

**PINE CREEK FIRST NATION
TREATY 4 AGRICULTURAL BENEFITS SPECIFIC CLAIM
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

NOTICE OF RATIFICATION VOTE

DATE: November 1, 2023

TO: THE MEMBERS OF PINE CREEK FIRST NATION

TAKE NOTICE that a Ratification Vote of the Voters of the Pine Creek First Nation pursuant to the Voting Guidelines of the Treaty 4 Agricultural Benefits Specific Claim Settlement Agreement (the “Voting Guidelines”) will be held on December 1, 2023 to determine if the Voters of the Pine Creek First Nation approve and assent to the Treaty 4 Agricultural Benefits Specific Claim Settlement Agreement (the “Settlement Agreement”) between Canada and the Pine Creek First Nation and the Trust Agreement, summarized in this Notice and attached as Annex “A”.

The following Ballot Question will be asked of the Voters of the Pine Creek First Nation by secret ballot, as set out in Schedule 3 to the Settlement Agreement:

As a Voter of the First Nation, do you:

(a) agree to all of the terms and conditions of the Pine Creek First Nation Settlement Agreement initialled by the negotiators for the First Nation and Canada, which settles and releases the matters set out in the Settlement Agreement, and the Trust Agreement;

and

(b) authorize and direct the Council of the First Nation to sign all documents and do everything necessary to give effect to the Pine Creek First Nation Settlement Agreement and the MINEGOZIIBE ANISHINABE Trust Agreement?

Information Meeting(s) for purposes of the Ratification Vote will be held on:

- 1) November 18, 2023, at the Pine Creek First Nation MINEGOZIIBE ANISHINABE Gymnasium from 1:00PM to 3:00PM.
- 2) November 19, 2023, at the Dauphin Strilkiwski Lounge 200 1st St SE - Dauphin, MB from 1:00PM to 3:00PM
- 3) November 20, 2023, at the Brandon Victoria Inn 3550 Victoria Ave, Brandon, MB R7B 2R4 from 1:00PM to 3:00PM.
- 4) November 21st, Winnipeg Victoria Inn 1808 Wellington Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3H 0G3 from 1:00PM to 3:00PM.

5) November 23, 2023, Virtual Meeting at www.cowsandplows.ca from 6:00PM to 8:00PM.

The Ratification Vote will take place on:

December 1, 2023, at the MINEGOZIIBE ANISHINABE Gymnasium from 1:00PM to 8:00PM.

Advance Polls for in-person voting will be held as follows:

Pine Creek First Nation	School Gymnasium	November 18 th 3:00 - 8:00 PM
Dauphin Strilkiwski Lounge	200 1st St SE - Dauphin, MB	November 19 th 3:00 - 8:00 PM
Brandon Victoria Inn	3550 Victoria Ave, Brandon, MB R7B 2R4	November 20 th 3:00 - 8:00 PM
Winnipeg Victoria Inn	1808 Wellington Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3H 0G3	November 21 st 3:00 - 8:00 PM

Electronic Voting will occur from November 18th at 3:00 PM until the close of polls on December 1, 2023.

All times above are local, Central Standard Time.

Included with this Notice of Ratification Vote are copies of the Settlement Agreement and the Trust Agreement, and such other information as the Pine Creek First Nation Council determines.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that a Voters List is posted with this Notice of Ratification Vote. Sections 5.0 of the Voting Guidelines provides:

It is the responsibility of each Voter to ensure that their current mailing address is on file with the First Nation.

A Member may apply to the Ratification Officer before the Voting Day to have the Voters List revised if such Member believes that:

- a. the name of a Voter has been omitted from the Voters List; or
- b. the name of a Voter is incorrectly set out or should not be included on the Voters List.

A Member of the First Nation may, before the close of the polls on the Voting Day, apply to the Ratification Officer to have their name added to the Voters List if that Member provides:

- c. proof of eligibility to vote by completing the Declaration of Membership and Eligibility to Vote Form substantially in the form of Appendix C. This proof shall include documentation that verifies that the Voter's name is recorded on the Band List, and that the Voter is at least eighteen years old on the date of the Ratification Vote and not disqualified from voting at band elections.
- d. Upon receipt and confirmation of the information in the Declaration of Membership and Eligibility to Vote form, the Ratification Officer will revise the Voters List.

Where the Ratification Officer is satisfied that a revision of the Voters List is necessary, they will make the revision accordingly.

DATED at Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, this 1st day of November 2023.

An application for an amendment to the Voters List or a request for a copy of the Voting Guidelines or forms should be made to the Ratification Officer at:

OneFeather Mobile Technologies Limited

209 - 852 Fort St.

