
Loon Straits

Community Overview

History

Loon Straits is located on the east shore of Lake Winnipeg diagonally opposite Washow Bay and about 50 kilometres (km) north of Manigotagan.

Access

An all season road connects to an access road. Other access is gained by boat and barge from Calder's Dock on the west shore 11 km across the narrow portion of the lake.

Governance

Loon Straits is represented by a contact person and defined as a settlement under The Northern Affairs Act.

Economic Overview

The settlement is primarily used as a cottage area.

Contacts

Loon Straits Contact Person
208-1192 River Road
St. Andrews, MB R1A 1Z6

Phone: 204-481-1925

Home: 204-785-9302

Email: wamonk@mts.net

Statistics

Census Year	Population
1985	6
1991	8
1996	11
2001	10
2006	16
2011	5
2016	10

**information is from Statistics Canada*

Households

There are five year-round housing units with additional seasonal housing units.

Boundary

Manitoba Regulation 67/2009 refers to Director of Surveys at Winnipeg as No. 19543A. See map.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Information is from the 2020 assessment roll and Tax Rates and Levy Regulation (2020) of Manitoba Indigenous and Northern Relations.

Value of Assessment	
Real Property	\$656,170
Grants-in-lieu	\$8,880
Exempt	\$27,470
Total	\$692,520
Rate of Taxation	
General Municipal	5.7 mills
Business Tax	3.75%
School Levies	
Education Support	8.828 mills
Frontier School Division #48	13.202 mills

Emergency Services

Fire

Firefighting capability is limited to forestry-style portable equipment and a tractor to move the equipment around.

Police

Police response is from the Selkirk RCMP detachment who fly some distance to the community. Phone: 204-482-3322.

Medical

No medical support exists besides basic first aid.

Communication Services

Phone

BellMTS Pine Dock Exchange provides individual line service and digital switching with toll free calling to: Arborg, Hecla, Poplarfield, Riverton, Vidir. Office toll free: 204-225-5687.

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Cellular Service/Wi-Fi

Unavailable.

High-Speed Internet

Rural available.

Community-Based Services

Airstrip

During summer weather, a non-licensed grass strip is available for small aircraft.

Hydro

Manitoba Hydro provides landline electric power. Office: 204-382-2454 in Berens River.

Water

Water is obtained from Lake Winnipeg by private systems. There is no treatment.

Waste Disposal

A solid waste site is located near the settlement.

Schools

The school has been closed for a number of years.

Commercial Services

Transportation

- Freight service arrangements can be made with Riverton Transfer.

Government Services

Provincial Government Departments

Manitoba Conservation and Climate

Drinking water officer Phone: 204-642-6134 in Gimli. Environment officer Phone: 204-345-1486 in Lac du Bonnet. The 24 hour emergency response line toll free: 1-855-944-4888.

Regional Operations, Eastern Region, District Office and conservation officer Phone: 204-345-1407 and fire control officer Phone: 204-345-1419 in Lac du Bonnet.

Manitoba Economic Development and Training

Communities Economic Development Fund (CEDF) Phone: 204-778-4138 in Thompson (Head Office) or toll free: 1-800-561-4315.

Manitoba Finance

Employment Standards Branch Phone: 204-945-3352 in Winnipeg or toll free: 1-800-821-4307.

Workplace Safety and Health Branch toll free: 1-855-957-SAFE (7233).

Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living

Public health inspector Phone: 204-345-1447 in Lac du Bonnet.

Manitoba Indigenous and Northern Relations

Northern Affairs Branch, North Central Region Phone: 204-622-2110 in Dauphin. The 24 hour emergency number toll free: 1-866-735-3111.

Manitoba Infrastructure

Emergency Measures Organization, General Office and emergency management advisor toll free: 1-888-267-8298.

Manitoba Justice

Circuit court sits at Powerview-Pine Falls coordinated by the Selkirk Regional Court Office Phone: 204-785-5077.

Manitoba Municipal Relations

Community and Regional Planning Branch, Regional Office Phone: 204-268-6058 in Beausejour.

Eastman Region, Recreation and Regional Services Branch Phone: 204-268-6020 or toll free: 1-866-665-6107 in Beausejour.

Office of the Fire Commissioner, emergency services officer Phone: 204-726-6855 in Brandon. The 24 hour emergency response number toll free: 1-888-253-1488.

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