

The Stó:lō, S'ólh Téméxw, & Intellectual Properties Issues in Cultural Heritage

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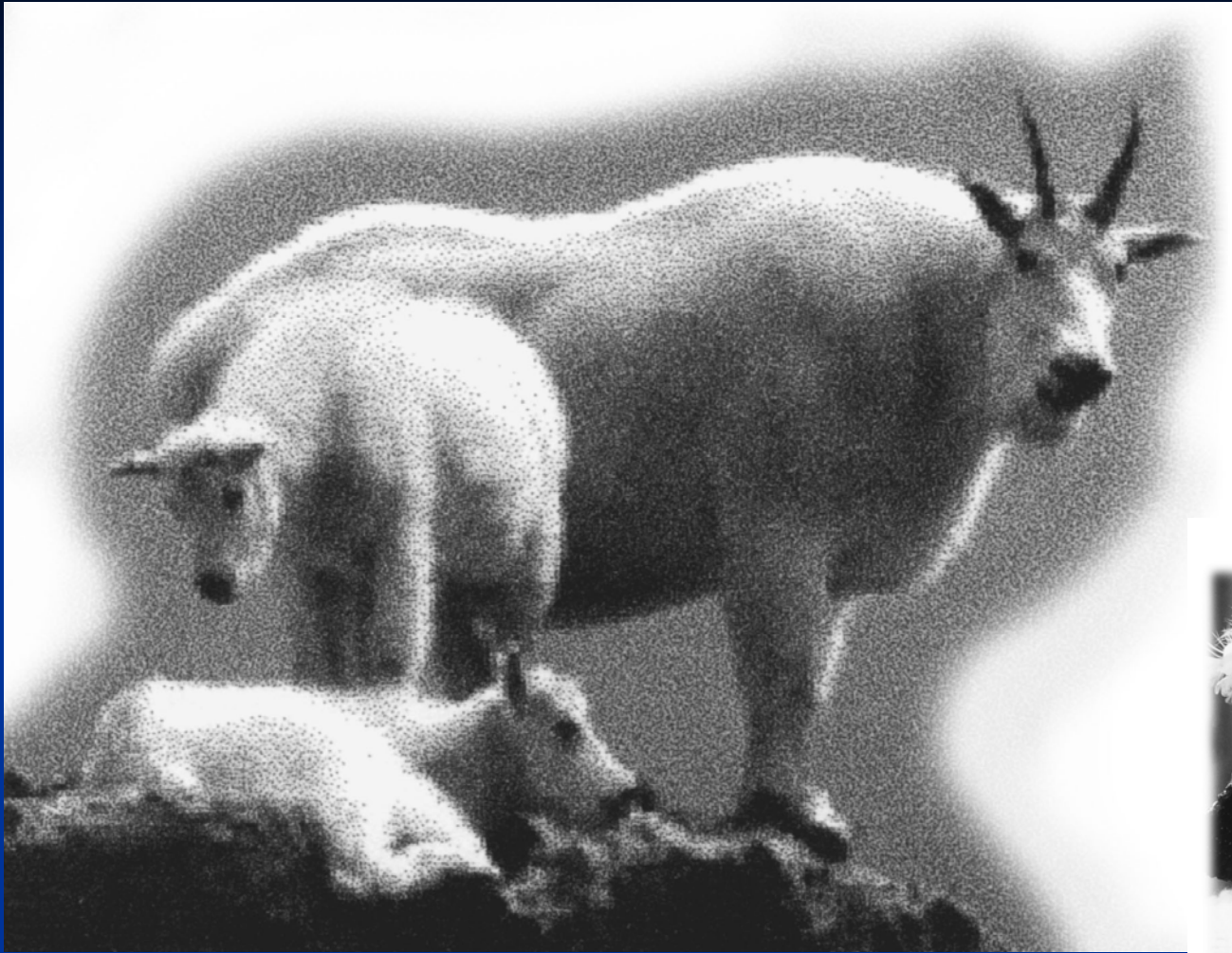
(‘People of the River’)

- Central Coast Salish -

S'ólh Téméxw ('Our World')



- Lower Fraser River Watershed / Salish Sea -



Cultural Heritage...An inter-connection
between people, places, things;
A field of knowledge and network of
intellectual properties

