



Regional Community to Community Forum Program

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2017/18 (Spring) FINAL REPORT FORM

Please complete and return this form **within 30 days of the completion of your forum** and no later than April 30, 2018. Final disbursement of the grant will only be released after the final report is complete. Please type directly in this form or print and complete. Use additional space or pages wherever required.

Questions? Contact UBCM at lgps@ubcm.ca or (250) 356-2947

SECTION 1: Applicant Information

Applicant Information

Applicant: Sumas First Nation

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Position: Semá:th Lands & Resources Manager

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SECTION 2: Completed Event Information
1. DATE(S) OF COMPLETED EVENT(S): October 17, 2017
2. PARTICIPANTS. Please attach a complete attendance list including name, title and organization of each participant. <u>Do not submit sign in sheets.</u>

3. DESCRIPTION. Please provide a description of the forum that was held, including the length, format, topics/issues that were discussed, presentations, highlights, etc. If more than one event was held please include descriptions of each event.

A Community Forum was held on October 17th, 2017, between Semá:th, the City of Abbotsford and the Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD). The forum ran from 3pm-6pm, followed by a catered meal from 6pm-7pm. The purpose of the event was to develop positive working relationships between the three organizations, in the spirit of Reconciliation. The format included opening remarks from the Chief of Semá:th, Mayor of Abbotsford and Chair of the FVRD. Next came presentations made by staff from each organization highlighting issues, challenges and opportunities, followed by an open, respectful facilitated dialogue by the forum chair. Examples of issues & topics that were discussed included Semá:th's approach to self-government, land-use planning challenges (e.g. road right-of-ways), consultation and relationship expectations, City and Regional planning initiatives. This event was a very high-level introduction to each organizations mandate and some of the issues up for future discussion. A major highlight was a recognition from all parties of our respective jurisdictions and commitment from everyone to continue to meet and develop a positive working relationship. Since this meeting, the Mayor of Abbotsford and Chief of Semá:th meet regularly for breakfast and have developed a solid working relationship.

A follow-up event was organized between Semá:th and the City of Abbotsford on March 6th, 2018 to continue the dialogue and relationship building, and focus on specific issues. A presentation was given by Stephen McGlenn highlighting the specific issues needing resolution (road right-of-way issues, cultural site protection, consultation challenges). Leadership and staff would discuss each issue during the presentation, with facilitation of the discussion provided by the chair of the forum.

4. ACHIEVEMENTS. The objectives of the C2C Forum program are identified in Section 1 of the Program & Application Guide. Please provide an assessment of how the objectives were met, and any notable achievements from the forum. Provide specific examples.

Educating and informing the participating governments about current issues in relationships between the First Nations and local governments: Presentations and discussions included addressing the gaps in the Local Government Act which only require municipalities to consult with First Nations when updating their OCP's. Specific examples of lack of consultation resulting in damage to cultural sites were described. All parties recognized the need to move beyond the existing status quo in order to improve the relationship. Local government participants described planning initiatives and the need to include Semá:th's perspective in those initiatives. Commitments were made to continue the discussion. At the March 6th forum, Abbotsford and Semá:th were able to dive deeper into specific issues and identify potential resolutions.

Strengthening relationships and fostering future co-operative action by building stronger links between First Nation and local government elected officials and staff: Specific issues were identified requiring either political or operational involvement or follow-up (e.g. formalizing our working relationship, dealing with technical road right-of-way issues). Commitments were made in the October forum to meet again in the new year, which occurred on March 6th, 2018. Since October, Semá:th and Abbotsford staff meet regularly to discuss various planning & engineering issues.

Advancing local governments and First Nations to more formal relationships through protocols, MOU's, service agreements and/or collaboration on plans or projects: While it was advocated that Semá:th and Abbotsford formalize a working relationship by staff, it was

determined by leadership that an informal commitment was sufficient at this time. In Semá:th culture, which is based on oral traditions, an oral commitment is considered just as valid as a formal written commitment. Semá:th and Abbotsford already have entered into service agreements (fire protection and sewer), are collaborating on multiple planning initiatives (e.g. bank stabilization MOU, Abbotsford master plans, neighborhood plans & studies), and are working to resolve outstanding issues (road right-of-ways, cultural site protection).

5. DELIVERABLES. Please describe the specific deliverables that were advanced at the forum:

- ☒ Protocol agreement (e.g. communications, dispute resolution, planning and development approval processes). Please describe: A formal protocol agreement was advocated for by staff but at this time leadership has kept the relationship at an informal level, with commitment from all parties to continue meeting and to have operational staff meet regularly.
- ☒ Service Agreement (e.g. water, sewer, solid waste disposal or fire protection). Please describe: Semá:th and Abbotsford have previously entered into service agreements.
- ☒ Memorandum of Understanding (e.g. protection of archaeological or environmental resources). Please describe: An MOU is being worked on between Semá:th, Abbotsford and other jurisdictions for a process to consult on bank stabilization/flood mitigation projects that impact traditional fishing sites.
- ☒ Joint project or plan (e.g. economic development, cultural initiative, emergency planning). Please describe: Emergency management was discussed, as was opportunities for economic development and recreation & tourism opportunities.
- ☒ Other: Moving from consultation to consent, as described in UNDRIP

6. FUTURE ACTIONS/ NEXT STEPS. Please describe any activities or possible next steps following the forum that will advance these specific deliverables.

Following the October forum, a second forum was organized between Semá:th and Abbotsford on March 6th to delve deeper into some of the specific issues needing resolution. Following the March 6th meeting, staff from both parties agreed to meet again to identify specific actions in April of 2018, and to arrange another forum between leadership in the Spring.

7. SHARING LESSONS LEARNED. In order to help other local governments and First Nations learn from your experience are you willing to:

- ☒ Share your experience in UBCM's *Compass*?
- ☒ Present the results of your forum at a UBCM or FNS event?
- ☒ Share this final report (e.g. on the UBCM or FNS website) with others interested in local government/First Nations relations?


8. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Please see Section 7 of the Program & Application Guide and attach a completed financial summary in the same format as the sample financial summary.

SECTION 3: Certification of Costs (to be signed by Chief Financial Officer)

I certify that the costs identified in the attached financial summary: (1) have been incurred and paid; (2) are attributable to the project; (3) are eligible; and (4) are net of tax and any other rebates.

In addition, for final claims, I certify that: (1) the project is complete; (2) all revenues generated from the project have been declared; and (3) all eligible portions of all other grant contributions for the project have been declared.

Name: Wendy Ham	Title: SFN Finance Manager & Taxation Administrator
Signature: 	Date: April 11 2018

See Section 7 of the Program & Application Guide for complete final report requirements. In addition to the Final Report Form, the following separate attachments are required to be submitted:

- ☒ Financial summary
- ☒ Attendance list
- ☒ Optional:
 - Agenda, session summaries or minutes and other documents/presentations (if available)
 - Available photos, media releases and press coverage and other public communications
 - Any other relevant background information (e.g. planning process, context, goals)

Final reports should be submitted as Word or PDF files. If you choose to submit your report by e-mail, hard copies do not need to follow.

Submit final reports to Local Government Program Services, Union of BC Municipalities:

E-mail: lgps@ubcm.ca or mail: 525 Government Street, Victoria, BC, V8V 0A8

Community to Community Forum, October 17th, 2017

Attendance List

Semá:th (Sumas) First Nation

Chief & Council

Chief Dalton Silver

Councillor Murray Ned

Staff

Wendy Phair, General Manager

Wendy Ham, Finance Manager

Lori Kelly, Executive Assistant

Kimberley Laing, Health and Wellness Director

Craig Hougén, Economic Development Director

Stephen McGlenn, Lands & Resources Manager

City of Abbotsford

Mayor & Council

Mayor Henry Braun

Councillor Les Barkman

Councillor Sandy Blue

Councillor Kelly Chahal

Councillor Brenda Falk

Councillor Moe Gill

Councillor Dave Loewen

Councillor Patricia Ross

Councillor Ross Siemens

Staff

George Murray - City Manager

Jake Rudolph - Deputy City Manager

Peter Sparanese - General Manager , Engineering & Regional Utilities

Raj Sharma - General Manager Finance & Corporate Services

Katherine Treloar - General Manager Innovation, Strategy and Intergovernmental Relations

Siri Bertelsen - General Manager Planning & Development Services

Heidi Enns - General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture

Fraser Valley Regional District

Elected Officials

Jason Lum, Chair

Al Stobbart, Electoral Area G

Staff

Barclay Pitkethy

Jessica Morrison

October 2017 - Community-to-Community Forum Expenses

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Room and equipment rental	\$ 600.00	\$ 507.52
Snacks and refreshments	\$ 100.00	\$ 187.46
Dinner	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 690.00
Facilitation services	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 500.00
Honoraria for Semá:th elders opening welcome & prayer	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Stationary and production costs for invitations, meeting materials	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Workshop agenda design and support – staff time (Abbotsford, Semá:th and FVRD)	\$ 4,850.00	\$ 4,850.00
Copying and dissemination of Final Report	\$ 300.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 9,300.00	\$ 6,984.98

C2C 2017

Community to Community

OCTOBER 17TH, 3-7PM

Abbotsford Exhibition Park

Sema:th



City of Abbotsford



FVRD

Legacy Building, Exhibition Park. S'ólh Téméxw.

Forum Theme: Relationship Building

Indigenous, municipal and regional leaders are invited to participate in a dialogue-based forum to identify common values, principles, processes and concrete next steps in an era of indigenous rights, recognition and reconciliation.

Haqles chexw xwelmi:ay staxwelh
(Remember the future generations)

In Stó:lō culture a special link exists between the past, present and future...we have the word *tómiyeqw* which translates into English as both great-great-great-great grandparent and great-great-great-great-grandchild. The relationship expressed in this word connects people seven generations past with those seven generations in the future.

The connection between the past and future rests with those of us living today.

-Stó:lō Heritage Policy Manual, page 5.



