



UPPER BEAVER  
**PROJECT**



**OPEN HOUSE, BBQ & SITE TOURS  
SUMMARY REPORT  
JULY 19, 2025**

## UPPER BEAVER OPEN HOUSE, BBQ AND SITE TOUR DAY

| EVENT INFORMATION      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| DATE                   | July 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2025                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| TIME                   | 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| LOCATION               | Dobie Arena                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS | ~160 Participants                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| AGNICO EAGLE'S TEAM    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Sarah Morin, Manager, Environmental Permitting, Major Projects</li> <li>◆ Jason Plamondon, Upper Beaver Permitting Lead</li> <li>◆ Ian Laplante, Supervisor, Community Relations</li> <li>◆ Amy Danchuk, Senior Community Relations Coordinator</li> <li>◆ Shawna-Lee Enair-Fox, Community Relations Coordinator</li> <li>◆ Kishan Leakram, Upper Beaver Operations Manager</li> <li>◆ Serge Racicot, Superintendent, Construction</li> <li>◆ Dan Chisholm, Regional Exploration Supervisor</li> <li>◆ Jonathan Sutton, Exploration Coordinator</li> </ul>                                            |
| CONSULTANTS            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Dale Klodnicki, WSP (Fish and Fish Habitat Lead)</li> <li>◆ Derrick Moggy, WSP (Project Manager/Impact Assessment Lead)</li> <li>◆ Samantha Hughes, WSP (Senior Biologist) (title)</li> <li>◆ Joel Jameson, WSP (Terrestrial Biologist) (title)</li> <li>◆ Amy Elliot, WSP (Water Quality Specialist)</li> <li>◆ Joe Tomaselli, WSP (Acoustics, Noise and Vibration Engineer) (title)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| OBJECTIVES             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Provide an informal opportunity to meet the AEM teams and establish positive relationships with community members built on trust, mutual respect, and transparency.</li> <li>◆ To inform/update community members on the Upper Beaver Project's various components/activities.</li> <li>◆ To provide general information on main topics of concern to support community understanding.</li> <li>◆ To gather and document feedback and knowledge from community members related to the Project.</li> <li>◆ To provide site tours of the Upper Beaver project to participants who registered</li> </ul> |

## INTRODUCTION

Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. (Agnico Eagle) held a community BBQ at the Dobie Arena on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The goal was to put on a fun, informal event to connect with people in the community, provide updates on the Upper Beaver Project, offer an opportunity to tour the project site, and collect feedback from participants to inform the Impact Statement. An activity area was set up for kids and adults that had face painting, a bouncy obstacle course, cornhole and ladder toss games. The exploration staff served up hamburgers, hot dogs, and other refreshments throughout the day.

## OUTREACH and PROMOTION

Outreach for the event was conducted through a variety of communication channels to maximize awareness and participation.

- **Email Distribution:** An invitation was distributed on June 30, 2025, to over 150 individuals subscribed to receive project-related updates. The communication included event details and a registration link for site tours, offering multiple time slots for participants to select from. A follow-up reminder was issued to the same distribution list on July 14, 2025. – See Appendix I
- **Direct Mail & Community Distribution:** Postcards featuring event details and a QR code for site tour registration were delivered to approximately 5,200 homes across the local and surrounding communities. An additional 300 postcards were distributed to high-traffic businesses throughout the area to further increase visibility. – See Appendix II
- **Radio Advertising:** A total of 40 radio advertisements aired between July 7 and July 18, 2025, to promote the event more broadly within the community.
- **Social media:** The Agnico Eagle Ontario Facebook page was used to promote the event and included direct links for site tour registration to encourage online engagement and participation.

## BOOTHS

Inside the arena, participants could stop by seven different booths to learn about different aspects of the project and share their thoughts. This year, attendees received a Quiz Card upon entry related to each of the booths. Completed cards earned a reward, promoting active learning and engagement. A copy of the Quiz Card can be found in Appendix A. Additionally, a handout that included an overview of the arena layout was also provided to attendees to support navigating the event.

### 1. Welcome Table

At the event's welcome table, the Community Relations Coordinator greeted participants, handed out the quiz card and door prize tickets and distributed gifts. It was also a place where people could ask about Agnico Eagles' communication processes, sign up to the email distribution list, and receive information on employment opportunities. It also served as the meeting place for each site tour group to ensure everyone was equipped with the proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and received the visitor site induction prior to departing on the tour.

### 2. Upper Beaver Project - General Information Booth

#### Table 1: Advanced Exploration Phase

As the Upper Beaver Project is currently in the Advanced Exploration Phase, information was provided on current activities at site, as well as upcoming expected work. A large site layout of the Advanced Exploration project was prominently displayed to provide a visual of the overall infrastructure and design required.

