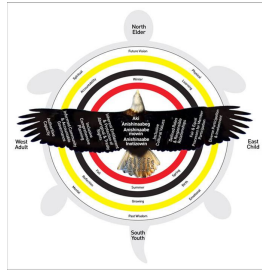


Eagle Lake First Nation



Housing Authority Newsletter March 2014

Prevent waterlines from freezing

Housing Maintenance is asking all residents to please keep a tap dripping in your home to prevent your waterlines from freezing.

We have had many calls for frozen waterlines this year due to the extreme cold weather.

We appreciate your co-operation!



New Housing Construction Update

303 Aspen Avenue

Construction began September 23, 2013. 303 Aspen Avenue Now has Hydro connected. Heat is now turned on in the home.

AlterNative Homes will return to Eagle Lake to complete the home on April 3, 2014.

The Housing Committee is still accepting applications for this home until May 1, 2014.

Applications can be downloaded off the Migisi Website or call Lynn at 755-5526 Ext. 229.



New Housing Construction Completion

30 Main Street

- Project began October 28, 2013 with the tear down of the old home and was rebuilt and was completed March 14, 2014.
- Marvin Pelly moved into this residence on March 15, 2014.



HOME OWNERSHIP OR CERTIFICATE OF POSSESSIONS

**THERE WILL BE A
HOUSEHOLD SURVEY
RELEASED SOON TO
IDENTIFY HOUSING
NEEDS, AS WELL AS
INTEREST IN HOME
OWNERSHIP OR
CERTIFICATE OF
POSSESSIONS. IF YOU
ARE INTERESTED IN
EXPLORING HOME
OWNERSHIP ON
RESERVE, PLEASE
LEAVE YOUR NAME
WITH LYNN.**



Should you be interested in applying to be a part of the Eagle Lake Housing Committee Please submit your request in writing to:

Eagle Lake Housing Committee
P.O. Box 1001
Migisi Sahgaigan, ON PoV 3Ho

What makes mold grow?

Mold will grow if we provide it with moisture and nutrients. If we keep things dry, mold does not grow. Moisture can result from water coming in from outside or from plumbing leaks. High moisture levels can also result from people living in the house and from daily activities like bathing, washing clothes or cooking.

Water enters the house when there is a crack or leak in its foundation, floor, walls or roof. Moisture can also build up inside the home when it can't be vented outside.



Housing Maintenance Requests

Please call Lynn at the Band Office for any housing concerns... She can be reached at 755-5526 ext. 229 or email: propertyadministrator@migisi.ca

All housing maintenance issues must be called into Lynn so they may be logged into the Maintenance Request Log book.

These requests are than given to Mike Peterson to complete on a priority bases.

All housing maintenance requests must go through Lynn so that they can be tracked for record keeping purposes.

We appreciate your cooperation & understanding!

Eagle Lake Housing Committee

Eagle Lake Housing Committee meets the first Tuesday of every month. Next meeting scheduled is April 1, 2014.

Eagle Lake Housing Committee Members are as follows: Alex Ducharme, Marlene Landon, Mitchelle Lands, Frances Kavanaugh and youth member Robbie Gardner.

Eagle Lake Housing Committee still require an Elder and have a vacant seat for a new member.

Mold in Housing

Where can mold grow?

Mold can grow on common building materials such as drywall, wood and wood products, ceiling tiles, wallpaper and carpets. Mold can also grow behind wallpaper; in areas where water may have seeped, like wall cavities, basement subfloors, crawl spaces, and so on; under wall-to-wall carpeting and in areas near to mold that has been discovered before.

Different kinds of mold grow on different materials. Some kinds of mold like it soaking wet, while others may grow even if no water can be seen. Dampness inside a material can be enough for mold to grow.

Continued mold growth means that there is too much moisture in the home. In Canada, basements, crawl spaces, bathrooms and cold exterior walls are where most mold growth is found.

**Mold can grow
on damp
drywall**



Is there a mold problem in my home?

Small, Medium or Large?

The outside air always has some mold. Mold comes into the house through open windows or doors, on clothing or pets, or through drafts. It is normal to find some mold in indoor air. The problem starts when mold grows inside the house. The types of mold that grow indoors may be different from the ones found outdoors.

A small amount of mold on the window sill, but nowhere else, is not a cause for concern but it may be a sign that there is too much moisture (dampness) in your house. It is important to find where the moisture is coming from because the situation must be fixed.

It is important to figure out how much moisture (dampness) and mold you have in your house and to have a plan to deal with any problems. For example, larger mold problems are harder to solve and you will need professional help.

You can figure out the area of the mold in your home to see if you should take care of the problem yourself or if you should get help. Use the images on page 7 to see if the area of mold in your home is small, medium or large.

Mold can grow on damp drywall



Mold in Housing

- The mold area is small if there are one, two or three patches of mold and each patch is smaller than one square metre (1 m x 1 m). Mold on window sills are usually small areas.
- Small moldy areas in houses can become bigger if ignored, so it is important to clean up even tiny patches of mold.
- Many small patches of mold in one area or throughout the house are a sign of moisture problems that need to be investigated and corrected right away. However, in most cases, small areas of mold can be cleaned up by home occupants or housing maintenance staff using proper precautions.
- The mold area is considered medium if there are more than three patches of mold (each smaller than one square metre) but the total mold area is less than three square metres (for example 1 m x 3 m or about the size of a 4 ft. x 8 ft. sheet of plywood). Patches close together are considered as one patch.
- In many cases, professional help is needed to take care of medium amounts of mold but home occupants may be able to attempt the cleanup with training and proper precautions.
- The mold area is large if a single patch of mold is larger than three square metres (for example 1 m x 3 m or a standard piece of 4 ft. x 8 ft. plywood) or if there are many medium or large patches of mold all through the house.
- Large mold areas should be left to contractors who are trained to deal with mold cleanup.



Small amount of mold



Meduim amount of mold



Large amount of mold

PICTURE SIZES OF MOLD

How do I clean up small mold problems?

- A small mold problem has one, two or three patches of mold and each patch is smaller than one square metre (or the size of a regular black garbage bag folded in half) You can clean up small areas of mold yourself if you are healthy. If you are at risk from the effects of mold you should not clean up mold and you should be protected or stay away during cleanup.
- **Mold MUST be cleaned up but cleaning alone does not stop the mold growth.**
- Cleaning is temporary and mold will come back if you do not take care of the moisture and dampness. You can help by trying to keep your home dry.
- **Do not use bleach to clean mold**
- The best way to clean mold is to use warm water and unscented dishwashing detergent. Chemicals and disinfectants that claim to kill mold, such as bleach, can produce harmful fumes and do not prevent mold from coming back. Using too much bleach and other chemicals can be harmful to the environment.

Soapy Water