

NOVAGOLD RESOURCES INC
Form 6-K
December 31, 2009

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of **December, 2009**

Commission File Number: **001-31913**

NOVAGOLD RESOURCES INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Suite 2300 – 200 Granville Street, PO Box 24

Vancouver, BC Canada V6C 1S4

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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SUBMITTED HEREWITH

Exhibits

99.1 News Release Dated December 31, 2009

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

NovaGold Resources Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: December 31, 2009

By: */s/ Rhylin Bailie*

Rhylin Bailie

Title: Manager, Corporate & Investor Relations