## Table 2: Future Production Phase

Information was also provided on the potential future production phase, anticipated for as early as 2030. A large site layout of this phase was displayed to clearly demonstrate the differences between this phase and the current advanced exploration phase. General information was also provided on the underground and open pit development.

### 3. Exploration 101 Booth

The Exploration 101 Booth was a hit with attendees, drawing strong interest in the geology of the Upper Beaver area. Visitors were especially curious about the types of mineralization and deposit formations, sparking insightful conversations throughout the day. The booth welcomed several seasoned prospectors who shared specimens from their own properties, adding a personal and interactive touch to the experience.

### 4. Impact Assessment, Visual assessment, Transmission Line Booth

This booth provided an overview of the impact assessment process, including the preparation of the Impact Statement. Participants reviewed visual assessment materials showing how the project may appear from various viewpoints. The booth also offered attendees the opportunity to ask questions about the Impact Assessment process, the methodologies used in various assessments, and how results inform project planning. Information was shared on the proposed 115 kV transmission station and transmission line required for the production phase, and participants were invited to provide feedback on potential route options.

### 5. Water (Quality, Flow and Level, Fish and Fish Habitat)

This booth focused on sharing updated and detailed information related to water quality, flows and levels, and fish and fish habitats. It presented new insights into the draft Fish and Fish Habitat Offsetting and Compensation plan, along with data on surface water quality, anticipated water conditions at closure, and findings from baseline water quality reports. Attendees raised questions about upstream versus downstream impacts, monitoring activities, and potential effects on lake levels and nearby cottages. Concerns about groundwater interception and impacts on water well users were also addressed.



The booth explored operational water treatment strategies, including ammonia treatment and monitoring of key water parameters, while clarifying distinctions between phosphorus and phosphate. Questions about emergency spill planning and cumulative impacts from nearby projects were discussed, along with

the design storm criteria. Attendees were curious about whether a 40 km mixing zone, similar to the advanced exploration program, would be implemented and how mitigation efforts could reduce its extent.

Community concerns were also acknowledged, such as the deteriorating landing by Howard Lake and the potential for Agnico Eagle to support improvements.

Supporting materials included informative posters, sampling equipment, and a large interactive map helped illustrate flow paths and project proximity, sparking strong engagement. The booth received overwhelmingly positive feedback and praise for its clarity compared to other proponents' open houses. The overall mood was enthusiastic and constructive.

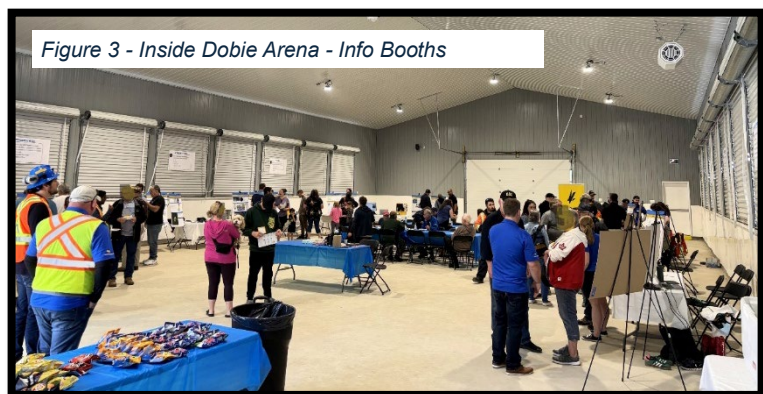
## **6. Atmospheric Environment (Air, Noise, Vibration, Light)**

This booth was dedicated to presenting updated information on the atmospheric environment, with a focus on air quality, noise, vibration, and ambient light. Visitors were able to review the latest air modelling results and gain insight into recent noise assessments. The booth also shared vibration data, including relevant details aligned with Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) requirements. While no new results were available for ambient light, the booth offered information on mitigation strategies to address potential impacts. To support understanding, the booth featured educational posters, specialized tools to illustrate light concepts, and monitoring equipment such as vibration meters and air and noise sensors. Subject matter experts Joe Tomaselli (Noise and Vibration) and Caleb Vandenberg (Air and Light) were available to guide discussions and answer questions.



## **7. Terrestrial Environment**

This booth centered on terrestrial environmental topics, with a particular emphasis on wildlife and habitat considerations. There was significant interest in discussing key areas such as bird populations, previous cougar sightings observed by community members, and wetland ecosystems. The booth offered attendees the opportunity to engage with experts, review existing information and raise questions or concerns related to potential impacts. Posters were available to support discussions and provided visual context for the topics being explored.



