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> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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 JULY, 2006.

Commission File Number: 001-32558

IMA EXPLORATION INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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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 of the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

	IMA EXPLORATION INC.
Date: July 7, 2006	/s/ Joseph Grosso
	Joseph Grosso, President & CEO

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NEWS RELEASE - JULY 7, 2006

IMA'S NAVIDAD NOT AFFECTED BY NEW CHUBUT MINING LEGISLATION

IMA EXPLORATION INC. (IMR-AMEX , IMR-TSX.V) wishes to announce that the Provincial Government of Chubut in Argentina passed new mining legislation on June 29th, 2006, that covers a portion of the western part of the province. IMA's Navidad project is not affected by this new Provincial legislation. Navidad is located approximately 150 kilometres east of the area mentioned in Section 3 of the Provincial Constitution (see below).

NEW PROVINCIAL MINING LEGISLATION

"To suspend for a term of THIRTY SIX (36) months the metal-bearing mining activity, with exception to alluvial ore, in the area comprised between the Parallels 42 degrees and 44 degrees 30 minutes Latitude South, the Meridian line 70 degrees 30 minutes West Longitude and the international limit with Chile, in accordance with what has been established by Section 3 of the Provincial Constitution."

Exploration drilling and a Scoping Study are currently underway at Navidad, as well and the Company's ongoing socio-economic activities. To date, IMA has defined an Indicated Resource of 305.7 million ounces of silver and 2.9 billion pounds of lead (93.4 million tonnes at 102 g/t silver and 1.41 % lead using a 50 g/t silver equivalent cut-off), quickly making it one of the world's largest major silver deposits.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

/s/ Joseph Grosso

Mr. Joseph Grosso, President & CEO

For further information please contact Joseph Grosso, President & CEO, or Sean Hurd, Vice President, Investor Relations, at 1-800-901-0058 or 604-687-1828, or fax 604-687-1858, or by email info@imaexploration.com, or visit the Company's web site at http://www.imaexploration.com.

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