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IMPORTANT NOTICE

This memo is in regards to the COVID – 19 pandemic that has been declared by the World Health Organization which ultimately affects everyone including us as First Nation members.

For the Health and Safety of Big Grassy First Nation will be issuing a travel restriction – non essential travel to the Programs and Services of the First Nation. We do recommend to the First Nation membership to limit their travels outside of the district due to the COVID – 19 Pandemic, however recognize that our nearest service centers are in the towns of Fort Frances, Rainy River, Emo and surrounding areas for accessing essential needs such as groceries, hospitals and other essential needs.

Esiniiwab Health Centre will continue to communicate information on preventative measures and will provide updates on social media platforms and or door to door distribution when needed.

We also will be extending March Break for Pegamigaabo School (students only) from the period of March 23 – April 6th, 2020, in light of the potential concerns brought forward and to follow our own preventative measures outlined in our community Pandemic Planning.

We encourage the membership to follow our instituted First Nation protocols when returning from a concentrated area known to have confirmed cases of COVID-19 and self-monitor but to seek an assessment if flu-like symptoms occur within the time frame of 14 days.

We will continue to keep our essential services open at all of our administration offices to provide services to our First Nations members and we will monitor the pandemic plan.

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Big Grassy First Nation Leadership

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