



COVID-19 Emergency Relief Aid

WFN MEMBER EMERGENCY SEWER USAGE RELIEF BENEFIT

At a Special Council meeting held on March 25, 2020, Council passed the following resolution to support members during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

RESOLUTION 200325-02	MOVED BY səx^{wk}winmaʔam HOGABOAM Seconded by səx^{wk}winmaʔam A. Alexander THAT yi səx ^{wk} winmaʔam hereby resolves to support the payment of costs of all WFN Member sewer as a new Member benefit for all Members connected to the WFN collection system at an estimated cost of \$55, 401.96 in accordance with the Emergency Sewer Usage Relief Benefit, and with the intent to review this effort on an annual basis. CARRIED
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Purpose of Emergency Sewer Usage Relief Benefit:

To clearly set out the emergency sewer usage relief benefit available to Westbank First Nation (WFN) Members, the terms of this benefit, and the eligibility criteria necessary to qualify for the benefit.

Benefit Details:

This benefit is effective January 1, 2020 and will run until December 31, 2020. It will be administered by the WFN Manager of Utilities & Public Works or delegate. An exemption from payment of residential sewer service user fees prescribed by the WFN Sanitary Sewer Systems Law 2005-18 will be granted to those WFN Members who are connected to the WFN Sewer Collection system and who meet the eligibility criteria outlined below.

Eligibility Procedure:

In order to qualify for emergency sewer usage relief benefit, an applicant must:

- Be a registered WFN Member;
- Reside on WFN Tsinstikeptum 9 or 10 land;
- Be the primary resident of the property for which application is made;
- Receive the WFN Utility bill in their name, and
- Utilize the sewer collection system solely for residential purposes.

Please note that the amount showing due for sewer usage on all member accounts that already receive the member benefit for water is, effective immediately, **NOT**

due and owing. Future invoices will show this as a benefit until December 31, 2020. If there are any concerns with your invoice, please contact the Westbank First Nation Utilities Coordinator at 250-707-3332 or via email at: wfnutilities@wfn.ca

There may be a need to update missing account information. Please contact Utilities within 90 days of the Utilities statement date and provide the following information to the Westbank First Nation Utilities Coordinator:

- Confirmation of WFN Membership;
- A copy of a Utility bill confirming an applicant's residential address, together with proof that the Utility bill is in the name of the WFN Member applying for the emergency sewer usage relief benefit; and
- Supporting documentation, such as a valid driver's license, recent pay stub or other recent Utility bill, confirming that an applicant resides in the residence.

Upon verification of the identification and address, the WFN Utility Coordinator will process any offsetting credit to the WFN Utility bill.