CarbonFree Rainy River Project

Consultation Summary Report

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1. Overview

1.1 Project Description

CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. (CarbonFree or the Proponent) is proposing to develop an up to 60 megawatt (MW) Class 3 solar photovoltaic (PV) project on lands located in the Township of Chapple, Ontario, approximately 40 km northwest of Fort Frances.

The proposed CarbonFree Rainy River Project (hereinafter referred to as the Project) is a renewable energy generation facility which will use solar PV technology to generate electricity. Electricity generated by solar PV panels will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by inverters and then stepped-up (via pad-mounted inverters, medium-voltage transformers and a main substation transformer) to 115 kilovolts (kV) prior to being connected to the existing Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) transmission line.

The Project aims to contribute to the Government of Ontario's goal of accelerating new electricity generation from renewable sources to support the province's growing energy needs. Accordingly, CarbonFree intends to enter into an agreement for the sale or supply of electricity, the quantity of which will be commensurate with the nameplate capacity of the facility.

1.2 Renewable Energy Approvals and Legislative Requirements

Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 359/09 – Renewable Energy Approvals Under Part V.0.1 of the Act, (herein referred to as the REA Regulation) made under the Environmental Protection Act identifies the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) requirements for renewable energy projects in Ontario. This Project is a Class 3 Solar facility, and as such, a REA is required.

Consultation is a requirement of the REA process as stipulated by Sections 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 of the REA Regulation. This Consultation Report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the REA Regulation and the Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks (MECP) Technical Guide to Renewable Energy Approvals (2013).

Table 1 in the REA Regulation requires the Consultation Report to include prescribed elements. Accordingly, Table 1-1 has been prepared to demonstrate concordance between requisite legislative requirements and the documentation presented in this Consultation Report.

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Table 1-1: Legislative Requirements and Report Reference

Legislative Requirements for the Consultation Report as per Table 1 in the REA Regulation (O. Reg.) 359/09	Relevant Section
A summary of communication with any members of the public, Aboriginal communities, municipalities, local roads boards and Local Services Boards regarding the project.	Section 2: Consultation with the Public; Section 3: Consultation with Provincial and Municipal Agencies; Section 4: Consultation with Indigenous Communities
Evidence that the information required to be distributed to Aboriginal communities under subsection 17 (1) was distributed.	Section 4: Consultation with Indigenous Communities; Appendix F
Any information provided by an Aboriginal community in response to a request made under paragraph 4 of subsection 17 (1).	Section 4: Consultation with Indigenous Communities
Evidence that a consultation form was distributed in accordance with subsection 18 (1).	Section 3: Consultation with Provincial and Municipal Agencies; Section 3.5: Township of Chapple
The consultation form distributed under subsection 18 (1), if any part of it has been completed by a municipality, local roads board or Local Services Board.	Section 3: Consultation with Provincial and Municipal Agencies; Section 3.5: Township of Chapple
A description of whether and how:	
(a) comments from members of the public, Aboriginal communities, municipalities, local roads boards and Local Services Boards were considered by the person who is engaging in the project,	Table 2-1: First Public Meeting Comments and Responses; Table 2-2: Second Public Meeting Comments and Responses; Table 2-3: Other Public Comments and Responses
(b) the documents that were made available under subsection 16 (5) were amended after the second public meeting was held, and	Section 5: Amendments to Project Documentation
(c) the proposal to engage in the project was altered in response to comments mentioned in subparagraph (a).	Table 2-1: First Public Meeting Comments and Responses; Table 2-2: Second Public Meeting Comments and Responses; Table 2-3: Other Public Comments and Responses

1.3 Consultation Process

Pursuant to O. Reg. 359/09, consultation conducted for the Project has included adjacent landowners, the public, government agencies [e.g., MECP, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)], local municipalities, and local Indigenous groups. The objectives of the consultation process have been to inform these groups about the Project, obtain local knowledge about the Project Location, and identify and address potential concerns and potential adverse impacts.

The following report sections provide:

- An outline and description of all consultation activities held for the Project with the public, government agencies, local municipalities, and Indigenous groups.
- A summary of comments from public, government agencies, and Indigenous groups.
- A summary of how these comments were incorporated into the REA process.

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2. Consultation with the Public

2.1 First Public Meeting and Notice

Section 15 of O. Reg 359/09 requires that a person who proposes to engage in a renewable energy project distribute, either separately or together, a notice of the proposal to engage in the Project and a Notice of the location and time of an Initial Public Meeting to be held for the purpose of conducting consultations in respect of the Project.

The regulation also requires that the Notice is published on at least 2 separate days in a newspaper with general circulation in each municipality in which the Project location is situated, or if the Project location is in an unorganized territory, in a newspaper with circulation within 25 km. The Rainy River Project is located within the Township of Chapple, within 25 km of the town of Fort Frances.

The Notice of Project/First Public Meeting was published in the Fort Frances Times on August 20, 2025, and September 17, 2025.

In accordance with Section 15(5) of O. Reg 359/09, notices were distributed to all identified landowners within 120 m of the Project Location and were also more broadly distributed to all residences in the township with a post box. Addresses were identified through consultation with the local Canada Post branch and by using GeoWarehouse, with PINs obtained for properties which had no record of residence and Notices sent to addresses associated with each PIN. Notices were additionally distributed to property owners abutting a parcel of land on which the Project is located.

Notices were distributed by Canada Post, accompanied by a cover letter on August 22, 2025. The Notice was additionally posted at the Municipal Offices of Emo, Barwick, and Morley, as well as at the Rainy River First Nation Band Office, JD Junction, and the Country Corner Café, in Stratton, Ontario. A copy of the Notice and cover letter are contained in Appendix A.

The First Public Meeting was held in an open-house format on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Barwick Community Hall, 140 Main Street, Barwick, Ontario.

The purpose of the First Public Meeting was to:

- Introduce the Proponent and the Project.
- Identify the Project contacts and avenues for comment or question submission.
- Solicit feedback on the draft Project Description Report.

A total of 17 people signed in at the First Public Meeting, with an estimated 40 people in attendance. A blank copy of the sign-in sheet has been provided in Appendix B. Project information was provided on display boards placed strategically around the room; Appendix B contains a copy of the display boards. Three Project representatives attended the First Public

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Meeting, including two representatives from CarbonFree and one representative from Hatch Ltd. (Hatch) on hand to answer any questions on behalf of the Project team.

Comment sheets were offered to all attendees as a means of obtaining and recording comments and concerns. One comment sheet was returned to CarbonFree following the First Public Meeting (Appendix B).

The questions and comments raised by the public during the First Public Meeting are described in Table 2-1.

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Table 2-1: Public Meeting Comments and Responses

Category of Comment or Concern	Comment or Concern (Verbal and Written)	Response: Mitigation, Resolution, and/or Amendment to the Project
Land Use	I'm concerned about the loss of agricultural land and impact on food prices.	The Project recognizes the importance of agricultural land and has been designed to be compatible with ongoing agricultural use where feasible. The Project supports agrivoltaic land use, which allows continued agricultural activities beneath and around solar infrastructure, including grazing, haying, or other low-impact uses depending on site-specific conditions. The intent is not to displace agricultural livelihoods, but to provide landowners with an optional, supplementary land use that can coexist with farming operations.
	It is cattle country and any use of land besides ranching is a waste of space.	The land will remain in agricultural production. While not cattle, there several forms of agricultural practices that can and will be instituted during operation.
Infrastructure	Strong concern that Ralph Wilson Road would be extended through to Highway 71.	CarbonFree has proposed using Ralph Wilson Road off of Off Lake Road. If the Municipality prefers, the access to be extended to the highway; this will be arranged.
	Is it going to affect the distribution grid? Will it affect the sawmill down the line?	The Project will not affect the distribution grid, as it is transmission connected to the 115 kV line. The sawmill will be using some of the power during sunlight hours.
Wildlife	How will deer be impacted? Will wildlife be disturbed by noise?	Potential impacts related to noise, visual effects, and ecological change have been evaluated through multiple environmental studies. Noise impacts and mitigation are addressed in the Acoustic Assessment Report (H375916-0000-840-066-0001), which demonstrates compliance with applicable sound level limits at nearby residences. Wildlife habitat impacts and mitigation measures, including vegetation management and restoration, are addressed in the Natural Heritage Assessment Report (H375916-0000-840-066-0002). Mitigation measures include vegetated buffers, setbacks, equipment selection, and site layout designed to minimize visual intrusion and sound propagation.
	I'm concerned wildlife will be impacted.	The Project incorporates mitigation measures to avoid, minimize, and manage impacts to wildlife during construction and operations. These measures are detailed in the Natural Heritage Assessment (H375916-0000-840-066-0002), Construction Plan (H375916-0000-840-066-0008), Design and Operations (H375916-0000-840-066-0006), and Decommissioning Plan (H375916-0000-840-066-0007) Reports, all of which are available on the Project website (www.carbonfreerainyriver.com).
	The eagle's nest is active. I saw them there this summer. It's been used for probably 10 years.	The Project infrastructure will be located outside of a 400 m buffer around the nest.
General Environmental Concerns	Why is that small wetland in the south not buffered?	Wetland mapping was conducted initially through a desktop exercise then refined after field surveys. Final mapping is available in the Natural Heritage Assessment Report (H375916-0000-840-066-0002).
	What are the environmental impacts? Why are there buffers around water?	Potential effects on wildlife and habitat have been assessed through a Natural Heritage Assessment, supported by field investigations and desktop studies. The Project incorporates mitigation measures to avoid, minimize, and manage impacts to wildlife during construction and operations. These measures are detailed in the Natural Heritage Assessment

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		(H375916-0000-840-066-0002), Construction Plan (H375916-0000-840-066-0008), Design and Operations (H375916-0000-840-066-0006), and Decommissioning Plan (H375916-0000-840-066-0007) Reports, all of which are available on the Project website (www.carbonfreerainyriver.com).
General Project Inquiries/Concerns	How big will the overall Project be?	CarbonFree Rainy River is a 60 MW Class 3 solar PV project.
	Where is the energy going?	The Project aims to contribute to the Government of Ontario's goal of accelerating new electricity generation from renewable sources to support the province's growing energy needs. The power created by the proposed Project enters into the general provincial grid and is consumed where it is needed. This could potentially include exports to the United States; however, the Rainy River District is a net importer of electricity and, for as long as the residential-commercial-industrial electricity consumption base remains similar, the majority of the power generated will be consumed locally.
	Will it get in the way of the flow of people or animals?	Fencing will be installed around the Project Area; however, there will be an access path located along the transmission line corridor. There will be no access to the fenced Project Area.
	What happens at the end for decommissioning?	The Project is required to be removed at end of life and the site restored to a condition which would allow agricultural land use to continue or be re-established in areas historically used for agriculture in accordance with local, provincial, and federal legislation. It is assumed that the Project will retain a 20-year power purchase agreement with the Independent Electrical System Operator (IESO) which may be extended up to 35 years. Decommissioning will likely take place after the 35-year operational lifetime concludes or an IESO contract is no longer in place. Commitments to removal and site restoration are included in land leases with landowners, in the REA permit issued by the provincial government, and in the IESO contract and Hydro One connection permit. Further information on decommissioning is included in the Decommissioning Plan Report (H375916-0000-840-066-0007).
	What happens if the company goes out of business?	If CarbonFree goes out of business, the Project itself is asset up as its own Specialty Purpose Vehicle. Another owner would assume responsibility and continue to carry out the power generation contract with the IESO. Operating costs would be negligible due to its ready and free fuel source. There is associated construction debt incurred to fund the building of the Project; however, the revenue is guaranteed by the provincial government-backed IESO contract.
	What is the height of the panels and the spacing in between the rows?	At full tilt, the edge of the panels will be 8 to 9 ft off the ground. At midday, when the panels lie flat, they will lie approximately 6 to 7 ft off the ground. There will be a 20 ft space between rows.
	How will the individual Chapple member directly benefit from the Project?	A Community Benefit Agreement will be negotiated, and the township will be allocated money to re-invest within the community however they wish. Additionally, the Project will provide a local power source which will increase local energy resilience and independence.

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2.2 Second Public Meeting and Notice

Section 16 (1) of O. Reg. 359/09 requires that a person who proposes to engage in a renewable energy project shall hold at least two public meetings, each on a separate day, and according to Section 15 (1), shall distribute notices of the time and location of at least two public meetings to be held for the purpose of conducting consultations in respect of the Project.

The Notice of Second Public Meeting was published within the Fort Frances Times on April 1, 2026 and June 3, 2026 (Appendix A).

In accordance with Section 15(5) of O. Reg. 359/09, Notices were distributed to all identified landowners within 120 m of the Project Location and were also more broadly distributed to all residences in the township with a post box. Notices were distributed to the same recipients of the Notice of Project/First Public Meeting, with the contact list being maintained and updated as necessary. Recipients were identified through consultation with the local Canada Post branch and by using GeoWarehouse, with PINs obtained for properties which had no record of residence and Notices sent to addresses associated with each PIN. Notices were additionally distributed to property owners abutting a parcel of land on which the Project is located.

Notices were distributed by Canada Post on March 26, 2026, to local residences, including to all recipients of the two community mailboxes at the north and south end of the Project Location located along Highway 611 and by regular mail. A copy of the Notice is contained in Appendix A.

Notices were additionally posted at the following locations (Appendix A):

- Township of Chapple Municipal Office, 64 Barwick Road, Barwick, Ontario.
- Township of Morley Municipal Office, 11331 Highway 11, Stratton, Ontario.
- Devlin Corner Store, 3450 Mom’s Way, Devlin, Ontario.
- JD Junction, Highway 11, Barwick, Ontario.
- Rainy River First Nation Band Office, 6 Manitou Rapids Drive, Barwick, Ontario.
- Fort Frances Arena, 740 Scott Street, Fort Frances, Ontario.
- Ziibi Anishinaabe Investments Inc. Head Office, Suite A-3, Sturgeon Street, Emo, Ontario.

The Second Public Meeting was held in an open-house format on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Barwick Community Hall, 140 Main Street, Barwick, Ontario, approximately 11 km southwest of the Project Location. This was the nearest location suitable to host the public and is a well-known local facility. Per Section 16(1)b of O. Reg. 359/09 which applies to proposed projects outside of an organized territory, this

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location for the Second Public Meeting was selected as it was within 25 km of the Project Location.

The purpose of the Second Public Meeting was to:

- Follow up on the discussions which took place during the First Public Meeting.
- Provide the community with an opportunity to review the detailed project proposal and environmental and engineering studies completed and solicit feedback on these.

A total of 10 people signed in during the Second Public Meeting. A redacted copy of the sign-in sheet has been provided in Appendix C. Project information was provided on display boards placed strategically around the room; Appendix C contains a copy of the display boards. Three Project representatives attended the Second Public Meeting; two representatives from CarbonFree and one representative from Hatch were on hand to answer any questions on behalf of the Project team. Landowners who have leased their lands to the Project were also in attendance.

Comment sheets were offered to all attendees as a means of obtaining and recording comments and concerns. Four comment sheets were returned to CarbonFree following the meeting (Appendix C).

The questions and comments raised by the public during the Second Public Meeting, along with the Project response are presented in Table 2-2.

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Table 2-2: Second Public Meeting Comments and Responses

Category of Comment or Concern	Comment or Concern (Verbal and Written)	Response: Mitigation, Resolution, and/or Amendment to the Project
General Project Inquiries/Concerns	Is this a government subsidized project? Who funds the Project?	No, this is not a government subsidized Project. This is a competitive bid. It is assumed that the Project will retain a 20-year power purchase agreement with the independent Electrical System Operator (IESO) which may be extended to up to 35 years. CarbonFree and our Indigenous partner fund the building of the Project. CarbonFree has a 20-year contract with the Ministry of the Environment (MOE). They are purchasing the power from us, which helps to ensure the facility's long-term operation and success.
	Is this Project related to a data center?	No, the Project is not related to a data center. The Project is a solar project which aims to contribute to the Government of Ontario's goal of accelerating new electricity generation from renewable sources to support the province's growing energy needs.
	What happens to the land when the Project is decommissioned?	The Project is required to be removed at end of life and the site restored to a condition which would allow agricultural land use to continue or be re-established in areas historically used for agriculture in accordance with local, provincial, and federal legislation. Commitments to removal and site restoration are included in land leases with landowners, in the REA permit issued by the provincial government, and in the IESO contract and Hydro One connection permit. Further information on decommissioning is included in the Decommissioning Plan Report (H375916-0000-840-066-0007).
	What happens to the equipment when the Project is decommissioned?	Equipment and materials will be recycled where possible. The discarded materials will hold their value (aluminum, steel, copper wires). Removal of the transformer station would largely involve removal of the concrete foundation, as well as the security and privacy fencing. It is an expensive and labour-intensive process to take apart solar panels and there are currently no viable systems in place for recycling. Recycling demand will likely become more apparent as currently operating facilities come to the end of their life cycle. Panels installed as part of the Project would not likely be considered for removal until 2050. This allows time for the current recycling systems to improve. Further information on decommissioning is included in the Decommissioning Plan Report (H375916-0000-840-066-0007).
	When can we expect construction to start? How long will construction take?	Construction is anticipated to begin with site preparation, which will take place from approximately the beginning of 2027, and continue through mid-2029, at which time temporary access roads and laydown areas will be restored to their previous condition. The construction schedule is discussed in further detail in the Project Description Report (H375916-0000-840-066-0001).

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2.3 Other Public Consultation

The public was encouraged to communicate with the Proponent and/or Hatch representatives outside of the public meetings via any of the following forms of communication:

- E-mail correspondence.
- In-person meetings.
- Mail.
- Phone.
- Project website (“Contact us” form).
- Via the involved landowners who are residents within the Project Location.

Comments raised by the public along with the Project response are presented in Table 2-3. Additional written correspondence received from the public and the Project response to these are available in Appendix D.

2.3.1 Project Website

A Project website was created, providing users with:

- A description of the Project and the IESO LT2 procurement process.
- Information on CarbonFree’s commitment to preserving existing agriculture at the Project Location.
- A Land Use Benefit Statement.
- The benefits of solar PVs.
- Information on the public consultation process and upcoming and past community and Indigenous engagement events.
- Copies of relevant Project resources (e.g., Project Description Report, Notice of Project/First Public Meeting, etc.).
- Economic benefits of the Project.
- Information about the Proponent and its partners, including Rainy River First Nation.
- Contact information for the Project along with a direct Project contact form.
- The following technical reports and plain language report summaries:
  - Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report
  - Archaeological Assessment Report
  - Acoustic Assessment Report

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- Water Body Assessment Report
- Natural Heritage Assessment Report
- Construction Report
- Design and Operations Report
- Decommissioning Report.

2.3.2 Neighbouring Municipalities and Regional Organizations

While the Project is located within the Township of Chapple, neighbouring municipalities who may have an interest in the Project were consulted with, as summarized below.

The following municipal agencies were consulted:

- Township of Alberton.
- Township of Emo.
- Alberton Volunteer Fire Department.
- Rainy River Future Development Corporation.
- Rainy River District Social Services Board.

The following sections provide the details of the consultation completed per municipal agency.

On August 22, 2025, and April 6, 2026, Hatch provided the Notice of Project and Notice of Public Meeting, and the Notice of Final Project Meeting, respectively, to the Chief Administrative Officers (CAOs) for the following municipalities (Appendix D). Note that the Notice of Second Public Meeting was not shared with the Miscampbell Roads Board, as they were determined not to be a relevant contact for this Project:

- Township of Emo.
- Rainy River District Social Services Board.
- Miscampbell Roads Board (notice sent August 25, 2025).

CarbonFree additionally held presentations for representatives from the following municipalities and municipal agencies to provide information on the Project premises, visual impacts, Indigenous relations, site design, and agricultural impacts, and to respond to any comments or concerns:

- September 2, 2025: CAO for the Township of Emo via video call.
- September 24, 2025: CAO for the Township of Fort Frances.
- August 7, 2025: CAO for the Township of Alberton.

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- July 24, 2025: Chief of the Alberton Volunteer Fire Department.
- Rainy River Federation of Agriculture.
- September 2, 2025: Rainy River Future Development Corporation via video call.

2.3.3 Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society Fall Fair

CarbonFree representatives attended the Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society Fall Fair on August 15 and 16, 2025. A display booth was located in the Events Centre on the Emo Fairgrounds which provided local community members and residents of the broader Rainy River District with the opportunity to meet the Project team, learn more about the Project, and raise any comments or concerns. The Project team spoke with over 200 people over a 2-day period. Responses to the Project were generally positive.

2.3.4 Radio

CarbonFree representatives were interviewed by local radio station 93.1 “The Border” regarding the Project on September 24, 2025, and again on April 17, 2026, following confirmation that an IESO contract for the Project had been issued.

2.3.5 Telephone Calls

The Notice of Proposal/Public Meeting and the Project website included direct phone numbers for CarbonFree and Hatch representatives. This resulted in one conversation with a local resident regarding the Project. Residents were encouraged to maintain contact by phone or email in order to share questions and concerns about the Project.

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Table 2-3: Other Public Comments and Responses

Category of Comment or Concern	Comment or Concern	Response: Mitigation, Resolution, and/or Amendment to the Project
Township of Alberton	The Township of Alberton CAO had a positive impression of the Project. No issues were raised.	Noted. Thank you for your support.
Township of Emo	The Township of Emo expressed interest in the proposed Project and a desire that it be located within the Township's municipal boundaries.	Noted. Thank you for your support.
Township of Fort Frances	The Township of Fort Frances had a positive impression of the Project. No issues were raised.	Noted. Thank you for your support.
Alberton Volunteer Fire Department	The Fire Chief for the Township of Alberton CAO had a positive impression of the Project. No issues were raised.	Noted. Thank you for your support.
Rainy River Federation of Agriculture	The Rainy River Federation of Agriculture expressed their written support for the Project following the meeting (Appendix D).	Noted. Thank you for your support.
Rainy River Future Development Corporation (RRFDC)	RRFDC expressed interest in the proposed Project and the desire for more people to be notified of its development.	Noted. Thank you for your support.

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3. Consultation with Provincial and Municipal Agencies

Consultation with relevant agencies was completed as per O. Reg. 359/09 and MECP's "Guidance for Preparing the Consultation Report". The following agencies were consulted:

- **Provincial:**
  - Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks (MECP).
  - Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH).
  - Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR).
  - Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism (MCM).
- **Municipal:**
  - Township of Chapple.

The following provide the details of the consultation completed per agency.

3.1 Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

- May 20, 2025: Hatch provided the MECP with the draft Project Description Report and requested the list of Indigenous groups to consult with. This letter is included in Appendix E and consultation with Indigenous groups is further discussed in Section 4.
- July 29, 2025: MECP provided the list of Indigenous groups with which to consult (Appendix E).
- August 22, 2025: Hatch provided the Notice of Project and Notice of Public Meeting to the Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch, the Thunder Bay District and Kenora Area Offices, the Rainy River District Services Board, and the Miscampbell Roads Board. Please note that the MECP District Manager position was vacant throughout the 2025 to 2026 project consultation period and, therefore, correspondence with MECP was limited to the Director of Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch (Appendix E).
- April 6, 2026: Hatch provided the Notice of Second Public Meeting to the Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch, the Thunder Bay District and Kenora Area Offices, and the Rainy River District Services Board.

3.2 Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

- August 22, 2025: Hatch provided the Notice of Project and Notice of Public Meeting to the Regional Planner for MMAH (Appendix E).
- April 6, 2026: Hatch provided the Notice of Second Public Meeting to the Regional Planner for MMAH (Appendix E).

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3.3 Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources

- February 4, 2026: The Natural Heritage Assessment Report was sent to MNR to review.
- February 4, 2026: The Water Body Assessment Report was sent to MNR to review.

3.4 Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism

- January 6, 2025: The Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment, and the Cultural Heritage Evaluation reports were sent to the MCM with a formal request for an expedited review.

3.5 Township of Chapple

- August 21, 2025: Notice of Project and Notice of Public Meeting was emailed to the Township of Chapple (Appendix E).
- March 18, 2026: CarbonFree reached out to the Township of Chapple via email to schedule a meeting to provide an update on the Project.
- January 28, 2026: Draft Project Description Report was mailed to the Township of Chapple for review.
- March 10, 2026: CarbonFree sent the municipal consultation form and digital copies of all technical reports to the Township of Chapple, initiating the 90-day municipal review period.
- April 6, 2026: The Notice of Second Public Meeting and plain language summaries of all technical reports were sent to the Township of Chapple (Appendix E).
- June 4, 2026: The Township of Chapple returned comments utilizing the Municipal Consultation Form provided by CarbonFree.
    - Comments from the Township of Chapple were focused on road access to the Project and ensuring proper load restrictions are in place during spring thaw periods or bylaw amendments are put in place during construction. The Project in response has planned the majority of construction access to take place from Trans-Canada Highway 71 and will be permitted through the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) work permits as needed. Where road enhancements are needed to municipal roads, they will be completed in consultation with the Township of Chapple.

3.6 Agency Comments and Concerns

Agency comments and concerns are included in Table 3-1, which also indicates how the Project and/or Project reports were modified to meet the agency comments/concern.

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Table 3-1: Agency Comments and Responses

Agency	Comment/Concern	Response: Mitigation, Resolution, and/or Amendment to Project
MECP	On July 29, 2025, MECP provided general guidance about the REA process as well as comments on the Draft Project Description Report. Their comments focused on ensuring the Draft Project Description Report included everything required per Table 1 of O. Reg. 359/09.	The Draft Project Description Report was updated to reflect MECP's comments, including addition of a Table of Concordance, updates to the study area map, and updates to the summary of potential negative environmental effects.
MMAH	No comments/concerns.	No response required.
MNR	Draft comments issued regarding additional sources to be reviewed for Natural Heritage Assessment Documents.	Sources reviewed and incorporated into the report with no significant changes required.
MCM	Pending Confirmation letter.	Draft Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment issued January 7, 2026 to MCM.
Township of Chapple	The Township of Chapple CAO had a positive impression of the Project. No issues were raised.	Noted. Thank you for your support.

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4. Consultation with Indigenous Groups

It is the Crown's fiduciary obligation to conduct meaningful consultation in good faith with Indigenous communities. The Crown has delegated some of the consultation to the Proponent of renewable energy projects, per O. Reg. 359/09. The Proponent is required to engage meaningfully with Indigenous groups regarding traditional ecological knowledge, traditional land use, land claims and other interests and issues with respect to the development of the Project. The following sections provide information related to the Indigenous consultation completed for the Project.

4.1 Indigenous Groups Consultation List

On May 20, 2025, Hatch provided MECP with the draft Project Description Report and requested a list of Indigenous groups to consult with. On July 29, 2025, MECP provided the list of Indigenous groups. This correspondence is contained in Appendix E.

4.1.1 Summary of Indigenous Groups Consulted

Table 4-1 presents a summary of the Indigenous groups consulted.

Table 4-1: Summary of Indigenous Groups Consulted

Indigenous Groups	Notice of Proposal and First Public Meeting	Summaries of Draft Project Description Report	Notice of Second Public Meeting
Anishinaabeg of Naongashiing	✓	✓	✓
Big Grassy First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Couchiching First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Lac La Croix First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Mitaanjigamiing First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Naicatchewenin First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Nigigoonsiminikaaning First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Ojibways of Onigaming First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Rainy River First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Seine River First Nation	✓	✓	✓
Métis Nation of Ontario – Region 1	✓	✓	✓

4.2 Consultation Activities

4.2.1 First Public Meeting and Notice

CarbonFree sent all Indigenous groups identified by the MECP an introductory email on August 13, 2025. The email provided initial information about the Project, welcomed Indigenous groups to reach out with questions or to arrange a meeting, and, per O. Reg 39/09, requested written feedback.

