



Notice of Submission of Terms of Reference Springpole Gold Project, First Mining Gold Corp.

As part of the planning process for the **Springpole Gold Project**, a **Terms of Reference** was submitted to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for review as required under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. If approved, the terms of reference will serve as a framework for the preparation and review of the environmental assessment for the proposed undertaking.

First Mining Gold Corp. (FMG) is beginning an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act* (EAA) for its Springpole Gold Project (the Undertaking).

The purpose of the Undertaking is to develop a bulk tonnage mine and mill using open pit mining and conventional milling and processing methods to produce gold and silver. The deposit contains 4.9 million ounces of gold and 25.3 million ounces of silver, which will provide for an estimated 12-year mine production life. The maximum production capacity is 60,000 tonnes per day (tpd) from the open pit and the maximum ore through out capacity in the mill is between 36,000 and 44,000 tpd. The Undertaking will involve the construction, operation, and closure, including remediation, of an open-pit mining facility and associated infrastructure for the purpose of extracting gold and silver to process and sell. In addition to typical ancillary infrastructure, planned off-site Project components include a power line and associated infrastructure to connect to grid power and an all-weather access road.



The Springpole Gold project site is located in Northwestern Ontario approximately 110 km northeast of the Municipality of Red Lake in Northwestern Ontario, Canada. The Town of Ear Falls is south of the property and the Municipality of Sioux Lookout is situated southeast of the Property and is within the Red Lake Mining District. The property has a long exploration history and has been explored intermittently for gold since the 1920s.

For more information about the project, please visit www.firstmininggolds.com/projects/ontario/springpole-project/

You may inspect the proposed Terms of Reference during normal business hours at the following locations. (Please call to book a viewing):

The Margaret McDougall Memorial Library
117 Howey St., Red Lake, ON P0V 2M0
T: 807-727-2230

The Balmertown Library:
252 Fifth St.
Balmertown, ON
P0V 1C0

First Mining Gold - (Temporary Office: The Vault)
Room 116, 231 Red River Rd., Thunder Bay, ON P7B 1A7
T: 519-241-9655 / 807-632-6422 / 807-323-1565 Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Dryden Public Library
36 Van Horne Ave., Dryden, ON P8N 2A7
T: 807-223-1475

Kenora Public Library
24 Main St. South, Kenora, ON P9N 1S7 T:
807-467-2081 Fax 807-467-2085
Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sioux Lookout Public Library
21 5th Ave., Sioux Lookout, ON P8T 1B3
T: 807-737-3660

Ear Falls Public Library
2 Willow Crescent, Ear Falls, ON P0V 1T0
T: 807-222-3209

The Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake
2 Anne St., ON P0V 3A0
T: 807-928-2034

Atikokan Public Library- Atikokan Civic Centre
214 Burns St., Atikokan, ON P0T 1C0
T: 807-597-4406

Fort Frances Public Library
601 Reid Ave., Fort Frances, ON P9A 0A2
T: 807-274-9879

The proposed Terms of Reference can also be viewed on FMG's website at <https://www.firstmininggolds.com/projects/ontario/springpole-project/> under the Environmental Assessment & Permitting tab.

Your written comments about the terms of references must be received before October 5, 2020. All comments must be submitted to:

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A copy of all comments will be forwarded to the proponent for its consideration.

All personal information included in a submission – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, maintained and disclosed by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* or is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s.37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. For more information, please contact the Project Officer of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-314-4075.

For further information on the proposed study, please contact:

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