# UPDATE OF THE CORPORATE ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY

2024



Key milestones



2020

Environmental and Climate Change Strategy drafted

2021

Environmental and Climate Change Strategy approved by the Board of Directors

Updated Environmental and Climate Change Strategy (divided into mandatory and voluntary parts) approved by the Board of Directors

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2023

Annual strategy update carried out in line with the directive of the President of Nornickel (the "Company")

### **Mandatory part of the Strategy**

#### (compliance with environmental laws, regulatory requirements, and Company obligations)

				Updated value	es
	Element	Proposed updated targets	Baseline 2020	Actual 2023	Targets 2031
	Emergencies	Number of interregional and federal emergencies affecting the environment in the regions of operation	1	0	0
ċ	Air	$SO_2$ emissions, kt Reduction of $SO_2$ emissions, % <sup>3</sup>	1,911 <sup>4</sup> 0%	1,671 7%	213 90%
	Water	Compliance with the Russian standards as regards pollutant concentration in discharges	_	59%	100%
		Compliance with fresh water withdrawal limits <sup>7</sup> , %	100%	100%	100%
	Tailings and waste	Compliance of waste disposal facilities with Russian regulations	95%	90%	100%
	Land	Rehabilitation of disturbed territories in 2022–2031 (reclamation <sup>1</sup> , reforestation <sup>2</sup> , sanitation, landscaping, ha)	0	247	3,996
	Biodiversity	Achievement of net zero biodiversity losses as a result of the Company's operations ( $\Delta$ Integral Indicator of Ecosystem Health (IIEH)) <sup>5</sup>	0.89	0 6	≥ 0
	Stock exchange requirements	Compliance of Nornickel Harjavalta's suppliers with stock exchange requirements (London Metal Exchange, Shanghai Futures Exchange, etc.)	_	_	100%

1. Activities to prevent land degradation and/or to restore its fertility by making it fit for its initial purpose and permitted use, including inter alia by rectifying the implications of soil pollution, restoring fertile soil layer, and protective forest planting. 2. Reforestation in Trans-Baikal Division only. 3. Against the 2015 base year. 4. Baseline (2015) 5. Calculated as  $\Delta$  IIEH = IIEH<sub>rep</sub> – IIEH<sub>base</sub>, i.e. the difference in IIEH of the reporting year relative to the baseline year of the survey. 6. Baseline indicator of IIEH<sub>base</sub> of 2022. 7. Installation of metering devices as per the water use agreement.

### Water Compliance with the Russian standards as regards pollutant concentration in discharges





#### Construction completion and commissioning outcomes

treatment facilities in the Norilsk Industrial District constructed and launched *since 2021* 

#### **Over 6.5** mln m<sup>3</sup>/year

industrial wastewater treated in Norilsk's industrial zone



total cost of projects

# **46**

treatment facilities scheduled for reconstruction/repair and commissioning by 2031

#### Over 15

wastewater treatment projects currently at various stages of implementation (at Mayak, effluent discharge points to Komsomolsky, Oktyabrsky, Anhydride, Zapolyarny, Kayerkansky mines, Monchegorsk and other sites)

× 11

be eliminated by 2031

### Waste

## Compliance of waste disposal facilities (WDF) with Russian regulations

- **5** compliance assessment criteria
  - □ Waste management licence in place
  - □ WDF design documentation developed and approved following state environmental expert review (for facilities commissioned after 2008)
  - □ WDF registered in the state waste disposal facility registry
  - □ Sanitary buffer zone established around the WDF
  - □ No outstanding orders issued by environmental authorities



*In 2024, a 5.8 ha industrial waste landfill with a capacity of 26.8 ktpa was commissioned in Monchegorsk* 



Industrial Waste Dump No. 3, Norilsk. In November 2024, the environmental certificate of compliance for a capital construction facility was obtained, certifying adherence to approved design documentation that has passed the state environmental expert review

• Industrial Waste Dumps No. 1 and 2 (Polar Division) and the Lebyazhye tailing dam (Medvezhy Ruchey LLC) are subject to outstanding orders issued by environmental authorities

# Biodiversity

Goal: no negative changes in ecosystem health relative to the baseline year, tracked through  $\Delta$  IIEH

#### Goal 2031: $\triangle$ IIEH $\ge$ 0

#### Key projects:

Conducting three-year scientific studies to establish baselines and identify and assess biodiversity impacts

Transitioning from centralised Head Office-led research to continuous divisional-level monitoring

Evaluating ecosystem services at sites of Polar and Energy Divisions

Implementing divisional biodiversity conservation initiatives

Ongoing support for specially protected natural areas across the regions of operation

