

The Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

By-law 23-1707

Being a By-law to Regulate the Discharge of Firearms, Air-guns, Spring-guns, Cross-bows, Long-bows or any Class or Type Thereof within the Municipality of Temagami Catchment Area

Whereas pursuant to Section 119 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, c.25 as amended, the Councils of Municipalities may pass By-laws for the purpose of public safety, for prohibiting or regulating the discharge of guns or other firearms, air-guns, spring-guns, cross-bows, long-bows or any class or type thereof in the Municipality or in any defined area thereof;

Whereas it is deemed expedient for the purposes of public safety, to prohibit the discharge of guns or other firearms, air-guns, spring-guns, cross-bows, long-bows or any class or type thereof within defined areas of the Municipality of Temagami;

Whereas this By-law shall be referred to as the "**Discharge of Firearms Bylaw**".

Now Therefore the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami hereby enacts as follows:

1.0 Definitions

Air-rifle, and Archery Tackle means a low pressured rifle/bow used for taking small game animals.

Ammunition means a supply or quantity of bullets and shells.

Archery Bow means the bow and arrow is a ranged weapon system consisting of an elastic launching device (bow) and long-shafted projectiles (arrows). Archery is the art, practice, or skill of using bows to shoot arrows.

Bullets a metal projectile for firing from a rifle, revolver, or other small firearm, typically cylindrical and pointed and sometimes containing an explosive.

Centre Fire Rifle means a high-powered rifle capable of taking large game animals.

Council means the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami.

Firearm means any gun or other firearm, air-gun, pellet gun, spring-gun, shotgun, cross bow, long-bow, and any other barreled weapon from which any shot, bullet, missile or other projectile may be discharged.

Municipal Law Enforcement Officer means a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or By-law Enforcement Officer for the Municipality of Temagami.

Officer means a Police Officer of the Ontario Provincial Police Service and includes a constable with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer and a By-Law Enforcement Officer for the Municipality of Temagami, a Conservation Officer or a Deputy Conservation Officer of the Ministry of Natural Resources, and any other person authorized to enforce the Ontario Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, R.S.O. 1997, or the Firearms Act, R.S.C., 1995, c.39.

Paintball Gun means an air-gun used in the game of paintball; designated to simulate a semi-automatic air-gun, air-rifle, that propels a projectile by compressed air.

Paintball for the purpose of this By-law means a capsule of paint used in the game of paintball.

2.0 General Regulations

2.1 The Schedule(s) attached to this By-law are an integral part of it.

2.2 No person shall discharge any gun or other firearm, air-gun, spring-gun, cross-bow, long-bow, compound bow or any class or type thereof within that portion of the Municipality of Temagami as outlined in the attached Schedule "A";

2.3 Nothing in this by-law shall be interpreted as reducing or eliminating the need for full compliance with the provisions of all applicable Federal and Provincial statutes and regulations relating to firearms.

3.0 Exemptions

3.1 Exemption to this By-Law shall be provided to the following;

3.2 Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or a By Law Enforcement Officer for the Municipality of Temagami authorized and in the actual and bona fide performance of his or her duties.

- 3.3** A Police Officer when duly authorized and in the actual and bona fide performance of his or her duties.
- 3.4** A staff member of the Correctional Services of Canada.
- 3.5** An inspector or agent of the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals when duly authorized and in the actual and bona fide performance of his or her duties.
- 3.6** A Conservation Officer or a Deputy Conservation Officer of the Ministry of Natural Resources, and any other person authorized to enforce the Ontario Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, R.S.O. 1997, or the Firearms Act, R.S.C. 1995, c.39.
- 3.7** Exemption to this By-Law may be provided by Approval of Council for the following:
- 3.7.1** Indoor or outdoor recreational activities relating to use of air guns and spring guns with a muzzle velocity not exceeding 152.4m/second.
 - 3.7.2** Indoor or outdoor recreational activities relating to use of cross-bows and long bows and compound bows.
 - 3.7.3** Shows or exhibits selling or displaying any classes of firearms intended to be discharged, as approved by the Chief Firearms Officer of Ontario.

4.0 Administration

Police Officers, and where appropriate, the Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officers are responsible for enforcing the provisions of this by-law.

5.0 Offences

Every person who contravenes any of the provisions, of this By-Law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine or penalty as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act, 1990.

6.0 Penalty

Every person(s) who is convicted of an offence under this By-law is liable to a fine as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act, R.S. O. 1990, Chap. p.33.

