

Exploring Critical Minerals for the New Green Economy

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MPDA Applauds Province's Commitment to Revenue Sharing with Indigenous Nations

WINNIPEG – The Manitoba Prospectors and Developers Association (MPDA) welcomes the provincial government's commitment to compensate Indigenous Nations for mining activity on their traditional territories.

In its recently released critical minerals strategy, the province commits to developing a revenue sharing model for mining in collaboration with Indigenous Nations.

"Government to government revenue sharing will make Manitoba a more progressive, competitive, and fair jurisdiction for mineral development," said MaryAnn Mihychuk, President of MPDA. "By sharing revenue, we unlock Manitoba's rich mineral potential while ensuring Indigenous Nations are rightly compensated. We commend the government for taking this important step forward."

Revenue sharing agreements, already in place in provinces such as Ontario and British Columbia, are considered key mechanisms for economic reconciliation and strengthening partnerships between Indigenous Nations and the mineral sector.

MPDA has long advocated for such a model in Manitoba – not only as a matter of equity, but also to streamline project approvals and enhance investor confidence.

The provincial government's critical minerals strategy, *Securing Our Critical Mineral Future*, outlines its intent to introduce revenue sharing, with consultations on the framework now underway.

"This decision reflects a meaningful commitment to building stronger partnerships and enabling Indigenous communities to shape their own economic futures," said Mihychuk. "This approach, already proven effective in other provinces, will ensure Indigenous Nations finally share in the benefits from mineral resource development on their lands."



Mihychuk added she is optimistic the government will enact further reforms to position Manitoba as a global leader in mining investment. Once ranked as the top jurisdiction worldwide by the Fraser Institute.

About MPDA

The Manitoba Prospectors and Developers Association (MPDA) is the leading voice for mineral exploration and development in Manitoba. MPDA promotes collaborative, efficient approaches to resource development that position the province as a premier destination for exploration and mining investment.