



Elders and Traditional Land Users Panel

Public Utilities Board

NFAT proceeding

April 25, 2014



OUR COMMUNITIES

Fox Lake Cree Nation

- Over 1000km North of Winnipeg
- Population approx 1000 members (living in Gillam and Bird Reserve)

York Factory First Nation

- Approx 1000 km north of Winnipeg on the southeast shore of Split Lake
- Population approx 500
- Relocated from Hudson's Bay Coast to York Landing in 1957


Tataskweyak Cree Nation

- Located on the North shore of the Nelson River approx 900 km north of Winnipeg
- On-reserve population of approx 2200 (approx 1100 off-reserve)
- TCN and War Lake are the Cree Nation Partners (CNP)



“This is not even a choice. We are supposed to speak for them.” (Ila Disbrowe)

**Why we are here.
Why we speak.**

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- *One of our customary laws that we are exercising today is Tawinamakewin. We come here and exercise the art of listening in order to create understanding amongst ourselves. We are exercising our customary law today.*

D'Arcy Linklater, December 12 at p.6236

Housing, Health and Way of Life



OUR PRESENT



Turn off to York Landing and Ilford Winter Road

Travel





Radisson switching yard















New Manitoba Hydro homes

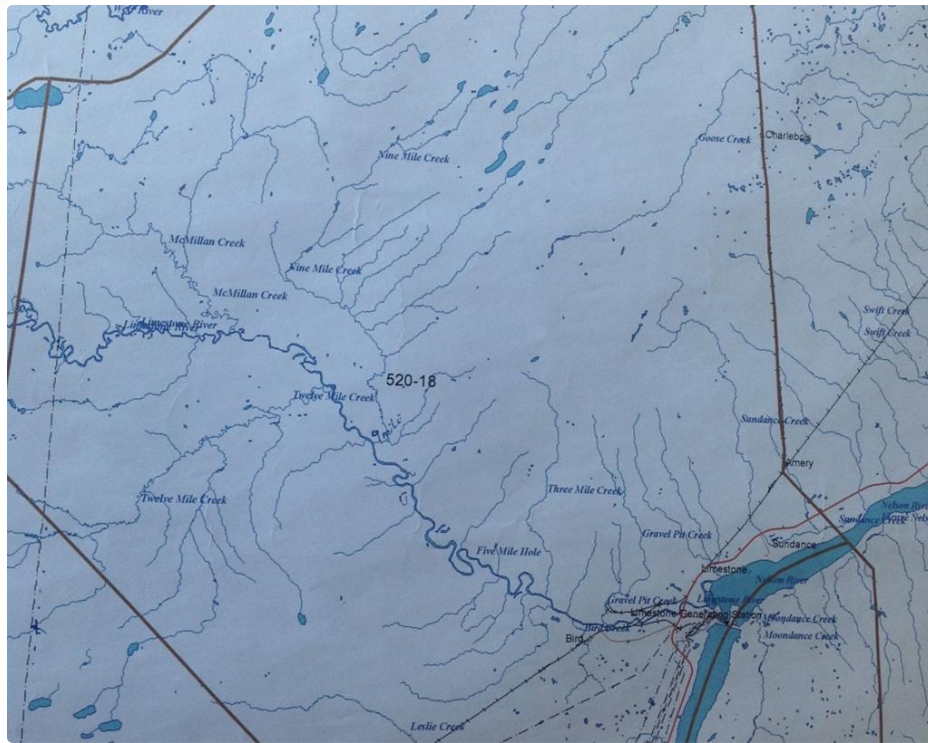
Gillam



Fenced yards – Manitoba Hydro Homes



Hydro meters outside Manitoba Hydro employee homes



Land use area Jack and Christine Massan

Trapline 18



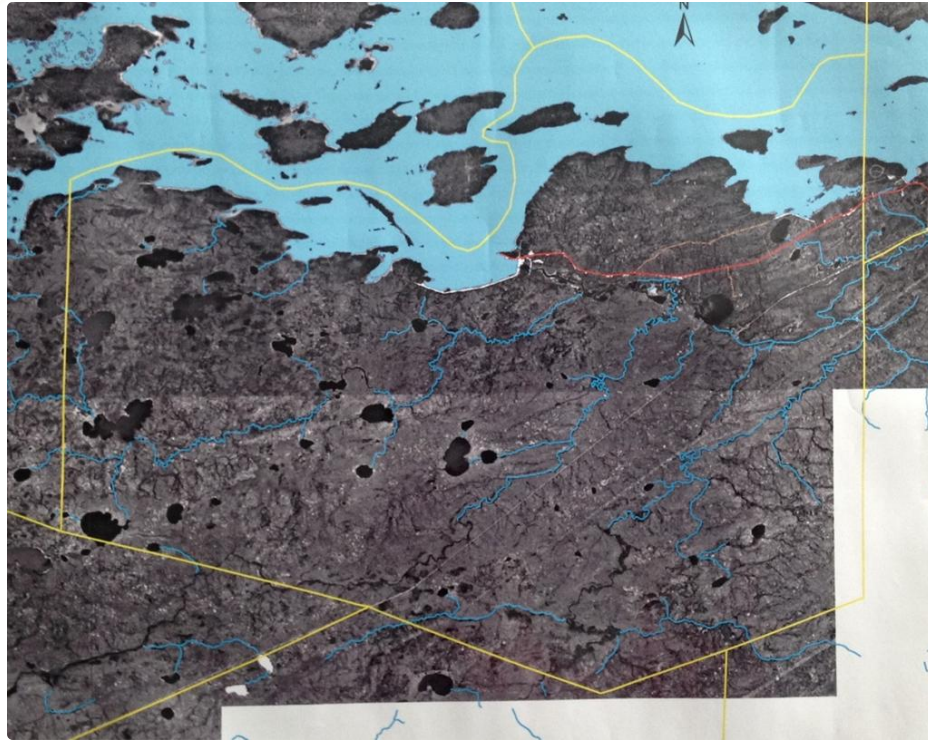
Camp location






Trapline 09

Land use area Noah Massan



Trapline 09



*Our legacy should be a better one than we
have now.*

Ramona Neckoway, CEC transcript, December 9 at p.5522

Construction, infrastructure and northern development



OUR PAST



The Nelson River
“remember to bring your cup”



