



# **AGNICO EAGLE**

PARKER, PETER AND FOX LAKES EXPLORATION PROJECTS

**2018 Annual report**

Screening decision

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**Annual Report**

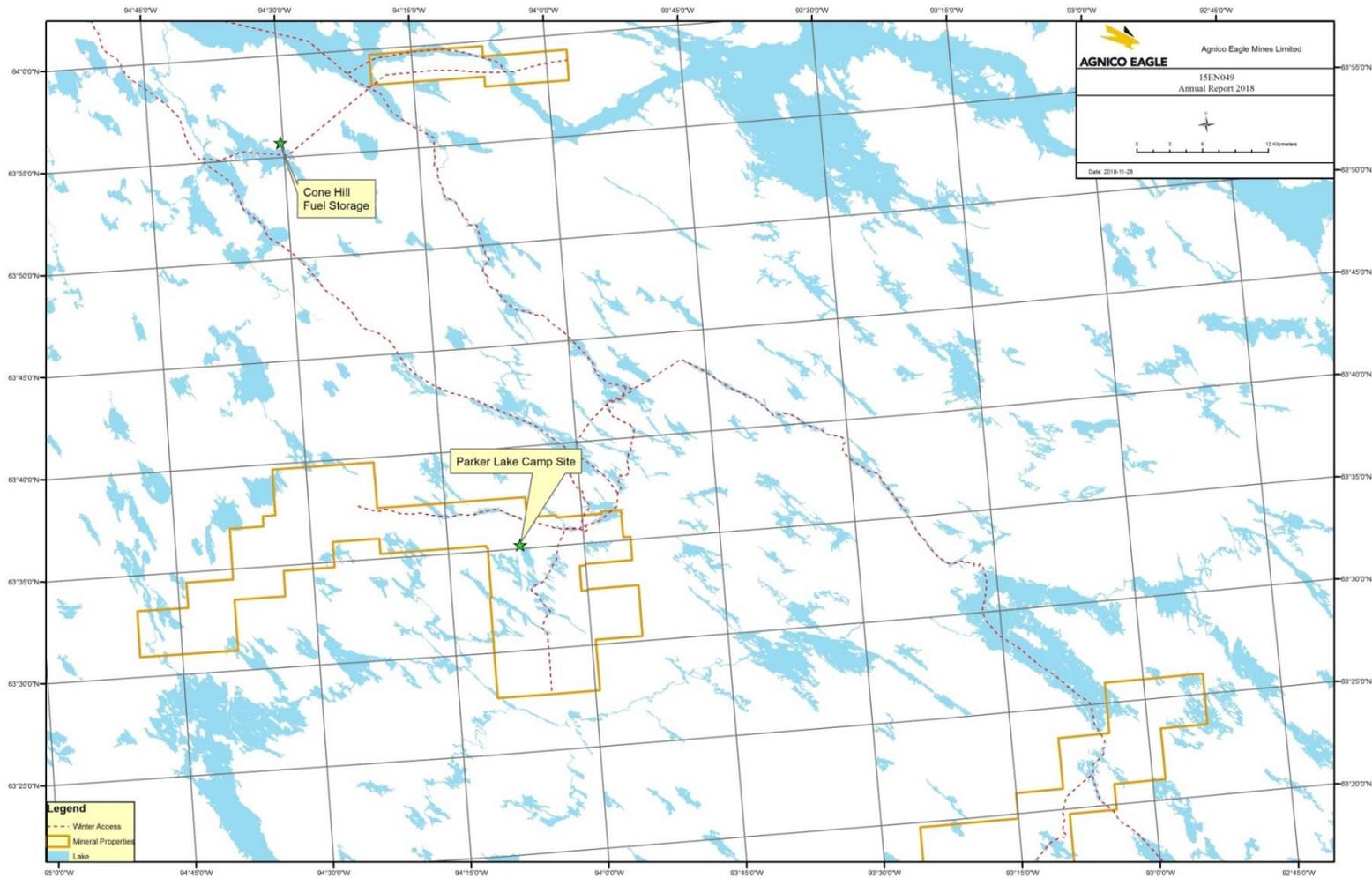
2) The Proponent shall submit a comprehensive annual report with copies provided to the Nunavut Impact Review Board and Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment, by March 31st of each year of permitted activities beginning March 31, 2017. The annual report must contain at least the following information:

a) A summary of activities undertaken for the year, including:

- i) a map showing the approximate location of drill sites;
  - *No drilling was done in 2018 in the area covered by this decision.*

ii) a map showing the location of the fuel caches;

- Fuel drums stored in HDPE secondary containments installed in seacans were installed near of the Cone Hill property and at the Parker Lake camp site. These caches are located between approximately 80 km and 125 km southeast of the Baker Lake community and between approximately 125 km and 180 km northwest of the Rankin Inlet community.



iii) a description of local hires, contracting opportunities and initiatives;

- *To support the exploration activities in Nunavut, 13 local Inuit workers were hired. Since no drilling was conducted in this area in 2018, this project didn't generate many opportunities in 2018.*

iv) flight altitudes, frequency of flights and anticipated flight routes;

