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CBA Committee Holds Second Annual Meeting

The Comprehensive Cooperation and Benefits Agreement (CBA) Committee held its second Annual Meeting April 30th with senior Victoria Gold representatives and the First Nation of the Na-Cho Nyak Dun (NND) Council. First signed on October 17, 2011, the CBA applies to Victoria Gold's Eagle Gold Project and its exploration activities undertaken within the NND Traditional Territory south of the Wernecke Mountains.

The CBA was developed to enhance and foster communication, identify potential employment and business opportunities and set out methods for the NND and Victoria Gold to work together to optimize potential opportunities. As part of the CBA three key positions were developed: NND Community Liaison, Victoria Gold Community Liaison and NND Environmental Monitor. In addition, a CBA Committee was formed to work with both parties to provide strategic direction and ensure ongoing and open communication between the parties.

The CBA Committee 2013 Annual Implementation Report was presented to NND Council and Victoria Gold representatives at the April 30th meeting. The report provides a summary of Victoria Gold's 2013 activities and proposed plans for 2014, documents the implementation of the CBA including details on the CBA Committee's recommendations and the CBA Implementation Plan. The annual report is one of the many ways NND and Victoria Gold track the progress of social and economic programs.

To obtain a copy of the *CBA Committee 2013 Annual Implementation Report* or information relating to the work of the CBA Committee please contact Natasha Young.



Attendees at the 2nd Annual CBA Meeting from l-r: Chief Ed Champion; Kelly Arychuk, VP Mine Support Services; Mark Ayranto, Executive VP; John McConnell, President & CEO; Ron Peter, NND Environment Monitor; Deputy Chief Nancy Hager; Melody Hutton, NND Councillor; Irene Johnny, NND Councillor; Josee Tremblay, Lands Dept.; Natasha Young, NND Community Liaison; and Sally Howson, Victoria Gold Community Liaison.

WELCOME

Message from the Vice President, Mine Support Services

Over the past 3 years, I have visited Mayo on many occasions getting to know the community and its citizens. Most recently, on April 30th, I and my colleagues, together with representatives from the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun, co-presented the 2013 Comprehensive Cooperation and Benefits Agreement (CBA) Annual Report.

Despite the global downturn in mineral prices, a challenging capital investment environment, and the resulting need for Victoria Gold to downsize its operations in 2013, the company continues to develop and deliver opportunities for NND citizens, businesses and partnerships that will provide benefits far beyond the proposed mine's construction phase and operational life.

For example, since 2010, Victoria Gold has contributed over \$32 million to the NND and its citizens, to the Village of Mayo and to the socio-economic strength and vibrancy of the entire Yukon. The company's cumulative expenditures in the region include: annual CBA payments, scholarships to NND citizens, financial contributions to community events and contracts with the Na-Cho Nyak Dun Development Corp. (NND DC) Joint Venture partners and other businesses within the community.

On behalf of Victoria Gold, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to the CBA Committee and to NND Liaison Natasha Young, NND Environmental Monitor Ronald Peter and Victoria Gold Liaison Sally Howson for their work and commitment to the CBA, to the Project, and to the community.

I sincerely thank you for your warm hospitality I enjoy every time I visit and I wish you all a very happy and healthy summer season.

Sincerely,

Kelly Arychuk

Victoria Gold Awards NND CBA Scholarships

As part of the Cooperation and Benefits Agreement (CBA), Victoria Gold and NND have established a scholarship program for NND citizens attending university, college, or trades and technical programs on a full time basis. Since 2012 Victoria Gold has awarded \$20,000 to 17 NND citizens, helping them achieve their educational goals.

Congratulations to the 2014 winter semester Victoria Gold NND CBA Scholarships recipients: Lindsay Rear, Jodie Buyck, Benjamin Moses, Desiree McGinty, Leanne Hoogland and Michelle Peter.

August, 11 2014 is the deadline to apply for the 2014 fall semester scholarship program. The scholarship application form can be found on the Victoria Gold website (www.vitgoldcorp.com/properties/dublingulch/firstnationsinvolvement) or contact the NND Education and Training Department at (867) 996-2265, Ext. 136.

Yukon Heritage Fair



Victoria Gold was pleased to help support J.V. Clark School students participate in the annual Yukon Heritage Fair held May 1st at the Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre in Whitehorse.