SXWÓXWIYÁM

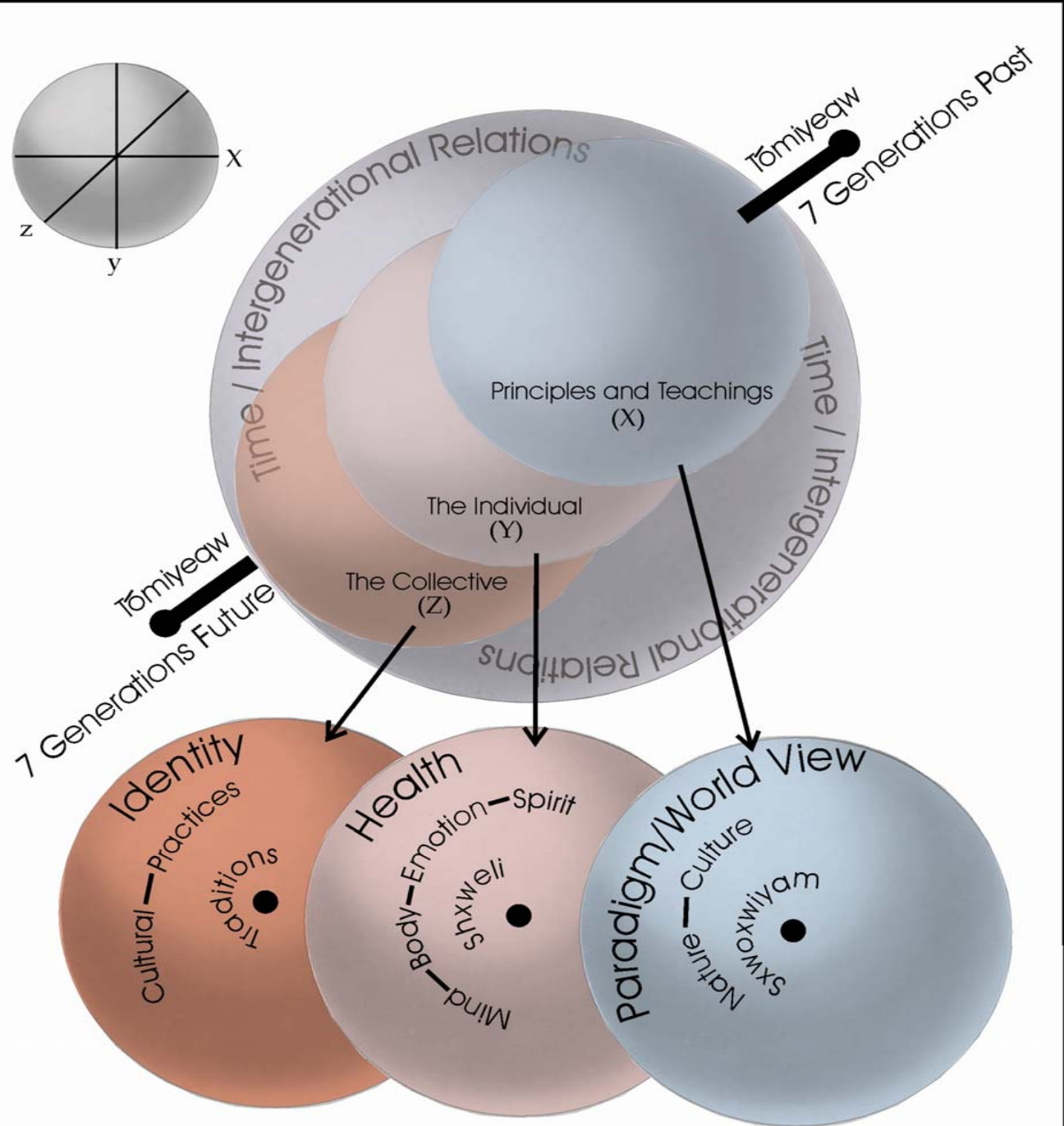
- *Stó:lō Oral History* - Narratives of the Distant Past describing how the World came into being;
- *A Period of Time* – The Age when the World was ‘Not Quite Right’

SHXWELÍ

- *Stó:lō [People of the River] believe that shxwelí is our life force in all of us.*
- *Everything in S'ólh Téméxw (Our World)/Our land has a shxwelí, has a spirit and is alive.*

- Elder Joe Aleck, Cheam FN

(Qa:lmestes tl' Sto:lo kw'es semikw' te s'aylexw te shxwelitest wiyoth. Mekw'stam li te S'o:lh temexw kwelam te shxweli qas te s'aylexw.)



Interconnected
dimensions of
Stó:lō culture

STÓ:LŌ HERITAGE POLICY MANUAL

Xólhmet te mekw'stám ít kwelát.

We have to look after everything that belongs to us.

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Stó:lō Intellectual Property

- knowledge, the nature of use of which has been transmitted from generation to generation, which is regarded as Stó:lō and as belonging to Stó:lō individuals, families, communities, or the Nation as a whole... though rooted in the past, is contemporary knowledge that changes with time. Stó:lō Intellectual Property includes:

Place Name(s)

- the Halkomelem name(s) of a place or places in the landscape of S'ólh T'éméxw.

Oral History

- Sqwelqwel, sxwôxwiyám and other forms of oral history and narratives originating from the Stó:lō.

Family Names

- culturally inherited and owned names.

Songs

- culturally inherited or spiritually acquired songs.

Dances

- culturally inherited or spiritually acquired dances.

