

## GREENSTONE WASTE MANAGEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

### Ginoogaming First Nation Leadership and Staff Lunch

#### EMAIL INVITATION

Attached: Fact Sheet

Re: Invitation to the Ginoogaming First Nation Chief, Council and Staff Lunch: Municipality of Greenstone Waste Management Environmental Assessment

Good morning/afternoon,

The Municipality of Greenstone is starting an Environmental Assessment process to develop a long-term plan to manage recyclables and garbage disposal within the Municipality. One of the Municipality's four existing landfills is full, one is nearly full (future expansion approved), and the others are filling up.

The Municipality is working to ensure rights-holders and community members are engaged to develop awareness of the project and ensure that the long-term strategy considers the wants and needs of nearby First Nations.

Three rounds of engagement are planned to align with the three stages of the study.

**Round 1: Gather feedback on new ways to reduce and manage waste (current stage)**

Round 2: Review options & determine a waste management system (Fall 2023)

Round 3: Identification of the preferred waste management system (2024)

Chief, Council, and staff of Ginoogaming First Nation are invited to join us at the upcoming staff lunch on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to learn more about the project:

Date	Time	Location
Wednesday, April 19, 2023	12:00-1:00 pm	Training Centre, Ginoogaming First Nation

Please join us at the lunch event to learn about the project and provide input on the future of the Municipality of Greenstone's waste management system and operations! Lunch will be provided.

If you have questions or require alternate formats to participate, please contact any of the following:

- Sanjana Mada at Scatliff + Miller + Murray: 204-927-3444, ext. 242 or [smada@scatliff.ca](mailto:smada@scatliff.ca).
- Lindsey Jupp at Matawa First Nations Management: 807-630-3948 or [ljupp@matawa.on.ca](mailto:ljupp@matawa.on.ca)
- Meagan Hindmin at Nokiwin Tribal Council: 807-630-7284 or [environment@nokiwin.com](mailto:environment@nokiwin.com)

**Additionally, a Community Open House is planned from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm on the same day, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Please help spread the word to all community members. Join us for dinner and the opportunity to win the prize draw!**

***Project Background:***

*The Municipality of Greenstone (Greenstone) is starting an environmental assessment under the Environmental Assessment Act to develop a long-term waste management strategy to identify an approach and potential system(s) to manage and dispose of the regional area of Greenstone's solid waste. Greenstone has three active landfill sites (Beardmore, Nakina and Longlac) that service its*

communities and surrounding areas. As of December 2021, the Geraldton Landfill was closed and the Beardmore landfill site is currently overcapacity with approval for expansion.

In 2014, the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks approved Greenstone's Municipal Solid Waste Disposal Plan Terms of Reference. The Terms of Reference outlines the process for completing the Environmental Assessment study including the consultation and engagement requirements. A copy of the approved Terms of Reference is available at:

- <https://www.greenstone.ca/en/shared-content/greenstone-waste-management-environmental-assessment.aspx>
- Geraldton Ward Municipal Office, 1800 Main Street, Geraldton, ON, 807-854-1100
- Beardmore Ward Municipal Office, 78 Pearl Street, Beardmore, ON, 807-875-2639
- Longlac Ward Municipal Office, 105 Hamel Avenue, Longlac, ON, 807-876-2316
- Nakina Ward Municipal Office, 200 Centre Avenue, Nakina, ON, 807-329-5361

The Greenstone Waste Management Environmental Assessment will be carried out according to the approved terms of reference and the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. Results from this study will be documented in an environmental assessment report, which will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks for review. At that time, the public, Indigenous communities, stakeholders, and other interested persons will be informed when and where the recommendations in the environmental assessment can be reviewed.

**Join us for lunch at the Ginoogaming First Nation Training Centre on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 where we will introduce the project, provide background information on the existing waste management system, share information about the potential waste management systems, and provide a forum to share your vision for a new long-term waste management strategy for the Municipality and nearby First Nations.**