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CANDIDATES TALK CANADA'S FUTURE IN STEEL INDUSTRY

The Sault Star – Sept 13

Mclean said he's skeptical about the development of a ferrochrome facility. However, the Green Party wants "free and prior and informed consent" to mean just that in any of the review processes. "I'm not personally confident in corporations and government respecting the definition of consent." "In the process of having a ferrochrome smelter and the public consultation that comes with that, I want to ensure that it really is consensual, not just a box to tick off as part of the environmental assessment process," he said. Mclean believes the entire environmental process needs to be reviewed. Sheehan said he supports the Ring of Fire and the Northern Ontario Liberal Caucus has indicated its support for resource development. He said his government has demonstrated its commitment to the mining industry with earlier announcements regarding the Mageno gold mine and its completion of the environmental assessment process, through its support to the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada annual conference and through demonstrated commitment throughout the mining industry. The Liberals will continue to work with Noront if re-elected, he said. https://www.saultstar.com/news/local-news/candidates-talk-canadas-future-in-steel-industry

UNEARTHING JUSTICE - HOW TO PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY FROM THE MINING INDUSTRY

Between the Lines - Sept 15

New book released, author Joan Kuyek – can be ordered here: https://btlbooks.com/book/unearthing-justice

EXPLORATION UPDATE FOR NORONT MCFAULDS NO.8 VMS DISCOVERY

Global Newswire - Sept 16

Highlights include 10.1 metres grading 3.3% copper in hole MCF-19-103 which intersected the McFaulds No.8 deposit 215 metres down-dip from hole MCF-18-98 representing the largest step-out intersection at McFaulds No.8 to date. https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2019/09/16/1915911/0/en/Exploration-Update-for-Noront-McFaulds-No-8-VMS-Discovery.html

CONSULTATION NEEDED BEFORE ANY DEVELOPMENT IN RING OF FIRE: GRAND CHIEF

Timmins Daily Press – Sept 17

While there has been much talk about its mineral riches, Indigenous communities within that area want more consultation before development begins, says Mushkegowuk Grand Chief Jonathan Solomon. "We have talked about it in our council, the Mushkegowuk Council with the First Nations communities," said Solomon. "The legal advice we got from our lawyers is, 'You have a position now to demand a full involvement in the environment assessment (EA) processes."

https://www.timminspress.com/news/local-news/consultation-needed-before-any-development-in-ring-of-fire-grand-chief

BOOSTING LOCAL ECONOMIES IMPROVES ONTARIO'S COMPETITIVENESS, SAYS CHAMBER REPORT

Northern Ontario Business – Sept 17

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce wants government policymakers to take a "modern and comprehensive approach" on economic development in Ontario by producing a collaborative strategy that supports long-term growth in all communities. Sault Ste. Marie Chamber of Commerce CEO Rory Ring provided input in the report on matters concerning his community, "specifically adding insights to the research from Indigenous economic inclusivity, the Ring of Fire, the importance of infrastructure investment and transportation such as short line rail and water."

https://www.northernontariobusiness.com/regional-news/northeastern-ontario/boosting-local-economies-improves-ontarios-competitiveness-says-chamber-report-1697023

RING OF FIRE 'ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL' TO HIS ADMINISTRATION, PREMIER SAYS

North Bay Nugget - Sept 18

Ford was in Verner Tuesday attending the opening ceremonies at the International Plowing Match when he addressed questions from the media relating to everything from broadband service for rural Northern communities and education to autism and the Ring of Fire.

"The Ring of Fire is absolutely critical for our administration," Ford said. "You will see me on that bulldozer, it's one of our highest priorities for the government and the province."

https://www.nugget.ca/news/local-news/ring-of-fire-absolutely-critical-to-his-administration-premier-says

'CORRIDOR OF PROSPERITY' TO HELP RING OF FIRE DEVELOPMENT

My Northbay Now - Sept 19

They're calling it the "Corridor to Prosperity." This, from Greg Rickford, the Minister of Indigenous Affairs and Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines on the current progression of the Ring of Fire. "There is great movement," Rickford said. "We were in Sault Ste Marie just a couple of weeks ago focusing on the opportunities. The regional framework is over, almost \$30 million later. The previous government failed to get us to a place with shovels in the ground." "We endeavoured to support corridor studies and options for communities to actually create access to this important region. We are moving ahead on bilateral agreements with indigenous communities most proximal to sites where mines can be opening. We are calling this the 'Corridor to Prosperity."

https://www.mynorthbaynow.com/48116/corridor-of-prosperity-to-help-ring-of-fire-development/