C2C 2017

OCTOBER 17TH 3-7PM Abbotsford Exhibition Park
Community to Community - Sema:th - City of Abbotsford - FVRD

Agenda:

- 3:00pm **Welcoming, Opening Prayer & Song**
Ground rules for healthy dialogue
Opening Remarks

Facilitated by
Tyrone McNeil

Lemxyaltexw, Chief Dalton Silver
Mayor Henry Braun
Al Stobbart, FVRD

- 3:45pm **Presentations**
Sema:th Declaration, Governance, & Planning
Abbotsford 200K Master Plans
FVRD CEDAR Network
- 4:30pm **Dialogue - How do we move forward?**
- 5:45pm **Closing Remarks**
- 6:00pm **Dinner & Discussion**

Gifts



C2C 2017

Community to Community *Sema:th* ■ *City of Abbotsford* ■ *FVRD*

OCTOBER 17TH, 3-7PM

Abbotsford Exhibition Park

About the Participants & Supporting Organizations:



**Sumas
First
Nation**

Sumas First Nation is the administrative body responsible for governance, planning, and delivery of essential programs and services for the Sema:th people. Sema:th are known as the wolf people, and historically Sema:th has been a gathering place for all Coast Salish people. Our community population is approximately 330 members, about half of which live on-reserve. As an indigenous government, we administer our own Lands governance regime, taxation, and have openly declared our unextinguished aboriginal rights, title & jurisdiction over our Territory, Soth Temexw, which we have used, occupied and controlled for thousands of years.

Sema:th Chief & Council: Chief Dalton Silver, Councillor Murray Ned, Councillor Jackie Bird, Councillor Clint Tuttle



The City of Abbotsford is located in the Fraser Valley, with an estimated population of 141,397 people. It is the largest municipality within the Fraser Valley Regional District, and the fifth largest in British Columbia. Abbotsford's new Official Community Plan (OCP), adopted in 2016, plans for a future of 200,000 people. Abbotsford sits within uncoded Sto:lo Territory and is immediately adjacent to the Sema:th and Matsqui First Nations.

Abbotsford Mayor and Council: Mayor Henry Braun, Councillor Les Barkman, Councillor Sandy Blue, Councillor Kelly Chahal, Councillor Brenda Falk, Councillor Moe Gill, Councillor Dave Loewen, Councillor Patricia Ross, Councillor Ross Siemens



The FVRD covers over 13,000 square kilometres, with a total population of over 277,000 people, including six municipalities and 7 electoral areas. 30 First Nations with 146 reserves, 4 Tribal Councils representing 26 First Nations, and 4 Treaty Associations representing 11 First Nations, and an additional 25 First Nations with varying degrees of interest exist within the FVRD boundaries.

FVRD Chair: Jason Lum City of Chilliwack, FVRD Vice Chair: Patricia Ross City of Abbotsford



The UBCM was formed to form a common voice for local government. UBCM has identified specific ways to support BC local governments in their reconciliation efforts, including actions identified in the Truth and Reconciliation Report 94 Calls to Action, and the implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP). Since 1999, the Province of BC and the Federal Government have provided funds for the community to community forum, with the goal of increasing understanding and improving overall relations between First Nations and local governments. To date, nearly 600 C2C forums have been held in communities across BC.

SEMÁ:TH LANDS & RESOURCES DEPARTMENT



Local government relations in the context of
the Semá:th Declaration:

A Presentation for the 2017 C2C Forum

October 17th, 2017

S'ólh Téméxwte ikwe'lo. Xólhmet te mekw' stám ít kwelát.

This is our Land. We must take care of everything that belongs to us.

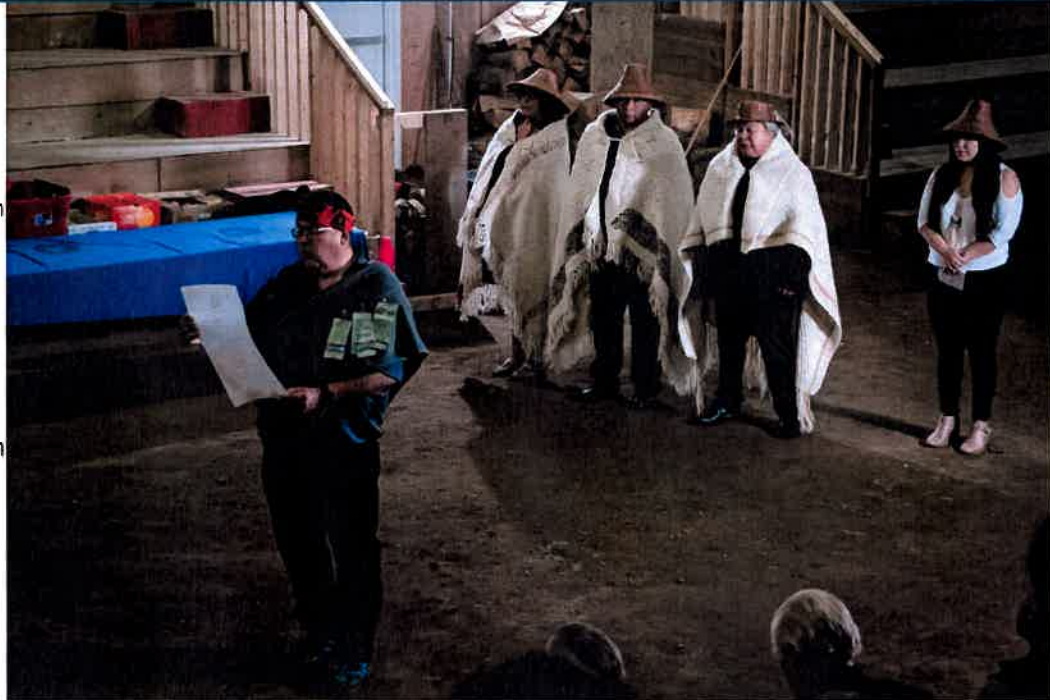
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Asserting Semá:th Rights & Title

Lands & Resource Governance

- Declaration Celebration, Friday, Sept. 22
 - Declaring our unextinguished Rights & Title
 - Putting All levels of Government on Notice
- Lands & Resources Governance Policy
 - Clarifying and preparing to implement Semá:th jurisdiction throughout S'ólh Téméxw.
 - References UNDRIP/FPIC as minimum standard



Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)

The new standard in First Nations Consultation & Engagement

“States shall consult and cooperate in good faith with the indigenous peoples concerned through their own representative institutions in order to obtain their free, prior and informed consent before adopting and implementing legislative or administrative measures that may affect them.”

-United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Article 19.



Consultation & the Local Government Act

The Status Quo

- Section 434 (2)(c)
 - During the development of a Regional Growth Strategy (RGS), a regional district board must must adopt a consultation plan that, *in the opinion of the board*, provides opportunities for early and ongoing consultation with First Nations
- Section 475(2)(b)(iv)
 - During the development, repeal or amendment of an Official Community Plan, a local government must *consider* whether consultation is required with First Nations

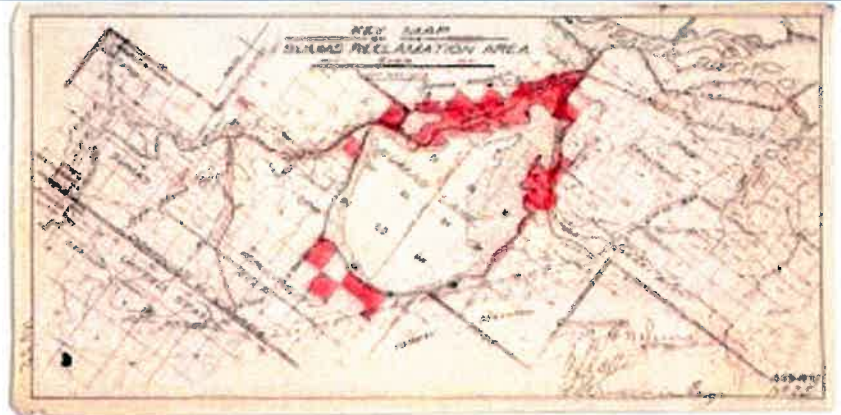
Semá:th (Sumas) Lake

"The Sumas Lake Reclamation Project"

"...the lake, when they drained it you know it was really sad for the people here. That was their refrigerator; deep freeze. Millions of ducks, geese, fish, sturgeon, they cut sturgeon strips hung them up and smoked them..."

-*Xéyteleq*, Ray Silver Sr., October 27, 2016

Source:
Semá:th Traditional Use and Occupancy Study



Cumulative Impacts

A History of Dispossession

- ❖ Commercial & Recreational Fishing
- ❖ Forestry
- ❖ 1.5-2 million tonnes of aggregate mined each year from Sumas Mountain alone
- ❖ Oil & Gas, Utility and transportation corridors
- ❖ Urbanization
- ❖ Parks & Recreation



Emergency Authorizations

By-passing the duty to consult

- Bank Stabilization & Destruction of Semá:th Fishing Sites
 - Decades of “Rip-rapping”
 - Beharrall Bank, 2014
 - Erosion Arch’s F(a)&(b), 2016-17
 - Cannor Road
 - Old Orchard Road
- Sediment Removals
 - Norrish Creek
- Other?



