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## **NORONT CLOSSES FINAL TRANCHE OF \$4.15 MILLION FINANCING AND RECOGNIZES ROAD PROGRESS IN THE RING OF FIRE**

Global Newswire – Nov 23

Noront Resources Ltd. is pleased to announce the closing of the second and final tranche of its previously announced non-brokered private placement of units and flow-through common shares (the “Flow-Through Offering”). The Company was also pleased to see the Marten Falls First Nation press release dated November 22, 2018 announcing progress in the advancement of all-season road access in the region.

<https://globenewswire.com/news-release/2018/11/23/1656164/0/en/Noront-Closes-Final-Tranche-of-4-15-Million-Financing-and-Recognizes-Road-Progress-in-the-Ring-of-Fire.html>

## **MARTEN FALLS HIRES AECOM TO PLAN NORTHERN ACCESS ROAD**

Construct Connect – Nov 26

The access road would be the first of two phases of roadways that would connect existing provincial highways to the Ring of Fire mineral fields near James Bay. Marten Falls Chief Bruce Achneepineskum said in the statement, “We are very pleased to note that Aecom brought a consortium of sub-consultants together to form a world-class team that includes local consulting firms as well who have recently worked successfully with First Nations to deliver similar all-season community access roads in other provinces. This project is an opportunity to move forward on addressing many socio-economic needs of the community, including access to more affordable food and housing, access to training, education, health care and employment and access to neighbouring communities.”

<https://canada.constructconnect.com/dcn/news/infrastructure/2018/11/marten-falls-hires-aecom-plan-northern-access-road>

## **RING OF FIRE EXPLORERS LAUD FIRST NATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mining Weekly – Nov 27

Exploration juniors KWG Resources and Noront Resources have lauded progress in the advancement of the all-season access road to connect to far-flung First Nation communities in Northern Ontario. The north-south community access road is one of two key roads being planned for the region, the other being a provincial government-backed east-west road. Building these roads is seen as crucial in realising the economic benefits of the mineral development opportunities of the Ring of Fire. KWG Resources, which owns exploration properties in the area, commended the Chief and Council of the Marten Falls First Nation for their leadership in assuming proponenty of the environmental assessment for transport infrastructure in their traditional territory.

<http://www.miningweekly.com/article/ring-of-fire-explorers-laud-first-nation-road-announcement-2018-11-27>

## **‘OVERWHELMED’**

CBC News – Nov 27

Ontario’s Ring of Fire development is far from a top priority for Eabametoong First Nation, as it struggles with a housing crisis and addictions. Atlookan said the community is in a fragile state and life and death decisions push other priorities down — including Ontario’s continued push to open the Ring of Fire. “That is what the government doesn’t seem to understand,” she said. Between 2013 and 2015, which was around the peak of the company and province’s activity around the permit, Eabametoong suffered numerous suicides, homicides and sudden deaths. The First Nation’s leadership couldn’t deal with letters and requests for meetings on the permit because they were too busy trying to keep the community from falling apart. This is what worries Atlookan when it comes to the Ring of Fire — the province’s consultation process is not tailored to the realities on the ground for Ontario’s fly-in First Nations that lurch from crisis to crisis while patching creaking infrastructure.

<https://newsinteractives.cbc.ca/longform/eabametoong-ring-of-fire>