

Tom Sproull
On behalf of the Upper Nashwaak Camp Watch Association
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Dr. Louis LaPierre,

Dear Sir,

I am writing on behalf of the Upper Nashwaak Camp Watch Association. This group of camp owners, formed in 1986, has a mandate of providing a collective voice for the various issues that impact either camp clusters or individual camp owners. The Association represents camp owners with leases, in the Upper Nashwaak, Napadegon, Grand John, Lower Lake and Miramichi Lake areas.

A Committee studied your Proposal and our member have met to discuss the impact of the strategy on existing camp sites, if Long Lake becomes a protected area. The issues of camp tenure, stakeholder groups, permitted activities and the development of a stewardship role were the areas of discussions. The following recommendations were approved from those discussions and we ask for your committees considerations to our group's concerns.

If the Long Lake area is selected as a site with its present boundaries, the Upper Nashwaak Camp Watch Association requests consideration of the following recommendations:

The Association be asked to work within the framework of the Strategy to:

1. ensure recognition of camp owners tenure, pursuant to section 19.6 of the proposal, especially the "grand fathering" concept pursuant to section 19.6(4) of the proposal;
2. ensure camp owners are partners in stakeholders groups pursuant to sections 19.1(4), 22 and 22.1;
3. ensure camp owners/stakeholders have direct input into the development of interim guidelines pursuant to section 25;

4. ensure camp holders/stakeholders have direct input into legislation pursuant to section 25;

5. ensure perpetual input of camp owners/stakeholders, pursuant to section 26

The Association further requests consideration of the following:

(a) continued input to development of standards for maintaining leases pursuant to section 19 of the proposal;

(b) continued input to the development of nature and extent of activities permitted by camp owners, pursuant to section 19.2;

(c) continued input to nature and extent of access to camps pursuant to section 19.2;

(d) continued input to the development of a stewardship role, pursuant to section 19.6.

Our Association appreciates the opportunity to present our recommendations. We trust they will be given consideration and we would appreciate a reply respective this document. Our group is very willing to work with your committee so that any issues can be dealt with within this strategies framework.

Yours truly,

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