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MEDIA RELEASE

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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Due to the current status of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Canada the West Parry Sound Area Municipalities through the West Parry Sound Area Emergency Plan are moving to enhanced monitoring (yellow) status.

Declaration of Enhanced conditions means that an abnormal event, potential or actual emergency has been detected or is in development. Under these conditions the Area Municipalities enhance its surveillance and monitoring activities and takes appropriate related actions.

Currently there are no reported cases of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the West Parry Sound Area. We are encouraging members of our community to take precautions by learning about the disease and what you can do to help protect yourself and to prevent the disease from spreading.

<u>Visit the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit website</u> for information about the disease including, how to protect yourself, symptoms and treatment and updates as they become available.

For up to date information regarding the virus in Ontario <u>visit the Ontario Ministry of Health website</u>. For up to date information regarding the virus in Canada <u>visit the Public Health Agency of Canada website</u>.

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