- *In 2018, no drilling or exploration activities were conducted in the area covered by this decision. Some visits were done to the Parker Lake Camp site to inspect the site and pursue decontamination of 2 fuel spills that occurred in 2017.*
- *For long-range transportation flights, we ask all pilots to follow a practice that sees the aircraft fly at a minimum of 610 m above ground level. Exceptions may exist during takeoff and landing, low-level ceiling conditions, high winds, or other risks to flight safety.*

v) site photos;

- *No picture taken in 2018.*

b) A summary of the overview assessment conducted of the exploration areas;

- *Archaeologists conducted field visits in summer 2016 and 2017 to ensure archaeological site protection during exploration activities. Reports were submitted to the Government of Nunavut by the archaeologists.*

c) A work plan for the following year, including any progressive reclamation work undertaken;

- *No exploration activities are planned in the area covered by this decision in 2019, but decontamination activities are planned to be continued and concluded during the summer at the two 2017 spill locations.*

d) A summary of community consultations undertaken throughout the year, providing copy of materials presented to community members, a description of issues and concerns raised, discussions with community members and advice offered to the company as well as any follow-up actions that were required or taken to resolve any concerns expressed about the project proposal;

- *Since no exploration activities were conducted in 2018, discussions and consultations conducted by Agnico Eagle were oriented toward other exploration projects.*

e) A log of instances in which community residents occupy or transit through the project area for the purpose of traditional land use or harvesting. This log should include the location and number of people encountered, activity being undertaken (e.g. berry picking, fishing, hunting, camping, etc.), date and time; and any mitigation measures or adaptive management undertaken to prevent disturbance;

- *N/A for 2018*

f) A discussion of issues related to wildlife and environmental monitoring, including the number of cease-work orders required as a result of proximity to caribou;

- *N/A for 2018.*

g) A brief summary of Wildlife Monitoring and Mitigation Plan (WMMP) results as well as any mitigation actions that were undertaken. In addition, the Proponent shall maintain a record of wildlife observations while operating within the project area and include it as part of the summary report. The summary report based on wildlife observations should include the following:

1. Locations (i.e., latitude and longitude), species, number of animals, a description of the animal activity, and a description of the gender and age of animals if possible.

- *N/A for 2018*

2. Prior to conducting project activities, the Proponent should map the location of any sensitive wildlife sites such as denning sites, calving areas, caribou crossing sites, and raptor nests in the project area, and identify the timing of critical life history events (i.e., calving, mating, denning and nesting).

- *N/A for 2018*

3. Additionally, the Proponent should indicate potential impacts from the project, and ensure that operational activities are managed and modified to avoid impacts on wildlife and sensitive sites.

- *N/A for 2018*

h) An analysis of the effectiveness of mitigation measures for wildlife as proposed in the WMMP;

- *N/A for 2018*

i) Summary of any heritage sites encountered during the exploration activities, any follow-up action or reporting required as a result and how project activities were modified to mitigate impacts on the heritage sites;

- *The archaeologists found archaeological sites during the field investigations in 2016 and in 2017. These sites are described in the reports submitted to the Government of Nunavut by the archaeologists, and protection buffers are respected during exploration activities.*

j) Summary of its knowledge of Inuit land use in/near the project area and explain how project activities were modified to mitigate impacts on Inuit land use; and

- *N/A for 2018.*

k) A summary of how the Proponent has complied with conditions contained within this Screening Decision, and all conditions as required by other authorizations associated with the project proposal.

- *Procedures and plans were created to ensure compliance with the conditions associated to this decision and other licenses and permits required to conduct exploration activities in the area. The Spill Contingency Plan and the Wildlife Protection and Response Plan describe mitigation measures applied in certain defined situations to ensure prompt actions. Annual reports including details on Agnico Eagle's compliance with obligations are submitted to regulators, including Nunavut Water Board, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada and Kivalliq Inuit Association. Compliance inspections by the Kivalliq Inuit Association and by CIRNAC are also regularly conducted in the areas where exploration activities are conducted.*

3) In addition to annual reporting requirements previously recommended on January 18, 2016 the Proponent shall include the following information in its annual report:

- a) A record of wildlife-vehicle collisions and wildlife mortality along the winter access.
  - *No wildlife-vehicle collision occurred and no wildlife mortality along the winter access.*
  
- b) A summary measures taken to mitigate, monitor and/or analyze impacts to wildlife including any seasonal alterations to the winter access route implemented to avoid Wildlife denning sites.
  - *N/A for 2018.*

4) In addition to annual reporting requirements previously recommended on January 18, 2016 and on December 23, 2016 the Proponent shall include the following information in its annual report:

- a) A summary of mitigation measures undertaken to protect archaeological resources in the project area.
  - *N/A for 2018.*
  
- b) A summary of incineration activities for waste and results of stack tests conducted.
  - *N/A for 2018.*
  
- c) A summary of community consultation conducted specific to the “Parker Lake Temporary Exploration Camp and Airstrip and Cone Hill Exploration Project”.
  - *Since no exploration activities were conducted in 2018, discussions and consultations conducted by Agnico Eagle were oriented toward other exploration projects.*