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Mr. Mitch Baldwin; District Manager
 Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
 NORTH BAY DISTRICT OFFICE
 3301 Trout Lake Rd
 North Bay, Ontario
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Dear Mr. Baldwin:

Re: Municipal Representation on the Temagami Forest Management Planning Team

It is our understanding that the planning process for the 2019-2029 Forest Management Plan for the Temagami Management Unit was recently initiated by way of a plan "Start-up Meeting" and that the author of the FMP will be confirmed in the next few weeks. As you are likely aware, the Planning Team for previous plans has included permanent representation from local First Nations and the Forest Industry.

Municipalities have been represented on a part-time, rotational basis via the Local Citizen's Committee (LCC).

The Temagami Forest Tenure Modernization Advisory Team, consisting of local First Nations, Municipalities and Forest Industry, are currently working on a collaborative effort to develop a forest management entity that will ultimately be responsible for the implementation of the 2019 Plan, therefore, we strongly believe that municipalities should be represented on the Planning Team on a full-time basis, outside the limitations of the LCC structure.

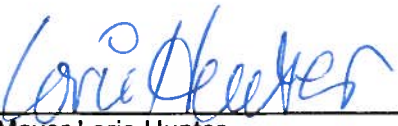
To this end, we respectfully request that the Terms of Reference for the upcoming Plan include a full time local municipal representative on the Planning Team.

Please do not hesitate to contact either of us, directly, or Robin Koistinen at (705) 237-8600, if you would like to discuss this request further.

Thank you in advance for your positive response to this request.

Sincerely,


 Chief Arnold Paul
 Temagami First Nation


 Mayor Lorie Hunter
 Municipality of Temagami