Indigenous Relations

Protection of Nlaka' pamux title means protection of the boundaries of our Nation. The NNTC logo reflects the boundaries of the Nlaka' pamux Nation. A description of the NNTC logo is located in the FAQ section of this website. Relationships with neighbouring Indigenous neighbours have always been important. In some areas, there may be shared title with neighbours. There may be common use in these areas. This is not an overlap. We have worked with our neighbours to develop contemporary ways of defining our relationships.

NNTC also has relationships with non-neighbouring Indigenous Nations. This is reflected in agreements such as the Inter-Tribal Fisheries Treaty and the ILM Declaration of Unity. Each Indigenous Nation is unique but we all share some common interests and benefit from the strength in unity. We work with the Union of BC Indian Chiefs and the Leadership Council and national working groups to strengthen our title and rights.

The International forum enhances awareness and protection of title and rights. The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) creates an international thread between Indigenous Peoples and the rights we all share including the right to Free, Prior, Informed Consent. Consent based decision making is fundamental to how NNTC protects and advances Nlaka'pamux title and rights.

NNTC does not support the institutionalization of title and rights. Organizations which are formed to deal with specific issues from education to emergency preparedness do not represent or speak on behalf of the NNTC. NNTC speaks for itself and remains responsible for its own protection and advancement of Nlaka'pamux title and rights.