



TO: All Flying Dust First Nation Membership
FROM: Chief and Council
DATE: January 28, 2025
RE: **Update on Railway Claim**

I am writing to provide you with an update on the Flying Dust First Nation IR105 Specific Claim (“Railway Claim”). The Railway Claim arose from Canada’s transfer of 214.81 acres of our Reserve to the CPR in 1932. This was done without asking for or receiving approval from our First Nation. In the decades that followed, the CPR leased and sold some of this land to others, again without our approval. Our leaders challenged Canada and the railway’s right to do these things. In 2012 the Flying Dust First Nation (“FDFN”) submitted to Canada a Specific Claim alleging Canada’s conduct was unlawful and in breach of its fiduciary duty to FDFN. In 2015 Canada agreed to negotiate the Claim made by FDFN. In 2024 Canada made an Offer of Settlement for FDFN to consider and vote upon.

The Railway Claim represents an opportunity for FDFN to benefit the Nation and to create a better future for the children, youth, adults and Elders. The Railway Claim has been a priority of each of our past FDFN leaders. Investment in the community and the land has remained a consistent vision. We hope to present a plan that both honours our past Elders, Leaders, and Members, as well as our current Members and our future generations.

Information Meetings for the purposes of discussing the proposed Settlement Agreement and Trust Agreement will be held as follows:

LOCATION	VENUE	DATE & TIME
Meadow Lake, SK	Civic Centre	February 25, 2025 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Saskatoon, SK	To Be Determined	February 27, 2025 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Edmonton, AB	To Be Determined	March 3, 2025 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
North Battleford, SK	Western Development Museum	March 4, 2025 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM



The Ratification Vote will take place as follows:

LOCATION	VENUE	DATE & TIME
Flying Dust First Nation, SK	Community Gym	March 8, 2025 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Online	One Feather Voting Platform	9:00 AM March 4, 2025 to 8:00 PM March 8, 2025

One Feather has been chosen as the ratification officer. Thank you for your time and consideration on the Railway Claim. We look forward to your participation in these important decisions for our Nation and our Members.

Respectfully,

Chief Tyson Bear & Council