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Subsequently, the Notice of Project and Public Meeting was emailed to Rainy River First Nation (RRFN) on August 22, 2025, and to all other Indigenous groups on August 25, 2025. None of the Indigenous groups identified print a local newspaper within which to publish the Notice; however, the Notice was additionally posted at the Rainy River First Nation Band Office and at JD Junction, a gas station located on the Seine River 23 A reserve. On September 19, 2025, CarbonFree distributed an additional email reminding Indigenous groups of the upcoming Public Meeting.

Approximately 10 individuals noted that they belonged to either RRFN or were representatives of Ziibi Anishinaabe Inc., the Project's Indigenous partners.

CarbonFree emailed digital copies of the Project Description Report to all Indigenous groups on January 26, 2026. Appendix F contains copies of correspondence with Indigenous groups.

4.2.2 Second Public Meeting and Notice

On April 8, 2026, CarbonFree sent all Indigenous groups identified by the MECP the Notice of Second Public Meeting, as well as the plain-language report summaries and copies of the full technical reports listed in Section 2.3.1 (Appendix F).

4.2.3 Partnership with Rainy River First Nation and Ziibi Anishinaabe Investments Inc.

CarbonFree has entered into an economic partnership with RRFN and Ziibi Anishinaabe Investments Inc., the community's business development corporation, with the aim of providing the community with economic development opportunities related to the Project and financial returns for the life of the Project. Communications between CarbonFree and the community regarding the partnership are ongoing.

4.2.4 Other Indigenous Consultation Activities

The Proponent attempted to obtain feedback, information, comments and concerns about the Project from each potentially interested Indigenous group. Where contact information was available, the Proponent attempted to contact administration for all identified communities via email and telephone on multiple occasions, including Lands & Resources departments and Chief and Council as directed.

On February 3, 2026, CarbonFree held a meeting with Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) Region 1 representatives during which Project information was shared and MNO was able to provide questions and comments. On February 4, 2026, CarbonFree followed up via email to request written confirmation that the technical report should be shared electronically. MNO confirmed that they should be shared electronically. A summary of correspondence as well as comments and concerns is provided in Table 4-2 and Appendix F.

4.3 Indigenous Groups Comments and Concerns

The consultation process aims to provide a method to address any comments or concerns about the Project from the Indigenous perspective. Comments and concerns received from Indigenous groups throughout the consultation process are included in Table 4-2.

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Table 4-2: Comments and Concerns from Indigenous Groups and Responses

Indigenous Group	Comment/Concern	Response: Mitigation, Resolution, and/or Amendment to the Project
Métis Nation of Ontario - Region 1 (MNO)	MNO asked CarbonFree what would be desired from MNO in a community engagement session and what kind of feedback CarbonFree is looking for.	CarbonFree stated that it is up to MNO what they choose to provide comments or feedback on.
	MNO asked about Crown Land usage related to the Project.	CarbonFree stated that there will be no Crown Land usage.
	MNO asked about employment favouritism related to other Indigenous groups. MNO expressed that they would like equal opportunity for Métis people in CarbonFree contracts with suppliers.	CarbonFree committed to equal opportunity for Métis people but did not commit to including this commitment in any contracts in writing.
	MNO asked where construction equipment will be sourced from.	CarbonFree stated that the majority would come from northwestern Ontario and Winnipeg.
	MNO asked whether it would be possible to establish a Capacity Funding Agreement for volunteers for an engagement event. MNO proposed $200 per volunteer, with five presidents in attendance who would qualify as volunteers. MNO would bill CarbonFree.	CarbonFree agreed to pay the fees.
	CarbonFree requested that MNO follow up with CarbonFree regarding how the bright solar roof projects developed by CarbonFree have worked for MNO.	No response.
	MNO is to follow up with CarbonFree requesting soft copies of the technical reports.	N/A

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5. Amendments to Project Documentation

Amendments were made to the following Project documents following the completion of consultation activities in order to ensure feedback received from applicable agencies, the public, and Indigenous groups was incorporated where feasible.

5.1 Natural Heritage Assessment Report

The Natural Heritage document submitted in early February 2026 was revised to conform with the Natural Heritage Assessment Guide Revision as issued in May 2026. The technical content of the report remains largely unchanged. Mitigation and monitoring measures were not modified in the revision.

The report was updated to reflect the modification of setback distances from wetlands from 30 m to 50 m.

5.2 Acoustic Assessment Report

The Proponent amended and finalized the report, including updated inverter orientation information. Inverters were orientated to further minimize noise impacts on surrounding properties and receptors.

5.3 Stormwater Management Report

The report was updated to reflect the modification of setback distances from wetlands from 30 m to 50 m.

5.4 Project Description Report

The report was updated to reflect the modification of setback distances from wetlands from 30 m to 50 m.

5.5 Construction Plan Report

The report was updated to reflect the modification of setback distances from wetlands from 30 m to 50 m.

5.6 Design and Operations Report

The report was updated to reflect the modification of setback distances from wetlands from 30 m to 50 m.

5.7 Archaeological Assessment Report

The Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment Report was updated to reflect comments from the MCM.

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6. Conclusions

Open dialogue with the public, Indigenous groups, municipalities and other agencies regarding the Project has been ongoing. In addition to communications via letters, meetings, email and phone calls, there were two public meetings hosted by the Proponent to further encourage discussion and comments on the Project. The purpose of this Consultation Report is to ensure a transparent and meaningful consultation process for all participants with an interest in the Project, where all comments and questions received are documented, reviewed and addressed.

As a result of these consultation activities, the various issues raised by the public, Indigenous groups and applicable agencies have been considered as part of the Project development process and provided additional guidance toward the scope of the studies. These issues were considered and incorporated into the REA documents, as appropriate.

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Appendix A
Notices and Sample Letters

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Dear Neighbour,

On behalf of **CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.**, we would like to invite you to attend a public meeting regarding the proposed renewal energy project **CarbonFree Rainy River**.

The session will be held at:

Barwick Cummity Hall
140 Main Street,
Rainy River, Ontario
Monday, September 23, 2025
6:00 p.m.

The purpose of this event is to share information about the CarbonFree Rainy River solar project, answer questions, and gather feedback from community members. Your input is important to us, and we welcome the opportunity to speak with you directly about the project and its role in the community.

We hope you will join us at this session and look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.

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Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting

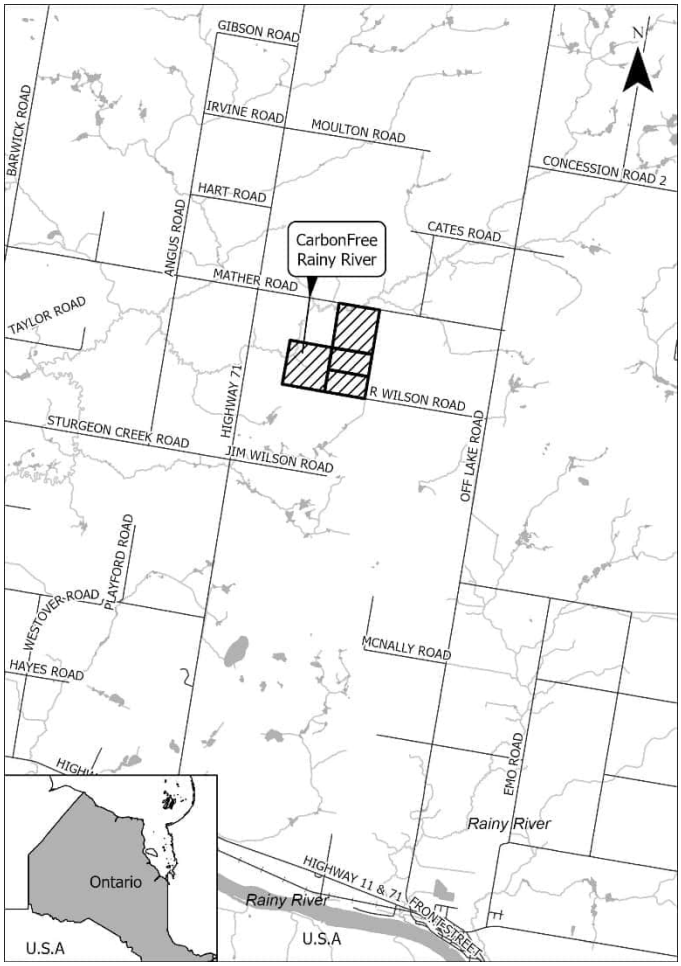
To be held by CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project

Project Name: CarbonFree Rainy River
IESO Reference Number: Not yet available
Project Location: Township of Chapple in the District of Rainy River, Ontario.
Dated at Thunder Bay this the 20th of August 2025

CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a Renewable Energy Approval is required. The proposal to engage in the project, distribution of this notice, and the project itself are subject to the provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act (Act)* Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with Section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Meeting Location:

Date: Tuesday. September 23, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Barwick Community Hall, 140 Main St., Barwick, Ontario



Project Description:

CarbonFree Rainy River is a renewable energy generating facility which will use solar photovoltaic (PV) technology to generate electricity. Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the Project is a Class 3 solar facility project. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of up to 50 MW. Electricity generated by solar PV panels will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by inverters and then stepped-up (via pad-mounted inverters, medium voltage transformers and a main substation transformer) to 115 kilovolts (kV) prior to being connected to the existing Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) transmission line. The project location is shown on the map below.

Documents for Public Inspection:

The Draft Project Description Report titled *CarbonFree Rainy River Project Draft Project Description Report* describes the project as a renewable energy generation facility which will use solar PV technology to generate electricity. A copy of the *CarbonFree Rainy River Project Draft Project Description Report* was made available for public inspection on August 20, 2025 at https://carbonfreerainyriver.com.

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Notice of Public Meeting

To be held by CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. (CarbonFree) **regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project**
Project Name: CarbonFree Rainy River
Project Location: Township of Chapple in the District of Rainy River, Ontario
Dated at Toronto this 9th day of March

Following up on the first Public Meeting held in September 2025, this Second Public Meeting will afford the surrounding community an opportunity to review the detailed project proposal and the environmental and engineering studies that have been completed.

CarbonFree is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a REA is required. The proposal to engage in the project and the project itself is subject to the provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act (Act)* Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Meeting Location:

Date: June 9th, 2026
Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm,
Place: Barwick Community Hall, 126 Main St., Barwick, Ontario

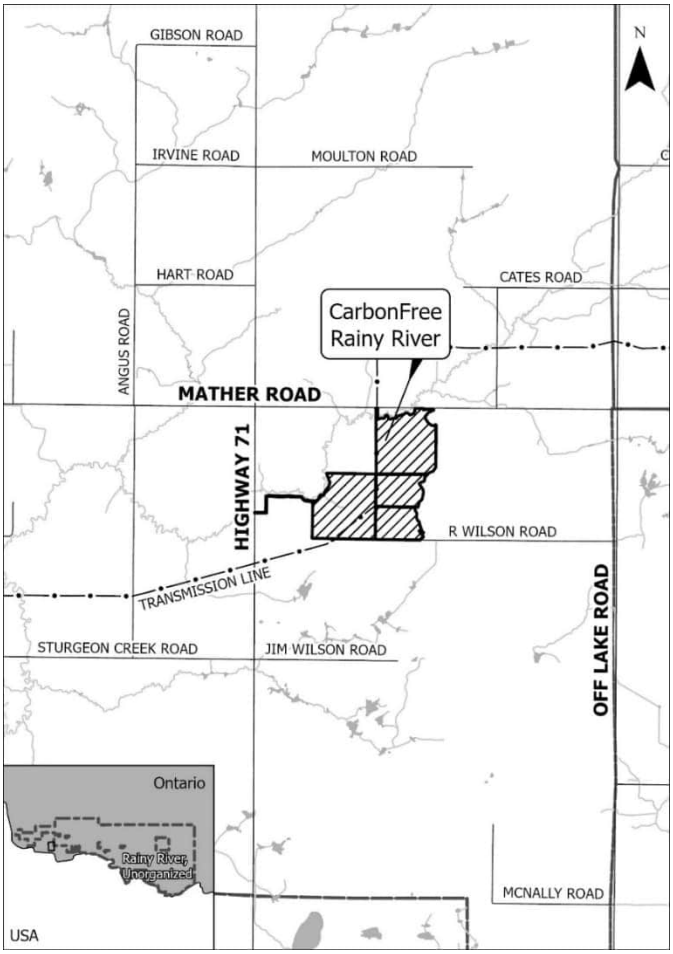
Project Description:

Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which this project is to be engaged in, is a utility scale Class 3 solar facility. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of 60 MW. The project location is described in the map below.

Documents for Public Inspection:

The Project Description Report titled CarbonFree Rainy River Project Description Report describes the project as a renewable energy generation facility which will use solar PV technology to generate electricity. A copy of the CarbonFree Rainy River Project Description Report was made available for public inspection on March 10, 2025 at https://carbonfreerainyriver.com.

Further, the applicant has obtained or prepared the following supporting documents to comply with the requirements of the Act and Regulation: Natural Heritage Assessment Report, Water Body Assessment Report, Construction Plan Report, Design and Operations Report, Decommissioning Plan Report, Archaeological Assessment Report, Cultural Heritage Assessment Report, and Acoustic Assessment Report. Written copies of the Project Description Report and other supporting documents will be made available for public inspection at the public meeting and will also be posted on March 10, 2026 at https://carbonfreerainyriver.com.



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‘Full of gratitude’: First Nations child welfare deal approved

By Matt Prokopchuk
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TORONTO — First Nations leaders in Ontario are celebrating a decision by the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal over the future of child welfare.

On Monday, the tribunal approved the Ontario Final Agreement — the nine-year, $8.5-billion deal that the Chiefs of Ontario and Nishnawbe Aski Nation reached with the federal government in 2025 that will give communities control over things like foster care, child protective services and adoption in their First Nations.

“The chiefs have the authority to decide how to look after their own children and what is in the best interests of their children,” Nishnawbe Aski Nation Grand Chief Alvin Fiddler told a press conference in Toronto Monday afternoon after the tribunal issued its decision.

“I’m so full of gratitude to all those that worked so hard to get to where we are today — our chiefs of the Nishnawbe Aski Nation, all the citizens of the Nishnawbe Aski Nation for encouraging us, for pushing us forward to negotiate this agreement.”

The Ontario-specific deal came several months after the Assembly of First Nations voted down a national settlement over child welfare in October 2024. It all stems from a nearly two-decades long human rights complaint, where the tribunal found in 2016 that the federal government discriminates against First Nations children by underfunding child welfare on-reserve and that it hasn’t been providing the same level of service as is given in other communities in Canada.

First Nations in Ontario tasked provincial Indigenous and treaty territorial leadership to negotiate the province-specific agreement after the proposed national deal fell through, Fiddler and others said on Monday.

The human rights tribunal issued its decision through an expedited letter of decision, with a full document with its reasoning to follow. It underscored that further delay would risk further harm to children and families, including the potential loss of a year of funding under the final agreement.

“Ontario First Nations children and youth have been waiting for today’s decision for nearly 10 years,” said Ashley Bach, a member of Mishkeegogamang, who told the press conference she didn’t grow up in the community because she was adopted out at five years of age.

“There have been so many harms against our children over the past decade, and the decades before that, under a discriminatory system that was designed to take us away from our families, our communities, our nations, our traditions and our lands.”

First Nations kids are vastly overrepresented in the child welfare system across the country — with Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians Grand Chief Joel Abram saying that apprehension rates “rival those during the Sixties Scoop,” a period lasting into the 1980s where authorities forcibly took thousands of Indigenous children from their families and placed them in non-Indigenous homes.

June Black, the chief of the Apitipi Anicinapek Nation, said the Ontario Final Agreement is designed to ensure colonial-driven laws don’t do further harm.

This is not just about responding to a crisis after crisis after crisis,” she said. “It’s about prevention.”

“We’re actually in a place where we can prevent the horrible, horrible past from happening again.”

That means a lot of work at the community level, leaders said on Monday.

“We need to get away from these … colonial laws — get away from that now,” Black said. “Go home and start working with your people, within your communities.”

“In the end, Indigenous child welfare is about raising strong children within strong nations — we must never allow our children to feel the pain of being removed from their communities. We need to stop that.”

The tribunal’s ruling is still subject to a 30-day appeals process, Ontario Regional Chief Abram Benedict said; should that pass without applications for judicial review, he added, there will be a significant “implementation phase” and leaders will set a date when money from the final agreement will start to “flow to our communities.”

“There’s a lot of work to do,” Benedict said. “That is building the capacity in communities, embracing community laws, ensuring that all of the elements that are in this agreement are mobilized and operationalized so that our children, our families, will receive the benefits.”

“So, there’s a lot of work to do in the next several years.”

Fiddler said that type of work has already started in many Nishnawbe Aski Nation First Nations. NAN represents 49 First Nations in the Treaty 9 and Treaty 5 areas across northern Ontario.

“They’ve already started the work,” he said, adding that, for example, North Caribou Lake held the grand opening for its new family services facility earlier in 2026. “In the last year or so, many of our communities are building infrastructure to support these programs and services in their own communities.”

“There are stories like that right across the NAN territory — the communities are anxious to assume, once again, the responsibility of their own children.”

Indigenous Services Minister Mandy Gull-Masty issued a statement Monday afternoon, saying she welcomes the human rights tribunal’s decision and thanks it for its work.

“I want to recognize the Chiefs of Ontario, the Nishnawbe Aski Nation, and First Nations communities across the province who have worked tirelessly, over generations, to be the ones making decisions for their own children,” her statement said. “Your leadership, your advocacy, and your resilience have brought us to this moment.”

“The approved agreement establishes a comprehensive framework for long-term reform, including safeguards to ensure accountability, continuous improvement and sustainability of services beyond the life of the agreement,” NAN said in a media release.

Benedict called the nine-year agreement “the beginning of an opportunity for all of us together.”

“Moving forward with today’s decisions will result in no further delay for our families and our children to receive the justice that they deserve,” he said. “Our communities in this region are ready.”

“You have chosen to exercise your self-determination and this agreement reaffirms that.”

Riverside Health Care nearing *Lights, Camera, DIAGNOSIS!* goal

By Liam Oliver Neilson
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Getting advanced medical equipment is a challenge that doesn’t come cheap, but that doesn’t make it impossible. With fundraising contributions from all over the Rainy River District and beyond, Riverside Health Care is now about $150,000 away from its $1.6 million goal and expanding its diagnostic care in the region with its “Lights, Camera, DIAGNOSIS!” campaign, Holly Kaemingh, director of fundraising at Riverside, said.

The price point for MRI machines, one of the pieces Riverside is planning to add to its diagnostic arsenal, ranges from $1 million to $3 million new. Used machines are more affordable, but still sit anywhere from over $100,000 to $1 million, depending on the model. Operating and maintenance also add thousands to the monthly cost after purchase. All in, it would massive financial burden on a healthcare facility in a small town that doesn’t necessarily have the excess funds to throw around, making fundraising a crucial part of this effort.

“Right now, we are fundraising for updated digital radiography units, which are X-ray machines for this hospital here, La Verendrye, and Rainy River Health Centre,” Kaemingh said.

“They’re each getting new machines. Rainy River’s is almost 30 years old, and the one here is almost 20 years old. They’re going to have the same machine at both locations. They’re way more efficient, have lower radiation dosages and improve staffing abilities with the same machine across both locations. We’re also fundraising for an MRI here in Fort Frances.”

Housing the new MRI unit will also require Riverside to construct a new addition to La Verendrye Hospital. Fortunately, the provincial government has also committed approximately $12 million in funding, which will go towards both equipment and construction costs. The construction contract will go to tender by the end of April, with construction planned for the summer.

The new MRI machine has now been ordered and will bring high speeds and efficiency, allowing faster appointments and more patients to be seen in a day, Kaemingh said.

“It’s a very impressive machine,” she said.

“It’s amazing what they can do, and the speed and efficiency of them is amazing. They’re saying a scan that on an older model would take 45 minutes can be done in as little as three to five.”

Kathryn Pierroz, Riverside’s communications coordinator, said being in an area with a small population makes the fundraising efforts completely different from those of a metro area.

“There’s a big difference between a larger centre and a smaller centre,” Pierroz said.

“Our fundraising base is different — we’re in a smaller population. If you look at something like Toronto or even Thunder Bay, the social economical background of our district is lower than it is in the city. So when somebody is making a donation, of course, every donation really makes a huge impact.”

“$1,000 is a lot to somebody where starting donations in a larger centre might be a $10,000 range,” she said.

“It sometimes takes longer to fundraise. Although we’ve come a long way in a year. Historically, fundraising related to purchases for the hospital have always gone well past the one-year mark.”

Having the MRI equipment up and running in Fort Frances will make a drastic change for the district. Kaemingh noted that many people in the area cannot make it out to the nearest municipalities, which have the equipment. “There are so many people here who don’t have the ability to get to Thunder Bay,” she said. “But this MRI here, it’ll drastically change that.”

Other places in the region are installing this equipment as well, according to Pierroz. Kenora got its MRI machine up and running last September, while Sioux Lookout recently had the MRI delivered and is planning to have it running by Fall.

While Riverside is still about $150,000 away from its goal, they get closer and closer with help from organizations and individuals in the community. Donations can be made in person at the hospital, by mail or online at riversidehealthcare.ca/donate.

People in the Rainy River District can also support and potentially win something back for themselves by purchasing tickets for Riverside’s 50/50 draw. 100 per cent of the proceeds from this draw are currently going towards the Lights, Camera, DIAGNOSIS campaign and can be purchased at www.rhc5050.com.



Notice of Public Meeting

To be held by CarbonFree Fort Frances Ltd. (CarbonFree) **regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project**
Project Name: CarbonFree Fort Frances
Project Location: The unincorporated Township of Miscampbell immediately north of the Township of Alberton, approximately 7.5 km northwest of Fort Frances, Ontario.
Dated at Toronto this 24th day of March

Following up on the first Public Meeting held in September 2025, this Second Public Meeting will afford the surrounding community an opportunity to review the detailed project proposal and the environmental and engineering studies that have been completed.

CarbonFree is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a REA is required. The proposal to engage in the project and the project itself is subject to the provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act (Act)* Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Meeting Location:

Date: Tuesday, May 5th, 2026
Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm,
Place: East End Hall,
Address Clarification: 1227 Fifth St E,
Fort Frances, P9A 1V9

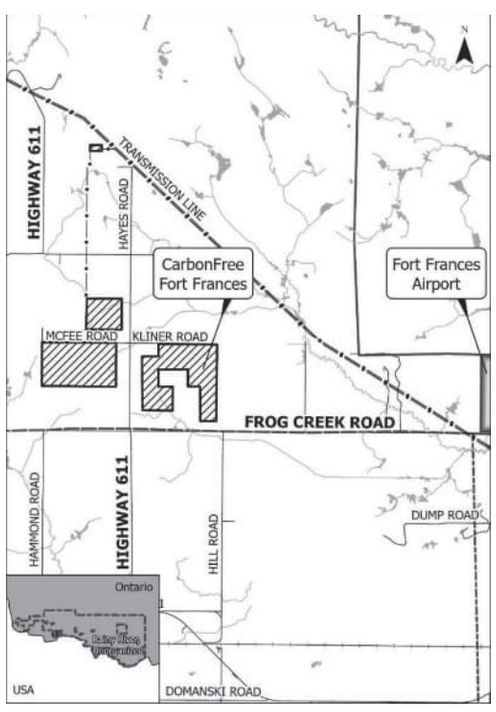
Project Description:

Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which this project is to be engaged in, is Class 3 solar facility. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of 167 MW. The project location is described in the map below.

Documents for Public Inspection:

The Project Description Report titled CarbonFree Fort Frances Project Description Report describes the project as a renewable energy generation facility which will use solar PV technology to generate electricity. A copy of the CarbonFree Fort Frances Project Description Report was made available for public inspection on March 6, 2026, at https://carbonfreefortfrances.com.

Further, the applicant has obtained or prepared the following supporting documents to comply with the requirements of the Act and Regulation: Natural Heritage Assessment Report, Water Body Assessment Report, Construction Plan Report, Design and Operations Report, Decommissioning Plan Report, Archaeological Assessment Report, Cultural Heritage Assessment Report, and Acoustic Assessment Report. Written copies of the Project Description Report and other supporting documents will be made available for public inspection at the public meeting and were also posted on March 6, 2026 at https://carbonfreefortfrances.com.

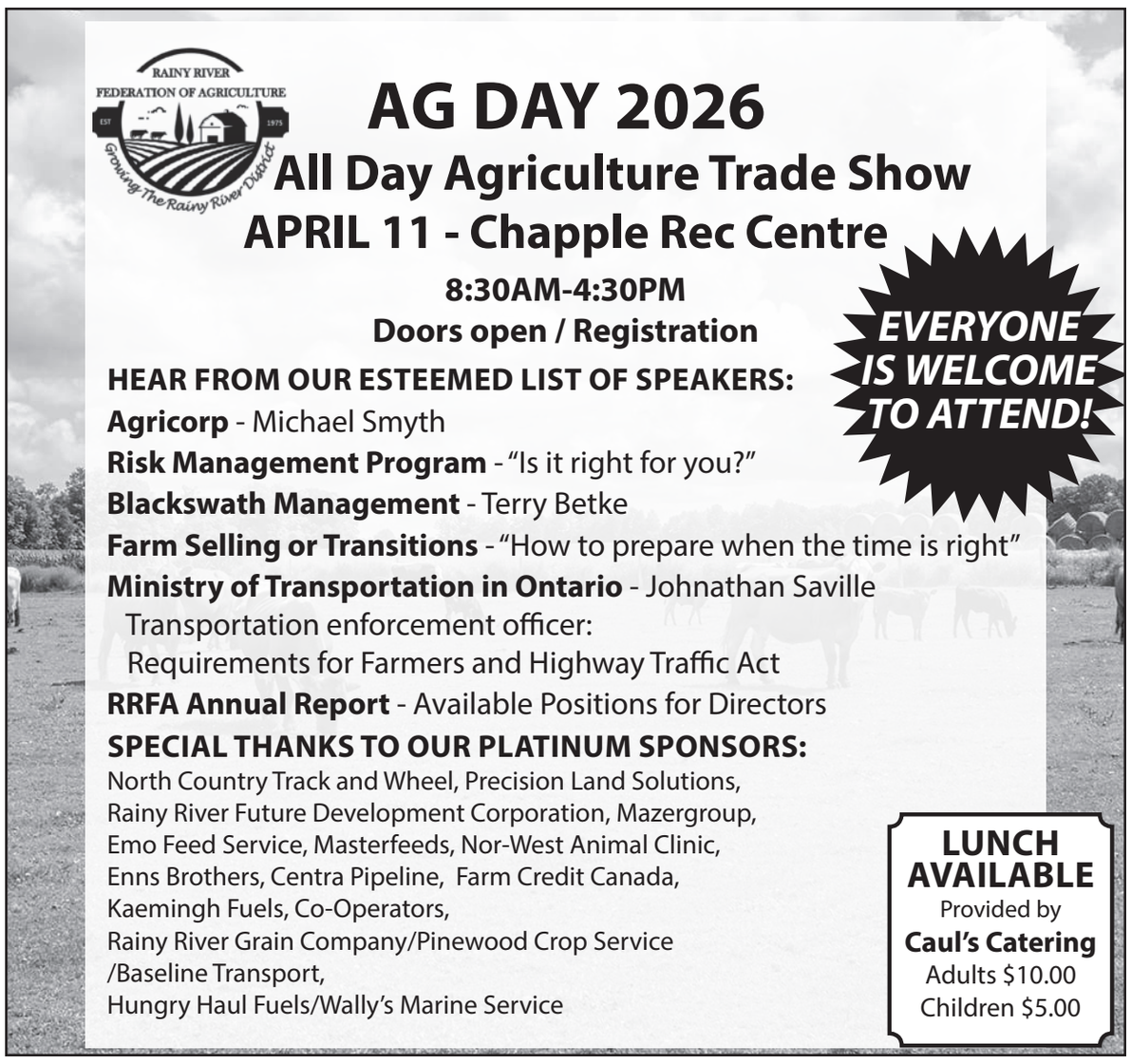


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The temperature at which books burn

By Grace Petsnick
The Book Stop

Seventy years after its publication, Ray Bradbury's 1953 novel Fahrenheit 451 can still be found holding on with white knuckles to the required reading list of some grade 10, mid-level English classes.