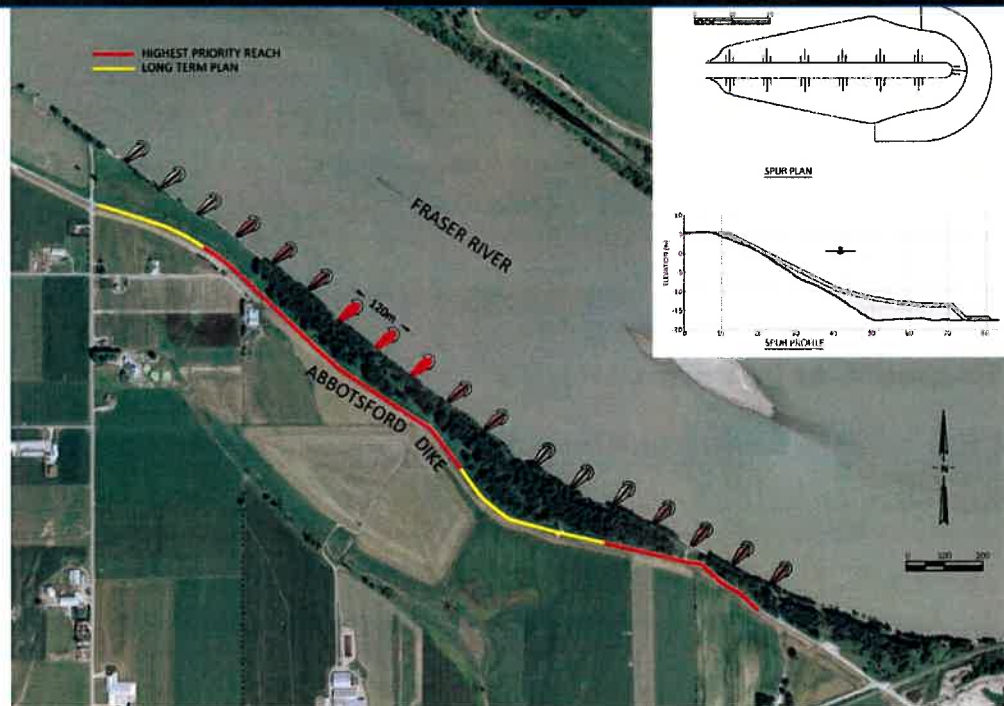
Beharrall Bank project site, March, 2014

Matsqui Dike – Bank Protection

\$10 Million in funding announced by BC

City of Abbotsford/NHC

Proposed Bank
Protection Spurs
Preliminary Design and
Locations



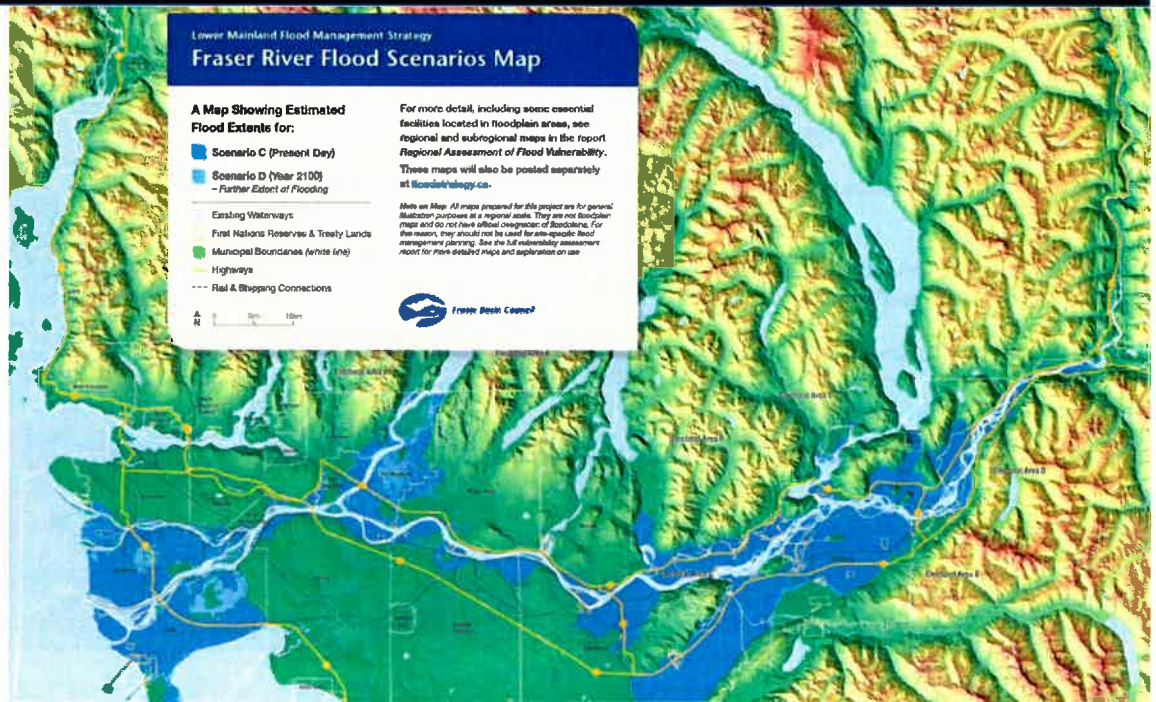
Regional Flood Management

Phase 2 of the Fraser Basin Council Regional Flood Management Strategy

Phase 1 of the LMFMS
lacked First Nations
participation

Critical need for
collaboration

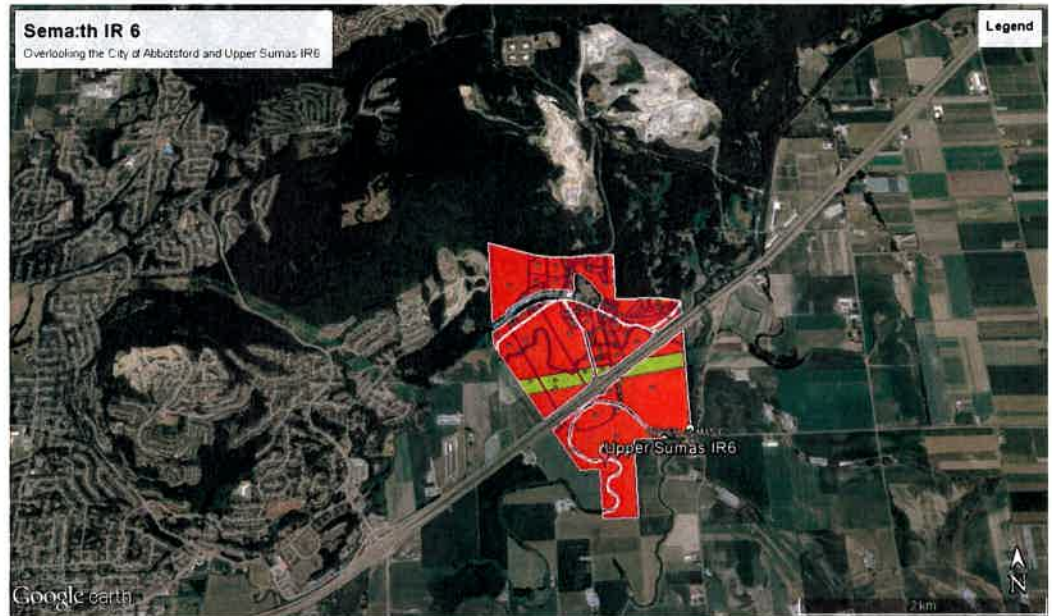
Highlights the challenge of
First Nations inclusion in
all levels of Emergency
Management



Local Semá:th Community Issues

ROW's, planning, consultation & environmental challenges

- ❖ Transportation & utility corridors fragment our reserve
- ❖ Sumas Mountain Road, Lower Sumas Mountain Road, Road Right-of-Ways, highway access
- ❖ Flex Lox – industrial facility in the middle of our community
- ❖ Rock Quarries directly above our reserve – constant blasting, traffic & dust.
- ❖ Kinder Morgan pipeline (existing and proposed TMX)
- ❖ Falcon Ridge & Vicarro Ranch residential development
- ❖ Cultural Heritage Resource Protection
 - ❖ Thunderbird Caves & Lightning Rock
- ❖ Services and servicing (e.g. enforcement, public transportation, wastewater)
- ❖ Emergency Management



Moving Forward: Opportunities for Collaboration

“Despite these challenges, our community remains strong, with the intent of reversing the damages caused by colonization.”

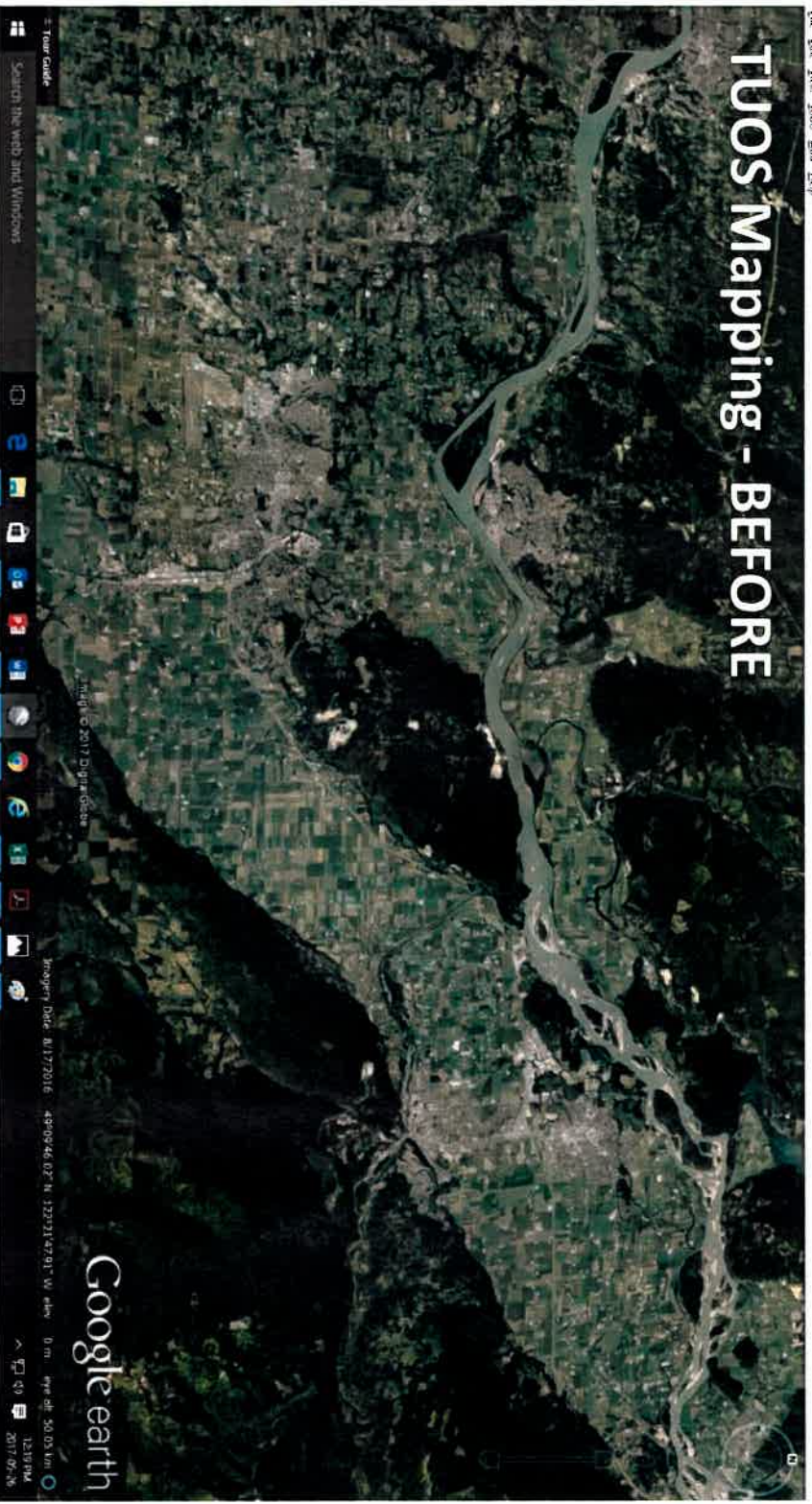
-Semá:th Lands & Resources Governance Policy, page 6.

