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Jim Jacobs is the indigenous relations coordinator with International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 793. He is a proud Mohawk/Bear Clan member of the Six Nations of the Grand River. Jim grew up on a beef cattle farm gaining a strong work ethic which led him to his present position at Local 793. His journey in the industry started in 2000 when he obtained his ACZ license and began trucking all over the continent. This led to Jim transporting and operating heavy machinery in Nashville, Tennessee and at home on Six Nations. He was hired by A6N, where he became a union member. It was then that Jim's life changed dramatically, finally earning top wages, a real pension, and top benefits. After working many union jobs, he was hired as an organizer and recently became the indigenous relations coordinator. Jim is honoured to have this position where he can help his people get into the industry and for them to have the same life-changing experience that he had being a proud member of IUOE Local 793.