The copies that are handed out would fail to spark a flame of interest under students, even if they were sitting on a pile of dry kindling: nondescript cover, pages discoloured by 30 years of exposure and graffiti, stored in a cardboard box that lies in wait for 11 months out of the year, like a box of dusty Christmas ornaments.

The specific hardcover copy that I have in mind is small enough to fit into the back pocket of a baggy pair of jeans, but big enough to hide a smartphone behind at your desk.

Unfortunately, kids, what gives you away is spending more than five minutes on the same page while you move your thumb in a scrolling motion.

But isn't that just a sign of the times?

Bradbury's novel explores a dystopian reality in which technological advancements in flame-retardancy have rendered firefighters obsolete; rather than leave these gentlemen out of a job, firefighters now bear the responsibility of starting fires to lay siege upon every book in existence.

In the wake of the Second World War, the burning of books was an inflammatory symbol: a burning book blazed synonymous with censorship, totalitarianism and the destruction of knowledge. It calls to mind, with the speed of combustion, an image of the Third Reich. From this side of history, any 10th grader can summarize this connection with a flippant: "Okay… burning books is bad."

It's not profound to note how our relationship with physical media has changed since 1953; if you burn the novel I'm reading for class, I can just find everything that I would ever need to know about anything at all, really, (including but not limited to that novel) by using the smartphone I keep on me at all times. If the destruction of physical media has become a flippant symbol without a spine, what keeps the book about burning books so terrifyingly pertinent?

In reality, the book on fire has become a red herring in modern analysis of the text. It is a rhetorical distraction so effective that it adds to the Ray Bradbury time-travel conspiracy theory; not only was he a time-traveller, but he also taught grade 10 English classes at Fort Frances High School.

His students today can easily identify that the destruction of books is disastrous, but somehow they cannot internalize that knowing the content within those books is, therefore, essential. Book burning is the side of the coin they look at while they flip through the pages of his book, but they keep the other side, the much more challenging side, safely face-down: that neglected side of the coin which warns them of the dangers of their anti-intellectualism, their apathy towards the pursuit of knowledge.

There is a critical section within Captain Beatty's monologue, the supervisor of the protagonist Guy Montag, where he says, pertaining to the burning of books: "'It didn't come from the Government down. There was no dictum, no declaration, no censorship, to start with, no! Technology, mass exploitation, and minority pressure carried the trick, thank God."

Even more succinctly, Professor Faber, the icon of academia within the work, states simply: "Remember, the firemen are rarely necessary. The public itself stopped reading of its own accord."

There are young students taking one look at this phenomenal book that is inextricably linked to our current, lived reality, and they are asking if they can just watch the movie instead. They cannot even take a moment to revel in the glorious, infuriating irony of what they ask! An anti-intellectual society cannot call into question its own behaviour; those standing on the smooth-moving walkway of anti-intellectualism cannot find the fault in their path of least resistance.

The messaging that readers miss when homing in on the light of a burning book is how the loss of critical analysis is a cause, and not a consequence, of the destruction of knowledge. It was never about destroying books: that image was made to trap you on a surface level interpretation of the book, while the citizen's true life's work is to dig beneath what we are so readily fed.

If we extrapolate the consequences of taking information at the surface level, of going through the motions of thinking and nodding along with others' interpretations of reality, we will find our universities churning out more than useless degrees, discouraging genuine research when it fails to provide immediate returns on investment, and rewarding the stagnation of our population.

Anti-intellectualism is anti-social. It is anti-human. We risk sowing fertile grounds for corruption across all levels, and it begins with letting students believe it's fine to not seek out knowledge on their own accord. Bradbury's Fahrenheit 451 is a herald of warning to the dangers of academic apathy, and the audience who needs to hear it most is too preoccupied with the short-form content, something that Bradbury predicted half a century before the first iPhone was released. We are marching towards a population of passive, complacent masses of citizens easily manipulated by confabulated histories and palatable mistruths.

Who benefits when you refuse to read? I promise that it is not you.

Local agencies partnering to hold community Pride celebration on June 8

By Times Staff

A partnership of local agencies and organizations is inviting the community to join in the Interagency Pride Event being held "in a spirit of inclusion and celebration" on Monday, June 8, at the 52 Canadians Arena ice surface at the Memorial Centre.

The event will run from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., beginning with a mini pride parade followed by a traditional opening and "an afternoon filled with activities, education and community connection," organizers said in a press release.

The event, which takes place on a PA Day, is designed to celebrate diversity, support members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community and create a welcoming space.

Participants are encouraged to wear their best Pride attire and join the parade, which will gather outside the 52 Canadians ice resurfacer door and march into the arena. A prize will be awarded for the best outfit.

Following the traditional opening, guests will have the opportunity to visit resource tables, enjoy a free grab-and-go dinner, participate in Pride trivia, capture memories at a photo booth, enjoy a bouncy castle and other inflatables, and enter for giveaways throughout the afternoon," organizers said.

Hands-on activities at the event include stations where participants can create friendship bracelets, rainbow dreamcatchers, painted mugs, decorated picture frames, custom buttons and tie-dyed socks to take home.

Five speakers will share personal stories and perspectives that highlight the diversity of experiences within the 2SLGBTQIA+ community and among allies. Topics will include the experience of coming out, the perspective of a parent of a queer-identified child and other journeys that reflect resilience and acceptance.

"Everyone is welcome to attend, whether they identify as part of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, are family members, friends or allies, or simply wish to learn more and show their support. The event is free of charge and open to the public."

The celebration is being presented through the collaborative efforts of local agencies Giishkaandago'Ikwe Health Services, Agency One Cultural, Rainy River District School Board, Seven Generations Educational Institute, OPP Mobile Crisis Response Team, Canadian Mental Health Association, Northwestern Ontario Metis Child & Family Services, United Native Friendship Centre, Weechi-it-te-win Family Services and Grand Council Treaty 3.

For more information, contact Allison Cox, Communications Coordinator at Giishkaandago'Ikwe Health Services at 807-274-2042 ext. 2279 or communications@fftahs.org.

OPP urging ATV riders to stay safe on the trails this summer

By Times Staff

As summer weather settles in to the Rainy River District, thoughts will turn to regular summertime activities like fishing, boating and off-roading with ATV's, and the Ontario Provincial Police are warning riders to use their heads this summer to stay safe on the trails.

This week, June 1-7, marks ATV (all-terrain vehicle) safety week, which serves as an important reminder of safe riding, according to the Ontario Federation of All-terrain Vehicles (OFATV) Clubs.

The OPP are reminding those who own and ride ATVs that half of all ATV riders killed in OPP jurisdictions across the province were not wearing a helmet at the time of the accident, and that doing so can save your life. They go on to warn that operating ATVs under the influence of alcohol or drugs is another dangerous factor that contributes significantly to fatal accidents among riders, and to keep both these factors in mind when choosing to go for a ride, as its the ones left behind who suffer the most after a fatal accident.

"Sadly, when trail riders engage in these behaviours, it is their loved ones who pay the price," the OPP state.

"In some cases, it also costs the lives of innocent passengers."

According to the OPP, 41 passengers were among the 240 people killed in OPP-investigated off-road vehicle incidents in the last 10 full-year period, which ranges from 2016-2025.

This summer, the OPP and OFATV Clubs are working in partnership to remind ATV drivers to do so safely and to avoid being part of the culture of riders who believe that the risks of not wearing a helmet, alcohol/drug use, speed and other dangerous behaviours are all part of their outdoor adventure and do not apply to them.

Parents are also encouraged to enrol their young and first-time ATV riders in the Ready to RideON Ontario Youth ATV Rider Training Program, an online training course provided through the OFATV that is designed to teach young drivers how to ride safely and confidently, be compliant with provincial regulations, learn maintenance tips for caring for their ATV and how to better enjoy their time spent outdoors. The course is offered through the OFATV website and registration costs $40.

"Riders of all ages are encouraged to visit the OFATV Clubs website to familiarize themselves with how to make it home safely after every ride when enjoying this popular Ontario recreational sport," the OPP say.

"The OPP is committed to saving lives on more than 99,000 kilometres of waterways and trails, and over 130,000 thousand kilometres of roadway."

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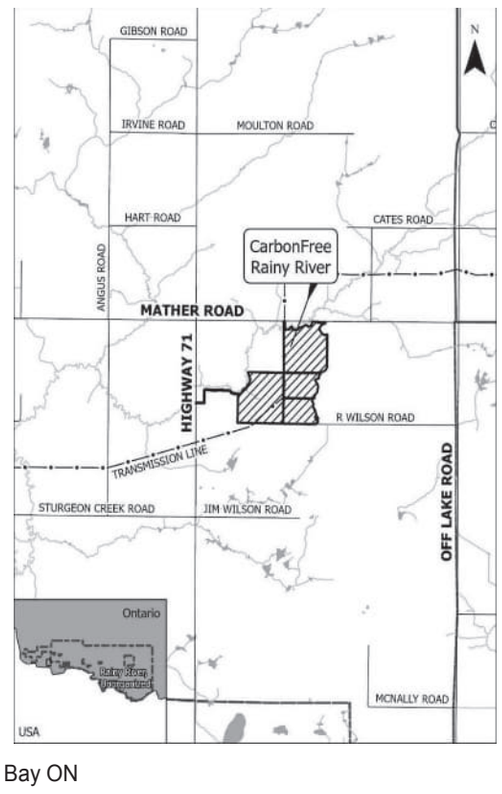
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Documents for Public Inspection:

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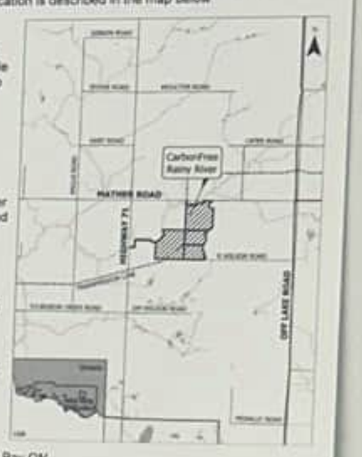
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Project Name: CarbonFree Fort Frances
Project Location: The unincorporated Township of Miscampbell immediately north of the Township of Alberton, approximately 7.5 km northwest of Fort Frances, Ontario.
Dated at Toronto this 24th day of March

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Meeting Location:

Date: Tuesday, May 5th, 2026
Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm,
Place: East End Hall,
Address Clarification: 1227 Fifth St E,
Fort Frances, P9A 1V9

Project Description:

Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which this project is to be engaged in, is Class 3 solar facility. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of 167 MW. The project location is described in the map below.

Documents for Public Inspection:

The Project Description Report titled CarbonFree Fort Frances Project Description Report describes the project as a renewable energy generation facility which will use solar PV technology to generate electricity. A copy of the CarbonFree Fort Frances Project Description Report was made available for public inspection on March 6, 2026, at https://carbonfreefortfrances.com

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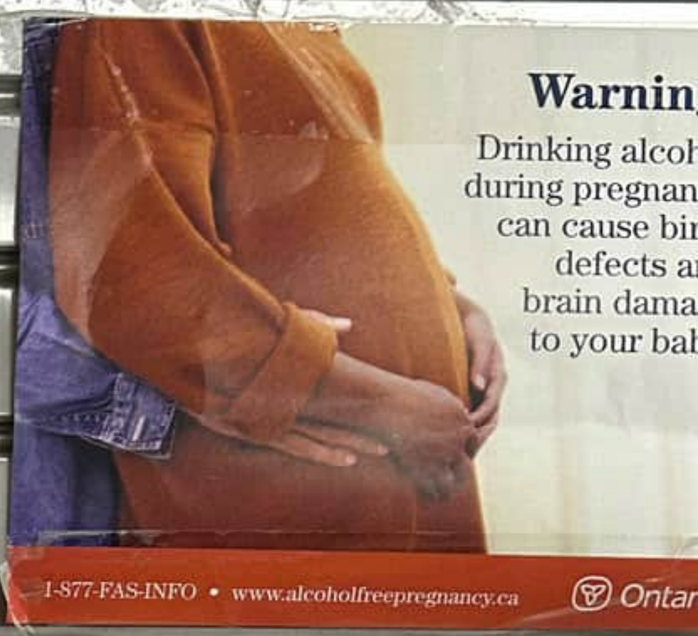


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- Oak glider rocker w. footstool (Arnold)
- Pine Glass top coffee and end tables
- Leather like lounge chair/foot stool
- Elec. Stove top
- Dbl. sink
- Sofa & Love seat
- Glass topped end tables
- Assorted small tables
- Safe (s)
- Glassware
- Single Murphy bed
- Assortment of kitchen items

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- Antique cabinet
- Pictures, DH Lamps
- Antler wine bottle holder
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- Collectible plates

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- Set of collectable music cassette tapes
- Books
- Mask 18' SC boat – 2000
- 18' Legend Boat w. 135hp Mariner motor & trailer
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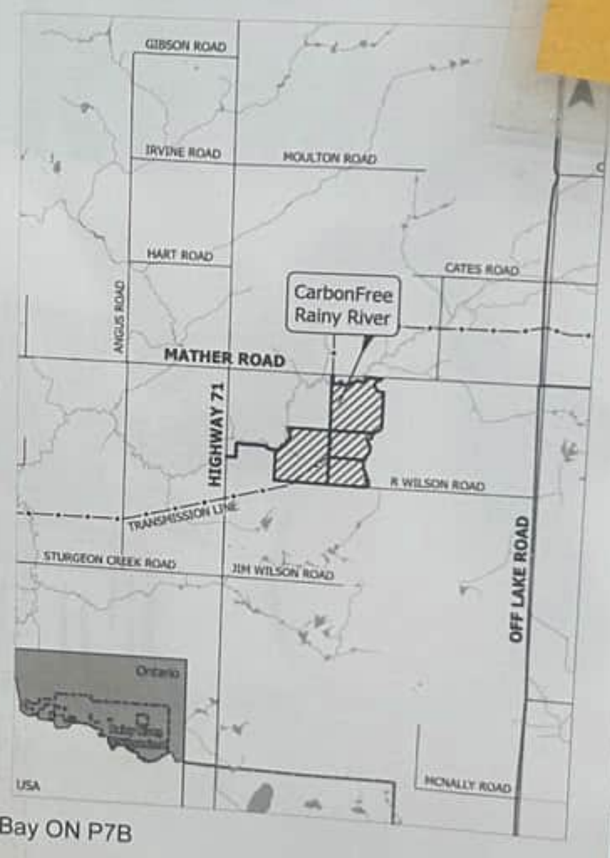
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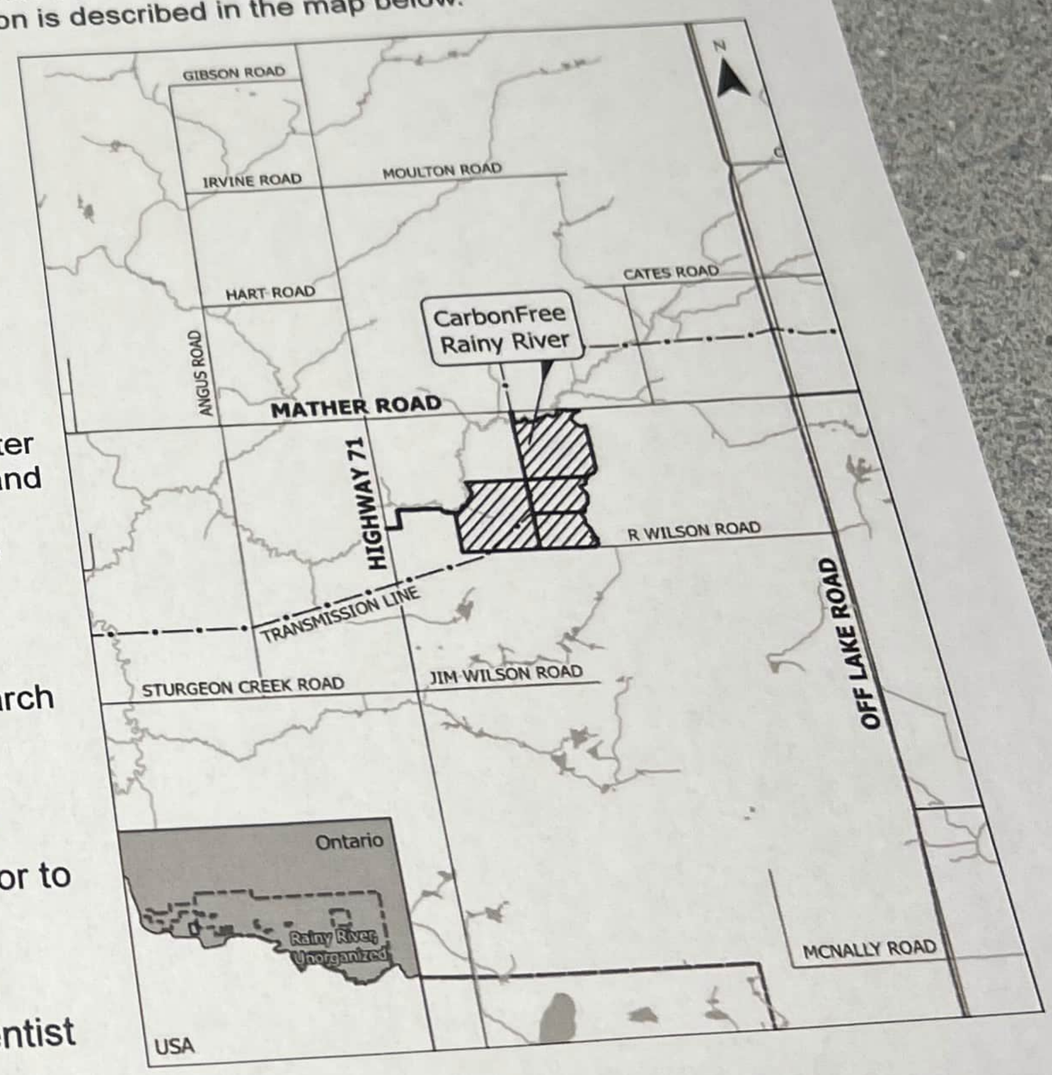
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- ensure that written emergency procedures are established for the project and posted, and
- appoint a **supervisor** for every project at which five or more **workers** will work at the same time.

Notice of Project

Constructors are required to notify the Ministry of Labour **before construction begins** of any project meeting any of the requirements listed in the Construction Regulations. One of the requirements to file a Notice of Project applies to all renovation and construction workplaces where the materials & labour combined are $50,000 or more, even for personal residences. **Not filing a notice when required is a chargeable offence**. The purpose of the notice is to identify to everyone who the **Constructor** is, in turn identifying who is in charge of the project and responsible to ensure that all health and safety regulations under The Occupational Health and Safety Act are being followed on the job site. A signed copy of the completed form must be posted in a conspicuous place at the project or be available at the project for review by an Inspector. **The form is FREE** and can be found and filed at https://www.enop.labour.gov.on.ca/ENOPWeb/welcome.do?action=language&language=EN'

Designated substances

Before beginning any work, the **owner** must first determine if there are any designated substances present at the project site. If there are, the **owner** must prepare a complete list. This list must be included as part of any tendering information on a project.

Before the **owner** can enter into a binding contract with a **constructor** to work on a site where there are designated substances, the owner must ensure that the constructor has a copy of the list.

An **owner** is liable to a **constructor** and **every contractor and subcontractor** who suffers any loss or damages as a result of the presence of designated substances that were not on the list. This liability does not apply if the owner could not reasonably have known about the presence of the designated substances.

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The Northwestern Health Unit Land and Sewage Program provides the following services, at a fee, for smaller private sewage systems:

- Inspects and issues permits.
- Inspects future sites for new lot development.
- Conducts file searches regarding existing permits for land transactions.

The Health Unit also investigates complaints about malfunctioning sewage systems.

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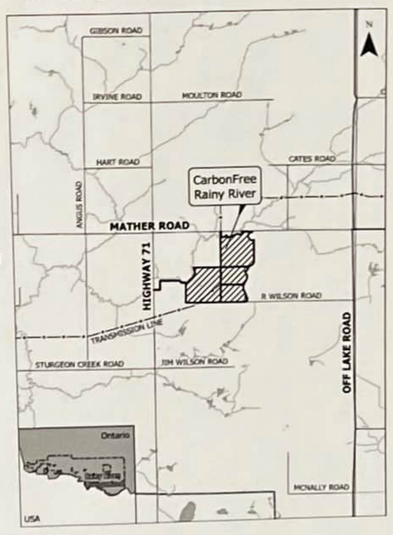
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Dear Community Elders and Knowledge Keepers

The Rainy River First Nations Addictions Team is respectfully seeking Elders and Knowledge Keepers who are willing to support our clients in their healing journeys.
Many individuals we work with are reconnecting with culture through treatment programs and are asking for continued access to traditional teachings, guidance, and ceremony upon returning home.
We are hoping to create opportunities for cultural support within the community.
Support may include:
- Sharing teachings and guidance
- Supporting cultural identity
- Offering access to teachings and ceremony

Your knowledge and presence are vital in helping our clients continue their healing in a meaningful way.
Honorariums will be provided.
If you are interested, please contact:
Jim Memahon- NNADAP Worker ext. 262
Ashley Bombay – Program Consultant ext. 233
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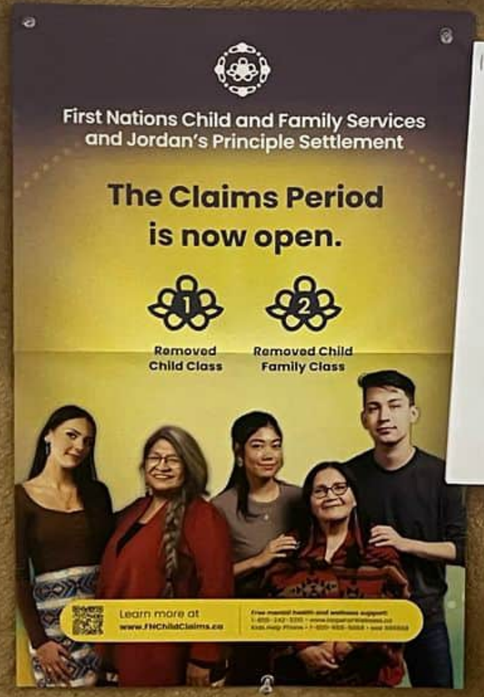
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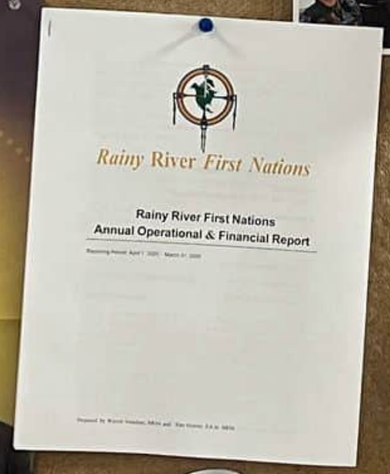


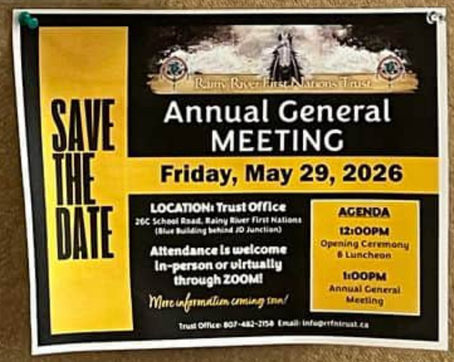
















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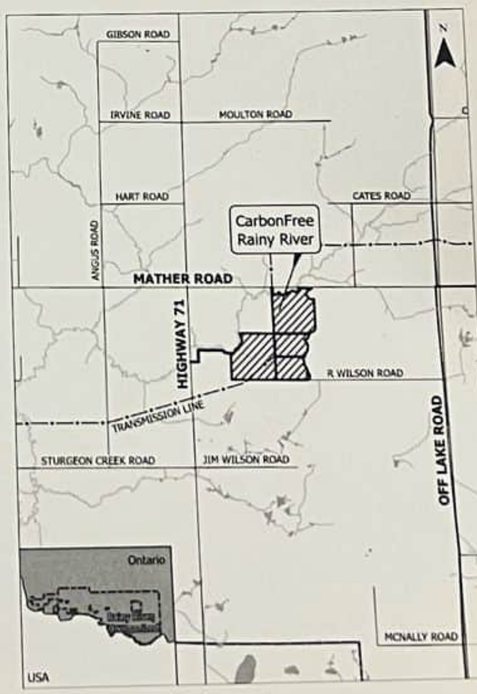
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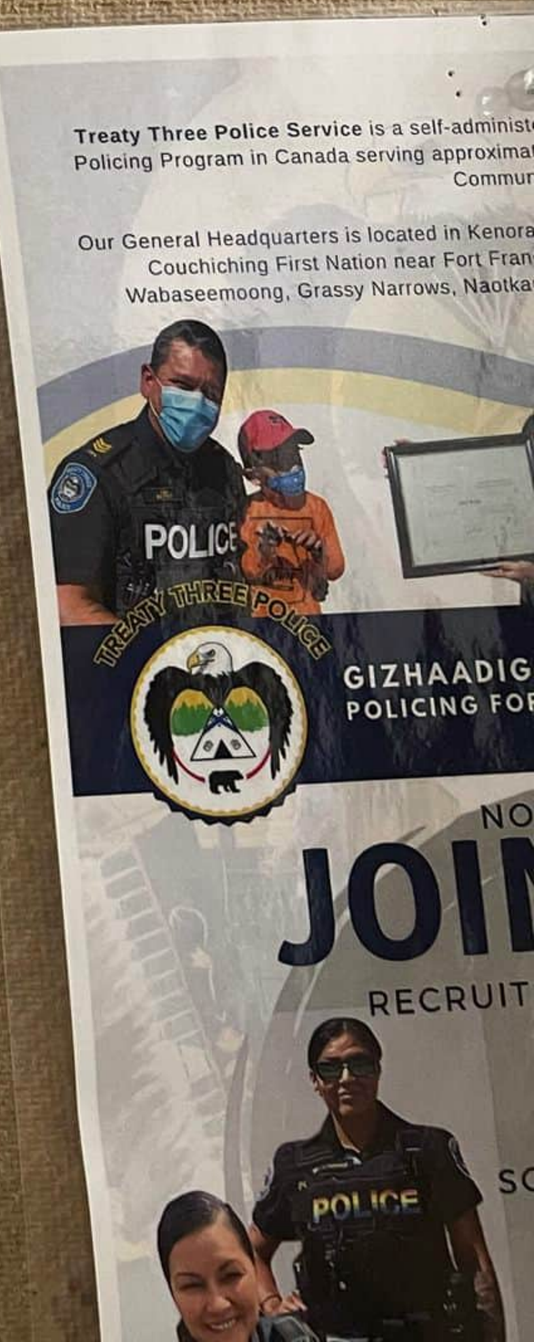


