

Two representatives from Osisko Metals met with residents to present various topics. Approximately 130 people, mostly from Murdochville, attended. The topics covered were:

- The 2025 drill plan and proposed mitigation measures to reduce noise, and the presence of workers in the community
- The continuation of studies for the dewatering of the Copper open pit
- Activities planned for spring and summer 2025 regarding the start of field inventories to identify the flora and fauna around the project site;

The head of the economic benefits maximization committee set up and managed by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forests was also present to explain the mandate, the composition and the activities of this committee, which is not the responsibility of Osisko Metals. Information about this committee is available on the Côte de Gaspé Chamber of Commerce website:

<https://www.commercecotedegaspe.org/actualites/comite-de-maximisation-desretombees-economiques-de-mines---bottin-des-entreprises>



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## Highlights of the meetings with the community

### Key information provided by Osisko Metals:

- Definition drilling is concentrated south of the Copper pit and is designed to define the mineralized zone. Exploration drilling is located outside the mining concession, along logging roads. The necessary permits for this drilling are expected soon. Drilling will take place during the summer and outside the hunting season



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- Noise-reducing curtains will be installed on the drills operating on the city side of the mountain, and sound level meters will be installed in the city to monitor the noise environment. In the event of a disturbance, the public is invited to contact Osisko Metals.
- Heavy machinery (excavators, bulldozers) that prepare access for the drill areas work between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. The machinery will mostly be equipped with white noise reversing alarms.
- New workers participating in the drilling operations will be made aware of the need to respect the peace and safety of Murdochville residents upon their arrival. Safety reminders will be given regularly by team leaders..
- Osisko Metals will organize visits to the drill sites for Murdochville residents who are interested.
- Regarding pit dewatering, the firm AtkinsRéalis has been given the mandate to identify ways to lower the metal concentration in the water. Salmon populations downstream of the mine site are sensitive, and it is important to preserve their health. The dewatering technical and advisory committee is active and meets regularly. Meeting summaries are available on the Osisko Metals website (on the community page). More work is scheduled to fully understand the York River and plan for safe dewatering.



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## Some of the topics covered during the discussion periods:

- Clarification was provided on the location of the current drilling in relation to previous work on the site;
- Ways of taking into account natural habitat disturbances due to forestry activities or wind turbines in impact studies were discussed;
- The importance of local economic benefits was highlighted, as well as the development of local expertise;
- The possibility of continuing recreational tourism activities on Mount Porphyry in the coming years was discussed.

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