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Re: Springpole Gold Project – Response to Letter regarding Updated Kita-Ki-Nan consent conditions dated April 22, 2026

Dear Ms. Sen:

Thank you for your letter dated April 22, 2026, regarding updated consent conditions identified through the Kita-Ki-Nan “Our Land” Anishinaabe-led assessment process and the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada’s (IAAC’s) request for additional information pursuant to subsection 23(2) of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012.

First Mining has continued its engagement with Cat Lake First Nation and Lac Seul First Nation to better understand the concerns and expectations associated with potential effects to Waabizheshi Agaasademon Onigam (the Marten Portage), and to identify measures that may contribute toward addressing the Nations’ perspectives regarding this site

Please find below FMG’s responses to the information requested by IAAC:

1. Additional measures related to impacts to Waabizheshi Agaasademon Onigam (Marten Portage)

FMG has committed to the following to address the overprinting of the majority of the portage (Marten or Waabizheshi Agaasademon Onigam) by the open pit:

- *With the Nations, further archaeological assessments be conducted, prior to ground disturbance at key locations identified by the Nations. Supplemental Stage 1 (desktop review) will be completed. Then supplemental Stage 2 (fieldwork) in high potential areas recognized by the Nations & Stage 3 for follow up as determined by Stage 2.*
- *Heritage Impact Assessment shall be completed, directed by the Nations, for Marten Portage, prior to ground disturbance at the portage.*
- *Cat Lake and Lac Seul community monitors will be trained and be on site monitoring all pre-clearing and ground clearing work at the Project.*



- *Refinement and implementation of the Chance Find Procedure in collaboration with the Nations.*
- *Recovering any archaeological resources encountered with a licenced archaeologist and in collaboration with the Nations.*
- *A Nation led plan to document and commemorate the portage.*
- *A Nation led plan to re-establish an alternate portage to facilitate access.*
- *A Nation led plan to re-establish the portage at mine closure.*

These accommodation measures form part of a Term Sheet agreed to between FMG and Cat Lake and Lac Seul First Nations, subject to community ratification

2. Update regarding commitments associated with consent conditions identified in the Kita-Ki-Nan extended summary report

The consent conditions form part of the term Sheet that has been agreed to between FMG and Cat Lake and Lac Seul First Nations, subject to community ratification. Accordingly, FMG is committed to the consent conditions in the Term Sheet and defers to Cat Lake and Lac Seul First Nations on the potential sharing of relevant consent condition information that may be deemed non-confidential.

FMG remains committed to ongoing dialogue with Cat Lake First Nation and Lac Seul First Nation through all phases of the Project and to implementing the measures and commitments made throughout the EA process.

We trust the information provided will assist IAAC in concluding the EA process with a positive outcome such that the exceptional benefits of the Project can be realized across Northwestern Ontario and beyond. Should additional clarification be required, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely

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