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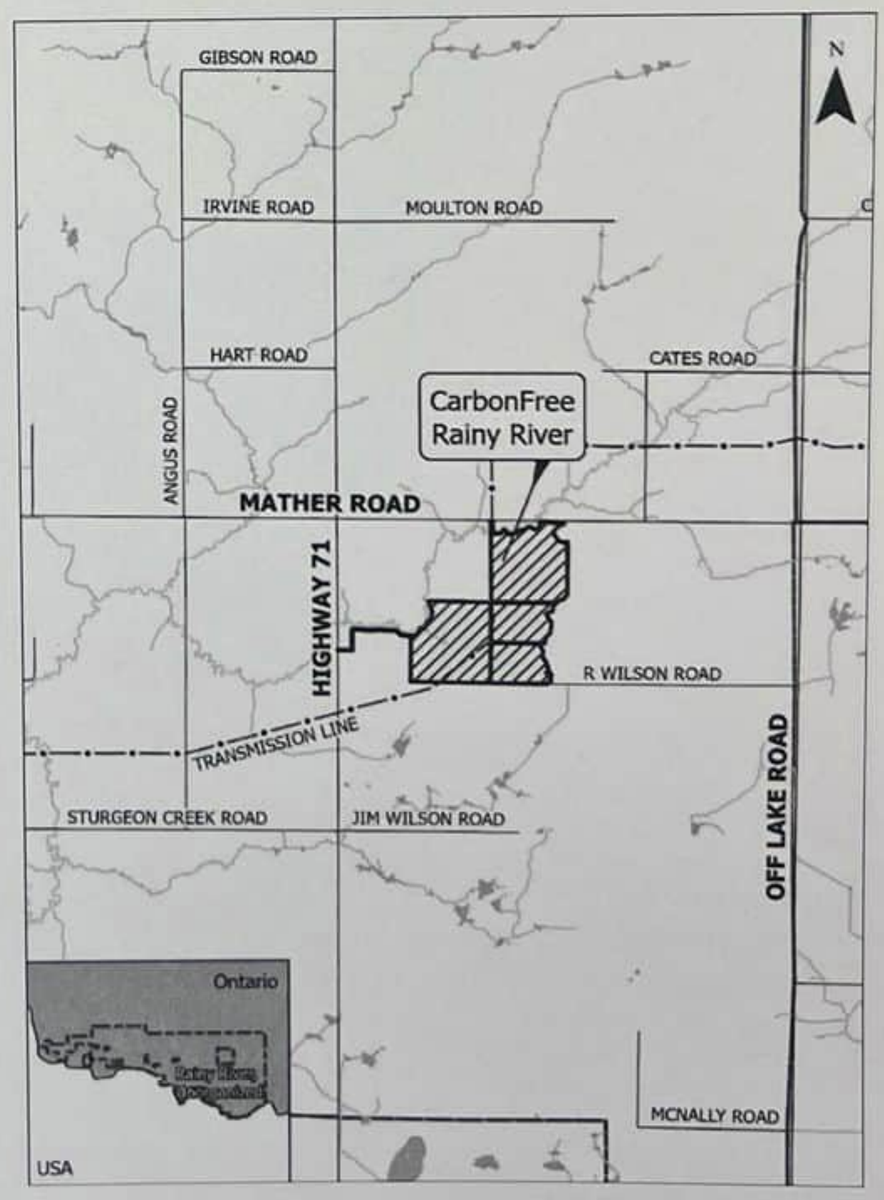
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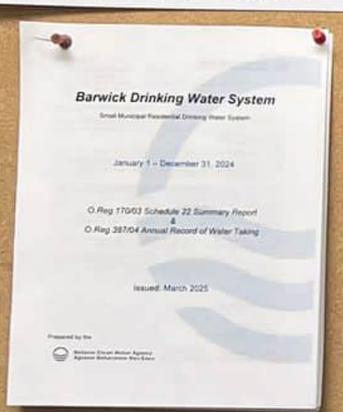

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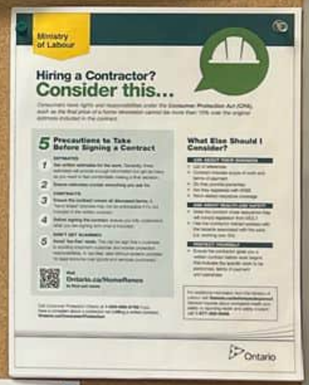

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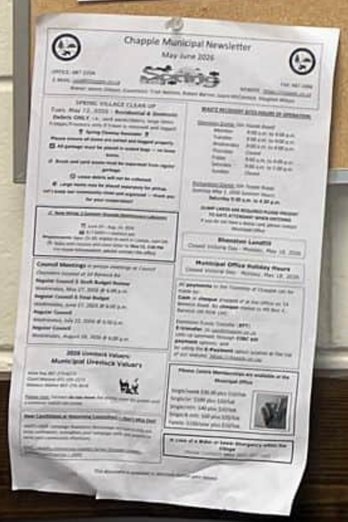

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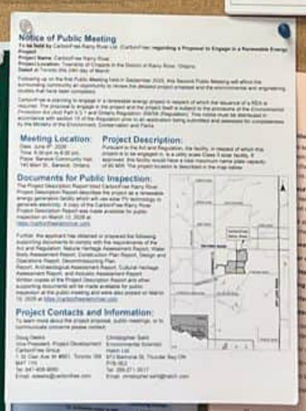

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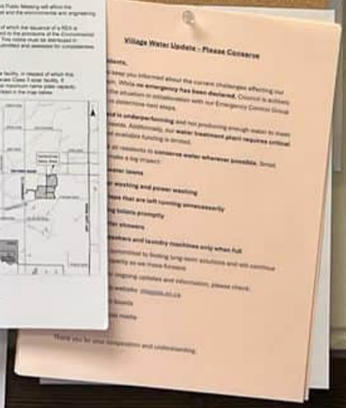

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Chapple Municipal Newsletter
May-June 2026


The Corporation of the Township of Chapple
TOWNSHIP OF CHAPPLE
PUBLIC INFORMATION RELEASE #3
October 10, 2025


BUILDING SAFETY MONTH 2026
BUILDING FOR TOMORROW
HOW BUILDING OFFICIALS ARE PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE
Adapting to innovative construction methods
Reviewing designs for energy performance and resilience
Supporting safe intensification and growth
Balancing speed, housing demand, and public safety
Participating in ongoing education and professional development
LOOKING AHEAD
Codes and regulatory standards evolve to meet new challenges – and Building Officials are there to help implement them. Today's decisions impact tomorrow's safety!
WHAT IS ONTARIO DOING:
Advancing energy efficiency and climate resilience
Supporting housing supply while maintaining safety standards
Updating building codes to reflect new materials and technologies
Promoting accessibility and inclusive design
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70 Years of Leadership in Building Safety
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Notice of Public Meeting
Meeting Location:
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Village Water Update – Please Conserve

IT'S IMPORTANT------
Resilience
Accountability
IN SIMPLE TERMS


10 tips to save water
1 Turn off the shower when you are applying soap.
2 Take quick showers.
3 Use a small tub of water instead of running water when washing face, brushing teeth or shaving.
4 Use a wash basin to wash fruits, vegetables and dishes instead of running water.
5 Wash your car less, and use a bucket instead of hose.
6 Use the washing machine only when it is fully loaded.
7 Use a dual flush toilet that has low water usage.
8 Regularly check for water leakage inside and outside your house.
9 Water your plant at dusk or early in the morning to prevent the water from evaporating.
10 Boil food in as little water as possible.


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Notice of Public Meeting

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Project Location: Township of Chapple in the District of Rainy River, Ontario
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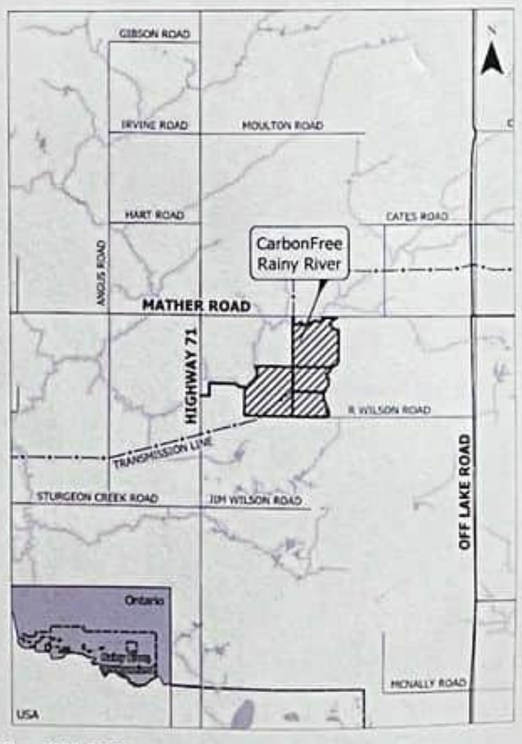
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1 Get medical help

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2 Document

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3 Report to the WSIB

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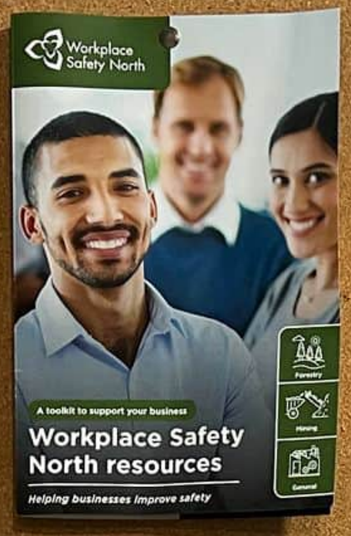
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Photo Submitted by: Kathy Williams, LVGH Site Cleaner

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Appendix B
Display Boards and Meeting Materials from First Public Meeting

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Tuesday, September, 23, 2025

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September 23, 2025

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Rainy River Solar
Community Meeting
Barwick Community Hall
September 23rd, 2025



CarbonFree Background

Ontario Solar Pioneer

CarbonFree has been successful in the Ontario market for more than twenty years providing a deep understanding of the market and regulatory environment.

History of Development with First Nation Partners

CarbonFree has developed 400MW+ of solar projects with Indigenous partners in Ontario

Integration of Solar with Land Heritage

CarbonFree's design team is committed to environmental management and integration of solar with local land practices and character (agrivoltaics)

Successful Economic Results

Working with finance partners and buyers of projects, CarbonFree has learned what is required to develop, commission and operate a mutually successful project.






What Is The Purpose of This Meeting?

1. Feedback	• We want your input! • Feedback sheets can be found at the door.
2. Ask Questions	• CarbonFree is here along with HATCH to answer questions about this project, solar, Ontario's electricity system, Agrivoltaics, environmental permitting
3. Renewable Energy Approval (REA)	• Public input is a critical part of permitting and includes Environmental, Natural and Cultural Heritage, Archaeology, Indigenous Consultation and Land Use
4. This is the First Meeting	• This is the first of 3 public meetings to happen during the pre-development and design phase of the project.

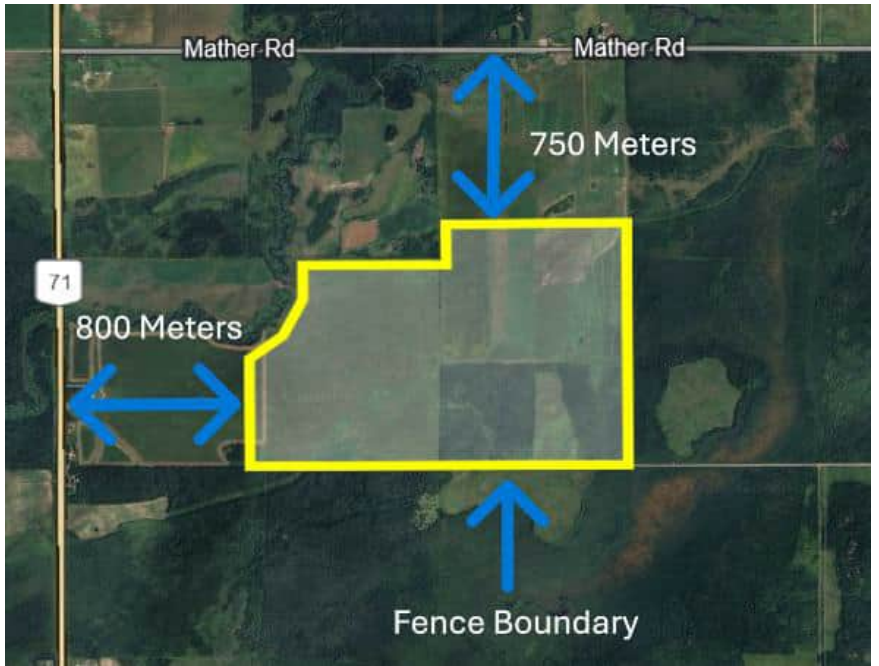


Rainy River First Nations
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Project Location – Hwy 71 & Mather Rd



- North of RRFN reserve area (in **green**).
- Adjacent to the 115kV Transmission Line (in **blue**) which joins the Fort Frances-Kenora Transmission corridor (in **red**).
- There is available capacity on the line to support the size of the proposed project.



Public Consultation & Input To Date

Emo Fair	CarbonFree presented at the 2025 Emo Fair and spoke with **100+ community members** at the Market Square
First Nations Consultations	CF has directly engaged with the 10 local, Treaty 3 First Nations and has entered development partnerships with both Rainy River FN and Couchiching FN.
Public Meetings	Public meetings are a part of all of CF's projects and tonight's is the first of **at least 3** to be conducted during the pre-development phase of the Chapple project
Regional Meetings	Meetings with the CAO's of **Chapple, Emo, Alberton and Fort Frances**, the ED of RRFDC, RRFA MSR to discuss the project and to receive input;
Neighbourhood Consultations	CF has met and/or spoken with many of the **neighbours** of the Project and our project design is evolving with the direct input that we receive

Public Feedback / CarbonFree Response

Visual Impact	• This Project will be not be visible from Highway 71 or Mather Rd. • 800m setback from Highway 71 & 700m setback from Mather Rd. • Green screens will be planted along northern & western boundaries of the Project • No power lines
Noise Level	• Inaudible beyond 100m at peak solar output • No noise in evening or nighttime
Displacing Agriculture	• This Project will be an agrivoltaics project maintaining the agricultural acreage • Haying, sheep grazing, honeybee production, pollinator seeding, and cattle grazing • Non-Ag lands will be added to agricultural use than how it looks today
High Cost For Ratepayer	• Power is to be bought <$0.10/kWh • No government subsidies • Stable, predictable pricing for decades

Agrivoltaic Design & Operation

- **Livestock Grazing**
- **Pollinator Habitat**
- **Land Use Management**











IESO & Solar

Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)

- Controls the provincial electricity grid
- Manages electricity generation
- Forecasts future electricity needs (**demand growth)**

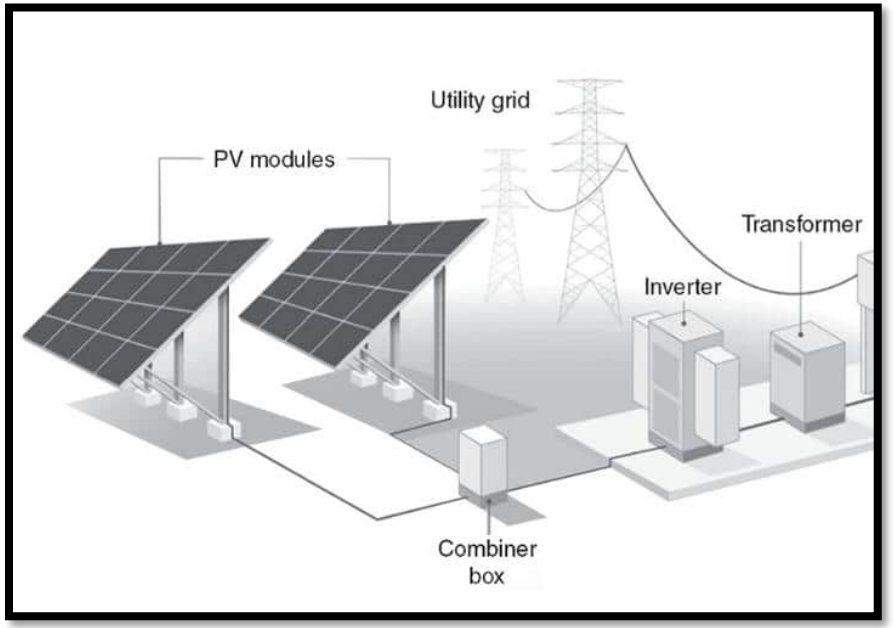
Long-Term 2 energy (LT2e)

- The IESO is running a competitive auction for new generation from all potential sources of generation (technology agnostic)
- Pricing for this auction is forecast to be <$0.10/kWh making it competitive with lowest cost power in the province.
- IESO forecast - by 2050 Ontario's demand for electricity will increase by 60%

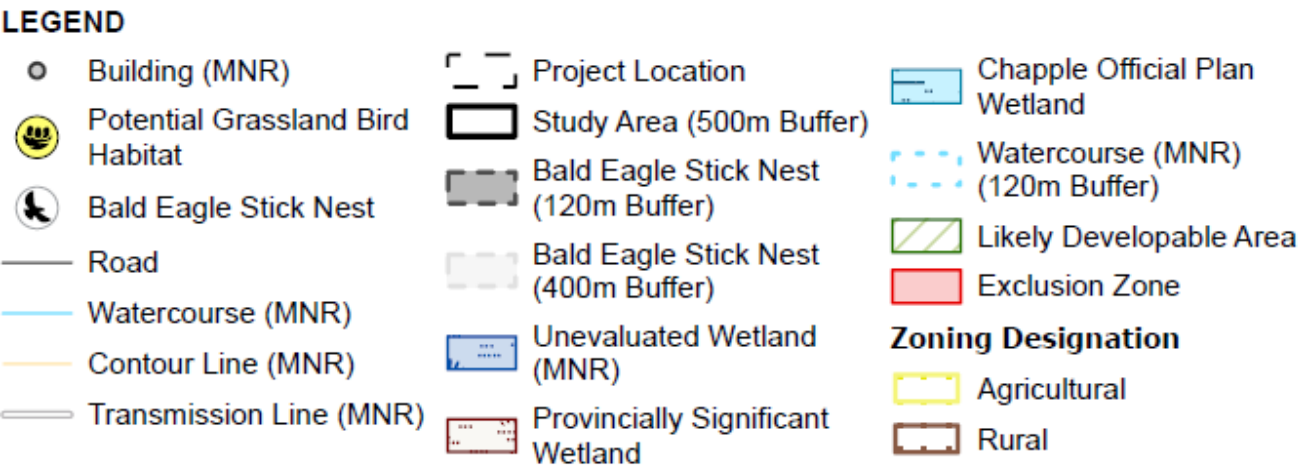
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Powering Tomorrow.

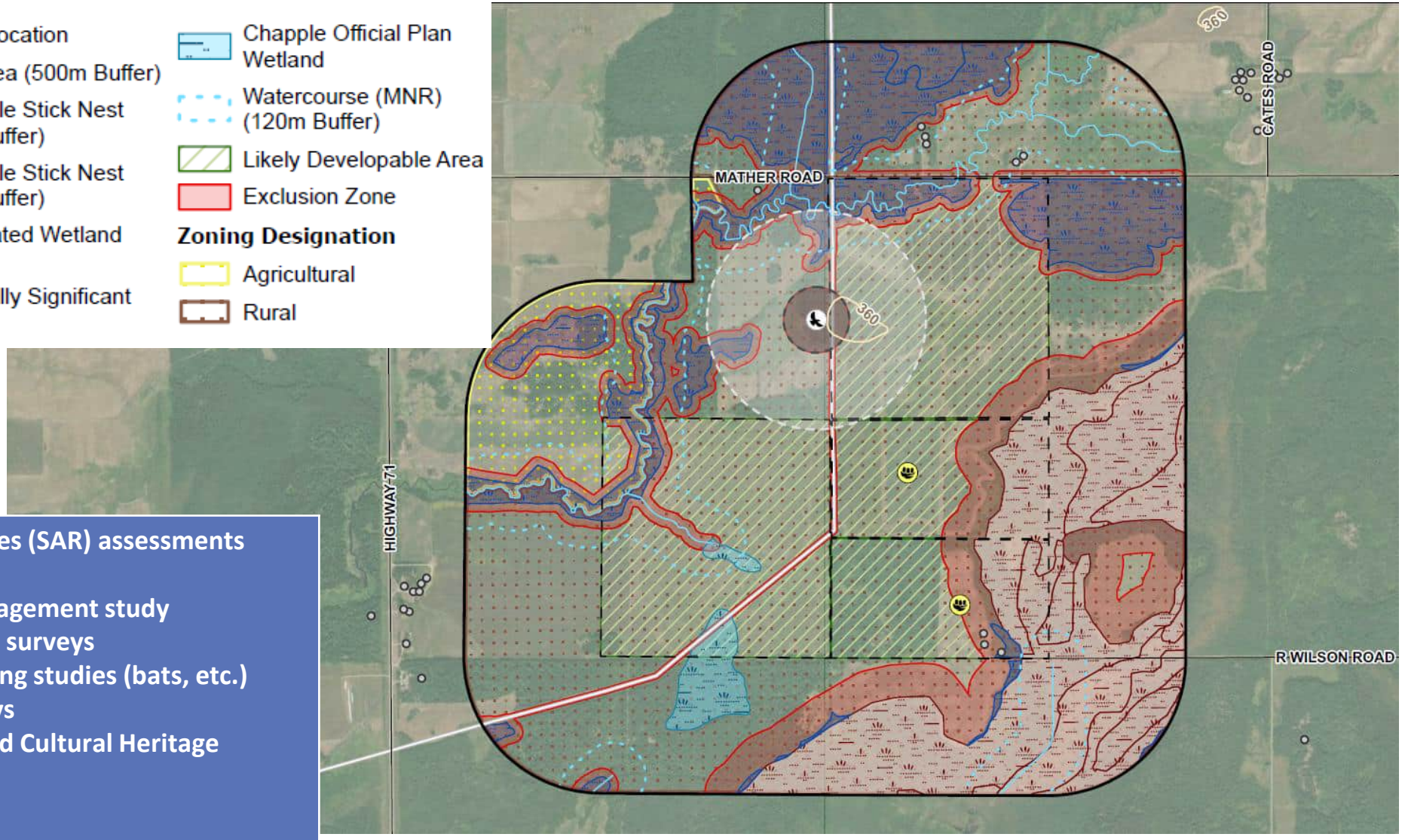
How Does it Work?

- Electricity generated by solar photovoltaic (PV) panels
- Inverters convert Direct Current (DC) to Alternating Current (AC)
- Voltage is stepped up at a substation transformer.
- Electricity is connected to an existing transmission line



Environmental Studies





Environmental Studies Undertaken & Completed	• **Endangered species (SAR) assessments** • **Wetland studies** • **Storm water management study** • **Amphibian & Bird surveys** • **Acoustic monitoring studies (bats, etc.)** • **Vegetation surveys** • **Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Assessments**

Rainy River First Nation Partnership

Economic Partner	• Rainy River First Nations to be 50.1% owners of the Project
First Nations Consultations	• CF has directly engaged with the 10 local, Treaty 3 First Nations • CF has entered development partnerships with Rainy River FN where open-houses have been conducted and regular meetings taken with the departments of the Nation.
Ziibi Anishinaabe Investments Inc.	• Ziibi Inc. is the economic development wing of RRFN and has worked with CF throughout the process of establishing the economic partnership.



Local Economic Stimulation

Regional Economic Growth	• >$1m/yr of revenue, income and local economic activity during the operating term of the project
Employment and Contract Opportunities	• Creation of local employment throughout construction, operations, and maintenance • Roughly 150,000-man hours (~80 full time jobs during construction)
Community Benefit Agreement (CPPA)	• Community Benefit Agreement proposed to Chapple Twp
Lease & Project Distribution Revenues	• Landowners receive annual lease payments • Rainy River First Nations – majority owners of the Project earn yearly distributions



Where Is the Power Going?

Rainy River Electricity Demand

- The Rainy River District —has several **large electricity consumers** incl. Newgold, WestFraser OSB, Manitou sawmill along with local industrial, commercial and residential loads
- Local power demand exceeds what is produced in Rainy River District from existing generation (hydro, solar) meaning electricity is typically **imported from other parts of northwestern Ontario** (E.G. Atikokan biomass, Kenora hydro).

Rainy River Electricity Generation

- This solar project will help balance the local grid by producing more power locally when it is needed and keeping a significant portion of **generation revenues ($$) local**.
- The power from the RR solar project will be substantially **consumed by local** industrial, commercial, and residential customers.



