



EEL RIVER BAR FIRST NATION

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COMMUNITY NOTICE:

On May 9th, 2024 Chief and Council held a community meeting to discuss the drug problems we are having at Eel River Bar First Nation. Our community members requested actions be taken to eliminate the drug houses.

On July 16th, 2024 at a Duly Convened meeting, Chief and Council with all of Council members present, there was unanimous support to implement Section 14.0 the right to evict in the housing policy section 14.1 and section 5 of the Community Protection By-Law which targets band members who are engaged in drug trafficking in the community:

Section 14.1 d/e

"The following will be deemed to be "just cause" for the eviction of the occupant of a First Nation House:

d. Repeated abandonment of the house, or criminal activity within the house

e. Consistently behaving in a manner that is disruptive or causes a nuisance to the enjoyment of adjacent properties and their occupant(s) or allocatee(s)

Section 5:

"A community Protection Order may include any provision reasonably necessary, as determined by Chief and Council, for the protection of the community health and safety including:

a. Prohibiting or restricting a person from attending specified location or events on the Eel River Bar First Nation reserve lands;

- b. Prohibiting a person from being within a prescribed distance from another person or persons;*
- c. Setting conditions, including time limits or other restrictions for a person to attend on the Eel River Bar First Nation;*
- d. Evicting a person from Eel River Bar First Nation housing in accordance with the Eel River Bar First Nation Housing Policy and any applicable housing agreements.*
- e. Banishing a person from using, occupying, possessing, or attending on land on the Eel River Bar First Nation;"*

If you are selling drugs from a band owned home, trailer, or shed, whether it is yours or someone else's, we strongly urge you to cease this activity immediately. If the Band Council obtains verifiable information a band member is drug trafficking from a band owned home, the Band Council will:

- a. Issue a notice to evict the band member from home and community and**
- b. Authorize the Minister of Indigenous Services Canada to remove the member from the Eel River Bar band list and placed on the General Band List.**

To have a safe and healthy community we need to work together to eliminate drug trafficking from Eel River Bar with loud vehicles and late night and dangerous driving causing risk to our community. We hope this notice is taken seriously by those individuals engaged in drug trafficking.

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