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## **Backwoods Energy Services Announces Board Leadership Transition**

**Edmonton, Alberta — September 30, 2025** — Backwoods Energy Services (“Backwoods”) today announced that Mr. Harvey Sheydwasser has resigned as Chair of the Board of Directors, effective September 30, 2025.

Mr. Sheydwasser brought strong passion and creativity to his role as Chair, consistently encouraging thoughtful discussion and new ideas. His commitment to contributing his perspective and energy to Backwoods’ strategic direction was valuable in guiding Backwoods through this period of change.

In conjunction with Mr. Sheydwasser’s departure, the Board of Directors has appointed Mr. Ian Anderson as Interim Chair of the Board, effective September 30, 2025. Mr. Anderson has faithfully and diligently served on the Board and the Finance and Risk Committee, bringing deep governance experience and a strong understanding of Backwoods’ operations, values, and long-term objectives.

On behalf of the Board and the entire Backwoods team, I would like to thank Harvey for his leadership and contributions during his tenure,” said Dario Gnoato, Chief Executive Officer of Backwoods Energy Services. “We are equally pleased that Ian Anderson has accepted the role of Interim Chair. Ian’s steady leadership will ensure a smooth transition as we continue to advance our strategic priorities and deliver value for our partners and our community.”

Backwoods extends its sincere gratitude to Mr. Sheydwasser for his service and wishes him continued success in his future endeavors.

### **ABOUT BACKWOODS**

Backwoods Energy Services, wholly owned by the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation, ranks among the largest Indigenous-owned companies in Canada. As a premier provider of access and matting solutions, civil construction, forestry, pipeline infrastructure, and security services in Western Canada, Backwoods Energy Services has successfully executed some of Alberta’s most significant midstream and utility projects. The company is steadfast in its commitment to driving economic opportunity by empowering Indigenous Peoples and communities.

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