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MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT

The present report summarizes the activities of the CMEB from April 2021 to March 2022. I have the privilege to present this Activity Report of the Cree Mineral Exploration Board (CMEB) to the Grand Council of the Crees Eeyou Istchee (GCC [EI]), the Cree Nation Government (CNG) and the Québec Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources (MENR).

On behalf of the CMEB, we cannot begin without saluting a monumental personality in the history of our organization. On April 28, 2021, the CMEB suffered a great loss with the passing away of its president in office, Mr. Reggie Mark. Mr. Mark, or Reggie as everyone called him, was one of the CMEB's founders, appointed to its board of directors in 2002 and was its president since 2016. He was an active community member of the Cree First Nation of Wemindji, he was its chief for two terms from 1999 to 2005, then he served as Deputy Chief and Councillor. He was also President of Vieux Comptoir Construction and director of numerous entities such as Beesum, Air Wemindji as well as Tawich Development Corporation.

Most of all, Reggie was a remarkably kind and generous man. He humble man with deep human values. The CMEB wishes to acknowledge and salute his exceptional contribution to the mineral industry. He will be missed by many friends throughout Eeyou Istchee, Québec and Canada. We look forward to carry on in the spirit of the heritage of values and respect he so well instilled in those he met and worked with.

I have the honour to succeed to Mr. Mark following my appointment on September 29, 2021, by the GCC (EI)/CNG'S Executive Committee as director to CMEB's Board and my election as its president on November 3, 2021. For me it's a return since I served as directors on CMEB's Board from 2015 to 2019 and it is with great enthusiasm that I undertake this new function. I hope and will serve so that my experience gathered over the years as administrator, advisor and negotiator in various fields including the mining industry will be beneficial to the

CMEB's growth and prosperity and those it serves.

This year again the CMEB worked with and provided assistance to Eeyou communities and Eeyou land users in view of raising their awareness and involvement in the mineral exploration field. The CMEB believes that mineral exploration in Eeyou Istchee will continue to increase despite the slowdown caused by the Covid 19 pandemic and that Eeyouch must continue to be more and more involved in this field as the mining cycle will reach again its peak in coming years. In this regard, the CMEB has been providing a basic training course to Communities' leadership and interested Eeyou beneficiaries in view for them to have a better understanding of the development of mining projects from the grass-roots exploration to operation and decommissioning.

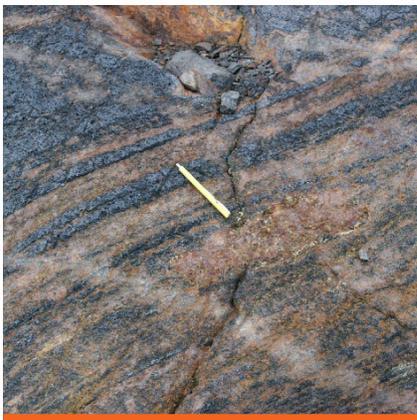
For the coming year, the CMEB wishes to pursue its goals of having not only a greater presence in the mineral exploration field but also to increase economic benefits of our community members and businesses. As well, we wish to find ways to promote a greater implication from community members who are not as involved in this field, namely youth and women.

My thanks go especially to the members of the Board of Directors of the CMEB for their time, their knowledge and the efforts they devoted to the success of the programs of the CMEB. I take this opportunity to welcome Mr. Marc Leblanc, Director General of Géologie Québec (MENR) who has been recently appointed to CMEB's Board. I particularly make a point of underlining the Director's engagement to achieve the CMEB's goals which target nothing less than excellence with respect to the participation of the Eeyouch in the sectors of mineral exploration and durable development in Eeyou Istchee.

AGREEMENT ON MINERAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT IN **EYYOU ISTCHEE**

In February 2020, the Cree Nation Government (CNG), the Government of Québec and the CMEB signed an agreement entitled: “Agreement Concerning Mineral Resources Development in the Eeyou Istchee James Bay Territory, 2019–2022”. Section 6 of this Agreement highlights the CNG’s engagement to defray the CMEB’s administrative expenses. Accordingly, the CNG has fulfilled this engagement, as it has subsidized the CMEB’s 2021–2022 operating budget for an amount of \$500,000.