7.0 Severability

If any part or part of a provision of this By-law is declared by any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or inoperative, in whole or in part, or inoperative in particular circumstances, the balance of the By-law or its application in any other circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue to be in full force and effect.

8.0 Effective Date

This By-law shall come into force and effect upon the Third and Final Reading hereof.

9.0 Repeals

This By-law hereby rescinds By-law 92.297.

Read a First and Second Time this 9th Day of November 2023.

Read a Third and Finally Passed this 9th Day of November 2023.

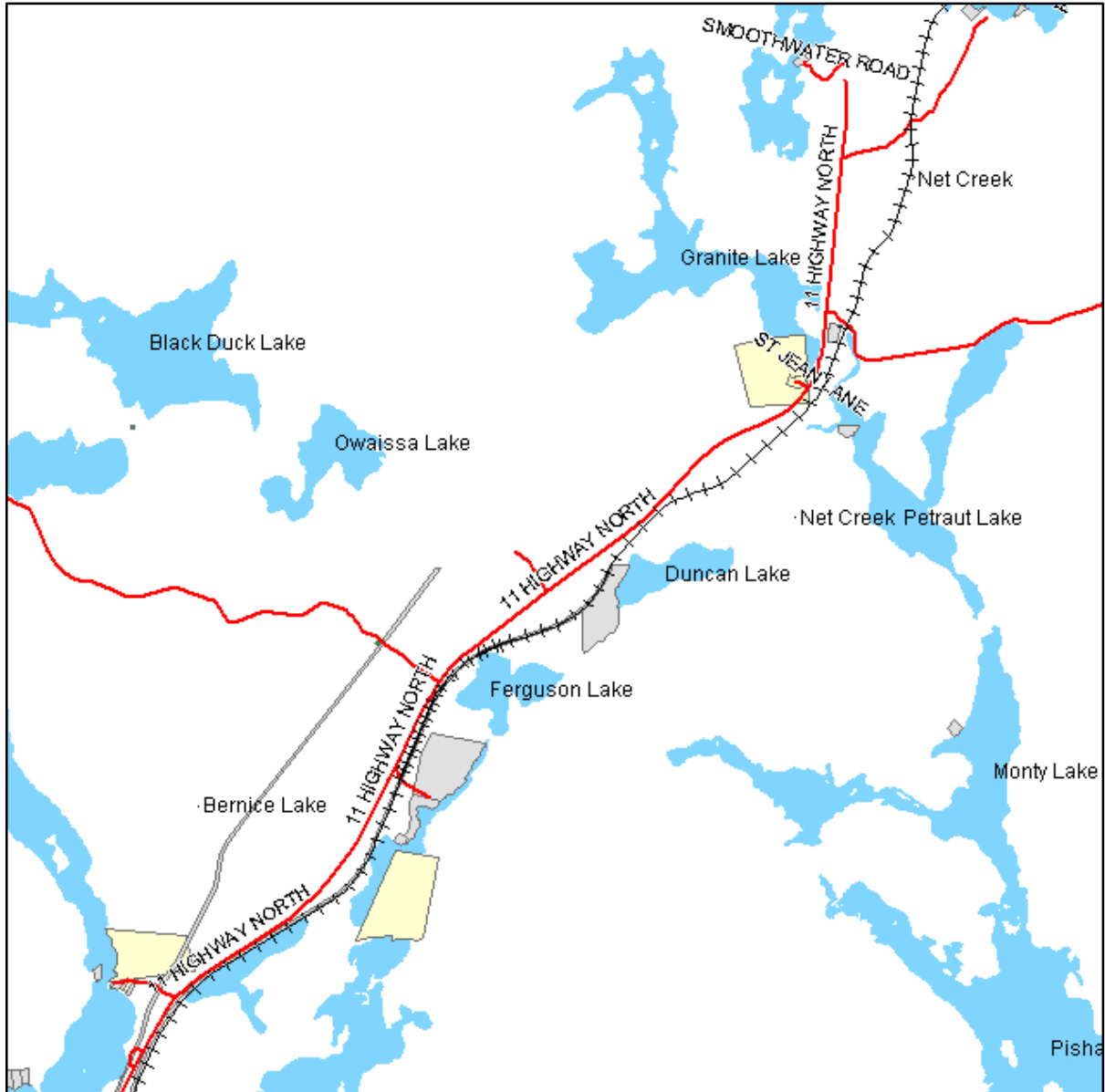
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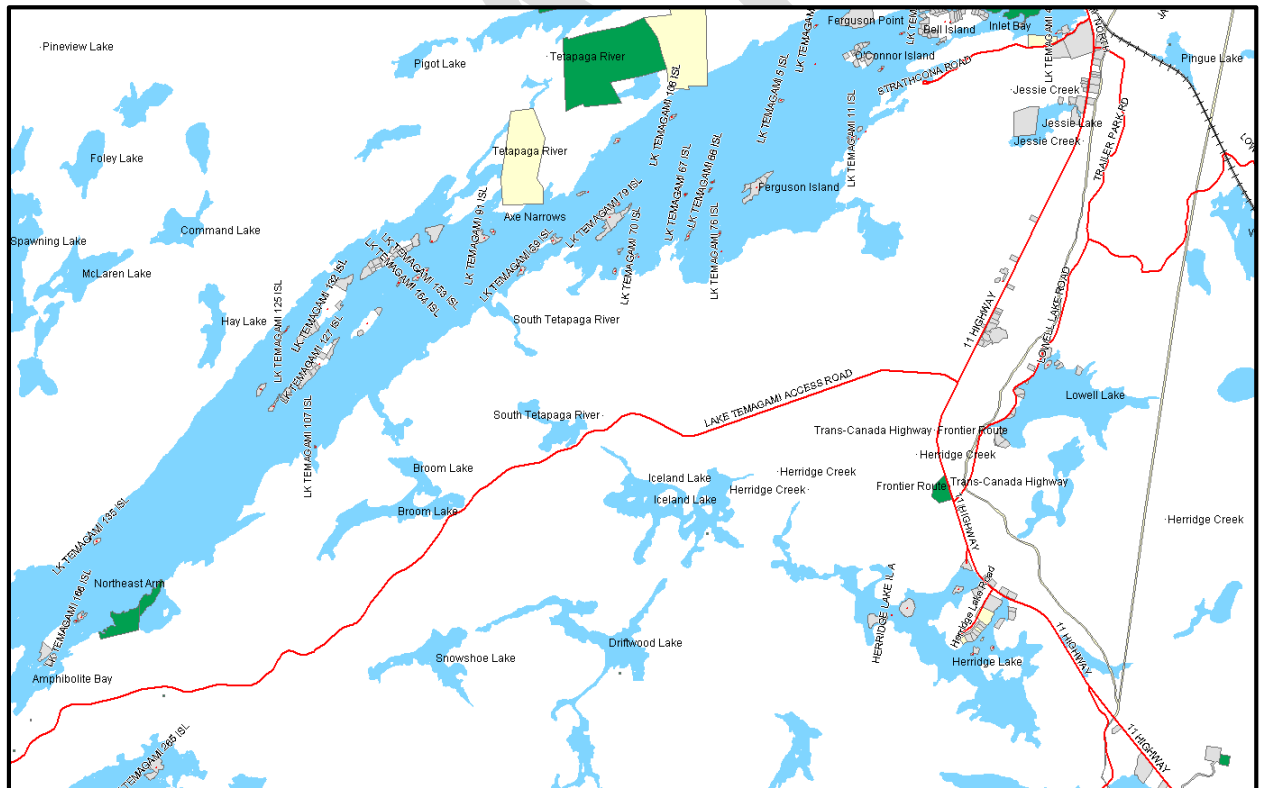
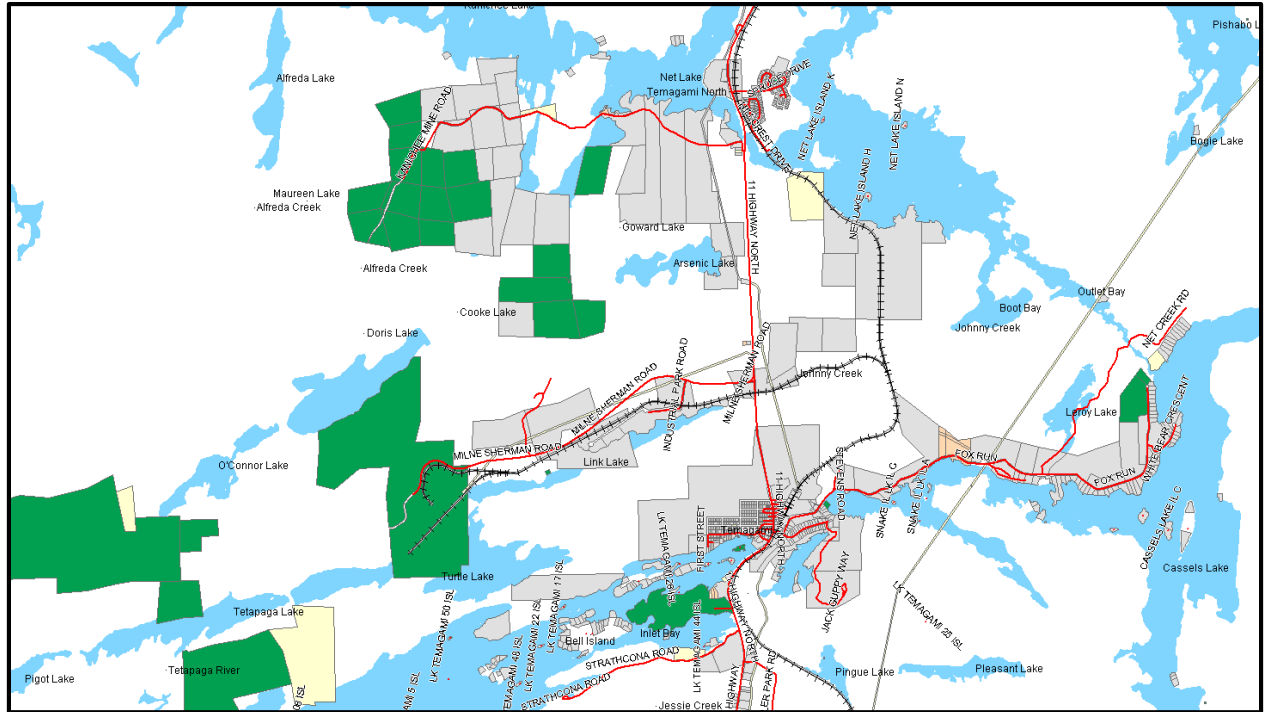
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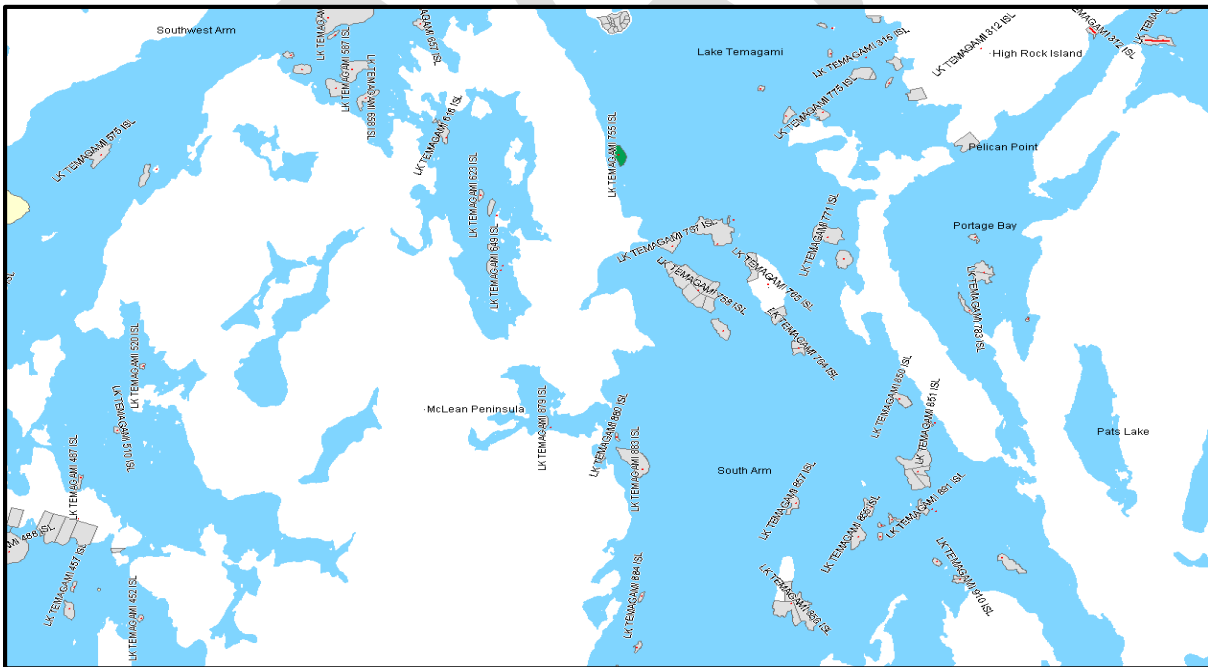
