



## Grand Goose Opening

B2Gold Nunavut was excited to host the official Grand Goose Mine Opening Celebrations September 4-5, 2025 at the Goose Site and in Cambridge Bay.

Thank you to all who joined for the occasion to celebrate.



## Community Tour

Members from the B2Gold Nunavut Recruitment and Indigenous & Northern Affairs teams visited Kugaaruk, Taloyoak, Gjoa Haven, Cambridge Bay and Kugluktuk from August 11-15 for the annual Community Tour. During the week there were over 430 people that came out to public presentations and 19 individuals signed employment contracts with B2Gold Nunavut.



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## ■ Employment Opportunities

<https://www.b2gold.com/careers>

Resume Submission:

[nunavut.recruitment@b2gold.com](mailto:nunavut.recruitment@b2gold.com)

## ■ Stakeholder Grievances

Concerns about the Project can be directed to [BR.Grievance@b2gold.com](mailto:BR.Grievance@b2gold.com)

# IIBA Newsletter

2025

## Mine Update

- The Goose Mine achieved first gold pour on June 30, 2025.
- The Goose Mine achieved commercial production on October 2, 2025.
- Infrastructure development continues at both the Goose Mine Site and the Marine Laydown Area.
- Planning for the 2026 Winter Ice Road is well underway.

## Introduction

B2Gold Back River Corp. (B2Gold Nunavut) and the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA) are pleased to share another Back River Project Inuit Impact & Benefit Agreement (IIBA) Newsletter.

This newsletter showcases highlights and updates from 2025 about the Goose Mine as well as information about implementation of the IIBA.

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## Employee Spotlight

### Name and Position:

Shavonne Analok, housekeeping/laundry attendant at the Goose Mine in Nunavut.

### Where are you from?

Cambridge Bay.

### Is this your first job in the mining Industry?

Yes, this is my first job working for a mining company. Before this I worked in housekeeping for a company in Cambridge Bay.

### What transferable skills do you think you learnt at those past jobs that you have brought to B2Gold?

I think I have learnt a lot about time management—especially working for housekeeping 12 hours a day. It has helped me get into the routine of work life at a remote mining camp.

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### What do you like about your job?

I like training new employees and helping them get familiar with work and how things are done properly here on site.

### What Training/Education did you take to get into the current role?

I am a visual learner, as a lot of Inuit are, so I learned from a previous employer in Cambridge Bay, where I was also a housekeeper. It taught me a lot of skills that I use in my current position. I am also taking advantage of B2Gold Nunavut's Career Development Program and I'm working towards advancing my career at the Goose Mine.

### What do you do on your time off from work?

I like to spend time with family as much as possible.

### What is your advice to people who may want to get into the Mining Industry or work at B2Gold?

With the cost of living in Nunavut, working here in the mine has been very beneficial for me. I work on a three-week rotation, so it was a very big adjustment working 12 hours a day for 3 weeks straight, but there is support if needed and having the recreation/lounge room to socialise with friends has been helpful as well.

## Investing in Kitikmeot Housing

B2Gold has committed CAD \$10 Million and sealift support to construct public housing in all Kitikmeot Communities. For the remainder of 2025, B2Gold will be working with the Government of Nunavut to develop an agreement that ensures these funds support public housing construction in Kitikmeot communities.

## Kitikmeot Social Investment Program

The Kitikmeot Social Investment Program launched in September 2025 and aims to support long-term sustainable initiatives that ensure Project benefits reach Kitikmeot Inuit and Communities by investing in: Education & Training, Community Wellness, Inuit Traditional Lifestyles, Inuit Small Business Development and Climate Change Resiliency. See more here: <https://bit.ly/3LGOTwh>

## KIA Career Services Initiative

Supporting Inuit who aspire to work in the mining industry is a key priority for the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA). Recently, graduates of the Introduction to Mining Programs held in Kugaaruk and Cambridge Bay were invited to take part in a 12-week Underground Miner Program at Aurora College in Fort Smith, NT.

This training opportunity was made possible through generous funding from B2Gold Nunavut and Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd, with coordination provided by KIA. The participants are set to graduate on November 7, and we eagerly anticipate seeing them embark on fulfilling careers in the mining sector.

Notably, this marks the first time a full cohort from the Kitikmeot Region has participated in the Underground Miner Program. The KIA and the Career Services Team commend these individuals for their dedication and for proudly representing their communities. Their achievements are a testament to the strength and potential of the Kitikmeot Region.

