

I. INFORMATION SHARING PRINCIPLES

Information sharing will facilitate negotiations and build trust between the three Parties to the negotiations.

The Hupacasath First Nation, British Columbia and Canada agree to the following information sharing principles:

1. To create a common information base for use by all three Parties to the negotiations.
2. To establish an efficient and cost effective approach to information sharing which addresses the priorities and fiscal limitations of all Parties.
3. To define through consensus, information needs as they arise, as well as timely and cost efficient means of retrieval.
4. To establish clear criteria and procedures for access to information.
5. To maintain reliable, accurate information, and share any revisions to that information.

In order to implement these principles, it is recognized that the mechanisms on information sharing, including those dealing with cost sharing, will be developed.

The Openness Agreement sets out guidelines for public access to information related to negotiations.