## SITE TOURS

In the event's announcement, people were invited to register for a site visit. Due to overwhelming community interest, the originally planned three site tours of the Upper Beaver Site, each capped at 21 participants, were expanded to include a fourth tour, underscoring the community's strong engagement and curiosity. Throughout the tours, participants were guided through several key pieces of infrastructure that form part of the Advanced Exploration activities currently underway, including the headframe and hoist buildings, the exploration portal, the water treatment plant, and the water retention ponds.

Feedback was highly positive. Attendees noted the quality and scale of work completed to date, the visible progress on site, and the professionalism of staff. Many valued the chance to speak directly with workers and engineers to learn more about current activities, especially related to water management. The site's cleanliness, safety culture, environmental focus, and strong sense of local pride were also consistently highlighted.

Overall, the experience fostered a deeper understanding of the development stages and left attendees feeling informed, inspired, and connected to the project's future.



*Figure 4 - Participants entering Tour Bus at Dobie Arena*



*Figure 5 - Tour Group at Exploration Ramp Portal*

## COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, CONCERNS AND IDEAS

Below is a summary of comments, questions, concerns, and ideas that were shared by participants throughout the day.

### Questions received regarding Tailings and Water Quality

- Tailings Mobilization: Inquiry about tailings; clarified dry stack tailings will be used.
- Effluent Treatment & Monitoring: Question about who monitors the site; clarified oversight by MECP ECA and MDMER.

### Questions/ Comments and Concerns Received Regarding Fish & Aquatic Habitat

- Walleye Spawning Decline: Local observation of reduced spawning at Pickerel Rapids over the past 30 years.
- Mercury in Fish Tissue: Concern about mercury monitoring and comparison to other lakes in Ontario.

### Questions regarding Housing & Infrastructure

- Housing for Agnico: Interest in building housing for company staff.
- Fire Department Site Tours: Suggestion for local fire department to assess water access points.

### Questions and Concerns Regarding Air Quality

- Air Monitoring: Question on how air quality is measured.
- Dust Exposure: Concern from Dobie resident about dust impact.

### Questions/ Interest in Terrestrial & Wildlife

- Wildlife Surveys: Strong interest in survey results and how they inform the impact statement.
- Backyard Biodiversity: Requests for personal advice on enhancing local biodiversity.

### Community Appreciation:

- Positive feedback on communication and hospitality.
- BBQ event praised for friendliness and quality.
- Appreciation for transparency and outreach efforts.

### General Sentiment

- Majority expressed no concerns and gave positive feedback about the tour and company.
- Comments included appreciation for the experience and praise for Agnico Eagle.

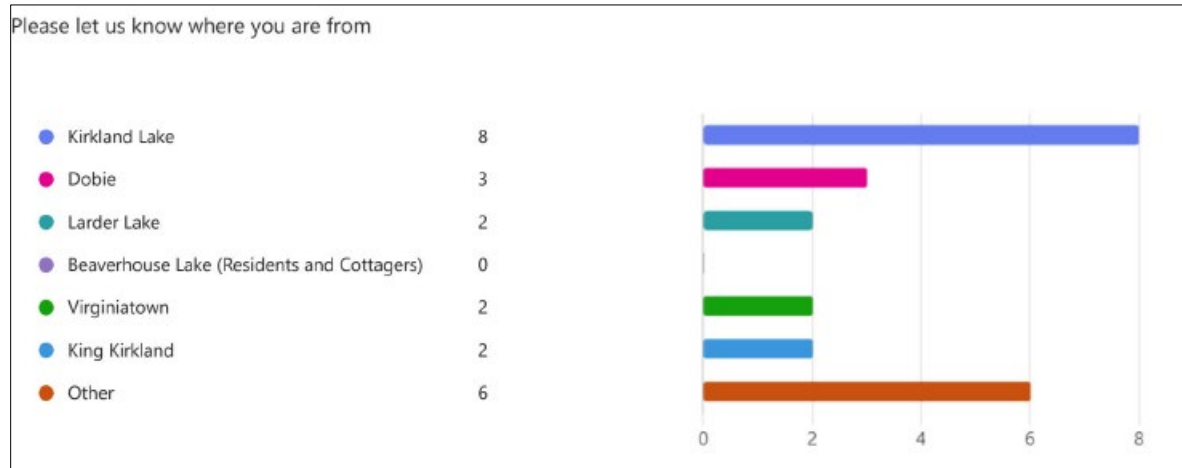
### Logistical Suggestions

- Request for more seating during events or tours.
- One attendee missed the Geology booth due to scheduling delays.
- Booths were sometimes understaffed, leading to long wait times.

- A group presentation was recommended to streamline information sharing and reduce one-on-one bottlenecks.

