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Algonquin Land Claim
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To Whom it May Concern:

Subject: Algonquin Land Claim – additions to Ontario’s Provincial Park and Conservation Reserve System

The Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH) is Ontario’s largest, non-profit, fish and wildlife conservation-based organization, representing 100,000 members, subscribers and supporters, and 725 member clubs. We have reviewed the “Algonquin land claim – additions to Ontario’s provincial park and conservation reserve system” proposal and offer the following comments.

The OFAH is supportive of the proposal to amend the boundary of Hungry Lake Conservation Reserve. We are encouraged by the proposal’s commitment to allow recreational hunting in areas being added to the Hungry Lake Conservation Reserve and commend all negotiating parties for their willingness to achieve effective compromise.

We request that the MNRF provide further details around the continued allowance of hunting within the reserve, with respect to any exceptions being proposed to the typical hunting regulations for WMU 62.

The OFAH would also like to request clarification around other outdoor activities. Will fishing (Big Gull Lake), trapping, offroad vehicle use, and other such activities be allowed as they would normally in the context of Crown land?

The OFAH looks forward to continued engagement with the Government of Ontario and the Algonquins of Ontario on this topic.

Yours in Conservation,

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