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Ogichidaa Francis Kavanaugh
Grand Council Treaty #3
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Boozhoo Ogichidaa Kavanaugh,

I am writing this letter to introduce myself to you and to the Anishinaabe Nation of Treaty #3. My name is Emily Wyszynski and I am the new Resource Specialist in the Territorial Planning Unit. It is my role to provide technical advisory services to Treaty #3 communities in relation to forestry, mining and resource-based projects and to work towards the goal of incorporating traditional views around resource management into existing and upcoming resource-based projects within the territories of Treaty #3.

I applied for this position to pursue my passion for working with and on behalf of First Nations, in addition to community led environmental projects and governance. Working at Grand Council Treaty #3 as a non-Anishinaabe, I am excited to learn more about Anishinaabe culture, and how to work with Manito Aki Inakonigaawin (MAI) to promote indigenous rights and sustainable environmental practices.

Prior to my employment with Grand Council Treaty #3, I worked for over 5 years in the environmental consulting field for Tulloch Engineering, Holla Engineering & Environmental and Great Lakes Environmental Services. In this position, I was primarily responsible for the planning and completion of field work to identify terrestrial resources (vegetation and wildlife) on properties throughout Ontario to inform the potential for impacts from development projects. Additionally, I have spent several years travelling and working abroad. My relevant work and education experience is as follows:

- Environmental Technician, Tulloch Engineering (2016-2019)
- Terrestrial Biologist, Holla Engineering & Environmental (2015-2017)
- Terrestrial Biologist, Great Lakes Environmental Services (2008-2011)
- Field Project Leader, Laurentian University Biology Department (2008)
- Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology, Laurentian University (2008)
- Certificate in Environmental Biology, Laurentian University (2008)

I am grateful for the opportunity to pursue my passion and learn more about the issues related to resources in Treaty #3. I am most looking forward to developing a positive working relationship with community members in Treaty #3. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Territorial Planning Unit by phone at (807) 548-4214 ext. 238 or via email at emily.wyszynski@treaty3.ca.

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