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## *Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation*

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**Attn:**

Public Input Coordinator  
MNRF – PD – Resources Planning and Development Policy Branch  
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**Re: Proposed amendments to the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act, to remove the prohibition on carbon sequestration – ERO# 019-6296**

Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation (CKSPFN) are submitting the following comments to the Ministry of Northern Development, Mining, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNR), regarding *Proposed amendments to the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act, to remove the prohibition on carbon sequestration* – ERO# 019-6296.

The proposed legislative changes will focus on activities occurring in southwestern Ontario where the geology is the most conducive for carbon sequestration. These are the treaty lands of CKSPFN and other First Nations. For over 100 years, we have witnessed the cumulative impacts of the expansion of energy infrastructure across our territory, including oil, gas, petrochemical, power generation, and electricity transmission facilities on a massive scale. Much of this Crown approved infrastructure has been responsible for huge quantities of greenhouse gas emissions contributing to climate change.

In CKSPFN's March 14, 2022, submission regarding *Geological Storage of Carbon in Southwestern Ontario* – ERO# 019-4770, CKSPFN highlighted the need for early first nation engagement. Specifically, "CKSPFN wishes to be engaged early, during the policy and planning processes and kept informed and actively engaged in all studies, consultations, monitoring, and reporting activities".

Since the March 2022 submission, CKSPFN Consultation has received no correspondence from MNRF on this matter. CKSPFN expects the Honour of the Crown to guide MNRF in engaging with our First Nation in the development of legislation that may adversely impact section 35 constitutionally protected rights. As such, **CKSPFN requests a meeting with MNRF to discuss the proposed legislative changes in ERO# 019-6296.** Please contact our department at [consultation@kettlepoint.org](mailto:consultation@kettlepoint.org).

In the spirit of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, we look forward to your response and collaboration as we collectively seek to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in CKSPFN territory.

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