# Mining in Saskatchewan: Supporting Local & Global Communities



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Saskatchewan Mining Association

#### SASKATCHEWAN MINING ASSOCIATION

- Voice of the Saskatchewan mining industry.
- Mission: Advance a safe, sustainable and globally competitive mining industry in Saskatchewan that benefits all residents of the province
- Over 45 Member companies including producers and exploration companies:
  - Nutrien, Mosaic, Cameco, Orano, Westmoreland Coal, SSR Mining, HudBay Minerals, BHP Billiton, K+S Potash Canada Inc., Denison, Rio Tinto, Star Diamonds, NSC Minerals, NexGen Energy, Fission, and dozens of exploration and mining contractor companies.
- Roles: Advocacy & Outreach Government; Public (Education); Member







# SASKATCHEWAN - CANADIAN & GLOBAL LEADER IN MINING - 2018



#1
Canadian
Mineral
Investment
Attraction
#3 Global



#1
Potash
Producer
Global
(30%)



#2 Uranium Producer Global (22%)



#4
Value of
Mineral
Product
\$6.7B
(ON, QB,
BC)



#1
Industrial
Employer
of
Indigenous
people



#4 Canadian Expln \$247 (ON, QB, BC)



Leading
Client of Rail
and Vessel
Transport
(Value &
Volume)



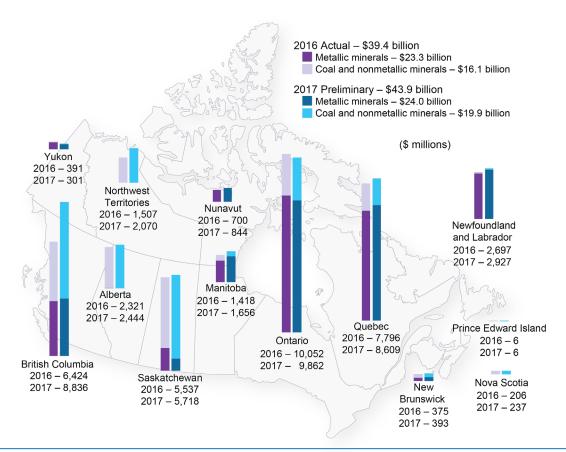
### **CANADIAN MINERAL PRODUCTION**

- Total value of mineral production in Canada in 2018 increased to \$47B
- •Gold #1 MVP commodity by value of production (\$9.6B); potash #3 @ \$5.7B
- •SK continues to be Canadian jurisdiction to be world leading producer in 2 commodities potash and uranium

Canada's Top Minerals	Value (\$B) 2018 (\$47B)	Value (\$B) 2017 (\$45B)
Gold	9.6	8.8
Coal	6.4	6.2
Potash	5.7	4.8
Iron Ore	4.8	3.8
Copper	4.5	4.7
Nickel	3.0	2.8
Diamonds	2.7	2.7
Uranium	.66	1.4



## **CANADIAN MINERAL PRODUCTION (2017)**

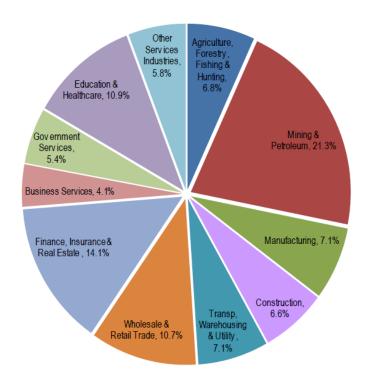


Ontario, (\$9.86B), BC (\$8.84B) QB (\$8.6 B) and SK (\$5.7 B) top 4 mineral producing jurisdictions (75% value of Canadian mineral production



#### SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS

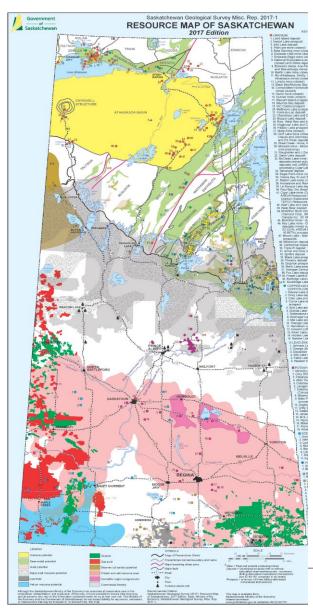
Mining: 2017 SK GDP - \$7 B (8.5%)



2017 percentage of Real GDP by sector (CANSIM Table 379-0030, Statistics Canada, 2017)



### SK NATURAL ADVANTAGE



- >23 SK mine facilities
- Geology is SK Advantage world class deposits
  - ✓ Potash
  - ✓ Uranium
  - ✓ Diamonds
- Skilled & Trained Labour Force
- Strong supply chain
- Government Policy (?)



# SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS Corporate Offices (sample)







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### SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS

# Geography of SK Mining Suppliers (2014) - \$1.1 B sales

Region	Company Count	Employees
<b>Saskatoon Region</b>	137	8,755
Regina Region	41	4,115
Northern Region	16	605
<b>Estevan Region</b>	8	66
<b>Western Region</b>	7	84
Yorkton/Esterhazy Region	15	673
<b>Provincial Total</b>	224*	14,298



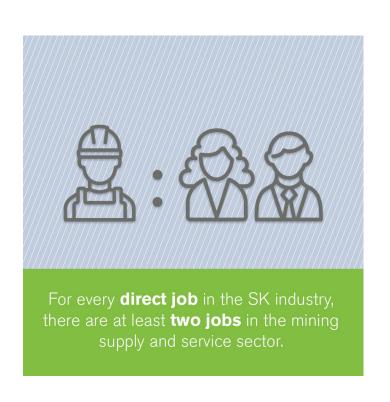
# SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS Direct Employment & Payroll







## SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS Employment



= > 30,000 employees



## SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS

#### **Business Support – SK Procurement**

= \$5 B Total





# SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS Indigenous Engagement









### SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS

#### **Supporting local Communities**



In 2018 SK mining operations made over **\$22 million** in social and community contributions.

#### Sample:

- **✓** STARS
- ✓ Saskatchewan Children's Hospital & local hospitals
- ✓ Event Complex Mosaic Place; Wanuskewin
- ✓ Breakfast Clubs & Food Banks
- ✓ Habitat for Humanity
- √ Children's Wish Foundation
- ✓ Step Up for Mental Health
- ✓ Souls Harbour Rescue Mission

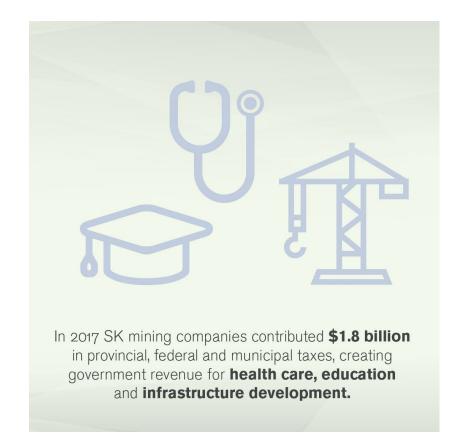


### SK MINING BY THE NUMBERS

**Revenues to Governments (annual)** 

\$1.8B

- ✓ Hospitals SK Children's hospital (~\$200M)
- ✓ Education \$95 M to replace 9 schools in Regina, Moose Jaw, Stoon, Rosthern, Weyburn
- ✓ Highways \$208M for highway safety infrastructure
  Public Safety \$100M − crime
- prevention and wildfire prevention





#### STATE OF SK MINING

- Between 2008 2015 >\$25 B capital expansions invested in brownfield and greenfield mines
- 3 new potash headframes (Mosaic K3, Nutrien Scissors Ck, BHP Jansen)
- 1 new solution potash mine (K+S Potash Bethune);
- 1 new uranium mine (Cigar Lake) and 1 refurbished mill (McClean) BUT
- Long term suspension of operations Rabbit Lake and more recently McArthur River Key Lake (Jan 2018 – indeterminant suspension)
- >\$200 M/yr Exploration Investment



#### **POTASH PRODUCERS**

- •11 producing mines
  - •(8 underground; and 3 solution)
- 3 producing companies:
  - •Nutrien (6) Mosaic (4) K+S Potash Canada (1)
- •2018 production 22.5 M t KCl
- •By 2020 brownfield expansion capacity increase of 90% over 2004 values at cost of over \$15 B.
- Greenfield
  - -K+S 2017 production (2.8M)
  - −BHP Billiton 2023? (8 12 M?)
  - -Western Potash





#### **URANIUM PRODUCERS**



- 100% of Canadian production;
   22% global production in 2017
- 18.2 M lbs U3O8 in 2018;
   (~50% decrease from 2017)
- 1 operating mines in 2018
- Cigar Lake/ McClean lake (~18 M lbs)
- McArthur River/Key world's largest, high grade mine announced indefinite suspension in July 2017)
- Eagle Point/Rabbit production suspended in 1Q 2016



### COAL

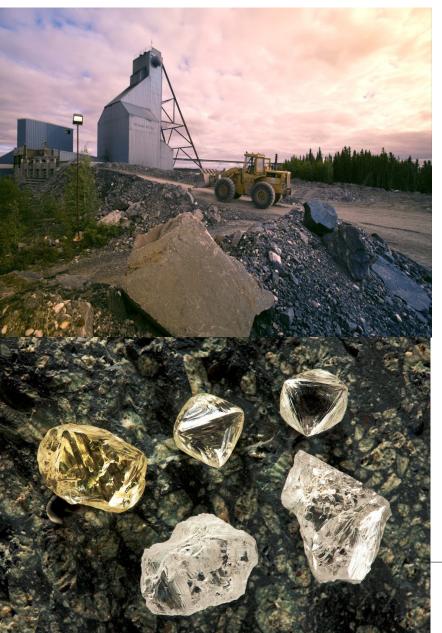
- SK primary source of baseload power supply (44%)
- 2 Lignite coal strip mines in the Estevan & Coronach areas (Estevan and Poplar River – Westmoreland Coal)
- Clean Coal Technology Project Estevan (\$1.4B) (CCS capture 2 M tonnes CO2 = capture emissions from 500,000 cars)





