



## OVERHEAD

### Treaty Land Negotiation

*When my grandfather and great grandfather signed the Treaty, they were talking about me and now I've got to talk about my grandchildren and the youth, and so that's the kind of process we're trying to continue in this whole Treaty-making process and that's what we try to remember when we work in TLE [Treaty Land Entitlement], to think about the future and make sure that we provide for the future...*

*It means trying to do the best we can, often making compromises between ourselves and the various levels of government, federal and provincial, municipal, and also having to work with white society as a whole, trying to understand them, trying to work with them, and yet at the same time educating them to understand us...*

*There are those who will never understand it and don't want to, and never will. On the other hand, there's a whole lot of good people out there who want to and will understand it. There will be benefits coming out of it for those people, and it's happening now. All of that bodes well for the coming together of a people.*

- Noel Starblanket of the Starblanket First Nation in 1994

Consider the roles of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations, the Federal and Provincial Governments, and the Office of the Treaty Commissioner. What does Starblanket's quote say about the work these groups have to do to honour the intent and the implementation of Treaty Land Entitlement?