Current Initiatives:

- ❖ Semá:th Lands Management, Land Code Law Development
 - ❖ E.g. Land Use Plan, Environmental Management Plan, Zoning Law, Flood Protection Law, Riparian Protection
- ❖ Semá:th Traditional Use & Occupancy Study (TUOS)
- ❖ Semá:th Fisheries Habitat Restoration Initiative (FHRI)
- ❖ Semá:th Guardians Program
- ❖ Semá:th Economic Development



TUOS Mapping - BEFORE



TUOS Mapping - AFTER

20161218

Google earth



Common elements in FN-Local Gov't Agreements

From "Building Relations with First Nations: A Handbook for Local Governments", UBCM (2005).

- ❖ Most are about seeking commitment to open the lines of communication, at both political and operational levels;
- ❖ Some set out or plan to establish detailed working relationships over specific issues, e.g. land use planning, natural resource & cultural heritage resource management, economic development, etc.;
- ❖ Most involve Recognition of each Parties' responsibilities as a governing authority and the need for regional collaboration;
- ❖ Creation of Dispute Resolutions Mechanisms;
- ❖ Consensus on a shared vision, common guiding principles & values;
- ❖ Establishing committees, staff and/or political reps, setting and agreeing to meeting schedules;
- ❖ Most are ratified by Elected Leaders.

Sources/Learning Resources

- ❖ Semá:th Declaration, Lands & Resources Governance Policy, Land Code, Land Use Plan & Environmental Management Plan
- ❖ A Stó:lō-Coast Salish Historical Atlas. Edited by Keith Thor Carlson. 2001. Stó:lō Heritage Trust.
- ❖ You Are Asked To Witness: The Stó:lō in Canada's Pacific Coast History. Edited by Keith Thor Carlson. 1997. Stó:lō Heritage Trust.
- ❖ Making Native Space: Colonialism, Resistance and Reserves in British Columbia. Cole Harris. 2002. UBC Press.
- ❖ Stó:lō Heritage Policy Manual. 2003.
- ❖ S'ólh Téméxw Use Plan
- ❖ United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
- ❖ Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, 1996
- ❖ Truth and Reconciliation Report
- ❖ "Building Relations with First Nations: A handbook for Local Governments", Union of BC Municipalities (2005)
- ❖ Aboriginal/Non-Aboriginal Partnerships: Fraser Basin Council Special Report (2000)
- ❖ Local government–first nation partnerships: Forging strong relationships among municipal, regional and First Nation governments in British Columbia, UBCM (2008).

Thank You!



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Community 2 Community Meeting

Sema:th First Nation and City of Abbotsford
October 17, 2017



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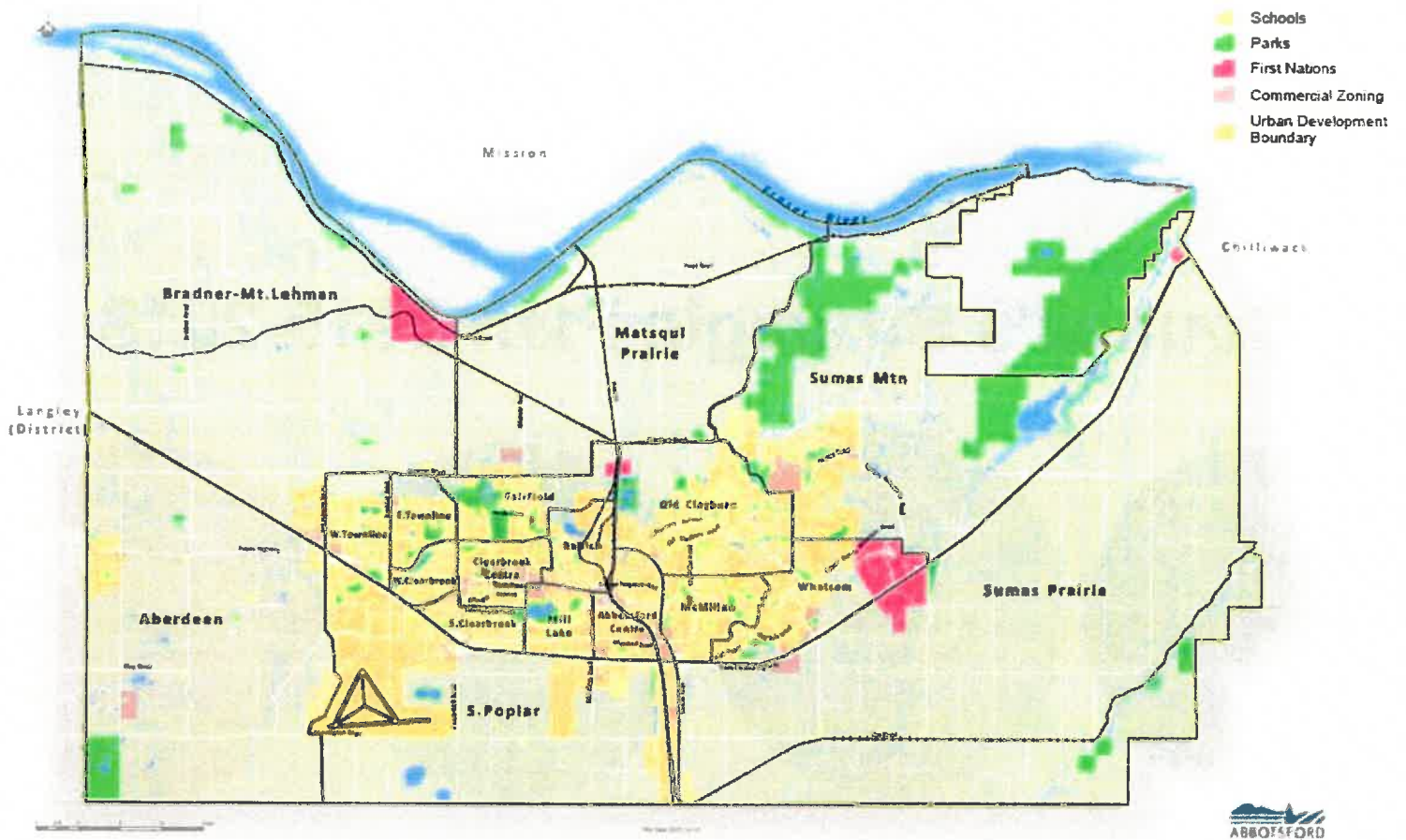


FIGURE 3 // ABBOTSFORD COMMUNITY CONTEXT

Council's Strategic Plan 2015-2018



Plan 200K

Building the hub of the Fraser Valley

Official Community Plan

Adopted June 2016



Plan200K

Master Plans, Neighbourhood Plans and
Studies

Launched February 2017



Big Ideas to Realize the Vision

This vision of Abbotsford will be brought to life through smart, strategic land use regulation and policy direction outlined in Parts II and III of this Plan. These directions are diverse, providing guidance for land use, urban design, housing, transportation, infrastructure, jobs, open space, arts and culture, heritage, climate change and energy conservation, natural areas, and agriculture.

Policy directions are organized around 7 Big Ideas for the future of Abbotsford that comprise the most essential and transformative ingredients of this Plan.



