

Matachewan and Mattagami First Nations Grant Support for Next Stage of Development

Key Highlights

- Matachewan First Nation grants support for advancing the Edleston project
- Mattagami First Nation grants support as project moves into development
- Aston acknowledges Talon Resources and Community Development

Aston Minerals Limited (**ASX: ASO**, 'Aston Minerals' or 'the Company') is pleased to announce that it has received full support from both Matachewan First Nation and Mattagami First Nation communities to advance its project into the next stages of development. This milestone marks an important step in the Company's commitment to responsible and sustainable resource exploration and development.

Both Matachewan and Mattagami First Nations communities have been working closely with Aston Minerals in the development process, ensuring that their voices are heard, and their concerns addressed. This collaboration incorporates the traditional knowledge and values of the Indigenous communities.

Aston Managing Director, Russell Bradford, commented: *"Aston Minerals is immensely grateful to both the Matachewan and Mattagami First Nations communities for their support, which is nothing short of paramount for the long-term success of the project. Our team has long enjoyed the opportunity to work truly collaboratively with our local First Nations communities. The constructive dialogue continues to enable progress that is sympathetic to the environment as well as enabling mutually beneficial outcomes. We look forward to ongoing engagement as Aston Minerals moves into its next exciting phase and would like to thank Matachewan and Mattagami First Nations for their commitment of support".*

Chief Jason Batisse of Matachewan First Nation stated, *"Matachewan First Nation would like to acknowledge Aston Minerals on their engagement and consultation activities with the Matachewan First Nation. It's a pleasure to work with mineral development companies operating on our traditional territory who respect and acknowledge not only our way of life but also the importance of building a meaningful relationship within the community. We are confident that Aston Minerals will operate using sound environmental practices and that the exploration activities will provide ongoing benefit to the community. We look forward to continuing our relationship with Aston Minerals and advancing the Edleston Project."*

Chief Chad Boissoneau of Mattagami First Nation added, *"Mattagami First Nation is happy to be working closely with Aston Minerals towards the next stages of development. Our community is excited to develop a great working relationship and participate fully in the growth of this project. Aston*

Minerals has done a great job incorporating our values, wishes and needs, and we support this project as we go into the next stages.”

Aston Minerals is committed to upholding the highest standards in environmental protection and community engagement as it moves forward with the project. The support from Matachewan and Mattagami First Nations is a crucial step in ensuring the project's success and long-term sustainability.

In addition, Aston Minerals is proud to acknowledge its partnership with Talon Resources and Community Development Inc, the Company's First Nation community engagement consultant. Talon Resources has played a vital role in maintaining strong and positive relationships between both First Nations communities and Aston Minerals, helping to ensure that all parties are satisfied and engaged in the project's progress.

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Aston Minerals Limited.

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