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His Worship Dan O'Mara  
Mayor  
Municipality of Temagami  
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Dear Mayor O'Mara: *DAN,*

It was a pleasure to meet with your delegation at this year's Rural Ontario Municipal Association meeting.

I appreciate learning about your community's concerns regarding Crown land issues. My staff continue to work diligently on finding solutions to the complex situations that could reconcile the mutual interests of all parties involved in these issues.

Thank you for sharing with me that your municipality is working to set up a corporation that could oversee the joint management of the Mine Landing area with Temagami First Nation and Teme-Augama Anishnabai. The ministry looks forward to working with you on this initiative.

Regarding the Temagami Barge litigation, I have asked my ministry's counsel to connect with your municipal counsel to share information and updates on the proceedings.

I encourage you to continue to work with the North Bay District office on these matters. It is important that we continue to collaborate on shared issues to find mutually beneficial solutions.

If you have any further questions, my office is happy to help. Please contact Holly Fullager, Director of Stakeholder Relations, at 437-224-6690 or [holly.fullager@ontario.ca](mailto:holly.fullager@ontario.ca).

Thank you again for meeting with me. I look forward to continuing our work together on issues of mutual concern.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Graydon Smith'.

The Honourable Graydon Smith  
Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry

c: Sabrina Pandolfo, Acting Administrator, Municipality of Temagami  
Holly Fullager, Director of Stakeholder Relations, Minister's Office