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Technical Services
Corporation

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Ontario First Nations Technical Services Corporation is the founding organization in Canada whose purpose is to provide technical, and advisory services to all First Nations in Ontario; and to foster self-reliance for our people.

We will strive to achieve our mission through:

- Dedication to our roles and responsibilities as board members and staff
- Professional integrity
- Honest and fair advice in our relationships with each other and our First Nations, and
- Respect for all forms of life, the water and Mother Earth

CORPORATE PROFILE

CORPORATE OVERVIEW

The Ontario First Nations' Technical Services Corporation (OFNTSC) was established in 1995 to provide expert technical advisory services to the First Nations of Ontario. At that time, it was the first aboriginal organization in Canada mandated to provide professional technical and advisory services to First Nations' communities and foster their technical self-reliance. The OFNTSC creates future capacity by encouraging youth to pursue careers in science and technology. The OFNTSC attends career fairs and encourages young people to enroll in science and technology related courses offering scholarships, often in partnership with the corporate sector.

SERVICES

Since its founding, the social, political and economic terrain in which OFNTSC operates has shifted dramatically. Changing demographics, competition from the private sector, the creation, replacement and maintenance of infrastructure, an enhanced recognition of unaddressed needs and reconfigured fiscal arrangements have created further challenges for OFNTSC as it endeavours to provide services in response to First Nation community needs.

Thus, while OFNTSC continues to respond to First Nation requests, services vary according to individual community needs, levels of individual capacity, technical proficiency, management expertise and availability of funding. Consequently, the corporation provides services in a wide variety of areas:

- Communications
- Engineering
- Fire and Safety
- Housing
- Operations and Maintenance
- Emergency Planning
- Environment
- Fuel Systems Management
- Infrastructure
- Water and Wastewater

SCOPE OF RELATIONSHIPS

The OFNTSC client base consists of all 133 Ontario First Nations. It also includes 16 Tribal Councils, six large First Nations, and 18 unaffiliated First Nations. The OFNTSC maintains a collaborative partnership with Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Health Canada, Environment Canada, Public Works and Government Services Canada, Human Resources and Social Development Canada, NRCan and Ontario's Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Natural Resources and Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs. Furthermore, the OFNTSC pursues strategic alliances with other First Nation organizations, provincial and municipal governments, professional associations and the private sector.



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SERVICE FROM THE OFNTSC

The OFNTSC is a technical advisory service for Tribal Councils and Ontario First Nations. The OFNTSC provides a number of services in relation to the needs of communities. The services can be broken down into these service areas:

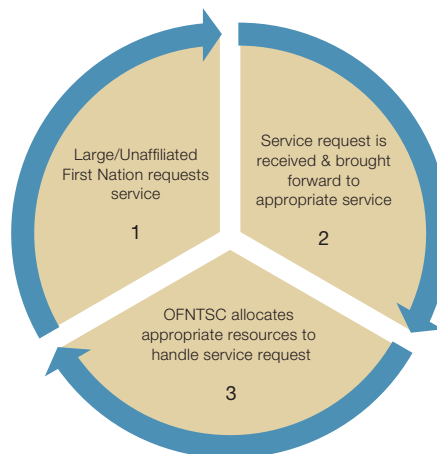
- Communications
- Emergency Planning
- Engineering
- Environment
- Fire and Safety
- Fuel Systems Management
- Housing
- Infrastructure
- Operations and Maintenance
- Water and Wastewater

For a complete breakdown of services offered by individual service areas, please turn to the service report page you are interested in learning more about.



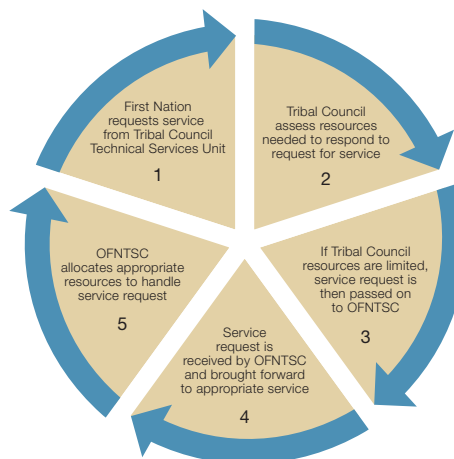
HOW TO REQUEST SERVICE FROM THE OFNTSC

There are two ways to request service from the OFNTSC:



DIRECT METHOD

You can call the OFNTSC at any time to request service from either service center (Thunder Bay or Toronto). This method is used for Unaffiliated and Large First Nations.



TRIBAL COUNCIL METHOD

If a First Nation is associated with a Tribal Council, a First Nation can make a direct request for service to the Tribal Council's technical services unit. The technical services unit will then request service from the OFNTSC.

If you require service from the OFNTSC at any time please call:

TORONTO: 416.651.1443 or 1.888.535.3383

THUNDER BAY: 807.623.9595 or 1.888.892.8281



OUR COMMUNITIES

ANISHINAABEG OF KABAPIKOTAWANGAG RESOURCE COUNCIL

Anishinaabeg of Naongashing
Wauzhushk Onigum
Big Grassy River
Northwest Angle #33
Northwest Angle #37
Ojibways of Onigaming

BIMOSE TRIBAL COUNCIL

Eagle Lake
Asubpeescheewagong Netum Anishinabek
Iskatewizaagegan #39
Lac Des Mille Lacs
Shoal Lake #40
Wabauskang
Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation
Obashkaandagaang
Ochiichagwe'Babigo'Ining
Wabaseemoong

MATAWA FIRST NATIONS MANAGEMENT INC.

Aroland
Constance Lake
Eabametoong
Ginoogaming
Long Lake#58
Marten Falls
Neskantaga
Nibinamik
Webequie
Horne Payne

PWI-DI-GOO-ZING NE YAA-ZHING TRIBAL COUNCIL

Couchiching
Lac La Croix
Naicatchewenin
Nicickousemenecaning
Rainy River
Seine River
Mitaanjigamiing

NOKIWIN TRIBAL COUNCIL

Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek
(Lake Nipigon Ojibway)
Bingwi Neyaashi Anishinaabek (Sand Point)
Biinkitiwaabik Zaaging Anishinaabek (Rocky Bay)
Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek (Gull Bay)
Pic Mobert
Fort William

UNAFFILIATED NORTHERN FIRST NATIONS

Michipicoten
Mishkeegogamang
Ojibways of Pic River
Pawgwasheeng (Pays Plat)
Red Rock
Ojibway Nation of Saugeen
Naotkamegwanning

