NAVIGATING MÉTIS SELF-GOVERNMENT

With our core Self-Government Agreement in hand, the MNO is moving forward together to build a constitution and implement self-government. And we want to ensure that all MNO regions and communities are engaged in that process in a way that makes sense for them. Join us on the journey!

1 GET STARTED
Each of MNO’s 9 Regions draft and sign a Regional Implementation Agreement (RIA). The RIAs are customized to the unique needs and concerns of each Region. They also include common principles that ensure all voices will be heard and all MNO communities are properly supported.

2 GET ORGANIZED
Next, Regional Implementation Committees (RIC) will be formed with representation from each MNO community council in the Region. The RICs will develop work plans to build capacity and engage MNO Citizens within the Region, and address any unique concerns the region has when it comes to self-government.

3 RECOGNIZE OUR SUCCESSES
As MNO communities and citizens work together to build our vision for the future, the Government of Canada will pass a new federal law (‘federal recognition legislation’) that recognizes and cements our Self-Government Agreement in Canadian law.

4 WE BUILD IT TOGETHER
Community by community, all MNO citizens will be engaged to contribute their ideas, ask questions and, importantly, listen to one another. Through collaboration and consensus, we will build a Métis Government that is fair, worthy of respect, and true to our values.

5 CRAFT A MÉTIS CONSTITUTION
With the contributions and ideas of all MNO citizens, and inspired by the values and traditions of our ancestors, a Constitution will be drafted.

6 BUILD OUR CORE MÉTIS LAWS
We will build Métis Laws on citizenship, leadership selection and internal operations to provide a strong foundation for our Métis Government and future generations of Métis in Ontario.

7 RATIFY AND MOVE OUR MÉTIS GOVERNMENT FORWARD!
With our Métis Laws in place and all other Self-Government Agreement requirements met, we will hold a province-wide referendum to approve our Constitution and the Self-Government Agreement. Once ratified by the Métis Citizens, we will move forward with Métis Self-Government in Ontario!
Rights-bearing members of Métis communities have an inherent and constitutionally protected right to self-government. This is something that our Métis ancestors and our leaders have fought for. Now, we have some work to do to fully realize this dream.

Every Métis citizen has something to contribute. There will be time for listening to others, learning, offering ideas, and thinking together.

Your Métis community needs you. This is an historic opportunity to build our Métis Government. What that looks like is up to all of us.

Some questions to ponder...

WHY DOES MÉTIS SELF-GOVERNMENT MATTER?

WHAT MÉTIS VALUES SHOULD GUIDE US IN SELF-GOVERNMENT?

HOW DO WE ALL WORK TOGETHER? WHO DOES WHAT?

Reach out, ask questions, provide your feedback, and join the conversation. For more information: self.government@metisnation.org | metisnation.org