LCAC Modern Treaty Implementation Research: Strengthening Our Shared Future
Project 5 Theme Overview

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THEME OVERVIEW
Implementation Evaluation and Socio-Economic Impacts

TREATY IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

Few treaty implementation evaluations have been conducted, and no clear process, approach, or benchmarks for implementation evaluation and assessment have been developed. Building a searchable database of existing analyses and documents, including those generated by Indigenous governments and academic contributions, will be one theme deliverable, allowing for issue and pattern analysis.

DO MODERN TREATIES MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

A second deliverable will be the development of tools to measure the impact of treaty implementation on Indigenous well-being trying to assess if modern treaties make a difference in the lives of collectives and individual Indigenous peoples?

SAMPLE RESEARCH QUESTIONS: IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

- What are the prevalent issues and recurrent patterns in treaty implementation conflict?
- Having Implementation plan, implementation meetings, does it make a difference?

SAMPLE RESEARCH QUESTIONS:
IMPACT ON WELL-BEING

- Do modern treaties make a difference in the lives of collectives and individual Indigenous peoples?
- What are measures of this success?
- How do we gather Indigenous perspectives and use Indigenous indices to answer this?
- Are there qualitative and quantitative approaches that can be brought to bear or developed?
- Can we expect the treaty effect (regaining some fate control?) to offset the long-term negative impacts of colonization (loss of fate control)? Issue of collective vs individual fate control

PARTICIPATION OF LCAC MEMBERS?

- LCAC Members who have research questions related to this theme in their implementation work can expect to:
  - Contact a Co-Lead to discuss your research interest;
  - Develop a research proposal to describe your project and how it relates to Treaty implementation;
  - Describe in-kind support that your organization could provide;
  - Describe what resources would be needed to undertake the project;
  - Be willing to work with an academic, students and possibly a community based researcher :
  - Be willing to apply for additional funding from other sources;
  - Be willing to share all or some results of the project publicly, including participating in workshops or conferences.

PARTICIPATION OF ACADEMICS AND STUDENTS?

- Academics and students interested in researching questions in this theme can expect to:
  - Contact a Co-Lead to discuss the question and project and/or respond to a call for proposals or studentships;
  - Develop a research proposal and how it relates to Treaty implementation;
  - Describe resources needed to undertake the project;
  - Must work with a community or Indigenous organization and a community based researcher;
  - Be willing to adjust research questions to meaningfully address priorities of the community or organization partner, and develop a research proposal in partnership with the community/organizaiton;
  - Be willing to apply for additional funding from other sources;
  - Be willing to share all or some results of the project publicly, including participating in workshops or conferences;
  - Ensure Indigenous community research protocols are followed and the project is governed by a research agreement with the partner organization.

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