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Question:

We own family property on Hemlock Island in East Ferris Township and are vitally concerned with the current plan by the Province to gift a total of about 200,000 acres of lands (of various sizes) to the Algonquins of Ontario. Not all of these lands are undeveloped properties; one example is the MNR building and lakefront property at the corner of Highway 63 and Lakeside Drive in North Bay. If even developed properties can be claimed by the Algonquins what is to stop them, either now or in the future, from claiming other developed places between here and Ottawa? The Algonquins insist on being treated as a "NATION" so the rules can change without any democratic input or control from taxpayers like us who have bought and paid for our lands and homes.

We appreciate what the Township is doing in allowing us to present questions and we look forward to a response from the MNR (Provincial Government), however, we are just one tiny part of the total issue. Will the MNR report back to the Premier and suggest that all the negotiations in the ongoing Algonquin Land Claim be suspended and set aside until there is an opportunity for the public in these affected areas to exercise a measure of democratic control over what is going on?

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