

Incorporating UNDRIP into Your Work

- Introductions
 - Name
 - Territory where you live/work
 - An example of how you have approached UNDRIP in your work OR;
 - What you hope to learn in the session
- UNDRIP Primer Tara
- Small Group Exercise
- Sharing & Reflection





UNDRIP Primer - Timeline

- Pre 1945: Indigenous Peoples began appealing to the League of Nations before United Nations established (Haudenosaunee & Maori)
- 1971: Cobo Report on Discrimination @ United Nations
- 1982: Working Group on Indigenous Populations
- 1989: International Labour Organization Convention 169
- 1992: First Complete UNDRIP Draft
- 2000: UN Permanent Forum for Indigenous Peoples
- 2007: UNDRIP Passed at UN General Assembly, Canada, United States, Australia and New Zealand Vote NO
- 2009-14: Special Rapporteur/Indigenous Lawyer James Anaya global country visits and reports to the General Assembly
- 2016: Canada removes official "objector status"
- 2019: BC Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act passed; federal Bill C262 killed in Senate
- 2021: Federal United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act passed

Global Indigenous Peoples

- 476 million+ Indigenous people in 90 countries
- 6.2 percent of global population
- 5,000 distinct groups

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- Speak majority of world's 7,000+ languages
- 3 times as likely to be living in extreme poverty
- Continued connection to land in face of colonization
- Distinct social, economic political



Types of Rights & State Responsibilities

Preamble & 46 Articles:

- Foundational Rights
- Life & Security
- Political & Economic Rights
- Lands, Territories & Resources
- Self-Government
- Culture, Religion, Language
- Education, Knowledge, Media, Employment
- Implementation
- Minimum Standards

United Nations
DECLARATION
on the RIGHTS
of INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES



UNDRIP Articles Relevant to Healthy Watersheds Initiative

ARTICLE	QUICK REFERENCE	RELEVANCE
18	Decision Making	Right to be involved in decisions affecting rights; decisions regarding projects; funding; land access
20-2, 28	Redress	Returning lands/waters to pre-contact state, restoration of damaged watersheds, funding for restoration in Indigenous-led projects
24-1	Traditional Medicines	Many traditional medicines found in or near wetlands, large # of wetlands restoration projects
25	Spiritual Relationship	Projects encouraged to respect and include cultural and spiritual protocols/ceremonies
26	Land	Rights to land, support for Indigenous-led projects, partnerships, stewardship & restoration work

to engage nations regardless of borders

HWI supports conservation work led by Indigenous peoples

supports 1/3 of HWI projects led by Indigenous peoples

Indigenous nations relationships across colonial borders, HWI projects encouraged

States providing financial resources for UNDRIP implementation, BC funding

Conservation of Environment

Rights to Relationships

Financial Assistance

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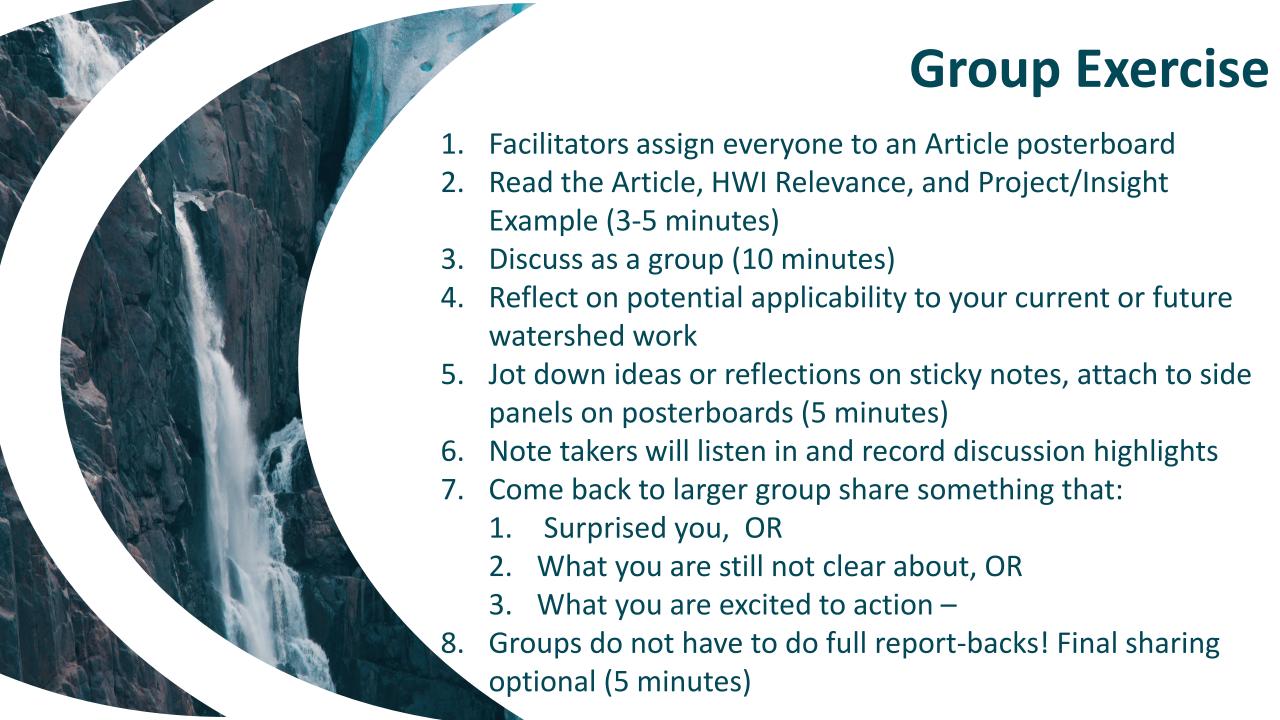








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