

May 22, 2024

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Via Email: jacqueline.qaqqasig@sac-isc.gc.ca

Re: Proposed Addition to Reserve, Sipekne'katik File# 5600-30-06070-A1 GCdocs# 124346733

Dear Ms. MacDonald:

The Municipality of the District of East Hants has reviewed your letter dated April 9, 2024, in regards to the proposed Addition to Reserve, Sipekne'katik First Nation.

We understand your office received a request for addition to reserve by way of a Band Council Resolution to add PID 45098829 to Indian Brook IR No. 14. East Hants Municipal Council fully supports the request from Sipekne'katik First Nation.

Council would appreciate being consulted on any adjoining land use items or concerns as they arise, in particular any proposed development of commercial or environmentally sensitive nature. The Municipality is supportive of discussing cross boundary land use, community building, and any other development items as may be required under the proposed Addition to Reserve.

We look forward to working with Sipekne'katik and Indigenous Services Canada, acknowledging your reference to the "good neighbour" approach of good will, good faith, and reasonableness. Further, we commit to working collaboratively in the spirit of reconciliation and to advance our nation-to-nation relationship.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact Kim Ramsay, CAO on our behalf. Ms. Ramsay can be contacted at cao@easthants.ca or 902-883-6217.

Best regards,

Eleanor Roulston, Warden

Cc: Council of Sipekne'katik

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