Indigenous Recruitment & Retention in DFO Arctic Region

National Joint Council Meeting September 25th, 2024







Land acknowledgment





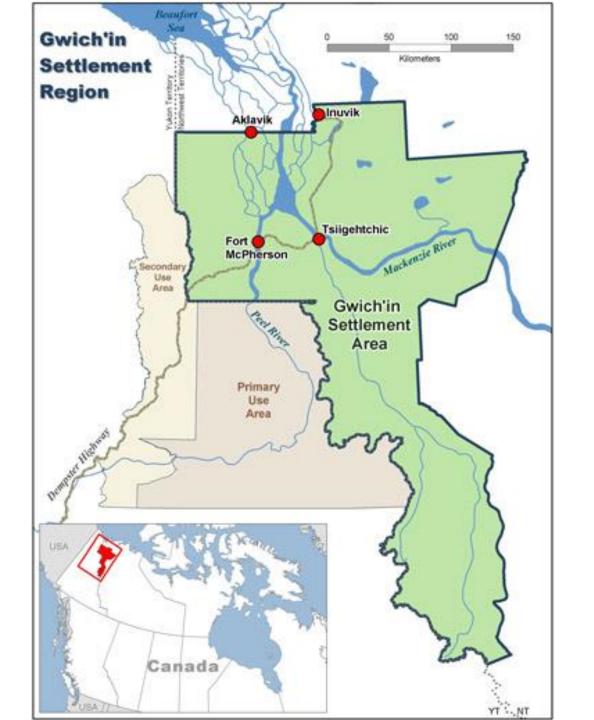
Who am I?



Gwich'in, Métis



Scottish, Spanish, Irish, English, Italian

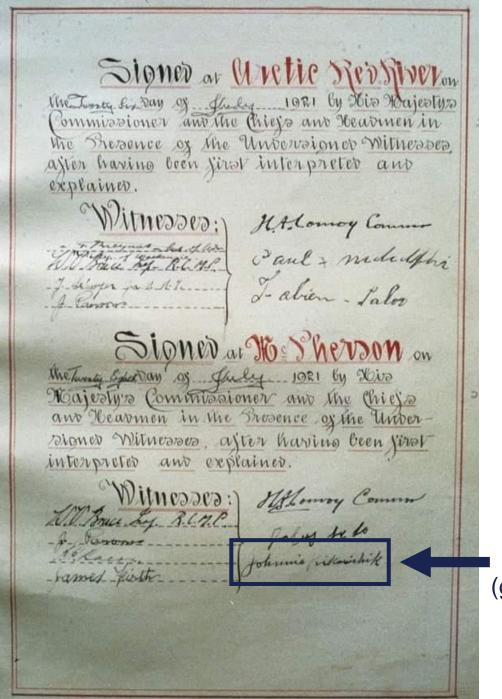


Where do I come from?



Treaty 11 (1921)





My jijii (grandfather)