KEEWAYTINOOK OKIMAKANAK TRIBAL COUNCIL

Deer Lake
Fort Severn
Keewaywin
McDowell Lake
North Spirit Lake
Poplar Hill

SHIBOGAMA FIRST NATIONS COUNCIL

Kasabonika
Wapekeka
Wawakapewin
Wunnumin Lake
Kingfisher Lake

WINDIGO FIRST NATIONS COUNCIL

Bearskin Lake
Cat Lake
Koocheching
North Caribou Lake
Sachigo Lake
Slate Falls Nation
Whitewater Lake

INDEPENDENT FIRST NATIONS ALLIANCE

Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug
Muskrat Dam
Pikangikum
Whitesand
Lac Seul

MUSHKEGOWUK TRIBAL COUNCIL

Attawapiskat
Chapleau Cree
Fort Albany
Kashechewan
Missanabie Cree
Moose Cree
Taykwa Tagamou

WABUN TRIBAL COUNCIL

Beaverhouse
Brunswick House
Chapleau Ojibwe
Matachewan
Mattagmi
Flying Post

NORTH SHORE TRIBAL COUNCIL

Garden River
Mississagua #8
Batchewana
Sagamok Anishinawbek
Serpent River
Thessalon
Whitefish Lake

UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MNIDOO MNISING

M'Chigeeng(West Bay)
Aundeck Omni Kaning
Sheguiandah
Sheshewaning
Whitefish River
Zhiibaahaasing

WAABNOONG BEMJIWANG ASSOCIATION OF FIRST NATIONS

Dokis
Henvey Inlet
Magnetawan
Nipissing
Wahnapiatae
Wasauksing (Parry Island)

UNAFFILIATED SOUTHERN FIRST NATIONS

Temagami (Bear Island)
Weenusk
Wahta Mohawks
Mississaugas of New Credit
Hiawatha
Curve Lake
Chippewas of Saugeen
Chippewas of Nawash
Algonquins of Pikwakanagan
Wahgoshig
Shawanaga

SOUTHERN FIRST NATIONS SECRETARIAT

Caldwell
Chippewas of Aamjiwnaang (Sarnia)
Chippewas of Kettle and Stoney Point
Chippewas of the Thames
Delaware Nation (Moravian)
Munsee-Delaware Nation
Oneida Nation of the Thames

OGEMAWAHJ TRIBAL COUNCIL

Chippewas of Beausoleil
Chippewas of Georgina Island
Rama
Mississaugas of Alderville
Mississaugas of Scugog Island
Pottawatomi of Moose Deer Point

LARGE FIRST NATIONS

Bkwejwanong Territory (Walpole Island)
Mohawk Council of Akwesasne
Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte
Sandy Lake
Six Nations of the Grand River Territory
Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve



BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2014-2015



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Waabnoong Bemjiwang Association of First Nations



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Mississauga First Nation
North Shore Tribal Council



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Wabun Tribal Council



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Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte



RICHARD HABINSKI
Windigo First Nations Council



ROGER WILLIAMS
Executive Committee Member
Bkwejiwang Territory (Walpole Island)



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with great pride that we present to you, the 21st Annual Report of the Ontario First Nations Technical Services Corporation. Over the past year as we transitioned through the 20th year of operation for the Corporation, some challenges have arisen for the OFNTSC.

The first challenge was to jump start the mandate review process brought forward by the Chiefs-in-Assembly at the last All Ontario Chiefs Conference (AOCC). As the OFNTSC has been providing technical advisory services for the past 20 years, we know that over that time the political, social, and economic landscape has shifted dramatically. And that the OFNTSC needs to adapt to this change, to meet the needs of the communities and tribal councils we serve. In that spirit we welcomed the mandate review to ensure that the OFNTSC continues to provide valuable services to our communities. We look forward to sharing the progress reports of this process with the Chiefs-in-Assembly at the AOCC in June.

The second challenge faced by the Corporation this year was the selection of a new Executive Director (ED) to lead the corporation. During the search for a new ED, many of the OFNTSC Board of Directors volunteered their time to participate in the selection of a new leader. During the time the Corporation had no ED, I was entrusted to lead the Corporation myself. I am grateful to those who helped the Corporation identify, select, and hire the new ED Shannin Metatawabin. I would also like to thank the managers of the

OFNTSC who helped me lead the Corporation through this transition period.

Finally, the last challenge faced by the Corporation during this past year was the departure of the Corporation's Director of Finance. David Chambers has worked for the OFNTSC for the past 17 years. In those 17 years (long before I was a board member) David has helped shape and mold the OFNTSC into an organization that is not only financially sound, but also well prepared to meet the future challenges of the environment the Corporation exists within. I would like to extend my personal gratitude to David for helping First Nations better their communities and lives of on-reserve residents. His contributions and guidance to the OFNTSC will be missed.

On a final note I would like to extend my personal thanks to the OFNTSC Board of Directors, executive committee, and staff for a job well done over the past year. We look forward to the new opportunities that our 21st year will bring us.

Wes Bova, P. Eng, Technical Manager, Matawa First Nations Management President, OFNTSC Board of Directors



Wes Bova
President





Shannin Metatawabin
Executive Director

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

AS THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF THE OFNTSC IT IS MY HONOUR TO
SERVE THE FIRST NATIONS AND TRIBAL
COUNCILS OF ONTARIO.



I look forward to working with all of our partners in the many years ahead. In the near future the OFNTSC will reaffirm and transition services to continue to play a special role in the maintenance of infrastructure.

One of the challenges faced by the OFNTSC over the past fiscal year has been the mandate review of the OFNTSC. Initiated by the Chiefs-in-Assembly at the 2015 All Ontario Chiefs Conference (AOCC) the mandate review aims to review the mandate (Page 2) which gives the Corporation guidance in delivering services to First Nations in Ontario. Progress has been made on this subject, and we look forward to making a presentation at the 2016 AOCC on the progress of this review.

The OFNTSC also was the focus of a review by Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) – Ontario Region on our renewal of our (OFNTSC's) funding agreement. The review focused on governance, funding, service targets and capabilities of the OFNTSC. This process is ongoing and will provide guidance to INAC and the OFNTSC on how to move forward together.

During my tenure as the Executive Director I intend to make the Corporation stronger in all regards to our business operations. I will be focusing on increasing the OFNTSC's external capacity, while also being fiscally responsible. I envision the Corporation diversifying its funding in the future to make the OFNTSC increasingly well rounded. This begins with sound business and financial planning.

