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## Lack of Land, Land Tenure, and Common Lands survey results

### For Immediate Release

**(Kahnawake – 10 , Kentenhkó:wa/November 2017)** The Lands Unit of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) is publishing the results of the survey to gauge community opinions on 'Lack of Land, Land Tenure, and Common Lands' launched in late August 2017.

One hundred and ninety-six (196) community members took the survey. Trends from the survey results showed that:

- People are still very much in favor of protecting the environment
- The majority of people (56%) felt there should be a limit to how much land one person can have in their name.
- Reaction to the concept of switching from Certificates of Possession (created by the Indian Act) to Community issued 'Kahnawà:ke Land Use Certificates' was positive
- Using common lands for residential development remains people's top priority

"The issue of land locked properties is still a thorn in the side of many community members, and they would like to see it addressed sooner rather than later," said Land Use Planning Coordinator Cole McComber. "This data will be used in the coming months to develop a land-use-plan framework. Niawenhkó:wa to everyone who participated in the survey."

Please note that while not all surveys have press releases, all MCK public surveys are posted online, within one year. To view the complete results of this survey, as well as all previous MCK surveys, visit [www.kahnawake.com/surveys](http://www.kahnawake.com/surveys).

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