My Family

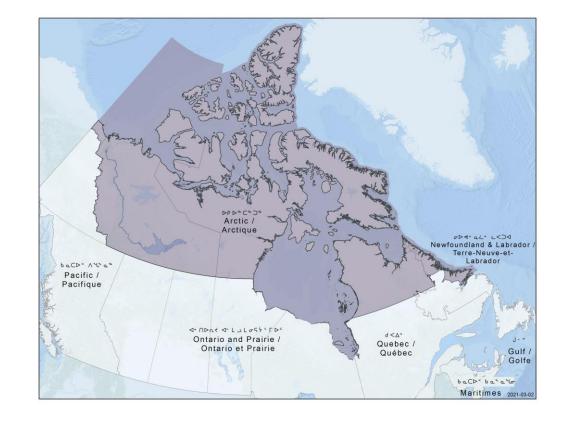


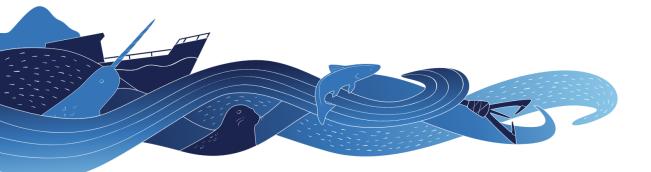


DFO Arctic Region

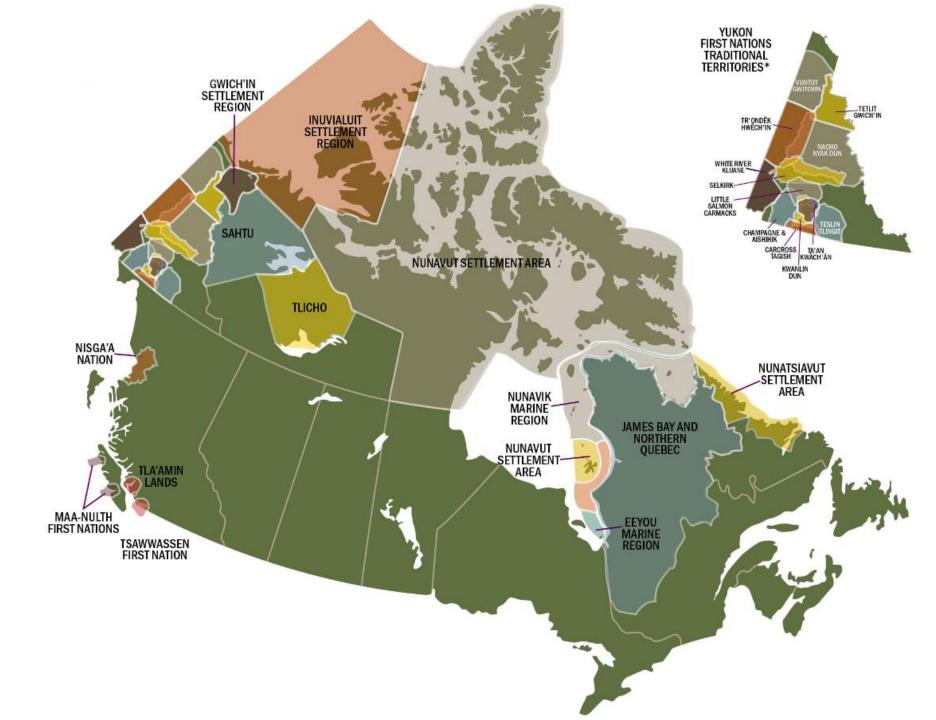
- 2018 Arctic Region announcement and first Regional Director General (RDG) located in Arctic. First federal department with a region fully inclusive of Inuit Nunangat
- 2018-2020 Engagement
- 2020 Initial 3 programs from Ontario & Prairie Region report directly to the Arctic Region
- 2021 Boundary announcement
- 2024 Remaining core programs report to Arctic Region

"Decision-making for the North, by the North, from the North"





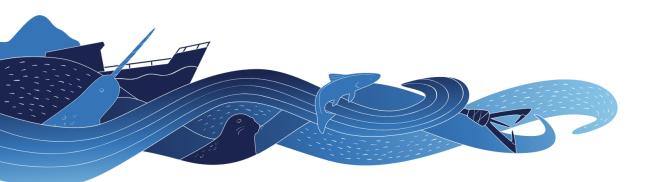
Modern Treaties Map



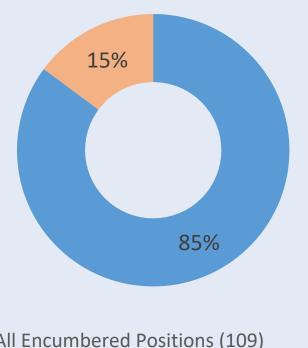
Recruitment and Retention in the Arctic Region

>> DFO Sectors

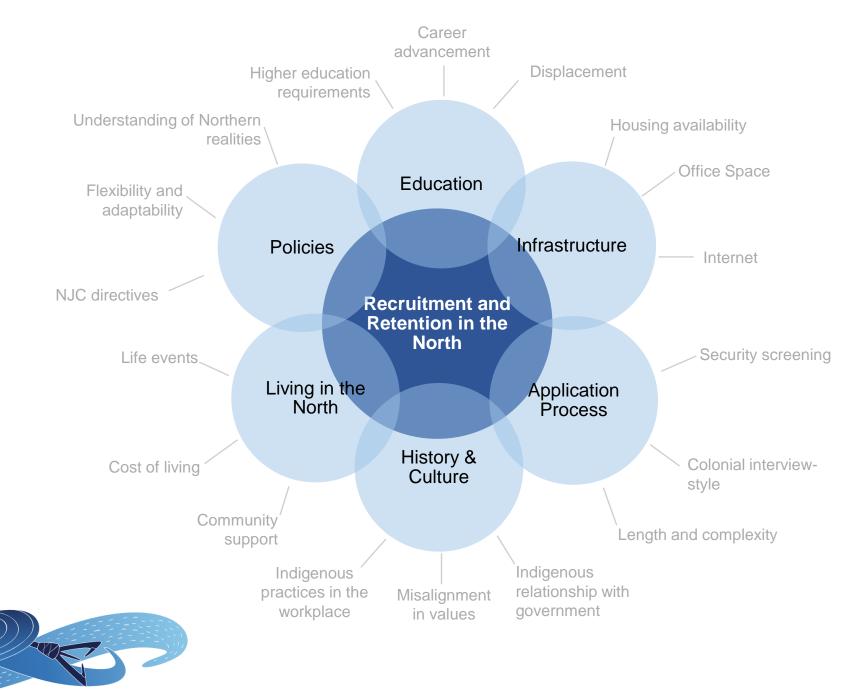
- **Arctic Operations**
- **Executive offices**
- Aquatic Ecosystems
- Conservation and Protection
- Fisheries Management
- Science