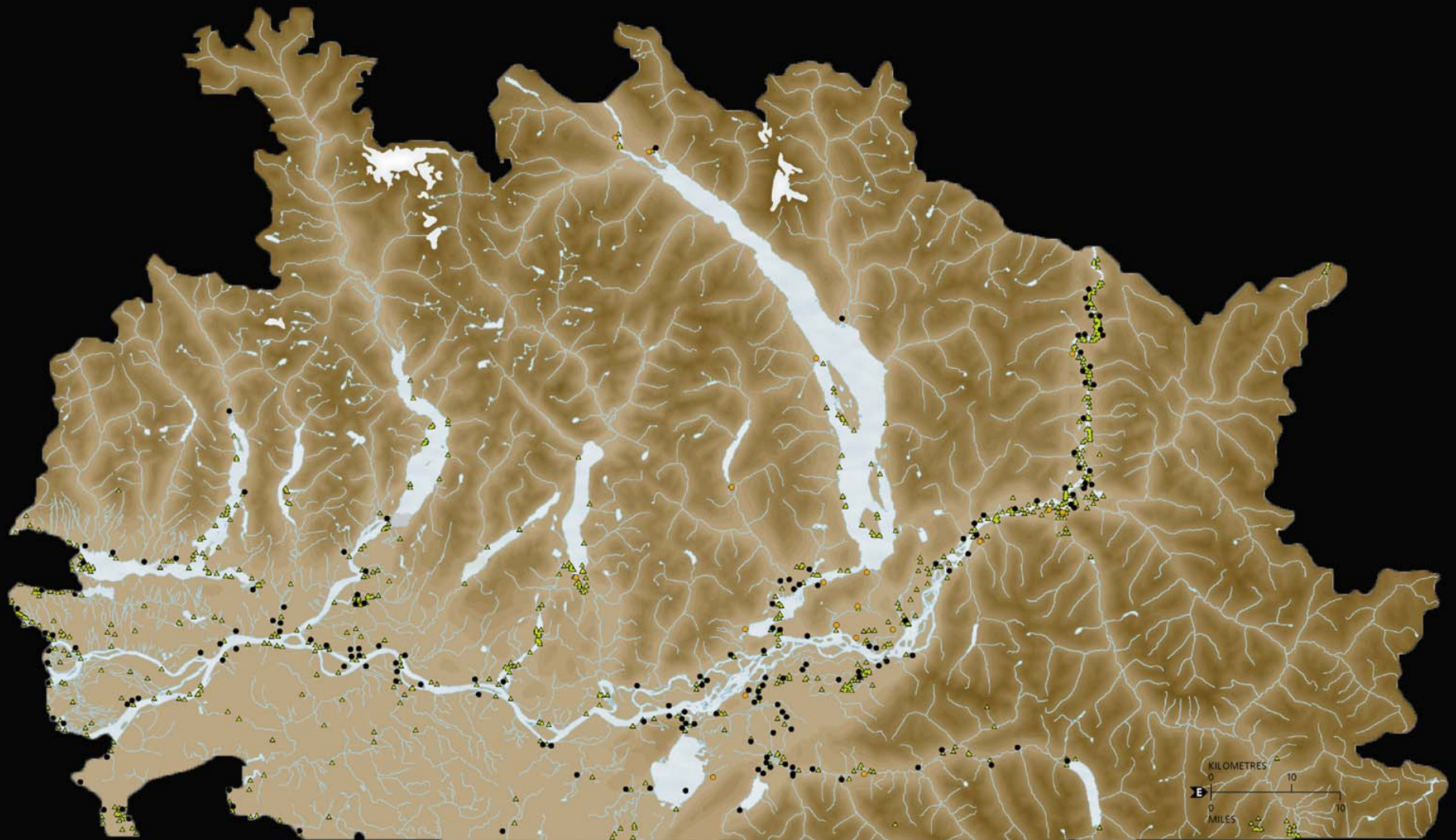
Designs / Images / Crafts / Arts

- Traditional Stó:lō images, designs and artistic styles.