**Create a
City Centre**



**Establish Distinct and
Complete Neighbourhoods**



**Make Walking, Biking,
and Transit Delightful**



**Make Places
for People**



**Improve Natural
and Built Systems**



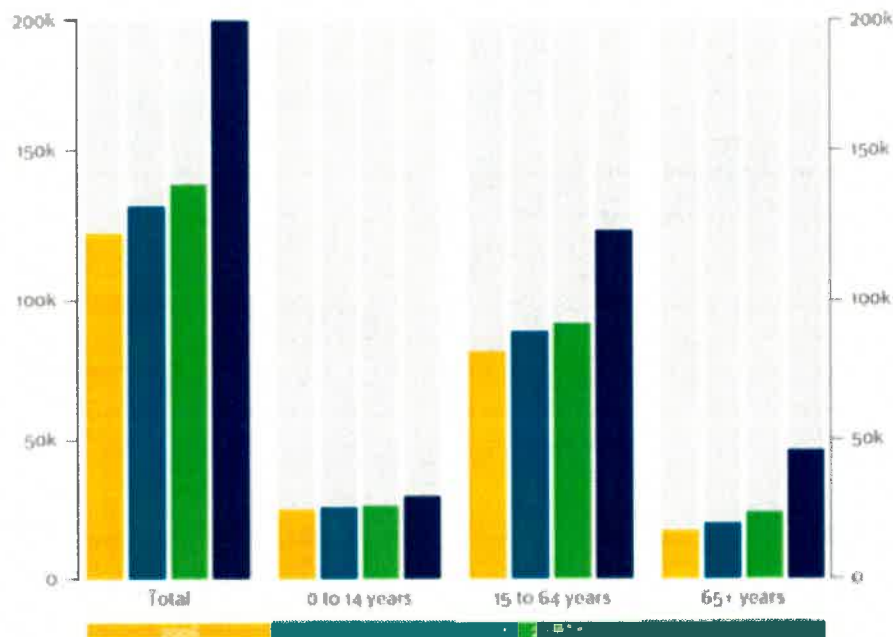
**Enhance
Agricultural Integrity**

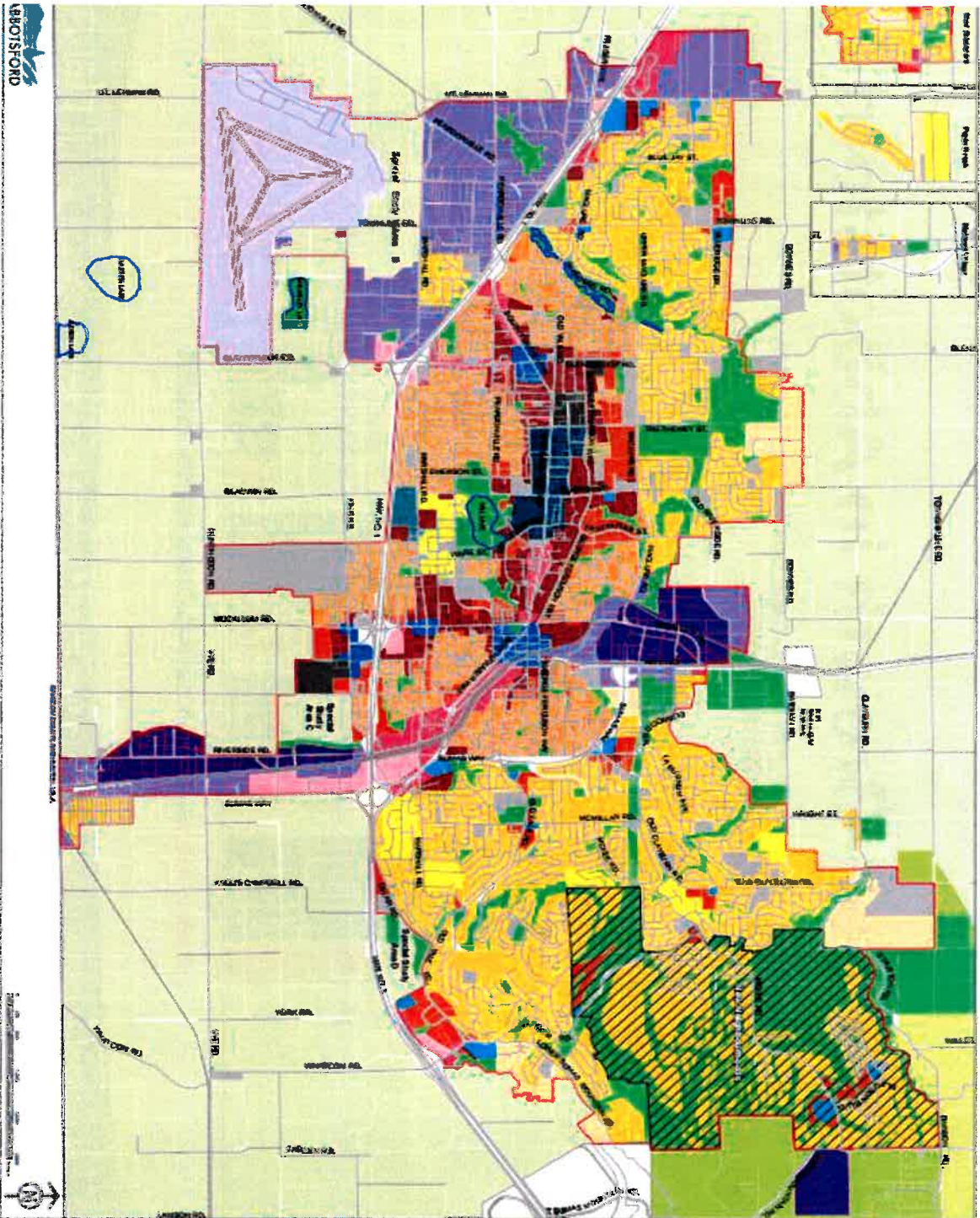


**Make the
Plan Work**

Population Growth in Abbotsford

Figure 1 shows the projected growth to 2040 and how that growth is likely to occur across all age groups within Abbotsford.





- Legend**
- Highway
 - Water
 - Residential
 - Commercial
 - Industrial
 - Agricultural
 - Forest
 - Open Space
 - Public Works
 - Utilities
 - Other

City of Abbotsford
Map 1 - Urban Land Use



What is **PLAN FOR 200K**?

Plan for 200K is a city-wide initiative encompassing 18 key projects from infrastructure to parks and recreation that will help our city plan for a future of **200,000** new residents as outlined in the new Official Community Plan.

MASTER PLANS | **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS** | **STUDIES & PROJECTS**




ABBOTSFORD

plan FOR
200K

What is **PLAN FOR 200K?**

Masterplans:

1. Joint Water Masterplan
2. City Water Masterplan
3. City Sewer Masterplan
4. Joint Sewer Masterplan
5. Drainage Masterplan
6. Transportation Masterplan
7. Transit Masterplan
8. Fire Rescue Service Masterplan
9. Parks Recreation and Culture Masterplan

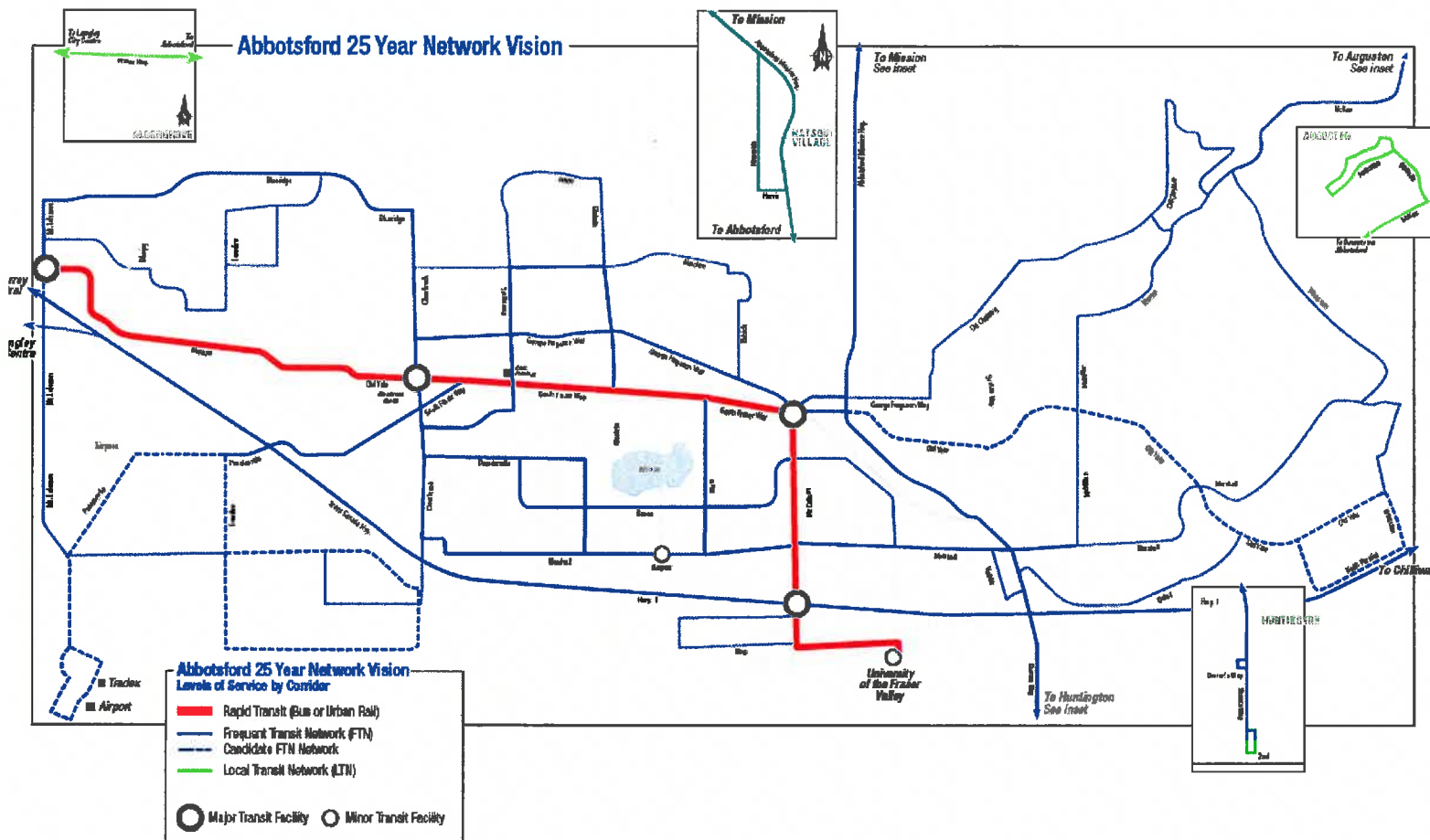
Neighborhood Plans:

