

# The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in British Columbia

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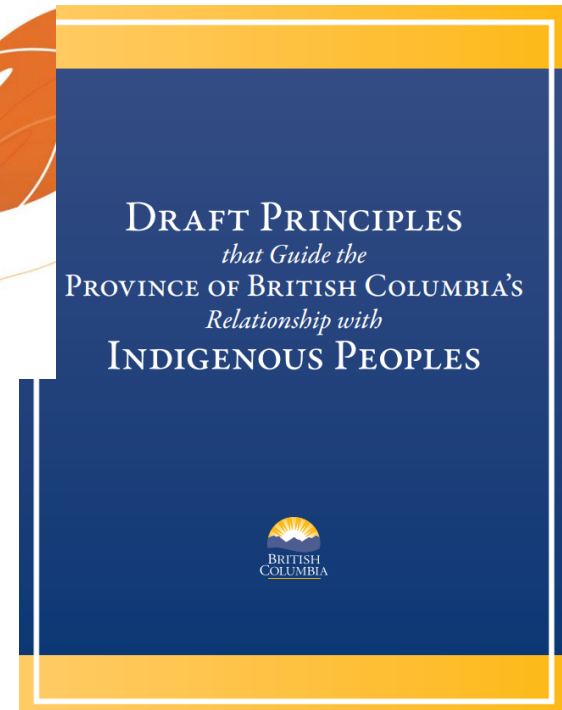
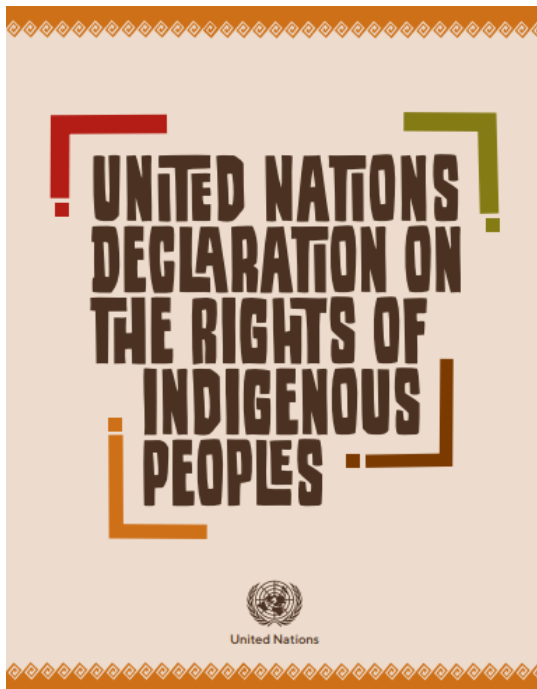
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# The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples : A Refresher



## Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action



## Human Rights

- Life, liberty, security, equality, education, and employment

## Cultural Identity

- Cultural, spiritual, and linguistic identity

## Self-Determination

- Internal governance and Indigenous institutions

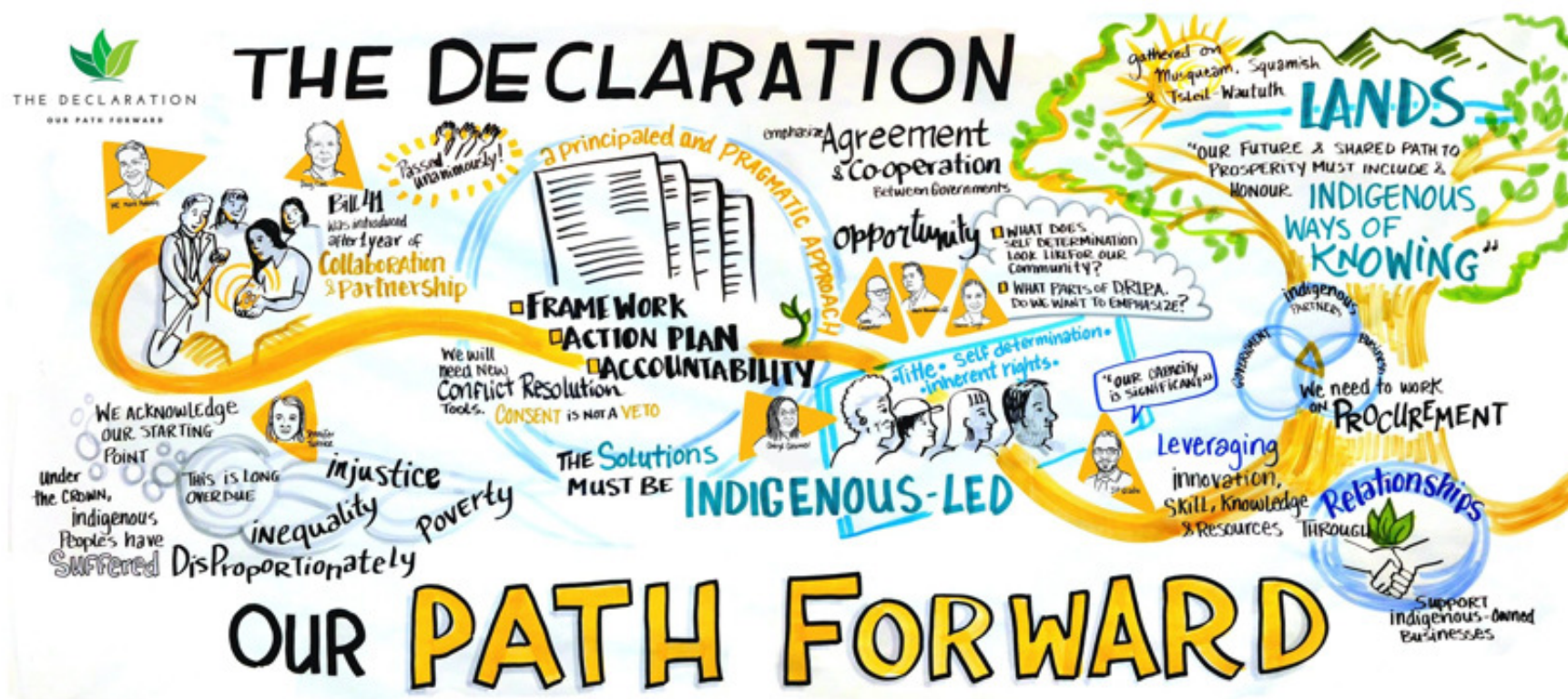
## Decision Making

- Participation in decision making, treaties, agreements and arrangements and free, prior and informed consent

## Lands and Resources

- Access, ownership and development of lands, territories, and resources

## Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: Legislation



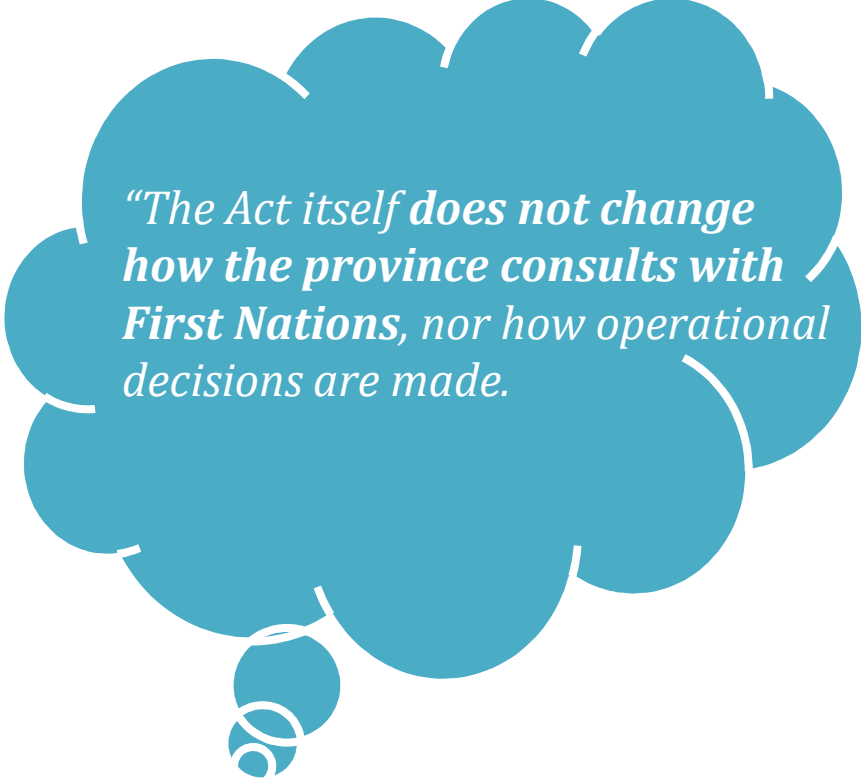
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## Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act (DRIPA )

- DRIPA requires:
  - Alignment of BC's laws with the UN Declaration, and
  - An action plan that includes consistent public reporting
  - Requires regular reporting to the legislature to monitor progress (every March 31<sup>st</sup>)
- DRIPA also:
  - Allows for flexibility for the Province to enter into agreements with a broader range of Indigenous governments
  - Creates a mechanism for decision making opportunities for Indigenous governments on matters that impact their citizens

## Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act: The Provincial Legislative Debate

- *“The Act **doesn’t change existing tenures on Crown land**, and nor does it, in and of itself, give the declaration legal force and effect.*
- *“In the short term **we don’t anticipate any significant changes in the regulatory framework**. If there were changes coming, they would come in collaboration with Indigenous nations.*
- *“[What the Act means by ‘laws’] does not apply to municipal bylaws and that sort of thing. OICs could apply, yes. **Regulations could apply. The priorities and the pace of the work will be set in collaboration with Indigenous peoples**”*



*“The Act itself **does not change how the province consults with First Nations**, nor how operational decisions are made.*

## DRIPA & The Regulator

### What is the Commission doing?

1. Enhanced Engagement
2. Enhanced Relationship Building programs and Initiatives
3. Flexibility and transparency in our approaches
4. Building our capacity and cultural awareness
5. Aligning our policies and procedures



# DRIPA & The Regulator

## Commission Indigenous Partnerships and Relationship Opportunities

*Our commitment to reconciliation includes encouraging and supporting Indigenous involvement throughout the regulatory lifecycle.*

The infographic is a landscape illustration with a winding path that represents the regulatory lifecycle. Along the path, various activities and programs are depicted with icons and text labels. The background features a scenic landscape with mountains, a lake, trees, and wildlife. The path starts on the left and winds towards the right, ending near an oil rig. The labels are: EDUCATION, TRAINING & AWARDS; RESTORATION PROJECTS & TOOLS; STEWARDSHIP & MONITORING; ABORIGINAL LIAISON PROGRAM; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RESPONSE & CRITICAL INCIDENT REPORTING; PRE-ENGAGEMENT, AREA PLANNING & REGULATORY DEVELOPMENT; CONSULTATION, APPLICATIONS & PROCESS REFINEMENT; COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT, JOINT INSPECTIONS. In the bottom right corner, there are navigation icons: a square with a plus sign, a circle with a plus sign, and a circle with a minus sign. The BC Oil & Gas Commission logo is in the bottom right corner.

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