

Rebuilding Abundance

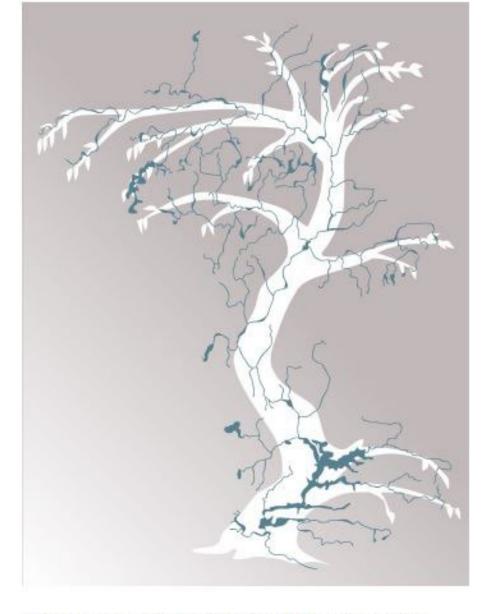
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Wolastoqey Nation



Tree representing the Saint John River courtesy Dr Susan Blair



Wolastoqiyik – People of the Beautiful and Bountiful River

Enclosure in letter of Governor Hopson to the Right Honourable The Earl of Holdernesse 6th of Dec. 1752 Teath or Articles of Peace and Friendship Renewed BETWEEN

 H^{is} Excellency Peregrine Thomas Hopson Esquire Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia or Acadie Vice Admiral of the same & Colonel of One of His Majesty's Regiments of Foot, and His Majesty's Council on behalf of His Majesty.

Major Jean Baptiste Cope Chief Sacham of the Tribe of Mick Mack Indians, Inhabiting the Eastern Coast of the said Province, and Andrew Hadley Martin, Gabriel Martin and Francis Jeremiah members & Delegates of the said Tribe, for themselves and their said Tribe their heirs and the heirs of their heirs forever. Begun made and Concluded in the manner form & Tenor following, viz.

1. It is agreed that the Articles of Submission & Agreements made at Boston in New England by the Delegates of the Penobscot Norridawolk & St. John's Indians in the Year 1725 Ratifyed and Confirmed by all the Nova Scotia Tribes at Annapolis Royal in the Month of June 1726 and lately Renewed with Governor Cornwallis at Halifax and Ratifyed at St. John's River, now read over Explained & Interpreted shall be and are hereby from this time forward renewed, reiterated and forever Confirmed by them and their Tribe, and the said Indians for themselves and their Tribe, and their Heirs aforesaid do make and renew the same Solemn Submissions and promises for the strict Observance of all the Articles therein Contained as at any time heretofore hath

2. That all Transactions during the Late War shall on both sides be buried in Oblivion with the Hatchet, And that the said Indians shall have all favour, Friendship & Protection shewn them from this His Majesty's Government.

3. That the said Tribe shall use their utmost Endeavours to bring in the other Indians to Renew and Ratify this Peace, and shall discover and make known any attempts or designs of any other Indians or any Enemy whatever against his Majesty's Subjects within this Province so soon as thev shall know thereof and shall also hinder and Obstruct the same to the utmost of their

power, and on the other hand if any of the Indians refusing to ratify this Peace shall make War upon the Tribe who have now Confirmed the same; they shall upon Application have such aid and Assistance from the Government

for their defence as the Case may require. 4. It is agreed that the said Tribe of Indians shall not be hindered from, but have free liberty of Hunting and Fishing as usual and that if they shall think a Truck house needful at the River Chibenaccadie, or any other place of their resort they shall have the same built and proper Merchandize, lodged therein to be exchanged for what the Indians shall have to dispose of and that in the mean time the Indians shall have free liberty to being to Sale to Halifax or any other Settlement within this Province, Skins, feathers, fowl, fish or any other thing they shall have to sell, where they shall have liberty to dispose thereof to the best

