



Community Engagement Announcement

What: On April 28, 2025, Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council (SNGREC) approved to send a proposed agreement with Paris Grand Estates Inc. to community engagement.

Why: Paris Grand Estates Inc. is a residential development company building a new subdivision on the site of the former Paris Grand Golf and Country Club. Located at 150 Paris Links Road in Brant County, this property is covered by the Haldimand Treaty and Fort Albany Nanfan Treaty.

Conversations with the company began in 2018 and a tentative agreement was reached in 2019, but COVID and legal-related interruptions delayed the agreement from moving forward until recently. As a result, the first of the project's seven construction phases is nearing completion.

The proposed agreement recognizes that developers should accommodate Six Nations of the Grand River for structures built on its traditional and treaty territory. To that end, Six Nations of the Grand River will receive \$1,136 for each of the approximately 750 units of housing being constructed. That per-unit rate will increase with inflation.

How: Three Engagement sessions have been scheduled. Two in person and one virtual.

Where: (1) **Wednesday May 28, 2025**, at the Community Hall from 5:45 pm to 8 pm
Nourishment provided

(2) **Thursday June 12, 2025**, at the Community Hall from 5:45 pm to 8 pm.
Nourishment provided

(3) **Wednesday June 18, 2025**, SNGREC Livestream at 5:30 pm

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For any questions or comments, please contact Lands and Resources at 519-753-0665 or lrcs@sixnations.ca.

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the characteristics of this property? The 150-acre property is located along the northern shore of the Grand River in Paris, Brant County. The property includes the former Paris Grand Country Club (an 18-hole course with a clubhouse and various small buildings) and a large lot with a house on the south side of Paris Links Road.

Will there be any development on the river? While the property is located along the Grand River, the company has committed to avoiding any development directly adjacent to it. A 30-metre-wide environmental protection zone provides a buffer between the river and the residential development.

What species have potential to be impacted? Plants: Black Cherry, Raspberry, Elderberry, White Pine, Strawberry, White Cedar, White Ash, Basswood, Chokecherry, Sugar Maple, Red and White Oak, Serviceberry, Water Hemlock, Cattails, Skunk Cabbage, Jewelweed, Ninebark, Tamarack. Invasive species observed include: Norway Maple, Garlic Mustard, Periwinkle and Buckthorn. Species At Risk: Butternut. Birds: Coopers Hawk, Green Heron, Turkey Vulture, Chimney Swift, Bobolink, Barn Swallow, American Woodcock, Eastern Meadowlark, Bank Swallow. Reptiles: Garter Snake, Dekays Brown snake, Snapping turtle, Painted Turtle. Frogs: Spring Peeper, Northern Leopard Frog, American Toad, Green Frog, Gray Treefrog, Bull Frog and Pickerel Frog. Mammals: gray squirrel, muskrat, white tailed deer, raccoon, coyote, eastern cottontail, vole, and chipmunk within the sub watershed. Historical sighting of American Badger. Insects: Giant Swallowtail, Eastern Tiger Swallowtail, Cabbage White and Monarch. Fish: Brook Trout (a cold water species in the Gilbert Creek identified as being the main species present), Brook Stickleback, White Sucker, Longnose Dace, Blacknose dace, Smallmouth Bass, and Bluegill. Spawning beds observed in the area.

What about mitigation? Plantings within the buffer areas should maximize the protection of natural features. Native plantings will be particularly important for creating vegetation zones around the wetland and wooded areas. The Consultation and Accommodation Team expects to have more input for subsequent phases of development which must wait until the nearby quarry ceases production.