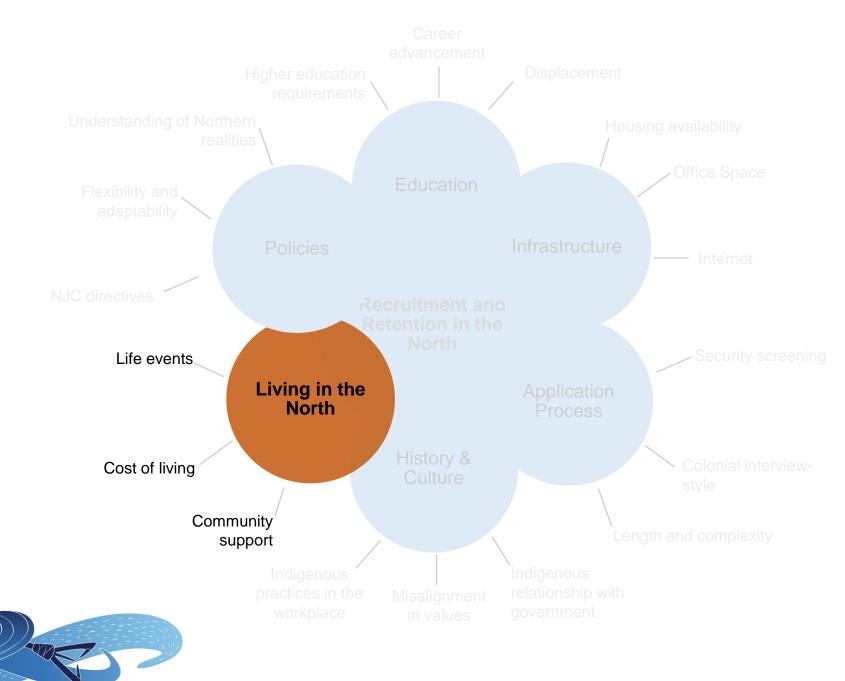


Encumbered Positions at DFO



- All Encumbered Positions (109)
- Indigenous Emcumbered Positions (19)



