

### Provincial Services Contact Information for Unincorporated Municipalities

Program	Ministry/Agency	Contact Information
<b>Provincial Land Tax Levy:</b> For information on your Provincial Land Tax Bill, or property assessment.	Ministry of Finance	Website: <a href="http://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/tax/plt/faq_individuals.html">http://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/tax/plt/faq_individuals.html</a> Toll Free : 1-866-668-8297
	City of Thunder Bay	Taxpayers can contact the Provincial Land Tax Office in Thunder Bay with any questions relating to their PLT accounts, payments, tax certificates, billing or any other general inquiries: Address: Provincial Land Tax, PO Box 58, Thunder Bay ON P7C 0A5 Local Calls: 625-2122 Toll Free: 1-866-400-2122 Email: <a href="mailto:plt@thunderbay.ca">plt@thunderbay.ca</a>
<b>Property Assessment:</b> Information on the assessment of your property on which the Provincial Land Tax and other taxes are levied.	Municipal Property Assessment Corporation	Website: <a href="http://www.mpac.on.ca">www.mpac.on.ca</a> Address: PO Box 10578, Station P, 1001 William St., Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6T9 Phone: 1-866-296-6722
<b>Livestock and Poultry Damages:</b> If your livestock or poultry are injured or killed by dogs or wildlife, you may be eligible for compensation from the Province. There are eligibility requirements.	Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)	Website: <a href="http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/livestock/predation/owdcover.htm">http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/livestock/predation/owdcover.htm</a> Address : 1 Stone Road West, Guelph, ON N1G 4Y2 Phone : 1-877-424-1300 Email: <a href="mailto:ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca">ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca</a>
<b>Bee and Beehive Damage:</b> If your bees or beehives or related equipment are damaged by bears, you may be eligible for compensation from the Province. There are eligibility requirements.	Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)	Website: <a href="http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/food/inspection/bees/honeybeedamage.htm">http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/food/inspection/bees/honeybeedamage.htm</a> Phone: 1-888-466-2372 extension 6-3508
<b>Septic Systems:</b> If you need to install or repair a septic system, you require a permit.	Thunder Bay District Health Unit	Website: <a href="http://www.tbdhu.com/EH/SepticAndLand/">http://www.tbdhu.com/EH/SepticAndLand/</a> Address: 999 Balmoral Street, Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6E7 Phone: (807) 625-5900
<b>Building Permits:</b> Landowners are exempt from the requirement to obtain a building permit, but builders must follow the Ontario Building Code.	Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH), Building and Development Branch	Website: <a href="http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page7393.aspx">http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page7393.aspx</a> Address: 777 Bay St. 2nd Floor, Toronto, ON M5G 2E5 Phone: 416-585-6666 Email: <a href="mailto:codeinfo@ontario.ca">codeinfo@ontario.ca</a>
<b>Zoning:</b> There are no Zoning or Official Plan requirements in Hardwick, Lybster, Marks, and Strange Townships.		

<p><b>Fence Disputes:</b> Where an owner of land desires to construct, repair or maintain a fence to mark the boundary between the owner's land and adjoining land but the owner and the owner of the adjoining land cannot agree on how the costs of constructing, maintaining or repairing the fence should be apportioned, either owner may notify the Minister that the owner wishes fence viewers to view and arbitrate the dispute</p>	<p>Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH), Municipal Programs and Education Branch</p>	<p>Website: <a href="http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page176.aspx">http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page176.aspx</a> Address : 777 Bay Street, 3rd Floor, Toronto, ON M5G 2E5 Phone: (416) 585-7296 Toll Free: 416-585-7296</p> <p>NOTE: Fence Viewers do not arbitrate disagreements between adjoining landowners about land boundary lines – contact a local land surveyor for assistance on this issue.</p>
<p><b>Livestock Running at Large:</b> No cattle, goat, horse, sheep or swine shall be allowed to run at large in any part of a territorial district not included in an organized municipality. The owner of any cattle, goat, horse, sheep or swine running at large is liable in damages for all injuries committed by such animal or animals, and also is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$300.</p>	<p>Ontario Provincial Police</p>	<p>Thunder Bay Communications Centre: 1-888-310-1122</p>
<p><b>Open Air Burning:</b> There are regulations for open air burning (outdoor fires). Small, confined fires for cooking and warmth, are allowable, but all other fires (burning grass, brush/debris, incinerators) must follow specific rules during the fire season from April 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>.</p>	<p>Ministry of Natural Resources</p>	<p>Website: <a href="http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/regs/english/elaws_regs_960207_e.htm">http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/regs/english/elaws_regs_960207_e.htm</a> No person shall start or tend a fire outdoors outside of a restricted fire zone during the fire season unless all of the following conditions are met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The person is burning piled wood, brush, leaves or discarded wood by-products.</li> <li>2. A responsible person is available to tend the fire until it is extinguished.</li> <li>3. The material is burned in a single pile that is less than two metres in diameter and less than two metres high.</li> <li>4. <b>The fire is started not earlier than two hours before sunset, and is extinguished not later than two hours after sunrise the following day, or earlier.</b></li> <li>5. The fire is at least two metres from any flammable materials.</li> <li>6. The person tending the fire has tools or water adequate to contain the fire within the fire site</li> </ol>
<p><b>Other Services:</b> Information and referral to community and social services in Thunder Bay.</p>	<p>Various Agencies</p>	<p>Website: <a href="http://www.211ontarionorth.ca">www.211ontarionorth.ca</a> (Thunder Bay Area) or <a href="http://www.211ontario.ca">www.211ontario.ca</a> (Ontario) Phone: 211; 211 is an up-to-date, accessible, searchable database that provides comprehensive access to information about social, community, health and government services.</p>