I would like to thank the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, and President for the support they have shown me since beginning my position. I would also like to extend my gratitude to the staff of the OFNTSC for their hard work and dedication to their roles. I would also like to acknowledge David Chambers, Director of Finance for his 17 years of commitment to the OFNTSC. David's financial management has allowed the OFNTSC to flourish and all who worked with him will miss his contribution, yet wish him well on his retirement.

We look forward to continuing to work tirelessly to improve and assist First Nations in their development and maintenance of critical infrastructure.



TECHNICAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Community Infrastructure continues to be one of the biggest concerns for Ontario First Nations. The delivery of safe drinking water is paramount to the health of all communities. Over the past year the OFNTSC has invested in increasing our water and wastewater capacity to assist communities in dealing with this challenge.

The newly created Water and Wastewater Specialist service aims to assist First Nation plant operators with operations and maintenance of their community water and wastewater facilities. Our engineers compliment the Water and Wastewater Specialist service, by working with the service to assist in rectifying long-standing design and operations issues for communities. This approach will provide additional support to First Nations who are affected by long standing boil water advisories.

We have also begun work with our provincial, federal and territorial organizations on addressing the issue of accessing clean drinking water. Recently the federal ministry of INAC announced \$33 million for water and wastewater initiatives for Ontario communities. This amount will not be sufficient to address the issues that Ontario First Nations face. We will continue to advocate for the proper funding required to ensure that all First Nations in Ontario have the right to clean drinking water.

As well the Corporation has taken it upon itself to address the issue

of Bill S-8 (Safe Drinking Water Act for First Nations). In response to impending regulation of drinking water systems on-reserve, the OFNTSC has assembled some of the foremost thinkers in regards to the delivery of safe drinking water to address issues such as operator certification, wells, trucked drinking water and record keeping to name a few. By being proactive in regards to regulation development, we aim to ensure First Nations themselves will engineer Ontario First Nation regulation development.

Finally it has been a year of change for First Nations, government and the OFNTSC. We will always work to ensure our First Nations receive the best service possible. Our goal is to deliver proactive training and support that will achieve sustainable community infrastructure for future generational use.

Mat Hoppe, Technical Manager



Matthew Hoppe
Technical Manager





Brian Staats
Operations Manager

OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT



As the OFNTSC transitions from our second decade in operation to our third decade, the OFNTSC continues to be a leader in the delivery of technical services and the services themselves. This past year has been very productive for the operations staff of the Corporation.

The Corporation continues to support activities and future development goals of our First Nations and Tribal Councils. The operations division has effectively managed to meet our client needs in all service areas this year and we will continue to support our communities' success within the OFNTSC's mandate.

Our services have once again continued with assisting our First Nations with special projects. First Nations have keyed on the environment, fire safety, emergency planning, housing and operations and maintenance (O&M) services. The environment service is continuing to provide enhanced services in landfill and waste diversion projects, the O&M service has continued to

support First Nation maintenance management and the housing/ infrastructure specialist services continue to see increased requests for service. Emergency planning has proceeded into their final training phase of recovery. The final training phase will follow on the footsteps of our "Pre-Planning for an Integrated Practical Operations- Based Exercise" for all First Nations in Ontario. This upcoming year will also bring several of the services together in dealing with climate change.

Like the past two decades the operations division is built on teamwork and we have proven that again this year. We will always remain committed to the highest quality services to our clients. In closing, I would like to thank the Board of Directors' Executive Committee for their support and allowing me, as the Operations Manager, to bring new ideas to the Board of Directors. I would also like to recognize the entire OFNTSC staff for their support and continued dedication to this organization.





Toronto Service Centre: Colin French, Corrie Hill



SERVICES

The OFNTSC Communications Department is responsible for all external and internal communications of the OFNTSC. This includes liaising with PTO's, Tribal Councils, Large First Nations and Unaffiliated First Nations. As well Communications also liaises with Federal and Provincial ministries, other Aboriginal groups and professional associations as necessary. Communications produces all print material, maintains the OFNTSC Website, produces all OFNTSC events, public relations, and communicates all training and certification opportunities.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

- 20th Annual Conference
- All Tribal Council Meeting
- Annual Student Achievement Awards/Derrick Kamanga Memorial Award
- 20th Annual Report
- 20th Student Classic
- Community Engagement – 7 events in total (Little NHL, Little Bands Northern Youth Hockey Tournament, ImagiNative Film Fest)
- 28 News posts to OFNTSC Website
- 88 Tweets, 18 posts to Facebook
- 3 Career Fairs Attended



FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17

For the upcoming year Communications will be focusing on reorganizing the way the OFNTSC communicates with its stakeholders. The Communications service of the OFNTSC will be disseminating a quarterly newsletter, and infrastructure bulletins to ensure Tribal Councils and First Nations are informed of the changes and funding opportunities available to them in regards to infrastructure. Outreach will also continue to be a priority for Communications. Communications will continue to participate in career fairs, while also engaging PTO's to ensure First Nations infrastructure needs are being met.

BACKGROUND

The OFNTSC Communications unit serves as the link between the Corporation and the First Nations and Tribal Councils that the OFNTSC serves. Started in 1997, communications outreach started with just an annual report and a newsletter to disseminate information. Over the years Communications has evolved to take on multiple websites for corporate communications and program/event specific websites in addition to producing brochures, calendars, promotional materials, reports and much more.





OFNTSC Emergency Planning



STRATEGY

- Phase I: Risk Assessment – 2010/2011 & 2011/2012
- Phase II: Framework – 2012/2013
- Phase III & Review: Tabletop Exercise, Phase 1/2 and Phase 1/2/3 – 2012/2013
- Phase IV and Review: Planning for a Full Scale Exercise (2014-2015)
- Live Exercises and Review: Operations-Based Exercises (2015-2016)

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16



In total there were 259 participants who attended the training sessions this fiscal year.

Phase I – Phase 4 Review Sessions (9)

Nine Review Sessions took place this fiscal year.

Delivered five Phase 1/2 Review Sessions: 43 First Nations and 6 Tribal Councils and 4 Organizations participated.

Delivered four Phase 3/4 Review Session: 38 First Nations and 5 Tribal Council and 1 Organizations participated.

Live Operations-Based Exercises (3)

Three Live Operations-Based Exercises that ranged from Drills to Full Scale Exercises took place this fiscal year.

34 First Nations and 7 Tribal Councils that have participated and 3 Organizations participated.

FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17

For the 2016-2017 fiscal year, Emergency Planning will be focusing on the “Introduction to Recovery” training sessions. There will be three regional sessions offered this fiscal year (northern, mid-central and southern region). The focus of the Introduction to Recovery will bring an awareness level to participants on: Alert System, Recovery Process, Damage Assessment, Record keeping and Note taking, Psychosocial and CISM, and Business Continuity. OFNTSC will continue to offer review sessions in the north, mid-central and southern regions. OFNTSC will also continue to encourage First Nations to exercise their Master Emergency Response Plans.