5. That a Quantity of bread, flour, and such other Provisions, as can be procured, necessary for the Familys and proportionable to the Numbers of the said Indians, shall be given them half Yearly for the time to come; and the same regard shall be had to the other Tribes that shall hereafter Agree to Renew and Ratify the Peace upon the Terms and Conditions

6. That to Cherish a good harmony and mutual Correspondence between the said Indians and this Government His Excellency Peregrine Thomas Hopson Esq. Capt. General & Governor in Chief in & over His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia or Acadie Vice Admiral of the same & Colonel of One of His Majesty's Regiments of Foot hereby promises on the part of His Majesty that the said Indians shall upon the First Day of October Yearly, so long as they shall Continue in Friendship, Receive Presents of Blankets, Tobacco, some Powder & Shot, and the said Indians promise once every year, upon

the first of October, to come by themselves or their Delegates and Receive the said Presents and Renew their

7. That the Indians shall use their best Endeavours to save the Lives & Goods of any People Shipwrecked on this Coast where they resort and shall Conduct the People saved to Halifax with their Goods, and a Reward adequate to the Salvage shall be given them.

8. That all Disputes whatsoever that may happen to arise between the Indians now at Peace and others His Majesty's Subjects in this Province shall be tryed in His Majesty's Courts of Civil Judicature, where the Indians shall have the same benefits, Advantages & Priviledges an any others of His Majesty's Subjects.

In Faith & Testimony whereof the Great Seal of the Province is hereunto appended, and the Partys to these Presents have hereunto interchangeably Set their Hands in the Council Chamber at Halifax this 22nd day of Nov. 1752 in the 26th Year of Jean Baptiste

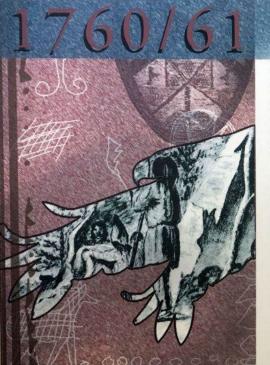


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TREATIES OF

1760 - 1761

freaty of Peace and Friendship concluded by IHis Excellency Charles Lawrence] Esq. Gov and Comr. in Chief in and over his Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia or Accadia with Paul Laurent chief of the LaHave tribe of Indians at Halifax in the Province of N.S. or Acadia

Paul Laurent do for myself and the tribe of Lai-lave Indians of which I am Chief do acknowledge the jurisdiction and Dominion of His Misesty George the Second over the Territories of Nova cotia or Accadia and we do make submission to His Majesty in the most perfect, ample and solemn manner

And I do promise for myself and my tribe that I nor they shall not molest any of His Majesty's subjects or their dependents, in their settlements already made or to be hereafter made or in carrying on their Commerce or in any thing whatever within the Province of His said Majesty in any thing whatever within the Province of His said Majesty or elsewhere and if any insult, robbery or outrace shall happen to be committed by any of my tribe satisfaction and restitution shall be made to the person or persons injured.

That neither I nor any of my tribe shall in any manner entice any of his said Majesty's troops or soldiers to desert, nor in any manner assist in conveying them away but on the contrary will do our utmost endeavours to bring them back to the Company, Regiment, Fort or Garrison to which they shall belong

That if any Quarrel or Misunderstanding shall happen between myself and the English or between them and any of my tribe, neither I, nor they shall take any private satisfaction or Revenge but we will apply for redress according to the Laws established in His said Majesty's Dominions

That all English prisoners made by myself or my tribe shall be sett at Liberty and that we will use our utmost endeavours to prevail on the other tribes to do the same, if any prisoners shall

and I do further promise for myself and my tribe that we will not either directly nor indirectly assist any of the enemies of His most sacred Majesty King George the Second, his heirs or Successors, nor hold any manner of Commerce traffick nor intercourse with them, but on the contrary will as much as may be in our power discover and make known to His Majesty's Governor, any ill designs which may be formed or contrived against His Majesty's subjects. And I do further engage that we will not traffick, barter or Exchange any Commodities in any manner but with such persons or the managers of such Truck houses as shall be appointed or Established by His Majesty's Governor at Lunenbourg or Elsewhere in Nova Scotia or Accadia.

