

A news update from Noront Resources about development in the Ring of Fire

Message from Noront President & CEO

 Welcome to *Eagle's Eye*, a community newsletter we plan to publish every three months about what's happening as we make progress developing the Ring of Fire.

We get emails and calls every day from people who want to know “what’s going on?,” so we’re going to fill you in on what’s up, who’s involved and why we are choosing to do certain things. You’ll see employee interviews—beginning in this issue with a profile of Esker Camp Cook and Medic, Norma Achneepineskum—activity and exploration updates, project news and lots of photos.




Alan Coutts, Noront President & CEO

Everyone who knows Noront understands that we believe in the potential of the Ring of Fire. That’s why we’ve continued to stake claims and acquire companies when others have lost faith or can’t afford to continue. We also understand it is important to local communities that they participate in our project development and share in the benefits. These are some of the reasons we’re proud to have so many local workers. *(continued on next page)*



Elders from Marten Falls and Webequie visit the future site of the Eagle's Nest mine

Local Elders Visit Esker Camp

 Over the summer, we were happy to host elders from Marten Falls and Webequie First Nations for an overnight stay at Esker Camp and a tour of the site.

We kept everyone busy with a range of activities:

- ▶ Walked to the site and stood on the actual Eagle’s Nest deposit;
- ▶ Toured the core;
- ▶ Had a helicopter tour of all potential deposits in the area;
- ▶ Saw a presentation by CEO Alan Coutts; and
- ▶ Held a traditional ceremony with everyone at camp, led by two council members from Marten Falls and Webequie First Nations.

“The site tours were well-organized and informative and we felt very welcomed by Noront. Their hospitality was excellent, the presentations were translated into our local language by Scott Jacob, and the food prepared by Chef Norma Achneepineskum and her assistant Wilma Baxter was wonderful. Job well done!”

– Maria Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation
Community Communications Liaison Officer

Communities and young people are welcome to visit and learn more about the activities happening at camp. To arrange a visit please contact: Scott Jacob, Manager, Community Relations, scott.jacob@norontresources.com.

Employee Profile



NAME:
Norma Achneepineskum

COMMUNITY:
Marten Falls First Nation

JOB POSITION:
Noront Cook/Medic

What I Do.

I'm a full-time Remote Camp Cook and Medic at Esker Camp in the Ring of Fire.

My Typical Day.

I'm up at 5am to make everyone breakfast. When that's done, I do some baking and prepare lunch. Before you know it, it's lunch time!

Between meals, I check the first aid room and email.

I also keep track of our inventory, clean, stock and organize food for the next day's menu plan.

On my breaks, I go on the treadmill or take a nature walk (never too far). I also play pool and cribbage.

Then I start on supper.

When that is done, I get ready for bed so I can get up and do it all over again!

You work at a remote camp (fly in/fly out). What do you like about that?

My favourite part is the environment. It makes me feel at home and keeps my mind at peace. I love the people I work with and the new faces I meet. The energy is always positive. Laughter all around. I have the support of my co-workers. And we all get along. It makes you feel good to come back too after two weeks off!

What do you do on your days off?

I do a two weeks on/two weeks off rotation and usually spend time off with family, especially my nieces and nephews. We go for walks, take them to parks, go to movies, or plan weekend trips and just spend quality time together, to be their friend and their confidant. It's good for them to share with others, beside their parents, in case they need that person in the long run. I also go on road trips sometimes, just to get away from everything.

What made you choose this as your career?

It's funny because I applied for camp support worker first and thought cooking was part of that. I had done cooking in other places, but was always a second person in the kitchen. I find cooking puts me at ease, so when I saw there was an opening at Noront, I jumped on it and got in.

In the kitchen, everyday is a learning process because you have get to know people's likes and dislikes. We cannot please everyone, but we sure do our best.

What is something you always bring with you to work?

I always bring a positive attitude and a smile, oh and extra clothing. Always :)

We're Drilling Again!

 In mid-August Noront started actively drilling for the first time in three and half years. Cyr Drilling is completing the work in a joint venture with Webequie First Nation, providing revenue and high quality job opportunities for community members.

The drill hole itself, is located on a deep geophysical target near our Eagle's Nest deposit. How deep? Well, consider the CN Tower is 553 metres tall, and our target is 750 metres deep. That's deep!

We identified this target in Spring 2016 during our ground geophysical program, and similar to Eagle's Nest, it is thought to be nickel-copper sulfide. Geophysical surveys help us find favourable rock types and exploration targets, which is important in the muskeg-covered terrane of the Ring of Fire. Drilling will continue to a depth of 1300 metres, a goal we expect to reach soon. So stay tuned!

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Developing the Ring of Fire is complicated with First Nations, governments, and industry all wanting to participate and benefit. Eagle's Eye will attempt to make sense of everything that's happening and help our stakeholders understand the issues that we all face.

It is vital for us to communicate well and honestly with the people who are important to us—including local community members like you. We look forward to your feedback and questions. To comment, please visit us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, @NorontResources or email kaitlyn.ferris@norontresources.com.

Alan Coutts

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