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2026/2027 COMMUNITY HARVEST UPDATE

June 29, 2026

MOOSE HARVEST

Kijicho Manito Madaouskarini, Algonquins of Ontario & Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources continue to work together to implement this year's Harvest Management Plan. The 2026-2027 Moose Harvest will involve a draw system for both within, and outside Algonquin Park and the harvesting requirements will remain the same. AOO harvesters may only harvest within the AOO Settlement Area. AOO members wishing to harvest outside the AOO Settlement Area must hold a valid provincial hunting license(s) and tag(s) and follow the corresponding hunting regulations or written permission from a First Nation to harvest within their traditional or treaty territory.

As a reminder, as of the 2022-2023 AOO Harvest Season, the AOO Harvest Area was expanded in Algonquin Provincial Park to include the entire portions of WMU 51 (excluding the Highway 60 Corridor Development Zone) and WMU 54 (the 'Panhandle') that lie within the AOO Settlement Area. Algonquin harvesters harvesting in Algonquin Park are required to enter and exit WMU 51 and WMU 54 at the following fifteen (14) access points where AOO Harvest Monitors will be stationed:

- Kiosk Road Gate
- Daventry Road Gate
- Brent Road
- Bissett Creek Road
- Bronson Road – Kelly Lake Road Gate
- Bronson Road South Gate
- Barron Canyon Road – Sand Lake Gate
- Beechnut Road Gate
- Basin Road – Basin Depot Gate
- Billy Lake Road entrance
- Cameron Lake Road Gate
- Louisa Lake Road – Rock Lake Road Gate
- Hay Creek Road – Hydro-line South Road Gate
- Kingscote Lake Road Gate

In addition to the expansion of the AOO harvest area within Algonquin Park, as of the 2022-2023 AOO Harvest Season, the rifle season for both moose and deer within Algonquin Park will commence on the **Saturday October 10th, 2026.**

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HARVEST WMU SPECIFIC OPENING & CLOSING DATES:

Rifle Harvest MOOSE Seasons for WMU 51, 54, 55A, 57, 61:

Cow Moose: October 10, 2026 – December 21, 2026
Bull Moose: October 10, 2026 – January 15, 2027
Calf Moose: October 10, 2026 – January 15, 2027

Bow Harvest MOOSE Seasons outside WMU 51 and WMU 54 - Algonquin Park:

Harvesters participating in the moose bow harvest are not eligible to apply for a tag in the moose rifle harvest but may participate in the moose rifle harvest with those holding the appropriate tag.

Cow Moose: September 15, 2026 – December 21, 2026
Bull Moose: September 15, 2026 – January 15, 2027
Calf Moose: September 15, 2026 – January 15, 2027

Harvest Season within Designated ELK Harvest WMUs

Cow and Bull Elk: September 1, 2026 – December 21, 2026

Rifle Harvest DEER Season inside WMU 51 and WMU 54 - Algonquin Park:

Deer: October 10, 2026 – January 15, 2027

Rifle Harvest DEER Seasons outside WMU 51 and WMU 54 - Algonquin Park:

Deer*: September 1, 2026 – January 15, 2027

***WMU 41 exception**: September 1, 2026, to December 15, 2026

ELK HARVEST

Within the AOO Settlement Area, the MNRF Elk Harvest Areas occur within WMU 57, 58, 60, 61, 62, and 63A only. Based on data from recent elk surveys and analysis of harvest data, the elk population is estimated to be below the population level objective. The lower numbers of calves and mature bull elk in proportion to adult cows and sub-mature is not optimal. The AOO's allocation of elk tags recognizes the need to optimize proportions of bulls, cows, and calves in the elk population.

Harvest Season within Designated ELK Harvest WMUs

Cow and Bull Elk: September 1, 2026 – December 21, 2026

AVOID HARVESTING:

Antlers with an antler class of 3x3.

Figure 1. An example of bull elk

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MATURE BULL ELK

The AOO are encouraging harvesters to avoid harvesting mature bull elk. As noted above, the ratio of mature bull elk to cow elk is a cause for concern. To protect the population and move towards maximum productivity, the mature bull elk require some assistance. It is recommended that Algonquin harvesters avoid harvesting bull elk with an antler class greater than 3x3. A 3x3 bull elk is described as having 3 points (tines) on both antlers (see Figure 1). A bull elk with at least one side with 4 or more points should also be avoided.