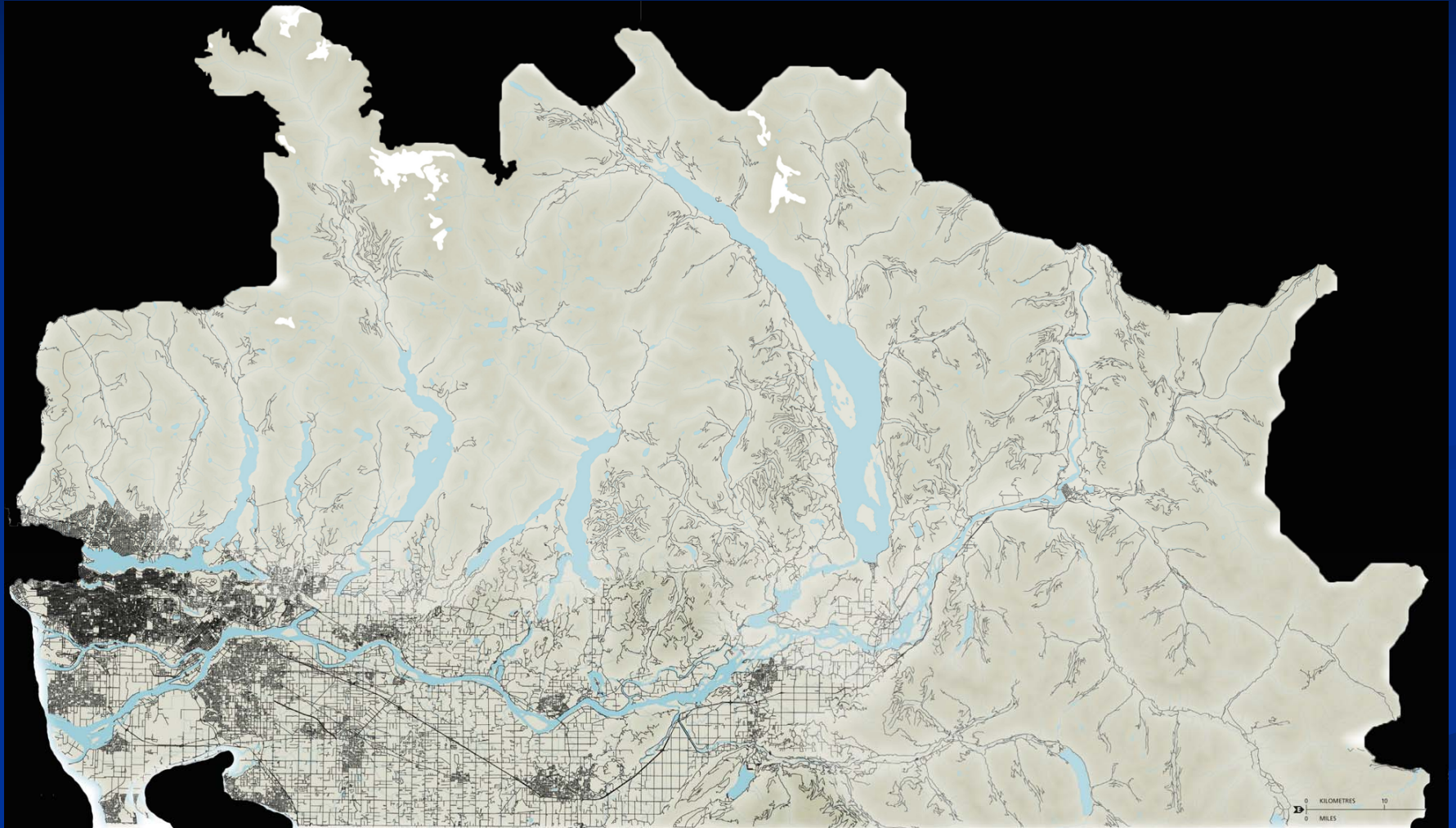
Language

- the Halkomelem (Halq'eméylem) language.

