

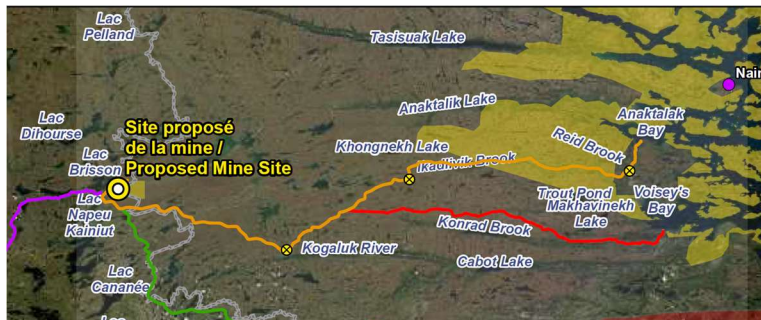


Public Notice to Beneficiaries

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On Friday, June 28, 2024 the Standing Committee of the Nunatsiavut Assembly on the Detailed Environmental Review with Respect to the Strange Lake Rare Earth Mining Project (“the Committee”) has received official notice that Torngat Metals Ltd. (TM, Formerly Quest Rare Earth Metals) withdrew its Registration Document for the Strange Lake Rare Earth Mining Project. The document was submitted to the Nunatsiavut Government as per regulations under the *Nunatsiavut Environmental Protection Act (NEPA)*, and the *Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement (LILCA)*.

Torngat Metal initially included in its registration document a road design including a section through *Labrador Inuit Lands (LIL)* (outlined in yellow below), triggering the requirement for an Environmental Review under the Nunatsiavut Environmental Protection Act. That design was presented to the Inuit communities of Nunatsiavut in the fall of 2023. After exploring other options outlined in the [Variants of the Access Road \(bit.ly/variants-road\)](https://bit.ly/variants-road), Torngat Metals has made the decision to change its design and select its “Option C1” leading to Voisey’s Bay, away from Edward’s Cove/Anaktalak Bay (highlighted below in red).



This new design, while still within the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area, does not cross into *LIL*. As detailed in the *Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement*, the legislative powers of the Nunatsiavut Assembly in terms of Environmental Assessment (and environmental reviews under the *NEPA*) only applies to **projects in Labrador Inuit Lands**, therefore the Committee will dissolve, and the Environmental Impact Statement Guidelines from the Committee are no longer required.

Nunatsiavut Government Staff will continue to engage with the federal and provincial governments as they continue the assessment of the project to ensure the voices of Labrador Inuit are heard. The Committee encourages Nunatsiavummiut to do the same.

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