

For Immediate Release

Have Your Say About Housing in Wawa

1 December 2025 – Northern Policy Institute in partnership with the Municipality of Wawa has issued a discussion paper on housing supply and demand in the community.

Current or potential residents, business owners, and investors are all invited to review the document and offer their thoughts on Housing in Wawa.

Online feedback is being collected at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JY3ZSBR>

Read the discussion paper here: <https://www.northernpolicy.ca/housing-needs-in-wawa>

Our two primary research questions are:

- 1) Could housing be used as a lever to drive population growth and increased economic activity in Wawa and, if so, what would need to be done to make that happen.
- 2) Is housing supply aligned with current and future demand (future demand based both on current trends and on potential new trends assuming increased local economic activity driven by improved housing options or other factors).

The online feedback form will be available until 5 January 2026.

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Media Interview: NPI President Charles Cirtwill is available for comment. To arrange an interview, please contact:

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About Wawa

Tucked along the rugged northern shores of Lake Superior, Wawa, Ontario is a small town with a big personality—and one of Canada's most iconic landmarks: the world-famous Wawa Goose. Whether you're here to visit or thinking about making a more permanent move, Wawa invites you with wide-open spaces, a warm community spirit, and a lifestyle that's connected to both history and nature. <https://www.wawa.cc/>

About Northern Policy Institute:

Northern Policy Institute is Northern Ontario's independent, evidence-driven think tank. We perform research, analyze data, and promote solutions. Our mission is to encourage evidence-based decisions that will grow Northern Ontario.

We believe in partnership, collaboration, communication, and cooperation. Our team seeks to do inclusive research that involves broad engagement and delivers recommendations for specific, measurable action. Our success depends on our partnerships with other entities present in or passionate about Northern Ontario.

Based in Thunder Bay and Timmins; NPI is active in every region of Northern Ontario. During the summer months we have satellite offices in communities across Northern Ontario staffed by teams of Experience North placements. These placements are university and college students working in your community on issues important to you and your neighbours.