### Job opportunities

# To build Keeyask, workers are needed in:

- Designated trades, such as electricians, iron and reinforcing workers, carpenters and other licensed, skilled trades;
- Non-designated trades, such as heavy equipment operators, truck drivers, labourers, etc;
- Support services such as clerks, cooks/catering personnel and security, among others; and
- Professional engineers, geologists, engineering technicians and surveyors.

## How to get hired

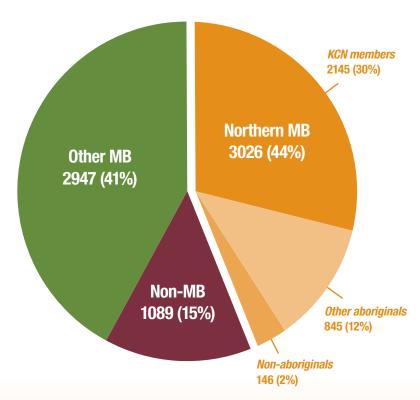
#### 1. Job Referral System

All craft/trade applicants must use the Keeyask Job Referral Service (JRS) at **gov.mb.ca/jrs/Keeyask** or call toll-free **1-866-332-5077**.

There is a Keeyask JRS office in Thompson at North Centre Mall, 118-3 Station Road, Thompson, MB R8N 0N3.

For employment and training inquiries, call **204-677-6544** or toll-free **1-866-332-5077**.

# Keeyask Project breakdown of total hires\* April 2016



\* Total hires = 7172 (based on contractor data received from June 1, 2009 to April 30, 2016)

Total aboriginal hires = 3855 (54% of total hires)

#### 2. Job Seeker Managers

You can also contact a Job Seeker Manager through an authorized community registration agency, if you are a member of:

- Fox Lake Cree Nation at 204-486-2463
- Tataskweyak Cree Nation at 204-342-5054
- War Lake First Nation at 204-288-4315
- York Factory First Nation at 204-341-2236

# 3. Keeyask Cree Nation (KCN) Businesses

Keeyask Cree Nation members and all Northern Manitoba Aboriginals can be directly hired by KCN businesses working on the Project. Contact your local Job Seeker Manager or visit

www.hydro.mb.ca/projects/keeyask/tenders.shtml

#### 4. Training Opportunities

Interested in becoming a trainee?
Training opportunities are currently available for the following positions:

- Heavy equipment operators;
- Trade apprentices;
- Utility workers;
- Office clerks; and
- Security officers.

Future training opportunities include emergency medical responders, and catering/janitorial/housekeeping.

For more information on training opportunities contact the Keeyask Job Referral System or go to your local Job Seeker Manager.

For more information on the Keeyask Project, visit www.hydro.mb.ca/projects/keeyask or keeyask.com/wp

Have a business? To be considered for future tendering opportunities, register your business with Manitoba Hydro at: www.hydro.mb.ca/selling\_to\_mh/vendor\_information.shtml

# **KEEYASK**

Project Manager Update



Spring 2016

A publication on behalf of Manitoba Hydro as the Keeyask Project Manager

# AGE sub-committee info sessions reach out to communities

Construction of the Keeyask Generating Station requires a strong workforce. As of April 2016, 436 KCN members were actively working on the Project, which is approximately 25 per cent of the current workforce.

As the Project enters the next phase of construction this spring, additional workers with different skills will be needed. The AGE sub-committee, which includes KCN community members, is working hard to reach out to community members to fill those jobs.

One way the sub-committee is actively recruiting is through information sessions. Since November, the committee has held 10 sessions throughout the province in all KCN communities, Thompson, Gillam, Churchill and Winnipeg.

"In the sessions, participants had the opportunity to meet with the contractors working at site; learn about the work at Keeyask; apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs; and life at Keeyask Camp," said Rita Spence, Manitoba Hydro Project Site Liaison. "Individuals meet one-on-one with community Job Seeker Managers (JSM) to ensure their registration in the Province of Manitoba's Job Referral Service is current and up to date."

See back page for JSM contact information.

Bev Wastesicoot started with Amisk Construction Joint Venture in November. She said her Keeyask experience has been very worthwhile.

"It's important for our members to gain experience to further themselves," said Bev, a resident of Split Lake. "It makes me feel good to help."

Bev assists with recruitment in Tataskweyak Cree Nation. She helps community members with resumes, checks references, and provides transportation to information sessions.

