

Power of Ceremony: Indigenous B.C. Public Servants Perspectives on Emergency Management

First Nations intrinsically foster Nation to Nation support networks
Honoring First Nations' right to self-determination in a culturally inclusive way to
enhance emergency management supports



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EMCR: The impactful legacy of Cultural Safety & Humility

Cultural safety is defined by creating safe spaces, free from discrimination, where Indigenous people, families and communities can continue practicing their culture even when displaced.

Hereditary He'wa

Cultural Worker *Indigenous ESS Navigator*

Regalia Maker *Cultural Activity Location Services*

Community Member



A new path forward Cultural Safety & Humility

Reconcili-action within EMCR:

Director of Cultural Safety and Humility in place; ministry-wide CSH plan development is in progress

2.14 Community Navigator – First Nations Community Navigator

- “A big house usher”

2.15 Cultural Activity Locations Supports

- “A policy that moved mountains”



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Indigenous innovation and collaboration: The new face of Emergency Management

Where will the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act and the Emergency and Disaster Management Act bring us next?

Empowerment through upholding the right to self-determination.



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Allyship and The right to self-determination in emergency management



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- Humble beginnings – Some of the best changes within an organization do not start with a thunder.
- 2.15 Cultural Activity Locations Supports
- “A policy that moves mountains”
- First Nations guiding cultural/spiritual protocol requirements in Emergency Management during un-intended impacts in response.



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Comments & Questions

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