



# Inclusive Regional Governance

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# Declaration Act Action plan

## Self-Determination and Inherent Right of Self- Government:

- 1.11 Support **inclusive regional governance** by advancing First Nations participation in regional district boards.

### Declaration Act Action Plan



# Workplan

- 5-year timeline
- Research
- Engagement
- Working with regions –  
ACRD, CCRD, RDN, CRD,  
RDCO
- Legislation
- Implementation



# Research

**Local Government System  
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**First Nations  
Self Government**

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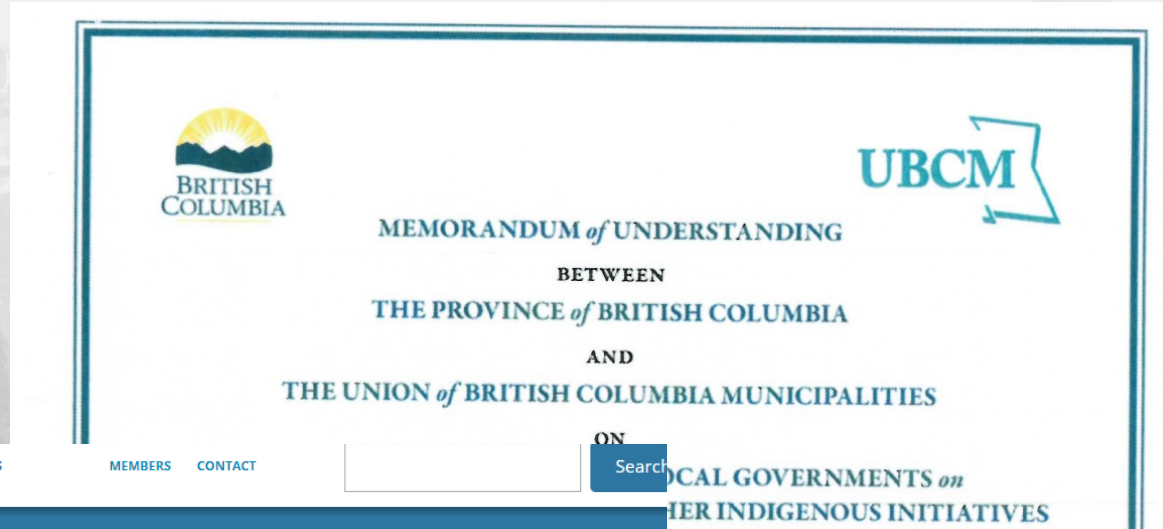
### Westbank First Nation and regional district's first step to inclusive governance


Initiative outlines five potential models, including WFN becoming full-voting participant with RDCO



*Regional District Board Chair Loyal Wooldridge (left), Dr. Tim Raybould, JWR Business Group (centre), and Jordan Coble, RDCO director and WFN Councillor (right), at the Community-to-Community Forum in September 2023.*

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1. [Land Details Agreement Between RDKS and Kitselas First Nation](#)

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# Questions and Discussion



- Looking for your thoughts, concerns, questions and ideas!