BACKGROUND

The Emergency Management Planning Training Program exists to help prepare First Nations to meet the challenges of an emergency situation. A focus is placed on training community members responsible to assist with managing emergencies to develop and test community Master Emergency Response Plans. The Emergency Planning Coordinator primary responsibility is to coordinate the program. The Emergency Planning Maintenance Officer assists and advise First Nations in the development of their emergency plans.





Toronto Service Centre: Derek Hill, Rob Olivier, Tricia Hamilton
Thunder Bay Service Centre: Meiru Zheng



SERVICES

- Project Planning and Development
- Project Management
- Capital Planning
- Engineering services for large or small projects (planning, design, construction, commissioning)
- Terms of Reference Development
- Quality Assurance
- Training
- Technical Advisory

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

While it is not possible to list all of the current projects underway, the Engineering Service hopes that this will highlight some of the work carried out over the past year. Listed below are some of the projects that the OFNTSC Engineering Service has participated in.

- Algonquins of Pikwakanagan – Develop Terms of Reference for Hockey Rink Roof Project
- Mohawk Council of Akwesasne – Constructibility Review of Buckshot Road Reconstruction Project
- Six Nations of the Grand River – Develop Request for Proposal - Bridge Inspections
- Six Nations of the Grand River – Develop Tender – 2016 Road Resurfacing Project
- Pic River First Nation – FNIIP Technical Assistance
- Weenusk First Nation – FNIIP Technical Assistance



FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17

The Engineering Service will be focusing on updating the GAP analysis for First Nations infrastructure to ensure leadership has the most current information. Engineering will also continue to assist First Nations in all aspects of their infrastructure projects. Finally, the engineering service will develop/revise training programs in contract administration, project management and public works management.

BACKGROUND

The Engineering service has been a part of the OFNTSC since 1996. Assessing there was a demand for qualified First Nations engineers to work with First Nations in Ontario on capital projects, OFNTSC created the Quality Assurance initiative. The Quality Assurance initiative quickly grew to include other engineering functions such as tendering and contract administration to terms of reference development for large and small engineering projects.





Toronto Service Centre: Stephanie Allen
Thunder Bay Service Centre: Deneen Brigham

SERVICES

- Environmental Assessment Processes
- Solid Waste Management
- Contaminated Site Assessment and Remediation
- Water Quality and Source Water Protection, Environmental Acts, Regulations, Codes of Practice, Policies, Guidelines and Best Management Practices
- Spill Response and Clean-up
- Community and Land Use Planning Minor Capital Submission Requirements for Environmental Related Projects
- Environmental Funding Opportunities



ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

- Client support: provided direct technical advisory services to numerous First Nations and Tribal Councils on environment related needs
- Solid waste: assisted the Mississaugas of New Credit with development of an RFP and contract award for garbage and recycling services, also assisted them with the development of a Solid Waste administrative policy and procedures that has been accepted by Council and implemented
- Source water protection: continued to work with M'Chigeeng First Nation and UCCMM on the pilot source water protection plan
- Regulatory: worked with the Water Task Force on regulatory developments related to the Safe Drinking Water Act for First Nations and specifically source water protection; provided comment on Ontario's Draft Waste Free Ontario Act
- Climate Change: assisted with the development of a new project related to Climate Change, Community Energy Planning and Climate Change Adaptation for OFNTSC

FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17

In the coming year the Environment Service will be working with First Nations in regards to solid waste management landfill operations and maintenance courses on diversion. In addition to the courses source water protection will also be a focus. Specifically plans are underway to develop a training program for First Nations on source water protection, which will lead to participants developing plans for their respective communities. Work will also be conducted with the Ministry of the Environment (Ontario) to develop a tool kit for First Nations. Finally work will begin on Climate Change initiatives. The OFNTSC will be hiring two new staff to assist First Nations with climate change adaptation plans and mitigation initiatives.

BACKGROUND

The OFNTSC works closely with First Nations and Tribal Councils to provide a wide variety of environmental advisory services. Started in 1996 as an environmental health study, the Environment Service has grown over the past 15 years to meet the evolving needs of First Nations in Ontario. From past initiatives such as Earth Keepers training and Energy Pathfinder services, our current training and project specific technical advisory services has expanded to include a wide range of areas.





OFNTSC Fire, Safety & Firefighting



Toronto Service Centre: Siobhan Kennedy



SERVICES

- Public fire protection, prevention in accordance with the National Building Code
- Advisory services provided to Fire Prevention Officers of Tribal Councils and Large First Nations for fire prevention, code interpretation and compliance, emergency vehicle specification review, community fire prevention issues, fire department administration, fire equipment purchase review and fire inspection services

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

- OFNTSC distributed 23,340 combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarms to First Nations in Ontario
- OFNTSC administered a Regional Fire Prevention Poster Contest for school-aged Children
- Fire Loss Reports were compiled for Calendar Year 2015
- Generic Fire Hall Design shared with First Nations



FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17

Over the next year the Fire and Safety service will be submitting a funding request to INAC for the provision of firefighting equipment for First Nations. Also included in the funding request will be a section for fire prevention material. The fire prevention material will be used to educate First Nations communities on the dangers that fires present to homes and people. A separate request will also be produced to cover firefighter training for First Nations firefighters. Additionally the fire and safety service will be working with regional fire officers, to compile fire related statistics to ensure leadership has all of the information related to fire related incidents in First Nations. And finally the fire and safety service will administer a regional fire safety poster contest.

BACKGROUND

The Fire and Safety Program of the OFNTSC first started in 1995 to address the fire and safety deficiencies that many First Nations homes and buildings. Site visits of community buildings and homes were seen as a need that is trying to be addressed by the OFNTSC. The Fire and Safety Program had expanded to training of First Nations volunteer fire departments as well as disseminating important fire safety prevention material.





