



WILLIAMS TREATIES FIRST NATIONS

AUGUST 22, 2018

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
EXECUTION BY ONTARIO**

**TO: MEMBERS
FROM: CHIEF AND COUNCIL
RE: EXECUTION OF THE WILLIAMS TREATIES
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BY ONTARIO**

Congratulations! The Williams Treaties Settlement Agreement has been executed by Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Carolyn Bennett on August 22, 2018! The Settlement Agreement is now effective having been executed by the Williams Treaties First Nations and the Ministers on behalf of Ontario and Canada.

However, there remains important steps to be completed before the financial compensation has to be paid by Canada and Ontario pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The next step in the process is to obtain the Courts' approval of the discontinuance of the Federal Court and Provincial Court proceedings. Our legal counsel is in the process of preparing the applications for the discontinuance of these proceedings pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

The parties have decided to keep the terms of the Settlement Agreement confidential until the discontinuance of the legal proceedings. We will continue to keep you updated of the milestones.

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