



BC Policy Annex: Recognition and Reconciliation of Rights in BC Treaties

*Reflections from the negotiating
table*

Context

- BC Treaty Process
- Reconciliation Tables – producing incremental agreements and tangible benefits
- *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act, SBC 2019, c 44*

Principles and Highlights

- Crown recognizing rights
 - not extinguishing or modifying - evolving
- Will not require “full and final settlement”
- Aims to implement UNDRIP
 - including rights to redress and Free, Prior and Informed Consent
- Facilitate incremental measures

Principles and Highlights

- Avoid one-size-fits-all formulaic approach
- Inherent right to self-determination
- Shared decision-making: support co-existence of Indigenous and Crown laws
 - Recognizing inherent titles to land and resources

Implementation

- Co-developing mandates?
 - How to reflect differing views?
- Demonstrating progress through incremental measures?
 - Capacity building
- Space for real shared decision making?
 - Fettering discretion



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