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## GOLD/DIAMONDS



#### GOLD SSR Mining - Seabee Mine & Santoy 8

- Surpassed 1 M oz Au production Aug 2012
- 2018 record gold production of 95,602 oz

#### Diamonds (Advanced Expl)

- Fort a la Corne world's largest diamond –bearing kimberlite field – Rio Tinto option with Star Diamonds to earn 60% in June 2017
- Rio Tinto additional bulk sampling in 2019
- Pelican Narrows region



# GLOBAL POTASH & URANIUM OUTLOOK REALITY CHECK – COMMODITY PRICES





- Reduced growth in global markets
- Undisciplined production high inventories
- Overall declining commodity prices
- 2016 -18
  - cost control measures
  - reductions/suspensions in operations
  - maximize production at lowest cost/Tier 1 assets
  - Cancellation of contracts (TEPCO)
- "Merger of equals" PotashCorp + Agrium = Nutrien Ltd.
- Commodity Price (Takers) 2018
  - •U3O8 rebound to \$25.20 (May/19);
  - •KCl inventory drawdown; >fert intensive crop; upward price \$US226 rebound to \$US331



**Challenges to Global Competitiveness** 

#### **Recent/New Federal Costs**



- Carbon Tax
- Clean Fuel Standard Tax
- Regulatory Compliance Costs & Cost Recovery



#### **Recent New Provincial Costs**

- Reduction in Saskatchewan Resource Credit from 1.0 to 0.75%
- Changes to Potash Royalty System 2013-14 & 2019-20 Budget (\$117M)
- 6% PST on construction and real property services (\$10 - \$100's M)
- Increased fees in The Resource Lands
   Regulations increased costs of over \$25 million in new fees (405% increase) in two years to companies operating in NAD ongoing







## **FUTURE ECONOMY - China, India,**

Africa & "Clean Economy"

- BUT Positive Long Term Fundamentals
- SK uniquely situated to feed and fuel the world
- DRIVERS:
  - ✓ GROWING GLOBAL POPULATION
  - ✓ CLIMATE CHANGE
  - ✓ BASELOAD ENERGY SECURITY
- MINERS MATH = > FOOD + > CLEAN
   ENERGY ON < LAND</li>
- Limited local potash and uranium resources
- Growing industrialized middle class (9.2 B by 2050)
  - China consumed 5% of world's base metals in 1980s v ~30% today
- Trade Agreements
- Federal Nuclear Cooperation Agreements China and India
- Canada European Free Trade Agreement







# Sask Resources Key to Global Sustainability

- 1. Food Security: In the next 40 years the equivalent of all of the food produced in the last 10,000 years
- Crop production must increase by 70% by 2050

#### 2. Energy Security

- Globally, 1 billion people still live without electricity. Access to energy is essential to reduce poverty.
- Energy consumption increase by 75% by 2040 with 60% of growth in non-OECD countries
- Strong nuclear growth
  - 55 reactors under construction





### **GREEN REVOLUTION – AFRICA**



-Simnai and Phillip Tshuma, farmers from Zimbabwe; drought year but harvest 50% >than in 2015 – targeted microdose of fertilizer

-130% increase in fertilizer usage in Africa since 2008

-effective policies, new farming methods, improved inputs have improved harvest & reduced poverty

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#### CLEAN ECONOMY – CHINA & NUCLEAR



- -Mainland China electricity is predominantly produced from fossil fuels (coal 73%).
- -Rapid growth in demand resulted in power shortages; smog/pollution from fossil fuels has resulted in economic loss of 6% GDP
- -Government of China prioritized move away from coal into clean fuels including nuclear capacity of 120 150 GWe by 2030 (8 10% of electricity from current state of 3.5%)

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-Currently ~45 nuclear reactors in operation with 17 under construction and more planned

## MINING AND PUBLIC SUPPORT



#### 2016 Survey of 1000 SK residents says:

- 89% are supportive of mining industry
- 97% believe it is important to the province
- 75% are confident in the regulatory process.
- EA Reviews and licensing hearing are inclusive Indigenous communities and leaders encouraged and supported in participating

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#### WHERE WILL RESOURCES COME FROM?

#### We Know

- ✓ Future Global Demand for potash and uranium
- ✓ Saskatchewan can SUPPLY potash and uranium for decades
- ✓ Mining companies in SK have a smaller environmental footprint than global competitors (GHG emissions, water usage)
- Mining Companies in SK provide greater social benefits to local communities (employment, business, community support) than global competitors

#### **TBD**

✓ Can mining operations in SK remain globally competitive with ongoing cost increases



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