

Northlands Mine Training and Research Institute

Presentation to Northern Opportunities Forum

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MTRI – The Need

- \$50B to be invested in expansions and new mines in SK between 2008 and 2028
- Mining is biggest contributor to northern economy, 1789 Northern Residents are employed at northern mine sites
- Exploration, potential new mines, and operating mines in the north
- Significant gaps between skilled labour requirements of the mining sector and availability



MTRI – The Opportunity

- Northlands College has over 20 years of partnerships in training with mining industry
- The MTRI will build on that relationship through an industry partnership approach similar to the former Haileybury School of Mines
- The MTRI will form an Industry Advisory Committee and continue to develop Multi Party Training Agreements



MTRI – The Model

- MTRI will work toward a training model that offers consistency for students and flexibility for industry
- This can be achieved by introducing a modularized training system that builds on core skills
- The goal would be training that can be entered or exited at many points depending on skills and accreditations required







MTRI – Facilities and Resources

- Center housed in new and renovated buildings
- Features 4 labs with apparatus for advanced training
- Multi purpose lab will teach sample preparation, and basic environmental sample analysis
- Mining lab will house ventilation simulators, hydrolab, map room









MTRI – Facilities and Resources

- Geology lab will house mineral collections and microscopes, electrical lab for geophysics
- Computer lab will house high end computers with Vulcan and GEMcom 3D software, AutoCAD, ArcGIS, and large format printer
- Simulator with Scoop Tram, Jumbo Drill, and Heavy Equipment modules









MTRI – Support For Research

- Will forge partnerships with research institutions, industry and individual researchers
- Researchers will be able to access facilities, students, and faculty to assist in projects
- MTRI connected to SRNet and CANARIE high capacity research networks
- Linkages to training programs wherever possible
- Diamond Drill Rig for training and research









MTRI- Commercial and Business Support

- Institute can provide business development and commercial services that support the growth of the mining industry
- Assaying and GIS support can make exploration more efficient
- Mine service and supply sectors can benefit directly from business development services, training, support, and certifications



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