OFNTSC Fuel System Management Program



Thunder Bay Service Centre: Doug Stuart

SERVICES

- Fuel tank best practice inspections: home and commercial
- Liaison with Private and Government Sector
- Compliance with Federal legislation in regards to fuel tank storage
- Emergency fuel spill response: training and plan development
- Equipment support
- Proper fuel management and fuel handling techniques



ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

- Seven regional training sessions, in six locations across the province. A total of 102 class participants received fuel system management training
- Two fuel system Management training sessions in regards to First Nation owned and operated gas facilities. Trained staff at one brand new facility
- Successful in obtaining capital purchase funding. Purchase was made for training material, which enables program to train using the hands on approach. Along with assisting communities with spill kit support when called upon
- Presented at OFNTSC conference in regards to legislative and fuel handling commitments: two sessions
- Fuel System support, help all communities who have questions legislatively and operationally throughout 2015/2016
- Assist OFNTSC staff with fuel questions

FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17



During this next fiscal year the OFNTSC Fuel Systems Management Service will be focusing on continuing to deliver regional training sessions to First Nations. The goal of these sessions is to ensure First Nations are prepared in the event of an emergency situation and are operating their facilities properly. A focus will also be placed on remote First Nations who are dependent on fuel systems to operate their communities. A capital request will be submitted to procure spill kits and other related items for First Nations for distribution at regional training events. Fuel Systems will also look to further the video training library by preparing for a First Nation marina safety video.

BACKGROUND

The Fuel Systems Management Program started in 1998 to address the growing need of trained fuel handlers in First Nations across Ontario. Initially the Fuel Systems Management focused on training of fuel handlers in remote First Nations, but has since expanded into fuel tank site visits for homes and commercial uses, emergency fuel spill response training and development, code compliance assessment and fuel transfer equipment support and safe fuel handling practices at the Gas Pumps for all FN's in Ontario. Fuel Systems Management Program also provides technical advice to Tribal Councils along with Unaffiliated First Nations. Providing information along with advice in regards to fuel systems, legislative commitments and private sector contact information.





Thunder Bay Service Centre: Grace Martineau, Housing Advisor

SERVICES

- Training and Capacity Development: building code, better building practices, energy efficiency including R2000, EnerGuide, Energy Star, and Energy Advisor
- Provides housing policy review, analysis and development as well as advice on housing management and administration
- Building code advice and interpretation
- Assistance to First Nations in the research and development of business plans, funding proposals and various policies
- Participates on and provides technical advice to the AFN Chief's Technical Committee on Housing and the Ontario First Nations Steering Committee on Housing
- Liaise with government agencies regarding housing programs, funding and special initiatives
- Under an agreement with Natural Resources Canada, administers the R2000, EnerGuide Rating System and Energy Star for New Homes programs



ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

- Assisted and supported The Naut'sa Mawt Tribal Council (NMTC) British Columbia in their development and release of the NMTC Housing Policy Toolkit 2.0, which addresses rent and rent-to-own housing. The toolkit is available for free to every First Nation across Canada
- Continued to work with Tribal Councils, CMHC and the Ontario Building Officials Association in the coordination and delivery of courses required for building inspector certification and/or qualification. Three courses were delivered and five more First Nation inspectors are applying for certification
- Continued to update the First Nation Needs Analysis information related to housing data. Data collection in 2015 there was a 41% response rate through email and telephone surveys. To date, OFNTSC has gathered data from 91 communities that includes data from 2010 and new data collected in 2015 combined

FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17

For the next year the OFNTSC's Housing Service will be continuing its work on gathering housing and infrastructure data for an update of the OFNTSC's Infrastructure Gap Analysis. In addition to the data compilation, Housing will be working with the Assembly of First Nations and the Chiefs of Ontario Steering Committee on Housing to ensure Ontario's First Nations engage in meaningful participation in the development of long term housing strategies. And finally as more inspectors become certified and/or qualified in interpreting building code applications to particular construction situations, Housing will be assisting First Nations in the development of policies, procedures and codes of conduct essentially to manage the risk associated with plans review and inspections.

BACKGROUND

The Housing Program is an original initiative established at inception of OFNTSC. The Housing Program began by providing housing inspections in First Nations until demand outpaced resources available. It was then that the Housing Program took on an expanded role in providing technical advisory services in all areas of housing to all First Nations and Tribal Councils.





Toronto Service Centre: Tom Northardt, Chuck Petahtegoose, Chasity Toulouse
Thunder Bay Service Centre: Clarence Meekis, Jonathan Gregg



SERVICES

- Housing Inspections: Code compliance on residential homes, inspection of existing housing stock, CMHC RRAP inspections, CMHC RRAP for disabled persons, inspection for home adaptations for seniors independence, CMHC section 95, physical condition reviews (PCRs), CMHC Section 10, and support, indoor air quality assessments, mold assessments in dwellings on a case-by-case basis.
- Operations and Maintenance: AANDC ICMS/CAIS/ACRS support, asset operation and maintenance support
- AANDC reporting: five year capital plan, support for AANDC major capital projects
- Training

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

- Completed ACRS Reporting for southern Unaffiliated First Nations
- Two new Infrastructure Specialists hired: Jonathan Gregg, Chuck Petahtegoose
- Hosted workshops for homeowners and First Nation staff to increase knowledge and awareness in housing related issues
- Attended housing fair in Pic River



FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17

The infrastructure Service will be continuing to provide inspection services around homes and buildings on-reserve over the next year. In addition to the inspection services, the Infrastructure Service will also be assisting northern First Nations with ACRS reporting. Infrastructure will also be working with the Housing Service to assist First Nations inspectors become certified building inspectors under provincial requirements; infrastructure will assist in the delivery of training sessions for inspectors.

BACKGROUND

The Infrastructure Service was one of the inaugural services offered to First Nations and Tribal Councils in 1995. The Infrastructure Program originally began as just an inspection service for First Nations not affiliated with a tribal council. Infrastructure has evolved over the years to offer training for building inspectors, introduction of new building techniques and construction and support for AANDC reporting systems.





OFNTSC Operations & Maintenance



Toronto Service Centre: Elmer Lickers

SERVICES

- Support for Integrated Capital Management System (ICMS), Asset Condition Reporting System (ACRS), ACRS Terms of Reference, Capital Asset Inventory System (CAIS), Capital Management Database (CMDB), Maintenance Management Systems (MMS), Asset Management Systems (AMS), Conditional Assessment & Housing Database (CAHD), O&M Forecasting Model for Water & Wastewater, Tangible Capital Assets (TCA), Updates on Government O&M Policies & Reporting Requirements and Public Sector Accounting Board 3150 (PSAB3150)
- Support First Nations in recording, tracking, assessments and evaluation of current capital assets
- Support First Nations asset assessments and methods for improving asset O&M funding levels

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

- Conduct O&M Cost Comparison & Analysis on First Nations Actuals vs INAC Allocations
- Promote effective Asset Management in Ontario First Nations
- Assist in implementing effective Asset Management at Lac Seul First Nation
- Assist in effective Asset Management at Waabnoong Bemjiwang Association of FNs



FUTURE DIRECTION 2016-17

Over the course of the next year, Operations and Maintenance will be committed to creating asset management strategies for Ontario First Nations. Work will also take place on a pilot project for climate change vulnerability assessments and adaptation plans. Workshops will be provided to First Nations and Tribal Councils on climate change adaptation and asset management plans. And finally operations and maintenance will continue work on the expanded operation and maintenance cost comparison and analysis in northern remote First Nations.

