



## Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment (HHERA)

A Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment (HHERA) for the New Afton Mine is underway. This project is a partnership between New Gold and SSN and aims to guide closure plans and remedial actions at the end of the mine life in order to protect the health and wellbeing of community members and all living things. This risk assessment reflects both western science and Indigenous knowledge systems in the context of SSN culture and values to determine the exposures and risks associated with the New Afton Mine.

Hum Consulting and CanNorth Environmental have been hired to conduct this study. Both Ame-Lia Tamburrini (Hum) and Ken Froese (CanNorth), supported the holistic health component of SSN's Environmental Assessment for the Ajax Mine. They are now seeking participation from the community so that they can accurately depict health pathways and understand how best health and wellness can be protected.

Opportunities for community input and guidance on the study will be coming soon, likely in the form of a survey to accommodated COVID protocols. Updates on engagement opportunities will be communicated through the SSN Facebook page and through the CH newsletter. Please reach out to Amanda Watson, SSN at 250-320-6624 or email: <u>amanda@stkemlupsemc.ca</u> or Ame-Lia Tamburrini, Hum Consulting at 250-885-4331 or email: <u>ame-lia@humconsulting.ca</u> if you have any questions.

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