



Exploring the Connection Between Nation Building and Land Use Planning

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Shared Value Solutions

- Small firm located in Guelph, ON
- Client base: 80% indigenous, 10% industry, 10% government
- Human environment firm- environmental planning, socioeconomics, archaeology and cultural heritage, ethnography, multimedia communications
- Land Use and Occupancy and Oral History research
- BEAHR Training (land use planning, environmental monitoring)

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Study Origins and Methodology

- Interviews with:
 - Leaders in land use planning and/or indigenous nationhood
 - Miles Richardson from Haida Gwaii (BC)
 - Paul Jones from Chippewas of Nawash (ON)
 - Darwin Paupanakis from Pimicikamak (MB)
 - Representative from Ontario First Nation (ON)
 - Representative from First Nation government (QC)
 - Kate Kempton – Partner at OKT Law (www.oktlaw.com)
 - John van Nostrand, FRAIC, FCIP; founding principal of SvN Architects and Planners (www.svn-ap.com) and John van Nostrand Developments Inc. (www.jvnd.ca)

Study Origins and Methodology

- Questions about indigenous nationhood and land use planning
- Disclaimers: small sample size (5 women, 2 men) – preliminary exploration from specific perspectives of those interviewed

Nationhood Definition



- Miles Richardson - Haida Gwaii
- Paul Jones - Chippewas of Nawash
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Nationhood Definition

- Shared language, heritage (long history), culture
- Distinct relationship to a place
- Self governing – indigenous laws, spirituality
- Responsibility
- Who counts as a nation? (nation that signed treaties vs. Indian Act Bands)

Land Use Planning



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Land Use Planning

- Protecting what matters (land, language, culture, heritage)
- Means of sustaining a nation
- Responsibility
- Laying out what is and is not acceptable and where
- Assertion of self governance and jurisdiction

Land Use Planning Tensions



- John van Nostrand, SvN Architects and Planners and John van Nostrand Developments Inc.
- Paul Jones - Chippewas of Nawash





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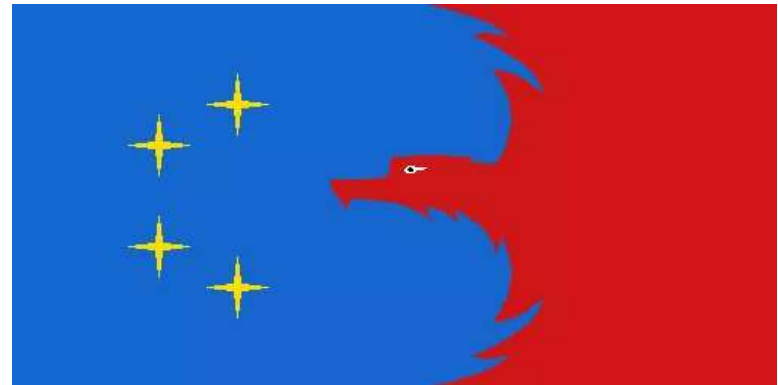
- Historic role of land use planning
 - To disposes indigenous people from their lands
 - To facilitate economic development
- Economic development versus thriving health of the land
- Conservation versus interaction with the land
- Lack of acknowledgement of spiritual context of environmental features



Land Use Planning Supporting Indigenous Nationhood



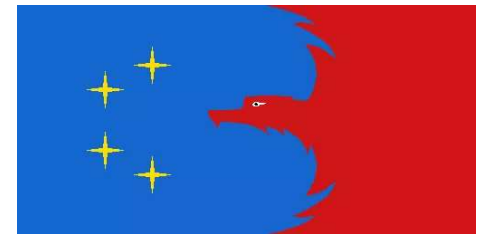
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Nation to Nation Land Use Planning



- Kate Kempton - OKT Law
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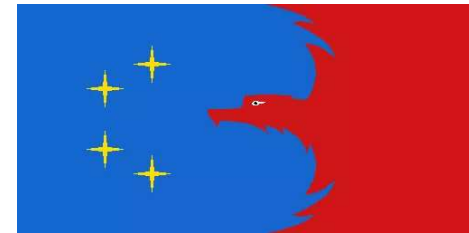
Nation to Nation Land Use Planning

- Competing interests and jurisdictions
- Need for:
 - Processes of dual/multiple consent
 - Respect for indigenous laws
 - Distinct relationships based on history/treaties
 - Celebration of differences

Recommendations for Nation Building



- Miles Richardson - Haida Gwaii
- Paul Jones - Chippewas of Nawash
- Darwin Paupanakis - Pimicikamak



Conclusions and Next Steps

- Podcast



Thank you!

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