BACKGROUND

The Operations and Maintenance program was one of the first services to be offered by the OFNTSC during its creation in 1995. Operations and Maintenance originally assisted First Nations with reporting requirements to INAC. Today O&M provides support on the various databases and asset management systems that INAC maintains. In addition to reporting, O&M also reviews community infrastructure models to ensure assets maintain peak efficiency.





OFNTSC Water & Wastewater



Toronto Service Centre: Derek Hill, Rob Olivier, Tricia Hamilton
Thunder Bay Service Centre: Jim Taylor, Meiru Zheng



SERVICES

- Project Planning and Development
- Quality Assurance
- Capital Planning
- Engineering services for large or small projects
- Terms of Reference Development
- Technical Advisory
- Training

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

While it is not possible to list all of the current projects underway, the Water and Wastewater program hopes that this will highlight some of the work carried out over the past year. Listed below are projects that the OFNTSC Water and Wastewater program has participated in.

- Bill S-8 Technical Review
- Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations (WSER) implementation
- Serpent River First Nation - Water Treatment Plant
- Weenusk First Nation - Water Treatment Plant Upgrades
- Algonquins of Pikwakanagan - Ground Water Feasibility Study
- Mishkeegogamang First Nation – Assessment of Water and Wastewater Systems
- M'Chigeeng First Nation – Assessment of Water Treatment System
- Mohawks of the Bay Quinte – Water Treatment System Project



FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS 2016-17

The Water and Wastewater Service of the OFNTSC will continue to monitor and review the implementation of Bill S-8 (First Nations Safe Water Drinking Act). Water and Wastewater will also continue to assist First Nations in meeting the requirements of the new Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations (WSER). Additionally Water and Wastewater will assist First Nations in upgrading/repairing/designing/constructing new water and wastewater systems. And finally Water and Wastewater will continue to focus on the operations and maintenance of communal plants to ensure peak efficiency.

BACKGROUND

The Water and Wastewater program originally began in 1996 as a quality assurance initiative to ensure Ontario First Nations were all receiving the same level of service from the OFNTSC, and site visits of First Nation and Tribal Council technical services. These guiding principles helped shape the future of the Water and Wastewater program. Today Water and Wastewater has incorporated engineering services as well as serving as a step by step project planning program from inception to completion.





OFNTSC Water and Wastewater Specialist



SERVICES

- Water and Wastewater quality regulation review
- Operations and Maintenance Plans/ Implementations
- Preventative Maintenance Plans
- Sampling/testing Requirements
- Record keeping and reporting
- Training plans
- Safety awareness/Health and Safety
- Emergency Response Plans

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-16

- Completion of 10 First Nations site visits going over the process designs of the water/wastewater systems, but focusing on the operational day to day activities and assisting and creating reporting documentation templates for operators use.
- Implementation of Maintenance Management Program for First Nation
- Assisted the Unaffiliated First Nations with the creation of operator training plans for submission to INAC. (Training subsidy monies)
- Assisted with First Nations in a technical advisory role with specific issues affecting their water/waste operators and operations.
- Assisted with the creation of a First Nations Source Water Protection Plan which is in the planning stages of implementation.

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS 2016-17

The Water and Wastewater Specialist Service will focus on development of a project team to assist First Nations with operational issues, while also providing hands on assistance to assist operators with license retention. The service will continue to assist First Nations with training plans for plant operators. The service additionally will be engaging with five First Nations in the summer of 2016 to aid in the delivery of safe drinking water. And finally the service will continue to engage with First Nations in regards to site visits to water and wastewater facilities focusing on operations and reporting requirements.

BACKGROUND

The Water and Wastewater Specialist service began in 2014. The service was created in response to the awarding of the CRTP contract to another business. At that time the OFNTSC still required capacity to assist First Nations with their water plant operators needs. The OFNTSC then created the position of the water/wastewater specialist to assist First Nations with training and operational plans for their communal water systems.



ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2015



TORONTO, ON - AUG. 27:

The Ontario First Nations Technical Services Corporation (OFNTSC) held its 20th Annual Conference and Tradeshow from August 25-27 at the Toronto Hilton Airport. The theme of the conference was “Celebrating 20 years of Success”. This past year’s conference was special to the OFNTSC. The organization celebrated the 20th anniversary of its creation while also celebrating the OFNTSC’s collective achievements of the past 20 years. Mississaugas of the New Credit was the host nation for this extraordinary event.

The event kicked off with a traditional opening by Elder Gary Sault of the Mississaugas of the New Credit and an honour song by the Ohni: Kara Singers. A welcome address was then provided to delegates by acting Executive





Director Wesley Bova and President of the Board Kevin Debassige. Both acknowledged the long-standing history of the OFNTSC assisting Tribal Councils and First Nations with the development and maintenance of infrastructure.

After the opening ceremonies, delegates were treated to a keynote presentation from the Assembly of First Nations' Special Advisor Irving Leblanc, P.Eng. The keynote focused on what was happening with capital budgets nationally, as well as issues related to funding of infrastructure on reserve. Delegates were then treated to a special catered lunch that featured a 20th anniversary cake of the OFNTSC and its services.

Sessions offered during day one of the Conference included First Nations Municipal Water Service Collaboration, energy efficiency in water and wastewater treatment facilities, testing your master emergency response plan, safety at the pumps, covering your assets, housing energy efficiency, environmental regulations applicable on-reserve, record keeping, community energy planning, and Keewaytinook's Safe Water Project.

Exclusively Hydro One, First Nations Market Housing Fund and Cambrium Aboriginal, sponsored the 20th Annual Conference. Without the support of our sponsors the 20th Annual Conference would not have been possible. We thank them for their continued support of the OFNTSC.

A tradeshow was one of many highlights on day two of the Annual Conference. Held in the Mississauga Ballroom, 40 exhibitors setup to promote their businesses to First nations from across Ontario. From tribal councils to crown



ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2015

corporations the tradeshow offered something for everyone who attended. Delegates also worked the tradeshow floor to receive stamps towards being eligible for prize draws at the end of the tradeshow.

