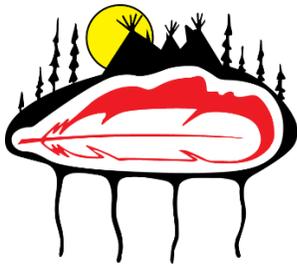


Consultation Coordinator-Update



Mitaanjugamiing "Where a smaller Lake flows into a bigger Lake"



Land Designation Process

We are currently working with Outlook Market and Research in the process of performing a land designation process for Mitaanjugamiing First Nation (MFN) on a plot of land located on Rainy Lake northeast of Mitaanjugamiing. The purpose of the land designation is to allow for a planned commercial lodge to be developed on the site.

The project team and the First Nation have had several meetings to ensure all requirements, laws and processes are followed allowing for a seamless land designation. The project managers and MFN have identified and retained the necessary experienced professional team to perform all of the specialized functions required for a land designation including legal counsel, a community representative responsible for dissemination of information in MFN, qualified land surveyors, and a qualified environmental scientist. An electoral officer-Kristen Kayaseas from AANDC will likely be appointed by the Minister.

Thus far, a site assessment has been completed, and the fieldwork for an environmental impact assessment has been completed. The results of the environmental impact study have been completed. In addition, the team has created an information package that was distributed to band members describing the purpose, location and general information on the upcoming referendum. Before a referendum happens a few more tasks have to be completed.

AFOA-Pre-Conference Workshop-Effective Planning, Creation and Implementation of your Trust-Winnipeg Manitoba-Feb 16-17, 2015

I will be attending this Pre Conference Workshop and the workshop is about:

"More and more Aboriginal communities are creating Trusts as a result of the increasing number of specific claim settlements, impact and economic benefit agreements and other resource sharing opportunities. The resulting increase in wealth accumulation is placing tremendous responsibility upon leadership, management, and staff to create effective Trust structures. This workshop is designed to raise awareness and understanding among community officials about the following topics: how to plan a Trust; increased community readiness; understanding the complexities in creating a Trust; ways to create the most appropriate Trust structure for your needs; key areas in implementing a Trust; and suitable investment strategies that meet the needs of the Trust today and for future generations."

Asset Inventory

We will be working with CE Strategies on an Asset inventory project. The project will involve building a map comprehensive using GIS that inventories that require investment attraction and potential development, including but not limited to; all physical infrastructure including buildings, lots parcels, hydrants, hydro electrification system and communications tower, engineered drawings, transmission lines, roads, gravel pits, dump, boat

We estimate the project is approximately 60% complete as of today, but will be 75% complete after September 16 (see list below).

Upcoming steps in the process include:

- On September 16, 2014 MFN will hold an information meeting that will outline the proposed land designation to the community and information package handed out.- Completed
- the selection of an electoral officer-Kristen Kayseas-AANDC likely to be appointed by the Minister
- finalization of the environmental assessment- Completed
- identification of new legal counsel-Andrew Kelly(I have contacted previous counsel to ensure that transfer of the project is seamless for the new legal counsel and will update the First Nation accordingly once the change is made)- completed
- Survey-EXP to be done in the spring when there is no snow on the ground.
- Meeting with Kristen Kayseas on Feb 11, 2014 on next steps to be completed.
- Project extended to November 16, 2015

Although the field portion of the environmental impact assessment has been completed, the level of field investigation required was greater than first anticipated by the project team. The size of the physical site has doubled since the onset of this project and included the investigation of a larger parcel of land and two distinctive shorelines on the north and south sides of the site. In addition, the preliminary professional survey of the site has been completed identifying the physical boundaries of the site. Because of the change in the size and location of

launches and placement on google maps depicting satellite imagery of Mitaanjigaming First Nation and updating the Traditional Land Use map.

First Nation Market Housing Fund

Working with Chief & Council and Lucille Michaud-FNMHF we have applied for the First Nation Market Housing Fund to help with capacity building. The Access Criteria for application to the FNMHF is separated into three main areas or pillars - Financial Management; Governance; and Community Commitment and Evidence of Demand for Market-Based Housing. Within each of these three pillars, a principle has been established and it will be incumbent upon the First Nation to best demonstrate how it meets this principle. Access criteria which is principles based rather than rules based provides more flexibility in terms of how a First Nation can demonstrate competency in a particular area. The next steps are to do a CD Planning Session to prioritize what projects we anticipate for the next 3 yrs.

Updating 5 year Governance Projects

The Manito Aki Inaajimowin Committee and the Governance Committee have teamed up and update the 5 year Governance project. We will be planning a Comprehensive Community Plan, Matrimonial Real Property law, Bi-Law Ratification, Orientation Package for Chief & Council, Community Vision and Mission Statement for the next five years with updates as we go along.

Mining Development Workshop-Information Session

Mineral Development Advisor-Alex Bruyere is planning a Mining Development Workshop in March. Topics would include education. I have suggested Health and Safety at a mine, Diesel and Dust Controls/risks involved like Respiratory Diseases, Electrical and Machine Safety, Hearing loss prevention, Emergency Management & Response, Fires and Explosions, Education and training again since the Environmental Assessment was passed by the Government.

the land designated, two preliminary surveys were performed (original site and final and Designation Process

Moose Project

Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's Moose Project information session was held in Thunder Bay January 20, 2015.

Topics included:

- Moose Management in Ontario
- Moose Populations
- Factors affecting moose populations
 - a) Habitat
 - b) Climate Change
 - c) Parasites, disease
 - d) Predation
 - e) Harvest
- Moose populations objectives
- Harvest Management Strategies

Ceremony for Part B-Road Project/Quarry

A traditional ceremony was done by Harry Windego on February 3, 2015 at the Round House. George Armstrong Ltd. –Larry Armstrong-President and Shane Armstrong Vice President attended the ceremony. The Road Project will commence in a couple weeks with blasting of rocks to straighten the road out.

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