



# Métis Nation of Alberta

*A strong Métis Nation embracing Métis rights*

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## Update on the Harvesting Policy Review

The Métis Nation of Alberta (MNA) is working with the Government of Alberta (GoA) to review their current harvesting policy, which the MNA does not support. The work under review can be found in our [A Way Forward agreement](#).

Because of the [Hirse Korn case](#) heard in the Alberta Court of Appeal, the Government of Alberta will not do any joint harvesting engagement sessions with the MNA further south than Red Deer. The Red Deer session was a compromise in and of itself. The GoA's Cabinet Mandate does not allow for discussions on a harvesting area in southern Alberta presently, which the Alberta Minister of Indigenous Relations publicly announced in the fall. A link to the Cabinet Mandate letter can be found [here](#).

The MNA is committed to continuing to advocate for Métis harvesting rights throughout the Province, including southern Alberta. The MNA is working towards hosting a meeting in Lethbridge on April 28. Although the MNA does not agree with the approach to limit engagement locations, co-hosting seven (7) engagement sessions throughout central and northern Alberta and an additional session in Lethbridge, are small steps in the right direction. The sessions will inform the policy review.

If you live in Region 3 and want to attend the Lethbridge session, or if you have questions and feedback, you can contact our Harvesting Manager, Amy Quintal at [aquintal@metis.org](mailto:aquintal@metis.org) or 780-455-2200 ext. 256.