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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 May, 2011

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)

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Exhibits

99.1 News Release dated May 20, 2011

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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: May 20, 2011 By: /s/ Rhylin Bailie

Rhylin Bailie

Title: Director, Communications & Investor Relations