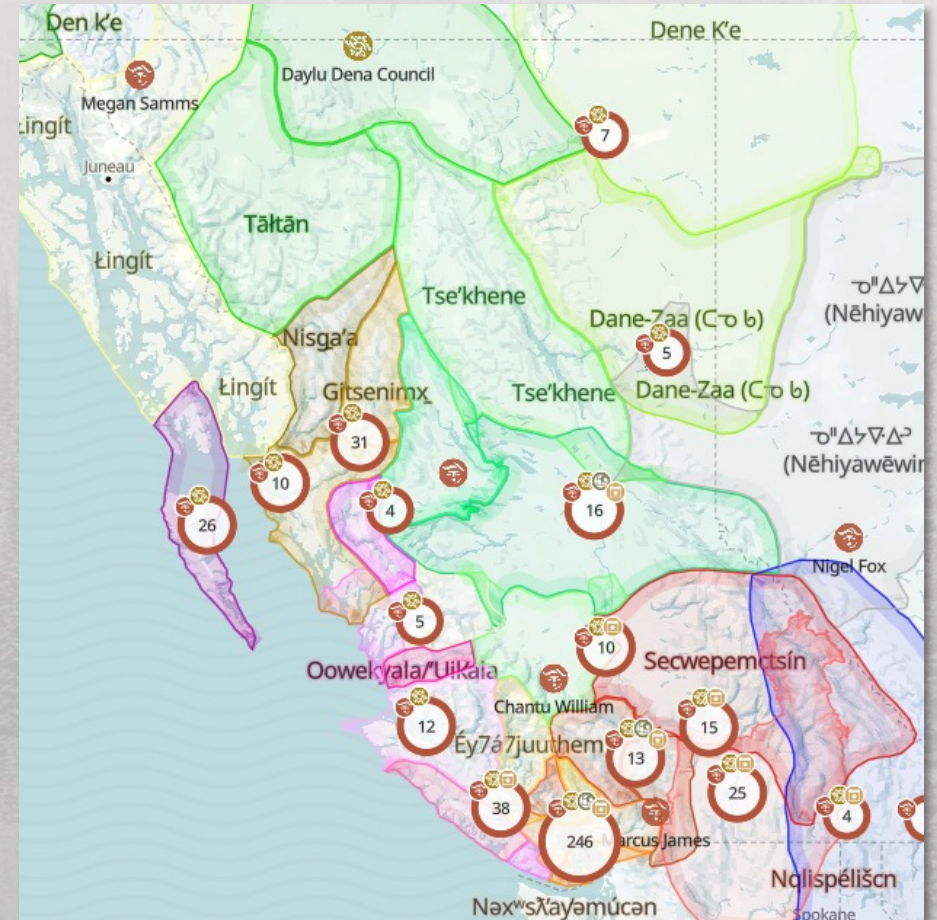


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# Indigenous peoples in B.C.

- 270,000+ Indigenous people in BC
- Includes First Nations, Métis, Inuit
- Culturally and linguistically diverse
- 34 distinct languages and 90 dialects
- Sophisticated cultures, relationships and systems of laws
- Historically, only a few treaties signed in BC





# Diverse Realities

	Splatsin	Tsq'escen'	Tla'amin
Median Age	37	35	39
Population	941	609	1,184
Living outside community	65%	33%	48%
Elections	All ~4 years		
Economic Activities	construction, businesses	forestry	development, forestry, service industry

# *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*

- The Declaration Act implements the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UN Declaration), which the Truth and Reconciliation Commission confirms as the framework for reconciliation.
- **Action Plan:**
  - 5 year plan
  - 89 priority actions



