



# FIRST NATIONS DRINKING WATER SETTLEMENT / CLASS ACTION

## ABOUT THE LAWSUIT

The lawsuit addresses Canada's failure to take all reasonable steps to ensure that First Nation communities have adequate access to safe drinking water.

The Settlement includes compensation for Impacted First Nations and eligible individuals as well as commitments to fund the construction, operation, and maintenance of infrastructure needed to provide regular access to safe drinking water in their homes in a quantity sufficient for everyday use including, laundry, cooking, washing dishes, bathing, etc.

The First Nations Drinking Water settlement totals roughly \$8 billion. \$6 billion is for community water and wastewater infrastructure and the rest is compensation for both Individuals and First Nations.

Courts have approved the Settlement between Canada and certain First Nations and their members who were subject to a drinking water advisory that lasted at least one year between November 20, 1995 and June 20, 2021.

## ELIGIBILITY

In Neyaashiinigiing, we have had a boil water advisory since 2019.

In order to be **eligible** for this action, a member needs to be living in Nawash between:  
**January 21, 2019 to June 20, 2021.**

## DEADLINES

The deadlines for compensation claims are drawing closer.

Individuals have **two ways** to make claims for compensation before **March 7, 2023**:

1. On their own, using the Individual Claim Form
2. Have their name included on the Band Confirmation List - Impacted First Nations wishing to accept the Settlement Agreement have a **deadline of December 2, 2022** to submit their Band Council Acceptance Resolution.

## LINKS

All details and forms can be found on the following website: [Firstnationsdrinkingwater.ca](https://firstnationsdrinkingwater.ca)

For frequently asked questions, please visit: FAQs; <https://firstnationsdrinkingwater.ca/index.php/help-support/faqs/>

The table in this link shows all the First Nations that have known long-term drinking water advisories in the time frames covered by the settlement:

<https://firstnationsdrinkingwater.ca/index.php/impacted-first-nations/>

## FORMS

If you require a hard copy of the Claims form, please contact the Band Office.

## QUESTIONS

If you have any questions regarding claims, please call our consulting firm, Deloitte directly:  
1-833-252-4220