

THE TOWN OF COCHRANE

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"Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

May 19, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto, ON
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Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Reopening of Greenwater Provincial Park

This will serve to advise you that Council, at its regular meeting held Tuesday, May 11th, 2021 passed the following resolution pertaining to the above noted:

"Resolution No.: 123-2021

Moved by: Councillor Daniel Bélisle Seconded by: Councillor Robert Hutchinson

WHEREAS the pandemic has caused people to stay indoors for an extended period of time; and

WHEREAS there is an extreme demand for camping and RVing from Ontarians wanting to go and enjoy our great outdoors; and

WHEREAS in 2013 approximately 10 Provincial Parks were closed by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) in the North; and

WHEREAS Northerners have very little areas to be able to enjoy the outdoors, as the closest Provincial Park are Kettle Lakes and Rene Brunelle; and

WHEREAS these Provincial Parks will be fully booked with nowhere for Cochranites to go camping nearby;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Town of Cochrane call on Premier Ford and the Minister of Natural Resources to reopen the Greenwater Provincial Park;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cochrane establish an Ad Hoc Committee to petition the Provincial Government;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the MP, Charlie Angus, MPP John Vanthof and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities for their endorsement and support

CARRIED"

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated!

Yours truly,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COCHRANE

Alice Mercier

Clerk

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c.c.:

Charlie Angus, MP, Timmins – James Bay
John Vanthof, MPP, Timiskaming - Cochrane
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities

