

MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO

INFORMATION BULLETIN

Re: Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) Registry & Self-Government Readiness Process (RSRP) – Updates - November 9, 2018

Background

- As another step forward in advancing the Métis Nation of Ontario's (MNO) 25 year mandate to advance rights, self-determination and self-government for Métis in Ontario the MNO launched the Registry and Self-Government Readiness Process (RSRP) in October 2017.
- The RSRP involves a review of MNO Citizenship files to determine whether they meet the requirements for MNO Citizenship as set out in the MNO Bylaws and MNO Registry Policy.
- Given the role of MNO leadership in making decisions on behalf of all MNO Citizens, the Provisional Council of the MNO (PCMNO) directed that as part of the Registry Review, the MNO provincial, regional and community elected leadership Citizen files be pulled and reviewed first. This review of all other MNO Citizenship files is ongoing.
- It should also be noted that PCMNO further directed that there be a reconsideration process for the files of all elected leaders across Ontario. Meaning, that when additional documentation is provided to Registry this information is prioritized for further review and re-assessed based upon the requirements for Citizenship. The reconsideration process for Citizenship files will be incorporated once the initial review of files is complete.
- PCMNO directed that for the files of PCMNO there be a timeframe to complete their files. On November 8, 2018 a decision was made to extend the timeframe for Councillors to complete files which would effectively ensure that MNO's elected provincial leadership will complete their current term of office.
- This decision is consistent with processes for MNO elected leadership at the community level.

Current Updates - RSRP

- All existing MNO Citizenship files have been digitized and are in the process of review, with 9,000 files fully assessed. More than 4000 letters have been sent to MNO Citizens.

- MNO Citizenship files are being reviewed on a random basis. All Citizens will receive a letter (as long as their contact information is up-to-date). [Click here to access the Change of Address form](#). or call the Registry at 1-855-798-1006
- MNO Citizens that receive a letter noting their file is complete will be receiving one of the new enhanced MNO Citizenship card at no cost. The Registry is asking Citizens to provide a new photo and to complete the *Consent to Collect and Release Information* form that includes a designated area for a signature that will be incorporated into the new Citizenship card. [Click here to access the form](#). (Please sign in the middle of the signature box)
- MNO Citizens that receive a letter noting that their file is incomplete remain MNO Citizens but they will not be issued a new MNO Citizenship card until their file is complete.

Next Steps

- The review of all MNO Citizenship files will be complete by early 2019.
- The existing backlog of new MNO Harvester applications is being brought up-to-date.
- The existing backlog of new MNO Citizenship applications will be assessed and processed by February 2019.
- The MNO Registry has started to reach out to find addresses for existing MNO Citizens that have outdated addresses in the Registry database.

Who can I contact if I have questions about the RSRP? Email: RSRP@metisnation.org

Any questions specific to your file: registryclerk@metisnation.org

And, at any time MNO Citizens are encouraged to reach out to members of the Provisional Council or MNO's Senior Administration for more information:

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