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HEARST AREA GRAPHITE MINER PREPARING TO ENTER THE MARKET

Northern Ontario Business – Mar 26

A technology startup company with a high-grade graphite deposit in northwestern Ontario is heading down the path toward production. ZEN Graphene Solutions announced March 26 that they have started scale-up and engineering studies at its Guelph R & D facility. In opening sales of their graphene products in early March, the company's stated goal for 2020 is to start generating revenue from sales and production by striking commercial deals.

Formerly known as Zenyatta Ventures, ZEN's Albany graphite deposit, west of Hearst, has an estimated open-pit life of 22 years and the potential to annually produce 33,000 tonnes of graphite.

https://www.northernontariobusiness.com/industry-news/mining/hearst-area-graphite-miner-preparing-to-enter-the-market-2202431?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=facebook

PREMIER GOLD MOVES TO ACQUIRE MORE GREENSTONE GOLD

Netnewsledger – Mar 30

Premier Gold Mines today confirms an offer to acquire the remaining 50% interest in the Greenstone Gold Mines Partnership has been made to Centerra Gold Inc. The total consideration of the offer is approximately US\$205 Million. The acquiring party, at the option of Premier, will be another company that is an assignee of Premier's rights under the offer letter.

<http://www.netnewsledger.com/2020/03/30/premier-gold-moves-to-acquire-more-greenstone-gold>

JAMES BAY GOLD EXPLORER RAISES CLOSE TO \$4 MILLION IN EXPLORATION FINANCING

Northern Ontario Business – Apr 6

Pandemic-related market volatility hasn't fazed a Sudbury gold exploration company from raising more than \$3.9 million in private financing, much of it earmarked for a high-grade James Bay gold project.

Northern Superior Resources announced they have raised \$3,924,000 by issuing Ontario charity flow-through shares and hard-dollar shares. The \$3,219,000 raised through charity flow-through shares are destined for its ongoing exploration of its Ti-pa-haa-kaa-ning (TPK) property near the Ring of Fire in preparation for a drill program this summer.

https://www.northernontariobusiness.com/industry-news/mining/james-bay-gold-explorer-raises-close-to-4-million-in-exploration-financing-2231864?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=facebook

SUDBURY'S 1ST COVID-19 CASE: GEOLOGIST CALLS EXPERIENCE IRONIC GIVEN PRIOR CONCERNS

CBC – Apr 8

Hamilton had even mentioned his concern about attending to his co-workers in the weeks leading up to the Prospectors Developers Association of Canada (PDAC) conference from Mar 1 to 4. The annual event is attended by thousands of people from dozens of countries. He decided to continue on with his travel plans and attended for four of the five days. Despite his best efforts, he contracted the virus, and a week after returning to Sudbury test results confirmed his suspicions.

Hamilton became the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in Sudbury, and northern Ontario. "I'm convinced that if PDAC was held one week later it would have been cancelled, and I said this a week before PDAC," Hamilton told CBC News.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/sudbury/hamilton-first-covid19-case-sudbury-1.5521547>

'THEM PLANTS ARE KILLING US': INSIDE A CROSS-BORDER BATTLE AGAINST CANCER IN ONTARIO'S RUST BELT

The Narwhal – Apr 7

Two communities — one in Canada, one in the U.S. — share both a border along the St. Marys River and a toxic legacy that has contributed to high rates of cancer. Now the towns are banding together to fight a ferrochrome plant planned

to process chromite from Ontario's Ring of Fire, in turn generating the so-called 'Erin Brockovich contaminant' hexavalent chromium

<https://thenarwhal.ca/them-plants-are-killing-us-inside-a-cross-border-battle-against-cancer-in-ontarios-rust-belt/>

\$1.9 BILLION POWER LINE PROJECT LIGHTS UP NORTHERN FIRST NATION COMMUNITIES

Daily Commercial News – Apr 8

Work is underway on the largest project in northern Ontario to build 1,800 kilometres of electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure to connect 24 isolated First Nations communities. The \$1.9 billion the Wataynikaneyap Transmission Project (Watay Project) will also eliminate diesel generators as a general source of local power, cutting the carbon footprint substantially, not to mention the more than \$43 million spent annually on fuel. As fuel prices rise over the 40-year lifecycle, consultants PwC projected more than \$1.3 billion in savings in diesel. It's more than just power; it's also empowerment for the isolated communities and opens the door for better housing, more employment and business opportunities.

Some 769 jobs are being generated during construction but more importantly, says Margaret Kenequanash, CEO of Wataynikaneyap Power, Indigenous people are learning valuable skills which will allow them to find similar work once the lines are completed in 2023.

<https://canada.constructconnect.com/dcn/news/infrastructure/2020/04/1-9-billion-power-line-project-lights-up-northern-first-nation-communities>

GINOOGAMING FIRST NATION LAUNCHES MINODAHMUN DEVELOPMENT FOR GREENSTONE GOLD

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Ginoogaming First Nation is proud to announce the launch of the Minodahmun Development Inc. (MDI) to maximize the economic opportunities that are forthcoming in the proposed Greenstone Gold Mines' (GGM) Hardrock Project.

Minodahmun (min-oh-dah-mun) means "clear path" in the Anishinaabemowin language. MDI is a 100% First Nations owned partnership between Ginoogaming First Nation (GFN), Aroland First Nation (AFN), and Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nation (AZA). The three First Nations are equal owners of Minodahmun and will jointly manage and share in the profits of the company.

<http://www.netnewsledger.com/2020/04/09/ginoogaming-first-nation-launches-minodahmun-development-for-greenstone-gold/>