



COMMUNITY NOTICE: 59TH ELECTED COUNCIL UPDATES – JUNE 9, 2025

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OHSWEKEN, ON – Six Nations of the Grand River 59th Elected Council (SNGREC) shares the following updates with community from their June 9, 2025 meeting.

Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)

- Information was shared with SNGREC by the MNR regarding the role of the MNR broadly in relation to harvesting.
- MNR will share this information with the community prior to the commencement of the 2025 harvesting season. More details will be shared once they are available.

Six Nations Housing

- SNGREC has approved thirteen (13) Six Nations Housing policies. They include:
 - Housing Loan Eligibility Policy
 - Housing Loan Application Policy
 - Approved Lender Loan Bank Policy
 - Housing Loan Interest Policy
 - Housing Loan Credit Policy
 - Housing Sanitation Incentive Program Policy
 - Accessibility Program Policy
 - Housing Rental Tenancy Policy
 - Housing Inspection Policy
 - Housing Home Ownership Policy
 - Six Nations Housing No Smoking & Pet Policy
 - Housing Labour and Material Payment Policy
 - On-Reserve Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program Policy
- Contact the Six Nations Housing office for copies of these policies.

Water Testing

- Testing of drilled wells within the community have found traces of Strontium in the water.
- In discussions with ISC, it was agreed that further testing of wells would occur and include Strontium, Nitrate, Nitrite and Manganese.
- A notice will go out advising the community once the testing bottles are available.

- Priority testing will occur for homes that use a drilled well water source for pregnant and breastfeeding women and children up to the age of 24 months.

Manitoba First Nations Leadership - Wildfire Update

- SNGR has been assisting with providing resources and services for the wildfire evacuees that have been relocated to Niagara Falls.
- Following the meeting with Manitoba First Nations leadership, mental health and wellbeing resources are of the utmost importance, alongside security.
- SNGR staff, including Mental Health and Primary Care Team members have been providing services to evacuees in Niagara Falls where they can. SNGREC also continues to stay in consistent communication with Manitoba First Nations leadership.

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