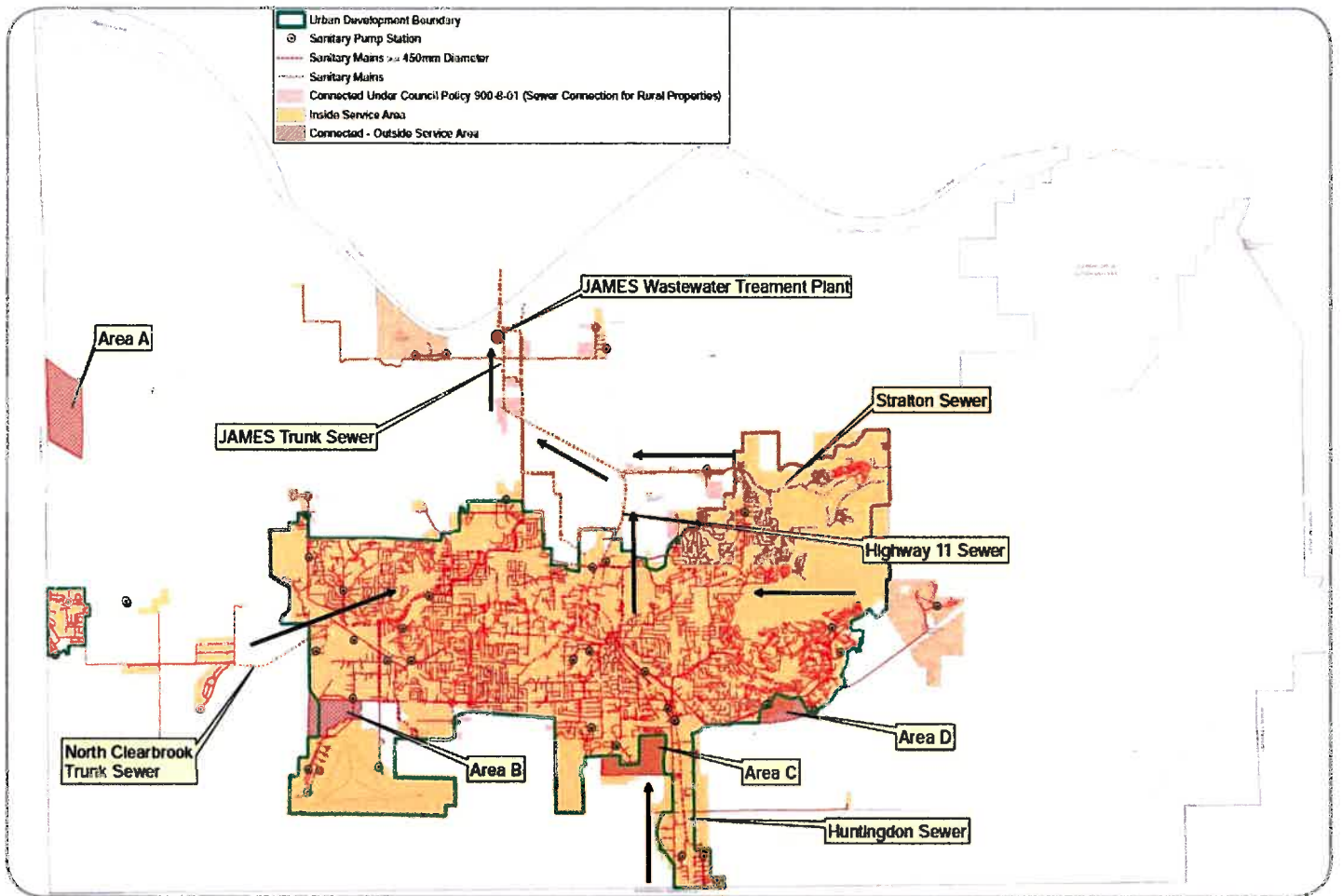
10. Uddistrict Neighborhood Plan
11. McKee Peak Neighborhood Plan
12. City Centre Neighborhood Plan
13. Historic Downtown Neighbourhood Plan

Studies:

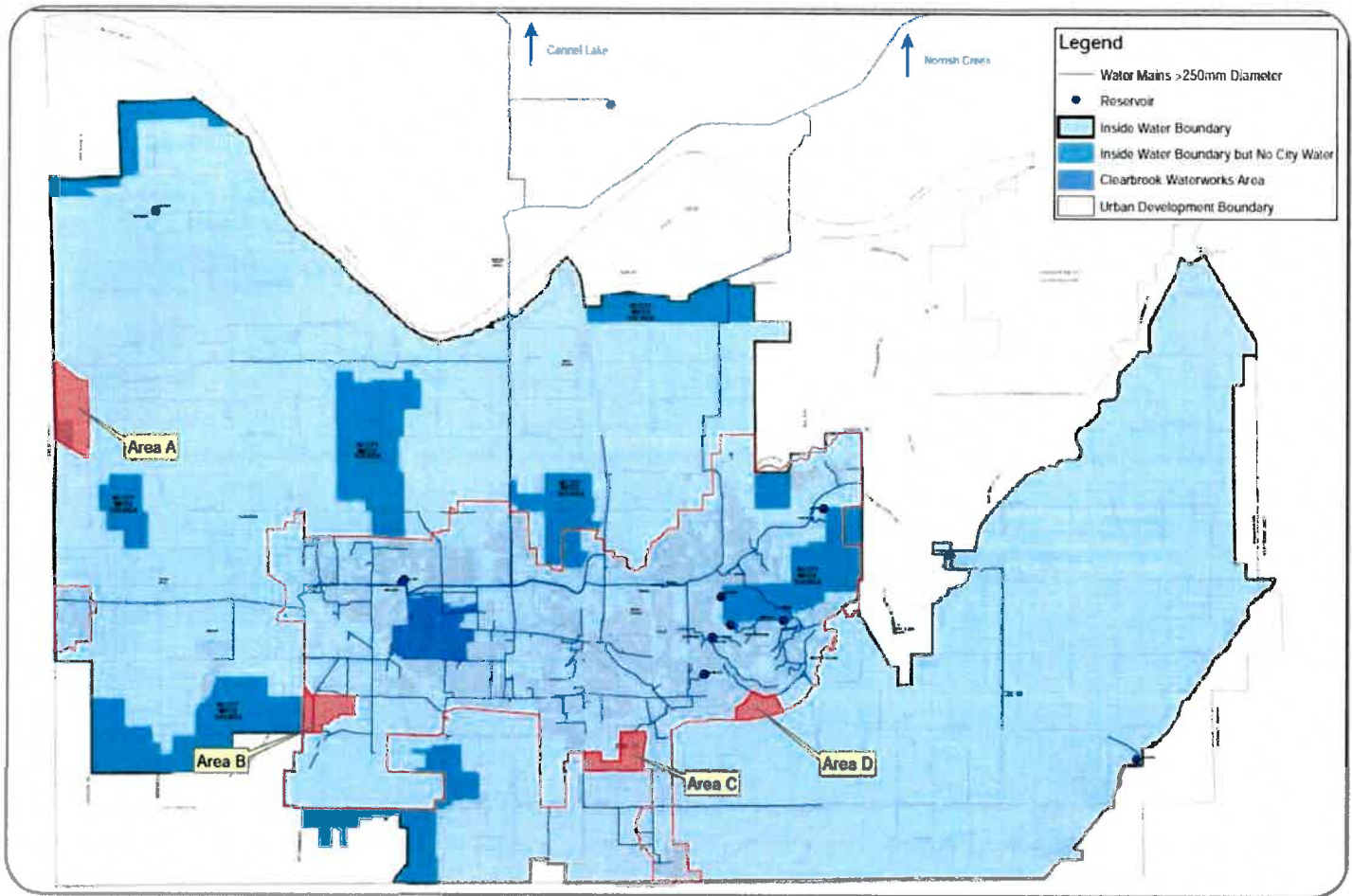
14. Water Supply/Source study
15. AgRefresh
16. Zoning Bylaw – Post OCP
17. Housing Strategy
18. Industrial Land Supply Study

Abbotsford 25 Year Network Vision





City sewer system overview



City water system overview



BACKGROUND RESEARCH



EXPLORING OPTIONS



DRAFT PLAN



FINAL PLAN

Current Status on Plans

What's Next

A new period of engagement will take place
November 6th – December 10th

- AgRefresh, Housing Masterplan, and Historic Downtown Neighbourhood Plan will release a new set of surveys during this timeframe
- Community engagement activities to be held across Abbotsford for citizens to learn more and provide feedback on the projects

MASTER PLANS | **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS** | **STUDIES & PROJECTS**



SEMÁ:TH LANDS & RESOURCES DEPARTMENT



March 2018 C2C Forum: Sema:th & Abbotsford

March 6th, 2018

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Overview of Presentation

- Overview of Sema:th Lands
- Formalizing our Relationship
- Road R-O-W Issues
- Cultural Heritage Protection
 - Lightning Rock
 - Fishing Sites & Bank Stabilization
 - Thunderbird Caves
- Abbotsford OCP Update
- Next Steps & Meeting Date

Reconciliation

- Truth and Reconciliation Commission: Of the 94 Calls to Action, 9 mention Municipalities.
 - #43: We call upon federal, provincial, territorial and municipal governments to fully adopt and implement the **United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People**.

Sema:th Lands & Environmental Governance Planning Framework

Promoting Health, Well-being & Reclaiming our Xwelme:th Way of Life

Exercising Sema:th Rights, Title & Jurisdiction

Looking after all that belongs to Sema:th

Self-Governance

Sema:th Declaration

Lands & Resources Governance Policy

Government-to-Government

SSEA - CRS

LFFA

C2C, MOU's, etc.

Sema:th Guardians

Cultural Heritage Protection & Traditional Use and Occupancy Mapping

Protecting S'ólh Téméxw

S'ólh Téméxw té ikwé'la. Kól'met te mekw'stam st'kwé'la - This is our land. We must take care of everything that belongs to us.

