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PRESS RELEASE

Design for Recreation Bay remediation now underway

For Immediate Release

(Kahnawake – 27, Seskehkó:wa/September 2016) The Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office (KEPO) is pleased to announce that a project to design the remediation work in the Recreation Bay (also known as Johnson's Beach) is now underway.

Fieldwork will occur between October 11th and 14th.

"While KEPO has been working towards finding solutions to improve the Bay, the current project will help to ensure that the work proposed in the Bay will restore and enhance the area for the long-term," said Environmental Advisor and Project Coordinator Lynn Jacobs. "The project will develop a plan for how to carry out the remediation work while minimizing environmental impacts, assess the quality of the sediment so we can plan for how to deal with the sediment proposed to be removed from the Bay, and determine how much the remediation work will cost."

Preliminary plans are tentatively scheduled to be presented to the community for feedback at an open house in February 2017.

The remediation is being funded through a grant from Environment and Climate Change Canada. The estimated date of completion of the design project is July 2017.

Community members who have any feedback or ideas for the future of the Recreation Bay area can contact the KEPO at 450-635-0600.

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