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Memo to: Municipal Elected Representatives

I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with an overview of the treaty negotiations underway to resolve the Algonquin land claim in eastern Ontario.

Ontario continues to make progress with Canada and the Algonquins of Ontario at the negotiation table toward reaching agreement on the proposed treaty within the next four years. Approvals by each party will then be required to bring the treaty into force and begin implementation.

The attached slide deck is provided to help familiarize municipal officials with the negotiations and how we are addressing municipal interests. For many, this will be a refresh of information you have previously seen. For others, I hope this will provide a helpful introduction.

The Ontario Ministry of Indigenous Affairs website (ontario.ca/algonquinlandclaim) includes further information about the Algonquins of Ontario negotiations and our ongoing commitment to consult with municipalities, stakeholders and the public.

Our website includes maps, information, and a link to the Draft Environmental Evaluation Report that was released in 2017 regarding the provincial Crown land parcels that are proposed for future transfer to the Algonquins. Those lands are located in 36 of the 85 municipalities that are receiving this information update.

The Ontario negotiation team is working with municipal staff and elected representatives from those municipalities to prepare for the eventual transition of the Crown lands to Algonquin fee simple ownership. That work will continue through the negotiation process and until the time of the actual land transfers as part of the implementation of the treaty. We expect to conduct our next round of public consultations in 2020.

I look forward to continuing Ontario's work with the municipal sector as the negotiations proceed. I invite you to contact the Ontario Information Centre for the Algonquin Land Claim using the contact information in the above letterhead if you or your constituents have questions.

Best Regards,

Doug Carr
Ontario Chief Negotiator