Fisheries

FSC & EO Fisheries

Habitat Restoration

Aquaculture

Forestry

Woodlot

Carbon Credits

Tree Management

Water

Water & Wastewater Infrastructure

SW & GW Protection

Environmental Flows

Flood Protection

Collaborative Watershed Governance

Land Use Planning & Environmental Management

Implementing Land Code Governance

An informed, transparent, consistent, and credible decision-making process for land development
Sustainable and Appropriate Economic Development Planning

Sema:th Community & Strategic Planning

Community, Social and Economic Development

Law Development & Enforcement

Lands Inventory Database

Lands Registration

Leasing & Permitting

Emergency Management

Historical Issues Research & Resolution

Wills & Estates Management

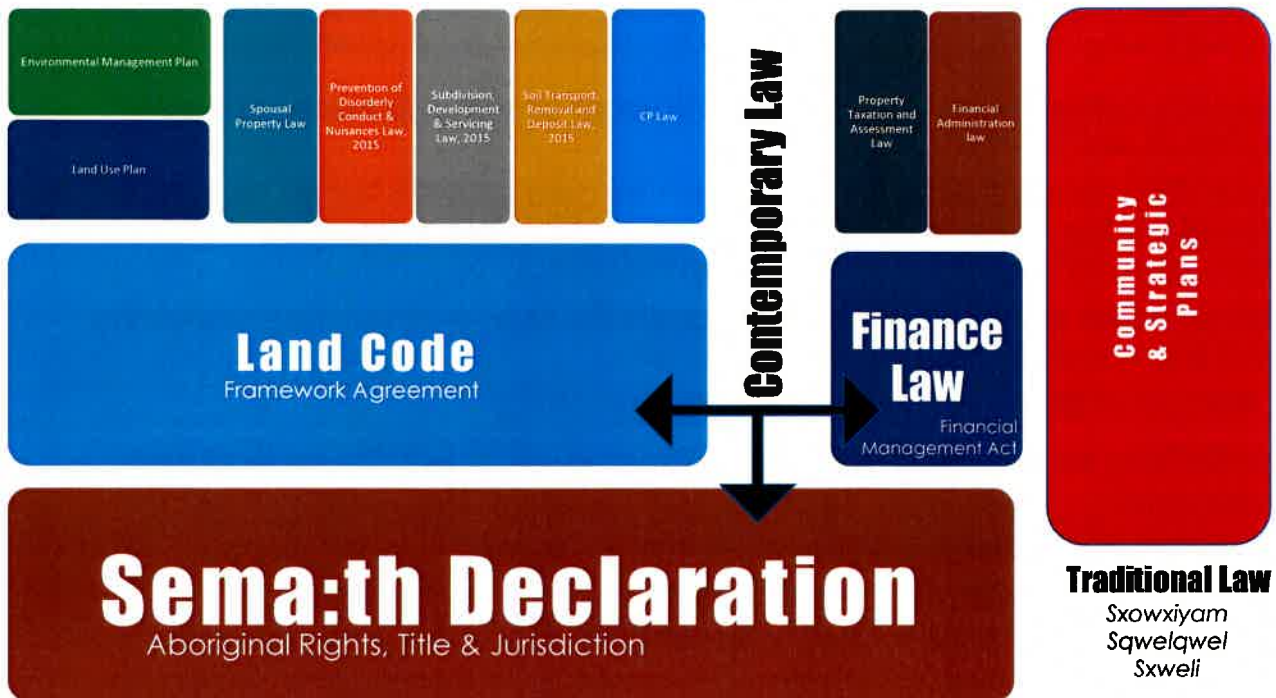
Lands Development and Compliance Monitoring

Sema:th Laws

What is Sema:th Law?

While some of our modern laws have different sources (i.e. federal legislation), they are all rooted in and arise from our unextinguished Sema:th Rights & Title

Current Laws & Plans:



Formalizing our Relationship: Common elements in FN-Local Gov't Agreements

From "Building Relations with First Nations: A Handbook for Local Governments", UBCM (2005).

- ❖ seeking **commitment to open the lines of communication**, at both political and operational levels;
- ❖ establish detailed working relationships over specific issues, e.g. **land use planning, natural resource & cultural heritage resource management, economic development**, etc.;
- ❖ **Recognition of each Parties' responsibilities as a governing authority** and the need for regional collaboration;
- ❖ Creation of **Dispute Resolutions Mechanisms**;
- ❖ Consensus on a **shared vision, common guiding principles & values**;
- ❖ Establishing committees, **staff and/or political reps, setting and agreeing to meeting schedules and work plans**;
- ❖ Most are **ratified** by Elected Leaders.

Road Right-of-Way Issues



Exploring Sumas Mountain Road Interchange

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Road Right-of-Way Issues



Road Right-of-Way Issues

Lower Sumas Mountain Road

- Sema:th requesting information on future growth and anticipated traffic & recreational impacts, traffic calming measures;
- Legal instrument compliant with Land Code, registered in First Nations Lands Registry;
- Survey of road ROW;
- Details re: maintenance responsibilities, compensation;
- Culvert wash-out and replacement plan – archaeological and cultural heritage assessment, community monitoring;
- Restoration of down-stream impacts to Kilgard Creek.

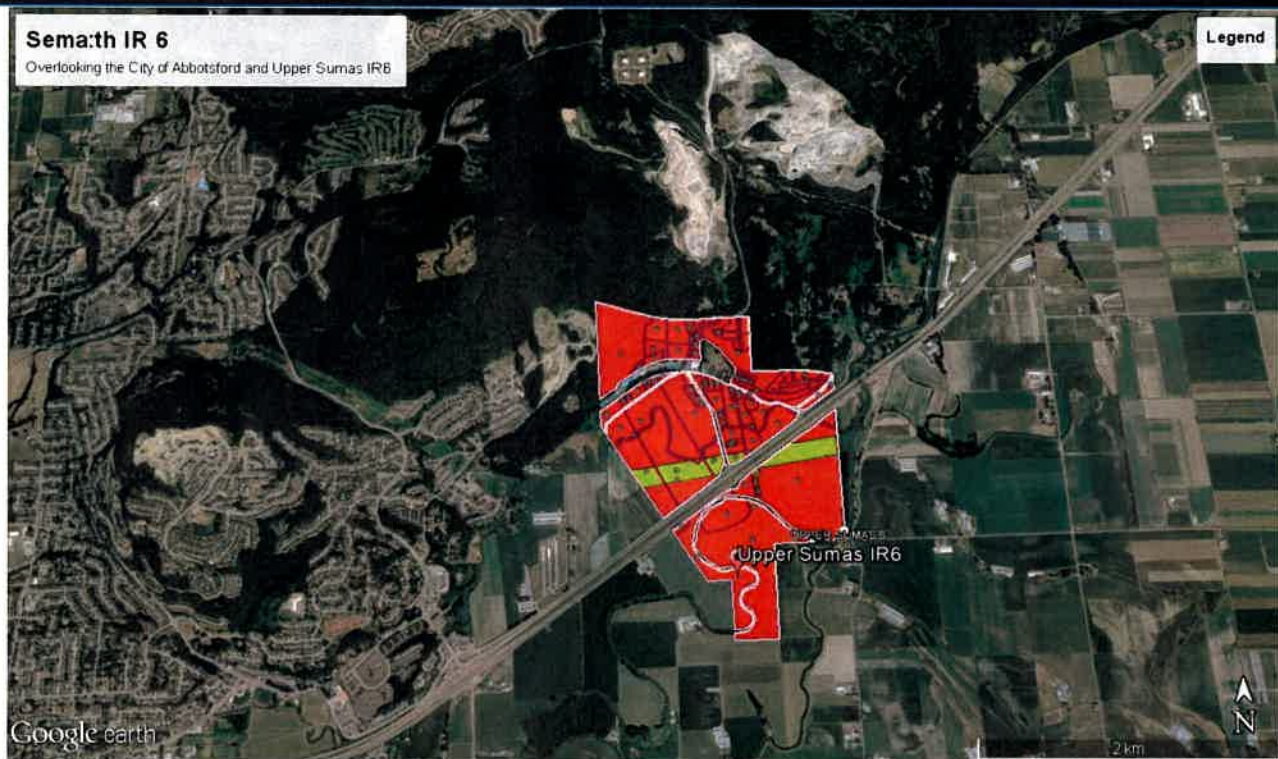
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Road Right-of-Way Issues – Traffic Calming



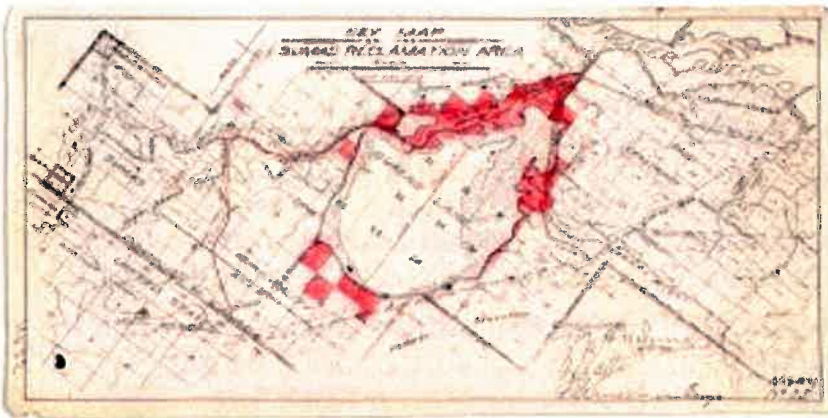
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Cultural Heritage Resource Protection



