

Public Notice

PROPOSED GREENWATER ROAD USE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (UMS) AMENDMENT

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) Thunder Bay District has received a request to amend the Greenwater Road Use Management Strategy UMS#TB-021 (See map below).



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The MNRF can close a road or part of it to travel by the public generally or by any classes of the public via Section 52 of the *Public Lands Act*. The Greenwater Road has been closed by the MNRF and a sign was placed in 2013 restricting access.

Its use and maintenance are managed through UMS# TB-012. It states that the Greenwater Road will provide access to private property on Greenwater Lake through written authorization by the MNRF. It states that this road is intended for mineral exploration and for the use by the current private property owner and his immediate family only.

The private property owner is now asking the MNRF for an amendment to UMS# TB-012 that would allow any future registered owners and family, as well as friends accompanied by owners, to have access beyond the closure point.

The effect of this proposed amendment would be to allow increased use of the Greenwater Road, in the event that the current private property owner sells the property or portions of it. This would give any future purchaser(s) confidence that they may obtain written approval from the MNRF to access their property via the Greenwater Road.

In considering this request, MNRF would like to solicit comments from interested parties on each of the following options:

1. Status Quo: no amendment to the UMS would occur.
2. Amendment the UMS: allow any registered future registered owners and family, as well as friends accompanied by owners, to have access beyond the closure point .
3. Removal of the road closure restriction: revoke the UMS, remove the sign, and allow public use of the roads on Crown land with no restrictions to all.

You are invited to direct any inquiries, comments or requests regarding the road use management strategy proposal to the MNRF contact below. Comments must be received within the comment period, which expires at 16:30 hrs on **February 1, 2019**.

The proposal is being planned in accordance with the *RA 2-4 Use Management Strategies* document found within the *MNR Access Roads Manual (1992)*. All comments submitted will be considered. MNRF may proceed to implement the project without issuing a further general notice. Only parties who have provided input or requested further notice will be notified on the decision.

For more information on the project, to submit comments, or to request further notice, please contact:

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