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The Wahta Mohawk Territory is located within the lower portion of the Muskoka River system, with lands encompassing both the Moon River and Musquash River outlets to Georgian Bay (see Figure 4.1 of Final Plan Report). The community recently completed a land claim settlement (February 2005) with the Ontario government, and was provided an additional 3300 ha as part of that settlement (see Attachment E1). The First nation now has a land area of approximately 9300 ha, and a population of about 650.

Three primary consultation opportunities were undertaken with the Wahta Mohawks being:

1. Meeting and discussion with Chief Blaine Commandant and his administrative assistant on August 30, 2002 to identify issues and concerns related to the current operation of the Muskoka River system. Minutes of the meeting are contained in Attachment E2.
2. Inclusion of Chief Commandant as a member of the Steering Committee for the plan. Draft and final reports (Options Report, Draft Plan Report, Final Plan Report) were provided to Chief Commandant for review and comment as they were completed. Chief Commandant will continue as a Steering Committee member during the implementation of the plan.
3. An Open House at the community on November 30, 2005 to present proposed operating plans and strategies proposed within the Draft Plan report. Presentation material prepared for the public open houses of October, 2004 was utilized, and copies of the Draft Plan were provided for review. The following Planning Team and Steering Committee members attended as resource personnel:
 - Bob McEwen, OPG, Planning Team
 - John Mattinson, Orillia Power, Steering Committee
 - Bob Liscombe, Orillia Power, Planning Team
 - Kim Benner, MNR, Planning Team
 - Dwayne Pamajewon, MNR, First Nation Liaison Officer.

With the exception of Chief Commandant, no community members attended the open house.

Attachment E1

Land Claim Settlement Map

Attachment E2

**Minutes of Meeting
August 30, 2002**