OCTOBER 2026
INFRASTRUCTURE DEPT UPDATE
Released November 4, 2026

Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

PROJECT NAME: WIKWEMIKONG NURSING HOME

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Wikwemikong is constructing a 96 bed Elder's Home. Wikwemikong currently has a 59 bed facility which has been in operation for 53 years providing personal and quality care and services to our vulnerable elders, other First Nation Elders as well as Non-First Nation Elders from our community and surrounding areas. The existing home is currently classified as a "C" facility by the Ontario Ministry of Long Term Care (MLTC) under the Long-Term Care Act which stipulates that our license to operate was to expire on June 30, 2025, a temporary extension of five years to 2030 was granted. The project was tendered in 2025 and awarded in early 2026, with construction well underway.

PROJECT COST BUDGET:

Expenses	
Construction Costs	$57,731,900
Contingency	$100,000
Site Clearing	$149,900
Non Const. (Planning, Architect, Engineering)	$6,352,221
Total Expenses	**$64,184,121**
Revenue	
MLTC Const. Funding Subsidy	$44,380,000
CMHC Forgivable Loan	$7,200,000
WUIR Equity	$11,132,030
WUIR Capital Campaign	$1,000,000
Total Revenue	**$64,212,030**

Project Expenses to Date: $4,368,203.53

OCTOBER 2026
INFRASTRUCTURE DEPT UPDATE
Released November 4, 2026

Wiikwemkoong
Unceded Territory

NEW LONG TERM CARE







PROJECT TEAM:

DESIGN/CONTRACT ADMIN:	3RD Line Studio
PROJECT MANAGER:	FHR Inc.
CONTRACTOR:	RENOKREW
OWNER:	Wikwemikong Nursing Home (WNH)
ADMIN SUPPORT:	WUT Admin Staff

PROJECT TIMELINE:

2014	- Capital Planning Study – identified the need for a new Elders Facility
2017	- Location Analysis – 3 options were examined and presented to community. Elders preferred to be in the core of the community. - Preliminary Geotech Report (3 boreholes were tested on preferred site)
2022	- 3rd Line Studio initiates design work
2023	- Phase 1 Environmental Assessment completed - Geotechnical Investigation - 9 boreholes
2024	- Phase 2 Environmental Assessment completed – No further action required. - Geotechnical Investigation – 4 more boreholes - Design continued with input from WNH residents and staff, as well as community members.
2025	- Detailed Design of the facility completed. Reviewed and approved by Ministry of Long Term Care. - Geotechnical Investigation – 8 more boreholes (total of 24 boreholes completed on selected site)
2026	- Construction awarded to Renokrew
2029	- Construction to be completed by May 2029



Wikwemikong Elder's Lodge – Planned Landscaping – Site to be drained to a new perimeter ditching along the properties perimeter.

PROJECT UPDATE:

- Renokrew mobilized to site in August 2026.
- Excavation and footing construction is currently underway.
    - Foundation design was completed by a professional structural engineer.
    - Geotechnical Engineer is on site monitoring excavation and engineered fill placement below footings. Refer to Photos PH-1-4.

- No bad soils or water issues have been encountered throughout the entire foundation excavation.

- Site's perimeter drainage ditch is almost complete.
- Main floor of building will be roughly 3 meters higher than the base of the footings.
- Engineered fill is being placed and compacted lifts to ensure stability of the building with no settlement.