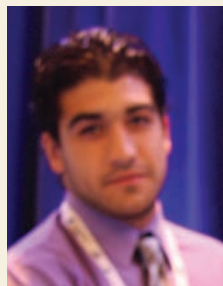
Day two also featured sessions on the benefits of pre-fabricated housing, public works management, asset management planning, housing policy tool-kit, managing joint-venture projects, source water protection, hazardous materials during renovations, roles and responsibilities of chief and councils in emergencies and solid waste diversion. Day two's lunch also highlighted the OFNTSC's commitment to First Nations student excellence. Four Student Achievement Awards (see Student Achievement Award winners) were awarded to students who have committed to education in the science and technology fields. One Derrick Kamanga Memorial Award was handed out during the lunch.

Day three offered sessions in the early morning, while staff prepared for the Closing Ceremonies. The OFNTSC ended its 20th Annual Conference by a closing prayer by Elder Gary Sault and by the Ohni: kara Singers. Elder Sault called for all delegates to have a safe trip home and with that the OFNTSC closed its conference.

We at the OFNTSC would to extend our thanks to the delegates, sponsors, and tradeshow participants who have made this conference possible over the past 20 years.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Colton Pickett

For the past 20 years the OFNTSC has supported First Nations students in their pursuit of post-secondary education in the fields of science and technology. During our 20th Annual Conference we honoured those past and current Student Achievement Award (SAA) winners who have dedicated themselves to bettering First Nations in Ontario. It is the OFNTSC's pleasure to introduce to you the winners of the 20th SAA.

Colton Pickett currently attends the University of Ottawa for civil engineering and is recipient of an OFNTSC SAA. He is a member of the Chippewas of Aamjiwnaang. One of Pickett's future goals is to own his own engineering firm and promote the hiring of First Nations people in his organization. Pickett had this to say about the support he receives from his community, "I don't live there anymore, but when I return, I always hear words of encouragement on the pursuit of my education when I'm home to visit."



Nicole Corbiere

Nicole Corbiere is studying Chemical Engineering Technology Lab & Process Control at Cambrian College. She is a member of Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve. A life long resident of Wikwemikong, and graduate of the reserve high school, Corbiere comes from a family that has made public service and community an important part of their lives. In the future Corbiere hopes to become a Chemical Engineer to help improve the environment within First Nations and Metis communities. She is also determined to help Wikwemikong maintain their clean drinking water.



Louis J. Bush II

SAA recipient **Louis J. Bush II** is pursuing a General Construction Carpentry diploma from St. Lawrence College in Ottawa. Bush is a member of the Mohawks of Akwesasne. Bush spends his free time volunteering at Akwesasne's Elder's home when they need the help or by supporting local sporting teams. Bush said this about his future "Using my knowledge of carpentry, I will try to establish a once a year community building project for the benefit of our people."



Zara Contin

Our final SAA winner is **Zara Contin**. Contin is a member of Henvey Inlet First Nation. Contin is currently studying Indigenous Environmental Science at Trent University. When not volunteering for community initiatives, Contin spends time with other youth from her First Nation. In the future Contin hopes to contribute by working for a First Nation dealing with boil water advisories. Contin said, "To help sustain our way of life and protect our waters from contaminants not only through education but traditional ceremonies as well. This is very important knowledge to carry for our future generations."

The OFNTSC would like to congratulate all of the winners and applicants during our 20th Anniversary. The 21st SAA will be handed out in August of 2016. To learn more about the Student Achievement Awards and the OFNTSC please visit www.ofntsc.org.



DERRICK KAMANGA MEMORIAL AWARD 2015



Derrick Kamanga

For the fourth year in a row the OFNTSC honours the memory and contributions made by the late Derrick Kamanga to Ontario First Nations. Derrick's sudden passing after his retirement not only shocked his family, but friends and colleagues as well. This year the OFNTSC continues to honour Derrick's memory by announcing the 4th recipient of the Derrick Kamanga Memorial Award (DKMA).

The recipient of the 2015 Derrick Kamanga Memorial Award goes to **Peter Samuel Cromarty-Chapman** for his studying of Civil Engineering Technology at Confederation College in Thunder Bay. Cromarty-Chapman comes from Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug (KI) First Nation in northwestern Ontario. When not assisting the community with activities for youth, and community celebrations, Cromarty-Chapman is thinking about how he can assist First Nations with infrastructure. Cromarty-Chapman had this to say on his future role with First Nations, "I hope to provide professional skills to reserves in need. Many First Nations require construction, maintenance, and replacement of infrastructure. Someday it would be my greatest dream to help in the development of an all season road which leads to my reservation (KI) and the surrounding area."

The OFNTSC would like to congratulate Peter on his educational achievement. And wish him all the best in his continued studies of civil engineering technology. The DKMA is given to a First Nations student who is pursuing post-secondary education in the field of engineering. To learn more about the DKMA please visit our website, or go to the OFNTSC's YouTube channel and watch the Derrick Kamanga tribute video honouring Derrick's achievements.



Peter Samuel Cromarty-Chapman



STUDENT CLASSIC

JUNE 26, 2016
SIMCOE, ON

The 20th Annual Student Classic took place at the Greens at Renton on June 26. Each year the OFNTSC hosts the Student Classic to raise money for First Nation students who are pursuing post-secondary education in the fields of science and technology. Golfers from Six Nations and surrounding areas came out in full force to support this worthwhile cause.

Golfers of the day participated in multiple competitions across the course ranging from hole-in-one competitions, closest to the pin, longest drive, skins and a putting contest. Golfers were separated into two categories: mixed (men and women) and men's for the competitions. Golfers were then assembled at the clubhouse for a shotgun start and were given an introduction of the Student Classic by Brian Staats, Operations Manager. Staats thanked the Student Classic sponsors for their generous support and with the sound of the horn the golfers were off!

Golfers were treated to a lush course with warm weather and beautiful sunshine throughout the day. After play had finished golfers were then treated to a dinner in the clubhouse prior to the awarding of the Student Classic Cup and mixed division trophies. Winners of the 20th Annual Student Classic in the mixed division were: Tracey Anderson, Leslie Issacs, Rushton Skye, and Della Bomberly. Winners

of the men's competition were John Montour Sr., John Montour Jr., Mitch Green, and Brad Froman.

The OFNTSC would like to thank all who came out in support of First Nation students. The student classic would not have been possible without our corporate sponsors. Those sponsors are: Watson Parojcic, The Adventure Group, Saulteaux Consulting and Engineering, MTS Native Services, Spence Print Solutions, Planet Stitch, First Nations Engineering Services Ltd., RBH Consulting Services and S. Burnett and Associates Ltd.

