

June 11, 2026

Subject: Health Canada's response to the Comment Request for Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's Meadowbank Complex Project 2025 Annual Monitoring Report

Dear Keith Morrison,

Thank you for your letter dated April 27, 2026, requesting comments on the Meadowbank Gold Mine & Whale Tail Pit Projects 2025 Annual Monitoring Report provided by Agnico Eagle Mines Limited.

Health Canada (HC) participates in environmental assessments as a federal authority under the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14 (*NuPPAA*). Upon request, HC makes available specialist or expert information or knowledge in its possession to review panels and responsible authorities.

The objective and scope of HC's review was to verify that the potential health impacts of the project are properly identified and to support Responsible Authorities to prevent, reduce, and mitigate the potential health impacts of project activities.

HC has reviewed the 2025 Annual Report and comments are provided in the table below, as well as the attached worksheet.

Should you have any questions concerning HC's response, please contact me at paul.partridge@hc-sc.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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Meadowbank Complex Project 2025 Annual Monitoring Report

Health Canada Comments

Comment Number:	HC-01
Subject/Topic:	2027 Wildlife and Human Health (Country Foods) Screening Level Risk Assessment (SLRA).
References:	<p>Meadowbank Complex 2025 Annual Report – Section 8.18 (NIRB PRI: 360292)</p> <p>HC Comments Re 2024 Annual Report (NIRB PRI: 356240)</p> <p>Agnico Eagle Response Re 2024 Annual Report Comments (NIRB PRI: 356949)</p>
Comment:	<p>Early engagement with Health Canada will ensure that recommended arsenic soil characterization, screening criteria, and interpretation framework support the 2027 Human Health (Country Foods) Screening Level Risk Assessment.</p> <p>Section 8.18 of the 2025 Annual Monitoring Report notes Health Canada’s previous recommendation for further arsenic soil characterization to better differentiate natural background variability from potential project-related emissions.</p> <p>HC acknowledges the proponent’s response to comments on the 2024 Annual Report and remains available to support the upcoming 2027 assessment. Specifically, HC would be interested in providing input into the screening criteria used, to enhance the existing Screening Level Risk Assessment Plan.</p>
Conclusion/Request:	Health Canada is supportive of the proponent’s proposed approach and requests an opportunity to review the Screening Level Risk Assessment Plan to inform the 2027 country foods assessment.