



June 20, 2018

A PLACE OF VISIONS AND DREAMS

Dear Community Members,

As your Chief and Council, we are very pleased to bring you up to date on the work that has been developing on the Trust.

Beginning over 21 months ago, Chief and Council developed a Trust Working Group to begin the process of meeting INAC's requirements for the land claim resources that may flow to the Band as a result of the land claim settlement process.

The active engagement of the Trust Working Group has now been in full operation since January 2018. Over that time we have had three full engagement sessions in Birch Island, Sudbury and Toronto. These sessions have been well attended and the information collected has been very useful in shaping the development of the draft trust agreement. ***The information contained in this package should be treated as confidential and privileged to you as a member of our band.*** Please treat the attached in that manner.

The drafting of the Trust document itemizes the significant contributions that have come forth from you. Our Trust working group knows how important this phase of the work is and as such have been actively listening at all the sessions. A plain language version and, a full version of first draft of the trust agreement containing member input is now enclosed in this package for your review. We are all eager to see the first draft of the Trust document take the shape that we have collectively nurtured and guided.

The efforts of our Trust Working Group continues to require support and commitment from the whole community. In particular, we need your support by reviewing the attached documents to prepare yourselves to discuss the full "first draft" of the Trust document at the July sessions. Together, in this way the document will be further strengthened.

This is a collective effort that belongs not just to those of us alive today, but to the future generations of the Whitefish River First Nation. It's time that we exercise our goodness in this matter. By working together, we will all benefit from a Trust document that will ensure a brighter future for us all.

We look forward to your continued assistance and partnership in these important efforts.

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