

#### **FIRST NATION CONTROL GROUP**

# **COMMUNITY BRIEFING**

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May 21, 2021

**PREVENT** (Standard Measures)

**PROTECT** (Strengthened Measures)

**RESTRICT** (Intermediate Measures)

**CONTROL** (Stringent Measures)

**LOCKDOWN** (Maximum Measures)

Miigwetch to community members for maintaining your diligent efforts in keeping Bear Island safe.

Bear Island is currently operating in the below Phase of a Level 3 State of Emergency



Please be advised, Chief and Council hereby resolve that the community of Bear Island **remains in the ORANGE-RESTRICT phase effective until June 4, 2021,** unless that period is extended or abridged by a resolution by Council.

SEE PAGE 4 FOR YOUTH/ADULT VACCINE CLINIC DATES



# **NO TRESPASSING**

**BEAR ISLAND RESERVE #1** 

Due to Covid 19 Global Pandemic; Bear Island Reserve #1 is CLOSED TO GENERAL PUBLIC

With the exception of the Pier Market

and to essential workers
(Hydro, Telecommunications, Water/Sewer,
Contractors, Emergency Service Personnel)
and Temagami First Nation Members
& Teme-Augama Anishnabai Members.

POLICE WILL BE ENFORCING TRESPASSING LAWS.



# COVID-19 Rapid Testing



COVID-19 Rapid Testing Available at the DPHC

During regular business hours: book your appointment by calling 705-237-8900 ext. 301

Weekends 10am - 2pm: book your appointment by calling 705-237-8900 ext. 316



Linda Paul ext 403

Lvnn White ext 311

#### RAPID TESTING PROTOCOL FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Please do your part to keep our community safe and COVID-19 free ... Miigwetch!



Areas deemed COVID-19 "Hotspots" can be viewed at: <a href="https://covid-19.ontario.ca/ontarios-covid-19-vaccination-plan">https://covid-19.ontario.ca/ontarios-covid-19-vaccination-plan</a>

**HAVE YOU...** 

Traveled outside of Ontario or traveled to a declared Health Unit COVID-19 HOT SPOT in the last 14 days

Traveled away from the community for health care, essential services, essential shopping (not including declared Health Unit COVID-19 HOT SPOT)



YES

YES

Rapid Test is encouraged

Rapid Testing Regiment refers to a testing procedure that is followed where an individual does a First test (Day I), Second test on (Day 4), and Third test on (Day 7). During this testing regiment an individual is expected to self isolate until the 7th day and recieve 3 negative tests.

Rapid Test is encouraged

# MANDATORY RAPID TESTING REGIMENT WITH DPHC

BI Community members that travel to any declared Health Unit COVID-19 HOT SPOT in Ontario and anywhere else outside of Ontario or have visitors/family returning to their home from these areas it is mandatory to follow the Day 1-4-7 Rapid Testing regiment. Community members must arrange for a COVID-19 rapid test with the Doreen Potts Health Centre; should self-isolate inside their residence and strictly avoid contact with others for fourteen (14) days OR until a negative test result has been returned after a day 7 negative test result.

#### **COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

of Bear Island that travel for health care, essential services, essential shopping away from the community are encouraged to arrange for COVID-19 rapid test with the Doreen Potts Health Centre.

All members should self monitor for symptoms and continue with precautionary measures including physical distancing from anyone outside of your household, wear a mask and practice good hand hygiene.

Doreen Potts Health Centre Rapid Testing: 705-237-8900 ext. 301 weekends: (10-2) 705-237-8900 ext. 316

#### TEMAGAMI FIRST NATION

## RAPID TESTING PROTOCOL

## WHAT IS THE 1-4-7 REGIMENT?

Day I-4-7 Rapid Testing refers to a testing procedure that is followed where an individual does a First test (Day I), Second test on (Day 4), and Third test on (Day 7). During this testing regiment an individual is expected to self isolate until the 7th day.

If a patient receives a negative result on all 3 tests, then it is considered that no false negative has been recorded in this regiment of testing and patient is deemed as COVID free.