Maintaining biodiversity indicators at current levels

Biodiversity conservation and monitoring in 2022–2031:



Annual monitoring assesses positive/negative changes via the delta ( $\Delta$ ) of the Integral Indicator of Ecosystem Health (IIEH)

Division	Initiative	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
DIVISION	Inddive								2025	2030 ••••	Goal
Norilsk Division	Biodiversity monitoring	IIEH <sub>base</sub> = 0.826	Δ=0	Δ=0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆=+0.001	Δ=+0.005	Δ=+0.01
Kola MMC	Biodiversity monitoring	$\begin{array}{l} \text{IIEH}_{\text{base}} \\ = 0.93 \end{array}$	Δ=0	Δ=0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	Δ=+0.001	∆=+0.005	Δ=+0.01
GRK Bystrinskoye	Biodiversity monitoring	IIEH <sub>base</sub> = 0.913	Δ=0	Δ=0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0
Energy Division	Biodiversity monitoring	IIEH <sub>base</sub> = 1	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	∆≥0	Δ≥0

The baseline value is set as  $IIEH_{base}$  for 2022. Each reporting year's actual value is calculated using the formula:  $\Delta IIEH = IIEH_{rep} - IIEH_{base'}$  i.e. the difference between the reporting year's IIEH and the baseline year's IIEH. An increase in biodiversity is anticipated due to the implementation of the Sulphur Project in Norilsk and the decommissioning of the smelter shop in Nickel. This recovery is expected as ecosystems self-restore following the elimination of the stress factor.

### Mandatory part of the Strategy 204 measures, with a total indicative budget of RUB 248 bn for 2025–2031<sup>1</sup>

9 targets

	204 measures Mandatory part of the Environmental and Climate Change Strategy					
		9 goals	7 goals	9 goals	7 goals	7 goals
	Division's programme	Polar Division (Norilsk)	Energy Division	Polar Division (Kola MMC)	Trans-Baikal Division	Logistic Division
		<b>80</b> measures	<b>37</b> measures	<b>43</b> measures	7 measures	<b>37</b> measures
				Division-level measures		
	Water	36 measures	24 measures	8 measures	2 measures	18 measures
	Air	11 measures	1 measures	8 measures	3 measures	5 measures
	Tailings and waste	9 measures	4 measures	9 measures		-
*	Land (reclamation, reforestation, and sanitation)	11 measures	7 measures	15 measures	1 measures	3 measures
璨	Emergencies, permafrost	5 measures	-		-	9 measures
	Biodiversity	8 initiatives	1 measures	3 measures	1 measure	2 measures
	Indicative budget OPEX/CAPEX	RUB 23 bn / RUB 192 bn	RUB 1 bn / RUB 10 bn	RUB 5.8 bn / RUB 8.7 bn	RUB 0.5 bn / RUB 0.7 bn	RUB 6.6 bn

1. Including the Sulphur Programme in Polar Division (Norilsk) and IT projects across the divisions.

### **Voluntary part of the Strategy**

(compliance with international standards, public image events, climate change)

			Updated values			
Element		Proposed updated targets	Baseline 2020	Actual 2023	Targets 2031	
		Volume of GHG emissions (Scopes 1 and 2), mt of $CO_{2}$ -eq.	8.5 <sup>1</sup>	8.31		
N <sup>i</sup>	Climate change	Specific GHG emissions (of facilities involved in the manufacturing of finished metal products) per tonne of Ni-eq., tonnes of $CO_{2}$ -eq.	4.06	4.26	<b>TBD</b> ⁵	
		Share of renewable energy use	46% <sup>2</sup>	55%²		
	Tailings and waste	Share of non-mineral waste recycling, % Share of mineral waste (other than gypsum waste) recycling, % Share of gypsum waste recycling <sup>4</sup> , %	16% 20% -	6% <sup>6</sup> 20% -	TBD <sup>5</sup>	
	Standards	Compliance with sustainability standards	Company's	Compliance with and the Roadm	idmap for Ensuring the International Sustainability ap for Climate Change	
			Adaptation	1		

Baseline 2021, net of GHG emissions from supplying local communities and other electricity and heat consumers, including the Sulphur Programme and logistics.
 The Company's ESG report.
 London Metal Exchange.
 The use of gypsum is being researched. The targets will be defined once the work streams and technologies have been identified.
 The targets will be updated in 2024–2025.
 The decrease in recycling rate is due to the inclusion of Energy Division in the Strategy and the fact that Norilsk Division is carrying out sanitation generating large amounts of construction waste that is being landfilled rather than recycled.

