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Negotiation News

The Government of Canada has a [policy](#) and process in place for resolving [specific claims](#) through negotiations. Canada is committed to working with its partners to negotiate fair and final settlements for the benefit of all Canadians.

Why Negotiate?

Ultimately, righting past wrongs is simply the right thing to do. Settling claims helps Canadians come to terms with our history while bringing closure to longstanding grievances for First Nations.

Negotiated settlements help rebuild relationships and generate benefits for all Canadians. These benefits include economic benefits, new opportunities for business partnerships and certainty for First Nations, industry and area communities. Negotiations lead to “win-win” situations that balance the interests of all Canadians.

Want to know more? Check out the following resources:

- [Look and listen](#) to videos and [read](#) about success stories to learn more about the benefits of negotiating specific claims.
- Learn about how [lands are involved in these negotiations](#).
- Explore this [interactive map](#) to learn about specific claims settled through negotiations with First Nations between 1973 and the present day.

Other questions? Review our [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

How many claims are in negotiations in Canada?

Get an [overview of claims in progress](#) across the country. To find out which First Nations are currently in negotiations with Canada to settle outstanding specific claims, [search the public status report](#).

Search the [settlement report](#) to learn about specific claims resolved through negotiated settlements.

You may also be interested in these negotiation updates from across the country...

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Alberta

Below you will find negotiation news and background on some of the specific claims in the province. The claims highlighted here have either been resolved through negotiated settlements or the negotiation process is still ongoing. Search the [public status report](#) for a complete list of the claims settled or under negotiation in the province.

Bigstone Cree Nation

- Canada's New Government and Bigstone Cree Celebrate Key Milestone in Negotiations (October 12, 2007)
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British Columbia

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- Extraordinary Progress Settling Specific Claims in British Columbia (February 15, 2009)
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Mamalilikulla-Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em First Nation

- Deadpoint Indian Reserve Specific Claim
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Oregon Jack First Nation

- Nepa Indian Reserve Specific Claim
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Osoyoos First Nation

- Lot 58 Specific Claim
 - [Background information](#)

Skeetchestn First Nation

- Skeetchestn First Nation Railway and Deadman's Creek Specific Claims
 - [Background information](#)

Seton Lake Indian Band

- Canada, Seton Lake Indian Band and Province of British Columbia Reach Final Agreement on Settlement (March 17, 2008)
 - [Announcement](#)
 - [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- Cut-off Lands Specific Claims of Seton Lake, Gitwangak, Metlakatla and Lax Kw'alaams (November 4, 2008)
 - [Background information](#)
- Successful First Nation Ratification of the Seton Lake Cut-Off Settlement (November 13, 2007)
 - [Statement](#)

Skway First Nation

- Dyke & Road Right of Way on Skway IR #5 specific claim
 - [Brief Overview](#)
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Manitoba

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Peguis First Nation

- Canada, Peguis First Nation and Manitoba Reach Land Claim Settlement (July 17, 2008)
 - [Announcement](#)

Roseau River First Nation

- Roseau River First Nation's 1903 Surrender Specific Claim
 - [Fact Sheet](#)

Long Plain First Nation

- Long Plain First Nation's "Loss of Use" Claim
 - [Fact Sheet](#)
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New Brunswick

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Madawaska Maliseet First Nation

- Government of Canada Resolves Longstanding Claim with Madawaska Maliseet First Nation (April 23, 2008)
 - [Brief Overview](#)
 - [Announcement](#)
 - [Background information](#)
 - [Fact Sheet: Canadian Pacific Right of Way Specific Claim of the Madawaska Maliseet First Nation](#)
 - [Frequently Asked Questions Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Settlement Agreement Canadian Pacific Railway Right of Way Specific Claim](#)

Metepenagiag Mi'kmaq Nation

- Land Claim Settlement Provides Economic Boost for Metepenagiag Mi'Kmaq Nation (November 30, 2007)
 - [Announcement](#)
 - [Background information](#)
 - [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

- Metepenagiag Mi'Kmag Nation 1895 Surrender Specific Claim
 - [Background information](#)

Tobique First Nation

- 1892 Surrender Claim
 - [Background information](#)

Woodstock First Nation

- Government of Canada Settles Woodstock First Nation's Specific Claim: Paves the Way for a Stronger Local Economy (April 22, 2008)
 - [Announcement](#)
 - [Background information](#)
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Ontario

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Caldwell First Nation

- Negotiations on the Caldwell First Nation's Specific Claim
 - [Announcement](#) (January 2010)
 - [Fact Sheet](#) (January 2010)
 - [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (January 2010)
 - [Newsletter](#) (January 2007)

Coldwater-Narrows Land Claim

- [Fact Sheet \(May 2011\)](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions \(May 2011\)](#)

Chippewa Tri-Council

- Negotiations on the Coldwater-Narrows Claim
 - [Newsletter](#) (Winter 2005)
- Negotiations on the Coldwater-Narrows Claim
 - [Newsletter](#) (Summer 2003)
 - [Background information](#)

Fort William First Nation

- Fort William First Nation Boundary Claim Negotiations
 - [Newsletter](#) (Fall 2006)
 - [Background information](#)
 - [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Michipicoten First Nation

- Michipicoten First Nation Boundary Claim Negotiations
 - [Beyond Boundaries – The Michipicoten Story](#) (video)
 - [Brief Overview](#)

- [Newsletter](#) (Fall 2006)
- [Background information](#)
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Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte

- Culbertson Tract Specific Claim
 - [Background information](#)

Wikwemikong

- Wikwemikong Islands Claim Negotiations
 - [Fact Sheet](#)
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Quebec

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Kanesatake

- Minister Strahl Appoints Chief Representative in Connection with Seigneury of Lake of Two Mountains Specific Land Claim (January 15, 2009)
 - [Announcement](#)
 - [Biographical Note](#)

Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg First Nation

- Opening of a Commorative Park in Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg (August 9, 2007)
 - [Announcement](#)
 - [Background information](#)
 - [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Innu of Pessamit

- Reserve Land Claim Innu of Pessamit
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Saskatchewan

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Treaty Land Entitlement Framework Agreement

- [Brief Overview](#)

English River First Nation

- [Treaty Land Entitlement – The English River Story](#) (video)

Muskoday First Nation

- Canada Celebrates Settlement Agreement with Muskoday First Nation and Province of Saskatchewan (January 10, 2008)
 - [Announcement](#)
 - [Background information](#)

Sturgeon Lake First Nation

- Canada Celebrates Historic TLE Settlement Agreement with Sturgeon Lake First Nation and Province of Saskatchewan (June 19, 2007)
 - [Announcement](#)
 - [Background information](#)

George Gordon First Nation

- Treaty Land Entitlement Settlement
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Definitions

Specific claims

Specific claims deal with the past grievances of First Nations. These grievances relate to Canada's obligations under historic treaties or the way it managed First Nation funds or assets. ([return to source paragraph](#))

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