



NETMIZAAGGAMIG NISHNAABEG

UNSURRENDERED

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: ANNUITIES

1. Annuities, under the Robinson Superior Treaty

The RST required that if the territory produced enough revenue to allow the Crown to increase the amount paid to the Anishinaabe without incurring a loss, the payment "shall be augmented from time to time" (so that the Anishinaabe could share in the actual wealth of the Robinson Superior Treaty territory.) The Anishinaabe in Lake Superior received an increase only once in 1875 when the annuity was raised from £1 to \$4.00.

2. What does the decision from Justice Hennessey (Feb 27/26) mean for NN?

In June 2025, Justice Hennessey heard First Nation concerns about the amount offered by Canada and Ontario in relation to compensation owed to the Lake Superior Anishinaabeg for past breaches of the annuities promise. In her decision released on February 27, 2026, she found that the \$3.6 billion was reasonable and that it should not be interfered with by the court

We understand that the Membership may be disappointed that the amount was not increased, but there are sections of the decision that are very favourable to NN. Specifically Justice Hennessey confirmed that NN's share of the past compensation is secure at 7.38%, and that the money will be earning interest from January 2025 until the date that it is paid out.

3. When will the settlement money be distributed to the Membership?

We are unable at this time to give a date as to when any annuity money will be received or distributed to all the Lake Superior Anishinaabeg. The 6 First Nations that were signatories/adherants to the Robinson Superior Treaty have already received their share. For the rest of the First Nations such as Netmizaaggamig Nishnaabeg, who are in settlement discussions; NN's share is secure and being held pending the final settlement of its Aboriginal Title claim.

Netmizaaggamig Nishnaabeg will provide more details about this in community meetings.

4. How can we access the materials that were at the community engagement sessions?

We are in the process of a new design for the NN website. The new design will include a Member Portal where we will be able to share confidential information going forward with the Membership. Until then, please attend community update meetings.

We will keep this top of our agenda!

5. I was not able to attend the Community session. How can I give my feedback?

There will be ongoing engagement opportunities for the Membership to ask questions and provide feedback on this process. Please stay tuned for more information.