



Discover Abitibi

A project of innovation, cooperation and revitalization

Un projet d'innovation, de coopération et de renouvellement

Découvrons l'Abitibi



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Press Release

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Proposals Received

The Discover Abitibi Initiative, Management Committee, is pleased to announce that they have received forty two (42) submissions in response to the Call for Proposals, dated August 17, 2002. The project proposals have been submitted by a wide cross-section of the exploration and mining community within the region and beyond.

Dan Gignac, Chair of the Management Committee stated that “We are encouraged by the response and the interest shown in this initiative. The number of responses reflects the importance of this project to the region. The economic stability of the area is dependant on an active and vibrant exploration effort in the area providing the discoveries necessary for a sustainable mining sector. Completion of this initiative will help ensure that this important sector continues to develop the mineral wealth of the region.”

Dave McGirr, Chair of the Timmins Economic Development Corporation stated that “The next steps in developing the Discover Abitibi initiative include a comprehensive technical evaluation of the proposal submissions by the Technical Committee. This committee includes representation from regional industry partners as well as the federal and provincial geological surveys. The Technical Committee will prioritize technical projects based on technical merit and potential economic impact to the Timmins-Kirkland Lake region.” It is expected that the review will be completed by mid October. Once the technical projects have been prioritized and a preliminary cost estimate developed, funding proposals will be submitted to Federal and Provincial programs as well as private sector partners.

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For more information on this exciting and unique opportunity contact Discover Abitibi, Project Manager, Robert Calhoun at the Timmins Economic Development Corporation.

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