## Families On-the-Land – Phase 3: Guidelines

#### What is the Program?

This program is called Families On-The-Land Program and it is run out of the Department of Culture and Lands Protection. It is to offer gas and/or grocery assistance for Thcho Government Citizens living in the four Thcho Communities or Yellowknife to get out on the land with their family for up to 10 days.

#### **Guidelines:**

- (1) Completed application form (*Any blank information will be marked unfinished and will not be reviewed*)
- O You must have your own accommodations. (Cabin or tent)
- You must have your own transportation to and from your destinations listed. (ATV's, Motor vehicles, Planes, Trucks or car) unless you are hiking to destinations.
- O You must have your own personal gear, such as a sleeping bag, foamy, utensils, grill, cleaning supplies, matches, axe, etc.
- You must review the *Bear Awareness & Firesmart* documents before heading out on the land.

Thicho Government does not purchase any camping essentials or sleeping gear. The Applicant covers these expenses on their own. We do not reimburse applicants for any gear that goes missing or lost during your trip.

If you have been approved to receive assistance from this program, it is MANDATORY to provide receipts (names on the receipts) and photos while out on your trip before REAPPLYING for your next application intake in 2 weeks. When you share photos with the Tłąchǫ Government, you are giving permission for the Tłąchǫ Government to use these photos for on the land posters to promote on the land programs.

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# **Application Accepting timeline:**

Application intake is from Monday to Wednesday each week with PO's issued on Thursdays and Fridays. PO's will be open for three days at the place of business.

If you have dropped off your completed application on a Thursday or Friday, these applications **will not** be reviewed until the following week.

# Ex: "I would like to camp this weekend."

You would need to drop-off your application between Monday-Wednesday of that week to make it happen. If you dropped off the application on a Thursday or Friday, you will not be receiving camping assistance that weekend. Sorry.

# Ex: "I would like to camp on this specific date"

You can drop-off your applications early, but PO's will not be issued until the Thursday or Friday of that week before your camping trip.

Once the completed form has been received by our office, it will be reviewed and you will be given a call back to explain the status of your application (approved or not and the reason for no approval).

If your application is complete and approved, a PO will be issued to your local gas station and grocery store for a combined total of \$400 maximum. **Ex:** (\$\_\_ gas + \$\_\_\_ groceries = \$400). PO's are open for three days (Thursdays – Saturdays) or (Fridays – Sundays).