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**To:** Thunderchild First Nation  
**From:** Maurice Law  
**File:** Thunderchild First Nation Treaty 6 Benefits Claim  
**Date:** January 2024  
**Subject:** **Treaty 6 Benefits Claim – Current Status & Next Steps**

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**BRIEFING NOTE**

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On January 8, 2024, the Members of the Thunderchild First Nation voted to approve the Thunderchild First Nation Treaty 6 Benefits Claim Settlement Agreement and the Thunderchild First Nation Legacy Trust. Under the voting guidelines, the review period for this vote expired on January 15, 2024.

As such, the Thunderchild First Nation has completed all necessary steps to ratify this settlement.

Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the complete package of executed documents and certificates is now sent to the Minister for execution. While we do not control the timing of when the Minister will sign or Canada’s internal process, Chief and Council will be taking all possible steps to expedite the Minister’s signing. Once the agreement is signed by the Minister, Canada must pay compensation within 45 days.

Chief and Council have secured the terms of a bridge loan with CIBC to provide the per capita distribution to all Thunderchild adults while waiting for the Minister to sign the Agreement.

Chief and Council will provide an update regarding the date of the per capita payments when we receive an update from Canada on its internal review.

Chief and Council will continue to provide updates as any new information becomes available.

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**Per:**   
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