The Assignment

• You are provided with a list of First Nations which currently or until very recently had long-term defects in their public water supplies.

• These may be do-not-consume orders, or boil water advisories

• Various agencies, including the Federal Government are supposed to be working to fix these problems.

• Choose one community from the list provided.
Assignment

• Research two things:
• The individual community you have chosen to study, focussing on its water supply issues and any other matters which appear related. Research its general context, housing issues, unemployment, health.
• Some background on the long-running issue of drinking water quality in First Nations communities, and what governments are doing about it now.
The List (FN: First Nation)

- Bearskin Lake FN – Ontario: since 2006
- Lac Seul FN – Ontario: since 2003
- Marten Falls FN – Ontario: since 2005
- God’s Lake FN – Manitoba: since 2005
- Bonaparte FN – British Columbia: since 2006
Research

• **CBCA Current affairs** will yield considerable detail on each community in the list
• Each community in the list generates 30+ articles in CBCA
• CBCA will also help you research the general issue of water supplies in First Nations
• You must find and use at least one scholarly article in your report
  • Could be on the community, could be on water supplies of First Nations
General issue of water supplies and First Nations

• Indigenous Services Canada [webpage on FN drinking water issues](#)

• There should be other sources too.
Research

• Consult the York University Map Library to find maps of the community and its location.

• Search for images of the community, perhaps on Flickr
The Assignment

• Due 25 Jul 2019, in class or via drop box
• Length: 8-10 pages approx.
• Must have bibliography, sources used to be cited.