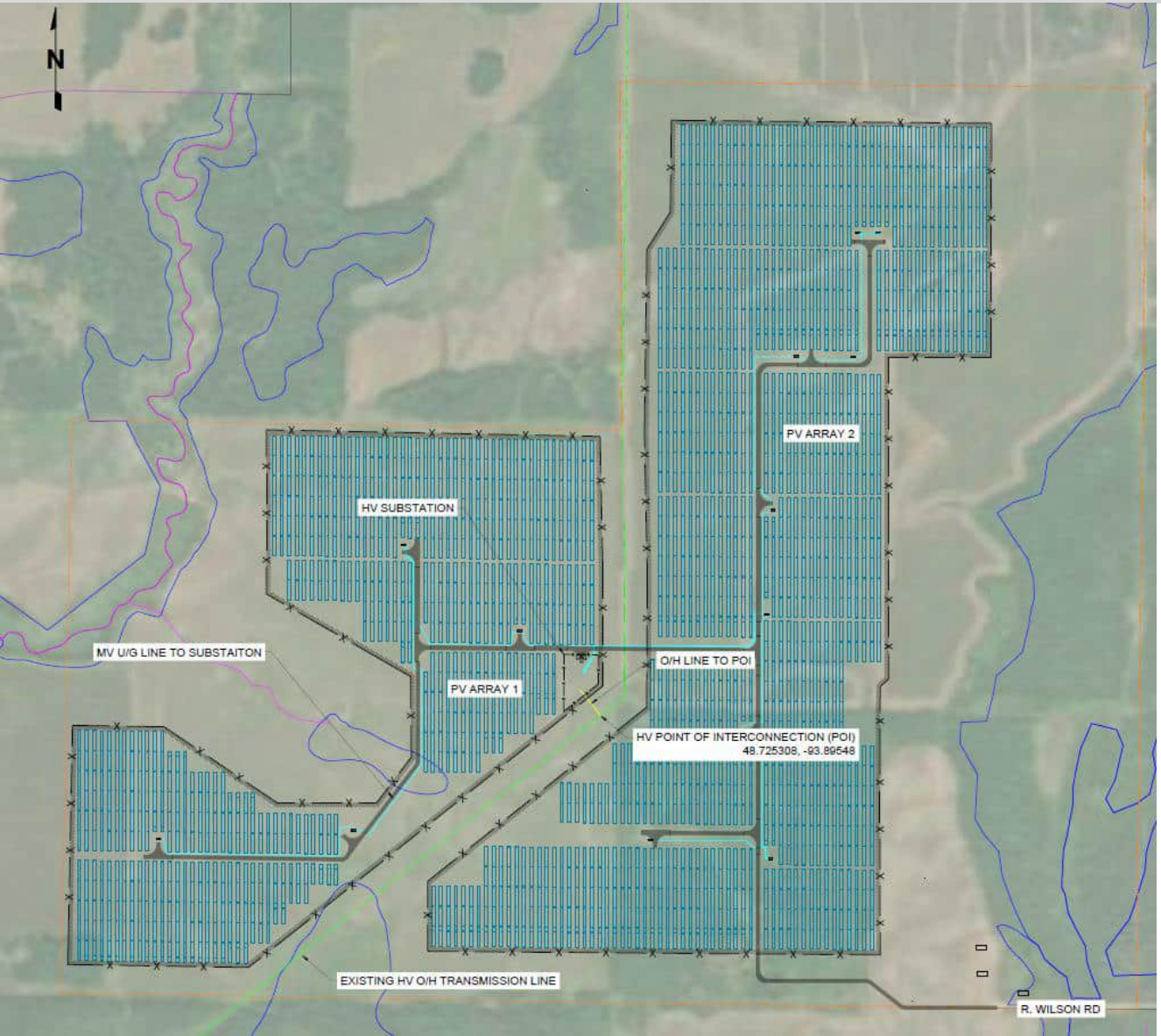


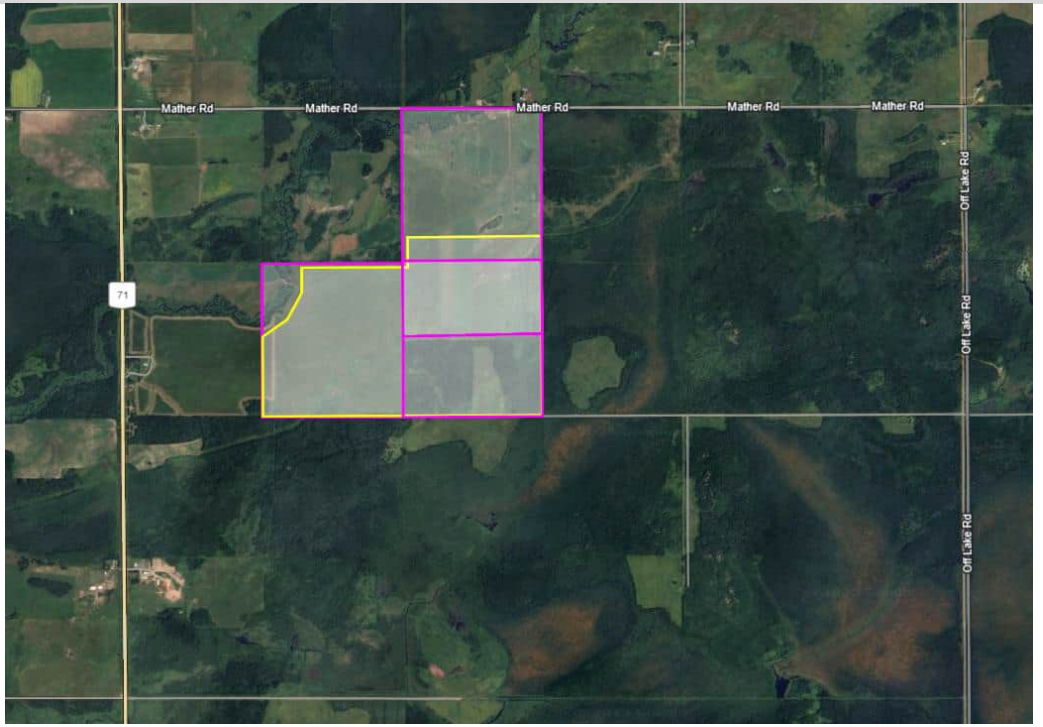


Why Is Solar A Good Choice for Ontario?

Reliability & Diversity of Supply	• Ontario's demand is shifting — electrification (EVs, industry, data centers) means more load growth, especially in Northern Ontario. Adding solar diversifies the supply mix, reducing reliance on a few large generating stations.
Cost Competitiveness	• Solar costs have declined dramatically. From the IESO's perspective, it's one of the most cost-effective new sources of clean electricity available, especially when paired with storage.
Decarbonization Goals	• The province has committed to cutting emissions from electricity. Solar provides zero-emission power and supports Ontario's broader climate targets.
Peak Demand Alignment	• Solar output often coincides with summer daytime peaks, helping offset the need for expensive gas-fired peaker plants.

Preliminary Solar Design





- The solar design applies rows of modules on a north-south axis that rotate east to west over the course of the day and which stand 9’ tall. Rows are spaced at 18’ intervals allowing for sunlight exposure to the ground area.

Development/LT2 Timeline



CarbonFree Rainy River
Comment Sheet

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- overall it promotes economic development to the municipality & Rainy River district
- will generate new revenue for the local governments surrounding businesses
- will create jobs during construction and operations
- boost local taxes
- will enhance community's reputation supporting clean energy, aligned to global's efforts in addressing climate change

2. Please provide your name and contact information below (OPTIONAL):

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Appendix C
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June 9, 2026
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Kynoch Community Hall

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Fully support this great solar project

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Good project for community! I support this project & support the local development & opportunities

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Appendix D
Public Correspondence

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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 22, 2025 3:04 PM
To: charene.gillies@rrdssab.ca
Cc: Doug Deeks
Subject: CarbonFree Public Event Notices - Fort Frances & Rainy River Solar
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf; Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting - REVISED Fort Frances.pdf

Hi Charene,

It's a pleasure to e-meet you. My name is Lewis Angel, I'm a stakeholder relations coordinator at the CarbonFree Group. We are a Canadian-based, large-scale solar developer based in Toronto.

I am writing to deliver written notifications of two separate public engagement events for two Projects we are developing in northwestern Ontario. The first is a Project in the township of Chapple, the event will be held on September 23rd at the Barwick Community Hall. The second Project is in the unorganized district of Miscampbell outside of Fort Frances, the event will be held at the Alberton Municipal Office on the 24th of September.

Happy to answer any questions if you've got any. We would be happy for you to distribute the notifications either physically or electronically to any parties or members of the public who would be interested.

All the best,

Lewis

Lewis Angel
Stakeholder Engagement Coordinator, CarbonFree Group

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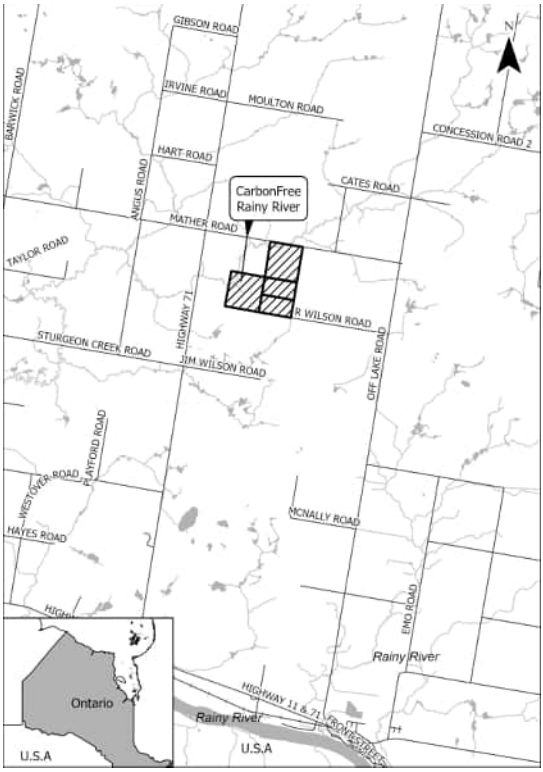
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Documents for Public Inspection:

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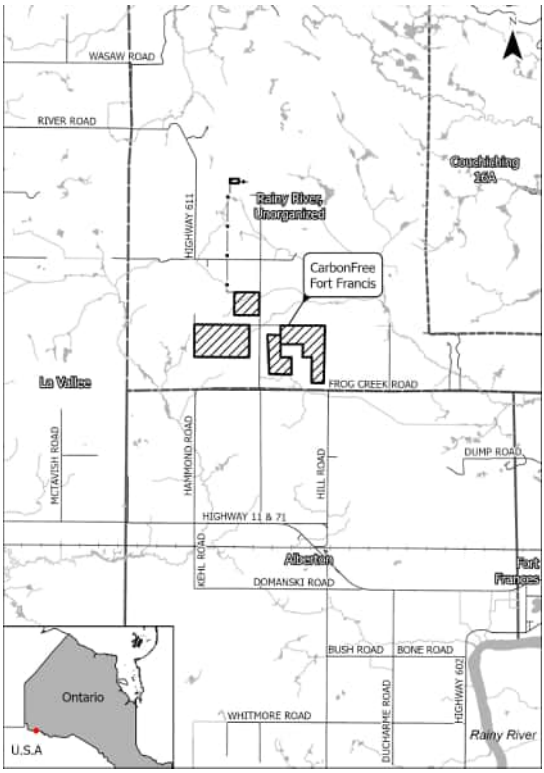
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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 22, 2025 1:45 PM
To: cao@emo.ca
Cc: Doug Deeks
Subject: CarbonFree Public Engagement Notice Rainy River Solar
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf

Dear Crystal,

It's a pleasure to e-meet you! My name is Lewis Angel and I am a stakeholder relations coordinator at CarbonFree Technology. We're a Canadian-based, large-scale solar developer based out of Toronto. We are currently developing a Project in Chapple and will be hosting a community engagement event for the public on September 23rd at the Barwick Community Hall.

I am writing to deliver a notice of the event. We invite that you post it on a bulletin board inside or outside of the municipal office as well as have some hard copies available. We would also recommend it be posted on Emo's Facebook page.

CarbonFree had a booth at the Emo Fair the other week. It was great to interact with so many community members and be so well received. We thank Emo for such a hospitable and enjoyable experience and hope it won't be our last.

It would be great to meet and explain a little more about the Project! We will have availability next week for a video call. Let me know a time that works and I'd be happy to answer any and all questions.

All the best,

Lewis

Lewis Angel
Stakeholder Engagement Coordinator, CarbonFree Group

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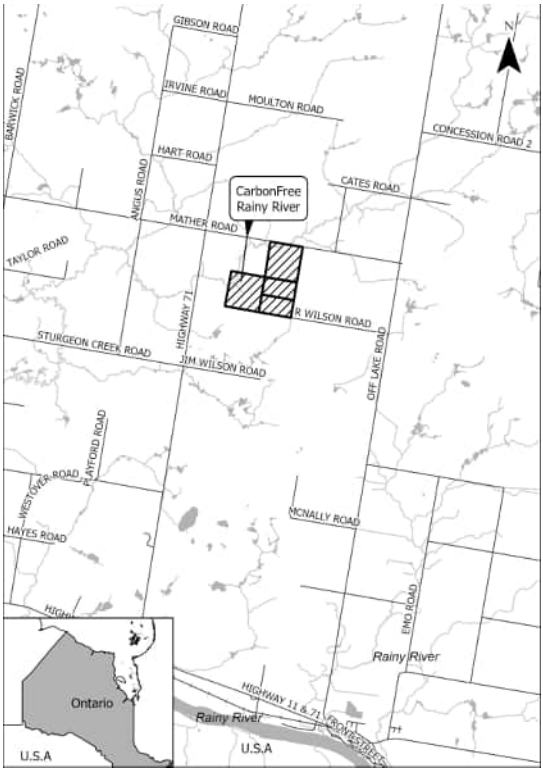
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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 25, 2025 3:07 PM
To: customersc@emo.ca
Cc: Doug Deeks
Subject: CarbonFree Public Engagement Event Flyer
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf

Hi Luke,

If you could post this notice on the bulletin board at the office (inside or outside or both), that would be great. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks for your help.

All the best,

Lewis

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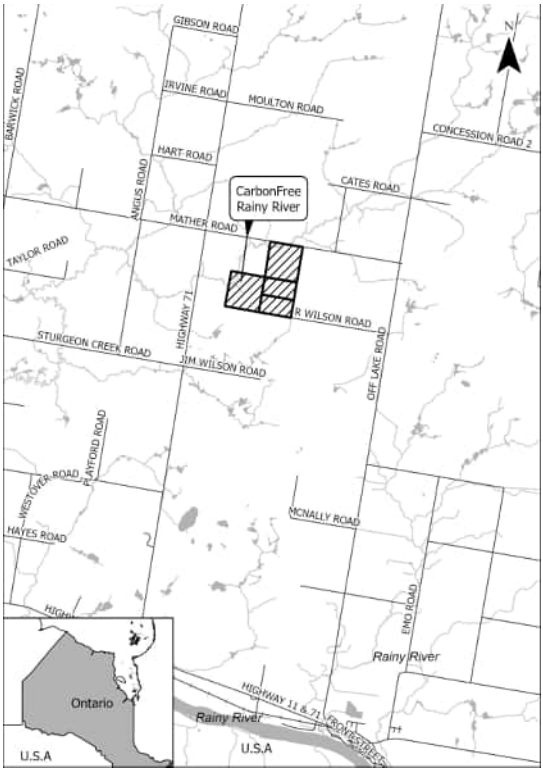
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Sent: August 25, 2025 4:02 PM
To: jimgill@xplornet.com
Cc: Doug Deeks
Subject: CarbonFree Technology Public Engagement Event Notice
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf; Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting - REVISED Fort Frances (1).pdf

Hi James,

It's a pleasure to e-meet you. My name is Lewis Angel, I'm a stakeholder relations coordinator at the CarbonFree Group. We are a Canadian-based, large-scale solar developer based in Toronto.

I am writing to deliver written notifications of two separate public engagement events for two Projects we are developing in northwestern Ontario. The first is a Project in the township of Chapple, the event will be held on September 23rd at the Barwick Community Hall. The second Project is in the unorganized district of Miscampbell outside of Fort Frances, the event will be held at the Alberton Hall on the 24th of September.

Happy to answer any questions if you've got any. We would be happy for you to distribute the notifications either physically or electronically to any parties or members of the public who would be interested.

All the best,

Lewis

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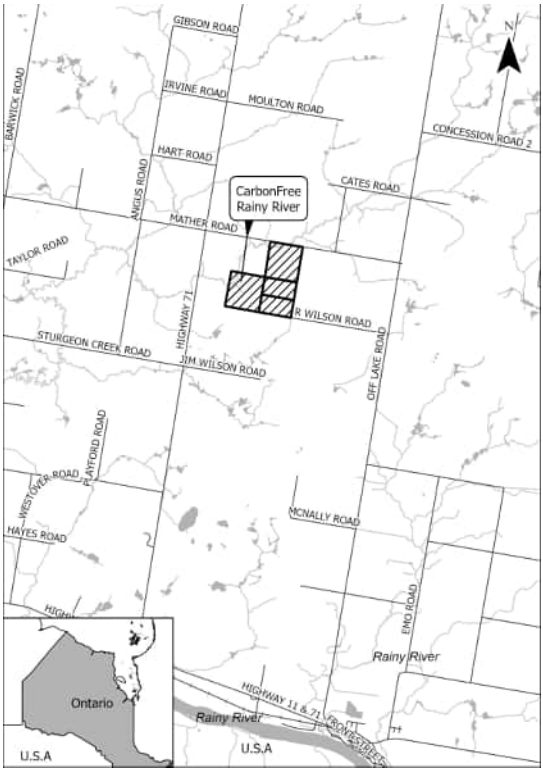
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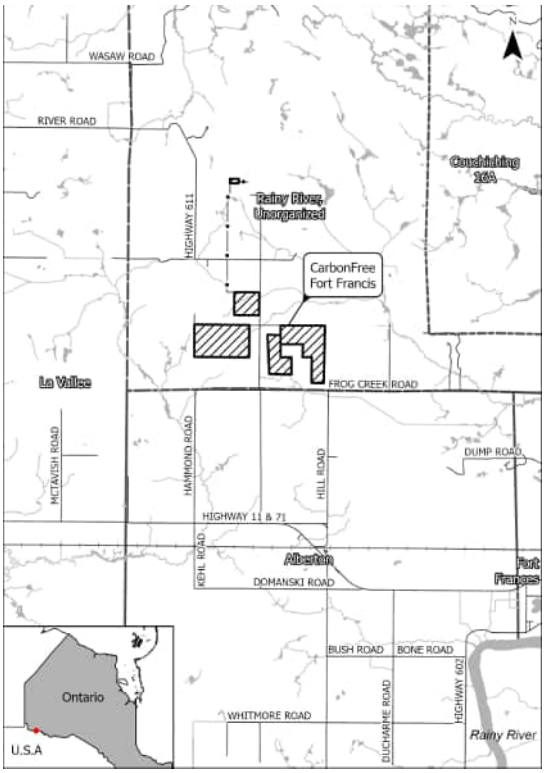
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September 8 2026

To: Members of Council, Chapple Municipality.

Re. Proposed Carbon Free Rainy River Solar Project.

I am writing to you as a tax payer in the municipality to give my support to the proposed Carbon Free solar farm project.

In my opinion the preliminary work is a thoughtful example of how to make energy production and agriculture work together. The integration of solar energy and livestock grazing beneath the panels is taking off all over the world especially in Europe, which leads in land use diversity projects. The proposal aims to be minimally disruptive for neighbouring land owners and committed to ensuring visual barriers and minimal roadway congestion. This project will support long term energy development and provide economic support for the municipality and its neighbours.

Furthermore, the argument that projects like these are taking land out of production is false. This is unique example of innovation and integration of agriculture and industry. Many of the organizations or opponents that have objections to projects of this scale have outdated policies or never invested in learning about this type of co-operation.

To me the biggest eye sores in the district, is the lack of commitment and under utilization of lands that in the past, have been used for agriculture that have been virtually abandoned.

I encourage the Chapple council to show leadership in area of agricultural diversity and support this project.

Bernie Zimmerman

Cindy Nielson

From: Stefan Szeder <stefanszeder@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 9, 2025 7:54 AM
To: Cindy Nielson; Paul J. Courey
Subject: Carbonfree

Dear Reeve and Council.

I have officially been made aware of the proposed solar project by Carbonfree Rainy River. In reviewing Council Agenda for tomorrow night's meeting, I feel I take a initial step to respond to one of the letters of support. One of the letters suggest that the partner proponent has taken mitigating steps on the neighbour's concerns. It suggests that someone has reached out to inform me and address my concerns. As to my operation this is a falesy.

Certainly Chapple is no stranger to the conflicts that this area holds and it would be remiss of me not to remind you.

I have a lot of concerns with this project which I will bring forward at the appropriate time during permitting.

In reviewing the project on carbonfree website I have noticed glaring omissions from the planning document of Chapple.

Again I felt compelled to respond and ask council if it truly feels that this is appropriate development at this location. For the record I do not.

Yours truly
Stefan Szeder

Cindy Nielson

From: Carlee Bosma
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 9:07 AM
To: Cindy Nielson
Subject: FW: Letter of support for the proposed solar project
Attachments: Solar Panel Letter of Support.docx

From: MacKenzie Mahon <mahon.mac@hotmail.com>
Sent: September 10, 2025 5:57 AM
To: Carlee Bosma <admin@chapple.on.ca>
Subject: Letter of support for the proposed solar project

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Hi there,

I would like to formally send a letter of support towards the solar project being proposed. Please see attached.

Thanks,
MacKenzie Mahon

Dear Members of Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed installation of solar panels by Carbon Free Rainy River on land owned by Clayton Teeple and Tracy Haglin, with the dual purpose of renewable energy production and cattle grazing.

This project represents an opportunity for the Township of Chapple to be a leader in agrivoltaics—the integration of solar energy systems with agricultural land use. Studies and examples across Canada and internationally show that cattle grazing under solar panels provides significant benefits:

- Land Use Efficiency: By combining solar generation with cattle or sheep grazing, the land remains productive for agriculture while also contributing to clean energy generation.
- Animal Welfare: Solar panels provide shade for livestock, reducing heat stress during the summer months and improving animal health and comfort.
- Economic Sustainability: Farmers benefit from reduced land-use conflicts, potential additional revenue, and long-term stability in agricultural operations.
- Environmental Benefits: Locally produced renewable energy reduces reliance on fossil fuels, lowers greenhouse gas emissions, and supports Ontario's climate goals.
- Community Leadership: For a small municipality like Chapple, embracing innovative solutions such as agrivoltaics demonstrates forward-thinking leadership and supports both farm families and rural resilience.

We have found personal success with integrating sheep with the solar projects near Pinewood. The partnership has allowed us as a young family to sustainably carry the family farm into the next generation and the animals are able to grow and graze in otherwise marginal land. There are not plans to integrate sheep on this site, but creating opportunities for farms to sustainably grow and develop is important to carry it on to the next generation.

It is also important to note that Clayton and Tracy value the visual appeal of our farmland and countryside and does not want to tarnish the beauty of our municipality. For this reason, the proposed solar panels will be installed away from roadways and public view, preserving the natural charm of Chapple's landscapes while still harnessing the benefits of renewable energy.

By supporting this project, Council has the opportunity to balance agricultural traditions with renewable energy innovation—ensuring that Chapple remains both economically and environmentally sustainable for future generations.

I respectfully urge Council to reconsider its position and allow this installation to move forward. The integration of cattle grazing with solar generation is not a loss of farmland but rather a smarter use of farmland that benefits farmers, livestock, and the community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Cindy Nielson

From: Carlee Bosma
Sent: Monday, September 22, 2025 1:57 PM
To: Cindy Nielson
Subject: FW: Solar Project

From: Melissa Teeple <mdteeple@gmail.com>
Sent: September 22, 2025 1:54 PM
To: Carlee Bosma <admin@chapple.on.ca>
Subject: Solar Project

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To: Members of Council, Chapple Municipality.

Re. Proposed Carbon Free Rainy River Solar Project.

I am writing to you as a community member and tax payer in Chapple Municipality

In my opinion the current project proposed in Chapple shows a layout and design that is a thoughtful example of how to make energy production and agriculture work together. The integration of solar energy and hay production and harvesting around the panels is a way to diversify farming. In unsuitable areas where hay cannot be harvested animal grazing will be implemented.

The Teeple's commitment with Carbon Free, to keep the project minimally disruptive for adjacent land owners and committed to ensuring visual barriers and minimal roadway congestion has been seen as a positive.

This project will support long term energy development and provide economic support for the municipality. I am in strong support of this project.

Thank You

Melissa Teeple

Sent from my iPhone

Cindy Nielson

From: Jason Teeple <jasonteeple@live.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2025 12:53 PM
To: Cindy Nielson; James & Kathy Gibson; Courtney Marriott; timberridge@tbaytel.net
Subject: Regarding proposed solar project.

To Chapple Municipality.

Hello council members, my name is Jason Teeple, and I am writing this email in regard to the proposed solar project in our community. I want to be clear that long before this proposed project I have had the following opinion and so far the information I have received and searched for hasn't changed my mind. I do believe in the importance of solar energy, but I do not feel that it has to take up any agricultural land. I feel that once the land is converted it is lost forever.

In our region, farmland is a precious and limited resource already. While I understand that some of the land within the proposed solar project might still be used for agriculture, it would be at a significant loss to the area. This would result in a decrease in hay production and limited grazing capacity, impacting the ability to support livestock and, consequently, affecting the food supply.

The potential loss of farmland is also a concern for me, as I'm raising children who aspire to farm in our community. Approving a solar farm here sets a precedent, inviting the possibility of more such projects. I struggle to see realistic benefits to the community, as it doesn't lower my taxes, or hydro costs—solar companies don't determine hydro prices, do they? The impact on property values is also worrisome. There's the risk of devaluation due to the proximity of a solar farm, and then the temptation for landowners to lease their land for selfish financial gain, over the priorities of community interests and future impact. There's no guarantee that this will be the only project. As circumstances evolve, the capacity to support additional solar farms could become feasible. If more land is repurposed for solar farms, it reduces the land available for future farmers.

I'm not convinced that the limited job creation basically promised by the solar company justifies the amount of land that would be lost. I'm also deeply concerned about the potential disruption to local wildlife and wetland ecosystems. Considering the significant, and in my opinion - the impact the mine has already had on our surrounding area and environment, these concerns are increased.

Given the concerns I've raised, I urge you to reconsider allowing a solar project in the Chapple municipality. I think at the very least you should put off a vote until you have received more public input and information is more available.

Thank you for your time,

Jason Teeple

Please pass this along to all Council members. Thank you.

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Council of the Township of Chapple
PO Box 4, Barwick ON P0W 1A0
Chapple, Ontario

Subject: Letter of Support for the Proposed CarbonFree Rainy River Solar Project in Chapple Township

Dear Reeve Gibson and Members of Council,

As landowners and generational residents of Chapple Township, we are writing to express our strong support for the proposed solar energy project to be located on our property. We have chosen to participate in this initiative because we believe it represents not only a meaningful step toward a more sustainable energy future, but also a valuable opportunity for local agriculture.

The project will be carefully designed to ensure that the land continues to contribute to productive farming through **agrivoltaics**—the integration of solar generation with agricultural practices. The land will remain actively managed as part of our farm operation, ensuring that food and energy production can occur side by side in a responsible and complementary way.

Through an additional land purchase on R Wilson Rd, we were able to control the outline of the project to mitigate any negative impact to our neighbours. We kept the design as far away from shared property lines as possible. Ensured a green screen will be planted for privacy and maintaining that rural/green space. Also, through the purchase of the additional land, we have been able to provide road access from the Off Lake Rd. so that during the production stage the impact to our neighbors could be reduced or eliminated.

The additional revenues generated from leasing a portion of our land to the solar project will be reinvested directly into the farm. These funds will allow us to expand production capacity and upgrade equipment/technologies. This reinvestment is essential to maintaining profitability in today's rapidly changing agricultural environment.

We view this project as a genuine **partnership between clean energy and local farming**. It represents an opportunity to diversify income streams while strengthening the agricultural foundation that has always been central to this community.

We respectfully ask that Council provide its support for this initiative. Your endorsement will help ensure that Chapple can benefit from the clean energy transition while also safeguarding the future of local family farms like ours.

Thank you for considering this important project.

Sincerely,

Clayton Teeple & Tracey Haglin

To: Thompson, Shanley
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2026 10:19 AM
To: Crystal Gray <cao@emo.ca>
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
Subject: Fwd: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

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Dear Crystal

On behalf of **CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.**, we would like to invite you to attend the second public meeting regarding the proposed solar energy project **CarbonFree Rainy River** located in Chapple Twp**.** This meeting is a part of Ontario's **Renewable Energy Approval** (REA) permitting process.

Please note the address and meeting details following:

The session will be held at:
The Barwick Community Hall
140 Main St., P0W 1A0 Barwick, Ontario
Barwick, Ontario
Tuesday June 09th 2026
6:00 p.m – 8:00 p.m

The purpose of this event is to share updated information about the CarbonFree Rainy River solar project, present findings from the technical reports, answer questions, and to gather feedback from community members to inform the project.

We hope you will join us at this meeting and we look forward to speaking with you!

Please also find attached a summary document that provides an executive summary of each assessment and report related ot the REA reports summary document. It outlines at a high level all our Renewable Energy Approval related site studies. For any additional information on the project, please visit our website here.

Sincerely,

CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.

Doug Deeks

SVP Development
CarbonFree Group

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To: Thompson, Shanley
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - REA Permit Second Public Meeting - Notification

From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2026 9:36 AM
To: charene.gillies@rrdssab.ca
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
Subject: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - REA Permit Second Public Meeting - Notification

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Dear Charene,

On behalf of **CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.**, we would like to invite you to attend the second public meeting regarding the proposed solar energy project **CarbonFree Rainy River**. This meeting is a part of Ontario's **Renewable Energy Approval** (REA) permitting process.

