

This month, we appreciated the opportunity to spend time in Moosonee and Moose Factory Island alongside community members and partners.

Whether through conversations with students about life after high school at career fairs, taking part in the Kematewan Winter Carnival, or chatting with community and team member Keenan Grom about how family shapes his entrepreneurship, each moment was about spending time together.

We are grateful for the opportunities to connect, work alongside one another, and be so warmly welcomed into communities.

Looking forward to all that is to come.

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Winter Maintenance and Looking Ahead



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Keenan Grom

Keenan is a member of the Moose Cree First Nation from Moosonee and most likely known for his work in film and storytelling. We are thrilled to partner with him on the Redevelopment Project.

Keenan is an essential member of our team, contracted to complete routine maintenance on the homes where some of our team live.

We always enjoy catching up with Keenan, who spoke to us about his experience working on the Project along side his creative pursuits and his wishes for his community.

What inspired you to contribute to the WAHA Redevelopment Project?

My daughter. She is a year and a few months old. I come from a film background, so I was always happy with short contract work.

Over time, I realized that lifestyle is not the best when you have other people depending on you, so I started bidding on work.

This Project will only bring positive results to Moosonee and coastal communities, so I didn't have to think twice about connecting with the Pomerleau team.

My work in film requires communication, planning, and adaptability to make sure everyone is happy and the set runs smoothly – skills that transfer easily to maintenance work.

How does working on the Project connect you to your community?

In many ways, this Project has me going out and connecting with those that also want to make this community a better place. I've been a bit of a recluse, going in and out of Moosonee.

I didn't see myself bringing any immediate value, but since this Project, I have also joined multiple committees that are trying to environmentally and historically improve the community.

I wish more people would get involved.

