

# **2009 – 2010 ALGONQUIN MANAGEMENT PLAN BETWEEN**

## **THE TEN ALGONQUIN COMMUNITIES:**

**Antoine, Bancroft, Bonnechere, Greater Golden Lake, Mattawa\North Bay, Ottawa, Pikwàkanagàn, Shabot Obaadjiwan (Sharbot Lake), Snimikobi (Ardoch), Whitney & Area**

### **Hereafter known as the “ALGONQUINS”**

In the interest of fulfilling their mandate on behalf of the Algonquins to negotiate an Algonquin Treaty with the governments of Canada and Ontario, which includes the management of resources within the Algonquin Territory. The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources agrees with the Algonquin Negotiation Representatives (ANR's) to this Interim Management Plan (the Plan).

The Algonquins in cooperation with the Ministry of Natural Resources will be implementing this Management Plan, in the interest of maintaining the sustainability of the moose and deer population and public safety throughout the area identified in the Plan.

### **GENERAL PROVISIONS:**

This Management Plan will guide the Algonquin harvest of moose and deer in the area identified in the Plan during the 2009-2010 harvesting season.

The ANR's will make their best efforts to ensure that each Algonquin harvester is aware of the terms of this Management Plan and his or her obligations under it. The MNR shall provide funding to the Algonquins, in an amount agreed to by the Parties, to fulfill their obligations under this Management Plan.

The Parties will strive to ensure that a sustainable population of moose and deer are maintained throughout the area. The allocation for moose identified in this plan represents in part, the sustainable harvest of bull moose, cow moose and calf moose in order that the population of moose in the area identified in this plan may be conserved.

The Algonquins will exercise their best efforts to address issues that may arise regarding deer harvesting at the Peterson Lake Road deer yard near Maynooth and the Round Lake deer yard.

## **TERMS OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

### **1. HUNTING AREAS**

Harvesting shall occur in the area that is identified in Map A, and any other adjacent areas that the Parties may agree to.

Within Algonquin Provincial Park (“the Park”), hunting shall only occur in that area that is east of the Shirley Lake Road as identified in Map B. For purposes of clarification, the hunting area described in Map B includes both sides of the Shirley Lake Road and other roads that define the western extent of the Map B area. In no instance shall harvesting of any animal occur further than 100 meters from the west edge of the travelled portion of the Shirley Lake Road.

An Algonquin who is harvesting in the Park under this Management Plan shall enter or exit Algonquin Park at the following access points:

Shall Lake, Basin Road, Beechnut Road, Sand Lake, Hydro Line Road, Brent Road, Daventry Road, Kiosk, Bissett Road, Wylie-Bronson Road, and Klocks Rd.

## 2. DATES OF HUNT

### Seasons Inside Algonquin Park:

Harvesting season in Algonquin Park for moose and deer shall be:

#### 2009 – 2010 Season:

Cow Moose:	October 13, 2009 – Dec 21, 2009
Bull Moose:	October 13, 2009 – Jan 15, 2010
Calf Moose:	October 13, 2009 – Jan 15, 2010 (or earlier if the target has been achieved)
Deer:	October 13, 2009 – Jan 15, 2010

### Seasons Outside of Algonquin Park:

Harvesting season for moose and deer outside of Algonquin Park shall be:

#### 2009 – 2010 Season:

Cow Moose:	October 13, 2009 – December 21, 2009
Bull Moose:	October 13, 2009 – January 15, 2010
Calf Moose:	October 13, 2009 – January 15, 2010 (or earlier if the target has been achieved)
Deer:	September 1, 2009 – January 15, 2010 (except for special permit)

### Bow Hunting Season

The Algonquins will again implement a special bow hunt for moose in the WMU's outside of Algonquin Park. Hunters participating in this hunt would not be eligible to apply for a moose tag in the gun hunt, but may participate in the gun hunt with those holding the appropriate tag.

Bow harvesting seasons outside of Algonquin Park shall be:

#### 2009 – 2010 Season:

September 14, 2009 – October 19, 2009
November 16, 2009 – January 15, 2009 (except that the season for cow moose will close on December 21, 2009)

## 3. MOOSE TAGS

It is the intent of the Algonquins to maintain and not exceed the sustainable harvest for moose.

