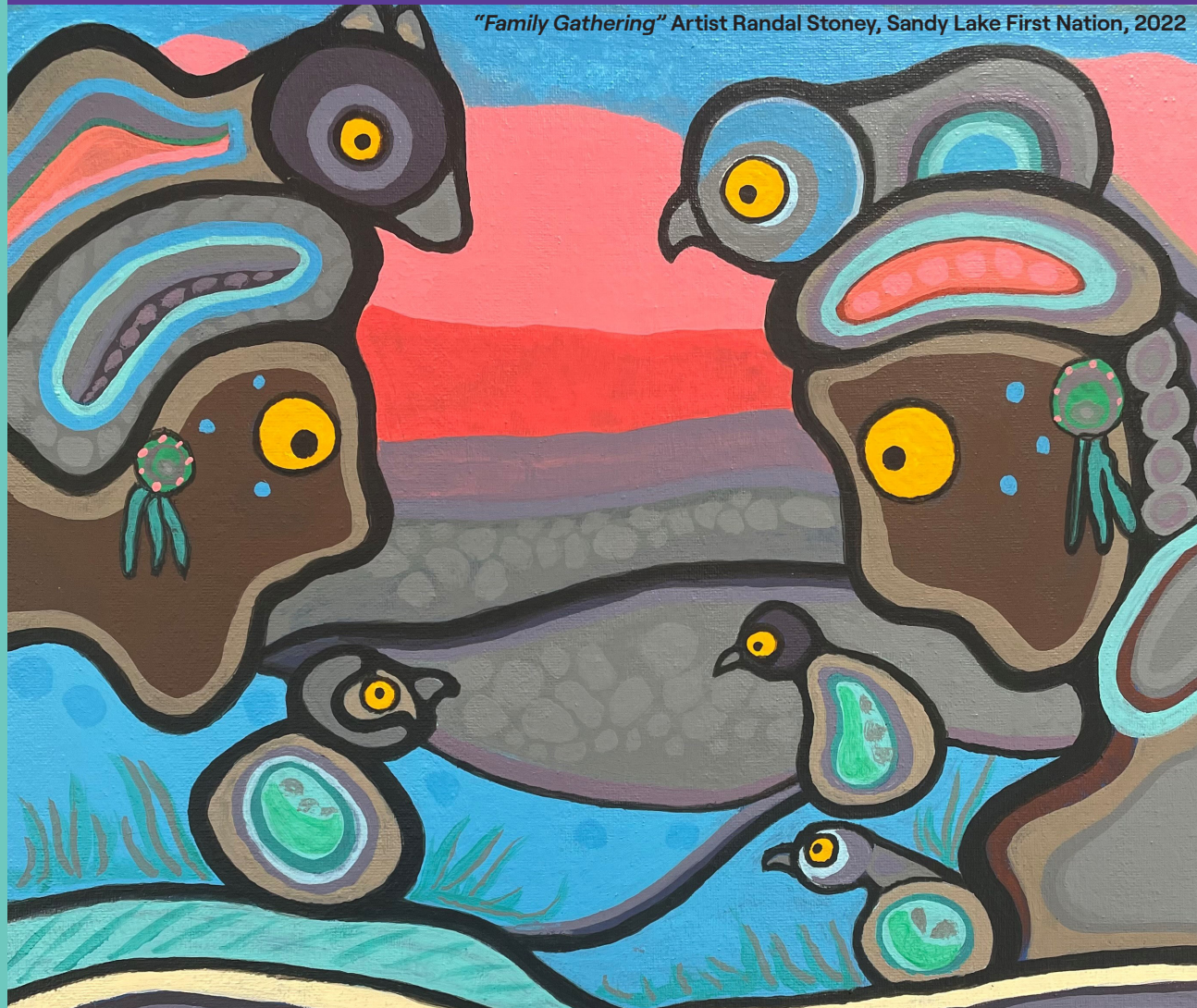


"Family Gathering" Artist Randal Stoney, Sandy Lake First Nation, 2022



Hydro One Remotes is growing!

As part of the First Nations led and majority-owned Wataynikanayap Powerline project, Hydro One Remotes will become the new electrical service provider to additional remote communities in the north. We welcomed Wawakapewin First Nation and Wunnumin Lake First Nation who recently became grid-connected, bringing the total number of Hydro One Remotes served communities to 24.

It is an exciting time for the north with nine more grid connections expected before the end of 2024. With the

transition underway for new customers and in effort to improve service to existing customers, we are now offering Oji-Cree language services in our Billing Department on a trial basis. Please feel free to reach out and say Hi or Waachiye to Ellen, at **1.800.465.5085**.

As Hydro One Remotes continues to grow, we are proud to serve the north and continue our vision to be the leading electrical utility and a trusted partner to remote communities in Ontario's north. Please visit our website at **HydroOneRemotes.ca** to learn more.

Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek (Gull Bay First Nation) upgrade

As off-grid communities energy needs grow, Hydro One Remotes works with community leadership and Indigenous Services Canada to plan and construct Diesel Generating Station upgrades.

In Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek (Gull Bay First Nation) on the beautiful west shore of Lake Nipigon, their major upgrade began construction in July 2022 and includes:

- New 725 kW diesel generator and a new station transformer
- Large building for the new generator that will allow for future growth
- 13.5m high exhaust stack

This new generating power will be added to the two existing generators (250 kW and a 450 kW) and to the community owned **Giizis Energy Micro Grid**.

These projects together provide the community comprehensive energy solutions needed to support and grow long into the future.



Keeping the heat in

Did you know that over 60% of your annual electricity costs are from heating your home? As the weather cools, here are some tips to keep the heat from leaking out of your home:



Insulation

Insulation helps keep your home warm in the winter and cool in the summer.



Weatherstripping

Up to 13% of your home's total heating and cooling could be escaping through the spaces around your windows and doors! Draft proof or weatherstrip around window and door frames to prevent air loss.



Replace the filters

Clogged furnace filters diminish your home's air quality and force the system to work harder. Remember to replace them every 90 days.



Woodstove

If you have a fireplace or woodstove, when you need more heat, you may want to throw a log on the fire instead of plugging in a space heater, which use a lot of energy.



Crawlspace and vents

Check out your crawlspace – turn on the heater and water heat trace systems just high enough to keep from freezing.

For more energy-saving tips, visit HydroOneRemotes.ca/energy-saving-tips.

Mind the Lines

Take extra care when working near overhead power lines!



Stay at least 3 metres away from overhead lines.



Do not attempt to prune or remove trees near overhead lines.

Contact with a power line can cause severe injury or death.

If a tree is touching or close to a power line, call our emergency number at **1.888.825.8707** and we will schedule a crew to come to your community to cut the danger trees.



Keep gardening tools at a safe distance from overhead lines.

Always carry equipment, like ladders, horizontally.

For more safety tips, visit HydroOneRemotes.ca/powerline-safety



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