Theresa Beardy, Operational Jobs Coordinator for York Factory, has proudly watched her two sons work at Keeyask.

"My son, Nicholas, started in housekeeping, moved to commissary and is now an assistant manager. He's been there for a little over a year," said Theresa. "My other son works for BBE, as a welder. I'm so proud of them both."

Theresa's sons are her motivation to look for new opportunities for herself.

"I'm still working to make me better," said Theresa. "That's why I took on becoming a jobs coordinator – to keep achieving and help others achieve their goals. I think when you have parents, or grandparents and Elders saying, you can do this too – that the youth will see that and keep working towards their dreams."



Bev Wastesicoot helps Tataskweyak Cree Nation members learn more about opportunities on the Keeyask Project. Working with individuals, she helps Amisk with recruitment and contracts and has found her experience to be very worthwhile.



## Keeyask Generating **Station Project Timeline**





September

2015

December

2015

**January** 

2016







Powerhouse excavation - view of north wall

2018

2017

Keeyask Infrastructure Project 2012 2013 2014 2015

Site re-vegetation underway soon

For the construction of the Keeyask Generating Station and the access roads, areas were cleared for temporary work areas and camps and to access sand, rock and clay that lies below the surface.

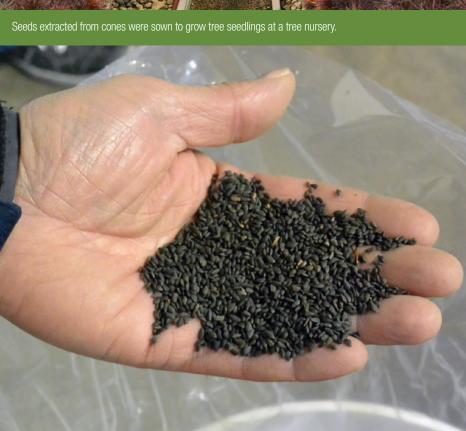
With a helping hand, most of these areas will be returned to nature.

This spring, three of these areas referred to as borrow pits - that are no longer needed for construction will be planted with jack pine seedlings.

Jack pine and black spruce cones were harvested in February 2015 by KCN members. Seeds were extracted from cones at a tree nursery and then the seeds were sown to grow tree seedlings.

This June, approximately 200,000 jack pine seedlings will be planted. In the coming years, additional tree planting will take place in areas no longer required for construction.





# Transportation and safety improvements to Provincial Road (PR) 280

Work to improve PR280 between Thompson and Gillam continues. Some of the upcoming work in 2016 includes:

- clean-up on the 22 kilometre (km) section of road west of the Split Lake access:
- re-construction of an additional 10 km section of road west of the Split Lake access; and
- spot grade improvements between the Split Lake access and Keeyask Access Road.

Construction of the South Access Road is also underway. The 35 kilometre (km) South Access Road (SAR) will connect the Town of Gillam to the Keeyask Generating Station site.



Slowing down in road construction zones and atching for construction vehicles is crucial

Work started in January 2015 under a Direct Negotiated Contract (DNC) with a Joint Venture (JV) partnership between Tataskweyak Cree Nation and War Lake First Nation operating as the Cree Nation Partners (CNP), and Sigfusson Northern.

Safety along these roads is reliant on users travelling at safe driving speeds and being courteous of others on the road. See sidebar for safe travel tips.

## Keeyask Project site tours

The Keeyask construction team encourages visits of the Project site as the construction progresses.

As partners, it is important you have the opportunity to see the work going on. Site Liaison officers can help set up a tour.

To arrange a tour, please contact:

Blair Burdett, Site Liaison Lead 204-471-3025 bburdett@hydro.mb.ca

Rita Spence, Site Liaison Officer 204-794-3347 rspence@hydro.mb.ca.

# Safe travel on **Provincial Road** (PR) 280 and **PR290**

2019

2020

- Reduce your speed when approaching hills or objects that obstruct your view, such as bushes, trees, etc.
- When approaching a vehicle, reduce your speed and move as far right as possible to let the other vehicle pass.
- Slow down in the road construction zones - it's the law.
- Watch for construction workers on or near the roadway.
- Always follow the flag person's directions in the road construction work areas.
- Drive with your headlights on during the daytime.
- Always drive to the conditions of the road.