
Anishinabek Nation And Ontario Strengthen Relationship

McGuinty Government Signs Four Agreements With Anishinabek Nation

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The Anishinabek Nation and Ontario will continue to work together to strengthen collaboration on natural resource management.

The Anishinabek Nation, as represented by the Union of Ontario Indians, and the Ministry of Natural Resources have signed four agreements related to natural resources. The agreements will enhance relations between Aboriginal people and the ministry through consultation on resources such as fish, wildlife and Great Lakes water.

The signing of these agreements is another step in the government's commitment to building constructive and cooperative relations with Aboriginal people in Ontario.

QUOTES

"Anishinabek are pleased that the Province of Ontario recognizes the need to consult with us on issues involving the lands, waters and resources within our traditional territories. It's time to start seeing specific results from all these processes that will move the yardstick on long outstanding issues."

– Chief Patrick Madahbee, Grand Council Chief, Anishinabek Nation

"I appreciate the leadership of Grand Chief Madahbee and that of the Anishinabek Nation to strengthen our relationship. We have a unique opportunity to work together to ensure that resource issues are addressed in a timely and meaningful way."

– Linda Jeffrey, Minister of Natural Resources

QUICK FACTS

- The Anishinabek Nation incorporated the [Union of Ontario Indians](#) as its secretariat in 1949.
- A political advocate for 40 member First Nations across Ontario, the Union of Ontario Indians is the oldest political organization in Ontario and can trace its roots back to the Confederacy of Three Fires, which existed long before European contact.

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