



July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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We appreciate your interest in the \$2,500 FARM Grant funded by the Native American Agriculture Fund. We received 63 applications: 38 FARM related, 24 Fishery related, and 1 Gatherer/Artist.

Chi-miigwetch for applying and chi-miigwetch for your patience as we narrowed our selections down to 8 grant recipients.

The successful Grant Recipients are as follows:

Dan Berg, LTBB, Berg Farm

Mary Donner, LTBB, Mshko'Ode Farm, LLC

Jason Grondin, Sault Ste. Marie, Fisherman

Weelilot Homminga, Bay Mills, Basket maker

Cynthia John, GTB, Treaty Fish Co.

Michael Lahti, Keweenaw Bay, Lahti Fresh Eggs

Laura Parish, Bay Mills, Knotty Pine Acres

Lena Quinlan, Sault Ste. Marie, Rural IC, LLC

Checks will be written and sent out by July 21<sup>st</sup>. Congratulations!!

To those who applied but were not selected, we will be sending you a letter with information about how Northern Shores Community Development, Inc. may be able to help you with business planning, technical assistance, credit counseling or low interest loans for your small business. We will also be taking applications for 8 more grants starting in January of 2022, so stay tuned.

Please call our office if we can be of assistance to you and Miigwetch again for your interest in the F.A.R.M. Loan Program grants

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sandra Witherspoon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Sandra Witherspoon

F.A.R.M. Director