

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

December 5, 2024

Dear Band Members,

Aaniin, Boozhoo! As the elected officials of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe ("Band"), we are pleased to share with you that the December, 2024, gross combined Tribal General Welfare Exclusion Act compliant programs ("GWE") payment and the Per Capita payment, is the same as it was in December 2023, despite the Per Capita payment portion being a reduced amount.

In order to be in compliance with the Band's Revenue Allocation Plan, the December Per Capita payment must be adjusted (trued up, or trued down). There are two main factors that impact this December adjustment: a) Actual enrollment figures compared to the estimate made at the beginning of the fiscal year; and b) Actual casino distributions compared to the estimate made at the beginning of the fiscal year. For fiscal year 2024 (true up or true down made in December 2024), the enrollment population was higher than initially estimated, and the casino distributions were lower than initially estimated. The combination of these two factors resulted in the December Per Capita payment needing to be "trued down". The January, 2025, Per Capita and GWE payment will revert back to that which it was in November, 2024.

Please read the full GWE program details on the Band's website at www.Millelacsband.com / Government / Resources / Office of Management and Budget / then click on Eligible Band Member General Welfare Assistance Program, on the right.

As your elected officials, it is our duty to continuously seek out opportunities to improve the lives of all Mille Lacs Band Members. You and your family members will always be our highest priority.

Happy Holidays & Miigwech,

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