



This is a time of learning, questioning, listening, and considering. It is a time to understand what is in the Final Agreement, and what it means for our future. It is a time to think carefully and decide—as a unified Lheidli T'enneh Nation—the best path forward for our future.

Culture and Heritage

The Lheidli T'enneh are the best stewards of our culture and heritage, and the Final Agreement empowers the Lheidli T'enneh government to enact laws to conserve, protect and manage our culture and heritage.

We are the Lheidli T'enneh, “the people from the confluence of two rivers.”

We are a Carrier-speaking First Nation that occupies and uses the land around Prince George, east to Alberta. Our traditional lands expand past the Alberta border but because the modern treaty process is only for BC, the Final Agreement does not address this. Our main community is located on the Shelley reserve, 20 kilometres northeast of Prince George.



What does the Final Agreement say about culture and heritage?

According to the Final Agreement, the Lheidli T'enneh government may make laws applicable on Lheidli T'enneh lands about:

- preserving, promoting, developing, and teaching of the Lheidli T'enneh dialect of the Carrier language and Carrier culture,
- conserving, protecting and managing cultural heritage resources (such as ancient human remains), and
- public access to heritage sites located on Lheidli T'enneh lands.

What will happen to cultural treasures housed by the British Columbia and Canadian governments?

The Royal British Columbia Museum will transfer a number of Lheidli T'enneh artifacts from its collection to the Lheidli T'enneh.

If an artifact held by the Canadian Museum of Civilization is determined to belong to the Lheidli T'enneh, the Lheidli T'enneh government and the museum may negotiate its return.

What will happen to existing cultural sites?

The Lheidli T'enneh and British Columbia governments will work together to designate important cultural sites and geographic features as sites of cultural significance under the Heritage Conservation Act. These two governments will also work together to identify places to be renamed with Carrier names.



your Voice. your Choice.
our Future

We are the Lheidli T'enneh. We have many voices, But we are one proud people. We will move forward together To make a better future.

Whatever the outcome, this vote will be historic. As we walk this path, as we talk about and consider our future together, our people will become stronger. We will hold the conversations about our choices in an open and respectful way, where all thoughts and opinions will be valued; where we respect and learn from each other; where we decide our future together.

