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## Sub-Contractor Profile – Northern Mat and Bridge LP



Northern Mat & Bridge is Canada's largest temporary access solutions company with offices across Canada. Northern Mat & Bridge is working on the Wataynikaneyap Power project in partnership with the Independent First Nation Alliance (IFNA) communities and Lac Des Mille Lacs First Nation.



Matthew Dupuis, Northern Mat & Bridge's Indigenous Relations Manager, works out of the Northern Mat office on Fort William First Nation. He is in charge of managing Indigenous partnerships and major project development.

Northern Mat & Bridge and their First Nation partners, have been awarded contracts for supplying Valard with mats and bridges for the Wataynikaneyap Transmission Line Project.



This partnership is heavily relied upon by Valard to create temporary access to remote low land areas so that right of way and foundation crews can get in to construct the towers.

Creating temporary access provides many job opportunities including administration, heavy equipment operators, logistics/data entry, and AZ/DZ truck driving. Northern Mat & Bridge and their First Nation partners use a variety of equipment including excavators, front end loaders, tracked shuttles, 6 x 6 shuttles, transport shuttle trucks, and transport highway haulers.

Northern Mat & Bridge has been operating in Northern Ontario for many years and has a firm commitment to growing its business footprint and hiring local individuals, not only to work on the Wataynikaneyap Power Project, but for other projects in the province.





Interested in working for Northern Mat & Bridge?? Contact Matthew Dupuis at: <u>mdupuis@northernmat.ca</u> or (807)633-7859.

Northern Mat & Bridge and their First Nation partners give preference to participating First Nation community members.