S'ólh Téméxw – ca. 200 years ago

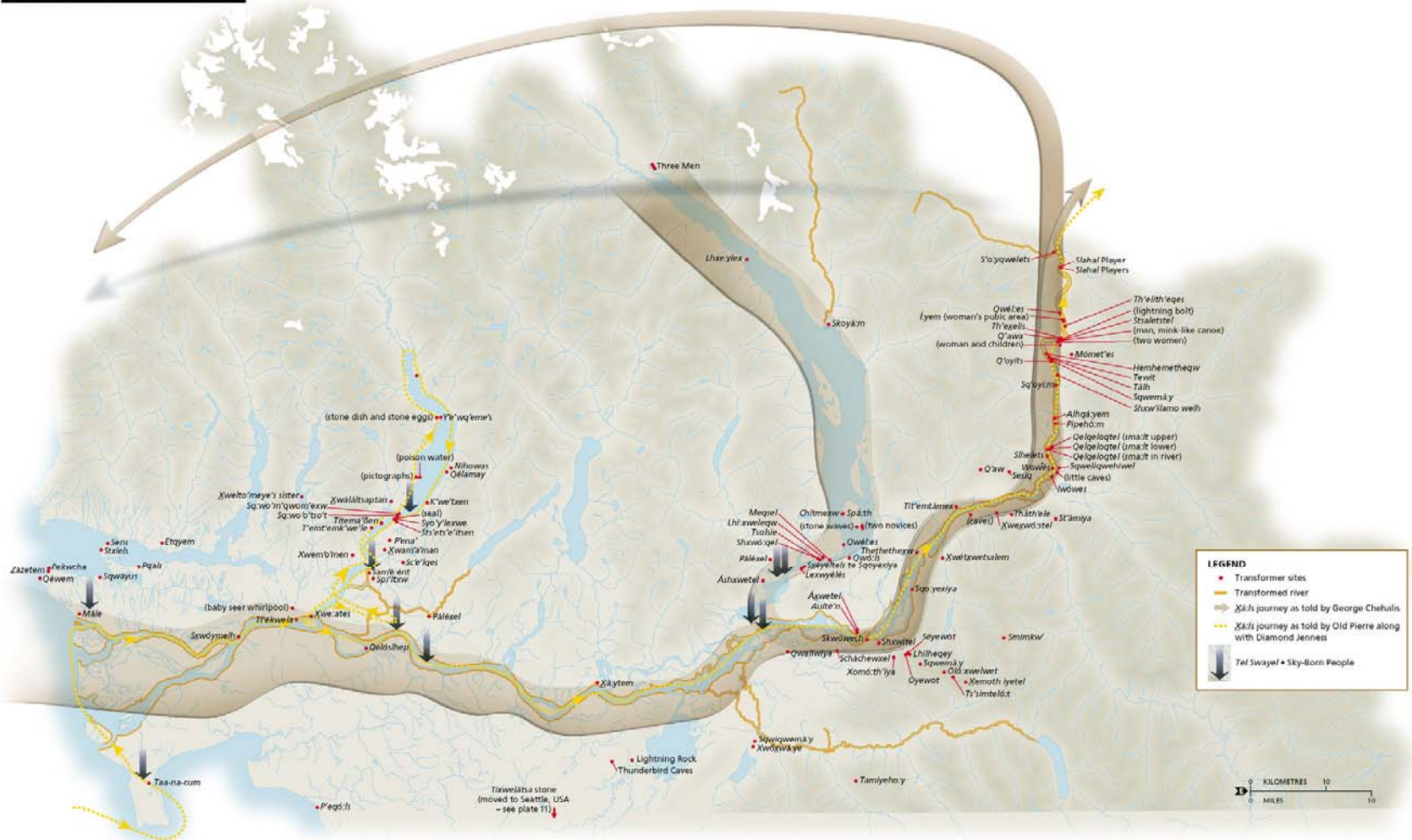


S'ólh Téméxw – today



...A vastly transformed landscape of heritage
and intellectual properties issues

