

Dams on n'Daki Menan

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Hydro Electric Water Power Potential Sites

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ON Dam ID# ¹	Name of Hydro Project/Dam	Rivers Flooded/Water Shed	Date Constructed	General Impacts
1311	Lady Evelyn Lake Dam (OPG)	Montreal River (Lady Evelyn Lake flooded)	Built in 1926	1942-1946, Gus Friday faced problems trapping (beaver) due to rise & fall of water levels from the Matawapika falls ² - 1948, Katt (Wendaban) Family settlement flooded out at Diamond lake. - John Katt Jr's traditional land use disrupted by dams on Diamond & Lady Evelyn Lake. Wendabans Cabin flooded by Mattawapika Falls Hydro Dam being built (NW arm of Lady Evelyn Lake) - Lady Evelyn Lake water raised 20 ft - Diamond Lake flooded by AB Gordon Lumber Co in 1950 ³ - Rock Paintings at Lady Evelyn ruined - Multifamily community site effected called Red Pine Point and at Mattawapika. Extensive flooding and erosion damage on Lady Evelyn - Was a critical travel corridor and meeting place. Willow Island lake flooded; where an important source of willow bark for medicinal purposes was found. ⁴ Thor Conway testimony noted a big settlement at the mouth of the Montreal River. <i>Livelihood may have been impacted: guiding was a main source of income.</i>
1318	Temagami - Cross Lake Dam (OPG)	Temagami River, & Sturgeon River Watershed	Built in 1912 (Source OPG)	Family settlement (Nebenagwune, Egonna, Mathias) - Old pipe stone quarry existed on Cross Lake - Many of the cultural sites destroyed possibly by the dam. ⁵ 1921: Cross Lake Flooded; causing hardship to Nebenagwune family - Rising water levels has always interfered with trapping. Donald McKenzie noted Cross Lake being flooded, and rising 19ft, and there used to be a green type of soap stone you could use, near where the dam is. Burial Grounds affected - <i>Travel, Fishing, Hunting, trapping, and potential guiding income would have been impacted.</i>
1316	Matabitchuan Main Dam (OPG)	Matabitchuan River, (Four Bass Lake Project)	1910 (Source OPG)	Most cultural heritage sites lost to flooding. One small pictograph site remains on the Matabitchuan River ⁶ . Mouth of the Montreal River is of spiritual significance. The rapids were used as a travel route. Traditional Territory #10, WabiMakwa (Speck). Portage routes - pre 1900's flooded, historic Anishnabai campsite near portage Red Ochre and bead pit near mouth of MacDonald creek. Known burials at the mouth of the Montreal river. ⁷ In TEK DMP interview, ID#48,SP46 noted that the dams/water level interfered with spawning sites for pickerel. Donald McKenzie, George Peshabo, & Kohoje historically used this area to hunt/trap. <i>Trapping, hunting, fishing, and potential guiding income interference.</i>
1328	Red Cedar Lake North Control Dam (OPG)	Temagami River, Sturgeon River System	1938 (Source Water Office)	McKenzie trapping/hunting area. ⁸ Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1321	Red Cedar Lake South Control Dam (OPG)	Temagami River, Sturgeon River System	1938 (Source Water Office)	McKenzie trapping/hunting area. ⁸ - Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1315	Lower Notch Dam (OPG)	Montreal River	Built 1968-1971 (Source OPG&Pollock Report)	Ontario Hydro Built the Lower Notch after the Upper Notch was dismantled. When this dam was built it destroyed excavated findings by Dean Knight in 1969-70 that demonstrated occupation of the TAA/TFN ancestors for 5000yrs. ⁷ -

¹ Ontario Dam Inventory, 2015, Land Information Ontario

² Gus Friday Cassette Tape Interview Transcript, Temagami First Nation, Lands & Resources

³ History & Land Use of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai, Land Claim, Testimony of Mrs Jane Katt & Madeline Theriault p.107

⁴ Thor Conway, 1991, p. 7 An Overview of Cultural Resources in the Traditional Lands of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai

⁵ Thor Conway, 1991, p. 5, An Overview of Cultural Resources in the Traditional Lands of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai

⁶ Thor Conway, 1991, p. 10, An Overview of Cultural Resources in the Traditional Lands of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai

⁷ Dr. John Pollock, Settlement Surveys, 1995, Heritage & Archaeological Studies Rehabilitation of Dam & Intake Structures Matabitchuan Generating Station

⁸ Donald McKenzie Cassette Tape Interview Transcript, Temagami First Nation, Lands & Resources

