

PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

We, the undersigned, citizens of Canada draw the attention of the House to the following:

THAT,

Whereas Kipawa Lake and the surrounding areas have significant economic value as a wilderness area;

Whereas the cultural and historical significance of Kipawa Lake and the surrounding areas to the Algonquin First Nation must take priority over any potential mining projects;

Whereas mining projects risk irreversibly destroying this fragile ecosystem, including damage to local flora and fauna as well as to human health;

Whereas no rare earths mining project has operated in the world without significant damage to the environment and to human health;

Whereas Canada's environmental laws were not drafted to protect against the unique risks of exploration and mining for rare earth minerals, and are not sufficient to protect the fragile Kipawa Lake system in the face of the current proposal;

THEREFORE,

Your petitioners call on the House of Commons to,

Recognize the unique ecological, cultural, and historic value of the Kipawa Lakes system and act to protect this area for future generations by denying approval to Matamec Explorations Inc. for the Kipawa Rare Earths Project.

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