Please note the address and meeting details following:

The session will be held at:
The Barwick Community Hall
140 Main St., P0W 1A0 Barwick,
Ontario

Barwick, Ontario
Tuesday June 09th 2026
6:00 p.m – 8:00 p.m

The purpose of this event is to share updated information about the CarbonFree Rainy River solar project, present findings from the technical reports, answer questions, and to gather feedback from community members to inform the project.

We hope you will join us at this meeting and we look forward to speaking with you!

Please also find attached a summary document that provides an executive summary of each assessment and report related ot the REA reports summary document. It outlines at a high level all our Renewable Energy Approval related site studies. For any additional information on the project, please visit our website here.

Sincerely,

CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.

Doug Deeks

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Appendix E
Correspondence with Agencies

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From: Thompson, Shanley
Sent: November 10, 2025 3:39 PM
To: Nerino, Audrey
Subject: FW: Rainy River Project - Draft Project Description Report
Attachments: H375916-0000-840-066-0001.pdf

From: Thompson, Shanley
Sent: Tuesday, May 20, 2025 8:37 AM
To: Nick.Colella@ontario.ca
Cc: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>; Ven Seshadri <vseshadri@carbonfree.com>; Sehl, Christopher <christopher.sehl@hatch.com>; Vukovics, Kathleen <kathleen.vukovics@hatch.com>
Subject: Rainy River Project - Draft Project Description Report

Good morning Nick,

Please find attached our Draft Project Description Report for the Rainy River Project (the Project) on the behalf of CarbonFree Fort Frances LP (the Proponent) to commence the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process. With this submission, we are eager to receive the Indigenous Consultation List in accordance with Section 14 of Ontario Regulation 359/09.

We would also like to request a meeting with MECP to discuss the Project once you've had a chance to complete your initial review.

We look forward to working with MECP throughout this process. If you have any questions about our Draft Project Description Report, or the Project in general, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you,
Shanley

Shanley Thompson (she/her)
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Thunder Bay, Ontario
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From: Thompson, Shanley
Sent: November 10, 2025 3:38 PM
To: Nerino, Audrey
Subject: FW: S.14 Indigenous Consultation List - Rainy River Solar
Attachments: MECP s.14 Letter to Proponent_CarbonFreeRainyRiverSolar_20250729.pdf

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From: Doll, Kendrick (MECP) <Kendrick.Doll@ontario.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2025 2:19 PM
To: ddeeks@carbonfree.com; Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>
Cc: Ahmed, Aziz (MECP) <Aziz.Ahmed@ontario.ca>; Aminvaziri, Bahar (She/Her) (MECP) <Bahar.Aminvaziri@ontario.ca>; Hegazy, Sherif (MECP) <Sherif.Hegazy@ontario.ca>; Colella, Nick (MECP) <Nick.Colella@ontario.ca>; Ven Seshadri <vseshadri@carbonfree.com>; Sehl, Christopher <christopher.sehl@hatch.com>; Vukovics, Kathleen <kathleen.vukovics@hatch.com>; Doll, Kendrick (MECP) <Kendrick.Doll@ontario.ca>; Potts, Zachary (MECP) <Zachary.Potts@ontario.ca>; Tyance, Joseph (MECP) <Joseph.Tyance@ontario.ca>
Subject: S.14 Indigenous Consultation List - Rainy River Solar

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Good afternoon,

On behalf of the Director of the Environmental Permissions Branch of the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, please find attached a letter outlining the list of Indigenous communities that have or may have constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty rights that may be adversely impacted by the proposed **Rainy River Solar Project**, per section 14 of O. Reg. 359/09.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Best regards,

Kendrick

Kendrick Doll (he/him) | Senior Project Evaluator
Environmental Assessment Program Support | Environmental Assessment Branch
Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
kendrick.doll@ontario.ca | (289) 980-0466

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July 29, 2025

Doug Deeks
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Toronto, ON M4T 1Y5
Sent by email only: ddeeks@carbonfree.com

Dear Doug Deeks:

RE: O. Reg. 359/09 Section 14 List of Indigenous Communities

This letter acknowledges that the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (the ministry) has received a Draft Project Description Report (PDR) for the CarbonFree Rainy River Solar Project as part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process under Ontario Regulation 359/09 "Renewable Energy Approvals under Part V.0.1 of the Act" (O. Reg. 359/09), made under the *Environmental Protection Act*.

As you are aware, the Government of Ontario (the "Crown") has a constitutional duty to consult Indigenous communities and, where appropriate, accommodate impacts to their rights when the Crown contemplates conduct that may adversely impact known, established or asserted Aboriginal or treaty rights. Although the Crown remains responsible for ensuring the adequacy of consultation with Indigenous communities to whom the duty to consult is owed, it may delegate procedural aspects of the consultation process to project proponents.

The Crown may use existing regulatory processes as a vehicle for fulfilling its constitutional duty. In this case, the ministry will be relying on the REA process, including the mandatory public consultation requirements, as a means of ensuring relevant information is shared and that identified Indigenous communities have an opportunity to participate by asking questions and bringing forward their concerns.

Additional information and guidance regarding Indigenous community consultation as part of the REA application process is available in the Aboriginal Consultation Guide for preparing a Renewable Energy Approval on Ontario.ca

The ministry has reviewed the anticipated environmental effects of the project as described in the PDR relative to its current understanding of the interests of Indigenous communities in the area.

In accordance with section 14 of O. Reg. 359/09, please find below the list of Indigenous communities who:

i) have or may have constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty rights that may be adversely impacted by the project (s.14 (1)(b)(i)):

- Anishinaabeg of Naongashiing First Nation
- Big Grassy First Nation
- Couchiching First Nation
- Lac La Croix First Nation
- Mitaanjigamiing First Nation
- Naicatchewenin First Nation
- Nigigoonsiminikaaning First Nation
- Ojibways of Onigaming First Nation
- Rainy River First Nation
- Seine River First Nation
- MNO Region 1, Northwestern Ontario Metis Community

Please note none of the foregoing should be taken to imply approval of this project or the contents of the PDR. You should also be aware that information upon which the above list of Indigenous communities is based is subject to change. Indigenous communities can make assertions at any time, and other developments, for example the discovery of Indigenous archaeological resources, can occur that may require additional Indigenous communities to be notified. Similarly, if you receive any feedback from any Indigenous communities not included in this list, as part of your consultation, the ministry would appreciate being notified.

Please contact the Senior Project Evaluator, Kendrick Doll at Kendrick.Doll@ontario.ca or (289) 980-0466 should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Aziz S. Ahmed

For Bahar Aminvaziri, M.Eng., P.Eng.
Director
Environmental Permissions Branch

Email CC :
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Shanley Thompson, Environmental Scientist, Hatch Ltd.,
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Subject: CarbonFree Solar - Municipal Council follow-up

Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com> Thu, Aug 21, 2025, 2:07 PM
to Cindy Nielson, Lewis Angel

Hi Cindy

I hope all is well there! A bit of a long email and if a call would be easier, happy to do that at a time that best suits.

Thank you for stopping by during the Fair—it proved to be a great venue for broader community engagement. From my conversations (100+), there was consistently positive support for the project, particularly when people learned about how the solar would integrate with existing farm operations on the property under the broader scope of "Agrivoltaics".

Unfortunately, I didn't have the chance to meet new Councillors Laura and Robert during the event and I wanted to offer the opportunity for them to learn more about the project through an online engagement. Please let me know if they would be interested and I could also reach out directly to them via their Chapple email if that is helpful and appropriate.

Looking ahead, to Council's next regular meeting on September 10, I would respectfully ask that the agenda for this meeting include the request for consideration and vote on the Municipal Support Resolution in support of the project . If a special council meeting with a delegation by Carbonfree would be better, then I would be happy to accommodate that as well.

By way of update:

- A public meeting is now scheduled for September 23 at the Barwick Hall, as part of the MECP permitting process, where results from environmental surveys completed to date will be shared. A notice for this public meeting has been sent to neighbours to the project , the local First Nations and, as well an ad has been placed in the Fort Frances Times. Can the public meeting notice also be posted to the Chapple Twp website and/or facebook page? The notice is attached
- Rainy River First Nation is advancing a 50% ownership role with CarbonFree through its wholly owned Zilbi Investment Corp, with a parallel arrangement in place with Couchiching First Nation for our Miscampbell project. The RRFN community has been engaged by Zilbi and they have approved their support for the project.
- The project website has been refreshed: carbonfreerainyriver.com.
- The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) has formally acknowledged the project as part of the Renewable Energy Approval process, and notices have been issued to Indigenous communities whose traditional territories are within the project area. Consultation by CarbonFree is underway with all identified communities.

Thank you again for your continued support in guiding this process. Please let me know if the Council mtg agenda for Sep 10 can accommodate the item of our project specific MSR request or if there is a better way to put this request forward for consideration, and if there is anything further that would be helpful to receive regarding the project..

Best regards,
Doug

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VP Project Development

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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 22, 2025 2:56 PM
To: kathleen.oneill@ontario.ca; trina.rawn@ontario.ca
Cc: Doug Deeks; glen.niznowski@ontario.ca
Subject: CarbonFree Public Engagement Event Notices
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf; Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting - REVISED Fort Frances.pdf

Hi Kathleen and Trina,

It's a pleasure to e-meet you. My name is Lewis Angel, I'm a stakeholder relations coordinator at the CarbonFree Group. We are a Canadian-based, large-scale solar developer based in Toronto.

I am writing to deliver written notifications of two separate public engagement events for two Projects we are developing in northwestern Ontario. The first is a Project in the township of Chapple, the event will be held on September 23rd at the Barwick Community Hall. The second Project is in the unorganized district of Miscampbell outside of Fort Frances, the event will be held at the Alberton Municipal Office on the 24th of September.

Happy to answer any questions if you've got any. We would be happy for you to distribute the notifications either physically or electronically to any parties or members of the public who would be interested.

All the best,

Lewis

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IESO Reference Number: Not yet available
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Dated at Thunder Bay this the 20th of August 2025

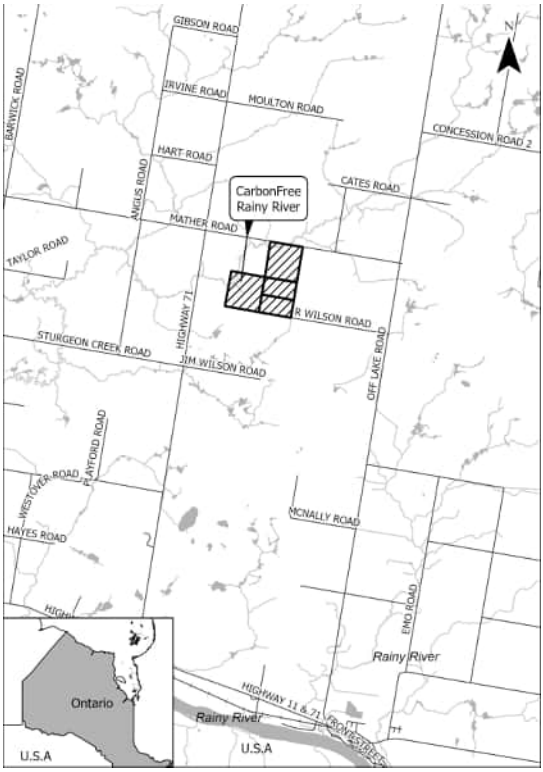
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Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Barwick Community Hall,
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Documents for Public Inspection:

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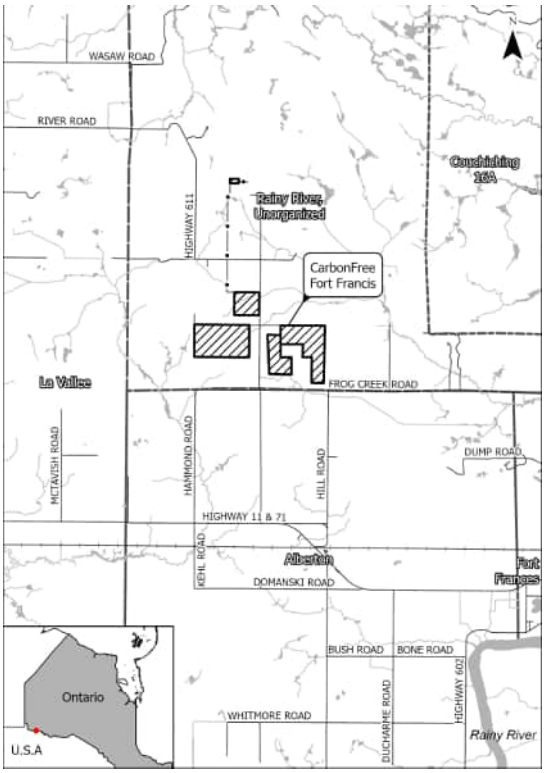
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Meeting Location:

Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Alberton Municipal Office,
3 Highway 611 South, Fort Frances, Ontario

Project Description:

The CarbonFree Fort Frances is a renewable energy generating facility which will use solar photovoltaic (PV) technology to generate electricity. Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the Project is a Class 3 solar facility project. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of up to 140 MW. Electricity generated by solar PV panels will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by inverters and then stepped up (via pad-mounted inverters, medium voltage transformers and a main substation transformer) to 230 kilovolts (kV) prior to being connected to the existing Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) transmission line. The project location is shown on the map at right.



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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 22, 2025 2:49 PM
To: Madisyn.Owen@ontario.ca
Cc: Doug Deeks
Subject: CarbonFree Public Engagement Event Notice - Rainy River & Fort Frances Solar
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf; Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting - REVISED Fort Frances.pdf

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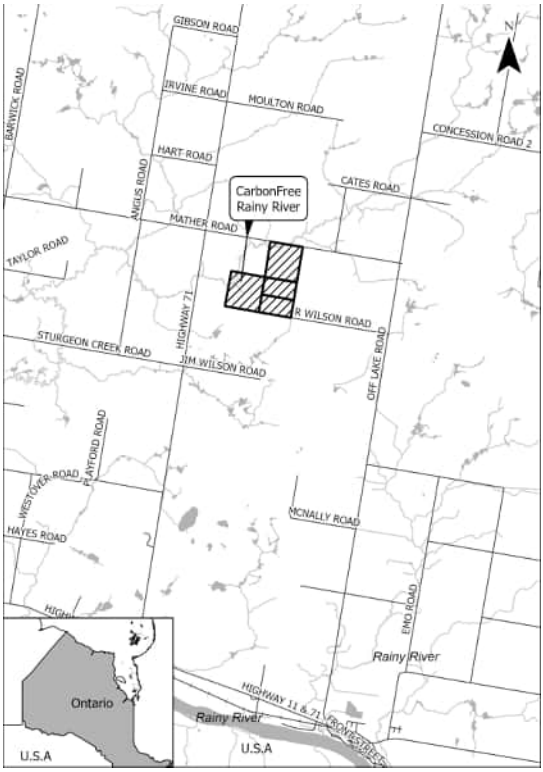
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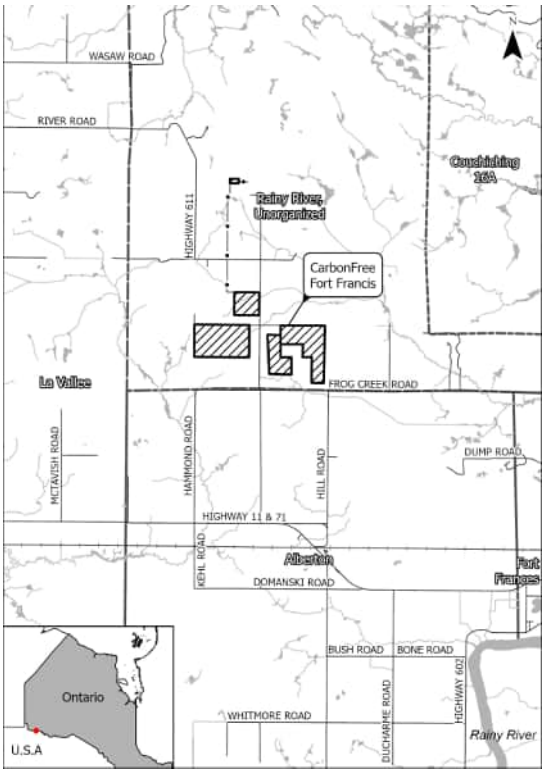
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From: Carlee Bosma <admin@chapple.on.ca>
Sent: August 26, 2025 3:50 PM
To: Lewis Angel
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Address Request

Hi Lewis,

While posting flyers isn't typically a task carried out by municipal staff for external organizations, I'll go ahead and post it at the office and post office here in Barwick.
However, anything outside of Barwick falls outside my responsibilities, so I won't be able to assist with posting in other locations. Thanks for your understanding.
Totally understandable about being in Toronto—I'm sure whoever's helping locally will appreciate the heads-up and can take care of posting for you.
While not located in Barwick directly, places like Cloverleaf Grocery, Norlunds, Emo Inn, or Circle D in Emo—as well as cafés or the Town Office in Stratton—often have bulletin boards or windows where flyers are welcome. These spots tend to see regular foot traffic and attract a good mix of residents.

Best regards,
Carlee

From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 26, 2025 2:14 PM
To: Carlee Bosma <admin@chapple.on.ca>
Subject: Re: CarbonFree Address Request

Hi Carlee,

Unfortunately for us, the FF Times won't cut it because the neighbours we are targeting for the flyers are too far away (REA permitting regulations).

Understood about the museum and Barwick hall. I need 2 more spots to post the flyers in high visibility places in the area. Would you have any recommendations where? I've put them up at the JD junction, Rainy River First Nation band office, and the Emo Municipal office.

As per my printing request, I am currently in Toronto and will not be able to staple the flyer to the wall myself. I hope you can understand, but would it be possible to send you the flyer to be printed/posted?

All the best,

Lewis

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On Mon, 25 Aug 2025 at 16:07, Carlee Bosma <admin@chapple.on.ca> wrote:

> Hi Lewis,
>
> Just wanted to follow up regarding the posting locations.
>
> The local newspaper would be the *Fort Frances Times*.
> As for bulletin boards, there is one located at the Municipal Office. —specifically, between the two main doors. You're welcome to come by and post your flyer there.
>
> The other two locations—the museum and the community hall—do not have bulletin boards available. The museum is currently closed for the season, and the community hall is only open when rented for events.
>
> Let me know if you need anything else!
>
> Carlee

From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 25, 2025 2:16 PM
To: Carlee Bosma <admin@chapple.on.ca>
Subject: Re: CarbonFree Address Request

You don't often get email from langel@carbonfree.com. Learn why this is important

Hi Carlee,

I hope you had a nice weekend. I tried to give you a call but no one was home.

I may as well just write out my request, it's a lengthy one. So we need notices posted in preparation for our community engagement event at the Barwick community hall in late September. There are no local newspapers so we need to find some high visibility spots within 25km of the Project. We've identified the Chapple museum, The Barwick community hall, and the Chapple municipal office as three spots that would satisfy the criteria.

Would it be possible to have a flyer posted on a bulletin board at these 3 properties? I will attach the notice here. I haven't been able to find anyone to get in contact with for the hall or museum.

Let me know if it's possible.

All the best,

Lewis

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On Fri, 22 Aug 2025 at 12:37, Carlee Bosma <admin@chapple.on.ca> wrote:

Hello Lewis,

As we don't keep PINs on record, I did my best to gather the mailing address of the closest neighbors for your reference. I hope this helps move things forward.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Carlee

From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 22, 2025 10:55 AM
To: Carlee Bosma <admin@chapple.on.ca>
Cc: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
Subject: CarbonFree Address Request

You don't often get email from langel@carbonfree.com. Learn why this is important

Hello,

Thanks for offering your help just now.

We've got a public engagement event happening at the Barwick Hall on the 23rd of September for a solar Project CarbonFree is developing in the area. In preparation for this event, neighbours near the

Project's location need to be notified of the event. I have a picture of a map with all the pins that we need addresses for.

Physical addresses and/or email addresses would be appreciated.

The listed PINs are as follows:

- 560360230
- 560360127
- 560360229
- 560360179
- 560360018
- 560370147
- 560370012
- 560370145
- 560370162
- 560370195
- 560370028
- 560370136 (x2)
- 560370151
- 560370228

Thank you,

Lewis

Lewis Angel
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CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.
September 05, 2025

To: Reeve Gibson and Members of Council

Township of Chapple

Re: Support Resolution for CarbonFree Rainy River Solar Project
CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. is pleased to present a final summary of our proposed solar project for your consideration as you deliberate on our request to support the project with a Municipal Support Resolution (MSR).

A short list of highlights of the project (as previously presented)

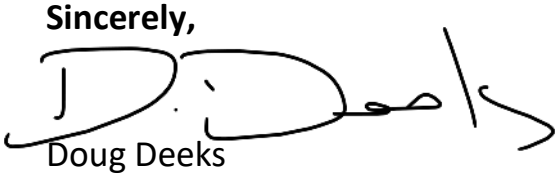
- **Community Benefits Agreement**
  - CarbonFree has proposed a CBA in the amount of $1000/MW/yr for the 50MW project
- **Local Resourcing**
  - Employment initiatives with Rainy River First Nation have already begun
  - Quoting and engagement for pre-development services is already started locally and more broadly across northwestern Ontario
  - Construction will depend substantially on local trades, sub contractors, labour and equipment
- **Agrivoltaics Design**
  - Project lands will remain in active agricultural use as livestock grazing and production lands.
  - Solar arrays will be integrated with forage crop production and remain compatible with local agricultural practices
- **Net Additions to Agricultural Land Base**
  - The project area includes lands previously cleared for agriculture but later abandoned.

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    - Project preparation will return these lands to productive use as forage-producing acreage, creating a net gain for the agricultural base.
- **Alignment with Local Agricultural Profile**
    - Seeding under and around panels will use forage crops already common in the region.
    - This avoids the introduction of new seed sources, weeds, or pests.
- **Economic and Agricultural Co-Benefits**
    - Annual land rents will flow back into active farm operations, supporting reinvestment in equipment, herd management, and modernization.
    - The project strengthens local agriculture rather than displacing it.
- **Differentiation from Other Solar Projects**
    - Unlike projects silent on farmland preservation, this proposal is explicitly designed to integrate with and expand agricultural activity.
    - We recognize concerns raised by the Beef Farmers of Ontario, and this project is carefully structured to address them through the application of agrivoltaics operation and net land additions.

CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. respectfully requests Council's support through the passage of a Municipal Support Resolution (MSR). This project demonstrates that renewable energy development and the agricultural economy and way of life can move forward hand-in-hand.

Sincerely,



Doug Deeks
VP Project Development
CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.

To: Thompson, Shanley
Subject: RE: Meeting Request - CarbonFree

From: Cindy Nielson <cao@chapple.on.ca>
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2026 10:20 AM
To: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Cc: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>; Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>
Subject: RE: Meeting Request - CarbonFree

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Hi Lewis,

I am so sorry to ask but I will not be available on Monday for our meeting, we have first aide training all day and I totally forgot about it.

I am available Tuesday afternoon at 1 pm if you are available?

Thank-you for your understanding

Cindy Nielson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
The Corporation of the Township of Chapple
54 Barwick Road
Barwick, ON
P0W 1A0

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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2026 4:13 PM
To: Cindy Nielson <cao@chapple.on.ca>
Cc: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>; Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>
Subject: Meeting Request - CarbonFree

Hi Cindy,

I hope you have been well.

I'm reaching out to schedule a call when convinient for you. We'd love to update you on the Rainy River Solar Project.

We'll be able to provide an overview of the documents I had sent over last week. We're also happy to discuss the municipal consultation form and how we can help with it.

Please let me know your availability over the next couple of days. If Thursday or Friday aren't convenient for you, we could easily find time early next week.

I have attached the final version of our Design & Operations Report, which is now live on our website here. We look forward to connecting again.

All the best,

Lewis

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To: Thompson, Shanley
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2026 10:28 AM
To: Doll, Kendrick (MECP) <kendrick.doll@ontario.ca>
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
Subject: Fwd: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

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Dear Kendrick

On behalf of **CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.**, we would like to invite you to attend the second public meeting regarding the proposed solar energy project **CarbonFree Rainy River**. This meeting is a part of Ontario's **Renewable Energy Approval** (REA) permitting process.

Please note the address and meeting details following:

The session will be held at:
The Barwick Community Hall
140 Main St., P0W 1A0 Barwick,
Ontario
Barwick, Ontario
Tuesday June 09th 2026
6:00 p.m – 8:00 p.m

The purpose of this event is to share updated information about the CarbonFree Rainy River solar project, present findings from the technical reports, answer questions, and to gather feedback from community members to inform the project.

We hope you will join us at this meeting and we look forward to speaking with you!

Please also find attached a summary document that provides an executive summary of each assessment and report related ot the REA reports summary document. It outlines at a high level all our Renewable Energy Approval related site studies. For any additional information on the project, please visit our website here.

Sincerely,

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Doug Deeks

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To: Thompson, Shanley
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2026 9:46 AM
To: kathleen.oneill@ontario.ca; trina.rawn@ontario.ca; glen.niznowski@ontario.ca; andrew.evers@ontario.ca; stephen.deneault@ontario.ca
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
Subject: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

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Dear Kathleen / Trina / Glen / Andrew / Stephen

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To: Thompson, Shanley
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2026 10:03 AM
To: Madisyn.Owen@ontario.ca
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
Subject: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

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Dear Madisyn

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To: Thompson, Shanley
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2026 10:07 AM
To: Cindy Nielson <cao@chapple.on.ca>
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
Subject: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

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Hi Cindy!
Since you've seen this before, consider this message just a reminder that we will host a public meeting for the project in June. We are also now a week out from hearing whether our proposal to IESO will be accepted or not. Keep you posted!