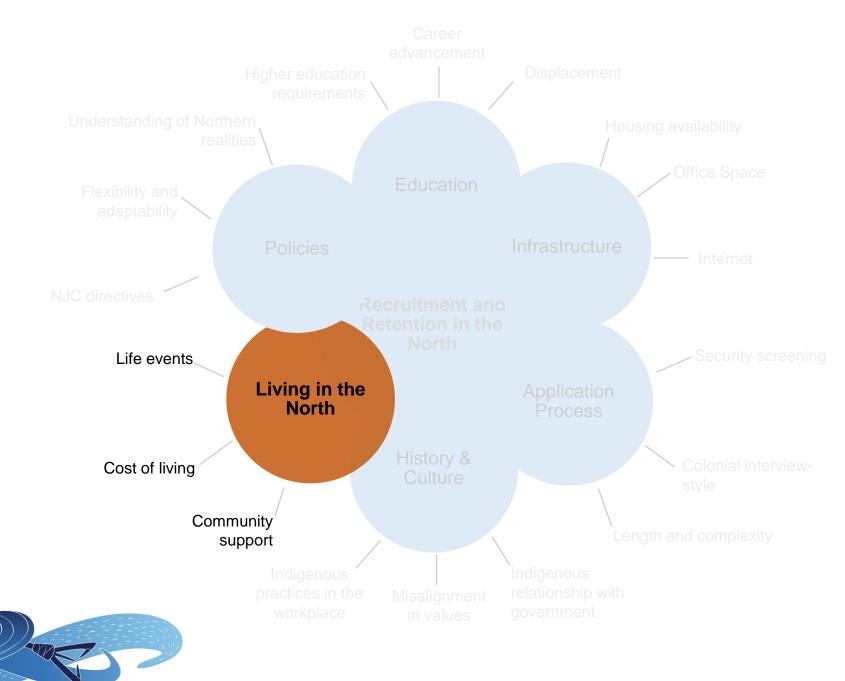


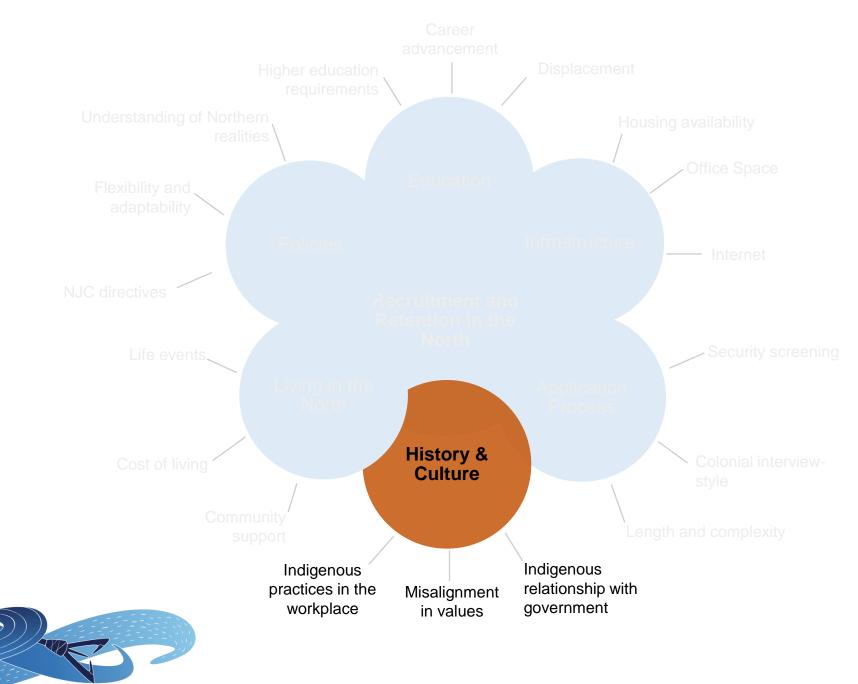
Living in the North – Cost of living

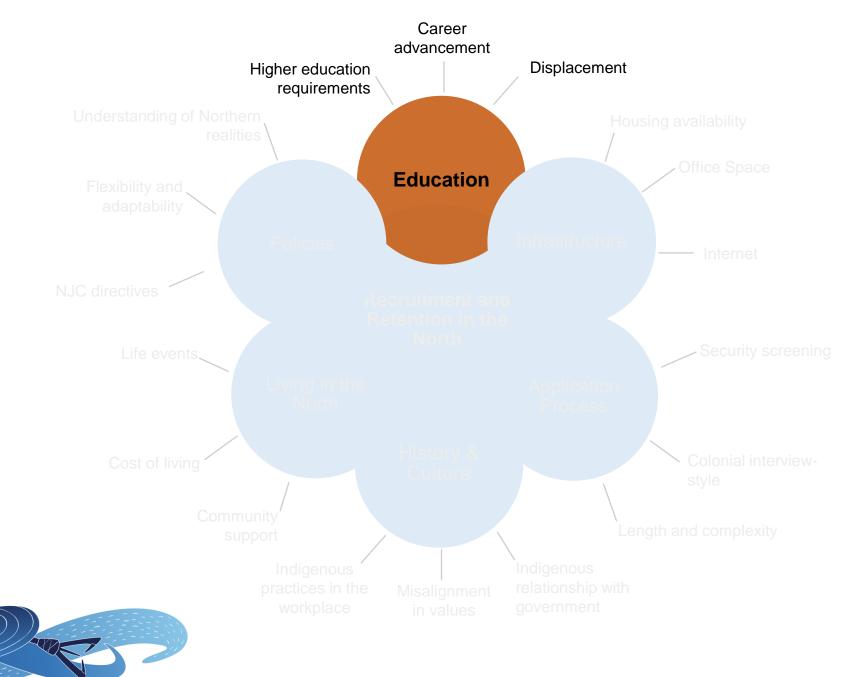


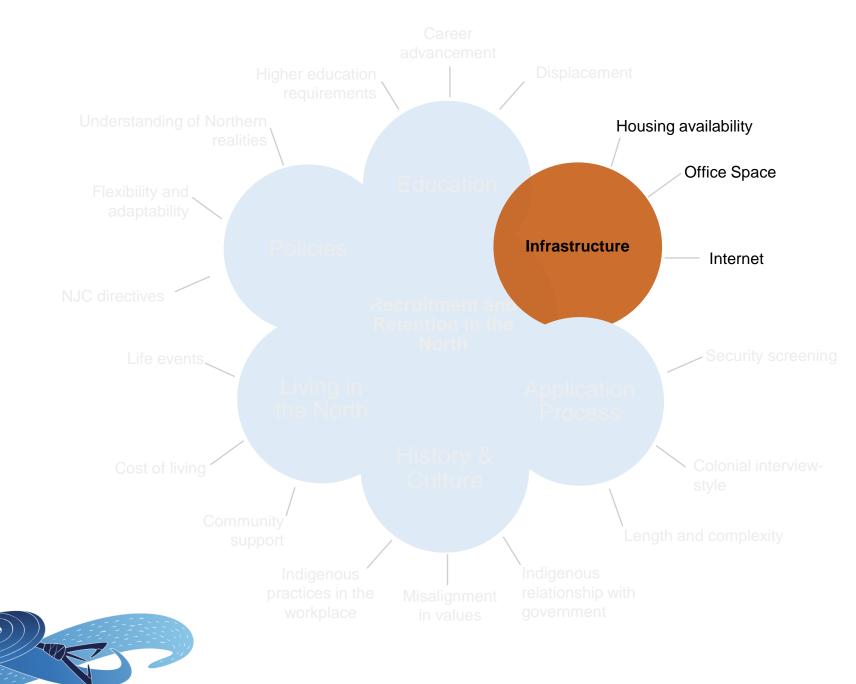


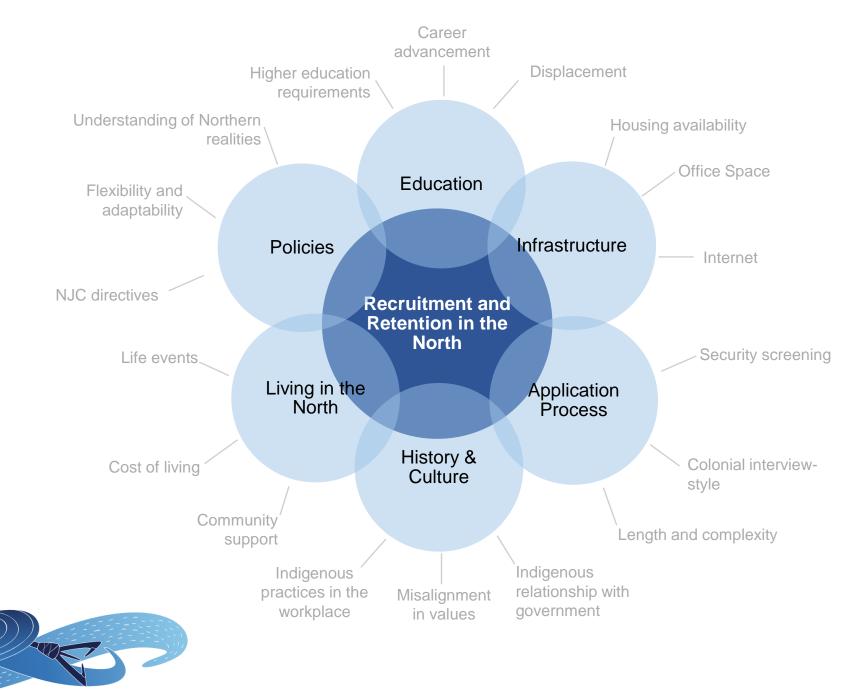












Actions to barriers

Northern Recruitment and Retention Strategy

- Path to improve delivery on our employment mandate in the north
- Built from what we heard through 60+ engagements that took place from 2018 to 2021 on creating the DFO and CCG Arctic Regions











