



# **IMPORTANT URGENT NOTICE**

## **EMERGENCY CLOSURE** Approx. 6 weeks

### **Band Administration Building**

Issued August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 1:15 PM

The Band Administration building located at 19A Complex Drive will be closed for a period of approximately 6 weeks, starting 4:00 pm Friday August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 and reopening September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 at 8:00 am. The closure is a result of **emergency water and sewer line replacement work at the Band Administration building**. The water and sewer line replacement is due to aged infrastructure and corroded water and sewer lines servicing the building. **This urgent issue only affects the Band Administration building as the corroded lines are between the administration building and the main water and sewer lines.**

Although water quality checks are done routinely by the Wiikwemkoong Water and Wastewater department by regulations, and reporting of the results submitted regularly, the Department will ensure additional testing be done in the village to monitor and assure residents that there are no urgent issues with the adjacent and outlying areas of the village.

Programs and administration will continue and are currently in the process of relocating immediately to available spaces in the village, like the arena, the Pontiac school gym, the Training Resource Centre (old Daystar), WDC Business Centre at the Light Industrial Park and the building at Lot 18. Communications and internet are being rerouted to provide services and are in progress, so we ask members to be patient during this rapid transition.

The relocation of programs and services map will be shared with members as soon as the spaces are confirmed, this is in progress.

Council Meetings will be relocated to the main arena floor at the Arena.

This is not a new issue, we have been experiencing problems with the sewer lines in the building for a few months now and were troubleshooting the issue. With the excavation work for the new addition, the extent of the problem was discovered and has become urgent requiring immediate repair. The closure is required due to health and safety regulations.

It is respectfully requested that all members be patient as we deal with this emergency; staff are relocating and setting up office space in various locations. Some programming may be affected by this; however, we are planning to continue with minimal interruption to community programming and service delivery.

For further information or updates please refer to our communication channels, I will be providing updates as they become available.

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