(The following table, as agreed to with MNR, represents the combined targets of both rifle and bow tag distribution)

Wildlife Management Unit	Bulls	Cows	Calves
Algonquin Park	50	58	36
WMU 48	15	15	13
WMU 55A	5	5	2
WMU 55B	2	1	2
WMU 57	3	3	2
WMU 58	3	4	2
WMU 59	1	1	1
WMU 61	8	7	2
WMU 62	3	4	2
WMU 63	7	6	2
WMU 64a,b (Bows only)	3	3	
WMU 65	3	1	2

**Calf harvest:**

The calf harvest target in the WMUs outside of Algonquin Park shall not exceed 30 in total. The calf harvest will be monitored and shut down by the Algonquins when the sustainable harvest numbers are reached in each unit. In recognition of ongoing attempts to increase the moose herd in WMUs 48, 55A, 55B and 57 the Algonquin internal tag allocation system will be managed to reflect sustainable calf harvest levels in these units.

**Bow Harvest:**

The bow harvest for moose shall be implemented on an ongoing basis outside of Algonquin Park.

**Annual Review of population and harvest targets:**

Throughout the duration of this Management Plan, the Algonquins and MNR will cooperate in the exchange of information on moose population and harvests. Prior to the determination of any future harvest targets by either Party, the Parties will discuss any adjustment that may be required as a result of new information. The process for reporting will be determined as part of the administration and funding discussions that will be subsequent to this plan.

**4. TRANSPORTING OF TAGGED MOOSE**

An Algonquin who harvests a moose shall tag the moose before it is transported.

**5. OTHER WILDLIFE**

Within the area of Algonquin Park set out in paragraph 2, during the course of the moose and deer harvest, other species of game normally taken for food may be harvested, excluding rare, threatened and endangered species, wolves and loons.

**6. IDENTIFICATION OF ALGONQUIN HARVESTERS**

An Algonquin harvesting under this Management Plan shall carry sufficient identification identifying them as an Algonquin as determined by the ANR's. and another piece of photo identification.

All harvesters shall provide his or her Algonquin identification to any Algonquin Monitor, Conservation Officer or Park Warden when requested.

All Algonquin harvesters shall cooperate at all times with any Algonquin Monitor, Conservation Officer or Park Warden and shall provide necessary information when requested to do so.

**7. METHODS OF HARVESTING**

Inside Algonquin Park, an Algonquin who is harvesting under this management plan shall not use an all terrain vehicle or snowmobile except to retrieve wildlife.

It is understood that Algonquins harvesting under this Management Plan are to comply with laws ordinarily in force in Ontario that are intended to protect or promote public safety.

**8. REPORTING**

An Algonquin who harvests a bull, cow or calf moose shall report the harvest by WMU to the Algonquin Monitors within 24 hours, and shall provide the tag number if a bull moose or cow moose was harvested.

All harvest information will be shared between the designated Algonquin representative and the designated MNR representative on a daily basis until October 31 and on a weekly basis thereafter until the closing date of the hunt.

MNR shall, on an ongoing basis, report to the Algonquin designated representative the number of moose harvested by Algonquins not hunting under this agreement.

Any confiscated moose that are not required for ongoing enforcement investigations shall be turned over to the designated community representative. Any such moose may be tagged and will be considered to be part of the overall harvest.

## **9. MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT**

The Algonquins and the MNR will cooperate in monitoring and enforcement of the terms of this Management Plan. The MNR will assist the Algonquins to enforce this agreement based on sustainability, south of the Mattawa River and through out the Algonquin territory.