Lightning Rock

Thunderbird Caves

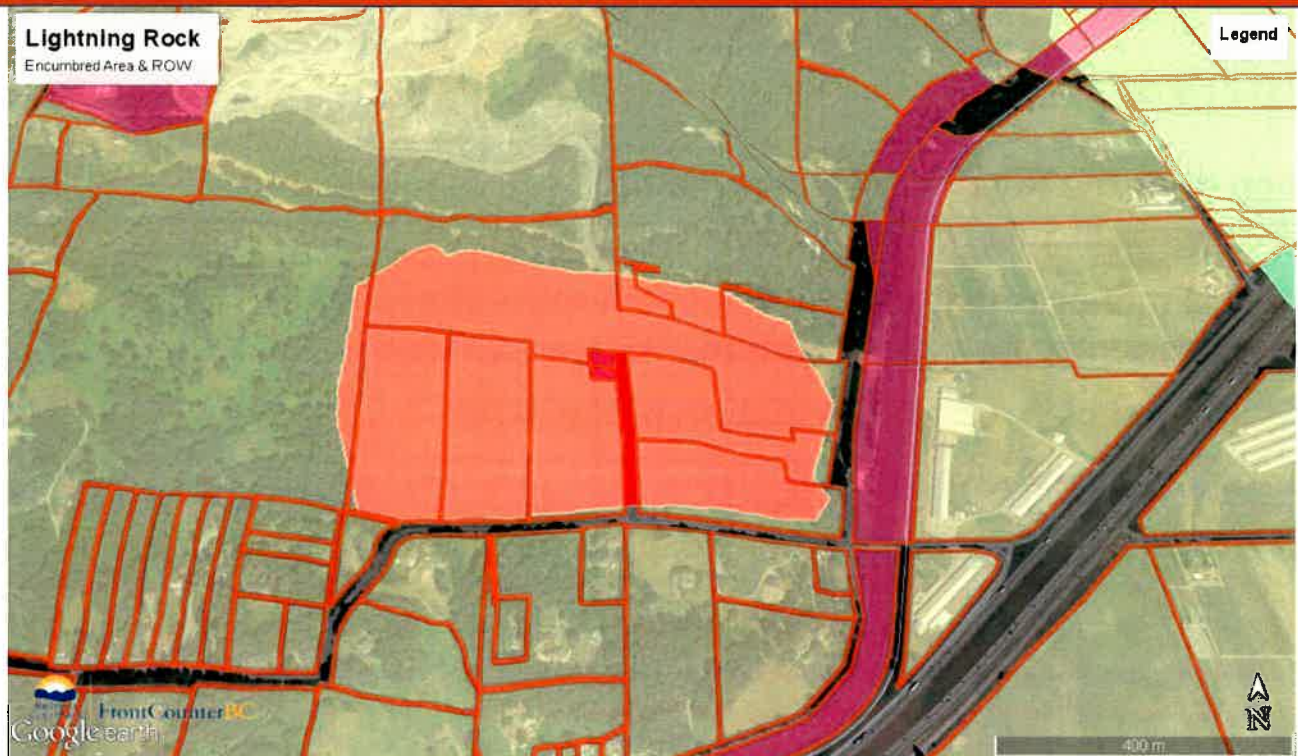
Fishing Sites

Cultural Heritage Resource Protection

Lightning Rock & Lightning Rock Sub-Committee

- The Lightning Rock Sub-Committee (LRSC) is a Government-to-Government vehicle established under the Stó:lō Strategic Engagement Agreement (SSEA) with the objective of resolving conflicts surrounding LRS. The City is aware of the sacredness of the Lightning Rock Site, the areas' significant cultural heritage to Semá:th and the Stó:lō people, and historic land-use challenges arising from proposed development on this sensitive location.
- The work of the LRSC is nearing completion. In the course of our discussions, Semá:th became aware that the City of Abbotsford has an interest in a road right-of-way that transects the Lightning Rock Site. The road was installed as an alternate route for truck traffic that was impacting our village, and is currently used to haul aggregate materials from nearby mining operations on Sumas Mountain. It is our understanding that the current right-of-way expires in 2020 and Abbotsford is seeking to extend the term to approximately 2035.

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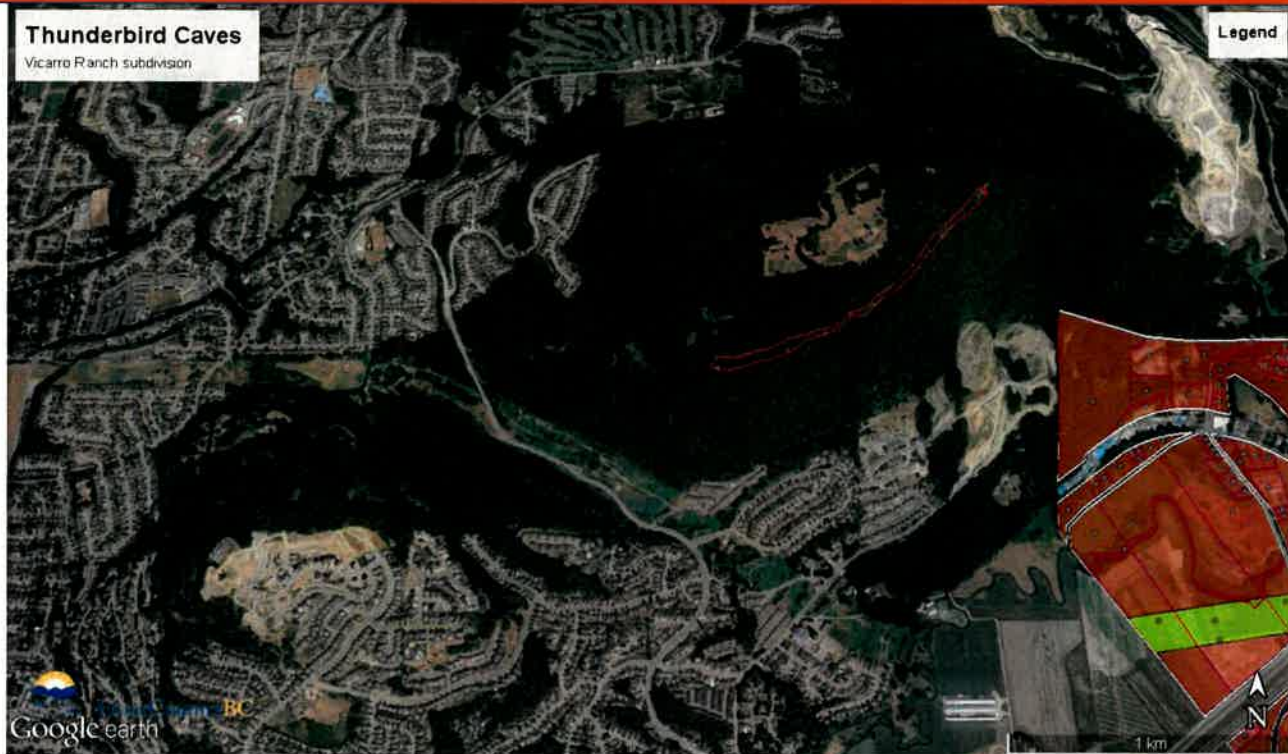


Cultural Heritage Resource Protection

Lightning Rock

- When does the Road ROW expire? What term of renewal is Abbotsford seeking on the ROW?
- Ensure a management plan during the term of the ROW to protect the sensitive nature of the Lightning Rock area;
- Reclamation plan, upon termination of the ROW
- Seeking an alternative route?
- Work together in opposing mining expansion on Sumas Mountain.

Cultural Heritage Resource Protection



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Thunderbird Caves/Vicarro Ranch Subdivision

- How will the Thunderbird Caves be protected and managed? Development setbacks?
- How will Sema:th's interests and jurisdiction be acknowledged and included in that management?
- Environmental protection;
- How will access for our members be secured?
- 2005 "Report on Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Overview of the McKee Peak Planning Study Area, Abbotsford, BC" by Golder & Associates:
 - "Recommended investigations should include: 1) A Traditional Use Study (TUS); 2) a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment (HRIA); and 3) an Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA). Pg. 18-19.

TUOS Mapping - AFTER

2016-12-18

Google earth

Tour Guide

Search the web and Windows



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Cultural Heritage Resource Protection

Fishing Sites, Bank Stabilizations & Emergency Authorizations

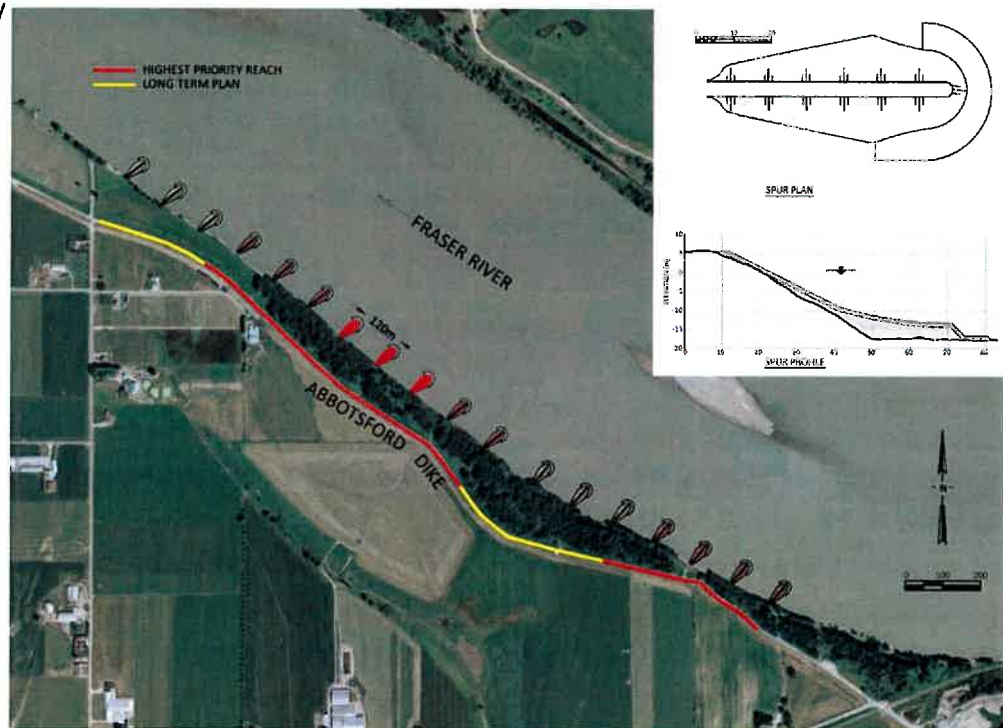
\$10 Million in funding announced by BC

City of Abbotsford/NHC - Proposed Bank Protection Spurs - Preliminary Design and Locations

Decades of rip-rapping

Destruction of Fishing Sites – no accommodation provided to Sema:th to date.

MOU between Sema:th, Abbotsford, FLNRORD, EMBC



Emergency Authorizations

- Beharrall Bank, 2014
- Erosion Arch's F(a)&(b), 2016-17
- Sediment Removals @ Norrish Creek
- Other?



Beharrall Bank project site, March, 2014

Abbotsford OCP: Master Plans, Neighborhood Plans & Studies

Issue	Description
Joint Water Master Plan	Udistric NP
City Water Master Plan	McKee Peak NP
City Sewer Master Plan	City Centre NP
Joint Sewer Master Plan	Historic Downtown NP
Drainage Master Plan	McCallum NP
Transportation Master Plan	Clearbrook NP
Transit Master Plan	Sumas NP
Fire Rescue Service Master Plan	McMillan/Inme! NP
Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan	AgRefresh
Water Supply/Source Study	DCC
Zoning Bylaw	Economic Development Strategy
Housing Strategy	Industrial Land Supply Study
Financial Plan	Fishtrap Creek ISMP
Willbrand Creek ISMP	

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Thank you!

March 6th, 2018

S'ólh Téméxwte ikwe'lo. Xólhmet te mekw' stám ít kwelát.
This is our Land. We must take care of everything that belongs to us.

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