

Off Reservation Reseeding purchases

Fond du Lac Natural Resources will be purchasing up to 17,000 pounds of seed for restoration projects underway in the St. Louis River Estuary and Wild Rice Lake on the Fond du Lac Reservation. A limited opportunity will be available to tribal manoomin harvesters to sell green manoomin from lakes and rivers outside of the Fond du Lac Reservation. **Beginning Saturday 8/28/21** tribal harvesters can come to the Fond du Lac Resource Management garage at 38 University Road, Cloquet, MN from 12:00PM to 5:00 PM to have their wild rice weighed and inspected. Upon completion of inspection, harvesters will be given a receipt for payment at \$4/lb. Harvesters will then cross the parking area to a secured facility for payment.

All harvesters from the Fond du lac Band, 1854 Treaty Authority Bands (*Grand Portage and Bois Forte*) and Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC) Bands (*Mille Lacs, Red Cliff, Bad River, St. Croix, Lac Courte Oreilles, Lac du Flambeau, Mole Lake, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Lac Vieux Desert, and Bay Mills*) will be eligible to sell their green rice.

Please note that when the reseeded quota of 17,000 pounds is reached this opportunity will end.

All manoomin will be inspected for cleanliness and seed viability.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic we ask that all harvesters follow the posted protocols at Fond du Lac Reservation facilities that require the use of a mask and appropriate social distancing.

We appreciate your contribution to this effort to restore manoomin in the Ceded Territories. Please watch for announcements related to the start and ending of this opportunity on the Fond du Lac Reservation website www.fdlrez.com and on our Facebook page.