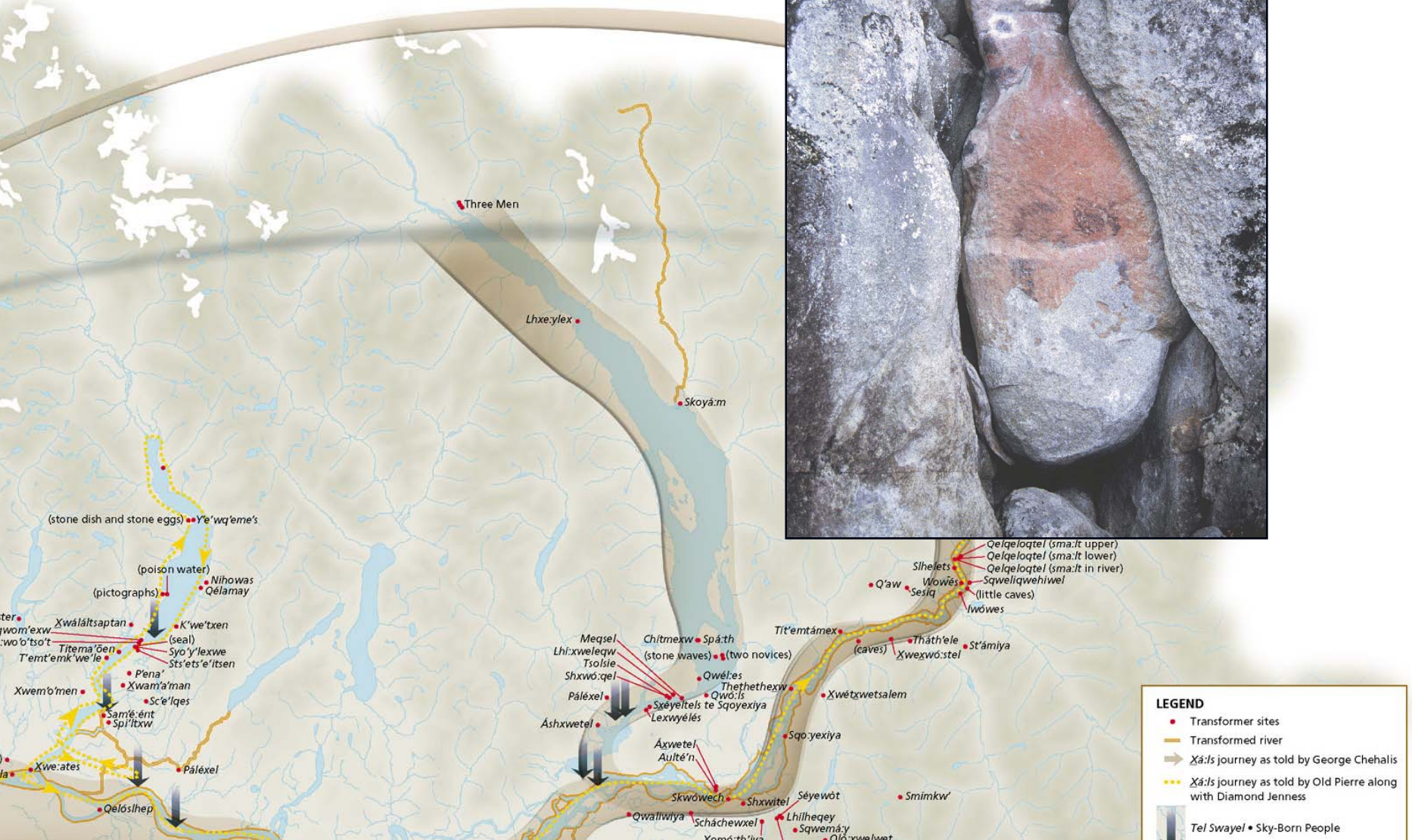
Transformer Features in *S'ólh Téméxw*







Lhxe:ylex
(Doctor's Point)

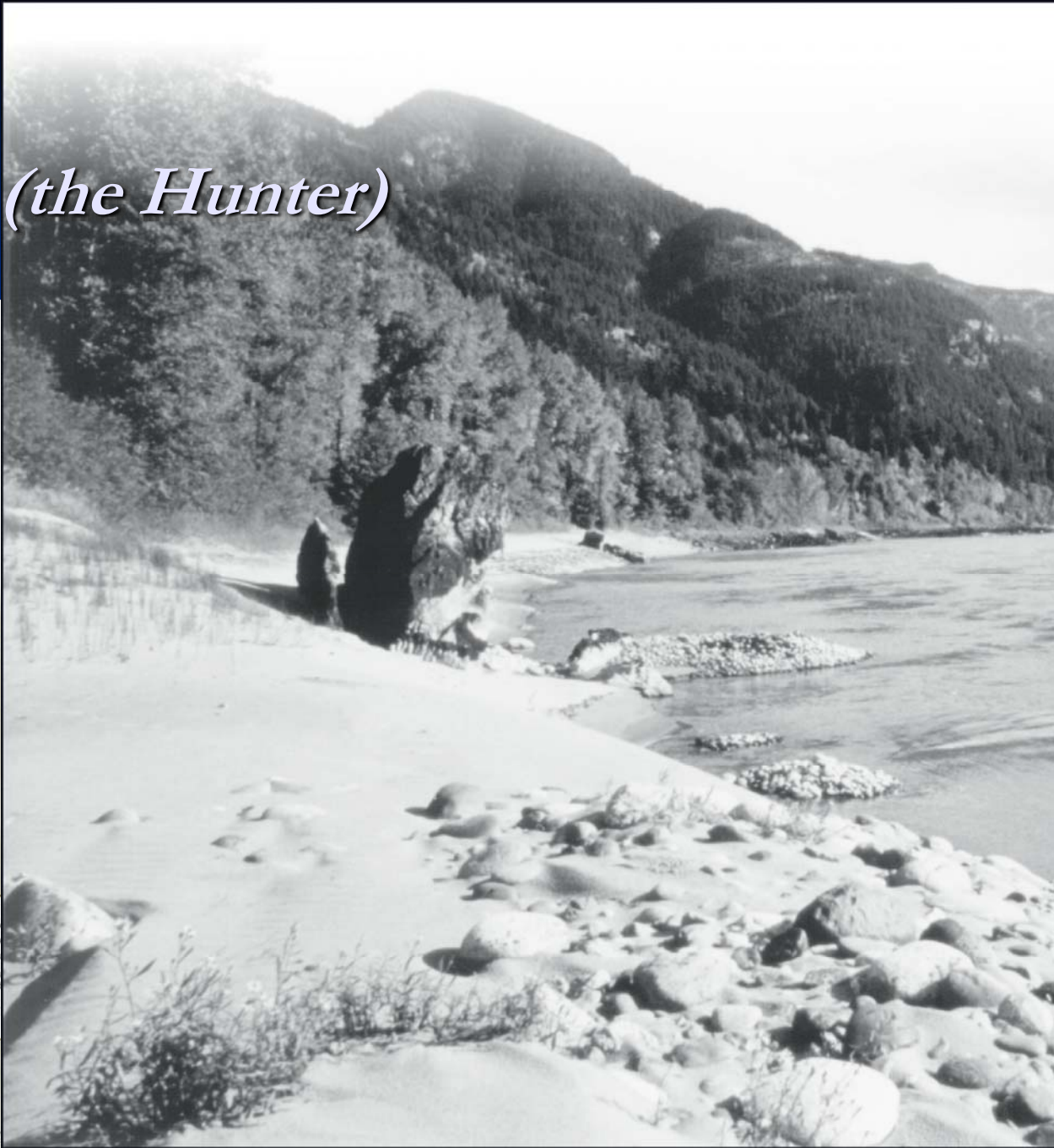
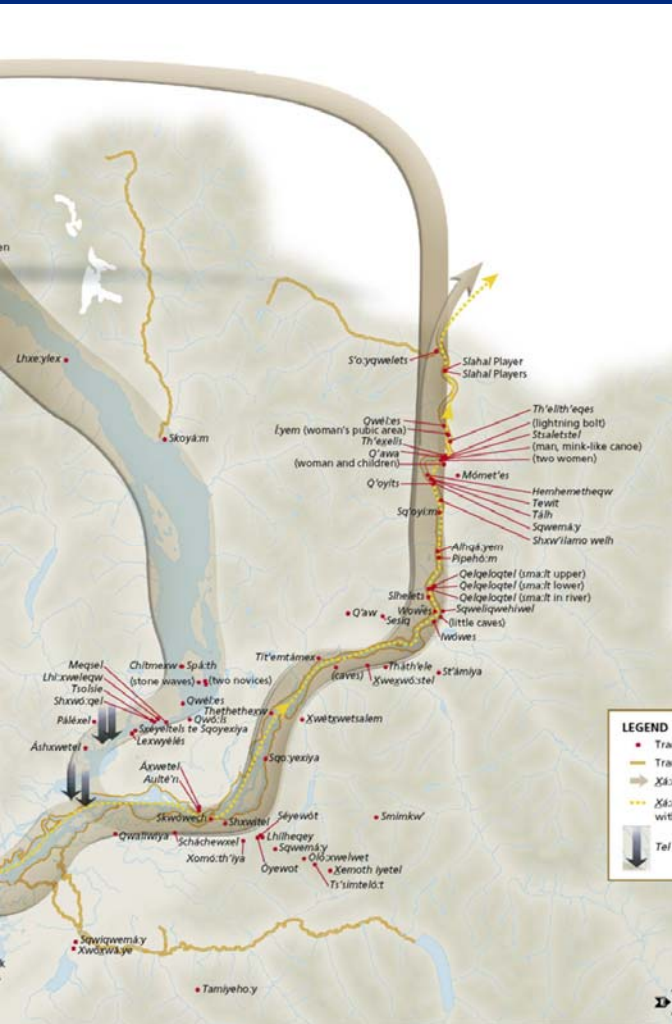




