

# REVIEW

## Review of Proposed Operations: Information Centre Lakehead Forest 2020-2030 Forest Management Plan

The Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF)**, **Greenmantle Forest Inc.** and the **Lakehead Forest Local Citizens' Committee (LCC)** invite you to an information centre. This information centre is being held as part of the detailed planning of operations for the ten-year period of the 2020-2030 Forest Management Plan (FMP) for the **Lakehead Forest**.

### The Planning Process

The FMP takes approximately three years to complete. During this time, five formal opportunities for public consultation and First Nation and Métis community involvement and consultation are provided. The second opportunity (Stage Two) for this FMP occurred on March 27, 2019 to April 26, 2019 when the public was invited to review and comment on the long-term management direction. This **'Stage Three'** notice is:

- To invite you to review and comment on:
  - the details of access, harvest, renewal and tending operations for the ten-year period of the plan, and
  - the proposed primary and branch road corridors and the proposed operational road boundaries for the ten-year period of the plan, and
- To request contributions to the background information to be used in planning.

### How to Get Involved

To facilitate your review, an information centre will be held at the following locations from **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.** on the following days:

**Thunder Bay - Tuesday, June 4, 2019 - Victoria Inn, Ontario Boardroom, 555 Arthur Street West, Thunder Bay, ON**

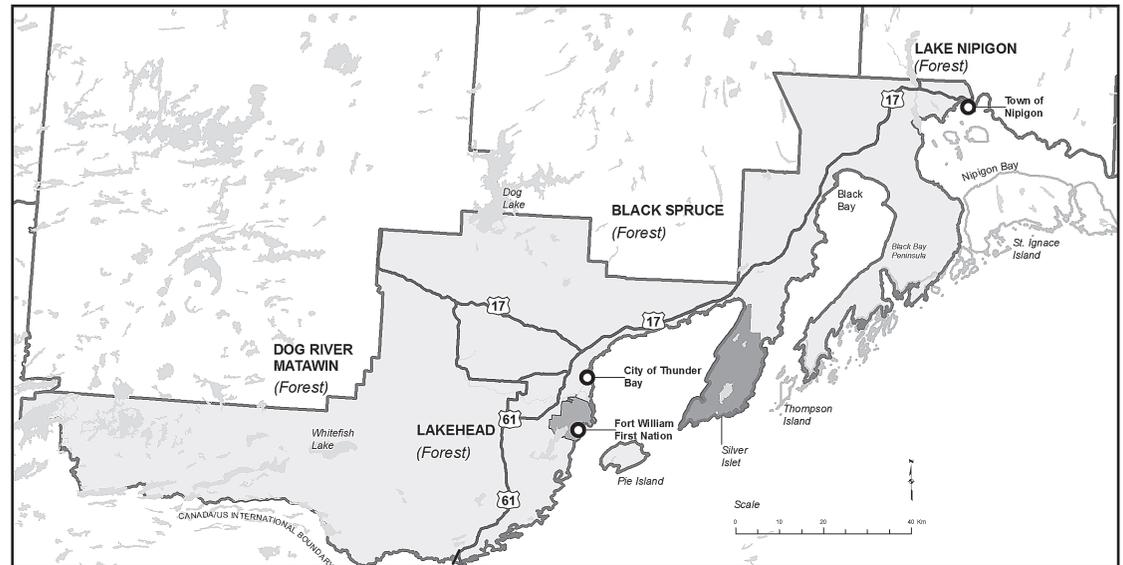
**Nipigon - Wednesday, June 5, 2019 - Nipigon Community Centre, Multipurpose Room, 138 Wadsworth Drive, Nipigon, ON**

The following information may be obtained at the information centre:

- Summary of the MNRF Regional Director preliminary endorsed long-term management direction; and
- Summary maps of:
  - the planned areas for harvest, renewal and tending operations for the ten-year period of the plan
  - the proposed corridors for new primary and branch roads for the ten-year period of the plan.

In addition to the most current versions of the information and maps which were available at Stages One and Two of the public consultation, the following information will be available at the information centre:

- Summary of public comments and submissions received to date and any responses to those comments and submissions;
- A summary report of the results of the desired forest and benefits meeting;
- Environmental analysis, including use management strategies of the alternative corridors for each new primary road;
- Maps that portray past and approved areas of harvest operations for the current forest management plan and the previous ten years;
- Criteria used for the identification of areas that could reasonably be harvested during the 10-year period of the plan;
- The rationale for the preferred areas for harvest;
- Summary report of the activities of the local citizen's committee to date.



The detailed proposed operations will be available for review and comment at the Greenmantle Forest Inc. office and at the MNRF Thunder Bay District Office at the locations shown below by appointment during normal office hours for a period of 60 days: **June 4, 2019 to August 6, 2019**. Comments on the proposed operations for the Lakehead Forest must be received by Vishnu Kowlessar of the planning team at the MNRF Thunder Bay District Office, **by August 6, 2019**.

More information about Forest Management Planning can be obtained on the Ontario government website: [www.ontario.ca/forestplans](http://www.ontario.ca/forestplans).

Meetings with representatives of the planning team and the advisory committees can be requested at any time during the planning process. Reasonable opportunities to meet planning team members during non-business hours will be provided upon request. If you require more information or wish to discuss your interests and concerns with a planning team member, please contact one of the individuals listed below:

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During the planning process there is an opportunity to make a written request to seek resolution of issues with the MNRF District Manager or the Regional Director using a process described in the 2017 *Forest Management Planning Manual (Part A, Section 2.4.1)*.

### Stay Involved

The tentative scheduled date for submission of the draft FMP is November 2019. There will be two more formal opportunities for you to be involved. These stages are listed and tentatively scheduled as follows:

**Stage Four -**  
**Stage Five -**

Information Centre: Review of Draft Forest Management Plan  
Inspection of MNRF - Approved Forest Management Plan

**November 2019**  
**April 2020**

If you would like to be added to a mailing list to be notified of public involvement opportunities, please contact Vishnu Kowlessar at 807-475-1163.

The MNRF is collecting your personal information and comments under the authority of the *Crown Forest Sustainability Act*. Any personal information you provide (address, name, telephone, etc.) will be protected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*; however, your comments will become part of the public consultation process and may be shared with the general public. Your personal information may be used by the MNRF to send you further information related to this forest management planning exercise. If you have questions about the use of your personal information, please contact Alyson Dupuis at the MNRF Thunder Bay District Office at 807-475-1512.