Harvesters are to report the bull elk antler class if a bull elk is harvested. The antler class is determined by the number of points per side (e.g., 2x2, 3x3, 4x5).

COLLARED ELK

Algonquin Harvesters should avoid harvesting elk that have been collared. Very few collared elk remain in the population. These collared animals are an important component of ongoing elk research and monitoring programs.

If you harvest an animal wearing an ear-tag or collar, this animal was chemically immobilized in previous years using veterinary drugs. Health Canada has established recommended guidelines for consumption of meat previously exposed to these drugs. Please contact the AOO Consultation Office at algonquins@tanakiwin.com or your local ANR to report your harvest within 24 hours. The AOO will follow up with MNRF to obtain information on the edibility of the meat. No replacement tags will be issued in these circumstances.

DEER HARVEST

There is no white-tailed deer harvest tag draw. However, there is a deer harvest season in all WMUs in the AOO Settlement Area and harvesters are required to report all deer harvested. Doing so will allow the AOO to better understand the harvest effort in the Settlement Area which will further support the sustainability of deer populations through the determination of Total Allowable Harvest quotas as per Section 8.3 of the Agreement-in- Principle.

Rifle Harvest Season inside WMU 51 and WMU 54 - Algonquin Park:

Deer*: October 10, 2026 – January 15, 2027

Harvest Seasons outside WMU 51 and WMU 54 - Algonquin Park:

Deer*: September 1, 2026 – January 15, 2027 ***WMU 41 exception**: September 1, 2026, to December 15, 2026

Note: The boundary for WMU 41 starts at the westernmost point of Trout Lake using Trout Lake North which becomes Hwy 63. The Boundary is then Hwy 63 (harvest southeast) through to the Quebec border bridge over the Ottawa River.

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Rifle Allocations for KMMAFN Moose 2024-2025

WMU	COW	Bull
51	2	4
54	1	1
55A	1	1
57	3	3

Bow Allocations for KMMAFN Moose (1 Bull & 1 Cow)
Anywhere in the Land Claim Settlement area except WMU 51 & 54

REPORTING

All harvests of moose, elk, and deer within the AOO Settlement Area are to be reported to an AOO harvest monitor, ANR, or other AOO community designate **within 24 hours**. The ANR or AOO community designate shall then forward the harvest report to AOO Consultation Staff as soon as possible.

Algonquin Harvesters can submit their harvest reports through one of the following ways:

Phoning/emailing their community office, ***

- Phoning/emailing their ANR or community designate directly,
- Mailing a completed questionnaire to their community office or the AOO Consultation Office, or
- Submitting a virtual questionnaire via cellphone or computer.

Link to the harvest questionnaire below: https://www.tanakiwin.com/fishwildlife/harvest-reporting/
Algonquin Harvesters who are not successful in harvesting an animal during the 2025-2026 harvest season are encouraged to report harvesting effort and observations through one of the online questionnaires. All information gathered will help inform future harvest planning.

All successful harvesting reports will be shared between the Consultation Office lead staff and the MNR representative on a weekly basis until the last closing date of the harvest season. The MNR representative shall, on an ongoing basis, report to the Consultation Office staff lead any moose, elk, or deer harvested by Algonquin or other harvesters not harvesting under this agreement.

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MNR CONFISCATED MOOSE OR ELK

Any moose, elk, or deer that are confiscated by the MNR from the AOO Harvest Season or from the provincial Resident Hunt within the Settlement Area that is not required for ongoing enforcement investigations, will be provided to the appropriate AOO community representative.
Confiscated moose or elk from the provincial Resident Hunt relinquished by the MNR to the AOO do not require an AOO tag to receive the confiscated animal.
Any confiscated moose or elk that were harvested during the AOO Harvest Season by an Algonquin harvesting under this HMP will be tagged and be recorded as a harvested animal under this HMP for reporting purposes

MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT

The Algonquins and the MNR will cooperate in monitoring and enforcement under the terms of this HMP. The MNR will assist the Algonquins in enforcing this agreement throughout the AOO Settlement Area where applicable.
Should the AOO Consultation Office receive inquiries from the MNR requesting a harvester's personal information to verify the identity of an AOO member (e.g., name, address, and telephone number) the AOO Consultation Office will not provide the information. The AOO Consultation Office will immediately notify the respective ANR of the inquiry for their action and follow-up with the MNR

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 5:00PM
(AUGUST 7th, 2026)

The 2024-2025 Moose Harvest and Elk Harvest Draw will take place on:
(AUGUST 21st, 2026)
At 11:00AM

Applications should be mailed or e-mailed to:

Mailing Address: 26596B Hwy 62, L'Amable Ont. K0L 2L0.