And for the more effectual security of the due performance of this Treaty and every part thereof I do promise and Engage that a certain number of persons of my tribe which shall not be less in number than two prisoners shall on or before September next reside as Hostages at Lunenburg or at such other place or places in this Province of Nova Scotia or Accadia as shall be accounted for that number by His Masesty's Governor of said Province which Hostages shall be exchanged for a like number of my tribe when requeste

And all these foregoing articles and every one of them made with His Excellency C.L., His Majesty's Governor I do promise for myself and on of sd part - behalf of my tribe that we will most

In witness whereof I have hereunto outtimy mark and seal at Halifax in Nova Scotia this day of March one thousand & c.

do accept and agree to all the articles of the forgoing treaty in Faith and Testimony whereof I have signed these present I have caused my seal to be hereunto affixed this day of march in the 33 year of His Majesty's Reign and in the year of Our lord - 1760

The above Treaty was signed 15 days after the Maliseet and Passamaguoddy signed a similar worded Treaty.

prented adhesions to the this treaty were signed also by the Milknag of Richibudou - March 10, 1760, Mouscadaboet - March 10, 1760, Shediac - June 25, 1761, Pokemouche - June 25, 1761 Cane Breton - June 25 1761 Mramichi - June 25, 1761, La Heve - November 9, 1761

in the Executive Council minutes there are also references to treaties signed with other communities though no copy of the Treaty has been found. These communities are: Chignecto - July 8.

- Treaty are agreements between Nations
- The Peace and Friendship Treaties are agreements of peace between First Nations and the Crown
- No territory nor governance authority were ceded to the Crown
- Includes the terms: "hunt, fish and gather"

Section 35 and Fun Facts

Section 35 of the Constitution Act states:

- 35. (1) The existing **aboriginal and treaty rights** of the aboriginal peoples of Canada are hereby recognized and affirmed.
- (2) In this Act, "aboriginal peoples of Canada" includes the Indian, Inuit and Métis peoples of Canada.
- (3) For greater certainty, in subsection (1) "treaty rights" includes rights that now exist by way of land claims agreements or may be so acquired.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the aboriginal and treaty rights referred to in subsection (1) are guaranteed equally to male and female persons.

Fun facts:

- Canada's Constitution is premised on the "Doctrine of Discovery"
- Pre-Confederation Treaties (before 1867) are with the Crown, Post-Confederation Treaties are with Canada
- Inherent rights are the foundational to Indigenous Peoples (see: UNDRIP UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
- Treaty-protected rights emerge from Inherent rights
- There is no legal definition of "Indigenous" in Canada

Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS)

- Indigenous Knowledge or Traditional Knowledge of Indigenous Peoples
- It is a knowledge **system** with a methodology
- Not terminology created by Indigenous Peoples
- Local or Place-based
- Culturally-rooted and often language-based
- Embedded in values
- Not necessarily objective data that can be captured and incorporated into other resource management plans – see "Two-eyed Seeing"
- Data sovereignty and data protection are crucial there is no legal mechanism for the Intellectual Property Rights of IKS
- Respect must be given to Elders and Knowledge Keepers

