

# TK (Traditional Knowledge) and BC (Biocultural) Notices

## Usage and Style Guide

The Notices are specific tools for institutions and researchers which support the recognition of Indigenous interests in collections and data. They are a mechanism for institution staff and researchers to identify Indigenous interests in data and can function as placeholders on collections, data, or in a sample field until a TK or a BC Label is added by a community.

### USING THE NOTICES

- **The text, icons, and titles for the Notices cannot be changed.** An optional Notice use-statement can be applied for publication or for additional information including contact information.
- To use the Notices, you will need to register with the Local Contexts Hub which will generate your Notices, connect project metadata to it, and send a notification about the use to the relevant community.

### APPLYING THE NOTICES

- The Notices are intended to be displayed prominently on public-facing institutional websites, on digital collections pages and or in finding aids.
- When displaying the Notices, the title, icon, and text must all be displayed.
- The Notices should be applied at a metadata field level.

*Do not recolor, reorient, crop, adjust the dimensions, skew, stretch, or otherwise alter or modify the TK or BC Notice Icons.*



The TK Notice is a visible digital identifier applied by researchers, institutional, or repository staff. The TK Notice recognizes that there could be accompanying cultural rights, protocols and responsibilities that need further attention for future sharing and use of this material.

## WHY USE THE TK NOTICE?

This Notice should be used to recognize that place-based knowledge carries accompanying cultural rights and responsibilities and that appropriate permissions may need to be sought for future use of this material.

## TK Notice



The TK Notice is a visible notification that there are accompanying cultural rights and responsibilities that need further attention for any future sharing and use of this material. The TK Notice may indicate that TK Labels are in development and their implementation is being negotiated. For more information about the TK Notice click [here](#).

The BC Notice is a visible digital identifier applied by researchers, institutional, or repository staff. The BC Notice recognizes the rights of Indigenous peoples to define the use of information, collections, data and digital sequence information generated from the biodiversity and genetic resources associated with their traditional lands, waters, and territories.

## WHY USE THE BC NOTICE?

The BC Notice should be used to recognize the rights of Indigenous peoples to permission the use of information, collections, data and digital sequence information generated from the biodiversity and genetic resources associated with their traditional lands, waters, and territories. It acknowledges the importance of cultural protocols and recognizes that appropriate permissions may need to be sought for future use of this material or data.

## BC Notice



The BC Notice is a visible notification that there are accompanying cultural rights and responsibilities that need further attention for any future sharing and use of this material or data. The BC Notice recognizes the rights of Indigenous peoples to permission the use of information, collections, data and digital sequence information (DSI) generated from the biodiversity or genetic resources associated with traditional lands, waters, and territories. The BC Notice may indicate that BC Labels are in development and their implementation is being negotiated. For more information about the BC Notice click [here](#).