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Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority

## Media Release

### ***Viva Lloydminster! Gold Horse Casino opening ceremony held in Lloydminster, SK***

December 20, 2018 – Lloydminster, SK – The Border Tribal Council, the Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority (SIGA), and Little Pine First Nation held a ribbon cutting and soft opening event today to celebrate the opening of SIGA's newest entertainment destination: Gold Horse Casino (GHC).

The more than 49,000 square foot full-service casino is SIGA's seventh casino in the province. It features a gaming floor with more than 250 of the latest slot machines, 18 electronic table games, and five live table games. Gold Horse Casino also brings a state-of-the-art event center for live entertainment, banquets and meetings; a bar and grill, and a deli.

Chief Reginald Bellerose, SIGA's Board Chair, speaks to the collaboration of key partners involved in making this casino a reality.

"On behalf of SIGA, we're thrilled to be opening our seventh entertainment destination in Saskatchewan, a consolidated effort between us and our key partners, the Border Tribal Council, Little Pine First Nation and the City of Lloydminster. This development is an exciting addition to Lloydminster, and one that will benefit our province's 74 First Nations and the local community."

The land for the development is owned by Little Pine First Nation, which was responsible for the site development. The facility landlord is Border Tribal Council, which leases the casino property to SIGA, which, in turn, is responsible for the casino's operation.

Zane Hansen expands upon what this newest property means for Lloydminster and area.

"This casino will have an immense impact in the local community and surrounding area, as do all SIGA casinos. Through our operations, we contribute to our local communities by creating jobs, helping drive tourism, supporting local businesses and making a positive impact through community investment and volunteering," he says, adding "To date, SIGA has invested more than \$200,000 in sponsorships in Lloydminster and area."

The Gold Horse Casino will have its first full day of operations on December 21, 2018, opening at 9 a.m. The casino will be open 17 hours a day, Monday to Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 a.m. (MST), and Thursday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 a.m.

Gold Horse Casino is located at 3910 41st Street in Lloydminster, Saskatchewan. For more information and to check out the upcoming live entertainment, please visit <http://goldhorsecasino.ca/>.

Gold Horse Casino joins SIGA's family of casinos, which includes Bear Claw Casino & Hotel, Dakota Dunes Casino, Gold Eagle Casino, Living Sky Casino, Northern Lights Casino, and Painted Hand Casino.

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### **Backgrounder**

**Little Pine First Nation – Casino land owner** – Responsible for site development, enters municipal service agreement with the local municipality and is the tax authority. Through this arrangement we pay the equivalent of municipal taxes via the municipal services agreement.

**Border Tribal Council – Casino landlord** – Responsible for facility development and incorporating the Community Development Corporation.

**SIGA – Casino Operator** – Shares responsibility for facility development and responsible for all casino operations. SIGA is owned by the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations.

**FSIN** – Political entity that represents the 74 First Nations in Saskatchewan.

*Visit [siga.ca/Lloyd/qa-as/](http://siga.ca/Lloyd/qa-as/) for FAQs about the casino development.*

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**About SIGA**

*SIGA's mission is to strengthen the lives of First Nation people through employment, economic growth, positive community relations and achieving financial self-reliance. A non-profit organization, all net profits from SIGA's casino operations go to local First Nation communities, community development corporations and the province's general revenue fund. Sharing Success with Saskatchewan communities. [SIGA.sk.ca](http://SIGA.sk.ca)*