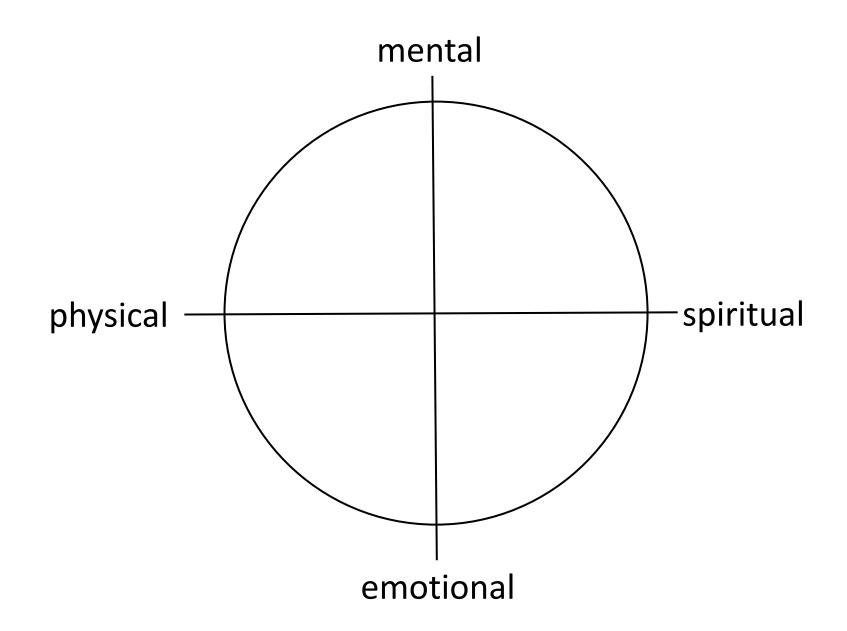
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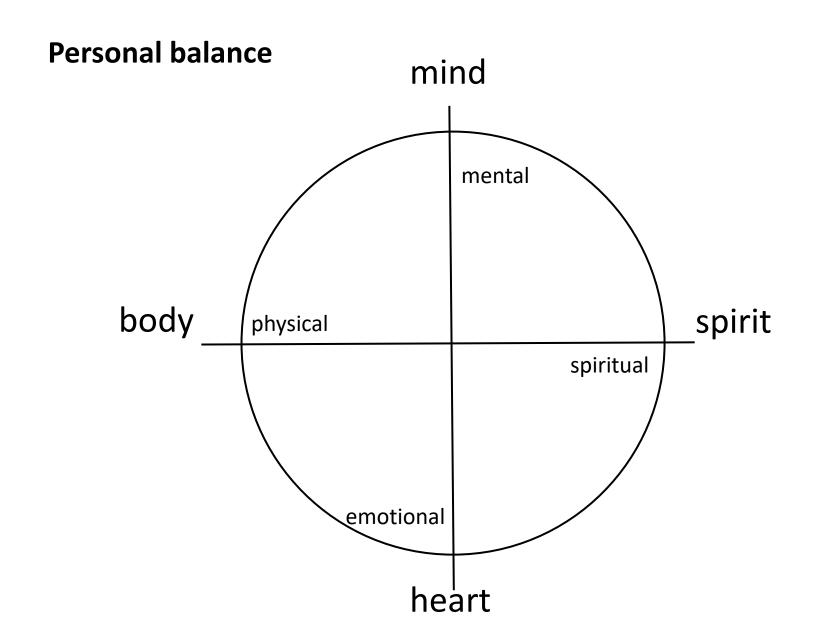