## **10. WITHOUT PREJUDICE**

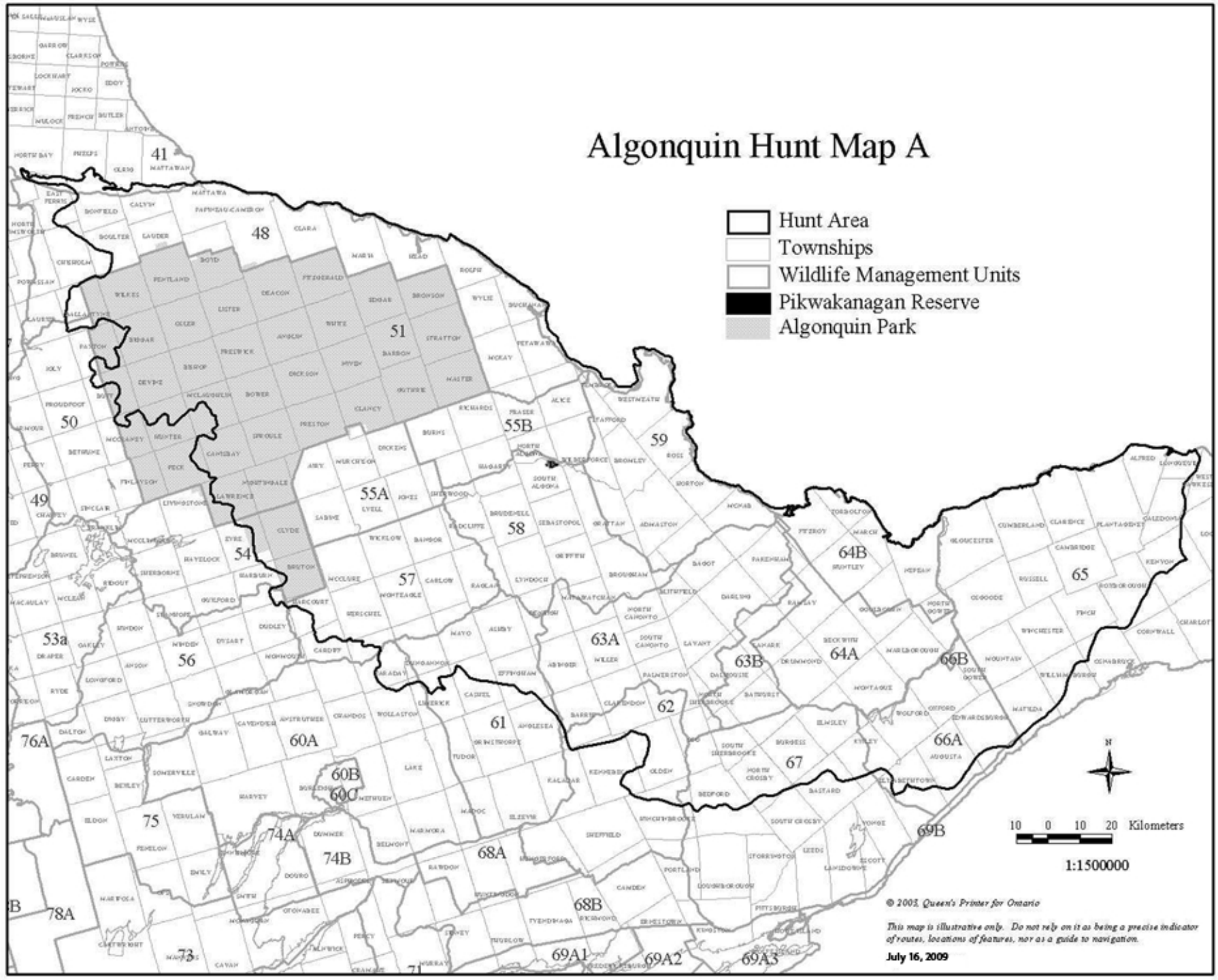
Nothing in this Management Plan shall be construed by either party as an admission or acknowledgement of the jurisdiction, rights or claims of either party. This Management Plan is without prejudice to the position of the parties with respect to the existence of Algonquin aboriginal rights, including future hunting areas.

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Appendix...Map A  
...Map B

# Algonquin Hunt Map A

-  Hunt Area
-  Townships
-  Wildlife Management Units
-  Pikwakanagan Reserve
-  Algonquin Park



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*This map is illustrative only. Do not rely on it as being a precise indicator of routes, locations of features, nor as a guide to navigation.*

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# Algonquin Hunt Map B