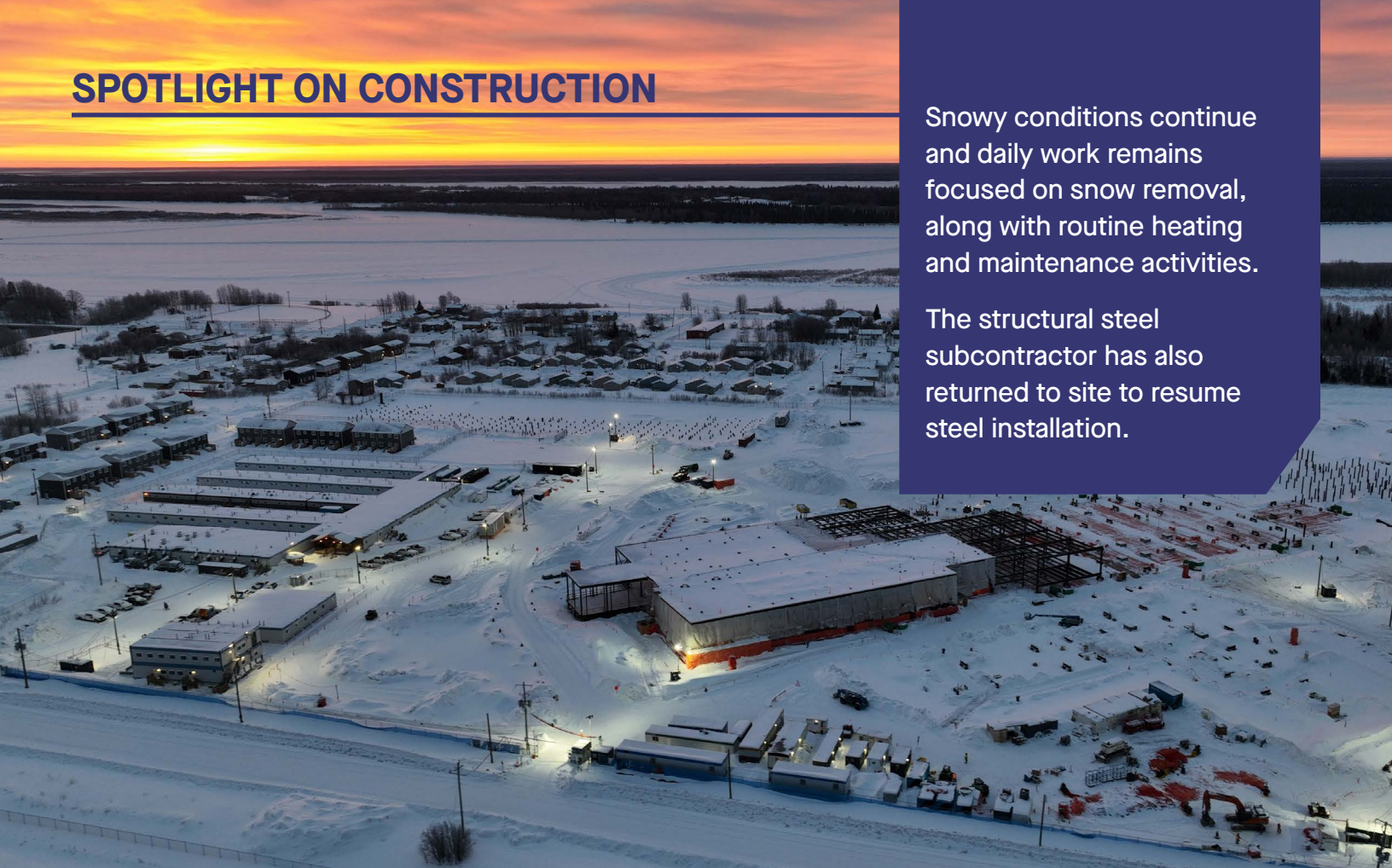


→ Keenan Grom

SPOTLIGHT ON CONSTRUCTION

Snowy conditions continue and daily work remains focused on snow removal, along with routine heating and maintenance activities.

The structural steel subcontractor has also returned to site to resume steel installation.



Looking Ahead

Architects and designers continue to work on the design of the hospital behind the scenes. At this stage of construction, feedback matters.

That's why we're looking forward to welcoming some medical staff and administrators to visit the full-scale mock-ups for a hospital room later this month.

These spaces will allow medical teams to walk through, try things out, and see how rooms will work in real life.

It's all about making sure that the spaces are practical, comfortable and welcoming for patients, their families, and for the medical teams that will continue to provide the best possible care.

Stay tuned for more information.



IN THE COMMUNITY

Career Fairs

Thank you to community leadership who made these events possible. These career fairs were a wonderful opportunity to connect, meet community members, and showcase opportunities.

We were joined by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and Plan Group. The IBEW trains and certifies electricians, and represents their workers in discussions about wages, hours and working conditions.



→ A student from NLSS tries virtual reality goggles

Plan Group is responsible for delivering the major mechanical building systems in the new hospital. The systems, like heating, ventilation, air conditioning, plumbing and medical gas systems – like oxygen – are essential to how a hospital functions everyday.

Together we spoke to students and community members about opportunities in apprenticeships and career pathways in the trades.



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It was great to have Pomerleau at Northern Lights Secondary School to support our Career Fair! Pomerleau staff did a great job meeting with NLSS students and showing them the potential employment opportunities for their future. These introductions are pivotal in the development of students as they explore opportunities locally and across the province, and show students that there are many pathways to success after high school, including the workforce, trades, college and university. Thank you for your ongoing support of our students.

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Shawn Klingenberg (left),
Principal Northern Lights Secondary School,
Moosonee



→ Dean Dell Elce and Pomerleau's Engagement Team

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Connecting with students reminds me why health and safety always matter - because the future of safe workplaces starts with informed, inspired young people. I had a great time meeting community members and talking about construction safety and demonstrating our virtual reality tool.

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Dean Dell Elce (left), Regional Health
and Safety Manager at Pomerleau



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a pathway to a skilled trade?
We can help.

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Kematewan: “Come and Play” We certainly did!

Thank you to the organizers for creating such a fun, family-friendly celebration, and for showing us how to truly embrace winter!



→ Our team enjoying the games

A special shout-out to Horizon North — supplier of workforce accommodations for the Project — for partnering with us to provide hot beverages and treats!



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Spending a couple of days in community during Kematewan gave our team the opportunity to slow down, connect, and share time together.

Congratulations to the organizing committee on a great event.

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Martin Jacques, Chief Operating Officer - Buildings, Pomerleau

UPCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

APRIL 8-9

→ Level Up!
Skilled Trades Career Fair,
Northern College,
Timmins Campus

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WAHA Redevelopment Project at a Glance



Project Overview

Based in northern Ontario, the WAHA Redevelopment Project is a transformative initiative to strengthen healthcare services for communities along Ontario's James Bay and Hudson Bay coasts.

New Acute Care Hospital in Moosonee, along with an Elder Care Lodge, visitor hostel, and staff accommodations

New Ambulatory Care Centre in Moose Factory

Once complete, these modern facilities will support WAHA in delivering exceptional healthcare that reflects and honours the communities we serve.

Key Features

State-of-the-art hospital and care facilities

Spaces that respect and reflect Cree culture and traditions

Improved access to acute, ambulatory, and Elder care services

Modern infrastructure to support advanced medical technology and staff housing

Project Timeline

Groundbreaking **JANUARY 2023**

Steel Structure Underway **2025-2026**

Target Completion **2030**



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