



CHIEFS COUNCIL

RESOLUTION of the Matawa Chiefs Council passed at the 25th Annual Matawa Chiefs Assembly in Long Lake #58 to be effective from and after 9:00am Eastern Standard time on 1st of August 2013

RESOLUTION #12-01-08-13

SUPPORT FOR A KENOGAMI FOREST BUSINESS ANALYSIS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Matawa First Nations Management (MFNM) intends to assist in the coordination of a Kenogami Forest Business Analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Kenogami Forest is located approx. 300 kilometers northeast of Thunder Bay, Ontario in the Nipigon District of MNR's Northwest Region and has long been home to the member First Nations of Aroland, Constance Lake, Ginoogaming and Long Lake #58; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Forest License (SFL) was returned to the Crown on August 1, 2012 and the Kenogami Forest is now a Crown Management Unit. In late 2012 the Crown issued an Enhanced Forest Resource Licence to Nedaakiiminaan Inc., a newly formed entity of Aroland, Constance Lake, Ginoogaming and Long Lake #58 First Nation; and

WHEREAS, with Nedaakiiminaan, the First Nations are building capacity in Forest Management to move into securing a SFL for the forest. This presents a renewed opportunity to benefit economically from the business side of the forestry sector as well; and

WHEREAS, the Kenogami Forest Business Analysis will analyse opportunities related to capacity building, education, training and apprenticeship opportunities, summer student employment, job shadowing, business opportunities in timber and non-timber forest products, road construction, development of training programs and workshops, and partnerships.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the delegates of the 25th Annual Matawa Chiefs Assembly direct the Matawa Economic Development Department to pursue funding for a Kenogami Forest Business Analysis;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: that the Kenogami Forest Business Analysis is presented to the Matawa Chiefs.





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MOVED BY: Chief Celia Echum, Ginoogaming First Nation

SECONDED BY: Chief Allen Towegishig, Long Lake #58 First Nation

ABSTENTIONS: None

CARRIED: Yes

Chief Executive Officer

