Negotiations Update

February, 2026

Negotiations Progress at a Glance

Fulfilling the Five SCC Factors

All of these factors remain a work in progress responsibility of each of the parties in order to come to settlement.

We're focusing on Factor Two: Population and needs.

Population

The Beneficiary Application is likely to be the vehicle to provide proof and process for determining our population (registered members and non-status descendants. Read on to learn where we are with that.

Needs

Secondly, our legal team are preparing a report to satisfy this factor. We will be commencing outreach for input on this via, engagements (see right) and surveys.

Dates to be determined.

Trust Company

A trust company safely holds and pays out settlement funds according to the agreed rules.

Trust Ad Hoc Committee: Selection Review Process

Next Step Ad Hoc to submit recommendation to Joint Council

In the near future the selected trust company and Negotiations team will offer information and education sessions on the trust and distribution models

Engagements

Community input and support is required to move through decision making towards settlement. These are a few of our upcoming engagements.

Negotiations Engagement Series
February 17 & March 3
Bear Island & Virtual, 7-9pm

Stronger Together Nation Gathering
Location TBD
March 27-29

What to expect: Closed session for Teme Augama Anishinabek/Teme-Augama Anishinabai. Legal Council presentation, Leadership and Negotiations presentation, interactive workshops, Social and cultural activities, Status Card renewal, Genealogy Charting and so much more. Watch for RSVP information to come.

Needs Report Engagement Series
(to be announced)

Beneficiaries Application

Joint Council is reviewing a draft Beneficiaries Application. The beneficiary process for verification is anticipated to look like this:

Draft Complete and under Joint Council Review

Next Step Information Sessions / Education

The beneficiary application process for verification will follow these steps.

Apply by Form

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Genealogy team will VERIFY info

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Membership Clerk will confirm information

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Approval