This year's participants included:

- **Teya Seguin;** "Keno Then & Now"
- **Aliyah Sprokkreeff;** "The Hudson's Bay Company"
- **Jessie Collins;** "S.S. Keno"
- **Carmen Melancon;** "Al Mayo"; and
- **Devin Moses** who received a First Nations Cultural award for his display on "Little Dave".



Victoria Gold is a proud sponsor of the shiny new Visitors' Information Booth at Stewart Crossing.

NND Human Resource and Business Registries Has Your Contact Information Changed?

The NND Human Resource and Business Registries are both up and running. If your company's or your personal contact information has changed, please send updates to [Natasha Young natasha.young@nndfn.com](mailto:Natasha.Young@nndfn.com) or contact her at 867-996-2265 ext. 131.

The NND Human Resource Registry identifies NND citizens interested in jobs with Victoria Gold. The NND Business Registry will be used as part of Victoria Gold's contract tendering and procurement procedures.

Forms for the Registries are available on Victoria Gold's website or contact Natasha who will be happy to send you the forms and answer any of your questions.



Victoria Gold Information Bulletin Board

Be sure to check out the information posted on the Victoria Gold bulletin board located in the lobby of the Yukon Government Administrative building for job postings, upcoming community meetings, project updates, our monthly safety tip and much more.

Every Student, Every Day

A further \$46,000 awarded!

On April 17, the Victoria Gold Yukon Student Encouragement Society (VGYSES), with the in-kind support of Yukon Education, awarded \$46,000 from the *Every Student, Every Day* fund to seven projects for the 2014/15 school year.



Ministers Scott Kent and Currie Dixon deliver labour services which they put up for auction at the ESED Gala last October to help raise funds for the *Every Student Every Day* fund.

This is the second year that the VGYSES has invited schools, First Nations, and community groups to design projects to encourage their students to improve attendance at school and submit a proposal for funding. The VGYSES awarded \$46,124 towards student attendance projects as listed below:

Whitehorse: **F.H. Collins Secondary** - \$2,600.00; **Jack Hulland Elementary** - \$14,204.00; **Porter Creek Secondary** - \$13,000.00; **Selkirk Elementary School** - \$4,320.00; **Vanier Catholic School** - \$1,000.00; Watson Lake: **Johnson Elementary** - \$5,000.00; **Watson Lake Secondary** - \$6,000.00.

TOTAL: \$46,124.00

At the event, Education Minister Elaine Taylor announced "The partnership between Yukon

Education and the Victoria Gold Yukon Student Encouragement Society highlights how our community can come together to support our territory's students. We look forward to the continued success of *Every Student, Every Day* and working with the Society to support student achievement for years to come.

Mark your calendars: October 4, 2014 - The 3rd annual *Every Student, Every Day* fundraiser. For more information about the Society and how you can participate in the *Every Student, Every Day* initiative, please visit www.everystudenteveryday.ca

Victoria Gold NND CBA Financial Literacy Workshop – Report by Natasha Young

On May 13th and 14th a Financial Literacy Workshop was held at the NND Government House. This pilot project was presented by the Yukon Literacy Coalition in partnership with Victoria Gold and NND.

The topics covered were Exploring Money, Budgeting, Saving, Debt, Credit Basics and some discussion on our own personal finances. The materials covered were very informative and easy to understand. It's enlightening to look at your own finances with a different perspective. The instructor was great and added a personal flair by using herself as an example over the many topics discussed.

I recommend this workshop to anyone who has a desire to take control of their debt, savings, investments or anything to do with personal finances. I learned that to get out of debt its best to pay off your high interest debt as opposed to your high balance debt - a simple solution but one that I wouldn't have considered on my own. Depending on interest we will be hosting more workshops in the future.

Comments from workshop participants:

"The finance work shop was great, it offered lots of tools to be secure, financially. What I enjoyed the most was the team projects on different aspects of finance. This workshop would be great offered to grade 12s. It would help prepare them to budget and realize at a young adult age, the importance of finances."

"I never realized all of the minor details of everyday spending, and that credit cards had high interests. I don't know how much money I have actually given (thrown away) to banks and what not. This workshop was great, and I would like to take it again to really absorb all the knowledge the Yukon Literacy Coalition has to offer."