It is important to state that the MENR has increased its annual contribution of an amount of \$50,000 for a total annual amount of \$350,000, the global MENR’s contribution for the 3-year term (2019–2022) of this agreement consists into an amount of \$1,050,000. For the same period, CNG’s contribution was for a total amount of \$1,500,000. This agreement has expired as of March 31, 2022, and discussions are presently held for a 3-year term renewal for the 2022–2025 horizon.



ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD IN 2021

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors is composed of four (4) members Mr. Andy Baribeau, President, Mr. Sam Bosum, Mr. Mark Wadden, and Mr. Anthony MacLeod, and Mr. Marc Leblanc (MENR representative).

MEETINGS AND RESOLUTIONS 2021-2022

The Cree Mineral Exploration Board held three (3) meetings, the first of which took place by videoconference on November 3, 2021. Members of the Board elected Mr. Andy Baribeau as President and approved the following six (6) projects:

RECIPIENT	PROJECT	AMOUNT	FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Native Exploration Services Reg'd	Drilling on the Atlas Property, 29% Cu Showing, NTS 32J01 Phase 2	\$35,456	Enterprise
Native Exploration Services Reg'd	Induced Polarization and Resistivity Survey on the Mina Gold Property, NTS 32G11—Guercheville and Drouet Townships	\$70,000	Enterprise
Siini Exploration and Services, Robert Ratt	Application for financial assistance for the amount of \$15,000 for additional field equipment	\$11,250	Enterprise
SD Mines	Nemaska Lake Phase III	\$27,330	Enterprise
SD Mines	Eastmain Project	\$11,325	Enterprise
Nimsken Corporation Inc.	Electromagnetic and Magnetometer Surveys on the South-West Barlow Project—NTS Area 32G15—Category 1 Land	\$21,218	Enterprise
TOTAL		\$176,579	

The second meeting took place via videoconference on November 29, 2021. Members of the Board reviewed the CMEB operational budget 2022-2023 and approved the following thirteen (13) projects.

RECIPIENT	PROJECT	AMOUNT	FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Larry Desgagné	Lac des 3– Iles	\$8,821	Prospector
Larry Desgagné	Golden Moose	\$9,950	Prospector
Marc Bouchard	Opawica Project	\$6,820	Prospector
Dennis Moar	Kauskatikakamaw Project	\$8,100	Prospector
Neil Wapachee	N23 Exploration Project	\$7,000	Prospector
Simeon Wapachee	N23 Nemiscau Lake—Exp Project	\$6,350	Prospector
Robert Ratt	East Mistissini Project	\$10,000	Prospector
Elvis Weapenicappo & Priscilla Spencer	Eastmain East Exploration Project	\$7,400	Prospector
Thomas Blackned	Prospecting Billy Diamond Hwy Km 358	\$9,500	Prospector
Jonas Sheshamush	Sheshamush Camp Exploration Project	\$9,995	Prospector
Robert Ratt	Waconichi West Project	\$8,100	Prospector
Thomas Blackned	Prospecting Km 312	\$9,500	Prospector
Norman Grant	Nottaway River Phase 2	\$7,700	Prospector
TOTAL		\$109,236	

The third meeting took place via videoconference on March 1, 2022. Members of the Board approved the reallocation of unspent surplus of projects carried out as well as the following three (3) projects:

RECIPIENT	PROJECT	AMOUNT	FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Marc Bouchard	Fantonest 2022 Exploration Project	\$22,000	Prospector
Nimsken Corporation Inc.	2022 EM and Mag Exploration Program on the Sioui Showing, NTS 32G15, Barlow Lake Property	\$30,240	Enterprise
Nimsken Corporation Inc.	Rush Lake DDH NTS 32G15 Area, Barlow Lake	\$70,000	Enterprise
TOTAL		\$122,240	

PROGRAMS OF THE CMEB

The following pages provide a summary of CMEB's activities carried out under the following programs: awareness raising and promotional activities, workforce awareness and employment assistance, technical and financial assistance to prospectors, project development and assistance to entrepreneurs and expertise in Earth sciences and technical assistance.