Lhelheqey (Mt. Cheam)

Sqwemá:y (Lady Peak)

Tewit



Lightning Bolt

Xéylxelmós



*Th'exlis (Gritting his Teeth/
Scratch Marks)*



Xpá:ylehp - Western redcedar





Liyómxetel (DgRm-1)



1,800 year old redcedar-root basketry – wet-site mitigation
(Schaepe 2002)



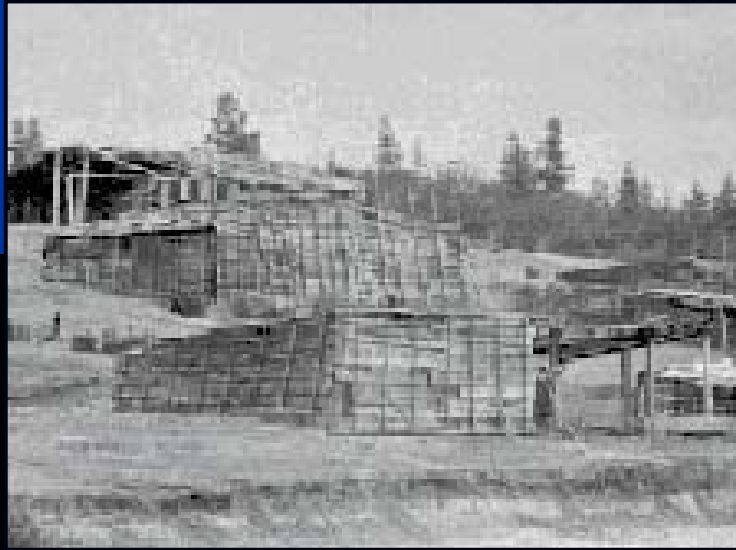


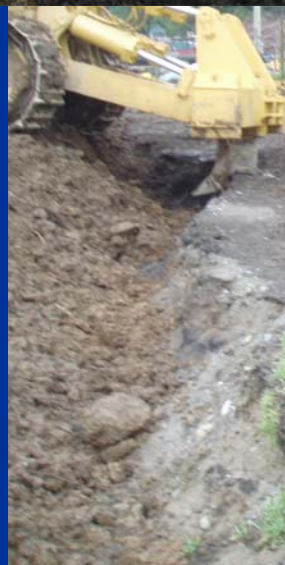
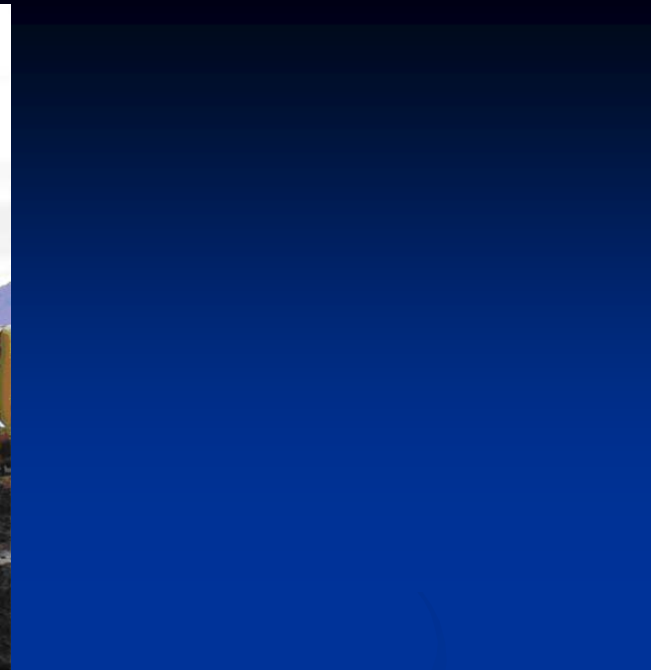
KOW KALE