All money that is raised from the tournament goes directly towards to the OFNTSC Student Achievement and Derrick Kamanga Memorial Award. With your continued support of this event we thank you in assisting First Nations students in attaining post-secondary education in the fields of science and technology. The 21st Annual Student Classic will be taking place September 13, before the OFNTSC's All Tribal Council Meeting from September 14-15, 2016 at Casino Rama. For more information on the Student Classic or to register visit our website at

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OFNTSC MANDATE

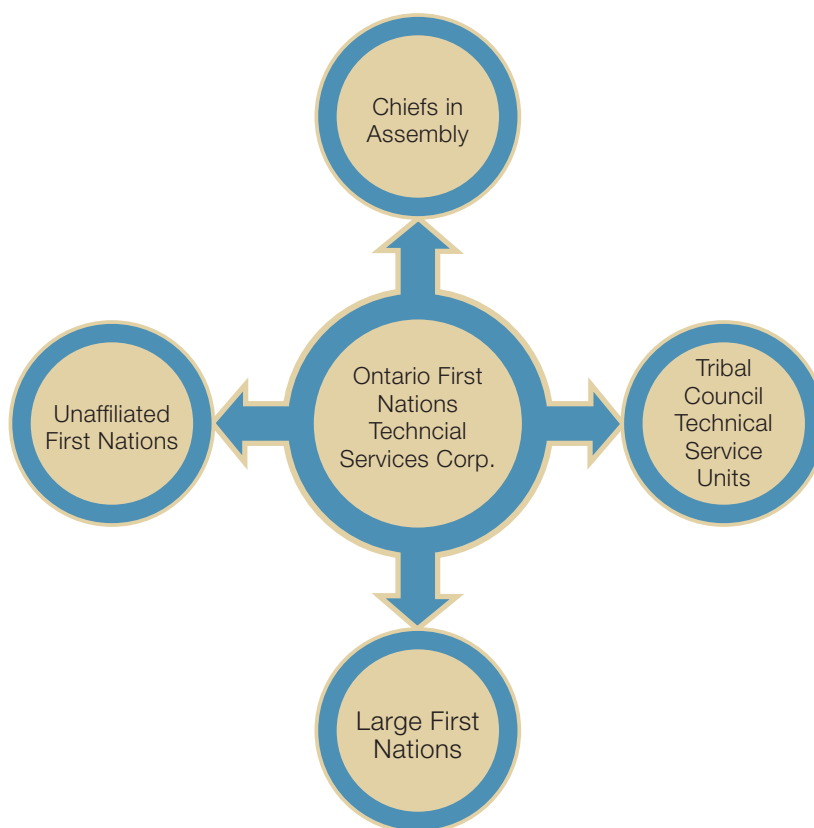
This is the original mandate that appeared in the OFNTSC's 1900-1995 Founding report. The OFNTSC was established in February 1995. Mandated by Ontario First Nations Chiefs-in-Assembly to provide advisory level technical services to Ontario's Tribal Councils, Large First Nations, and Unaffiliated First Nations in the areas of:

- Capital Project Planning and Development
- Quality Assurance
- Training
- Operations and Maintenance
- Fire Protection
- Architectural Support Services
- Housing Inspections
- Housing Program

Its underlying objectives are to foster greater First Nation autonomy in the acquisition of capital facilities and infrastructure development. It also promotes the development of modern community health and safety practices.

ACCOUNTABILITY

The OFNTSC is responsible to report to Chiefs-in-Assembly (Annual Report), tribal council technical service units (Board Members), Large First Nations (Board Members), and Unaffiliated First Nations (Board Members). Large First Nations for Ontario are defined as First Nations with populations over 2500 on-reserve. Unaffiliated First Nations are defined as a First Nation that does not have a tribal council affiliation.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



As a member of the of the Ontario First Nations community, the OFNTSC consistently looks at different ways of supporting communal activities for First Nations. By engaging our communities the OFNTSC intends to support efforts that ensure healthy and safe communities for all to enjoy. In this spirit we at the OFNTSC look to give back to those who support the OFNTSC. Below is a small list of the community engagement projects that the OFNTSC has participated in over the past year, and how the OFNTSC participated in the event.

Little NHL – March 14 -17, 2016

The OFNTSC was a gold sponsor of the LNHL Tournament that took place in Mississauga, ON. The OFNTSC was also the official puck supplier for the tournament. Two pucks were produced for the tournament. A game play puck, and a MVP puck were created.

Little Bands Northern Youth Hockey Tournament

The OFNTSC sponsored the Little Bands Northern Youth Hockey Tournament, which took place in Dryden, ON from February 8-11, 2016. The OFNTSC produced game play pucks for the tournament.

Niagara Peninsula Aboriginal Area Management Board Career Fair

The OFNTSC attended a career fair in the Niagara region with students attending from Oneida, Six Nations, and Walpole Island. Taking place in November of 2015, Students explored career options for themselves in a variety of careers that relate to jobs found in either First Nations or Tribal Councils. Material was used from the OFNTSC's Technical Youth Career Outreach Program.

Health And Safety Conference – Nokiiwin Tribal Council

From November 24-25, 2015, the OFNTSC attended the Health and Safety Conference for Nokiiwin Tribal Council. The conference focused on variety of work related health and safety issues. The OFNTSC distributed over 100 emergency kits to attendees over the two days.

ImagineNATIVE Film and Media Arts Festival

The ImagineNATIVE Film and Media Arts Festival runs in October in Toronto, ON. Over the course of a week the festival draws over 20,000 viewers for indigenous films and media from across the world. The OFNTSC is a slide sponsor for the festival.

Community engagement will always be a priority for the OFNTSC. By engaging with our communities and people, the OFNTSC aims to incorporate the ideas that will make the Corporation a valued community partner to the people and communities we serve. Have an event you would like us to attend? Contact Colin French, Communications Officer at cfrench@ofntsc.org or by phone at (416) 709 8738.



UPCOMING EVENTS



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD / DERRICK KAMANGA MEMORIAL AWARD

August 26, 2016
Toronto Service Centre

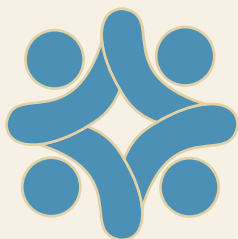
STUDENT CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 13, 2016

Course: TBA

1pm Shotgun Start

Registration Fee: \$150 Team: \$600



ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL, LARGE AND UNAFFILIATED FIRST NATIONS MEETING

September 14 – 15, 2016
Casino Rama, Orillia, Ontario

FIRST NATIONS WATER SYMPOSIUM

October 17-19, 2016

Marriott Gateway on the Falls, Niagara Falls, ON



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