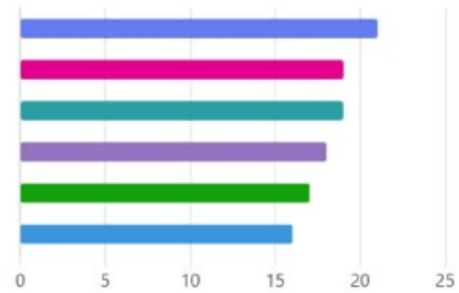
## EVENT EVALUATION

All registered participants received a link via email to complete a brief event evaluation feedback survey. 23 participants responded and provided feedback. Below is a summary of their feedback.



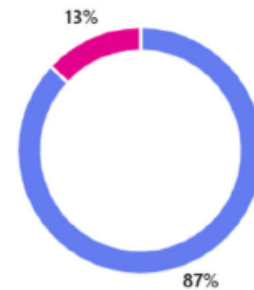
Which booths did you visit?

|                                                   |    |
|---------------------------------------------------|----|
| ● Upper Beaver Project Booth                      | 21 |
| ● Impact Assessment Booth                         | 19 |
| ● Exploration Booth                               | 19 |
| ● Water Booth                                     | 18 |
| ● Atmospheric Environment Booth (noise, air, etc) | 17 |
| ● Terrestrial Environment Booth                   | 16 |



How helpful was the information presented?

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| ● Very helpful                  | 20 |
| ● Somewhat helpful              | 3  |
| ● Neither helpful nor unhelpful | 0  |
| ● Somewhat unhelpful            | 0  |
| ● Very unhelpful                | 0  |



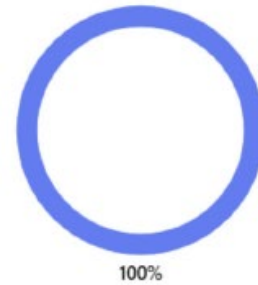
Did you feel your concerns/interests were addressed?

|       |    |
|-------|----|
| ● Yes | 23 |
| ● No  | 0  |



Did the tour help you better visualize the proposed Mine Project and its potential impacts?

|         |    |
|---------|----|
| ● Yes   | 23 |
| ● No    | 0  |
| ● Maybe | 0  |



What did you find most valuable about the site tour?

23  
Responses

Latest Responses

"Everything but definitely water treatment plant very impressive"

"The guides"

"The pride put into the project was very impressive."

...

respondents (17%) answered work for this question.

Amy Danchuck ramp drill trails site location workers about the work start of foundation recovery and treatment  
 local employees water treatment **work** impressive treatment plant  
 treatment building Upper Beaver valuable safety quality of work  
 good understanding bus driver General idea

Any suggestions for improvement?

16

Responses

Latest Responses

"It was difficult to hear the guides. Amy was amazing."

"No suggestions, just a compliment. Job well done keep up the excellent work."

...

8 respondents (19%) answered great for this question.

glasses working core samples grade gold silver samples tour great idea  
great job experience great Thanks  
rocks and mining Great experience great event rock samples grade bus pretty samples  
samples are not resource grade

## CONCLUSION

Overall, participant feedback indicated that the event was well received. Attendees noted that the coordination, clarity of information, and availability of family friendly activities contributed to a positive experience. Site tours of the Upper Beaver Project were also reported as a valuable component, offering participants a clearer understanding of current project activities.

Several attendees expressed interest in similar events being held in the future. The open format supported productive discussions, and many participants arrived with specific questions related to the project, suggesting a high level of community engagement.

In general, the event was viewed as an effective opportunity for sharing project updates while supporting dialogue and relationship building with community members.

# **APPENDIX I**

## **EMAIL INVITATIONS**



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## UPPER BEAVER PROJECT

### OPEN HOUSE




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**Event takes place at: 20 McPherson Street in Dobie - Outdoor arena (Big Red Barn)**

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- Sharing updated modeling results related to recent workshops
- Welcoming your questions, input, and local knowledge
- Offering a chance to visit the Upper Beaver Project site
- \* **Registration required for tour only.**
- Exhibiting information booths on the following topics:



See you at the Big Red Barn!

Exploration  
101

General  
Project  
Information

Impact  
Assessment

Water/  
Aquatic  
Environment

Atmospheric  
Environment

Terrestrial  
Environment

## SITE TOURS



**Register today! Tour spots are limited - Scan QR code or [CLICK HERE](#) to register!**

Tour participants must be at least 16 yrs of age.  
Tour will be conducted via bus.  
All participants must bring own steel toe boots to exit the bus.  
All other necessary PPE will be provided.  
3 tour times available: 11 a.m., 1 p.m., or 2:30 p.m.  
Questions? Email: [relations.upperbeaver@agnicoeagle.com](mailto:relations.upperbeaver@agnicoeagle.com)



If you have any questions or feedback you would like to share, please contact Amy Danchuk, Agnico Eagle's Community Relations Coordinator.



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## **APPENDIX II**

# **COMMUNITY INVITATION POSTCARDS**

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