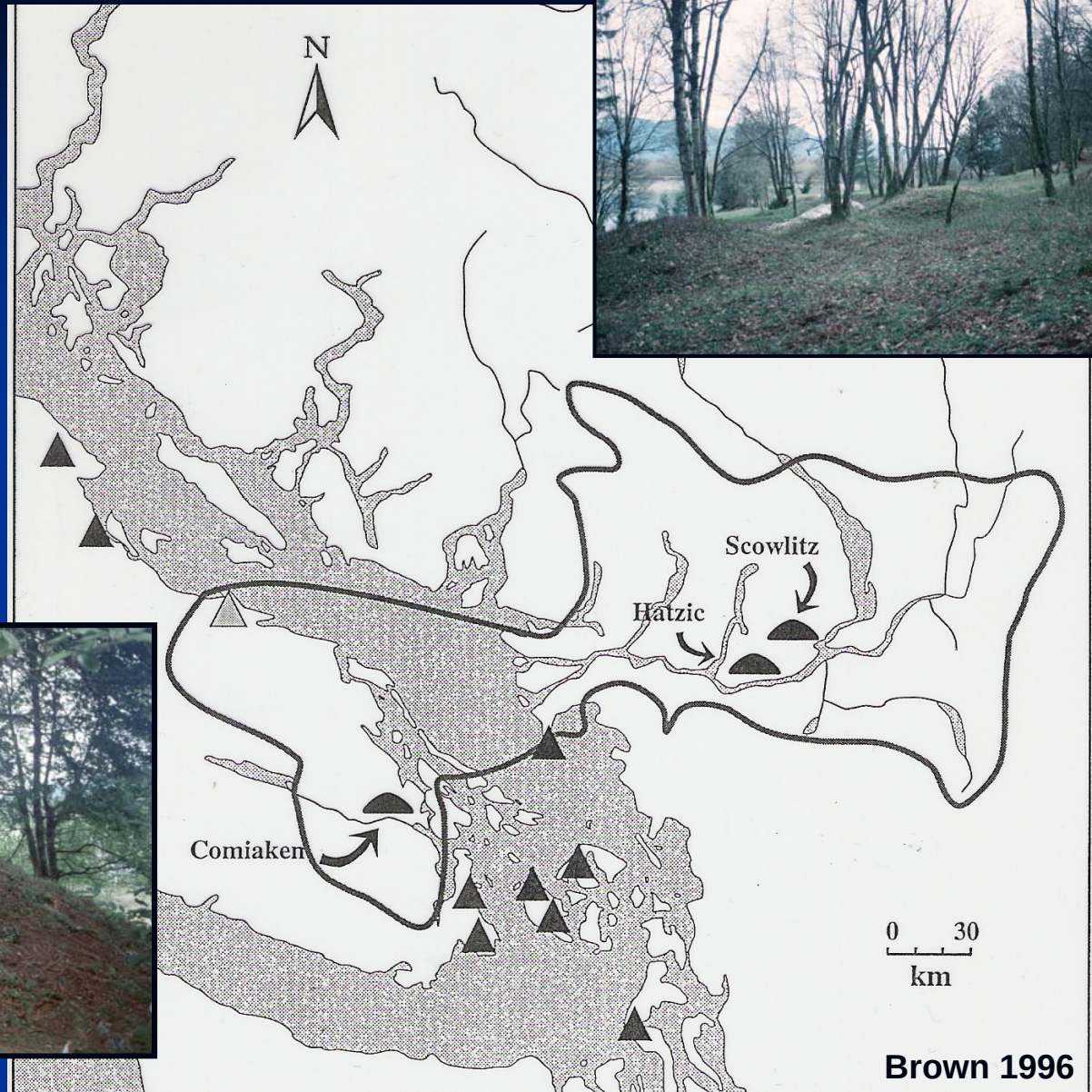












Burial Mounds & Cairns









Photo: David Campion



Photo: Lyse Lemieux



Requires
addressing issues
of
Indigenous
Intellectual
Properties
– rights, practice,
policy, theory



*‘Learning
to live
together in
a Good
Way’...*





Le Hoy!

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