Archived: Tuesday, November 9, 2021 12:47:56 PM From: <u>Maclean,Lachlan (IAAC/AEIC)</u> Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2021 3:09:00 PM To: <u>Tutty, Bridget R</u> Subject: Designation Request for the Proposed Touquoy Gold Mine Expansion Project under the Impact Assessment Act Sensitivity: Normal

Hi Bridget

On July 23, 2021, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change (the Minister) received a request to designate the proposed Touquoy Gold Mine Expansion Project (the Project) under subsection 9(1) of the *Impact Assessment Act* (IAA). The requestor cited concerns that the Project has the potential to cause adverse effects in areas of federal jurisdiction, including fish and fish habitat, species at risk, migratory birds, and Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia.

The purpose of this email is to inform your department of the designation request and to seek your input regarding provincial regulatory processes in relation to the Project, and any associated assessment of effects and public and Indigenous consultation. The Agency is requesting any info by **August 18, 2021**.

The Designation Request is currently <u>posted</u> on our Registry.

Further questions regarding this request can be directed to Kathryn MacCarthy at 902-399-8834 or <u>touquoymine-minetouquoy@iaac-aeic.gc</u>.

Thanks Lauchie

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