AWARENESS RAISING AND PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

The representatives of the CMEB took part in several promotional events such as conferences and workshops. During these mining events, the CMEB presented posters and various information related to mineral exploration in Eeyou Istchee, more particularly during the Mining Week (26e Semaine minière du Québec) in April 2021 in most Eeyou Istchee schools.

A CMEB geologist conducted earth science activities on rocks and minerals with the French sector grade 4 class, as part of their science curriculum, at the Voyageur Memorial Elementary School in Mistissini in October 2021. Similar activities took place in April and May 2021 at the Willie J. Happyjack Memorial schools in Waswanipi and Waapiitiwewan in Oujé-Bougoumou, these were offered in the Eeyou language by a student from the Mineral Technique Program at the Cégep Saint-Félicien (in Chibougamau) Mrs. Judy Trapper.

The CMEB also participated to the following activities via internet:

A Board member and the chief geologist attended the Québec

Mineral Exploration Association Conference in October 2021. This was a good opportunity to listen to the junior companies' presentations of their projects in Eeyou Istchee and exchange on different subjects.

The CMEB attended to the Quebec Mine Conference held November 2021. This event was an ideal opportunity to keep business contacts and have the information concerning the exploration activities in Eeyou Istchee.

The CMEB was part of Québec's virtual delegation at the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada's (PDAC) conference in March 2022. This event was an ideal opportunity to keep business contacts and have the information concerning the exploration activities in Eeyou Istchee.

During these events related to mineral resources, many junior exploration companies active in Eeyou Istchee showed great interest in the CMEB exploration and technical training programs. These conferences were an excellent occasion to promote the mineral potential on traditional lands of Eeyou Istchee and also an opportunity to establish links of work and collaboration with the industry.

The CMEB also intends to continue its advertising campaign in order to promote its programs in Eeyou communities by means of: Eeyou magazines (such as The Nation, Cree Hunters magazine, Resources Mines and Industry magazine and Destination Air Creebec), various Eeyou radio advertisements, as well as events which focus on science and careers in the Cree School Board establishments.

In order to promote the interest of the mineral industry in Eeyou Istchee, and inform Eeyou tally-persons, the public at large and mining companies, the CMEB is constantly updating its website and Tally-Person Traplins Map. (cmeb.org)

The CMEB also actively participated in the meetings of the

following organizations: the Cree-Québec mining table, the Subcommittee on mineral exploration, the Committee on the assessment of mineral potential in Northern Québec. The CMEB also contributed financially and participated in the workshop on the acquisition and dissemination of social and environmental knowledge organized by the James Bay Advisory Committee on the Environment.

WORKFORCE AWARENESS AND EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Because of the pandemic situation, the CMEB employed and facilitated the hiring of a maximum of 50 Eeyouch to work in the mining sector and related sectors. These jobs concern prospector positions, helpers for several exploration sectors especially camp building and janitor positions. All these positions are either offered by the CMEB, service companies, exploration companies and mines operating in Eeyou Istchee. The CMEB acts as an intermediary between mineral exploration companies and the Eeyou labor force by recommending experienced Eeyou workers in the mineral field.

The CMEB works, in close collaboration with the Apatisiwin Skills Development of the Cree Nation Government, on setting up a certified training program for adults in the field of mineral resources. A consultation table, composed of various members in the fields of education, government and mining industry was created to develop this program. The CMEB also implemented programs for prospectors' course and updating of current mineral knowledge of Eeyou trappers.

The CMEB believes in its ability to train the Eeyou youth in the mineral field. In this regard, PowerPoint presentations and field excursions are regularly arranged in Eeyou communities in order to promote Earth Sciences. Many information sessions aimed at popularizing sciences and explaining the operations of the mineral industry are also presented to Eeyou community members.

The following training programs were delivered or funded by the CMEB:

- Mineral Resources Geology. With the collaboration of the CHRD and CEGEP of Chibougamau-St-Félicien, a Collegial Studies Attestation Mineral Resources Geology has been elaborated. The first cohort of young Eeyouch graduated in fall 2019 and a second graduated in 2021. We are expecting a new cohort for 2022 composed of new students and others who did not finish their program.
- CMEB – 2021 Prospection Course
- Mining 101 for Eeyou Community Leaders
- Mining 101 for Trappers and Tally-Persons
- Update on Mining and Exploration Knowledge for Eeyou First Nation's Natural Resources departments employees.