# WHEN IS THE 1-4-7 REGIMENT MANDATORY?

The Day I-4-7 Rapid Testing regiment is mandatory for Community Residents who are **accessing TFN Programs and Services** as well as **TFN Staff** in the following instances:

- Have a close contact that has tested positive for Covid-19
- Upon returning to the community from traveling to an Ontario Health Unit declared Covid-19 HOT SPOT
- Has had an individual visiting their home from an Ontario Health Unit declared Covid-19 HOT SPOT. \* See No Trespassing Restrictions and exceptions on 1st page.

# WHEN IS A SINGLE TEST REQUIRED?

A Single test is sufficient in instances when:

- A parent or child of LMLC or TMFC leave the island for essential purposes (non-COVID-19 HOT SPOT)
- ESSENTIAL SERVICE CONTRACT WORKERS TFN program managers will be responsible
  for coordinating Rapid Testing for the essential service contract workers they hire. Prior to
  bringing these workers into the community, TFN managers are required to schedule a Rapid
  Test each time for them at the DPHC Clinic. A negative test result must be received prior to
  an essential service contract workers doing any work in the community.
- A community member is experiencing flu-like symptoms.

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**PFIZER** 

# VACCINE CLINIC

FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS

# YOUTH Ages 12-17 yrs & ADULTS (18+) who didn't receive the Moderna Vaccine

A staff person from
Temagami First Nation
will call you to book your
appointment for the Pfizer
vaccine.

A signed parental consent form for those 17 and under is required in order to have your child immunized.

Ist Pfizer Vaccine clinic

LAKEVIEW GATHERING PLACE

@ 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

THURSDAY MAY 27, 2021

2nd Pfizer Vaccine clinic
LAKEVIEW GATHERING PLACE
@ 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
THURSDAY JUNE 17, 2021

Paula Potts, TFN Pandemic Coordinator Phone: 705-237-8943 X 304 Email: pandemic@temagamifirstnation.ca



If you have not received a call by noon May 26<sup>th</sup> 2021, Please call this number 705-237-8943 ext. 304 to ensure you are scheduled in for your vaccination. Also, please NOTE: you will be expected to show up for your second dose on the 2nd scheduled day at the same time booked for the first.

Temagami First Nation	Chronological no.
BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION	File reference no.

The council of the TEMAGAMI FIRST NATION							
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Do hereby resolve that the community of Bear Island is REMAINING in the ORANGE-RESTRICT phase.

**WHEREAS** the spread of COVID-19 has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020.

WHEREAS the community of Bear Island remains with zero reported COVID-19 positive cases due to community effort

WHEREAS TFN is remaining in the Orange Phase until June 04th, 2021.

**WHEREAS** TFN offered the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of the Moderna Vaccine on March 30, 2021 and the members on-reserve who are fully vaccinated are at a 94.1% efficiacy rate.

WHEREAS Ontario is in a province-wide STAY AT HOME ORDER as we enter the 3<sup>rd</sup> wave of Covid-19.

**WHEREAS** the Temagami First Nation, First Nation Control Group (FNCG) was formed and includes representatives from all departments.

**WHEREAS** the FNCG and Chief & Council are aware of the continued risk to the community members of Bear Island.

**WHEREAS** the community needs to ensure that the essential infrastructure and services at the daycare, school, Doreen Potts Health Center, and all other workplaces remain strong and healthy while they implement the strictest measures.

**WHEREAS** Chief & Council have the authority and jurisdiction pursuant to the inherent and treaty rights of Temagami First Nation and sections 81 (1)(a), (c), (d), (p), (q), and (r) of the *Indian Act* to enact emergency measures to prevent the spread of contagions and infectious diseases.

**NOW THEREFORE** The Temagami First Nation Chief & Council hereby execute the following BCR for the protection of public health and safety of Bear Island.

