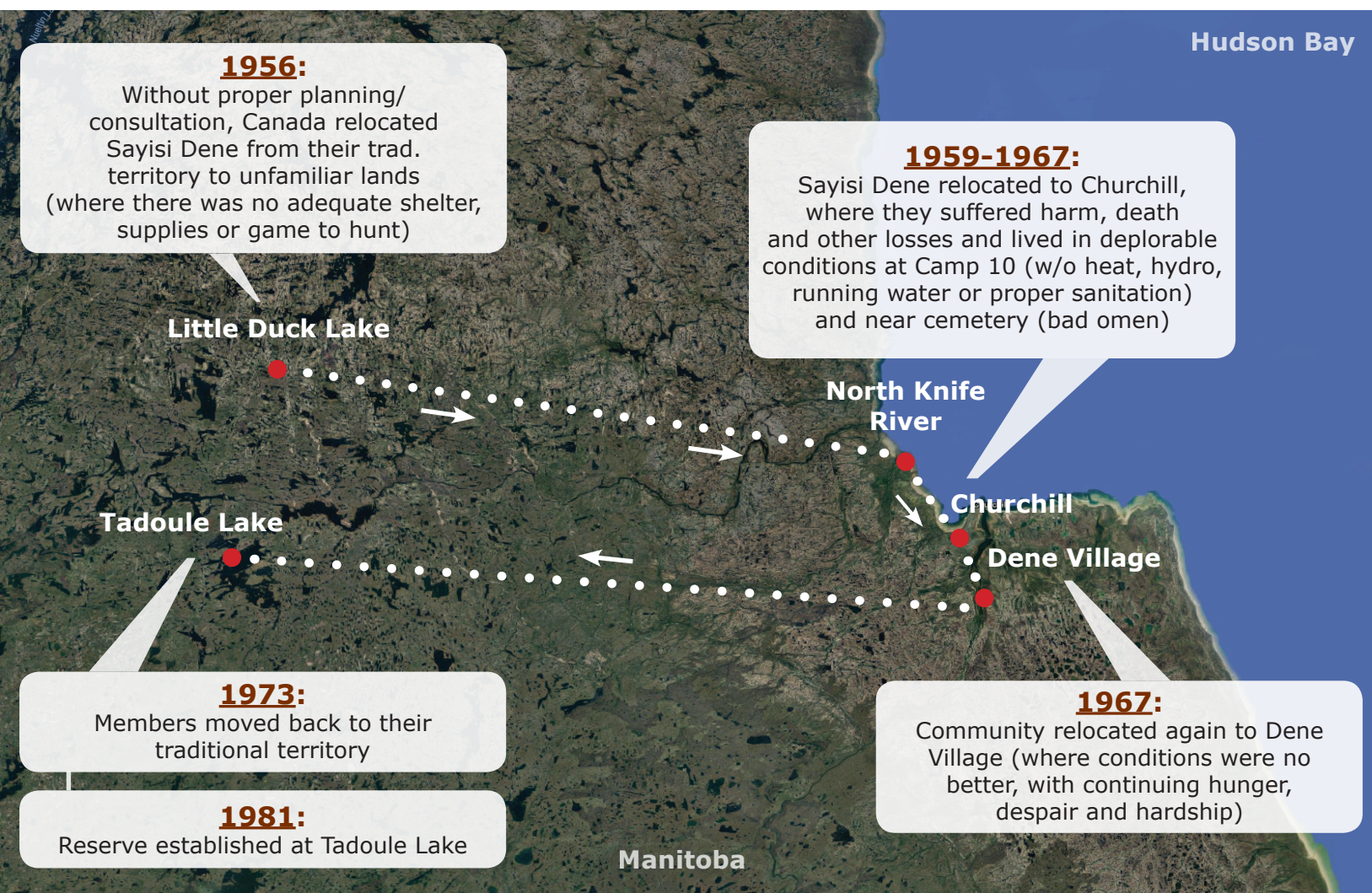


# Sayisi Dene First Nation Relocation Claim



Canada has publicly apologized for relocating the Sayisi Dene in the 1950s and 1960s. [The apology](#) flows from a settlement concluded with the Sayisi Dene First Nation.

## Looking Back: History of the Relocation



For centuries, the Sayisi Dene hunted caribou in what is now northern Manitoba, Nunavut and the Northwest Territories. Their thriving culture and economy were closely tied to this traditional way of life.





# Just the Facts: the Relocation Claim Settlement Agreement



**816**

**Sayisi Dene members**  
(313 on reserve  
and 503 off reserve)

**97%**

**of First Nation members  
who voted approved  
the settlement**

## Settlement includes:

**\$33.6 million**

from Canada  
(paid into a Trust for benefit of  
current/future generations)

**13,000 acres**

of prov. Crown land to be  
added to First Nation's reserve

## Timeline:

### Resolution process between Canada and Sayisi Dene

Sayisi Dene have long sought a resolution, filing their relocation claim with Canada in 1999.



**2010:**

Manitoba apologized for its part in 1956 relocation and offered provincial Crown land to the First Nation

**2016:**

Canada apologizes to Sayisi Dene for relocation at ceremony marking 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of relocation and conclusion of a settlement

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