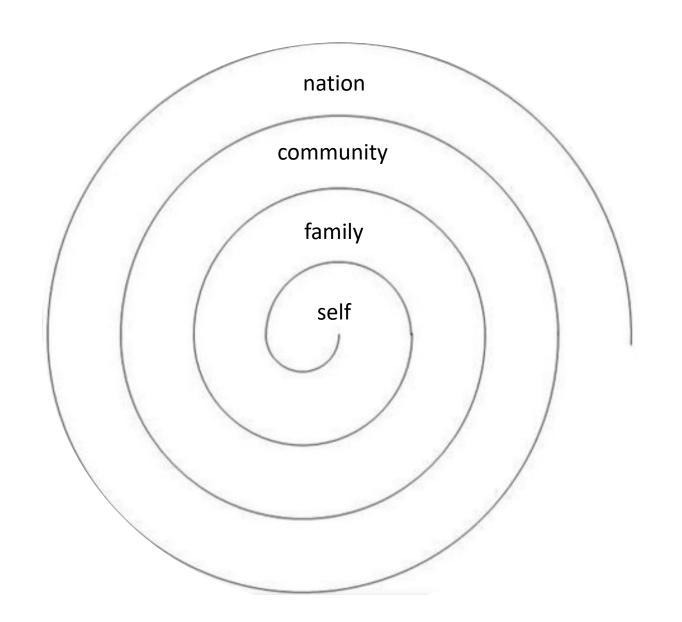




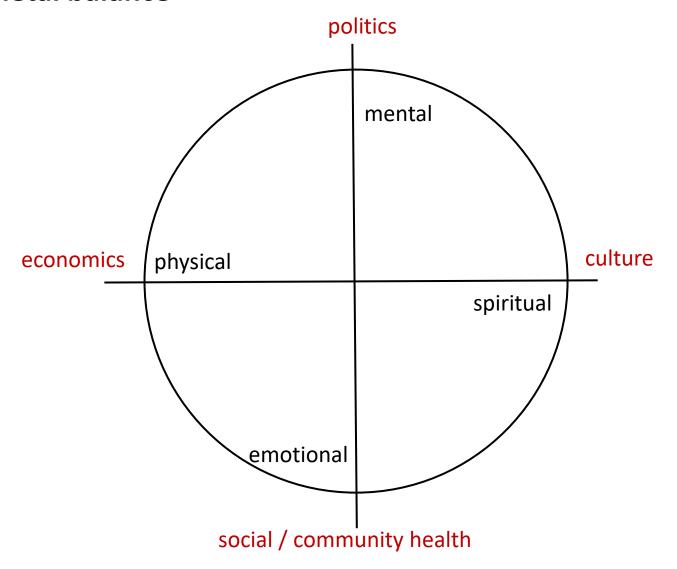


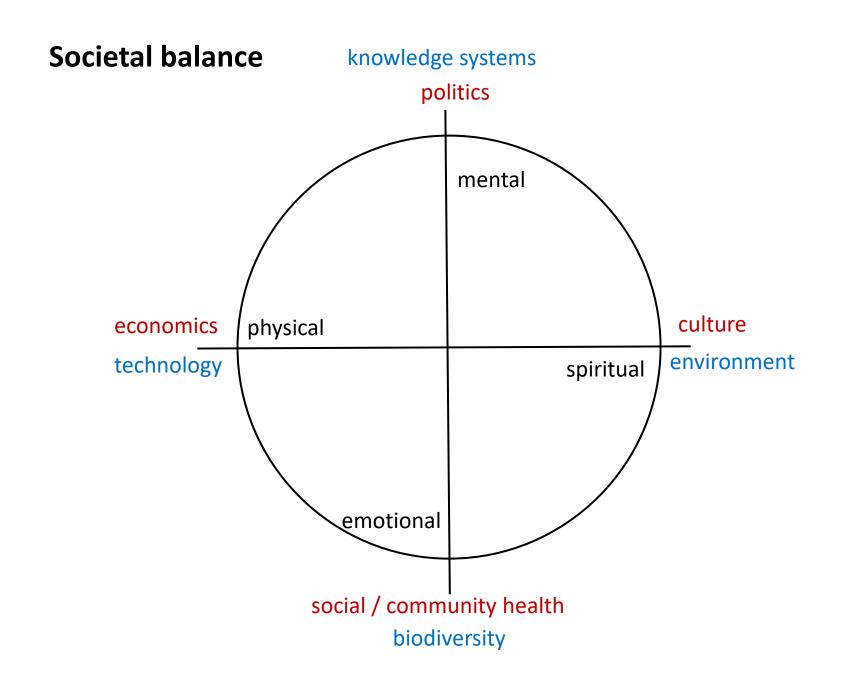






Societal balance





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Social equity

Goals towards First Nations fisheries

- Honouring the gifts from our ancestors
- (Co-) Governance over our territories (lands and waters)
- Recognition and re-establishment of Laws
- Respect for our relations (including fish, birds, wildlife)
- Research, data gathering and data security including use of our Indigenous Knowledge Systems
- Food Sovereignty and Food Security
- Economic benefits for community members
- Ceremonies and celebrations
- Partnerships and sharing
- Diversity in employment opportunities.
- Advancing on our healing path



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