

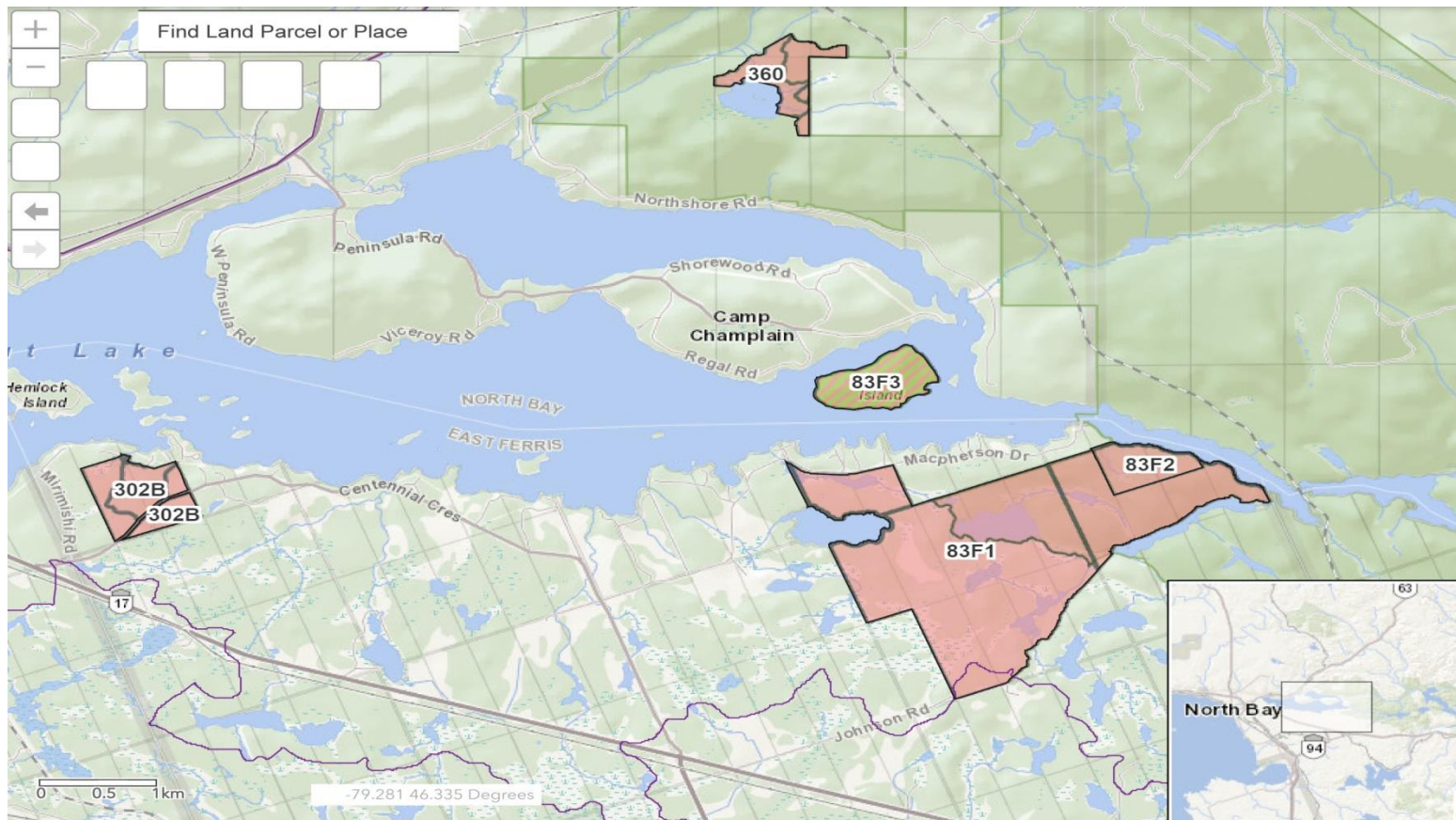
Algonquin Land Claim Presentation to the Municipality of East Ferris March 9, 2021

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on behalf of many concerned residents of MacPherson Drive and
surrounding areas of East Ferris

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ALC Due Diligence Process

In order to transfer provincial lands to the AOO Ontario must consult with the public and stakeholders affected by the proposed transfer of lands. This follows the processes laid out in the 2007 Algonquin Land Claim Declaration Order made under the Environmental Assessment Act, including:

- Assessing the potential environmental effects, positive and negative (eg social, cultural, economic and natural environment)
- Identifying how we plan to address environmental effects
- Providing an opportunity for public review and comment

Conclusions are Not True

In October 2020 Supplemental Report to the 2017 Draft EER concludes:
"there is no anticipated net effect associated with the transfer of proposed settlement lands into AOO ownership"

This statement is ***Untrue!*** Privatizing crown lands currently protected under a Provincial Park designation comes with significant net effects:

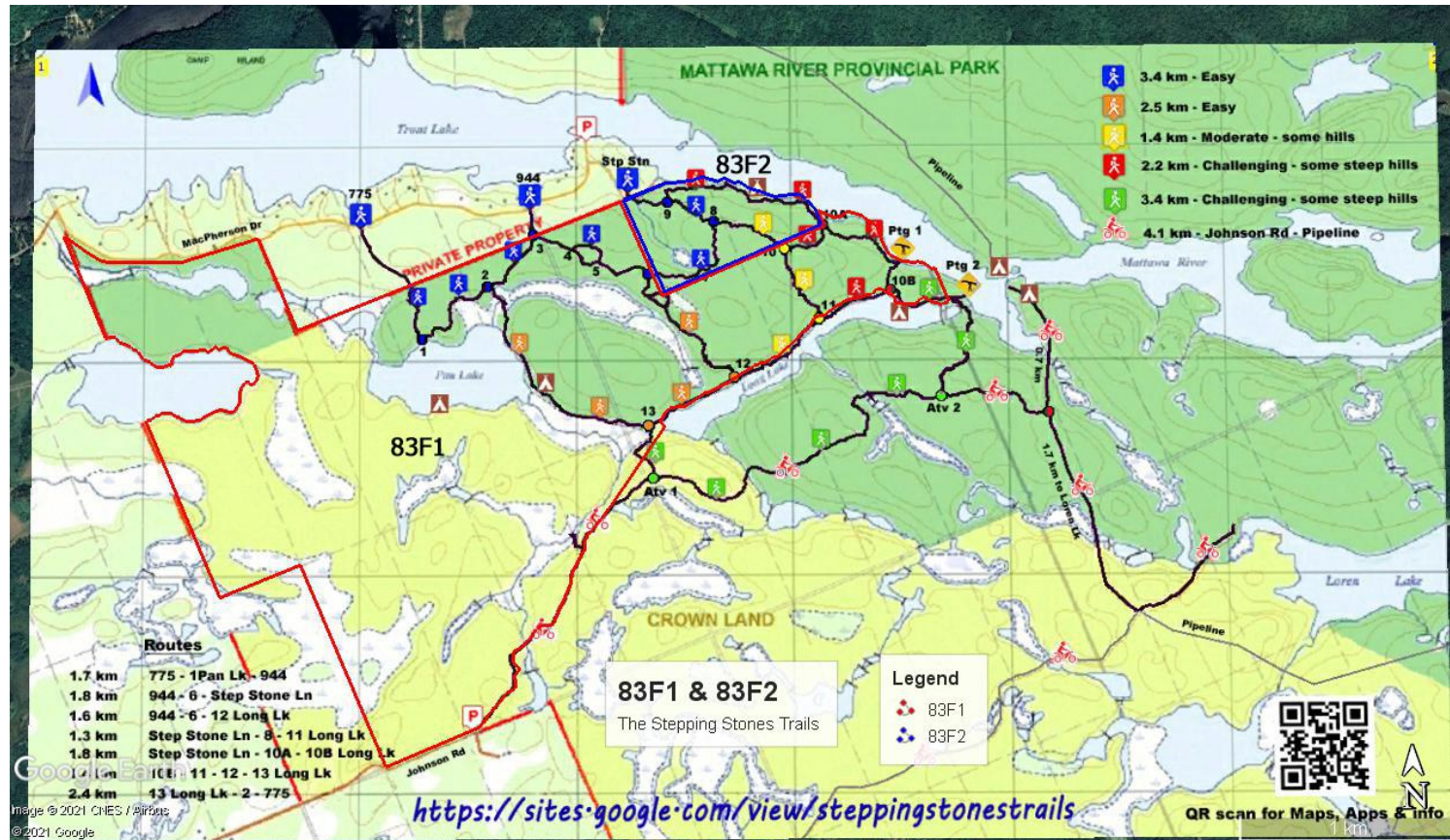
Social – loss of lands extensively used for recreational purposes by 500 hundred or more people

Natural Environment- very clear intent to develop these lands, jeopardizes species at risk, wetlands, water quality and unique plant communities

Cultural- connection to the land is important to all communities. Entire process puts tension between different communities

Economic- what is the cost to taxpayers? True impact is in the billions. What burden is being placed on local taxpayers?

IMPACTS of Losing Trail Network



Our Conclusions

Parcels 83F1 & 83F2 should remain part of the MRPP

Parcel 302B should remain as public lands

Why?

- As discussed transferring protected public parkland into private ownership is fraught with problems – social, environmental, economic & cultural
- The province is ignoring these problems and hiding behind process
- The province is making different commitments to stakeholders
- There is no documented long term commitment to respect taxpayer needs
- There is no going back once privatized

Our Request of East Ferris and the Province

1. Continued support/understanding of our position retaining parcels 83F1,83F2 and 302B as MRPP & public land
2. Finalize approval of Trout Lake Watershed Development Section of the proposed April 2016 East Ferris Official Plan
3. Evaluate the affected wetlands, Trout Lake Watershed and Species at Risk located on all 3 parcels
4. Ask the province to clarify the social, environmental, economic and cultural factors used by the province in this land settlement transfer
5. Continued dialogue with **ALL** stakeholders
6. Request provincial funding for a Municipal ALC coordinator
7. Create a public record of citizen/taxpayer concerns and formally submit to province