The CMEB has implemented a training course commonly named "Mining 101", which provides to Eeyou community leaders and other interested Eeyou beneficiaries basic information about the mining industry, from the grass root exploration to the exploitation and decommissioning of a mining project. This course also provides information related to the creation of enterprises in view to provide services required by the mineral exploration and mining industries. In the framework of this course, the CMEB provides its technical assistance as well as the available geosciences knowledge of Eeyou Istchee. This 30-hour course is usually delivered in offices of respective Eeyou Nations. The main objective of this course is to give tools to Eeyou communities in view to help them to make enlightened decisions when it comes the time to deal with mining companies active on their lands. Every year, CMEB delivers this course in two to three Eeyou communities.

This year the Mining 101 has been reviewed in view to address specifically to two different audiences namely the Eeyou leadership with an orientation to better understand the mining business and the other for all Eeyou beneficiaries with a greater field orientation.

The following table presents the details of the «Mining 101» workshop delivered this year

DATE	COMMUNITY	PARTICIPANTS	LEADERS	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	TALLYMAN/ COMMUNITY MEMBERS
JULY 26-30, 2021	WASHAW SIBI	10	X		X
AUGUST 9-11, 2021	CHISASIBI	10		X	X
SEPTEMBER 7-8, 2021	EASTMAIN	5	X		
SEPTEMBER 14-15, 2021	WASWANIPI	12	X	X	
SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2021	AMOS	6			X
NOVEMBER 1-2, 2021	NEMASKA	7		X	
NOVEMBER 3-5, 2021	CHISASIBI	46	X		X
NOVEMBER 9-11, 2021	OUJE	14	X	X	
NOVEMBER 22-25, 2021	WASKAGANASH	11		X	X
DECEMBER 13-15, 2021	WHAPMAGOOSTUI	6		X	
FEBRUARY 22-25, 2022	EASTMAIN	8	X		
MARCH 3-4, 2022	WASWANIPI	6		X	

Some mining companies active in Eeyou Istchee with the collaboration of participating Eeyouch Nations and the CMEB offered other courses in mineral exploration; the latter provides expertise, coordinates various services and insures the enforcement of basic rules on the field with regards to the preservation of the environment and Eeyou traditional activities.

TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PROSPECTORS

Native prospectors carried out mineral exploration projects funded by the CMEB. The CMEB pursues its efforts to attract Eeyou interest in mineral prospecting in Eeyou Istchee. Considerable work will be required to incite more Eeyou prospectors to submit prospecting projects. The CMEB has two Beep Mats (electromagnetic devices with integrated GPS) for use by Eeyou prospectors free of charge. The following agreements were executed by the CMEB within the framework of this program and the results are very encouraging:

- Desgagné—Lac des 3-iles
- Desgagné—Golden Moose
- Marc Bouchard — Opawica Project
- Dennis Moar—Kauskatikakamaw Project
- Neil Wapachee—N23 Exploration Project
- Simeon Wapachee—N23 Nemiscau Lake—Exp Project

- Robert Ratt—East Mistissini Project
- Elvis Weapenicappo & Priscilla Spencer—Eastmain East Exploration Project
- Thomas Blackned—Prospecting Billy Diamond Hwy Km 358
- Jonas Sheshamush—Sheshamush Camp Exploration Project
- Robert Ratt—Waconichi West Project
- Thomas Blackned—Prospecting Km 312
- Norman Grant—Nottaway River Phase 2
- Marc Bouchard—Fantonest 2022 Exploration Project

The funded projects are visited by the CMEB's Chief geologist/ Director General with the purpose of guiding and helping prospectors improve their knowledge and their way of prospecting. The Chief geologist/Director General travels all over Eeyou Istchee to have access to these projects. This is highly appreciated by prospectors and even more by prospectors' Tally-person. Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic, only the following project was visited in the summer 2021: Priscilla Spencer and Elvis Weapenicappo Eastmain Est Project (Eastmain Traplins).