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1317	Rabbit Lake Control Dam (OPG)	Matabitchuan River Dams	1910, Rebuilt in 1922	Old village site flooded (effecting about 3 families), Pictographs are under water (prominent cliff is submerged, NE of Rabbit Lake) - Damage on Rabbit lake by the British Canadian Power Co of Cobailt in 1912 that flooded gardens, a home and root cellar. ⁹ Raised Rabbit Lake 22 ft & Whitebear Lake (Cassells) by 7 feet. ¹⁰ Frank Whitebear lost his house, land cultivated, and root cellar on Whitebear Lake. ¹¹ Rabbit sitting down rock, and seasonal fishing sites are now under water due to flooding. ¹² At this time period Indians were forbidden to further build on Bear Island. ¹³
1164	Net Creek Dam (Province)	Cassels Lake Flooded	c1920's, rebuilt 1974	Whitebear family graveyard flooded on Cassels Lake (Previously Whitebear Lake) - Old Village site under water due to flooding – Cassels Lake/Obashkong. ¹⁴ Dam original built by Temagami Timber Co; rebuilt in 1974 with the purpose of being water level control in Net Lake; it raised the level by one foot. This lake is a crucial spawning site. 3 families lived on White Bear Lake ¹⁵ (Donald McKenzie interview)
1291	Mistinikon Lake Dam (OPG)	Montreal River	1946 (source: wateroffice)	Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1259	Duncan Lake Dam (Province)		1966 (ON Plaque by site)	Historically Jack Pearce hunted here, and lived. Historical Anishnabai families that were here: Pawagidakwe, Menitouwac, Djakwunigan, Pearce (Gary Potts testimony)
1260	Gowganda Lake Dam (Province)		1914 (Gowganda Power Co.)	Gowganda Power Co built a dam at the ft of Gowganda Lake in 1914, & the South Bay Power Co. erected a dam & powerhouse at the south end of Gowganda lake in 1920, but not operational. ¹⁶ Historical records show Jack Pearce hunted here (Gary Potts testimony)
1154	Stumpy Lake Dam (Province)			Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1312	Tomiko Lake (OPG)	Temagami	1941 (Source: wateroffice)	Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel

⁹ Trails in Time, 2001, Traditional Land Use and Resource Management Philosophies and Practices of the Temagami Aboriginal People.

¹⁰ History & Land Use of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai, Land Claim, Testimony of Madeline Theriault p. 106

¹¹ August 15, 1912, DIA to British Canadian Power Co

¹² Thor Conway, 1991, p. 10 An Overview of Cultural Resources in the Traditional Lands of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai

¹³ Christine Deroi, 2004, Temagami First Nation Land Claim Report p.187

¹⁴ n'Daki Menan Mapping Project Interviews, Temagami First Nation 2015, ID#38, GI 268

¹⁵ n'Daki Menan Mapping Project Interviews, Temagami First Nation 2015, ID#48, SP46, Video time: 32:45

¹⁶ A.R. Webster, 1923, Hydro Electric Development for Gold & Silver Mines in Northern Ontario

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1169	Sharp Rock Portage Dam (Province)			Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1215	Obabika River Dam (Province)			Obabika Lake is rich in cultural history, such as the Misabi settlement, an important ling fishery, many pictograph sites, prehistoric stone tool quarries, special trees, and early native cemetery and extensive archaeological sites. ¹⁷ Misabi Family, Twains, Tiny Becker,
1314	Ragged Chutes Weir (Private)	Montreal River	1910	Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1599	Ross Lake Dam (OPG)			Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
	Hangingstone Lake Dam (Province)			Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1162	Martin River Dam (MNR)	Temagami		McKenzie family would trap here (Donald McKenzie taped interview) ¹⁸

¹⁷ Thor Conway, 1991, p. 6 An Overview of Cultural Resources in the Traditional Lands of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai

¹⁸ Donald McKenzie Transcribed Cassette Tape Interview, Temagami First Nation, Lands & Resources

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1173	Wicksteed Lake Dam (Province)	Temagami		Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1165	North Milne Lake Dam (Province)	Temagami	1965	Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
1312	Bay Lake - Latchford Dam (Federal)	Montreal River	1913 (Source: Federal www site)	Fishing, Hunting, Trapping, Travel
	Fountain Falls Generating Plant	Montreal River	1914-1971	"Northern Ontario Lights & Power Co" - Fountain Falls was dismantled in 1971 after improvements were made to the Lady Evelyn Lake & Rabbit Lake facilities. ¹⁹

¹⁹ A.R. Webster, 1923, Hydro Electric Development for Gold & Silver Mines in Northern Ontario