

# GENERATION PGM

## News Brief

### Plant and Seed Collection at Marathon

A seed and plant collection program took place this September as part of the ongoing Country Foods study at the Marathon Palladium-Copper Project. The Country Foods program has been designed as an ongoing commitment to protecting the environment and the health and safety of local communities.

Plant species including herbs, grasses, shrubs and trees were identified by communities as important for cultural, medicinal, or traditional purposes. Seeds were harvested throughout the proposed Project Footprint from these various species and dried in paper bags, labelled, and frozen for future use, including some additional species to be used for progressive rehabilitation during closure. Seed packages were created to be planted in community and school gardens in the spring.



Country Foods sampling also took place at locations outside the proposed Project Footprint to be used as reference stations. These stations will be monitored on an ongoing basis throughout Project operations. The 5 major target species identified by communities as important for consumption, medicinal, or traditional purposes include:

- Labrador Tea
- Blueberry
- Birch
- Bunchberry
- Raspberry

**We appreciate the feedback on Country Foods that helped put this program together. We look forward to continuing to collaborate with communities as we progress through the Project!**

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