

# Syilx Okanagan Nation Gathering

JANUARY 30-31, 2025 | PENTICTON TRADE AND CONVENTION CENTRE

**Day 1: Thursday, January 30, 2025**

Advancing Syilx Okanagan Nation Title and Rights

**8:30 AM BREAKFAST**

**9:30 AM Opening Remarks and Welcome**

Main Ballroom

- Opening Prayer and Song
- Welcome, ýilmixʷm sil-teekin, Chief Greg Gabriel
- Introduction of Moderator, Rosalie Wilson-Yazzie

**10:00 AM Overview of Two-Day Gathering**

Main Ballroom

- Rosalie Wilson-Yazzie, Nesika Law, CEC Legal Counsel, Gathering Moderator
- Advancing Title and Rights: Protecting the Territory
  - Overview Of Legal and Policy Developments from 2024
  - Current Challenges with the Government Perspectives
  - Sharing of Knowledge and Information Sharing

**10:15 AM Modernization of Columbia River Treaty**

Main Ballroom

- ýilmixʷm kalʔlúpaǵn, Chief Keith Crow, CEC Lead on CRT and CRSRI, Alex Arsenault and Roseanne Kyle, Mandell Pinder
- Chief Opening Comments, ýilmixʷm kalʔlúpaǵn, Chief Keith Crow, CEC Lead on CRT and CRSRI
  - Status Update on CRT Negotiations
  - Overview of United Nation Declaration on Rights of Indigenous Peoples & Free Prior Informed Consent
  - Open Floor Q&A

**12:00 PM LUNCH**

**1:00 PM Modernization of Columbia River Treaty, Continued**

Main Ballroom

- CEC Legal Counsel, Policy and Negotiators: Roseanne Kyle, Mandell Pinder, Rosalie Yazzie, Nesika Law, and Jay Johnson, Eagle Eye Consultants
- Update on Agreement In Principle (AIP), Redress, and Governance

**1:00 PM Breakout Sessions**

Breakout Rooms

Participants will have opportunity to join focused topics in breakout sessions.

**FPIC and Community Information-Sharing**  
**FPIC and Direct Community Engagement**

Main Ballroom  
Salon B

**3:30 PM Closing Remarks and Prayer**

Main Ballroom

One Language. One Culture. One Land. One People

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## About the Okanagan Nation Alliance:

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Day 2: Friday, January 31, 2025

Protecting Syilx Okanagan Nation Title and Rights

8:30 AM BREAKFAST

9:15 AM Opening Remarks

Main Ballroom

- Opening Prayer and Song
- Summation of Day 1, Rosalie Wilson-Yazzie, Moderator

9:30 AM Protecting Syilx Title and Rights

Main Ballroom

ýilmixʷm simo, Chief Robert Louie

- Protecting Syilx Title and Rights of Syilx Okanagan Nation Territory

Crystal Reeves, Mandell Pinder and Rosalie Yazzie, Nesika Law

- Protecting and promoting Syilx Title requires key themes: language, laws, practices, traditions, and history. This will enable knowledge exchange among Nation members in focused breakout groups:

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1:00 PM Breakout Sessions

Main Ballroom

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**Syilx Law, Language, Culture, and Customs**

Main Ballroom

**Wildlife, Hunting, Fishing Protocols and Practices**

Salon B

**Harvesting and Gathering**

Salon C

3:00 PM Closing Remarks and Prayer

Main Ballroom

*"We are the unconquered aboriginal people of this land, our mother; The creator has given us our mother, to enjoy, to manage and to protect; we, the first inhabitants, have lived with our mother from time immemorial; our Okanagan governments have allowed us to share equally in the resources of our mother; we have never given up our rights to our mother, our mother's resources, our governments and our religion; we will survive and continue to govern our mother and her resources for the good of all for all time."*



Main Ballroom

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