During the financial year 2021-2022, the CMEB entered into agreements with the following companies for the funding of

exploration projects:

- Native Exploration Services Reg'd – Drilling on the Atlas Property, 29% Cu Showing, NTS 32J01 Phase 2
- Native Exploration Services Reg'd—Induced Polarization and Resistivity Survey on the Mina Gold Property, NTS 32G11—Guercheville and Drouet Townships
- Siini Exploration and Services—Application for financial assistance for the amount of \$15,000 for additional field equipment
- SD Mines—Nemaska Lake Phase III
- SD mines—Eastmain Project
- Nimsken Corporation Inc. —Electromagnetic and Magnetometer Surveys on the South-West Barlow Project—NTS Area 32G15—Category 1 Land
- Nimsken Corporation Inc.—2022 EM and Mag Exploration Program on the Sioui Showing, NTS 32G15, Barlow Lake Property
- Nimsken Corporation Inc. —Rush Lake DDH NTS 32G15 Area, Barlow Lake

NEW PROJECTS

The CMEB received several requests for assistance and participation from Eeyou and non-Eeyou companies for the financial year 2021–2022. As always, having the economic development of Eeyou Istchee at heart, the CMEB is open to any serious proposal. The CMEB is regularly solicited for the participation or investment in new exploration projects in Eeyou Istchee.

Mineral exploration companies and universities are looking for partnerships for the carrying out of mineral potential studies in the Eeyou territory. They are very interested in creating business and geoscience development partnerships with Eeyou communities, which fall within the mandate of the CMEB.

As CMEB did with the Eeyou youth, custom made prospecting projects were developed for Tally-person and Eeyou trappers, since they spend most of their time in the bush and some of them are interested in prospecting while carrying out traditional activities. In this regard, over the past decade, the CMEB visited the Cree Trappers' Association communities' offices to inform and to introduce mineral prospector's technic to groups of 15 to 25 Trappers and Tally-Persons. Likewise, every year the CMEB offers a customized course to individuals Eeyou beneficiaries from all communities, either at the CMEB's Wemindji head office

or at its Mistissini satellite office, a 30-hour course on mineral recognition, prospecting tips, map reading and GPS localization. This year the course took place in the Cree Nation of Mistissini where the trainees came from all over Eeyou Istchee.

Expertise in the Earth Sciences and Technical Assistance

The interactive geo-economic map showing Eeyou Istchee's mineral potential is a great success for the CMEB since a large number of consultations occurred on our web site. The map is regularly updated and contains the most recent data that the CMEB, the MENR and mineral industry produced.

In view to facilitate communications for mineral exploration companies active on the territory, the CMEB has recently published on its website a brand new electronic and interactive map concerning traplines' areas exclusively as well as the required information to contact concerned Eeyou individuals and organizations. This map is highly valued by the mining industry and there is intense consultation especially at the end of the winter. This period is when companies must contact the tallyman (tally-person), the chief and the council of a Eeyou community to inform them of the exploration activities planned for the summer season. Coming soon, all the mining titles held in Eeyou Istchee will be accessible via the MENR link on our website www.cmeb.org.

These two maps prove to be a very useful tool for the prospectors and tally-person, as well as for internet users since it is available on our website at the following address: www.cmeb.org/geoeco and [www.cmeb.org/TAB TALLYPERSON TRAPLINES MAP](http://www.cmeb.org/TAB_TALLYPERSON_TRAPLINES_MAP).

Many projects of scientific collaboration to improve the knowledge of the mineral potential on Eeyou Istchee are in development with scientific institutions such as the Géologie Québec (MENR), University of Ottawa, the UQAM, the UQAC and the Canadian Geological Commission. These projects are generally of geological and geophysical nature and are axed on the elaboration of a complete database. For the past 4 years, the CMEB has been part of the committee that had the mandate to define the Ecologo standards. All exploration companies will have to integrate their activities in the Ecologo platform where they are invited to respect the environment and social activities. The CMEB also provided its technical expertise to the Grand Council of the Crees and to the local councils of Eeyou communities. Moreover, on a daily basis, from its offices in Wemindji and Mistissini, the CMEB answers questions from

tally-person, the members of the Cree Trappers' Association, community members, and Eeyou owned exploration companies (such as Native Exploration, Nimsken Corporation, J.A. MacLeod Exploration, Envirocree, SD Mines, Coon-Come Exploration, Siiii Exploration and Wemex) as well as other exploitation and exploration companies (such as: Stornoway, Opinaca Mines, Osisko, Soquem, Metalex, Azimut, Ios, Sirios, Dios, Everton, Hecla, QPM, Midlland, Harfang etc.) concerning geological data and access to Eeyou Istchee. These companies also benefit from the CMEB's technical, coordination, and communication assistance, as well as support in hiring Eeyouch for their projects.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES FOR 2022-2023

