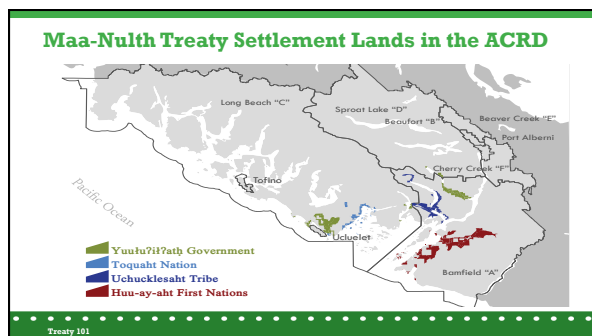




Challenges

- Local government not at the treaty table, yet resources and services may be impacted;
- Decisions come down to the wire, no slowing down as treaty is imminent;
- Each treaty is distinct, not necessarily same circumstance for local government;
- Within ACRD 10 First Nations;
- In the end need to understand & cooperate.

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Who will join the ACRD?

Joined the ACRD on
April 1, 2012

Huu-ay-aht First Nations
Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ Government

Must join the ACRD by
April 2021

Toquaht Nation
Uchucklesaht Tribe

Tip: Huu-ay-aht is
pronounced "Hoo-
way-at"

Tip: Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ is
pronounced "Yoo-
thlew-ilth-uhht"

Tip: Toquaht
pronounced "Toe-
quat"

Tip: Uchucklesaht is
Pronounced
"you-chuk-les-ut"

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Q - What about the Maa-Nulth Treaty Nations that haven't yet joined the ACRD?

A - Toquaht Nation and Uchucklesaht are in a 'transition period' as observers until they join the ACRD

Observer Status:

ACRD may invite observers to participate in meetings on a non-voting basis
Agendas circulated and information shared from past practice
First Nations land treated as if it is in electoral area
Must give four months notice before joining the ACRD
Transition period builds capacity and strengthens relationships

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Q - Will Treaty Nations have a special status at the regional district?

A - Each Treaty Nations member will have the same functions, powers, duties and obligations as other ACRD members, similar to a municipality.



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Q – What representation will they have?

A – Representation on the ACRD is calculated in the same manner as for other members



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Q – What representation will they have?

A - Voting weight is calculated in the same manner as for other members (1 vote per 2000 residents)



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Q- What ACRD services will they participate in?

A - Service participation will operate like those of other members



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Q – What about ACRD service apportionment?

A - Based on the same apportionment method as for other members (unless alternative agreement reached)

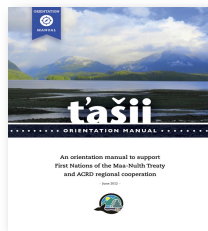
- Apportionment mostly uses “land and improvements”
- First Nations land not historically assessed (tax exempt)
- Most Treaty Settlement Land is publically owned – taxable value is low
 - Land ownership still being determined, but interest in increasing taxable land (economic development)



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Transitional Tools - Orientation Manual

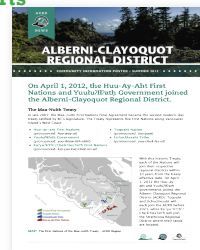
- > Completed August 2012
 - o Backgrounder for all organizations
 - o Organizational charts and proper terminology
 - o A summary of ACRD services
 - o Describes:
 - The function, terminology, protocols, and processes for the ACRD and its members, including Huu-ay-aht and Yuulu?i?ath
 - For current and future Directors and participating government staff



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Transitional Tools - “Quick Starts”

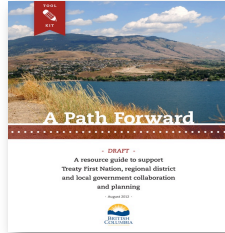
- > Cost-effective communications and relationship building projects
 1. Expansion of West Coast and Alberni Valley Committees
 2. Newsletter
 3. Community Information Poster
 4. Satellite ACRD board meetings held @ Yuulu?i?ath (July 11) and Huu-ay-aht (July 25)
 5. 'Treaty 101' PowerPoint



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Tools for You – “Toolkit”

- > Draft completed September 2012 – waiting provincial signoff
 - An overview of Treaty First Nations and regional district governance
 - Focuses on servicing, collaboration, and regional land use harmonization – issues, opportunities
 - Highlights learning from ACRD experience



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Service Review and Prioritization

- **Step 1:** Identify FN service objectives
- **Step 2:** Review ACRD services and create FN short-list
- **Step 3:** Create **measures** for objectives
- **Step 4:** Evaluate potential near-term services
- **Step 5:** ACRD financial review
- **Step 6:** Technical staff working group meetings
- **Step 7:** Briefing note & presentation to Governments.

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Lessons Learned – Local Government perspective

- Be involved in the treaty process – the province is your contact;
- Communicate with your FN's and become involved early!
- Patience and understanding – there are benefits for everyone;
- It takes resources – political and administrative;
- Things won't be the same, manage change rather than avoiding or resisting it.

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