

CLOSURE ORDER **Hunting and Gathering** **(Light the Way 5k)**

Scope:

The Pokagon Band Hunting and Gathering Code (“Code”) and the Hunting and Gathering Rules and Regulations (“Regulations”) regulate natural resource activities, including hunting and gathering, within Pokagon Band land. Under Section 2.04(b) of the Code, if Kowabdanawa odë kè concludes that to protect natural resources or public safety, it is necessary to close all or a portion of a hunting, fishing, or gathering unit, Kowabdanawa odë kè may develop and recommend a draft closure order to Tribal Council.

On October 23, 2023, through Resolution No. 23-10-23-04, the Tribal Council approved this Closure Order. This Closure Order shall remain in effect from 2:00 pm until 8:30 pm on Friday, November 3, 2023 (“Closed Period”).

This Closure Order closes to all hunting, fishing, and gathering within the area depicted in Figure 1 (“Closed Area”). Accordingly, during the Closed Period, no person shall hunt, fish, or gather in the Closed Area.

Reasons:

The Pokagon Band, through Pokagon Health Services, is sponsoring the Light the Way 5k within the Closed Area during the Closed Period. This Closure Order is necessary to help ensure public safety within the Closed Area during the Closed Period.

Band Law:

This Closure Order changes the Hunting, Fishing, and Gathering Units located within the Pokagon Band’s Rodgers Lake property, as depicted in Figure 1. To the fullest extent permitted under federal law, all persons who engage in natural resource activities within Pokagon Band land, including hunting, fishing, and gathering, are subject to applicable law, including Pokagon Band law. Any person who violates any applicable law, including this Closure Order, may be subject to criminal and civil penalties.

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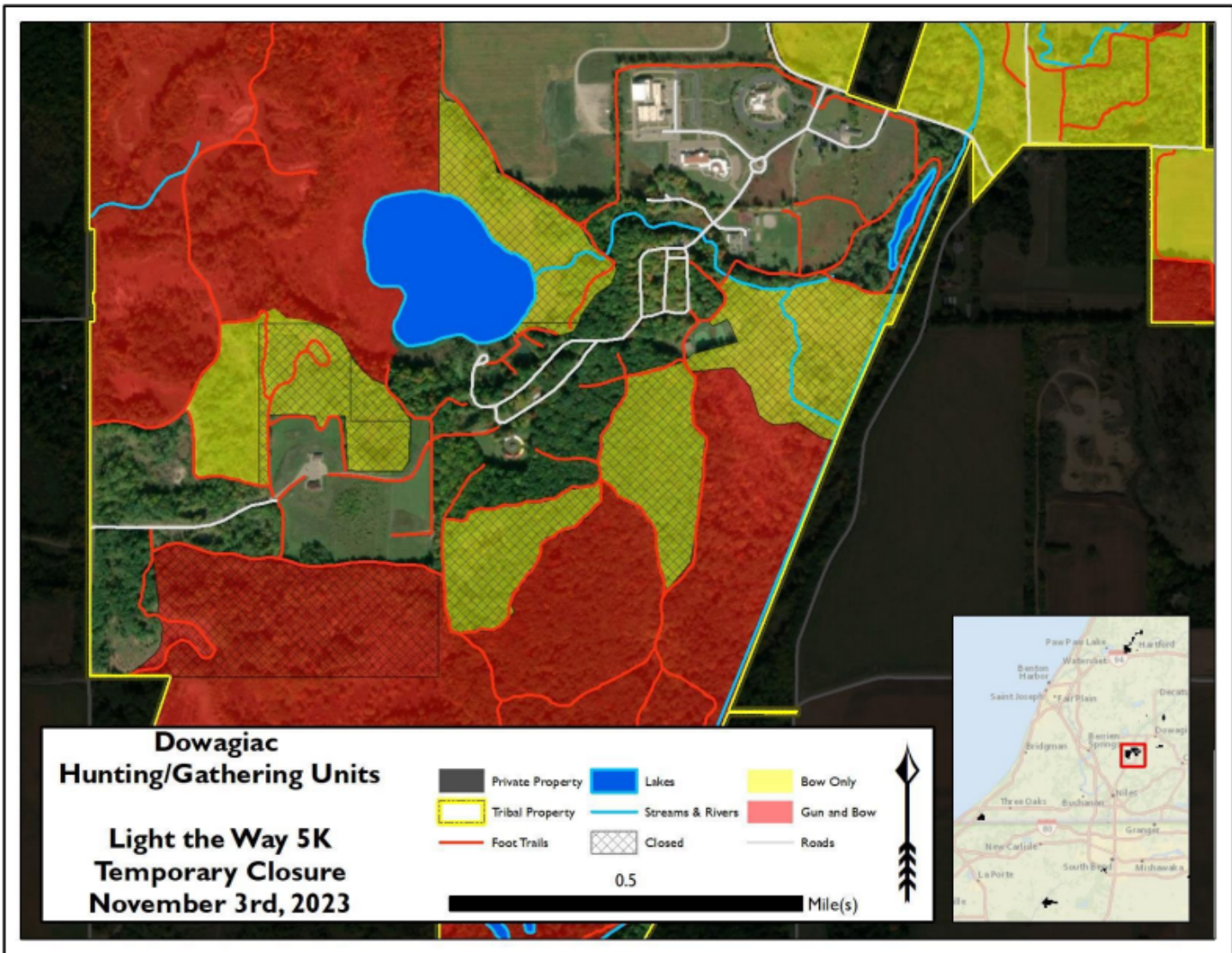


Figure 1. The Light the Way 5k, including set up, is being held from 2:00 pm until 8:30 pm on Friday, November 3, 2023 within the areas identified with crosshatching on the above map, and therefore, such areas are **closed to all hunting and gathering** during this period even though these areas are currently designated as hunting areas.