AWARENESS AND PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

The board members of CMEB, representatives of Eeyou companies and Eeyou prospectors will attend conferences and workshops such as the SAENCAT (Secretariat to the Cree Nation Abitibi-Témiscamingue Economic Alliance) conference in Mistissini June 2022, Xplor (Quebec Mineral Exploration Association) October 2022, Quebec Mine in November 2022 and the PDAC (Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada) in March 2023.

During the Mining Week of Quebec (26e Semaine minière du Québec) in April 2022, the geologists of CMEB and the geologist technicians of CMEB's CEGEP program will visit the schools in Whapmagoostui and Chisasibi to make presentations related to earth sciences. CMEB will adjust its schedule in view to run a booth at the communities' career and science fairs once the dates for those events are communicated.

For the 20th CMEB's anniversary, a new website with the new ideas submitted by our president and our directors will be produced. The CMEB will also improve our most valuable information on the traplines and the tally-person maps.

WORKFORCE AWARENESS AND EMPLOYMENT

The CMEB is optimistic to facilitate the hiring of a higher number than 50 Eeyouch to work in the mining sector and within various exploration companies. We are anticipating that the following exploration projects and mines will be among the best source of employment for Eeyouch:

- Transtaiga Road -Yasinski Lake-Wemindji access

road (QPM-Harfang Exploration-Midlland Exploration-Lasalle Exploration); Chisasibi and Wemindji traplines;

- Opinaca Reservoir (Newmount Mine- Sirios Exploration-Azimut Exploration-Galaxy Exploration- Hecla Exploration); Wemindji, Eastmain and Nemaska traplines;
 - Eeyou Istchee south-west (Wallbridge Mine - Modland Exploration), Waskaganish Eastmain and Nemaska traplines;
 - Eeyou Istchee Inland (Benz Mining- Kenorland Minerals- Troilus Gold- Bonterra Resources. - Cartier Resources- OSISKO Mining- Dore Copper Mining- Genesis Metal- Tomagold) Waswanipi- Ouje-Bougoumou- Mistissini traplines
- Training and knowledge development

Next year, CMEB will deliver the following training programs:

- Complementary session for 7 students in Mineral Resources Technic program. With the collaboration of the CHRD and CEGEP of Chibougamau-St-Félicien. A new cohort will start on February 2023. It will concern all the Eeyouch communities.
- CMEB – 2022 Prospection Course in June online and a complementary field training will be done in the following month with the concerned student in their communities.
- Mining 101 for Eeyou Community Leaders on demand.
- Mining 101 for Trappers and Tally-Persons on demand from the local CTA (Cree Trappers Association).
- Mining and Exploration Knowledge update for Eeyou First Nation's Natural Resources departments employees and Eeyouch organisations in all the communities, on demand.

REFERENCES AND REPORTS

In addition to its annual report, the CMEB publish every year two exhaustive reports on its website (www.cmeb.org), where Eeyouch can find all the information about the mineral activities on their traplines and the activities that the CMEB and their partners offer.

Board Activity Report: This report is on the CMEB programs development including training, updates on: mineral resources knowledge, the Eeyouch companies' activities and Eeyouch prospecting project reports.

