

Hello Everyone,

The 2023 year is coming to an end and with that we would like to share a quick update on our work, including information on our next community meeting, an update on the environmental review process and highlights from recent news about the project!

Environmental Work



The environmental review process for the Tamarack Nickel Project is a rigorous, iterative and science-based consultation process. In June of 2023, Talon submitted its Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW). The Responsible Governmental Units (RGUs): the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MNDNR) and local Tribal governments are currently undergoing a meticulous review and comment period. Once this review is complete, there will be an opporutnity for public comment on the EAW before moving to the next phase of environmental review. For a detailed view on this process; including the comments and responses, timeline, EAW document and more, please visit the <u>MN DNR website.</u>



Community



Thanks to everyone that joined us for our last community event in the Tamarack City Park! It was a great opportunity for the community, Talon staff and their families to gather together and get to know one another. Good questions, great conversations & fun times had by all!

Upcoming Community Events:

Please join us for a recap of 2023 project activities and next steps for 2024 (Presentation, Food & Conversations)

> Location: Tamarack Sno-Flyers Building Date: Tuesday, December 12th, 2023 Pick your time: 12:00 p.m. or 5:30 p.m.



Community



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Department of Defense Announcement

In September, Talon entered into an agreement with the Department of Defense to accelerate and expand efforts to discover additional domestic supply of nickel for the growing US battery manufacturing base and defense related supply chains. Utilizing funds through the Defense Production Act, the Department of Defense will contribute funding to Talon's inhouse drilling and geophysics teams to purchase more equipment, hire additional employees and accelerate Talon's efforts to discover more nickel in the United States.

"This funding makes clear that domestic supply of nickel is a national security priority" said Henri van Rooyen, CEO of Talon.

For full details see press release dated September 12, 2023

Department of Energy- Funding Announcement

In November, US Department of Energy and Talon signed a definitive agreement, setting the terms, conditions and performance milestones for the over S114 million in grant funding that was created by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and awarded to Talon back in October, 2022. This funding was awarded to Talon's Battery Minerals Processing Facility that will be located in Mercer County, ND. This definitive agreement will allow Talon to immediately begin accessing the funding and set specific milestones for siting, design, permitting, community engagement, construction and commissioning of the Battery Minerals Processing Facility.

For full details see press release dated November 2, 2023



Talon Team



December marks Sierra Kryzer's one year work anniversary here at Talon. She has been working in our environmental team and assisting with Talon's community events. Šierra holds a biology degree from UMD and came to Talon from the Natural Resources and Research Institute in Duluth where her work specialized in aquatic ecosystems such as wetlands, streams, and AIS research. Sierra is an avid outdoorswoman who can often be found hiking in the woods, skiing in the mountains, or growing various varieties of vegetables in her greenhouse.

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