

KAPLAN THOMAS SCOTT  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
KAPLAN THOMAS SCOTT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NOVAGOLD RESOURCES INC  
[NG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

700 MADISON AVENUE, 5TH FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10065

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/30/2017

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/30/2017		M		130,050	A		\$ 4.38 <u>(1)</u>	130,050	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2017		F		113,924	D		\$ 5 <u>(1) (2)</u>	16,126	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.38 <sup>(1)</sup>	11/30/2017		M		130,050	12/05/2012 12/04/2017	Common Shares
Deferred Share Unit	<sup>(3)</sup>	12/01/2017	<sup>(3)</sup>	A	2,249.041	<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.85	12/01/2017		A	100,100	<sup>(4)</sup>	11/30/2022	Common Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KAPLAN THOMAS SCOTT 700 MADISON AVENUE, 5TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10065	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas S. Kaplan  
12/04/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The reported price is expressed in Canadian dollars.

(2) The reported price reflects the last sale price per common share on November 30, 2017.

(3) Each Deferred Share Unit ("DSU") is the economic equivalent of one of the Issuer's common shares. The DSUs vested immediately upon issuance; however, the underlying common shares will not be issued to the reporting person, and the reporting person shall not have any voting or dispositive rights with respect to the underlying common shares, until termination of the reporting person's employment or services as a director of the Issuer. The grants will expire no later than 90 days after the reporting person's termination date.

(4) One-third of the reported options will vest on each of December 1, 2018, December 1, 2019 and December 1, 2020.

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