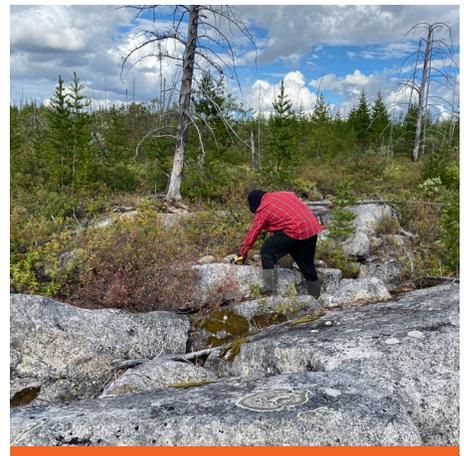
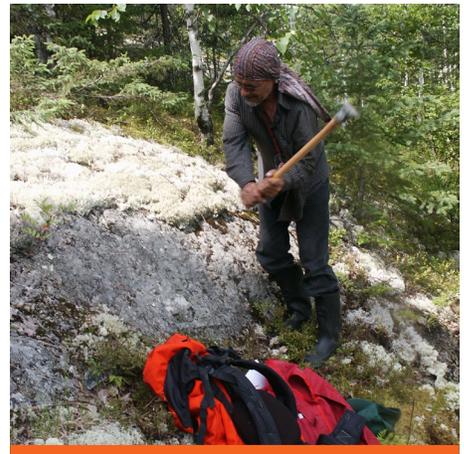
Exploration Activity Report: The Report on the Mining and Minerals Exploration Activities in Eeyou Istchee provide detailed information trapline by trapline, this document is the most complete and useful tool for the chiefs and councils and tally-persons.

COLLABORATION

In 2021, the Covid-19 pandemic slowed mineral exploration activities in Eeyou Istchee. One of the important activities carried out by the CMEB in this context was the posting on its website of detailed recommendations specifically addressed to the mineral exploration industry active in Eeyou Istchee. In collaboration with the Cree Health Board and the CNG these recommendations had a dual purpose: firstly, to protect Eeyou Istchee's communities from the spreading of the virus and secondly to facilitate the carrying out of the field mineral exploration campaign in Eeyou Istchee.

The CMEB established collaborations with various entities. Among these is the Cree Nation Government with its different sectors (environment, natural resources, and geo-information) with which the CMEB maintains continuous communication for exchange of information and development of common projects. The CMEB works closely with the MENR and its mining sector. Among others, the MENR undertook to promote the mission of the CMEB by directly informing all companies holding mining titles in the territory and by adding a link on its website to CMEB's website. The MENR also implemented a follow-up on the hiring of Eeyou people in the mining sector. Moreover, the MENR intends to take an active part in a discussion table between the industry and the CMEB. The MENR also established a mechanism of consultation with the CMEB concerning its cartography programs on the territory and the development of new strategies for mines.

The ongoing collaboration with the CNG's Apatisiwin Skills Development (ASD) (previously the Cree Human Resources Development) and the CSB allows the possibility to subsidize long-term training programs and to promote funding programs accessible to the Eeyouch in the field of mineral resources. In this respect, the CMEB holds discussions with the CSB to develop a technical training program adapted to the young Eeyouch. This program, developed in close cooperation with the ASD, the MENR, regional colleges and the mineral industry consists of collegial technical training in natural resources which will give access to the employment connected to the fields of mining, hydrology and the environment. This program should meet the aspirations of the Eeyouch and the needs of the industry. In





2012, the CMEB became partners with the ASD on the Eeyou Mining Skills Enhancement Program (EMSEP).

The CMEB collaborates with CEGEPs and Universities. This year CMEB collaborates with the UQAC, UQAT and the MERN on the Geological Impact Study of new deposits found by CMEB's prospector in the Ouje-Bougoumou area.

Since its creation, the CMEB established close links with The Cree Trappers' Association (CTA) with the objective of informing the trappers and to protect their interests. The CMEB took the initiative to inform the trappers concerning the mining activity in their traplines, and to give them the training they need to take an active part in mineral exploration in Eeyou Istchee. This initiative is strongly appreciated by the CTA, which actively collaborates in the delivery of these courses.

The CMEB has also worked in close collaboration with local Eeyou Nations Chiefs and Councils, the CTA, the Cree Nation Government, mineral exploration companies and Hydro-Québec for the production of the No-Fly Zone during the 2021 Goose Break. This initiative is to ensure that the traditional goose harvesting activities held between April 22 and May 13 are minimally impacted by helicopter flight within Eeyou Istchee. This map was accessible on CMEB website (cmeb.org).