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Appendix F
Correspondence with Indigenous Groups

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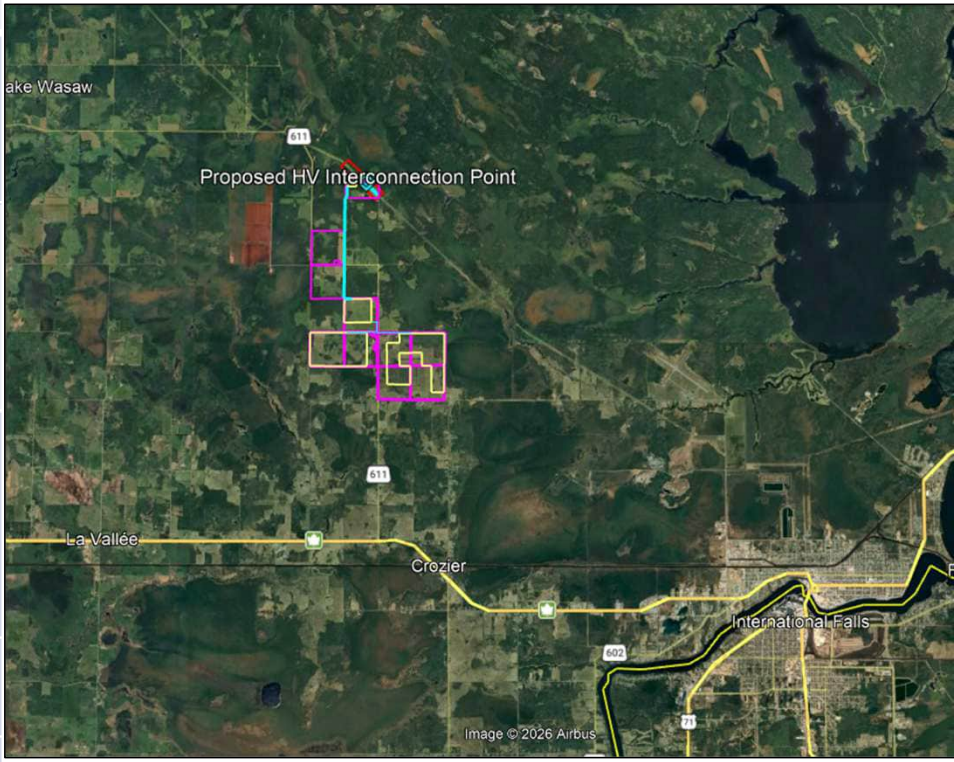
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Proposed Northwestern Solar
MNO
February 2026



Proposed Fort Frances Solar Project

Site Location Proposal	• ~600 acres of privately owned farmland
Partnership Proposal	• Couchiching FN majority economic partner (50.1%) with CarbonFree as General/Operating Partner and minority economic partner (49.9%)
Capacity and Capital Expenditure	• Project capacity expected to be ~210 MWp • Preliminary capital cost ~$200 million • Significant need for local labour and subcontractors
REA Status	• First Public Meeting September 24 • Second Public Meeting to take place in early May • Multiple technical studies underway : Archeology, Natural Heritage
Project Resources	• www.carbonfreefortfrances.com
IESO Procurement	• This Project was bid in Oct. of 2025 into the LT2 procurement program • Awaiting contract award date, April 2026

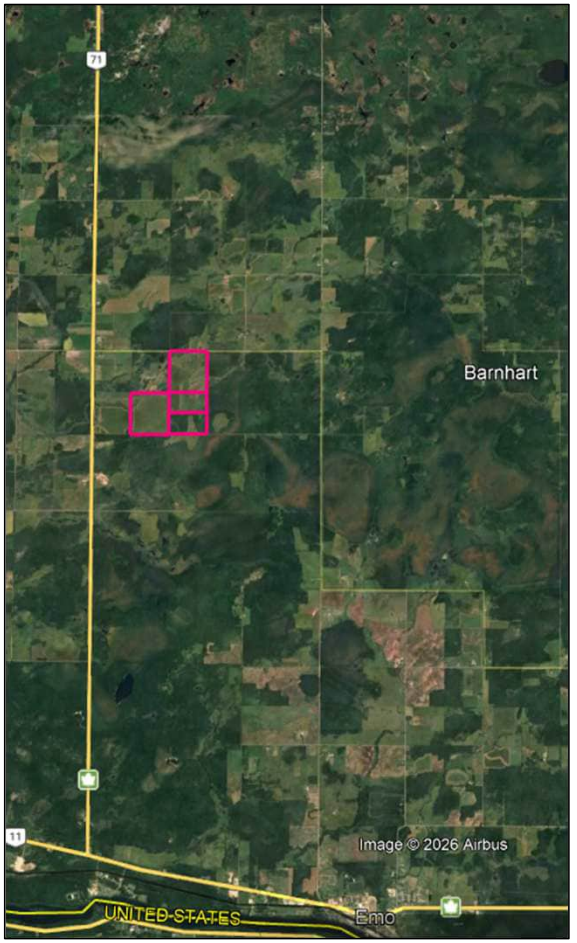


Proposed Rainy River Solar Project

Métis Nation of Ontario

CarbonFree

Site Location Proposal	• ~350 acres of privately owned farmland
Partnership Proposal	• Rainy River First Nations majority economic partner (50.1%) with CarbonFree as General/Operating Partner and minority economic partner (49.9%)
Capacity and Capital Expenditure	• Project capacity expected to be ~75 MWp • Preliminary capital cost ~$130 million • Significant need for local labour and subcontractors
REA Status	• First Public Meeting September 24 • Second Public Meeting to take place in early May • Multiple technical studies underway : Archeology, Natural Heritage
Project Resources	• www.carbonfreerainyriver.com
IESO Procurement	• This Project was bid in Oct. of 2025 into the LT2 procurement program • Awaiting contract award date, April 2026



Meeting with MNO 02032025

On Call: DD, LA, EC, Colin St. James (Consultant for MNO)

Notes:

- Colin asking what we'd want from MNO in a community engagement session
    - What kind of feedback we're looking for
        - It's really up to them what they choose to comment on
- Colin asking about crown land usage between FF/RR
    - No crown land usage
- Colin asking about employment favouritism re: RRFN, CFN
    - Wants there to be equal opportunity for Metis people
    - Wanted in writing for there to be equal opportunity for Metis people in our contracts with suppliers
        - Doug did promise that there would be equal opportuty but did not say it would be explicitly written in contracts to have equal if any Metis representation in the labour force
- Asking about where construction equipment is coming from
    - Mainly from NW Ontario and Winnipeg
- Asking about a Capacity Funding Agreement for volunteers for an engagement event
    - $200/volunteer, there would be 5 presidents joining which would qualify as volunteers
    - MNO bills CF
        - DD agreed to paying the fees
    - Doug requested Colin to follow up with how the bright roof solar projects (which CF developed) have worked out for the MNO
    - Colin to email LA and CC Teresa requesting soft copies for technical reports
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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: August 22, 2025 3:29 PM
To: Rachel Brown; Nicole Cochrane
Cc: Doug Deeks
Subject: CarbonFree Public Engagement Event
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf; Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting - REVISED Fort Frances (1).pdf

Hi Rachel and Nicole,

I hope you are both doing well.

I am writing to provide written notices of our public engagement events at the Barwick Community Hall on the 23rd of September (for RR solar site) and at the Alberton Municipal Office on the 24th of September (For the FF solar site).

I would like to suggest that you print out the two notices and post them on any posting board inside or outside the band office/Ziibi's office in FF. It would be great to print some physical copies for handout as well. We would welcome any of the two to be posted to Facebook or any social media platform.

We appreciate your time and effort, let me know if you have any questions and enjoy your weekends!

All the best,

Lewis

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Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting

To be held by CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project

Project Name: CarbonFree Rainy River
IESO Reference Number: Not yet available
Project Location: Township of Chapple in the District of Rainy River, Ontario.
Dated at Thunder Bay this the 20th of August 2025

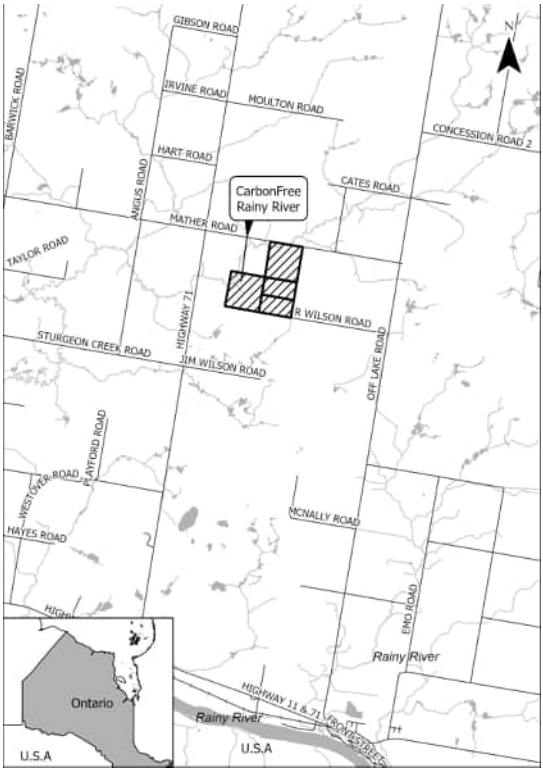
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Meeting Location:

Date: Tuesday. September 23, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Barwick Community Hall,
140 Main St., Barwick, Ontario

Project Description:

CarbonFree Rainy River is a renewable energy generating facility which will use solar photovoltaic (PV) technology to generate electricity. Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the Project is a Class 3 solar facility project. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of up to 50 MW. Electricity generated by solar PV panels will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by inverters and then stepped-up (via pad-mounted inverters, medium voltage transformers and a main substation transformer) to 115 kilovolts (kV) prior to being connected to the existing Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) transmission line. The project location is shown on the map at right.



Documents for Public Inspection:

The Draft Project Description Report titled *CarbonFree Rainy River Project Draft Project Description Report* describes the project as a renewable energy generation facility which will use solar PV technology to generate electricity. A copy of the *CarbonFree Rainy River Project Draft Project Description Report* was made available for public inspection on August 20, 2025 at https://carbonfreerainyriver.com.

Project Contacts and Information:

To learn more about the project proposal, public meetings, or to communicate concerns please contact:

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Tel: 647-408-9680
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Shanley Thompson
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973 Balmoral St, Thunder Bay ON P7B 0E2
Tel: 807-625-8731
Email: shanley.thompson@hatch.com

Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting

To be held by CarbonFree Fort Frances Ltd. regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project

Project Name: CarbonFree Fort Frances
IESO Reference Number: Not yet available
Project Location: The unincorporated Township of Miscampbell immediately north of the Township of Alberton, approximately 7.5 km northwest of Fort Frances, Ontario.
Dated at Thunder Bay this the 20th of August 2025

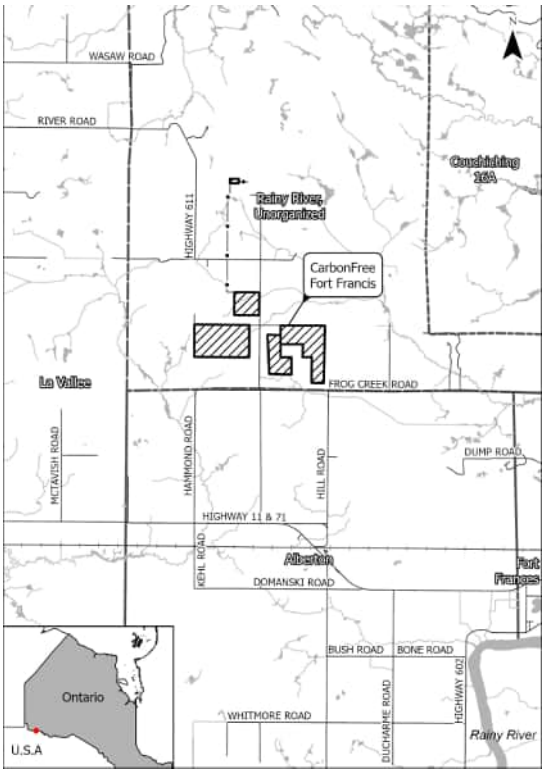
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Meeting Location:

Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Alberton Municipal Office,
3 Highway 611 South, Fort Frances, Ontario

Project Description:

The CarbonFree Fort Frances is a renewable energy generating facility which will use solar photovoltaic (PV) technology to generate electricity. Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the Project is a Class 3 solar facility project. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of up to 140 MW. Electricity generated by solar PV panels will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by inverters and then stepped up (via pad-mounted inverters, medium voltage transformers and a main substation transformer) to 230 kilovolts (kV) prior to being connected to the existing Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) transmission line. The project location is shown on the map at right.



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From: Wayne Strachan <wayne.strachan@manitourapids.ca>
Sent: August 25, 2025 4:02 PM
To: Lewis Angel
Cc: Nicole Cochrane; Doug Deeks; Tim Grover
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Public Engagement Event Flyer

We can post this within the community.

Thanks
Wayne

From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2025 2:32 PM
To: Wayne Strachan <wayne.strachan@manitourapids.ca>
Cc: Nicole Cochrane <nicole.cochrane@manitourapids.ca>; Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>; Tim Grover <tim.grover@manitourapids.ca>
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Hi Wayne,

I hope you had a good weekend, man.

CarbonFree is hosting a public engagement session at the Barwick community hall on Sept 23rd. We need to post flyers in some high visibility spots to inform the public since there are no local newspapers to post the ad.

Would it be possible to have a couple posted on the bulletin board at the band office? It would also be great to print some extras for handouts.

I'll attach the notice for print here. Let me know if I can help.

All the best,

Lewis



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Manitou Rapids

Letter of Support for the Proposed CarbonFree Rainy River Solar Project in Chapple Township

Dear Reeve Gibson and Members of Council,

On behalf of Rainy River First Nations ("RRFN"), we are writing to express our support for the proposed CarbonFree solar project in Chapple Township.

CarbonFree has engaged with RRFN in a meaningful informational process, ensuring that our perspectives on land use, environment, and community values will be respected and incorporated into project planning. We appreciate the steps CarbonFree has taken to date to keep both RRFN and local communities informed and involved.

From RRFN's perspective, this project represents a responsible use of land and a significant economic opportunity for the region. Through a partnership arrangement, RRFN will hold a 50% ownership stake in the project through our wholly owned investment corp. Ziibi Investments. This ensures that a substantial portion of project revenues will remain within the local area and directly benefit our community and the broader region. Importantly, this ownership structure creates a strong and stable revenue stream for RRFN that will support our Nation's long-term social and economic development.

RRFN is committed to ensuring that this project advances in a way that benefits not only our community, but also the surrounding municipalities and residents. We believe that projects structured in partnership with Indigenous communities, such as this one, set a positive precedent for renewable energy development in Northwestern Ontario.

We respectfully encourage the Township of Chapple to recognize the benefits of this project and to support its development by passing a Municipal Support Resolution to enable the project to proceed with a submission to the IESO's LT2 energy procurement this fall.

Sincerely,

Chief Marcel Medicine Horton

Councillor Karen Oster-Bombay

Councillor Kimberley Detweiler

Councillor Robert Bombay

Councillor Dorothy Huitikka

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www.ziibicorp.com
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August 29, 2025

Council of the Township of Chapple
PO Box 4, Barwick ON P0W 1A0

RE: CARBONFREE RAINY RIVER SOLAR PROJECT IN CHAPPLE TOWNSHIP

Dear Reeve Gibson and Members of Council,

Please accept this letter as Ziibi Investments' endorsement of the proposed CarbonFree solar Project in Chapple Township. Ziibi Anishinaabe Investments Inc. ("Ziibi Investments") is Rainy River First Nations' business development corporation.

This Project represents another important step toward economic sovereignty for the Nation. Ziibi Investments will hold a majority stake in the Project and anticipates significant economic benefits throughout its operational life. As a result of this arrangement, and along with various other local contracts, Ziibi Investments is confident that this Project will provide a significant benefit to area residents and to our regional economy.

Should this Project proceed, it would be the second major solar Project that the Nation has helped to develop and we are proud to have this opportunity to expand the Nation's role as leaders in renewable energy. We are aware that CarbonFree has been working to ensure the Project meets all relevant environmental regulations. CarbonFree has engaged the Nation in a meaningful process to ensure that the Nation's perspectives on land use, environment, and community values are respected and incorporated into project planning. We appreciate the steps CarbonFree has taken to date to keep the Nation and area residents informed and involved.

We respectfully encourage the Township of Chapple to recognize the benefits of this Project and to support its development by passing a Municipal Support Resolution to enable the Project to proceed with a submission to the IESO's LT2 energy procurement this fall.

Sincerely,

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Dean Wilson, Chair
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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: September 19, 2025 3:41 PM
To: Andreas Runesson
Cc: Lynn_mariei@hotmail.com; Lynn Indian; lagavin@tbaytel.net; Doug Deeks; Thompson, Shanley
Subject: Re: MECP Follow-Up: CarbonFree Fort Frances + Rainy River Solar Projects
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf; Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting - REVISED Fort Frances (1).pdf

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On Thu, 14 Aug 2025 at 13:04, Andreas Runesson <edo@biggrassy.ca> wrote:

Good Afternoon Lewis,

Thank you for your email and info,

I will see if I can make it to the Emo fair, if not I will reach out to you and your team if we need to schedule a meeting in the future. For now I think we have all the info we need.

Kind Regards, Miigwetch,

Andreas Runesson
Economic Development Officer
Big Grassy First Nation
Office (807) 488-5614
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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2025 4:06 PM
To: Lynn_mariei@hotmail.com <Lynn_mariei@hotmail.com>; Lynn Indian <chief@biggrassy.ca>
Cc: lagavin@tbaytel.net <lagavin@tbaytel.net>; Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>; shanley.thompson@hatch.com <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Andreas Runesson <edo@biggrassy.ca>
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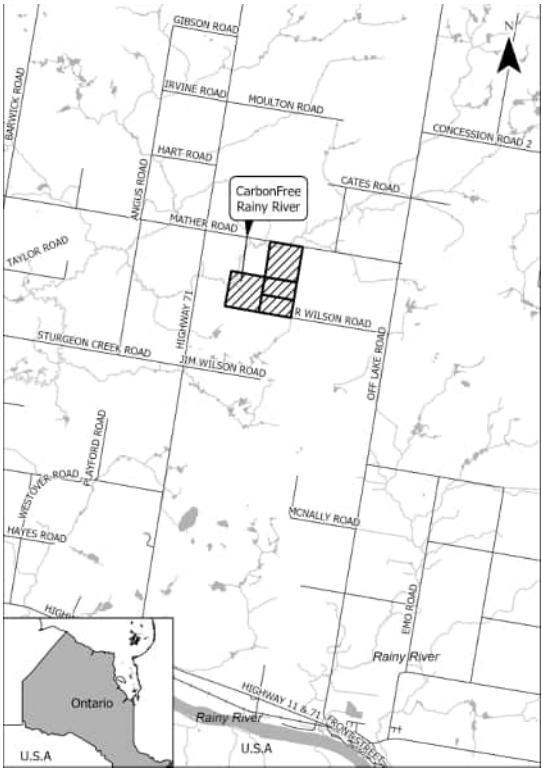
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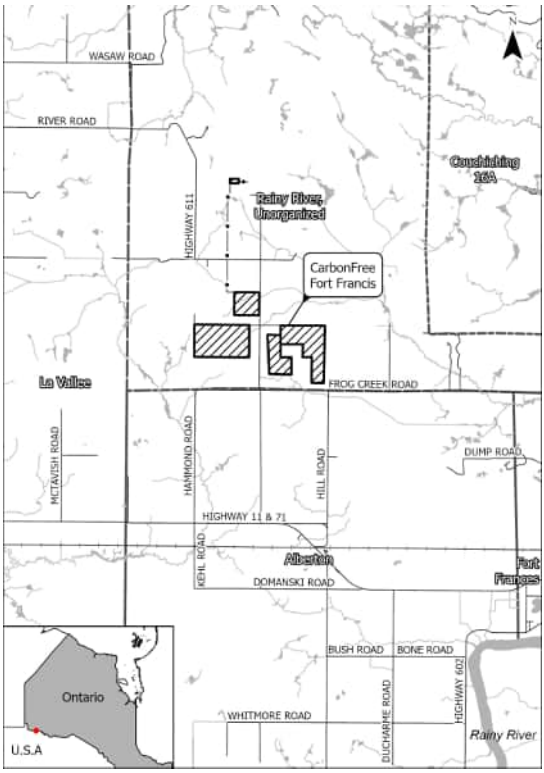
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Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Alberton Municipal Office,
3 Highway 611 South, Fort Frances, Ontario

Project Description:

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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: September 19, 2025 3:42 PM
To: carrie.an@llcfn.ca
Cc: jim.w@llcfn.ca; Doug Deeks; Thompson, Shanley
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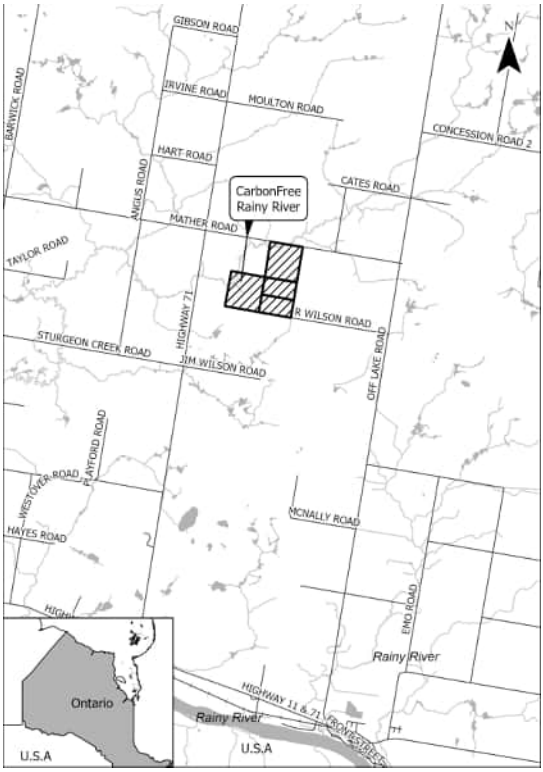
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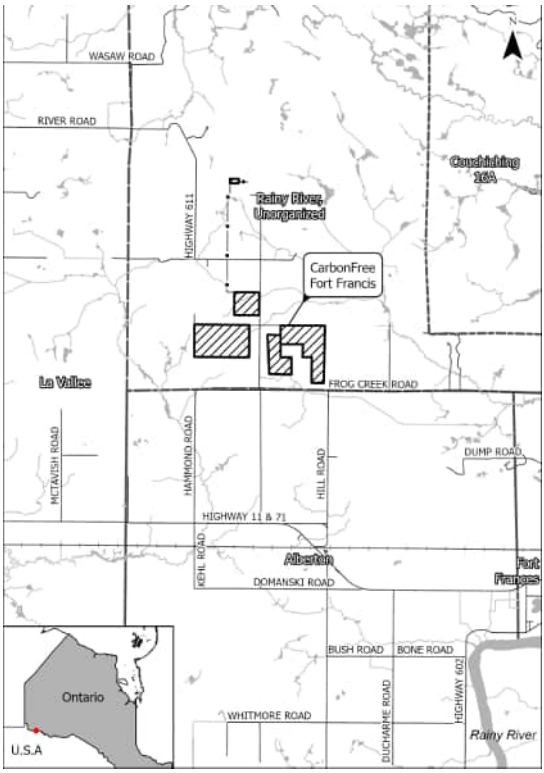
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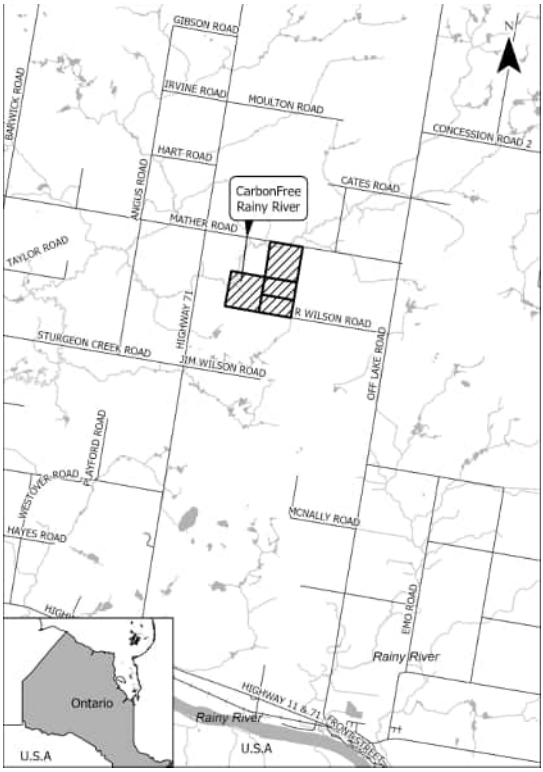
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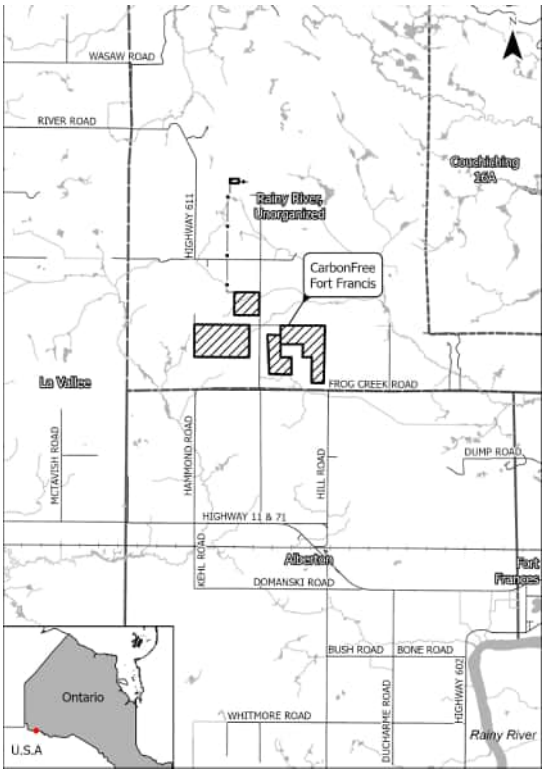
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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: September 19, 2025 3:45 PM
To: Chief@onigaming.ca
Cc: Doug Deeks; Thompson, Shanley
Subject: Re: MECP Follow-Up: CarbonFree Fort Frances + Rainy River Solar Projects
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting - REVISED Fort Frances (1).pdf; Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf

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All the best,

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On Mon, 25 Aug 2025 at 23:33, Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com> wrote:

Hi Chief Jeffrey,

I hope this email finds you well.

My name is Lewis Angel, I'm a stakeholder relations coordinator at the CarbonFree Group. We are a Canadian-based, large-scale solar developer based in Toronto.

I am writing to deliver written notifications of two separate public engagement events for two solar Projects we are developing in northwestern Ontario. The first is a Project in the township of Chapple, the event will be held on September 23rd at the Barwick Community Hall. The second Project is in the unorganized district of Miscampbell outside of Fort Frances, the event will be held at the Alberton Municipal office on the 24th of September.

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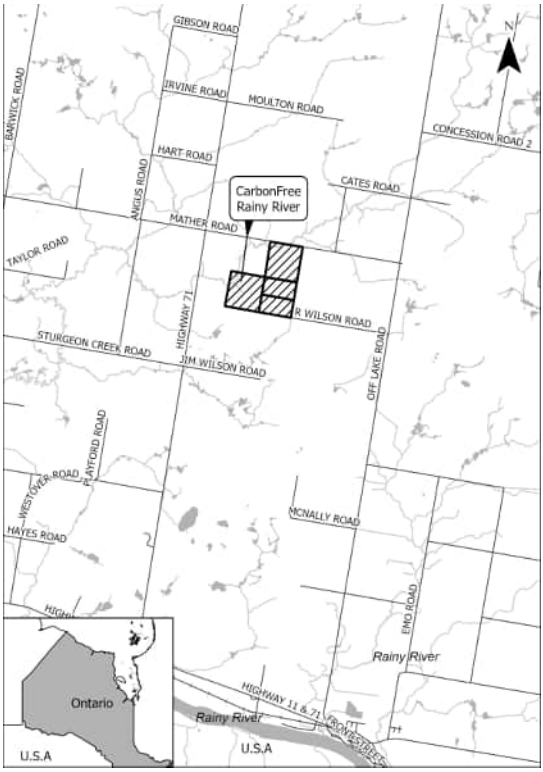
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Meeting Location:

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Place: Barwick Community Hall,
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Project Description:

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Project Name: CarbonFree Fort Frances
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Project Location: The unincorporated Township of Miscampbell immediately north of the Township of Alberton, approximately 7.5 km northwest of Fort Frances, Ontario.
Dated at Thunder Bay this the 20th of August 2025

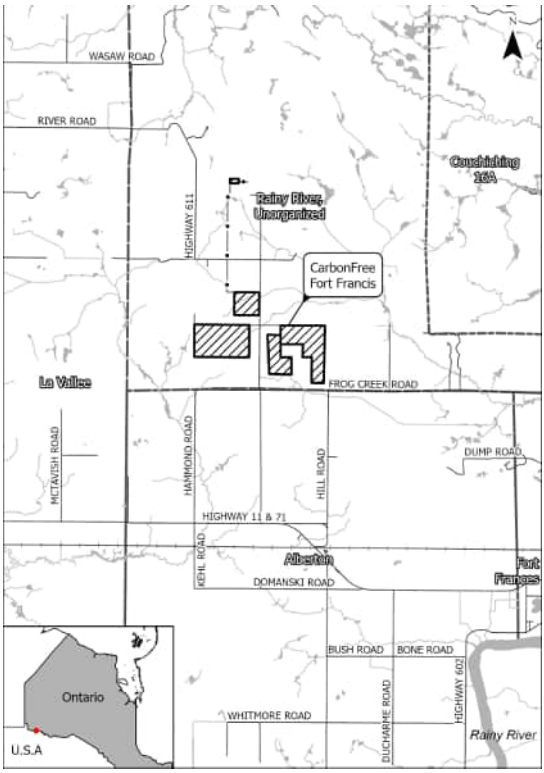
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Meeting Location:

Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Alberton Municipal Office,
3 Highway 611 South, Fort Frances, Ontario

Project Description:

The CarbonFree Fort Frances is a renewable energy generating facility which will use solar photovoltaic (PV) technology to generate electricity. Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the Project is a Class 3 solar facility project. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of up to 140 MW. Electricity generated by solar PV panels will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by inverters and then stepped up (via pad-mounted inverters, medium voltage transformers and a main substation transformer) to 230 kilovolts (kV) prior to being connected to the existing Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) transmission line. The project location is shown on the map at right.



