The Ministry of Northern Development and Mines (MNDM) has completed its assessment on the MNDM's proposal to exercise its authority under the Mining Act to intervene when the requirements of an Order are not fulfilled, by removing the temporary fencing and installing approximately 300 metres of permanent fencing that will meet the standards required in the Act.

The project site is the non-operational Moneta Mine property, located at 289 and 263 Railway Street in downtown Timmins. It is adjacent to various residences and businesses in the downtown core. (See Figure 1 below for location).
The Category B screening, consultation and project review was carried out in accordance with the *Class Environmental Assessment for MNDM’s Activities under the Mining Act* (Class EA).

MNDM received one comment during the comment period from the City of Timmins expressing support for the proposed project.

There will be no negative impacts to adjacent landowners’ access following installation of the permanent fencing, as it will be installed in the same location as the existing temporary fencing. The site is located within an urban, developed area where there will be no additional environmental effects associated with the work.

The replacement of existing temporary fence with permanent fence is normally considered to be a “maintenance” activity under the Class EA (Category A) with low potential for environmental effects and no consultation requirements; however, due to the location of this proposed project in a populated area – i.e., downtown Timmins – there may be public interest or concern associated with this project. MNDM categorized this as a Category B project in order to provide interested persons (e.g., surface rights owners, neighbours, City of Timmins) with an opportunity to provide comments to MNDM.

MNDM will implement the project as planned.

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