# Lucky Man Cree Nation: Conversations with Canada

#### Timeline

January of 2021, LMCN submits request

February of 2022, LMCN Winter membership forum was formed

February of 2023, continuing conversations with Canada

## What is Conversations with Canada?

RIRSD (Conversations with Canada) Tables are exploratory discussion tables with Canada on the topics of iurisdiction.

Funding for table is provided by Canada (no band funding is used)

### Why is LMCN at the table?

LMCN uniqueness has negatively impacted the nation. Through policy design, the nation has been left behind in all areas. LMCN continues to suffer due to systemic discrimination.

- Non-binding (open conversations, no legal commitment)
- Recognition of Section. 35 rights
- Open to broad areas of discussion
- Bring to light LMCN issues.
  - Revitalization of Language and Culture,
  - Core governance
  - Crown consultation
  - The Treaty Right to health
  - Cumulative impacts and lands



#### **Negotiation Team**

- -Chief Crystal Okemow
- -Shirley Gamble, Elder
- -Bob Freedman, Senior Legal
- -Dana Martin, Project lead
- -Bonnie Evans, Senior Advisor
- -Jayneika Okemow-Bull, Office Admin

### **Working Group**

Chief Crystal Okemow

- -Shirley Gamble, Elder
- -Arlene Pelletier, Elder
- -Richard Okemow
- -Eugenia Okemow
- -Darryl Pooyak-Okemow
- -Jayneika Okemow-Bull
- -Bonnie Evans, Senior Advisor
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# Negotiation Team Role:

Bringing Luckymans interests and desires to the table with Canada,

- Expressing Lucky Mans needs and goals
- Negotiating a path forward

### **Working Group Role:**

Conversations with membership and the negotiation team.
-Gathering feedback from LMCN members about the

Conversations with Canada

Working with the negotiation team about rights, interest and priorities of LMCN

### Why is Canada at the table?

Canada's approach of developing policy without discussing it with the Nations, isn't working. Canada has committed to renewing the relationship with First Nations based on recognition of rights, respect, cooperation and partnership.



### Membership Role

- Stay informed and ask questionsAttend Coffeehouses and community
- -Attend Coffeehouses and community meetings
- -Download the LMCN app, and visit the website and facebook page
- -Have conversations with the team members

Thank you to our elders for their wisdom and guidance.

Your continued guidance and direction is needed to ensure we succeed.

For more information, please reach out to any member of the Working Group directly, or you can email us at the email address below:

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