Email: Harvest@kijichomanito.com or
Community@kijichomanito.com

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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MOOSE & ELK HARVEST

MOOSE DRAW APPLICATIONS:

1. Select a WMU for the moose harvest
   a) WMU Option 1 is the applicant's first choice for an area to harvest moose.

   b) WMU Option 2 is the applicant's second choice for an area to harvest moose. This will be used when all first-choice applicants in a WMU are filled.

2. For Moose Bull and Cow Rifle Tags, a minimum of six Algonquin citizen names are required on the tag application, 5 of which must be members of KMM.
3. For the moose bow harvest outside Algonquin Park, two names are required on each Bow Tag application. Note, harvesters participating in the moose bow harvest are not eligible to apply for a tag in the moose rifle harvest but may participate in the moose rifle harvest with those holding the appropriate tag.
4. Only one Adult Moose Tag per household.
5. All applicants must be 16 years of age or older to apply for any tag.
6. All applicants who were not successful in acquiring a tag last year will be in pool A this year. All Successful adult moose tag applicants from last year will be in pool B this year. Pool A applicants will be drawn first in each WMU. Any remaining tags will be drawn using applicants from pool B. Any successful tag holders from last year listed on your application, will move your application to pool B. Applicants that receive a tag this year will be in pool B next year, unsuccessful applicants this year will be moved to pool A next year.
7. Tags will be drawn by alternating Bull, then Cow for both within and outside Algonquin Park.
8. Anyone not receiving an Adult Moose Tag will be eligible for a Moose Calf Tag. Calf Tags will only be provided upon request from your ANR and they will be limited in number.
9. One name is required on each Calf Tag application. Calf Tags are used for both the rifle and bow harvests of calf moose.
10. Only those who apply and return the applicable application by the due date will be allowed to participate in this year's community tag draws.
11. Individuals are eligible to apply for both Elk tags and Moose tags but can only be a successful tag holder in either moose or elk, not both.
12. Tag holders must complete mandatory reporting provided with tag.

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1. For Elk Bull and Cow rifle tags, six Algonquin citizen names are required per tag application.
2. There are **no** calf Elk tags.
3. There are no WMU selections when applying for an elk tag.

***Your rights do not protect you if you choose to hunt in an unsafe manner. ***

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ADULT MOOSE RIFLE APPLICATION

Minimum of 6 Applicants per Adult Tag

1) Name_____ **Date of Birth**_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____ **Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____ **ID #** _____

Email_____

2)Name_____ **Date of Birth.**

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____ **Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____ **ID #** _____

Email_____

3) Name_____ **Date of Birth.**

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____ **Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____ **ID #** _____

Email_____

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4)Name_____

Date of Birth_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____

Email_____

5)Name_____ **Date of Birth.**

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____

Email_____

6)Name_____ **Date of Birth.**

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____

Email_____

Please Check **ONLY** one WMU per option:

☐ 48 ☐ 51 (Algonquin Park) ☐ 54 (Algonquin Park) ☐55A ☐ 55B
☐57 ☐ 58 ☐ 59 ☐ 61 ☐ 62 ☐ 63 (A&B)

Option two:

☐ 48 ☐ 51 (Algonquin Park) ☐ 54 (Algonquin Park) ☐55A ☐ 55B
☐57 ☐ 58 ☐ 59 ☐ 61 ☐ 62 ☐ 63 (A&B)

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Calf Moose Application

1 Applicant per Calf Tag

1) Name_____ **Date of Birth**

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Address_____ **Postal Code**

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Phone # _____ **Community**_____**ID #** _____

Email_____

Note: *Only portions of WMU's as reflected on the Algonquins of Ontario Settlement Area Harvest Map, 2026-2027*

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Adult Moose Bow Draw Application

(Bow) Minimum 2 Applicants per Adult Tag

1) **Name**_____

Date of Birth_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____ **Email**_____

_____

2)Name_____

Date of Birth_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____ **Email**_____

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Elk Draw Application

(Rifle) Minimum 6 Applicants per Elk Tag

Note: there isn't WMU selections for Elk

1)Name_____

Date of Birth_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____ **Email**_____

