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**North Bay & District Chamber of Commerce Gives Failing  
Grade on Development of Ontario's Ring of Fire**

*Little progress made on development of resource-rich region in Ontario's Far North*

**North Bay, March 11, 2015:** A new report from the North Bay & District Chamber of Commerce and the Ontario Chamber of Commerce finds that permit delays, an absence of infrastructure, and intergovernmental quarrelling have stalled development in Ontario's Ring of Fire, the mineral resource-rich region in the province's Far North.

The report, *Where are we Now? A Report Card on the Ring of Fire*, evaluates progress against seven key challenges to development in the region. It finds that it will be years before a first mine is opened in the region.

The provincial government receives a failing grade when it comes to clearing the regulatory logjam. Delays in issuing exploration permits and approving environmental assessments are preventing mining firms from breaking ground on their projects.

The federal government also earns a failing grade, as it has yet to demonstrate that the Ring of Fire is a national economic development priority. Ottawa has declined to match the provincial government's commitment of \$1 billion for the development of transportation infrastructure.

The report also rebukes the lack of transparency in the negotiations between the Government of Ontario and the Matawa-member First Nations, which will outline an approach for resource extraction in the First Nations' traditional territories. The authors recommend that negotiating parties issue quarterly progress reports on these discussions.

"We have many mining support companies in the Region with some already retained to do work when the projects gets developed," says Jake Lacourse, President. "The Ring of Fire presents great opportunities here with staggering numbers of job creation and revenues."

Despite the slow pace of progress, the report finds that the business case for the Ring of Fire is strong. The report notes that the key indicators of the economic health of the Ring of Fire - including the prices for nickel and ferrochrome, and the demand for stainless steel - remain strong despite the global downturn in commodity prices.

"As an investment opportunity, the Ring of Fire's viability suffers every year that goes by without progress," says Allan O'Dette, President and CEO of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce. "Already, junior exploration firms are struggling to raise capital and are citing uncertainty in the investment community. This is hurting their ability to advance their projects."

The report proposes a series of actions must be taken by government to end delays in the region. Essential next steps include establishing agreements with First Nations, settling on an infrastructure plan, and issuing exploration permits.

"Not all the news is bad," adds O'Dette. "The provincial government has committed \$1 billion for transportation infrastructure, which is helpful. The recent joint commitment by the provincial and federal governments to a study of an east-west all-weather road in the Ring of Fire is also encouraging."

A previous study from the Ontario Chamber of Commerce found that the development of the Ring of Fire will generate \$9.4 billion in Gross Domestic Product, \$2 billion in government revenue, and sustain up to 5,500 jobs each year in the first 10 years of its development.

Read *Where Are We Now? A Report Card on the Ring of Fire*: [http://northbaychamber.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/Ring-of-Fire-Report\\_North-Bay.pdf](http://northbaychamber.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/Ring-of-Fire-Report_North-Bay.pdf)

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North Bay

Kiwanis  
Festival of Music

The North Bay Kiwanis Music Festival is celebrating its 50th Anniversary from April 13-24. Kiwanis International is celebrating its Centennial, 100 Years of Service 1915-2015. Three local venues are being used: Calvin Presbyterian Church, Chippewa Secondary School and Christ Church Anglican. Our Awards Evening Finale will take place Saturday May 09.

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Dinner: 7pm to be followed by a silent and live auction

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS DAY – APRIL 22, 2015



## WELLNESS DAY

### WORK ESSENTIALS for SUCCESS

#### TICKETS

\$ 125.00 Day  
\$ 40.00 Lunch  
All registrations must be received  
by Friday, April 17, 2015

#### WHEN

Wednesday, April 22  
8:30 registration

#### VENUE

Clarion Resort – Founders Rm  
Pinewood Park Dr., North Bay

#### SCHEDULE

8:30 Registration  
9:00 Success Principles  
Part I  
10:00 Break  
10:30 Success Principles  
Part II  
12:00 Lunch Event  
Including speakers  
Dr. Giles and Dr. Kelly  
2:00 Success Principles  
Part III  
3:30 Celebrate Yourself

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Community Counselling  
Centre of Nipissing  
361 McIntyre Street East  
North Bay, ON  
P1B 1C9

#### Method of Payment:

Cheque Enclosed  Payment to follow in mail

#### Cost:

\$125.00/person for the day.  
\$40.00/person for lunch only

Payment by cheque only, payable to: Community Counselling Centre of Nipissing

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**March 18, 2015 at 6 pm at**



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Young Entrepreneurs  
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