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MEDIA RELEASE

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COVID-19 UPDATE and Service Disruptions #10

The Government of Ontario has announced that as of March 15, 2021 at 12:01 a.m. the Northwestern Health Unit area, which includes Atikokan, will be moved into the Red-Control level of the COVID-19 Response Framework.

Please be advised that the **Atikokan Municipal Office will continue to be open to visitors** with restrictions. To protect staff, visitors are not permitted to access individual offices and all interactions with Town staff will take place at the front counter unless an appointment has been made in advance. For general inquiries, we continue to encourage the public to call 597-1234 or use the staff directory available on our website (www.atikokan.ca/content/town-contacts-0) to contact the appropriate staff member via email.

To allow for social distancing, only 5 people may enter the lobby at a time. Those entering the building will be required to complete a self-assessment posted on the front door. We ask that you respect social distancing and use the hand sanitizer provided. Hours of operation remain Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

In addition to the Municipal Office, the facilities listed below are **open** with restrictions:

- The Atikokan Public Library will be open with limited capacity and extra precautions to keep you safe, including increased cleaning and sanitizing of public computers, and other high-touch areas, and quarantining all returned library material for 48 hours. All materials are to be returned in the outdoor bookdrop for quarantine. Curbside pick up is also available.

Hours of operation are:

- o Tuesday 12:00 - 7:00 p.m.
 - o Wednesday 12:00 - 7:00 p.m.
 - o Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 - o Friday 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.
 - o Saturday 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.
- The Atikokan Centennial Museum will be open Monday to Friday, **1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Visitors are required to wear masks and must maintain social distancing. Tours can be booked by calling 597-6585.
 - The Specialized Transit Vehicle (Handi-Van) is open with regular hours of operation.

The facilities listed below are now **closed until further notice**:

- Swimming pool
- Pioneer Centre

The facilities listed below are now **closed for the season**:

- Arena
- Little Falls Recreation Centre for curling
- Mount Fairweather Ski Hill

For more information regarding recreation facilities, please contact Tom Hainey, Community Services Manager at 597-1234 ext. 232.

For a full list of restrictions in the Red-Control level, visit the Ontario COVID-19 Response Framework.

Thank you for doing your part to help keep our Community healthy and safe.