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

VICTORIA GOLD WAS PLEASED TO SPONSOR THE FOLLOWING EVENTS;

- MARCH 26, 27:** Fifth Annual Yukon First Nation Resource Conference, Whitehorse
- APRIL 14:** Victoria Gold Community Open House: Closure and Reclamation Planning for the Eagle Gold Project, Mayo
- APRIL 16:** NND Career Fair, Mayo
- APRIL 17:** *Every Student, Every Day* Fund Distributes Over \$46,000
- APRIL 30:** Presentation of the CBA Annual Implementation Report and meeting
- MAY 1:** Yukon Heritage Fair, Whitehorse.
- MAY 6-9:** Yukon Mining Week, Whitehorse
- MAY 16-18** Dawson Gold Show, Dawson City
- JUNE 20:** J.V. Clark School Awards Ceremony. Victoria Gold is proud to sponsor the annual elementary school attendance award.
- JUNE 21:** Midnight Marathon, Mayo
- JUNE 24** "Amazing Race BBQ" finale to the Walk the Peel walking program designed to teach participants about the Peel area, while encouraging them to be active,

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING EVENTS:

- JULY 1:** 3rd Annual Victoria Gold Canada Day Community BBQ, Mayo
- JULY 4-6:** NND General Assembly, Mayo
- AUGUST 11:** Victoria Gold CBA NND Scholarship Application Deadline for the 2014 fall semester
- OCTOBER 4:** *Every Student, Every Day* Gala Fundraiser, Whitehorse
- NOVEMBER 16-19:** Yukon Geoscience Forum & Trade Show, Whitehorse
- DECEMBER 5:** Victoria Gold CBA NND Scholarship Application Deadline for the 2015 winter semester

Do You Know Your CBA?

We invite you to enter a draw to win some Victoria Gold swag by submitting answers to the following questions to php@vitgoldcorp.com. Remember to include your full name and phone number. (Answers can be found in the CBA Report which are available from Natasha).

- 1) How many people are on the CBA Committee, who appoints them and how often are they required to meet? (hint: page 9)
- 2) What is the name of the person responsible for the administration and implementation of the CBA on behalf of the NND? (hint: page 3)
- 3) What projects and dollar values are approved for funding from the CBA budget in 2014? (hint: page 10)

Site Operations and Exploration Update



It was a very quiet winter at the Eagle Gold Project site as only the collection of environmental baseline data was conducted. The Haggart Creek access road was opened the week of April 14th in time for Victoria Gold's spring drill program.

Victoria Gold is currently conducting a 3000 metre HQ diamond drill program at the Olive target, approximately two km northeast of the Eagle deposit. The Olive drill program is primarily designed

to follow up on previously identified mineralization along strike and down dip, and to infill gaps in the existing drilling to allow for the calculation of a preliminary resource estimate.

Victoria Gold continues to collect environmental baseline data at the Eagle Gold Project with the assistance of Laberge Environmental Services and Ron Peter, NND CBA Environmental Monitor.

Water Use Licence Applications

In January, Victoria Gold submitted a Type B Water Use Licence (WUL) Amendment application to the Yukon Water Board (YWB). This is part of the phased approach to acquiring the licenses required to construct the future Eagle Gold Mine. The amended Type B WUL will allow for the construction of the Dublin Gulch diversion channel, increased septic field, an increase in water use for dust suppression and



Preparing the Water Use Licence application submission.

cement as well as the construction of the ice rich overburden storage area. The current project design submitted in the Type B WUL application has incorporated many of the NND's comments.

Victoria Gold is also continuing work to complete the Type A WUL application for the Eagle Gold Project. This application will cover the construction, operation and closure of the future Eagle Gold Consistency. Victoria Gold met with the NND Lands Department to review the draft Reclamation and Closure Plan objectives and held a public meeting on April 14th seeking public input on the proposed plan objectives.

WHAT'S NEXT

- * Water Use Licence applications
- * Exploration drilling at Olive
- * Secure Project Financing

PROJECT INFORMATION

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Sally Howson	COMMUNITY LIAISON
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Victoria Gold Corp. plans to design, construct, operate and close the Eagle Gold Project located northeast of Mayo, Yukon in the Dublin Gulch region. The Company is also furthering exploration work in the region. The Potato Hills Press provides progress information on these projects and was produced with thanks to contributors: Kelly Arychuk, Sally Howson, Mike Gunn, Natasha Young and Lenora Hobbis.

We welcome your comments and questions. For more information please contact us at php@vitgoldcorp.com

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