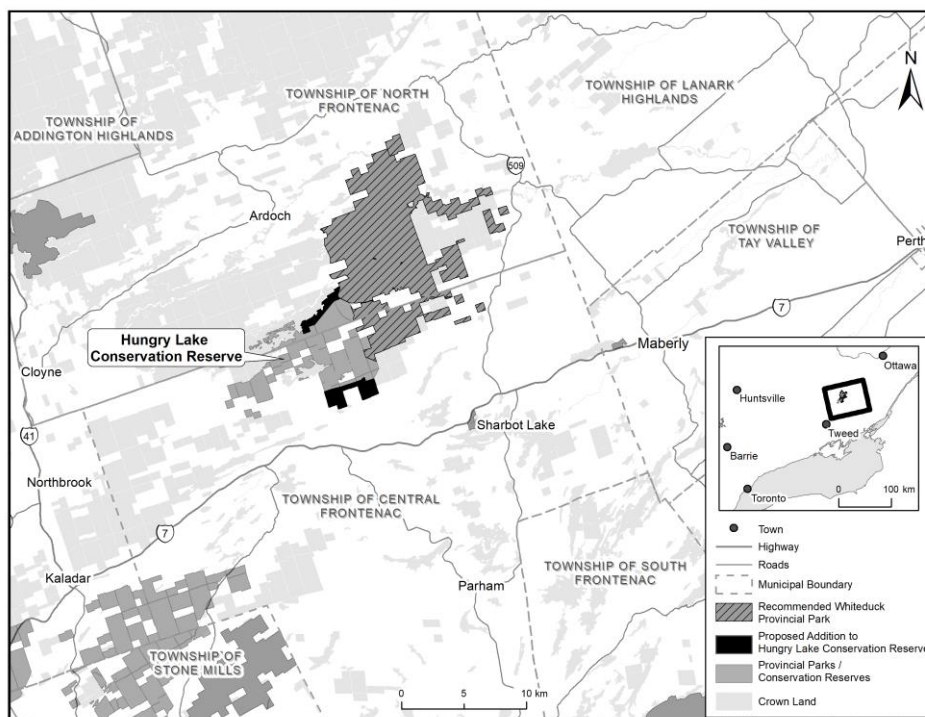


PUBLIC NOTICE FOR CATEGORY B PROJECT EVALUATION AMENDING A BOUNDARY BY REGULATION TO ADD CROWN LAND TO HUNGRY LAKE CONSERVATION RESERVE

The proposal would add Crown land to Hungry Lake Conservation Reserve in Frontenac County. These lands were previously identified for inclusion within the recommended Whiteduck Provincial Park. Consultation under the Algonquins of Ontario Land Claim Declaration Order process and subsequent negotiations has resulted in this alternate proposal. The Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) invites comment from the public, Indigenous communities and agencies with an interest in this proposal.

This addition to Hungry Lake Conservation Reserve project evaluation is associated with, but separate from, a consultation process that was initiated in 2020 related to the creation of Whiteduck Provincial Park. As a result of public feedback, the subject lands are now being assessed as an addition to Hungry Lake Conservation Reserve. At the same time, unopened road allowances currently not included in the existing Hungry Lake Conservation Reserve boundary are also being considered for addition to the conservation reserve.

This project is being evaluated as a Category B project under the Algonquin Land Claim Declaration Order made under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. The project area has ecological, historical, cultural and spiritual importance to the Algonquins of Ontario. Recommendations for additions to Ontario's provincial park and conservation reserve system were set out in the 2016 Algonquins of Ontario Agreement-in-Principle, in order to recognize their importance while providing for continued use and enjoyment by the public for present and future generations. The proposed additions to Hungry Lake Conservation Reserve will depend on the successful negotiation of a final agreement to resolve the Algonquin Land Claim.



A Notice of Completion will be sent to those who submit comments or request further notice when the project evaluation is finished. MECP may proceed with the regulation process without issuing a further general notice.

How to participate

Comments on this proposal will be accepted for a 45 day comment period, ending on **January 23, 2023**.

To submit comments or to request the Notice of Completion, please contact:

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This notice and more detailed project information is available online at:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/algonquin-land-claim-additions-to-ontarios-provincial-park-system>

Comments and personal information concerning the amendments of boundaries by regulation are collected to assist with decision-making and potential follow-up as required. Personal information and comments are collected under the authority of *Environmental Assessment Act* and the *Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves Act, 2006*. Any personal information you provide (address, name, telephone, etc.) will be protected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, however your comments will become part of the record of consultation and may be shared with the general public. Your personal information may be used by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks to send you information about future planning initiatives associated with the conservation reserve. If you have questions about use of your personal information, please contact 1-855-690-7070.