

## Notice of Opportunity to Provide Input on a Category B Project

### ***Class Environmental Assessment for Activities of the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines under the Mining Act***

#### **Agnico Eagle Mines Limited - Application for an Exploratory Licence of Occupation**

The Ministry of Mines (MINES) invites you to comment on Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (Agnico Eagle) request for an Exploratory Licence of Occupation ("ELO") under subsection 176(3) of the *Mining Act*.

The purpose of this ELO would be to allow Agnico Eagle to conduct exploration activities on ten mining claims where a former gold mine known as the Toburn Property is located (Figure 1). Six of the mining claims are located in Lebel Township while the other four are located in Teck Township, within the municipality of the Town of Kirkland Lake. The proposed exploration activities may include diamond drilling, tailings sampling and metallurgy, limited overburden stripping for mapping purposes, and investigation of historical mine hazards located within the Toburn Property. It is anticipated that some of these activities will also require an Exploration Permit from MINES prior to commencement.

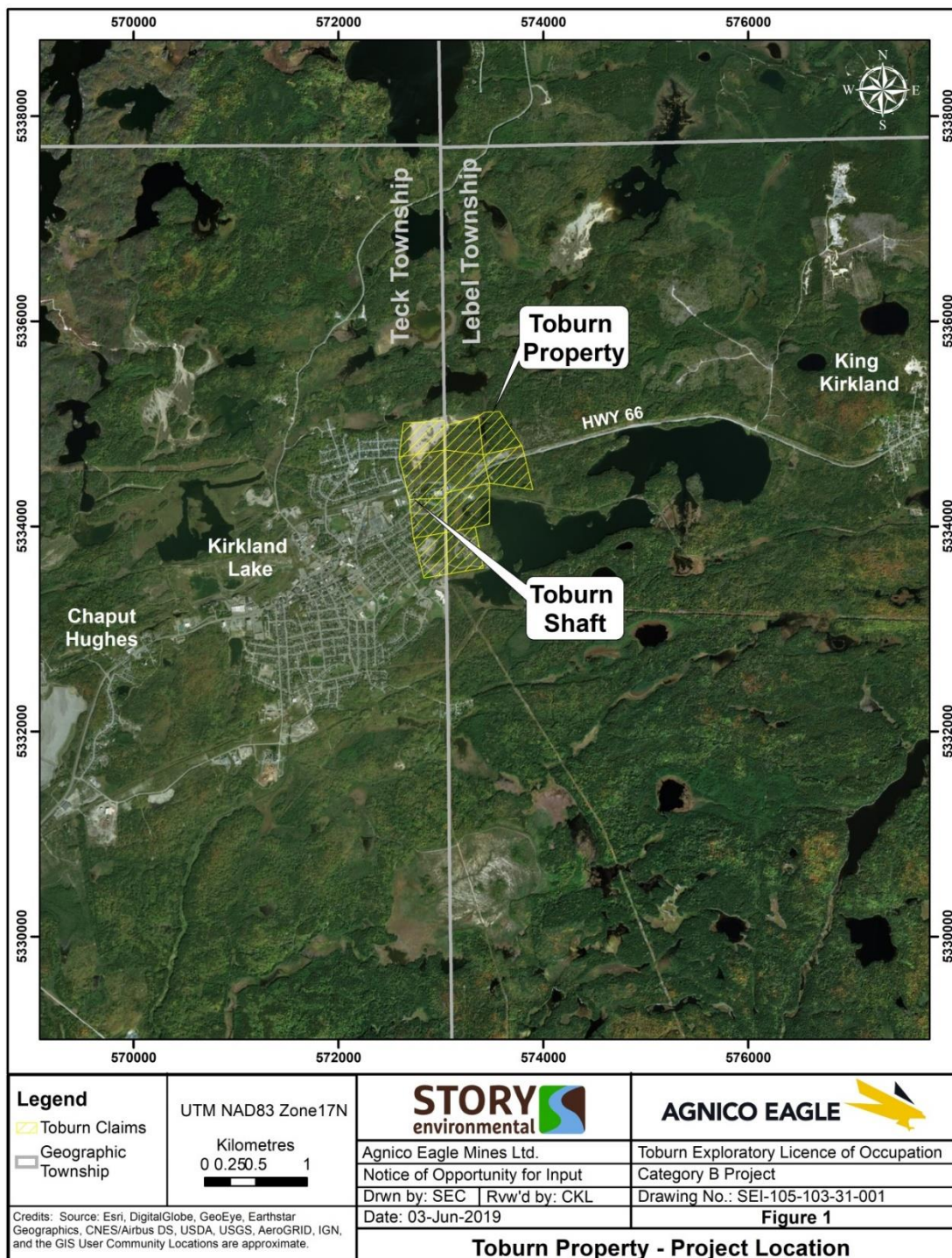
Potential environmental effects to be mitigated include noise, impacts to water quality, and erosion. It is anticipated that the project will also provide a positive contribution to the local economy. Consultation was previously conducted by Agnico for this project in late 2017 and 2018, consisting of a public meeting attended by approximately 40 people, and meetings with five Indigenous communities. The project has received general support to date, but concerns pertaining to potential impacts upon neighbouring landowners, site management, and the proposed mitigation measures have been expressed. These concerns have been documented and will be addressed as appropriate.

This proposed Category B project is being carried out in accordance with the Class Environmental Assessment for Activities of the Ministry of Mines under the *Mining Act* (Class EA). You are invited to provide input and express any concerns about this proposed project. Comments must be received by **February 16, 2025**. For more information, or to submit comments on the project, please contact:

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Please note that personal information provided in a submission (such as name, address, and telephone number) and your views and opinions are being collected by MINES under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* for the purpose of engaging in public consultation and making decisions regarding the project. The personal information may also be shared with the Environmental Approvals Branch of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. The collection, use, and disclosure of this information are all governed by the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Questions about the collection of this information should be directed to the contact listed above.

**Figure 1: Project Location**



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