

March 13, 2020



A PLACE OF VISIONS AND DREAMS

IMPORTANT COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

Essential Services (a service, facility, or activity that is, or will be necessary for the safety and security of our members)

We are sending this message in unity to bring reassurances to our elders, families and community members that we are taking health, safety and support measures very seriously regarding the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and its effect on our community.

That being said, as many of you may be aware, due to the unpredictability and speed of the changes which COVID-19 has brought on a global scale, we are asking at this time for community cooperation and patience.

It is our goal to try to lessen the impact which this virus has on our community and families. To do this, we are taking the following steps:

Current measures taken include:

- Screening protocol will be used at health centre and administration office.
- Security measures at entrances to the health centre and administration office.
- Only essential staffing at health centre and administration office.
- Building Closures: Gym, Library, Youth Centre, Community Centre.
- No work-related travel by staff.

How can you help?

- Please call health/administration office first.
- No collecting at Health Centre, Band Office, Community Centre.
- Please practice safe hygiene habits. (washing hands, coughing into your sleeve, etc.)
- Practice social distancing.
- Avoid large gatherings of any kind.
- Please limit travel to public events or largely populated areas.

The coming weeks will bring uncertainty, change, and difficult decisions. This is a time to show the strength, support, and resiliency of our community.

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On behalf of Whitefish River First Nation Chief and Council,

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Chief Franklin Paibomsai

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