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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Concerns about Project Name: South Kitikmeot Gold Project
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NIRB File No:
22EN057
Application No.:
125742
Project Type:
Mineral Exploration
Project Name:
South Kitikmeot Gold Project
Technical Advisor:
Robby Qammaniq,

I am very unhappy with the website comment sections as I could not even submit my concerns online after filling out all of the sections to voice my concerns. (Please see attachment). It doesn't allow me to submit, therefore I am writing this email.

I am an Inuk from Kugluktuk Nunavut.

My recommendation is for the project not to be done in our area. I do not support this project.

The caribou are already so declining in recent years. More noise and disturbances are just going to continue to effect our efforts for getting caribou near home, which is why they shouldn't be doing more small camps close to home.

As an Inuk, I feel that the mining industry is barely even helping us in the North. Minerals should just be left for the future generations to mine on their own. We need our future generations to be able to mine them themselves when they will have the education for those paths. Hardly any Inuit are ever being hired for the managerial or hire up positions, and we are just giving more jobs and all of our minerals to the South for their benefits, while were also dealing with so much caribou and other wildlife declining in our area. The mines are barely helping our economy. So many in our communities are still unemployed.

I am very concerned about more of mining industry coming to our Territory and extracting our minerals. When I calculated one time that Hope Bay was giving Nunavut (not Kitikmeot) 2.2 million, it was divided from the population of 26000 and it was only \$90 per person, which to me is basically only enough for one breakfast meal of ingredients at the Northern/Coop store. Honestly, not that much in comparison to what the billions of dollars the mines makes and give to their employees, which are always southerners making the most. Honestly, Id rather wait until the next generations overcome the residential school survivors hardships to enable the future generations to become educated and have those CEO, owner, geologists, managerial position jobs that can be possible with encouragement and proper educational support. With all of the drastic changes in how we are allowed to harvest our caribou and char over the years and everyone in the community being effected by the declines, it makes me feel very unsupportive of the mining industries at the moment. I read a few articles of Inuit in the East that are closest communities to the mining industry noticing declines in their fish populations and other mammals. Many elders do nit know of these projects and do not use social media to voice their concerns also. Our community of Kugluktuk has noticed more so in recent years that more mining and of course the noise of helicopters and drills will bring more disruption to the areas that have always been without that noise and fear with those disturbances.

Discription of the concerns indicated above:

Elders concerns
Wildlife conservation
Mining companies
Harvesting Declines
Employment/Unemployment
Habitat disruptions
Further declines in species

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- ☒ birds and their habitat
- ☒ fish and their habitat
- ☒ heritage resources in area
- ☒ other:

If you selected 'other' please list your additional concerns here:

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Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?

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Do you support the project proposal?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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