



Piapot First Nation

July 2022



Specific Claims Update Community Presentation

Presentation Overview

Today's presentation will give an overview on the status of Piapot's specific claims:

- Treaty Benefits (Cows and Plows) Claim
- Misadministration Claim
- Qu'Appelle River Flooding Claim

TREATY BENEFITS (COWS AND PLOWS) CLAIM



Treaty Benefits (Cows and Plows) Claim

Factual Background

- The Claim asserts that Canada failed to provide the full extent of agricultural equipment and assistance it promised to Piapot under the terms of Treaty 4.
- Canada breached the statutory and fiduciary duties it owed to the Piapot First Nation by not fulfilling the Treaty Promise of Agricultural Benefits.
- We are seeking compensation for the Current Market Value and loss of use to the present, plus interest.

Treaty Benefits (Cows and Plows) Claim

Procedural Background

- To date – no cows and plows claim in treaty 4 has been settled
- Piapot's claim was filed with Canada in March 2021
- Canada has until March 2024 to review the claim, at which point the claim will proceed through negotiation or through the tribunal.

Treaty Benefits (Cows and Plows) Claim

What's Next?

- While under review, Maurice Law and Chief and Council will be making every possible effort to reach an agreement with Canada for a fair and expeditious resolution of the Claim.
- If an agreement is reached, the community will vote on the settlement agreement.
- If no agreement is reached, the Claim will proceed to the Specific Claims Tribunal.



MISADMINISTRATION CLAIM

Misadministration Claim

Factual Background

- Canada breached the statutory and fiduciary duties it owed to the Piapot First Nation by allowing the wrongful expenditure of funds held in-trust.
- We are seeking compensation for the loss of the trust money brought forward to present value using compound interest.

Misadministration Claim

Procedural Background

- This claim was filed with Canada in October 2021 which started the clock on Canada's three-year review period.
- Canada has until October 2024 to review the claim

Misadministration Claim

What's Next?

- Once the review period ends in October 2024, the claim will proceed by negotiation or through the tribunal.
- If an agreement is reached, the community will vote on the settlement agreement.
- If a judgment is awarded the decision will be final, pending any appeals.

QU'APPELLE RIVER FLOODING CLAIM

Qu'Appelle River Flooding Claim

Factual Background

- The claim arises from the flooding of reserve lands along the Qu'Appelle River since at least 1906.
- The claim includes damages to/loss of reserve land due to the 1986 channelization of the Qu'Appelle River.
- Canada breached the statutory and fiduciary duties it owed to the Piapot First Nation by allowing flooding of Piapot reserve land.
- We are seeking compensation for the loss of use from the date of the flooding to present, plus interest.

Qu'Appelle River Flooding Claim

Procedural Background

- This claim was filed with Canada in June 2019.
- In June 2022, Canada offered to negotiate the claim and Council accepted that offer.

Qu'Appelle River Flooding Claim

What's Next?

- Negotiations will focus on the value of the claim;
- Dr. David Chanasyk has been retained to complete an expert report on the extent and impacts of the flooding on Piapot.
- Dr. Chanasyk is an expert hydrologist and agrologist and has extensively researched the flooding of the Qu'Appelle River in his career.
- Once an agreement is reached based on the expert reports, the community will vote on the settlement agreement.

Questions?
