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PUBLIC NOTICE

Hunting, Harvesting and Fishing

On December 1, 2020, Chief and Council motioned the following:

"As of the date hereof, all hunting, fishing and harvesting by <u>Non-Nation Citizens</u> shall be prohibited until further notice. Violators shall be prosecuted to the full extent of the law"...

Over the past years, there has been an increase in complaints of hunting, fishing, harvesting of Non-Nation Citizens on the Nation (Reserve) Lands:

- Non-Nation Citizens have been overhunting and, in some cases poaching has been reported on Nation Lands.
- The increase in the number of new homes throughout the reserve has cause great safety concerns.
- There has been situations where Non-Nation Citizens have been caught hunting on reserve without a Nation Citizen present and stated they were given permission under the Trespass Law, as only Chief and Council can approve Non-Nation Citizen onto Nation Lands for this purpose.
- Nation Lands have been set aside for the benefit of Nation Citizens, which is why Chief and Council taken this position that Non-Nation Citizens should not be to access Nation lands for hunting and harvesting.
- Chief and Council acknowledges that there are Non-Nation Citizens who do hunt, fish, and harvest to support a Nation household. In those situations, Chief and Council may be willing to grant an exemption to this motion, on a case-by0case basis. However, any interested parties must request this with the Nation and be given written authorization by the Nation before using Nation Lands to hunt, fish or harvest.
- <u>ENFORCEMENT:</u> Tosguna have been directed to issue charges under the Trespass Act and Criminal Code to all Non-Nation Citizens who are suspected of hunting, fishing or havesting on Nation Lands without proper authorization from Chief and Council.
- <u>EXEMPTION REQUEST</u>: Appointment can me made in writing through the Office of the Nations CEO:

Jerry Simon, Chief Executive Officer @402-281-4455 or jerry.simon@tsuutina.com

- LAND USE UPDATE: Regulations and Policies are currently being developed for Land Use and Zoning and further information will follow.
- FEEDBACK/INQUIRIES: Any Nation Citizens who have a feedback or concern can contact: Tanis One Spot, ED of Lands Administration @403-281-4455 or tonespot@tsuutina.com