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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: September 19, 2025 3:43 PM
To: marcelmedicinehorton@manitourapids.ca
Cc: Doug Deeks; Thompson, Shanley; Wayne Strachan; Nicole Cochrane
Subject: Re: MECP Follow-Up: CarbonFree Fort Frances + Rainy River Solar Projects
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The event will be hosted by myself, my colleague and VP of Project Development, Doug Deeks as well as Shanley Thompson, Environmental Planner / Terrestrial Ecologist at Hatch.

We are ecstatic that RRFN and CF have entered an LOI agreement and can't wait to formally present the partnership to the greater community!

I have attached the formal notifications for both events below. Please reach out if you have any questions, comments or concerns.

All the best,

Lewis

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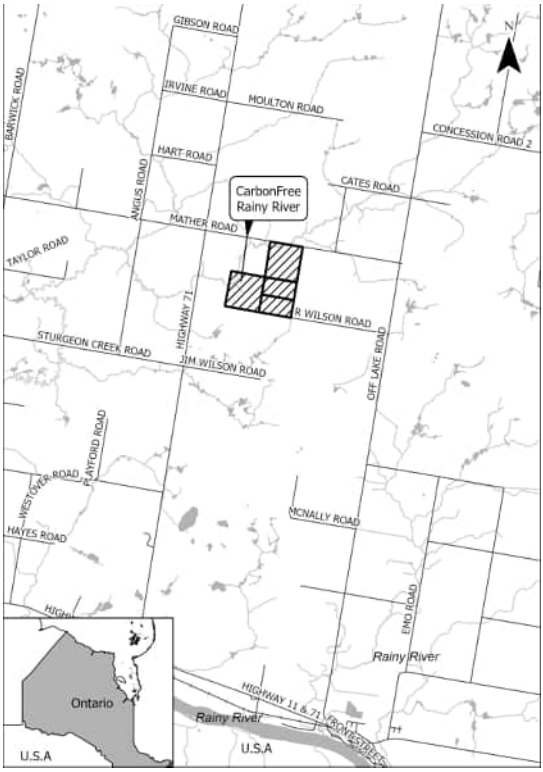
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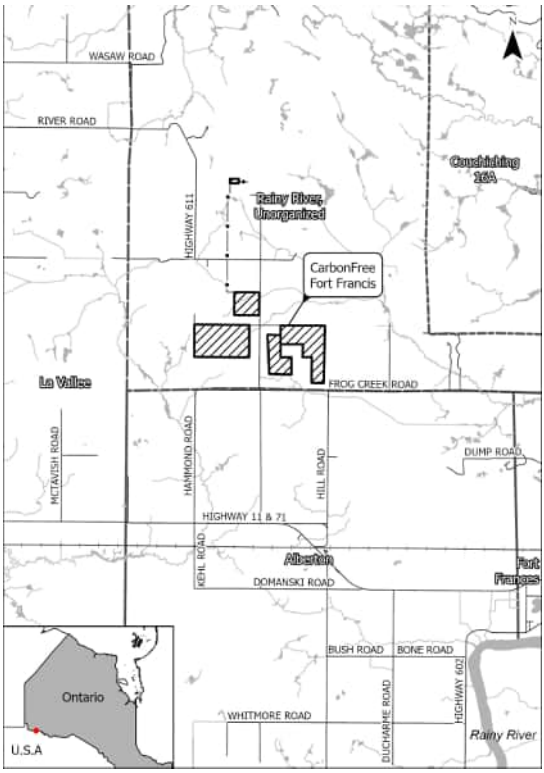
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Meeting Location:

Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Alberton Municipal Office,
3 Highway 611 South, Fort Frances, Ontario

Project Description:

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From: Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com>
Sent: September 19, 2025 3:40 PM
To: cfnchief@couchiching.ca
Cc: Sandy Bruyere; Doug Deeks; Thompson, Shanley
Subject: Re: MECP Follow-Up: CarbonFree Fort Frances + Rainy River Solar Projects
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We are looking forward to presenting again for Chief & Council and providing updates on the Project.

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All the best,

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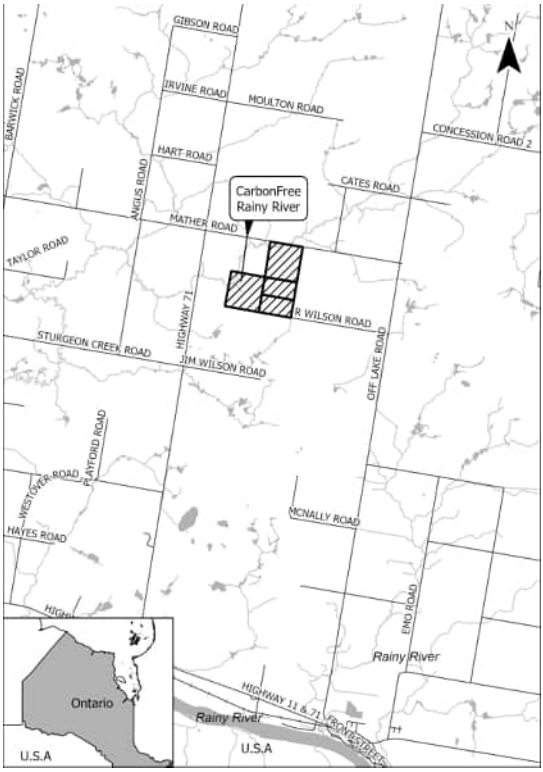
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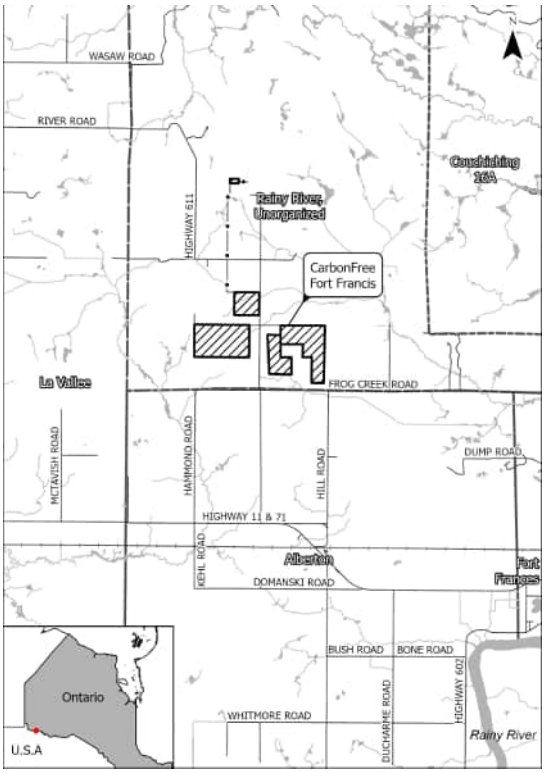
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Sent: September 19, 2025 3:41 PM
To: srfnchief@bellnet.ca
Cc: John.Kabatay@bellnet.ca; Doug Deeks; Thompson, Shanley
Subject: Re: MECP Follow-Up: CarbonFree Fort Frances + Rainy River Solar Projects
Attachments: Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting REVISED - Rainy River.pdf; Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting - REVISED Fort Frances (1).pdf

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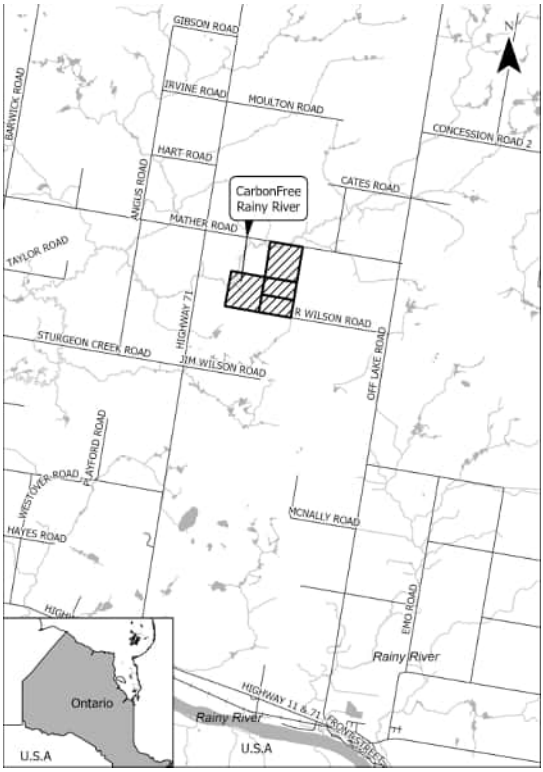
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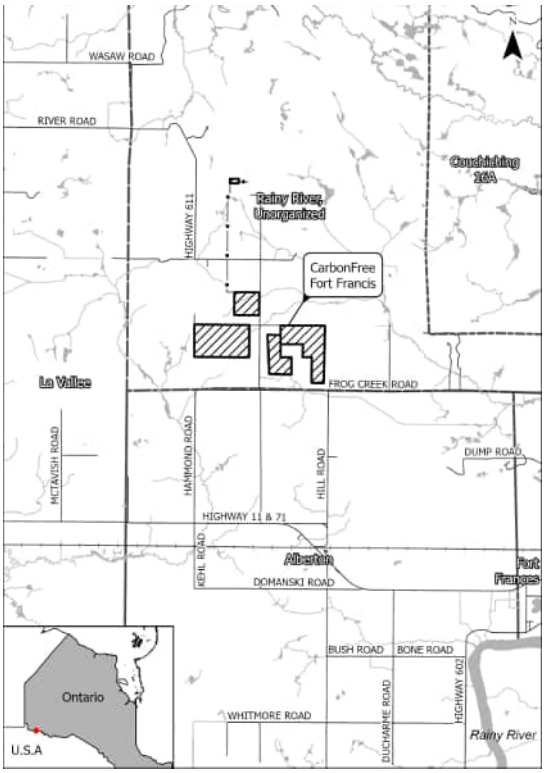
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Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Alberton Municipal Office,
3 Highway 611 South, Fort Frances, Ontario

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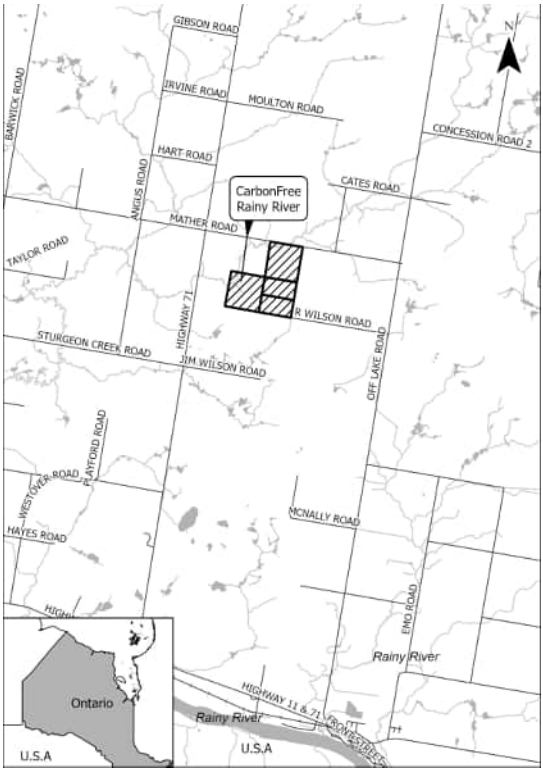
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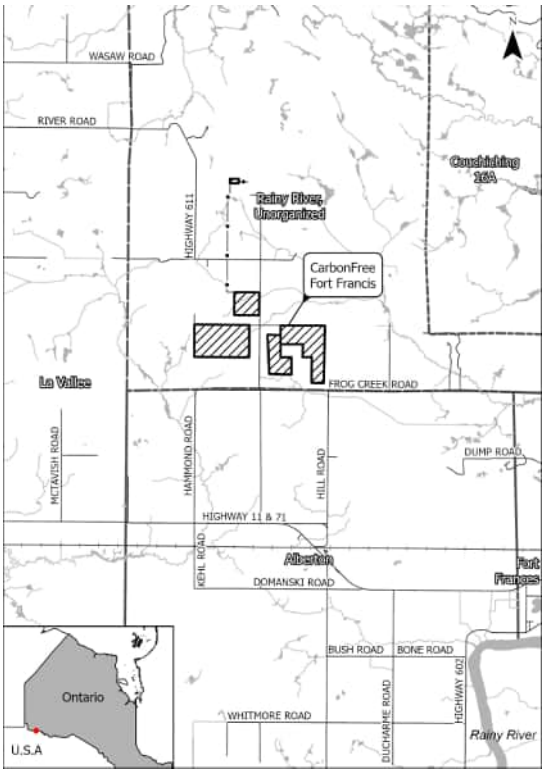
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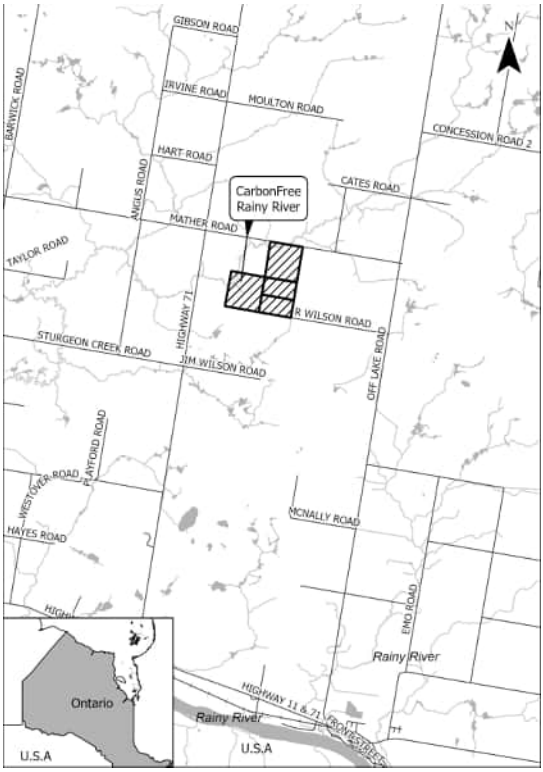
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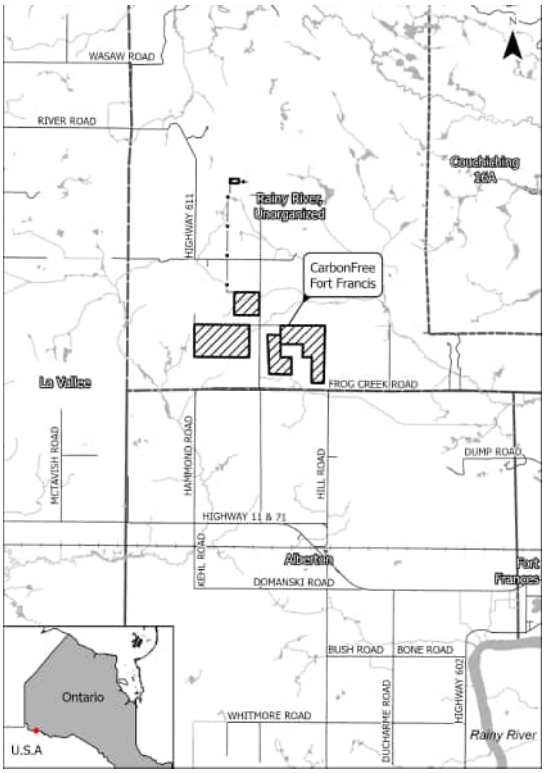
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On Mon, 25 Aug 2025 at 23:34, Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com> wrote:

Hi Linda,

I hope this email finds you well.

My name is Lewis Angel, I'm a stakeholder relations coordinator at the CarbonFree Group. We are a Canadian-based, large-scale solar developer based in Toronto.

I am writing to deliver written notifications of two separate public engagement events for two solar Projects we are developing in northwestern Ontario. The first is a Project in the township of Chapple, the event will be held on September 23rd at the Barwick Community Hall. The second Project is in the unorganized district of Miscampbell outside of Fort Frances, the event will be held at the Alberton Municipal office on the 24th of September.

I've attached the written notices for the event. We welcome you to distribute the flyers as you see fit. We would be happy to answer any questions or hear any feedback.

All the best,

Lewis

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On Tue, 12 Aug 2025 at 16:57, Lewis Angel <langel@carbonfree.com> wrote:

Hi Linda,

I hope this email finds you well.

My name is Lewis Angel, I am a Stakeholder Coordinator for CarbonFree Technology Inc. We are a Canadian-based, large-scale solar developer and have two proposed solar Projects in Treaty 3 territory.

Please find attached information that follows up on the MECP written notice of the solar Projects in the area. I have included notifications of development along with the names of First Nations with whom we are working on economic partnerships, as well you will find the Project maps.

Do not hesitate to request a call/meeting time with our team. We look forward to providing information on the Projects to you and the community.

All the best,

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Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting

To be held by CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project

Project Name: CarbonFree Rainy River
IESO Reference Number: Not yet available
Project Location: Township of Chapple in the District of Rainy River, Ontario.
Dated at Thunder Bay this the 20th of August 2025

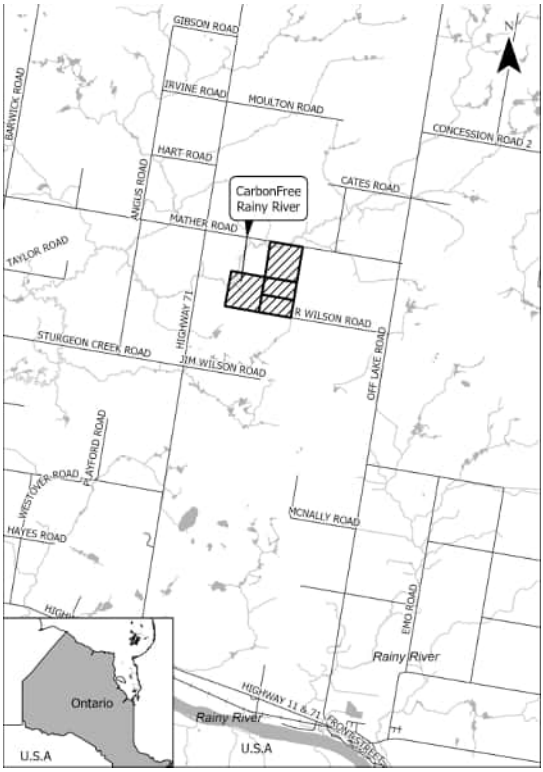
CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd. is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a Renewable Energy Approval is required. The proposal to engage in the project, distribution of this notice, and the project itself are subject to the provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act (Act)* Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with Section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Meeting Location:

Date: Tuesday. September 23, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Barwick Community Hall,
140 Main St., Barwick, Ontario

Project Description:

CarbonFree Rainy River is a renewable energy generating facility which will use solar photovoltaic (PV) technology to generate electricity. Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the Project is a Class 3 solar facility project. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of up to 50 MW. Electricity generated by solar PV panels will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by inverters and then stepped-up (via pad-mounted inverters, medium voltage transformers and a main substation transformer) to 115 kilovolts (kV) prior to being connected to the existing Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) transmission line. The project location is shown on the map at right.



Documents for Public Inspection:

The Draft Project Description Report titled *CarbonFree Rainy River Project Draft Project Description Report* describes the project as a renewable energy generation facility which will use solar PV technology to generate electricity. A copy of the *CarbonFree Rainy River Project Draft Project Description Report* was made available for public inspection on August 20, 2025 at https://carbonfreerainyriver.com.

Project Contacts and Information:

To learn more about the project proposal, public meetings, or to communicate concerns please contact:

Doug Deeks
Vice President – Projects
CarbonFree Rainy River Ltd.
1 St Clair Ave W#801, Toronto ON M4V 1K6
Tel: 647-408-9680
Email: ddeeks@carbonfree.com

Shanley Thompson
Environmental Scientist
Hatch Ltd.
973 Balmoral St, Thunder Bay ON P7B 0E2
Tel: 807-625-8731
Email: shanley.thompson@hatch.com

Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting

To be held by CarbonFree Fort Frances Ltd. regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project

Project Name: CarbonFree Fort Frances
IESO Reference Number: Not yet available
Project Location: The unincorporated Township of Miscampbell immediately north of the Township of Alberton, approximately 7.5 km northwest of Fort Frances, Ontario.
Dated at Thunder Bay this the 20th of August 2025

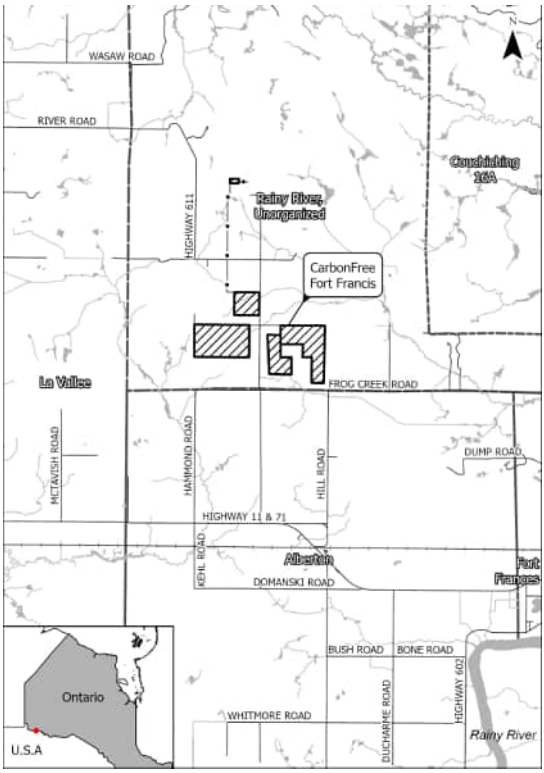
CarbonFree Fort Frances Ltd. is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a Renewable Energy Approval is required. The proposal to engage in the project, distribution of this notice, and the project itself are subject to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act (the Act) Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (the Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with Section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Meeting Location:

Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Alberton Municipal Office,
3 Highway 611 South, Fort Frances, Ontario

Project Description:

The CarbonFree Fort Frances is a renewable energy generating facility which will use solar photovoltaic (PV) technology to generate electricity. Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the Project is a Class 3 solar facility project. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of up to 140 MW. Electricity generated by solar PV panels will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by inverters and then stepped up (via pad-mounted inverters, medium voltage transformers and a main substation transformer) to 230 kilovolts (kV) prior to being connected to the existing Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) transmission line. The project location is shown on the map at right.



Documents for Public Inspection:

The Draft Project Description Report titled *CarbonFree Fort Frances Project Draft Project Description Report* describes the project as a renewable energy generation facility which will use solar PV technology to generate electricity. A copy of the *CarbonFree Fort Frances Project Draft Project Description Report* was made available for public inspection on August 20, 2025 at https://carbonfreefortfrances.com.

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To: Thompson, Shanley
Subject: RE: CarbonFree Rainy River Solar - Renewable Energy Approval 2nd Public Meeting Notice

From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 11:58 PM
To: biggeorge486@gmail.com; mining@naongashiing.ca; landsmanager@naongashiing.ca; lands.clerk@naongashiing.ca; la@naongashiing.ca
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
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Dear Chief Big George

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From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 8:11 PM
To: Chief@onigaming.ca; megan.bob@onigaming.ca
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>; Erik Skiby <erik.skiby@akrc.on.ca>; Derek Shebagegit <derek.shebagegit@onigaming.ca>; Lena Copenace <lena.copenace@onigaming.ca>; Candi Kelly <Candi.Kelly@onigaming.ca>; Clarissa Kelly <clarissa.kelly@onigaming.ca>; Alana Stewart <alana.stewart@onigaming.ca>; Trevor Copenace <trevor.copenace@onigaming.ca>
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From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 11:55 PM
To: srfnchief@bellnet.ca; John.Kabatay@bellnet.ca; srfndos@bellnet.ca
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
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To: Thompson, Shanley
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From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2026 12:02 AM
To: carrie.an@llcfn.ca; jim.w@llcfn.ca; atatise@yahoo.com
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
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From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2026 12:07 AM
To: Wayne Strachan <wayne.strachan@manitourapids.ca>; Nicole Cochrane <nicole.cochrane@manitourapids.ca>; jleonard@jdjunction.com
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>; Judy Qi <jqi@carbonfree.com>
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Dear Chief Leonard

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From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2026 7:21 PM
To: Lynn_mariei@hotmail.com; chief@biggrassy.ca; lagavin@tbaytel.net; Andreas Runesson <edo@biggrassy.ca>; landsmanager@biggrassy.ca; landsclerk@biggrassy.ca
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>
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Dear Chief, Council and staff @ Big Grassy First Nation

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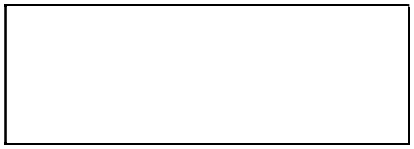


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From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2026 7:08 PM
To: cfnchief@couchiching.ca; Sandy Bruyere <sandy.bruyere@couchiching.ca>; Katie Eide <katie.eide@couchiching.ca>
Cc: Thompson, Shanley <shanley.thompson@hatch.com>
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To: mfnchief@mitaanjigamiing.ca; nrf@mitaanjigamiing.ca; cec@mitaanjigamiing.ca
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From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2026 7:14 PM
To: Wayne.smith@bellnet.ca; c.mccormick@ndevcorp.ca; darlene.smith@bellnet.ca; ea.nfn@bellnet.ca
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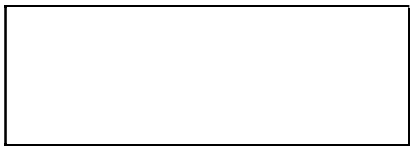


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From: Doug Deeks <ddeeks@carbonfree.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2026 7:18 PM
To: chiefwindigo@nigig.ca; tallan@nigig.ca; nrf@nigig.ca
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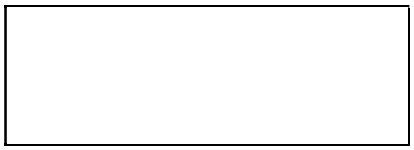


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