

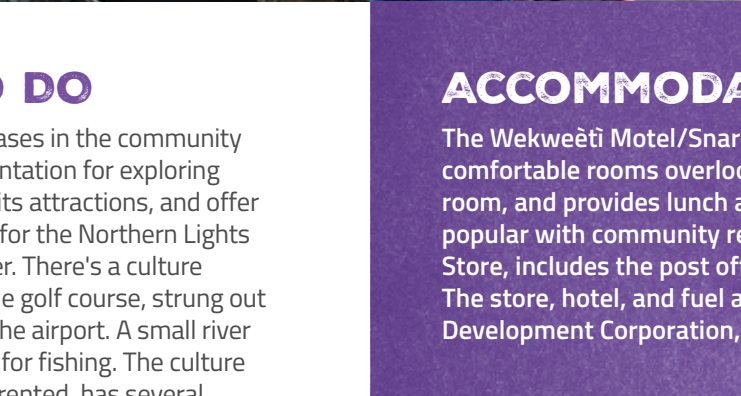
ABOUT

Wekweètì - rock lake - is the smallest and most isolated of the Tłı̨chǫ communities with a population of about 130. Set on gorgeous rolling shield country on the north shore of Snare Lake, within the treeline, the community boasts sandy beaches, and ready access to the Barrenlands, home to migrating caribou. The location was used for generations as a seasonal hunting camp for caribou and moose. The late Alexis Arrowmaker, an elder and former chief, led several families here in the 1960's from Behchokǫ̀, seeking a more traditional lifestyle. The community name was changed from Snare Lake in 1998. Languages spoken are Tłı̨chǫ and English.



EVENTS

National Indigenous Day June 21 is usually a local holiday, and events might include games, music and a feast.



WHAT TO DO

A lookout and staircases in the community provide a scenic orientation for exploring the community and its attractions, and offer ideal viewing points for the Northern Lights in autumn and winter. There's a culture camp and a nine-hole golf course, strung out along the lake past the airport. A small river with a rapid, is good for fishing. The culture camp, which can be rented, has several log cabins and sits on the shore of Snare Lake. Two white sand beaches outside of Wekweètì have picnic shelters and lifeguard facilities. With advance notice, local residents can guide visitors on traditional trails to the Barrenlands where wolves, foxes and other small mammals can be spotted in summer or winter. Wekweètì is on the Snare River system, the source of hydro power for Behchokǫ̀ and Yellowknife. The newest powerhouse, several kilometres upstream, is owned by the Tłı̨chǫ Investment Corporation.

ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

The Wekweètì Motel/Snare Lake Lodge accommodates up to ten persons in five comfortable rooms overlooking Snare Lake. The Lodge has a full kitchen and dining room, and provides lunch and dinner to guests. There is also a take-out menu popular with community residents. The community store, Hozila Naedik'e General Store, includes the post office, and offers snacks, groceries, hardware and drygoods. The store, hotel, and fuel and taxi services are under the umbrella of the Wekweètì Development Corporation, owned by the Tłı̨chǫ Investment Corporation.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

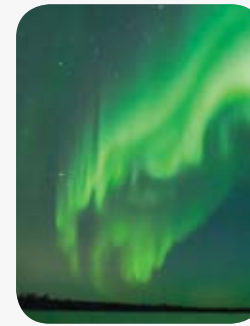
Arts and craft people in the community are widely recognized for their quality traditional handicrafts including moccasins and clothing items. Moosehides are traditionally tanned in the community or on the land every summer. Caribou antler carving is also locally available art for purchase. A display case with local arts and crafts for sale is located in the Tłı̨chǫ Government building. The economic development officer can connect directly to local artist. You can find a list of local artists through NWT Arts.com or purchase arts and crafts online through the Tłı̨chǫ online store – online.tlcho.com.



WEKWEÈTÌ MAP

GETTING HERE

Air Tindi provides scheduled Twin Otter service to the Wekweèti Airport from Yellowknife, six days a week. Charter service is available on wheels, or floats or in winter, skis to a lakeside dock. A winter road connects the community to NWT Highway 3 near Behchokò for up to two months each year. Adventuresome canoeists can reach the community from Behchokò via an interconnected series of lakes and rivers known as the Idaa Trail.



LEGEND

1. Snare Lake Lodge
2. Church
3. Store
4. Wekweèti Community Government Office (and Health Centre)
5. Youth Centre
6. Community Kitchen
7. Community Garden
8. Tłjchq Government
9. Ball Field
10. Alexis Arrowmaker School
11. Stairs
12. Golf course
13. Fuel/Gas Station
14. Fire Hall

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Wekweèti Development Corporation and Tłjchq Government,
Economic Development: 867-713-2814

Hozila Naedik'e General Store: 867-713-2204

Community Government of Wekweèti: 867-713-2010

Alexis Arrowmaker School: 867-713-2100

Wekweèti Catholic Church: Marie Adele Football, (867) 713-2103

Health Centre, Lay Dispenser: 867-713-2904

RCMP: 867-669-1111

Air Tindi flight arrivals and departures: 1-888-545-6794



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