

**Flying Dust
First Nation**

About FLYING DUST FIRST NATION

Flying Dust First Nation (FDFN) is located on the northeast side of the City of Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan. The area is home to some of the most fertile farmland in northern Saskatchewan. Flying Dust First Nation is one of nine First Nations that comprise the Meadow Lake Tribal Council (MLTC). Flying Dust First Nation people are descendants of the Algonquian linguistic group with Cree as their native language. Being located close to Meadow Lake provides a number of employment opportunities for members and also provides opportunities for economic investment. (www.flyingdust.net)

HIGHLIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Flying Dust First Nation (*Kopahawakenum*) is a member of Treaty 6 and became a signatory on August 26, 1876.
- Flying Dust First Nation is located approximately 300 km northwest of Saskatoon. It is accessible via Highway 55, a vital access route for northern Saskatchewan communities.
- In June 2013, citizens overwhelmingly supported a deal that would see the Nation establish its own law-making powers over its reserve lands, resources, and the environment through the First Nation Land Management Act (FNLMA).
- Flying Dust is comprised of seven land parcels that cover more than 20 thousand acres in the heart of some of the most fertile prairie farmland.
- Under the current Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE) structure, the band is entitled to purchase an additional 7469.197 hectares (18,441.56 acres) of land.
- FDFN purchased 110 acres of land south of Saskatoon near Highway #11, which was recently designated as reserve.
- Flying Dust partnered with Meadow Lake Tribal Council and miEnergy in 2022 to prioritize renewable energy.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Population: 2,016 persons (April, 2024)

On Reserve: 688 persons/Off Reserve: 1,328 persons

Total Reserves/Settlements/Villages: 23,236 acres

(Source: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada, https://fnppn.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/fnp/Main/Search/FNMain.aspx?BAND_NUMBER=395&lang=eng)

TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFILIATION

Meadow Lake Tribal Council (MLTC) Member

ECONOMICS

IN SASKATOON REGION

Land Holdings (Total)	110 acres
RM of Corman Park, Highway 11 South (Rural Reserve)	110 acres
Status: Development options are currently being considered	
Employment (On Reserve)	
Full Time, Part-Time, Seasonal Employee	66FT, 12PT
Business Developments – Proposed	
Flying Dust Business Centre	Planned
FDFN Solid Waste and Water Treatment Facilities	Planned
FDFN Commercial Development	Planned
Industrial	Planned
Corman Park Commercial Development	Planned
Housing Development	Ongoing
Adult Learning Centre	Completed

OUTSIDE SASKATOON REGION

FDB Holding Corp	78FT, 16PT, 16S
<i>F.D.B. Gravel Inc.</i>	6FT, 3PT
<i>F.D.B. Fuels Inc.</i>	14FT, 8PT
<i>Flying Energy Inc</i>	1FT
<i>FD Market Garden</i>	6FT, 12PT
<i>Flying Dust Powercorp</i>	1FT
<i>FD Housing Corporation</i>	45FT
<i>Snipe & Celly Sport Excellence</i>	5FT, 5PT, 4S
<i>F.D.B. Security Inc.</i>	
<i>Buffalo Farm</i>	

Source: www.flyingdust.net





HOME RESERVE INFORMATION

Location

The home reserve is located adjacent to Meadow Lake, approximately 300km north of Saskatoon.

Services

Facilities on-reserve include the Kopahawakenum School (PreK-8), health clinic, Elders building, administration building, bank, community hall, community church, health office, a youth centre, youth employment and skills program, market garden, infrastructure and maintenance compound, daycare, hockey arena, gas station and convenience store. Many other services are located in the adjacent city of Meadow Lake.

Education

Kopahawakenum Elementary School was officially opened on November 25, 2005. Currently the school has pre-Kindergarten to Grade 4 classes but will be expanding soon to host students up to Grade 9.

Kopahawakenum has a strong emphasis in developing language arts skills through enriching programs that take students out of the classroom, providing meaningful experiences.

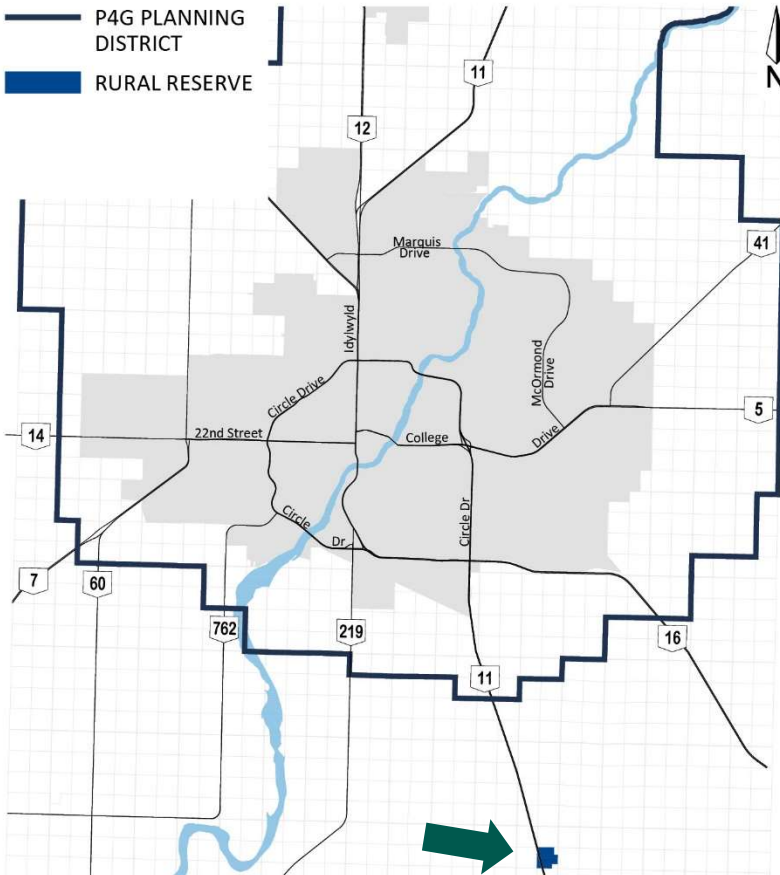
Kopahawakenum Elementary School is in a partnership with Meadow Lake Tribal Council that is strengthening student understanding of Land, Language, Relationship and Culture.

GOVERNANCE

Chief: Tyson Bear
Councillors: Connie Derocher
Marie Gladue
Rubyn Norman
Jon Mirasty

Election Term: December 5, 2020 to
December 5, 2024

**Flying Dust First Nation
Land Holdings - City of Saskatoon and Region**
Approximately 110 acres



FOR MORE INFORMATION



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