The CMEB has established, during the past 20 years, collaboration with the Secretariat to the Cree Nation Abitibi-Temiscamingue for the planning and delivering of its annual conference, more precisely concerning topics related to the mineral industry. CMEB's contacts in this field greatly contributed securing the participation of reputable and passionate speakers at this event. It is a great opportunity to provide information about the development of mineral activities in Eeyou Istchee and sensitize attendees to the deep attachment of Eeyou people to their land and traditional activities within their culture.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR CMEB'S OPERATION	CNG	MENR
2021-2022	\$500,000	\$350,000
2020-2021	\$500,000	\$350,000
2019-2020	\$500,000	\$350,000

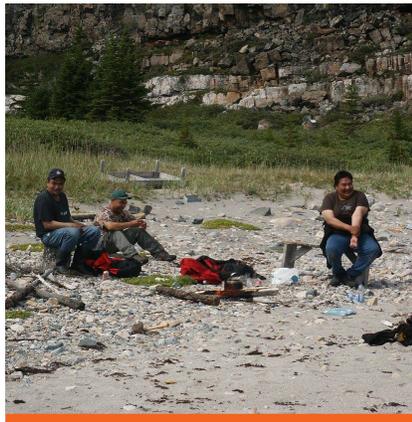
ALLOCATION OF THE FUNDS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF QUÉBEC 2021-2022	
Proponent/Project	Amount
Agreement 2021-04 Desgagné—Lac des 3-iles	\$8,821
Agreement 2021-05 Desgagné—Golden Moose	\$9,950
Agreement 2021-06 Marc Bouchard—Opawica Project	\$6,820
Agreement 2021-07 Dennis Moar—Kauskatikakamaw Project	\$8,100
Agreement 2021-08 Neil Wapachee—N23 Exploration Project	\$7,000
Agreement 2021-09 Simeon Wapachee—N23 Nemiscau Lake—Exp Project	\$6,350
Agreement 2021-10 Robert Ratt—East Mistissini Project	\$10,000
Agreement 2021-11 Elvis Weapenicappo & Priscilla Spencer—Eastmain East Exploration Project	\$7,400
EXPLORATION PROJECT	
Agreement 2021-12 Thomas Blackned—Prospecting Billy Diamond Hwy Km 358	\$9,500
Agreement 2021-13 Jonas Sheshamush—Sheshamush Camp Exploration Project	\$9,995
Agreement 2021-14 Robert Ratt—Waconichi West Project	\$8,100
Agreement 2021-15 Thomas Blackned—Prospecting Km 312	\$9,500
Agreement 2021-16 Norman Grant—Nottaway River Phase 2	\$7,700
Agreement 2021-17 Native Exploration Services Reg'd—Drilling on the Atlas Property, 29% Cu Showing, NTS 32J01 Phase 2	\$35,456
Agreement 2021-18 Native Exploration Services Reg'd—Induced Polarization and Resistivity Survey on the Mina Gold Property, NTS 32G11—Guercheville and Drouet Townships	\$70,000
Agreement 2021-19 Siini Exploration and Services, Robert Ratt—Application for financial assistance for the amount of \$15,000 for additional field equipment	\$11,250
Agreement 2021-20 SD Mines—Nemaska Lake Phase III	\$27,330
Agreement 2021-21 SD Mines—Eastmain Project	\$11,325

EXPLORATION PROJECT

Agreement 2021-22 Nimsken Corporation Inc. –Electromagnetic and Magnetometer Surveys on the South-West Barlow Project–NTS Area 32G15–Category 1 Land	\$21,218
Agreement 2022-01 Marc Bouchard–Fantonest 2022 Exploration Project	\$22,000
Agreement 2022-02 Nimsken Corporation Inc.–2022 EM and Mag Exploration Program on the Sioui Showing, NTS 32G15, Barlow Lake Property	\$30,240
Agreement 2022-03 Nimsken Corporation Inc. –Rush Lake DDH NTS 32G15 Area, Barlow Lake	\$70,000

ALLOCATED FOR EXPLORATION PROJECTS SINCE 2014

2021-2022	\$408,055
2020-2021	\$329,467
2019-2020	\$445,049
2018-2019	\$330,744
2017-2018	\$501,400
2016-2017	\$463,626
2015-2016	\$437,551
2014-2015	\$384,451



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