Quorum 5

#### **Emergency Preventative Measures:**

1. Under the rules of law, a strict No-Trespassing restriction will remain in effect. Exemptions will be made of patrons to the Pier Market, Temagami First Nation Citizens, Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizens and those

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- deemed to be essential workers, those in need of emergency medical care, caretakers, and for those participating in traditional harvesting.
- 2. The wearing of masks or face coverings is mandatory for all Bear Island residents and non-residents in all public places where physical distancing of 6 feet is not possible.
- 3. Any Temagami First Nation members and Teme-Augama Anishnabai members who are not community residents of Bear Island are encouraged to remain in their family's household bubble.
- 4. Community residents are encouraged to **remain in their household bubbles**.
- 5. All gatherings for personal/social reasons in the community buildings are discouraged until further notice.
- 6. IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED that no person shall come within 6 feet of another person who does not reside within the same household.
- 7. Any Temagami First Nation members and Teme-Augama Anishnabai members who are not community residents of Bear Island with symptoms of COVID-19, including fever and cough should not come to Bear Island.
- 8. Any Temagami First Nation members and Teme-Augama Anishnabai members who are not community residents of Bear Island who are coming from any of the designated Health Unit COVID-19 HOT SPOTS in Ontario or any other place outside Ontario are encouraged to follow a rapid testing regiment of Day 1-4-7. If they are planning to be within the community for over a week. Or to Self-isolate for 14 days.
- 9. Any resident with symptoms of COVID-19, including fever and cough, should arrange for COVID-19 testing with the Doreen Potts Health Centre; should isolate inside his or her residence and strictly avoid contact with others for fourteen (14) days OR until a negative test result has been returned.
- 10. Any non-resident that has been deemed an Essential Worker, with symptoms shall not access Bear Island for any reason. He or she must arrange for COVID-19 rapid testing with their local health unit or the Doreen Potts Health Centre based on their place of residence; must adhere to the guidelines as provided by the applicable health unit.
- 11. Residents of Bear Island that travel away from the community are encouraged to arrange for COVID- 19 rapid testing with the Doreen Potts Health Centre; should self-isolate inside their residence and strictly avoid contact with others for fourteen (14) days OR until a negative test result has been returned.
- 12. All off-island employees are to work from home, except for those deemed Essential Workers, Managers, members of the FNCG, and teachers who reside in on-island teacherages.
- 13. TFN Staff who live in the community and have travelled to any of the designated Health Unit COVID-19 HOT SPOTS in Ontario or any other place outside Ontario are required to follow a testing regiment Day 1-4-7 Rapid Testing protocol before going into the workplace and will be expected to work remotely until they have a 3<sup>rd</sup> negative result.
- 14. Essential Service Contract Workers TFN Program Managers will be responsible for coordinating Rapid Testing for the essential service contract workers they hire. Prior to bringing these workers into the community, TFN managers are required to schedule a Rapid Test each time for them at the DPHC Clinic. A negative test result must be received prior to them doing any work in the community.
- 15. Visits to Elders or individuals with underlying health issues shall be avoided where reasonably possible except for those who have limited mobility and cannot clean their own residence. Workers will follow all of the safety precautions and sanitizing rituals when entering a client's home. Groceries and supplies shall be delivered to such persons without direct contact or entry to their residences were reasonably possible.
- 16. Community residents are encouraged to use the Food Security Program to reduce the amount of travel.
- 17. Both the school and the daycare will be open to on-island families and on-island learners only. All other band owned buildings are closed to the public with patrons requiring an appointment to access the building.

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With the exception of the Pier Market. Also with the exception of the North Star Building for elder's programming as administered by the Home and Community Care Services.

#### **Temporary Effectiveness**

15. As per Council MOTION #2021-0520-005 passed on May  $20^{th}$ , 2021, this BCR will remain in force until June  $4^{th}$ , 2021, unless that time period is extended or abridged by a resolution by Council.

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## Fire Safety

#### **OPEN AIR BURNING**

#### A reminder from CIM

#### **OPEN AIR BURNING**

Campfires, brush/leaves, burn barrels and construction site fires are examples of open air burning.

#### **KEEP IT SAFE**

Regardless of the type of open air fire you are having, always use caution.

- NEVER use flammable liquids, such as gasoline, to start your fire.
- Remove all vegetation and other material that could spread the fire.
- Maintain close supervision of children and pets.
- Keep your fire on a noncombustible surface at least 50 feet from structures.
- Have an adequate supply of water available to extinguish or control the fire.
- Pay attention to wind conditions and potential spark hazards.