

Itinerary for Maliseet and Micmac Listening and Learning Sessions

We are honored to be welcomed by both Chief Charlie Peter Paul and Chief Clarissa Sabattis to their home grounds to meet with their respective communities and tribal officials.

Tuesday, October 2 is the travel day. We hope all can arrive in Presque Isle at the Presque Isle Inn by 7:00 PM so we can have a group dinner together at the inn. This dinner will be an important opportunity for us to re-connect with each other after a busy summer away from First Light Learning Journey, and our best opportunity to review the two very important days ahead. We will meet in Gram Russo's, the restaurant in the Inn, at 7:00 PM.

Wednesday, October 3: After breakfast at the Presque Isle Inn, we will meet at 9:00 am with Chief Charlie Peter Paul at the Micmac Cultural, Community, and Educational Center at 7 Northern Road Presque Isle, Maine. We will be joined by Fred Corey, their Environmental Director, and Jennifer Pictou, their cultural officer. In addition, we will meet with several community members and Tribal representatives who are involved in land access issues of great importance to the Tribe. We will have lunch in Presque Isle and visit a potential project site of importance to the Aroostook Band of Micmacs. Toward the end of the afternoon we will drive 45 minutes south to Monticello and Wilderness Pines Lodge, a facility of the Houlton Band of the Maliseet's.

We will stay in cabins at the campground. Those who prefer to camp are welcome to. We will have a catered dinner at the Lodge and afterwards have the opportunity to debrief on the day.

Thursday October 4: We will meet at 9:00 AM with Chief Clarissa Sabattis either at the lodge at Wilderness Pines or in Houlton at their Tribal headquarters. We will also meet with Susan Young, their Natural Resources Director, and Sharri Venno, their environmental planner as well as other community members and Tribal representatives who have been involved in their important efforts to preserve culture and expand access to land. In the afternoon we will visit a potential project site. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be catered at the Wilderness Pines Lodge.

We will return to Wilderness Pines for an early dinner and group debrief afterwards. The evening will conclude by 7:30 PM for those who prefer to head home that night. All others can stay the night at Wilderness Pines and return home on October 5th.