# Action plan cont.

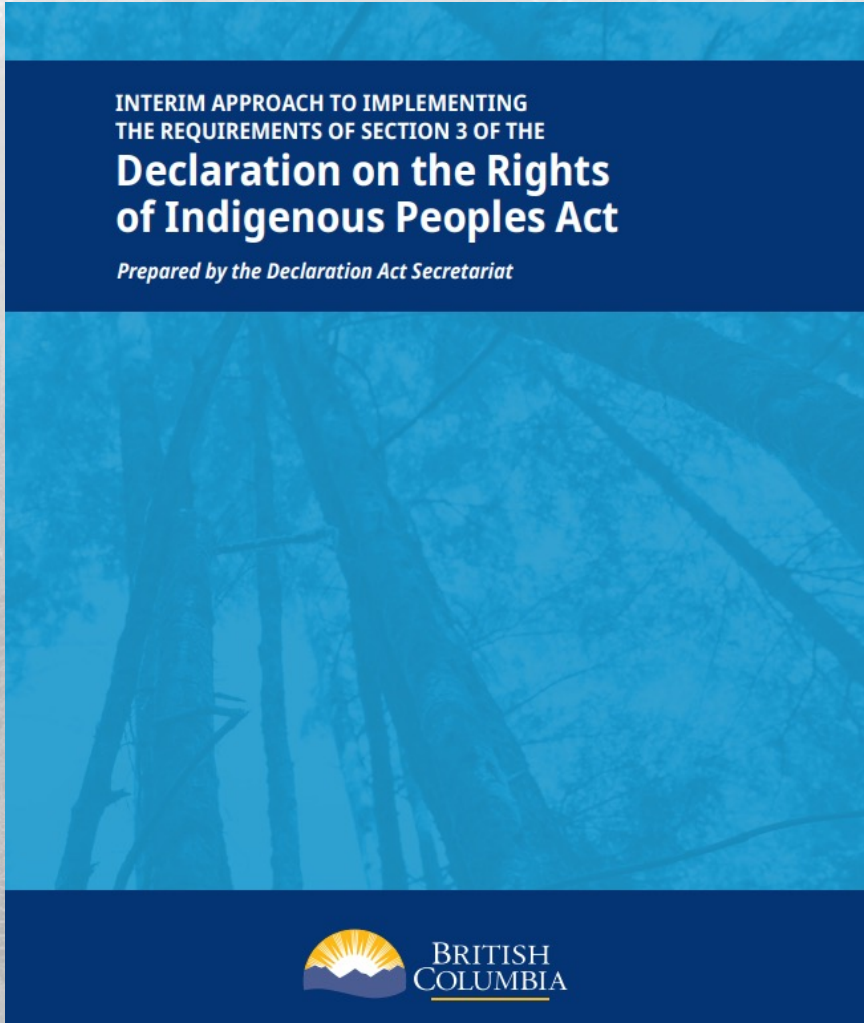
## Items directly referencing local governments:

- 1.11 Support inclusive regional governance by advancing First Nations participation in regional district boards.
- This Action was first raised by UBCM membership
- 4.27 Review the principles and processes that guide the naming of municipalities and regional districts, and evolve practices to foster reconciliation in local processes.
- This Action was raised by First Nations and local governments in feedback to the Draft Action Plan



# Declaration Act Secretariat

- Separate body
- Guides government's legislative priorities and engagement with Indigenous peoples and governments,
- Including providing clear policy and process advice on consultation and cooperation requirements, and
- Developing measures to ensure changes in legislation are consistent with the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

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INTERIM APPROACH TO IMPLEMENTING  
THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 3 OF THE  
**Declaration on the Rights  
of Indigenous Peoples Act**

*Prepared by the Declaration Act Secretariat*

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# Resources

## ***Declaration Act***

- [Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act](#)
- [Declaration Act Action Plan](#)
- [Local Government Fact sheet on the Declaration Act](#)
- [UBCM Draft Action Plan Submission](#)

## **Pathways to Success**

- [MOU: Engagement with UBCM and Local Governments on Treaty Agreements, Non-Treaty Agreements and Indigenous Initiatives](#)
- [Joint Indigenous and Local Government Initiatives and Relations collection](#)
- [Pathways to Collaboration](#)
- [Community to Community Forum \(C2C\)](#)

## ***Research***

- [Contacts for First Nation Consultation Areas](#)
- [BC Treaty Annual Reports](#)
- [Provincial Agreements with First Nations \(A to Z\)](#)
- [MUNI Local Government and First Nations Relations Webpage \(Guides found here\)](#)
- [Interactive Guide to Building Relationships with First Nations](#)
- Indigenous communities' websites
- [Interim Approach to Implementing the Requirements of Section 3 of the DRIPA](#)

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