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SENT VIA EMAIL

September 14 , 2020

NOTICE TO ALL RECREATIONAL LEASING TENANTS OF WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION & WHITEFISH RIVER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

As you know, Whitefish River First Nation passed a by-law on March 24, 2020 (*Whitefish River First Nation COVID-19 Virus By-Law*), declaring a state of emergency throughout the reserve in response to the COVID-19 pandemic (the "State of Emergency"). The State of Emergency continues. We continue to assess incoming information and make adjustments during the State of Emergency. Chief and Council and the Community Control Group are pleased to inform you that we have decided to open up access to the cottage lots and we welcome your return under the conditions set out below and in accordance with the terms of your lease.

After careful consideration, the Incident Commander has passed a new emergency management order dated September 9, 2020 which completely replaces the order issued April 7. The new Emergency Management Order states:

Tenants and their immediate family members are authorized to be present on the Whitefish River First Nation reserve and may use and occupy their leased properties provided they agree to abide by (a) the terms and conditions for use and occupancy and other terms and conditions recommended to Council and adopted by Council as set out in a letter signed by the Chief of Whitefish River First Nation, and (b) the terms and conditions of their lease.

The emergency management order issued April 7, 2020 is revoked and is replaced by this emergency management order.

This letter contains the terms and conditions that will govern you if you choose to accept them:

1. All the people over the age of majority who come to stay on your cottage lot are required to sign the waiver of liability attached as Appendix A. All such people must send a scanned version back to keithn@whitefishriver.ca or by faxing a signed version to 1-705-285-4532, attention of Keith Nahwegahbow, Lands Assistant, before coming onto the reserve. The waiver must be witnessed by an adult.

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2. If Whitefish River First Nation decides to revert back to Phase 3 or Phase 4 under our Emergency Response Plan, you and all the people staying at your cottage lot will be required to vacate your lot and the reserve again, within a reasonable time specified by the Community Control Group or the Incident Commander.

3. Only the individuals who have signed leases (the "Cottage Tenants") and their immediate family members can stay at the cottage lot. Cottage Tenants will be required to submit the names of these immediate family members and their relationship prior to them coming onto the reserve, together with signed waivers of liability for the adults. Immediate family members means spouse, parent, brother, sister, child of the cottage lot leaseholder, grandchild, grandparent, son-in-law and daughter-in-law.

4. If you or your immediate family members are coming from outside the Catchment Area, a recent negative Covid-19 test result will be required to be submitted to the Community Control Group email address, which is covid19@whitefishriver.ca, before entering the reserve. You will also be required to fill out a registration form which can be found on our website under the Covid-19 tab, described as Form 2, to be sent to the same email address. The only exception to this requirement is for children unable to take the Covid-19 test, in which case a written explanation will be required to be sent to the above email address, and a written exemption provided by the Community Control Group. Recent means the test result shall be dated within 2 days of the intended date of arrival at the reserve. The Catchment Area is depicted on the map attached as Appendix B.

5. The guidelines and travel restrictions that apply to members of our First Nation on the reserve during the State of Emergency will also apply to you and your immediate family members. Those guidelines and travel restrictions are found online on the Whitefish River First Nation website under the Covid-19 tab. By being permitted to stay on the reserve under the terms and conditions set out in this letter, you also agree that these guidelines and travel restrictions apply to you and your immediate family members.

6. Holding gatherings of more than 10 people at your cottage lot or attending gatherings of more than 10 other people anywhere else on the reserve is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**.

7. While on the reserve, you and your immediate family members are required to practice safe distancing (i.e. keeping at least 2 meters apart) and wear masks or face coverings that cover your nose, mouth and chin or shields that cover your face when off your cottage lot.

8. You and your immediate family members shall limit contact with other tenants and band members on the reserve.

9. You are permitted to put your docks back in the water and launch boats from your cottage lot.

10. The First Nation will not be processing any new construction requests during the State of Emergency.

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11. If it is determined that any of these conditions are violated, your permission to continue to stay on your cottage lot during the State of Emergency is revoked and you will be required to leave the reserve.

Note that the First Nation will be monitoring the cottage lot areas on our reserve to ensure compliance with these conditions.

Sincerely,



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Incident Commander

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