



TREATY ONE NEWS

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Treaty One Wraps Up Three Rounds of Engagement and Gears Up to Hit the Road Again

The Treaty One staff visited the First Nation Land Management (FNL) Developmental communities: Peguis, Roseau River, Sagkeeng, and Sandy Bay, to discuss the unified Treaty One Land Code. Engagement sessions were hosted both virtually and in-person from November 2021 to March 2022 with over 300 participants. Attendees asked important questions and provided meaningful feedback which was taken into consideration in the revisions of the Land Code. Treaty One was able to visit the FNL Operational communities (Brokenhead, Long Plain, and Swan Lake) as well!

Members of the Treaty One Senior Management team met with the Chief and Councils of each Nation, and the Treaty One Governing Council, several times over the past few months with ongoing communication. Part of our ongoing engagement is to meet with the Lands Technical Advisory Council to discuss plans, items, and documents through their lens of technical expertise. We acknowledge the efforts of the staff of our Treaty One First Nations who work with us, and we appreciate their dedication and support.



Stay tuned to our website and social media accounts for the dates of our next round of engagement

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Knowledge Keeper & Youth Engagement

We met with the Treaty One Knowledge Keepers Council and hosted specific engagements with Knowledge Keepers in our communities. They noted the value of establishing our land management system in a way that supports future generations, with strong support for economic development on Naawi-Oodena.

Treaty One also hosted meetings with our Promise Keepers' Council and Youth in the four FNLM developmental communities. The Youth and Promise Keepers discussed the importance of creating a solid land management system to reinforce the progression of economic development and Naawi-Oodena.

In general, Treaty One Members emphasized that they would like Treaty One to keep engaging membership electronically, and by other means for transparency and accountability.

We value the input that our community members bring to us, as it helps to build a strong foundation for generations to come.

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Definitions:

Land management covers the day-to-day administration, and the right to make Land Laws, in respect to the Treaty One Lands and resources.

A **Land Code** is the basic Land Law of the included lands (Naawi-Oodena), and it will replace the 44 relevant land management sections of the Indian Act. This Land Code will not apply to the individual Treaty One First Nations' own lands, nor will it interfere with the management or governance of any independently held lands of our Signatory Member Nations.

The **Individual Agreement** is essentially a contract between the federal government and the Treaty One First Nations: it covers the transfer of reserve lands that will be under Treaty One's administration. This includes the specifics of the land transfer and the related funding to support the lands' management.

Community Inclusion in the Land Code

The upcoming referendum in the four developmental communities of Roseau River, Peguis, Sagkeeng and Sandy Bay is a vote on the Land Code & Individual Agreement for just the Treaty One joint reserve lands (Naawi-Oodena). This vote does not include the community's individually held lands, or the way that the First Nation has chosen to govern them. We are working with the Treaty One communities to set up a solid lands management foundation for Naawi-Oodena to support economic development and future prosperity.

To ensure the Treaty One communities were engaged and included in the development of the Land Code, Treaty One hosted 40 sessions, which took place in the community, virtually, and in Winnipeg and Keeshquamakwa. These were held with membership as well as Treaty One Advisory Councils, and the Chief and Councils of the seven First Nations. Feedback from the sessions was gathered and has impacted the development of the Land Code. The input from the sessions will also have an impact on future Treaty One policies and documents. We appreciate your questions and comments!

For more information on Land Code & resources, please visit: labrc.com

Don't forget to check out our March edition of Treaty One News for more information on Land Code and resources!



What to Expect in the Vote?

Voting information will be posted on the Treaty One landing page on OneFeather for the convenience of members of the Treaty One developmental communities. This will include the final Land Code, which has community suggestions incorporated. Physical voter information packages are available from your Ratification Officer, at the request of a voting member. We encourage all Treaty One members to update their information with their Membership Clerk so they can receive any mailed information.

Should you have any questions about this process, we encourage you reach out to your Ratification Officer. Voting will be as accessible as possible to those voting communities, with mail-in ballots, electronic ballots, and in-person polls.

The Land Code, as well as the Individual Agreement, will be on the ballot for the vote. Below is an explanation of the ballot:

Voting in favour (**"YES"**) of the Treaty One Joint Reserve Land Code and Individual Agreement means that your First Nation, as one of the 7 Treaty One First Nation members, will participate in the managing of the jointly held reserve lands, under the Treaty One Joint Reserve Land Code. This Land Code applies only to lands that are set apart for the joint use and benefit of the 7 Treaty One First Nation members and does not apply to other reserve lands.

Voting against (**"NO"**) the Treaty One Joint Reserve Land Code and Individual Agreement means that the land that will be reserve for the joint use and benefit of all 7 Treaty One First Nation members will be managed by Indigenous Services Canada, under the Indian Act.



OneFeather: Getting Updates on Treaty One

Treaty One will continue to share information through our social media platforms and OneFeather. In order to support an informed decision by members of the developmental communities of Roseau River, Peguis, Sagkeeng, and Sandy Bay, all documents relating to the Land Code & Individual Agreement vote will be securely posted on OneFeather, including the voter information package. Documents that are public are available for Treaty One members to openly view: no sign-in is necessary.

OneFeather is compliant with the following Canadian regulations:

- § FIPS 140-2 (secure cryptographic eco-system);
- § Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS);
- § App Transport Security (ATS) and (SSL) TLS 1.2;
- § WCAG 2.0 Level AA (accessibility); and
- § Canada's Anti-Spam Legislation (CASL).

Only those with permission granted by your Chief & Council may access your data on the backend (for example your Membership Clerk). Treaty One will only post information, documents, and surveys to the Treaty One portal; our office will not have control of your community's data or lists – they are owned and maintained by your First Nation, or Indigenous Services Canada.

One Feather works similarly to having your membership information stored on a spreadsheet, except it has more security and can even track changes made to your account. Instead of searching through several Facebook pages and messages to find information, documents will be easily available to members.



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If you are registered to vote in your Treaty One community, and are 18+, we encourage you to register on OneFeather today. Stay in touch and check out Treaty One news and events at: https://www.onefeather.ca/tribal_councils/treatyone



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Treaty One Partners with Indigeno Travel

On March 30th, Treaty One announced its recent partnership with Indigeno Travel. The staff and management of Treaty One are very proud to be part owners of this exciting company and we would like to introduce our regular Treaty One News readers to this one-of-a-kind travel company. We hope you'll support our newest venture whenever and wherever you travel.

Indigeno Travel is North America's only national, Indigenous owned, full-service travel agency. Indigeno's goal is to create meaningful careers for Indigenous people in the travel industry; a part of Canada's economy in which Indigenous people are very underrepresented.

Indigeno offers First Nations Government Corporate Travel, offering the most up-to-date solutions for corporate travel, including 24/7 emergency after-hours service and consolidated reporting for your administration, among many other benefits.

Indigeno also offers everyday leisure travel, including sun destinations, with available monthly payment plans. Indigeno specializes in Indigenous tourism experiences in both Canada and around the world. We look forward to Indigeno supporting existing Treaty One Indigenous tourism experiences while also playing a role in helping our Treaty One communities create more! Please visit www.indigenotravel.com and check out Treaty One's travel company.

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