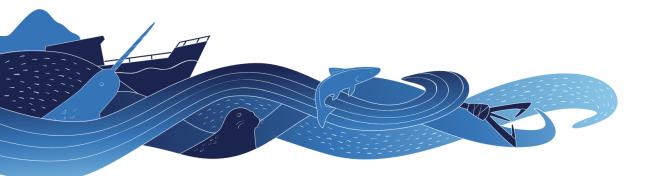












Actions to barriers

Example of Actions

- > For recruitment
 - Quarterly information sessions
 - Choice of email application VS. online platform
 - Practice interview
 - Behavioral interview questions VS. skills and knowledge-based questions
- > For retention
 - Enhanced onboarding practices
 - Promotion of new cultural-related leaves
 - Participation in community events viewed as contribution to work
 - Establishment of an Arctic and National Indigenous Employee Network

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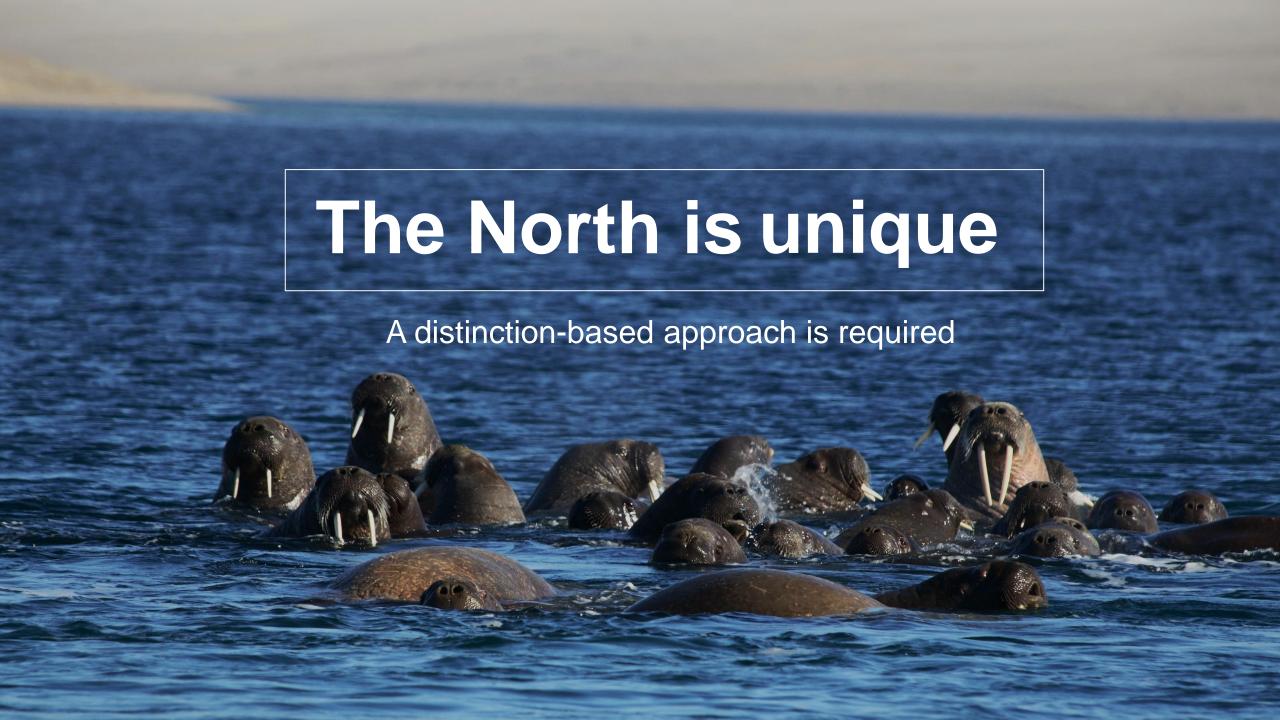
Highlights

- Reconciliation initiatives
- Arctic Indigenous Employee Network
- Career Navigator Program
- Governance table
- Community Engagement Coordinators
- Newsletters and engagement with partners



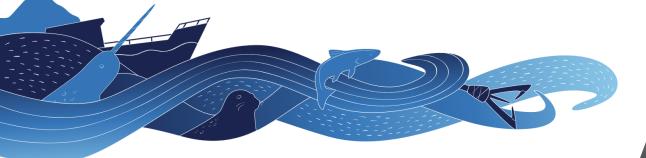






Questions?





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Nakummek

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Thank you

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