



# **NOTICE OF ADVANCE POLLS**

## **OPASKWAYAK CREE NATION**

### ***OFF-RESERVE MEMBERS***

As many are aware, Canada Post is currently experiencing service disruptions due to ongoing negotiations with Canada Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) and potential strike action. It brings concern for delivery of mail in a timely manner. There has been known delays in mail delivery and potential service interruptions. Forest fires are also causing disruptions in areas including northern Manitoba. If a disruption occurs that delays or suspends, mail delivery between the mailing date and the official date of the election on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, it will impede OCN Voters from receiving and/or returning their ballots.

With the ongoing uncertainty, approval has been provided to the Electoral Officer to hold Advance Polls in the more common urban areas within Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. However, please note the mail-out ballot packages will be mailed out to all members who have provided their mailing address.

It is not possible to get to all the areas, and we do apologize. But given the short timeframe from now until Election Day, this is the best course of action at this time. The Electoral Officer encourages members to continue to request the mail-out ballot packages and provide your mailing address as well as your phone number.

Plans have been confirmed to hold Advance Polls as noted per the attached list of urban areas. The Electoral Officer will be traveling to these locations beginning August 26, 2025.

OCN Voters are welcome to drop-off mail-out ballot packages at the listed locations to the Electoral Officer when scheduled in your area. Or you may vote in-person. If you vote in-person at an Advance Poll, your mail-out ballot package will not count.

Please leave your details by phone, text or email to the Electoral Officer:

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OCN Electoral Officer  
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Email: [ocnelections@opaskwayak.ca](mailto:ocnelections@opaskwayak.ca)  
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**Please review the list of Advance Polls locations attached for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.**

**This information is included in the Mail-Out Ballot Packages. Thank you.**