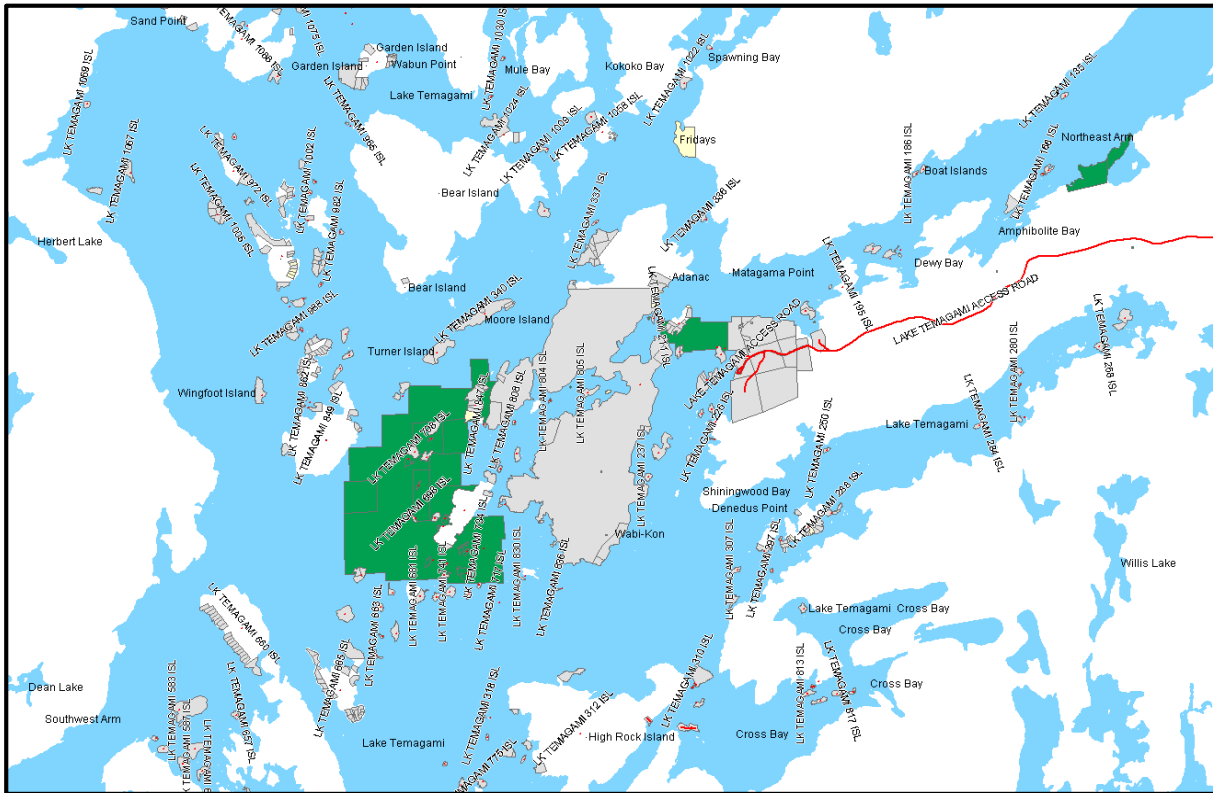
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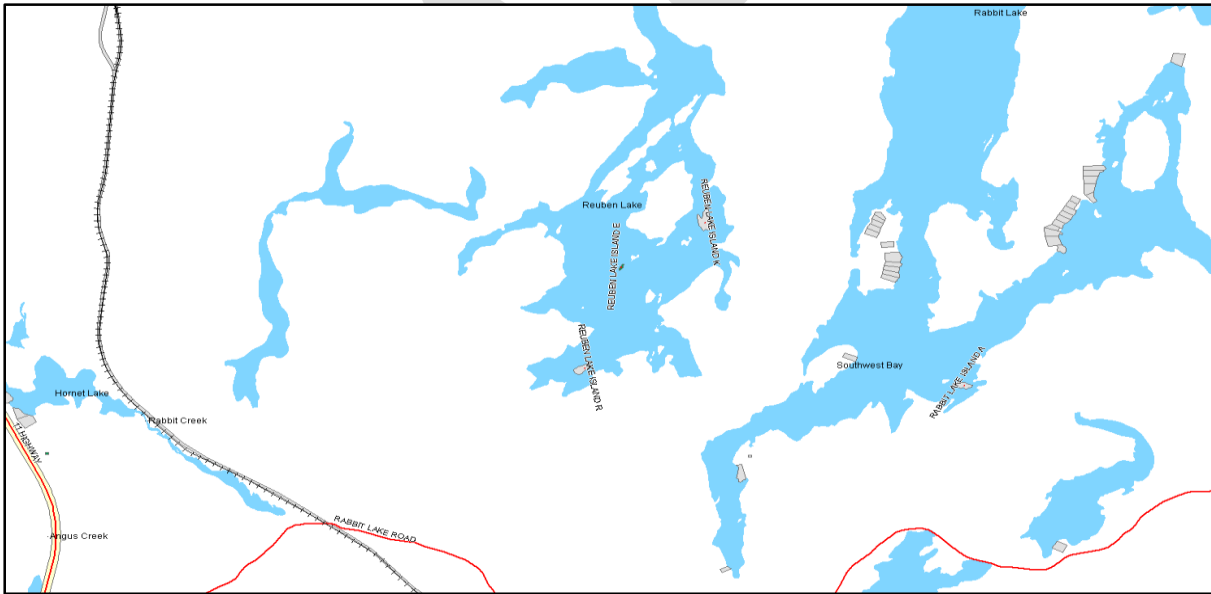
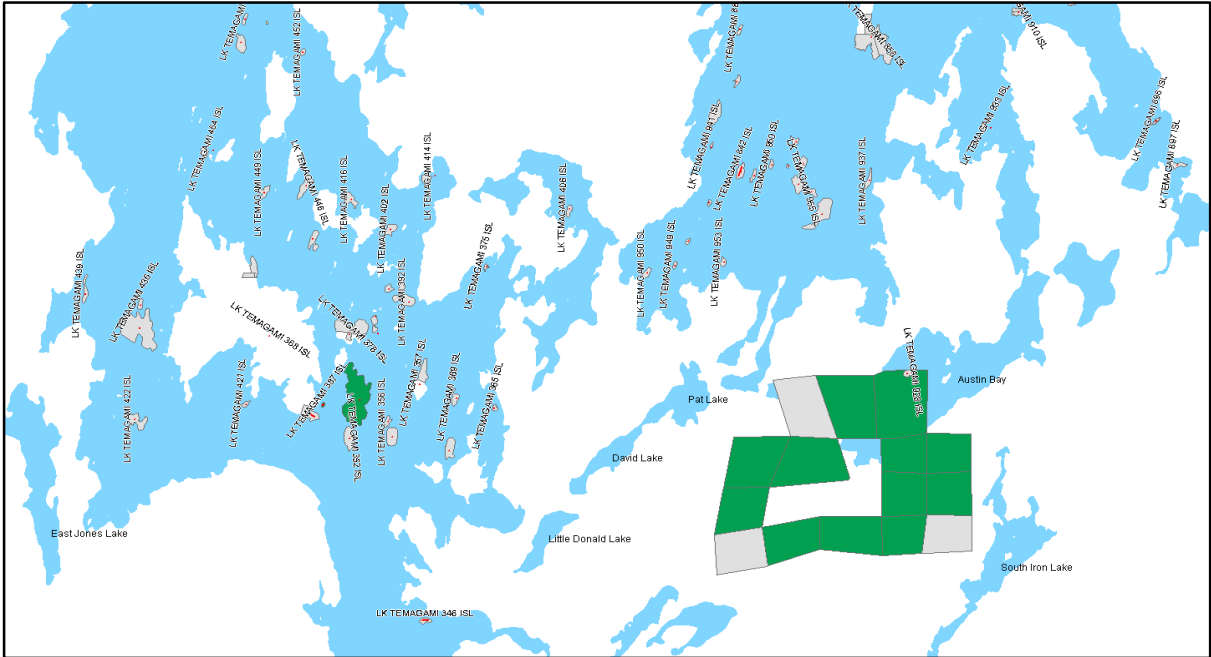
For the purpose of public safety that no fire-arms as described in this By-law shall be discharged within an area of 400 meters from any residence, building, Municipal or privately-owned land within the Temagami catchment area as outlined in the maps below.



-  Flagged Parcel
-  Privately Owned
-  Ministry of Natural Resources







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