**“A long time ago
we were travelling
along the river – our
road -
Kimiskenaanaan.”**

Jack Massan





Kettle Dam



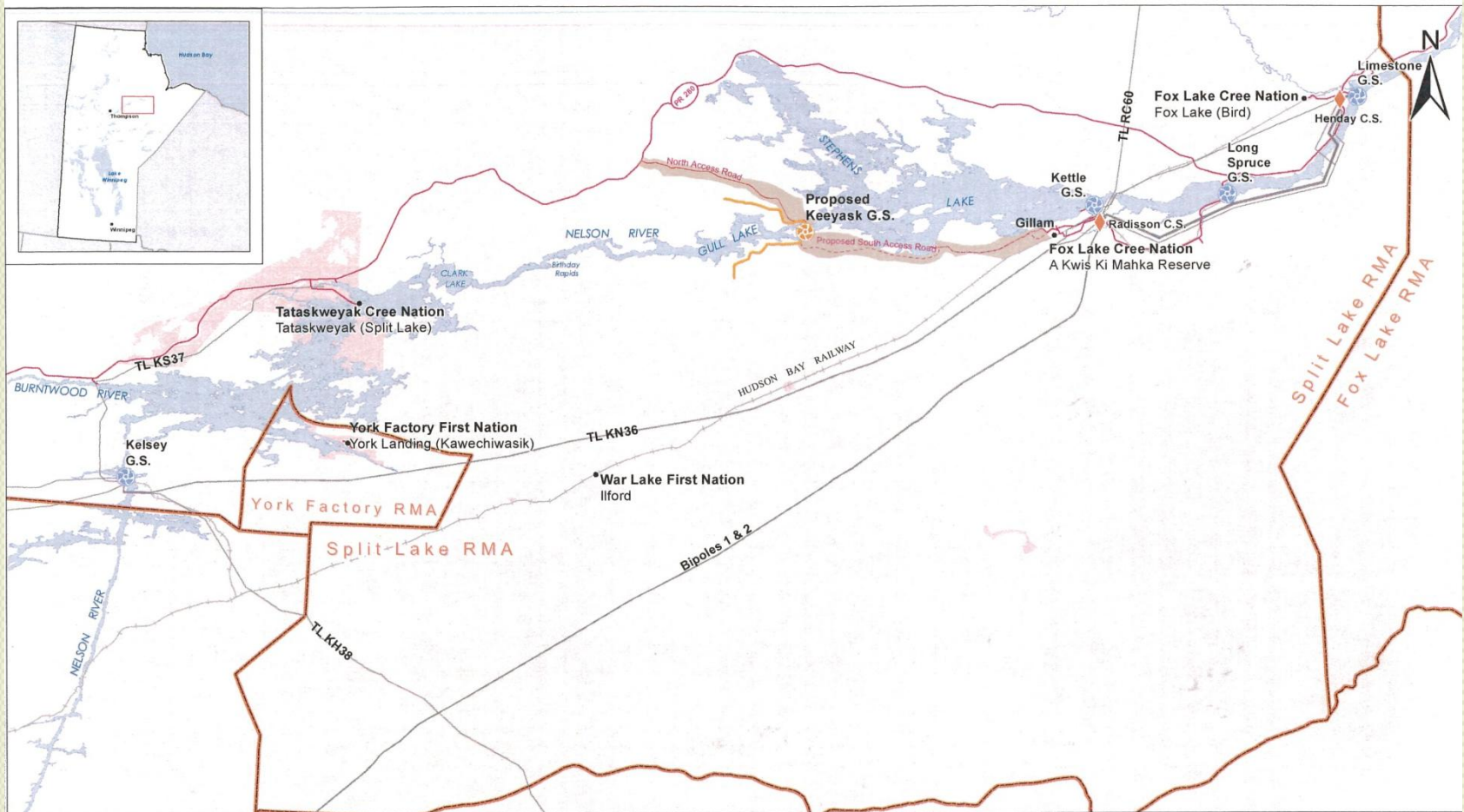
Long Spruce Dam







OUR FUTURE



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Legend


- Generating Station (Existing)
- Generating Station (Planned)
- Converter Station
- Keyask Principal Structures
- Highway
- Access Road
- Proposed Access Road
- Rail
- Transmission Line
- Proposed Road Corridor
- First Nation Reserve
- Resource Management Area

General Project Location



***“We were born into
the shadow of one
dam and we’ll die in
the shadow of
another.”***

Robert Spence



“Language is culture and identity. The first thing we should talk about is our language.”

Christine Massan



Erosion and Debris

“The same river that gave us life is now killing us.” (Robert Spence)





Water quality



Gated entrance to Keeyask Infrastructure Project

Road access



Fox Tracks

May, 2002
Volume 3, Issue 5



Hats off to Fox Lake's Heavy Equipment Trainees

Fox Lake's 18 Heavy Equipment Operator Trainees successfully completed training at Southport, Manitoba this month. The successful trainees are:

Front row (left to right): Samantha Waszy, Sarah Spence, Brenda Beardsley and Oliver Ouellet.

Middle row (left to right): Noah Massan, Marty Spence, Doug McPherson, Trevor Ballantyne, Terry Waszy, William Peters, Lawrence and Brendan Waszy.

Back Row (left to right): Charlie Armstrong (member), Norman Anderson, Robert Neckoway Jr., Maurice Anderson, Wayne Athey, Alan Garbin, Bradley Anderson and Leonard Neckoway.

For more, see Page 5 inside.



Noah Massan – Heavy Equipment Operator Trainer Certification
 Fox Lake – Heavy Equipment Trainees

Jobs and training



Noah Massan – trailer in Gillam

Housing and heating

Health

**“It’s not just the food
we eat – we use the
environment as we see
fit for better health.”**

Christine Massan



“It is so good to sit around and tell stories and visit. It feels good. That is how our people are supposed to live.”
(Ivan Moose)



Food



Atikok - Caribou



Namao - Sturgeon

Fish



**“We never used to
be like this. Angry.
Divided.”**
(Robert Spence)

