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## Laura Bjorgan

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Land and Water Division Ontario Parks - Protected Areas Section 300 Water St, Peterborough 6th Flr S Peterborough, ON K9J 3C7 Canada

Dear Laura Bjorgan,

I am writing to you regarding ERO 019-6666, Developing a management plan for Bigwind Lake Provincial Park on behalf of Pine Lake Investments.

As significant land owners adjacent to the park we are seeking to establish ourselves as a Mandatory Local Audience for protected area management planning.

Pine Lake Hunt Club, an organization of Pine Lake Investments, has safely hunted this area for over 110 years. Our organization was officially established in 1914 as Camp #14 and is one of the few original remaining "Ontario Hunt Clubs", successfully managing 1712.16 acres. During this time we have maintained an immaculate hunting safety program, as we have a great understanding of our neighbours/ adjacent landowners, and their uses. To this day we have successfully operated thousands of hunts and not once have we experienced a potential safety concern like this. It is our strong recommendation that we be included as an audience and contributor to ensure the safety of all persons.



Our involvement in developing a management plan for Bigwind Lake Provincial Park seeks to understand and minimize the potential negative impacts that developing BLPC will have on our safe and controlled hunts in the following ways;

- 1. Increased Land Use
- 2. Ensuring Public Safety
- 3. Liability
- 4. Boundary Signage
- 5. Trespassing on Private Road

Sincerely,

Pine Lake Investments