## **Climate change**

#### **Key initiatives**

- Copper Plant reconfiguration
- Natural mineralisation of waste rock at tailing dumps
- □ Energy efficiency activities
- □ Climate-related projects
- Higher share of renewable energy use
- Potential construction of a nuclear power plant in the Norilsk Industrial District

CAPEX = RUB 72 bn OPEX = RUB 28 bn Annual effect =  $1.8 \text{ mt of } CO_{2^{-eq}}$ . Nornickel reaffirms its commitment to reducing GHG emissions in its regions of operation and contributes to achieving the national goals of Russia's climate agenda

- **The target year for the Company's carbon neutrality is 2060** (in line with Russia's Carbon Neutrality Strategy)
- The goal is to maintain GHG emissions at no more than 10 mt of CO<sub>2</sub>-eq. by 2031 (Environmental and Climate Change Strategy)
- Nornickel's GHG emissions report is submitted annually to the Russian Ministry of Economic Development with a view to adding relevant data to the national GHG emissions registry
- GHG emissions data for Nornickel Group and the product carbon footprint are verified annually by an international verifying organisation
- The progress of implementing key decarbonisation measures is reviewed by the Corporate Risk and Investment Committee

**Russian laws and regulations:** Federal Law No. 296-FZ On Limiting Greenhouse Gas Emissions dated 2 July 2021; annual reporting to the Ministry of Economic Development of Russia; Russia's Strategy for Socio-Economic Development with Low Greenhouse Gas Emissions until 2050; the Climate Doctrine of the Russian Federation

e	Financial risks	Investment risks	Physical risks
Risks	<ul> <li>Additional costs associated with national and cross-border carbon regulation</li> <li>Reduced revenue due to the impact of energy transition on palladium demand/prices</li> <li>Reduced revenue due to decreased liquidity (non-compliance with exchange requirements)</li> <li>Limited access to green financing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Credit rating downgrades</li> <li>Reduced capitalisation</li> </ul>	Losses from accidents and operational disruptions caused by long-term environmental changes

# **Tailings and waste**

Share of non-mineral waste recycling

Share of mineral waste recycling

Share of gypsum waste recycling

Goal 2031: XX%

### Prerequisites for goal achievement

The share of non-mineral waste recycling needs to increase. Starting 2021, landfilling of plastic, glass, paper, automotive tyres, etc., is prohibited

		20	23 actual	Goal 2031
Sha	re of non-mineral waste (other than gypsum waste	) recycling, %	15%	≥ 20%
	1. Share of mineral waste recyclir	ng, %	19%	≥ 15%
	Key projects	Timeline	Status	
	Discontinuation of mineral waste disposal at waste facilities by implementing a project to integrate waste into production	2024– 2031	The initiative involves integrating ferror neutralisation cake into production pro proposal is under review to mix neutral and process it at Polar Division to extra first batch was shipped in August. Mar these materials are also being explored	ocesses or sales. A Ilisation cake with cement act precious metals. The ket opportunities for
Kola MMC	Incorporation of crushed stone production services in contracts with demolition companies (annual)	2022– 2031	Technical specifications for recycled cr developed. Recycled crushed stone is u Over three years, 148,000 tonnes have	used for site levelling.
	Pilot project for waste sorting with subsequent sale or recycling	2022– 2025	A waste management concept for Kola approved. Measures include procuring and compactors for waste processing.	
Norilsk Division	Tyre recycling initiative	2021– 2025	A feasibility study for constructing a un Division's rubber waste has been appro (Polar Division). Contractor: Omega Re feasibility study outcomes will be revie with next steps to be updated.	oved by the customer cycling Company. The
	Recycling construction waste into crushed stone	2020– 2025	Mobile crushers have been purchased waste into crushed stone, which is use sites	

# Standards

Compliance with sustainability standards



## Prerequisites for goal achievement

		2021		2024		
Relevance	•Attracting	ents of existing in new investors ents of clients fro rements <sup>1</sup>	om the USA • LME • • Deve	<ul> <li>Retaining existing clients</li> <li>Requirements of clients from Asia Western countries</li> <li>LME requirements<sup>1</sup></li> <li>Development of Russian regulatio aligned with international standards</li> </ul>		
	ICMM	IRMA	TCFD/S2	GRI	OECD	
Customers						
Competitors						
ESG rating agencies			$\checkmark$			
Asia-Pacific countries						

Source: Company data Note: 1. London Metal Exchange



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Approve targets for the mandatory part of the Strategy and its updated version

Consider extending the Strategy's horizon to 2035



Return to setting targets for the voluntary part of the Strategy during the 2025 update

# THANK YOU