

Asbestos Mine in Canada Employ 40 Eskimos

PUTUNIQ, Que.—It's 300 miles south of the Arctic Circle, 40 miles south of Deception Bay, and only 500 miles farther to Europe than to Montreal.

Putunig, in northern Quebec is the scene of a forth million dollar project planned to ship Canadian asbestos all over the world.

Two-hundred men, 40 of whom are Eskimos, are currently engaged in construction of warehouses, supply shops, improving access roads, and beginning excavation at the Putunig plant site.

When the townsite and project are completed in 1970, there will be jobs for 400 men, and many will be assigned to Eskimos.

Asbestos fibre to be shipped out when the project is complete will value about 19 million dollars annually.