

# Tribal Nations Summit

Joint UFC-IDT Meeting – October 2023



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First time in the City's history that we've convened an official government-to-government meeting of City elected leaders and senior officials with multiple federally recognized Tribes in the state of Washington



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Summary Report  
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## Summit Themes Related to Urban Forestry

- **Deepen engagement of natural and cultural resource management.**
- Understand that **all natural resources are cultural resources**, including trees managed by the City's urban forestry programs.
- Federally recognized **Tribes** in and around the City of Seattle and City-owned lands and properties **are essential partners** in natural and cultural resource management.

# Collaborative Cultural Resource Stewardship

- Explore **collaborative intergovernmental relationships and partnerships** on natural and cultural resource issues.
- Ensure **Tribal Nations are consulted early and often** to ensure Tribal sovereignty and treaty rights are respected.
- **Increase the City's outreach and engagement** with Tribal Nations.
- **Establish new expectations and commitments** for City-Tribal engagement.





## Cultural Vitality and Visibility

Since time immemorial, Coast Salish Tribal communities have stewarded the land and water of this region, including today's federally recognized Tribes who continue to protect cultural resources in and around the City of Seattle.

In recognition of these inherent relationships and unbreakable connections to this place, Tribal Nations must be included in the development of thriving ecological and cultural ecosystems within their homelands.

