbe Gamik Friendship Centre partnered with Tikinagan Child and Family Services to host a community breakfast, mini-Pow Wow and BBQ lunch at the town beach.



2024 SPRING HIGHLIGHTS

MINING MATTERS TRAINING INITIATIVE

First Mining Gold partnered with Barrick Gold Corporation, Evolution Mining and Kinross Great Bear Resources to offer a 3-day mining school program delivered by Mining Matters on April 15-17 in Lac Seul First Nation. Mining Matters is a national charitable organization dedicated to educating young people to develop knowledge and awareness of earth sciences, the minerals industry, and their roles in society. Darren Thompson visited Waninitawingaang Memorial School in Kejick Bay, where he presented to students on his role as Environmental Technician with First Mining Gold’s Springpole Project.

LAC SEUL COMMUNITY VISIT AND OPEN HOUSE

First Mining Gold was honoured to spend time in Lac Seul First Nation, sharing information on the Springpole Project. Information sessions were held in both Kejick Bay and Frenchmen’s Head, giving community members the opportunity to provide feedback and ask questions to the FMG team.

CAT LAKE COMMUNITY VISIT AND OPEN HOUSE

On June 5, First Mining Gold was pleased to spend the day in the community of Cat Lake First Nation, sharing information about the Springpole Gold project. The Community visit included a meet and greet with the FMG team and community members, a presentation on the Springpole Gold Project, questions and answers, and lots of prize giveaways. It was a wonderful day shared with the community and we look forward to our next visit.

OJIBWAY NATION OF SAUGEEN COMMUNITY VISIT & OPEN HOUSE

First Mining Gold were pleased to spend the day in the Ojibway Nation of Saugeen on May 1. Community members in attendance had the opportunity to provide feedback and ask questions to the First Mining Gold team. FMG greatly appreciated the collaborative discussions in relation to the Springpole Project.

NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO MÉTIS COMMUNITY CARIBOU WORKSHOP

On May 2, the Springpole Project Team, including FMG and their technical consultant WSP, discussed the caribou habitat offsetting measures associated with the Project with the Northwestern Ontario Metis Community (NWOMC). The purpose of the meeting was to present information on the measures proposed in the draft Caribou Habitat Offsetting and Compensation Plan, and to discuss new potential offsetting measures. Participants from the NWOMC were invited to share knowledge, comments, concerns and feedback on the presentation, and caribou compensation measures related to the Project.

MISHKEEGOGMANG FIRST NATION CARIBOU WORKSHOP

On June 26, FMG, along with their technical consultant WSP, visited the community of Mishkeegogamang First Nation to present information on caribou and their habitat, including discussion of baseline data collection and potential offsetting options. Participants were invited to share knowledge, comments and questions on the options and bring forward potential new ideas. FMG appreciated being invited into the community for this productive engagement opportunity.



FIRST MINING GOLD IN YOUR COMMUNITY



Lac Seul Career Fair

The team at First Mining Gold were at the 2024 Lac Seul Career Fair in Frenchmen's Head on April 30. The career fair is an annual event that provides attendees with the chance to explore various career paths and employment opportunities.



Ear Falls Safety Night

The team at First Mining Gold were pleased to participate in the 2024 Ear Falls Safety Night. The annual event offers businesses and organizations the opportunity to promote health and safety and provides information on community resources and support services.



Sioux Lookout Volleyball Club

First Mining Gold was pleased to sponsor the Sioux Lookout Volleyball Club who travelled to Brandon Manitoba in April to compete in their first tournament.



Lac Seul Rockets Broomball Team

First Mining Gold was happy to support the Lac Seul Rockets Broomball team.



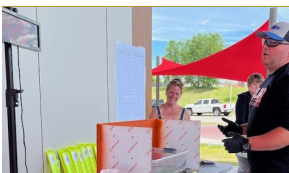
NWO Mystix Hockey Team

First Mining Gold was happy to support the NWO Mystix Hockey Team.



The Sioux Lookout Bombers SIJHL Hockey

It has been a great year for fans, players, and the entire Sioux Lookout Bombers organization. This season the Bombers were crowned as the 2024 Bill Salonen Cup Champions. First Mining Gold continued their sponsorship at the 2024 Bombers Classic Golf Tournament on June 28 and are looking forward to another great season ahead.



Morgan Fuels Jr. Walleye Championship

FMG was happy to help sponsor the Morgan Fuels Jr. Walleye Championship on June 22-23. The annual tournament is presented by the Sioux Lookout Anglers and Hunters and is divided into two groups; 10 and under, and 11-17. This event was a great opportunity for youth to get on the lake and try their hand at "snagging" one of the top spots. FMG's "Hidden Weight" Challenge covers the cost of the 2025 Tournament registration fees and was won by team Jason Gatto and Brayden Gale. Congratulations to all the winners and participants.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Friends and Family Golf Tournament

Ojibway Nation of Saugeen

U13 Mustang Hockey Team

Lac Seul First Nation

Conner Chisel, Ontario Native Basketball Invitational

Lac Seul First Nation

Friends of Cedar Bay Tim Horton's Smile Cookie Day

Municipality of Sioux Lookout

First Annual Mixed Slow-Pitch Tournament

Lac Seul First Nation

Cat Lake Broomball Team

Cat Lake First Nation



FIRST MINING GOLD

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

CAMP COOK

First Mining Gold is looking for a camp cook to help support daily activities and operations at our Springpole exploration camp. As camp cook, you'll be integral in the daily support of site activities focused on hospitality with employees, contractors, and visitors at Springpole. Members of the local communities are strongly encouraged to apply.

✉ For more information, please contact
Shelley Frost, Springpole Camp Manager
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GENERAL CAMP LABORER

First Mining Gold is looking for a general camp laborer to assist with maintenance and daily operations at the Springpole exploration camp. As a general laborer, you will focus on general maintenance, care, and upkeep of a remote exploration camp. Members of the local communities are strongly encouraged to apply.

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EXPLORATION ASSISTANT

First Mining Gold is seeking to hire two contract Exploration Assistants who will help support exploration activities for the Springpole exploration project in Northern Ontario, and the Mines d'Or Duparquet exploration project in Quebec. The role will be based in a dynamic team setting, reporting to and working closely with the Geology team. You will be integral in the daily support of site activities focused on summer and fall work programs which will offer development and training opportunities related to exploration programs. If you are interested in working with our growing and exciting company, please submit your cover letter and resume to careers@firstmininggold.com for consideration.

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**

**Sioux Lookout 2024
Chamber of Commerce
42nd Annual Home, Craft,
and Trade Show**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 1
2PM-8PM**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 2
9AM-6PM**

Come and visit the First Mining Gold booth to find out more about our exciting Springpole Gold project. See you there!

NEW FACES



Peyton Thomas – Environmental and Community Relations Intern

Peyton joined the First Mining Gold team in May 2024 as the Environmental and Community Relations Intern. She grew up in Lac Seul First Nation. Previously, she worked in the health field for about 7 years in both Lac Seul and Ottawa, specializing in psychiatry, retirement homes, and hospital settings. She is continuing her post-secondary studies in General Arts and Sciences at George Brown College in Toronto this fall. In the future, she plans on studying environmental health. In her free time, she likes to play baseball, travel, and spend time on the lake with family and friends.



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