2) Name_____

Date of Birth_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____ **Email**_____

3) Name_____

Date of Birth_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____ **Email**_____

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4) **Name**_____

Date of Birth_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____ **Email**_____

5) **Name**_____

Date of Birth_____

Address_____ **Postal Code**

_____**Phone #** _____ **Community**

_____**ID #** _____ **Email**_____

6) **Name**_____

Date of Birth_____

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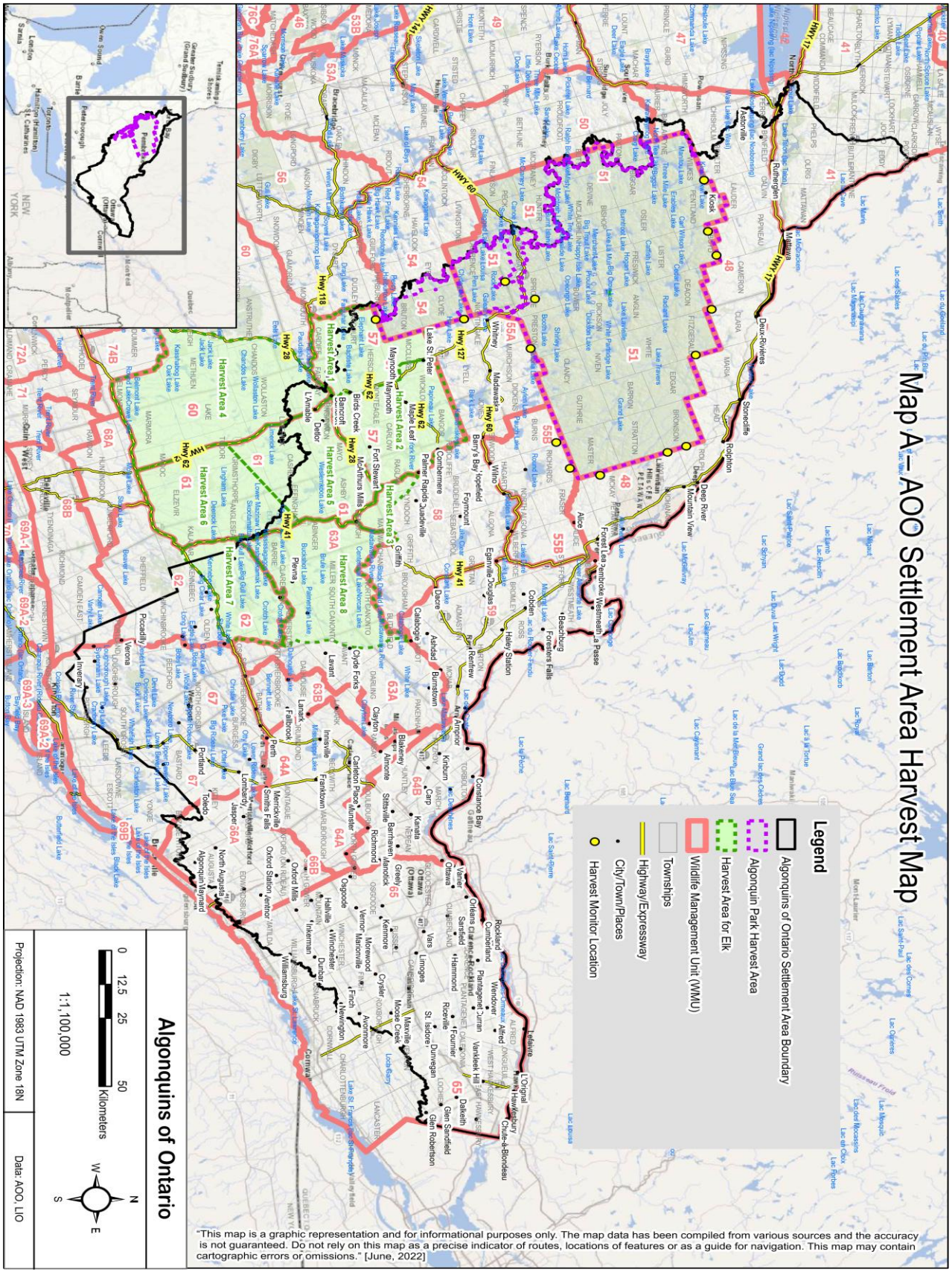

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