Victoria, BC, V8W 1H8

1 (855) 923-3006

voterhelp@onefeather.ca



Ben Turner, Ratification Officer

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RATIFICATION INFORMATION PACKAGES

TO: MEMBERS OF PINE CREEK FIRST NATION - MINEGOZIIBE ANISHINABE
(the “Nation”)

Please find enclosed:

1. Summary letter outlining the offer, the settlement, and structure;
2. FAQ/Summary of the Settlement Agreement;
3. Agricultural Benefits Settlement Agreement (the “Settlement Agreement”);
4. FAQ/Summary of the Trust Agreement;
5. Trust Agreement (the “Trust Agreement”);
6. Notice of Ratification Vote;
7. Instructions for attending/viewing the Virtual Information Meeting; and
8. Instructions for Electronic Voting.

Collectively described as (the “Ratification Materials”).

The Ratification Materials have been mailed or e-mailed to every Member with an address or email on file with the Nation. If you have not received the Ratification Materials within 5 days of the date of this Notice, please contact the Ratification Officer. Confirmation of identity is required prior to the release or issuance of the Ratification Materials. **THE RATIFICATION MATERIALS ARE STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL TO NATION MEMBERS AND SHOULD NOT BE POSTED ONLINE.**

TAKE NOTICE: A Ratification Vote will be held on December 1, 2023, at the Nation’s School Gymnasium. The vote is open to all Members eighteen (18) years of age or older on the date of the Ratification Vote. The Ballot Question will ask Members of the Nation to agree and approve the Settlement Agreement and the Trust Agreement with a “Yes” or “No” Vote.

Voting may take place by Electronic Voting, or in-person.

- **Voting Day** will occur at the Nation’s School Gymnasium from 1PM to 8PM on Friday, December 1, 2023.
 - **Advance Polls** will occur at the dates and times provided below.
 - **Electronic Voting** instructions on how to cast your ballot electronically are included in your Ratification Materials. The Electronic/Online Voting period will commence on November 18th, 2023, at 3PM and close on December 1, 2023, at 8PM at the close of polls on the Voting Day.
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Information Meetings

The Information Meetings are intended for Chief and Council, legal counsel, and the financial advisor to provide information regarding the Settlement Agreement and Trust Agreement and to respond to membership questions. The Ratification Officer will also be available to respond to questions regarding the

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voting processes. The first Information Meeting will be held at the Nation's School Gymnasium on November 18th, 2023, from 1:00-3:00PM (local time).

Additional, meetings will be held as follows:

- 1) Dauphin Rec Centre (Strilkiwski Lounge) at 200 1st St SE - Dauphin, MB from 1:00-3:00PM on November 19, 2023.
- 2) Brandon Victoria Inn 3550 Victoria Ave, Brandon, MB R7B 2R4 from 1:00-3:00PM on November 20, 2023
- 3) Winnipeg Victoria Inn at 1808 Wellington Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3H 0G3 from 1:00-3:00PM on November 21st, 2023.

The Virtual Information Meeting, open to Members only, will be held on November 23rd, 2023, and from 6-8PM and will be available at the following link: www.cowsandplows.ca. Please review the online Information Meeting instructions provided with the Ratification Materials, as you will be required to enter a username and password. If you wish to submit questions in advance of the Information Meeting, please submit those to pcfngben@gmail.com.

In addition to the Virtual Information Meeting, legal counsel for the Nation will host additional in-person information meetings (see below) to respond to questions from Members. Furthermore, legal counsel can be contacted at pcfngben@gmail.com and 780-292-2153 throughout the ratification period.

Advance Polls

Location	Address	Date and Time	Notes
Pine Creek First Nation	School Gymnasium	November 18 th 3:00-8:00PM	*Please bring an appropriate form of government issued identification (i.e. driver's license or status card, or passport)
Dauphin Strilkiwski Lounge	200 1st St SE - Dauphin, MB	November 19 th 3:00-8:00 PM	
Brandon Victoria Inn	3550 Victoria Ave, Brandon, MB R7B 2R4	November 20 th 3:00-8:00 PM	
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Conclusion

Questions relating to the voting processes, or to request revisions to the Voters' List or to request the Ratification Materials, should be relayed to OneFeather Mobile Technologies (Ratification Officer) at: voterhelp@onefeather.ca or by phone at: **1-855-923-3006**

Questions relating to membership registration should be relayed to Joseph Neapew (Membership Clerk) at: joseph.neapew@pcfnc.ca or by phone at **1-204-524-2478**.

Questions relating to the Settlement Agreement or Trust Agreement, can be relayed to legal counsel at pcfngben@gmail.com or by phone at **780-292-2153**.