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LOCAL IMMIGRATION  
PARTNERSHIP

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Honoring, Engaging and  
Building Reciprocal  
Relationships;  
Pathways to Kinship



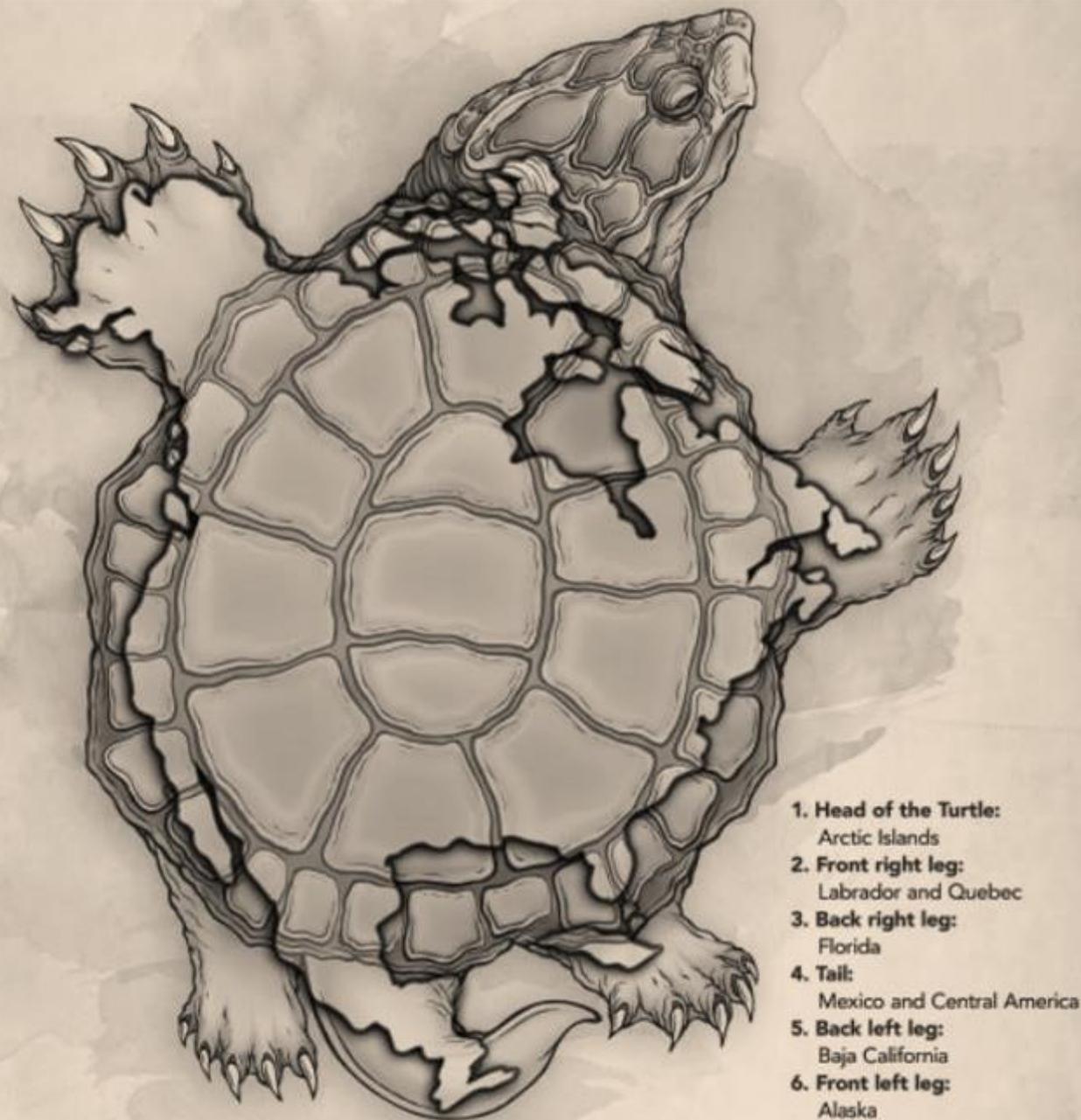
Sacred, Traditional,  
Unsurrendered, Stolen  
Land

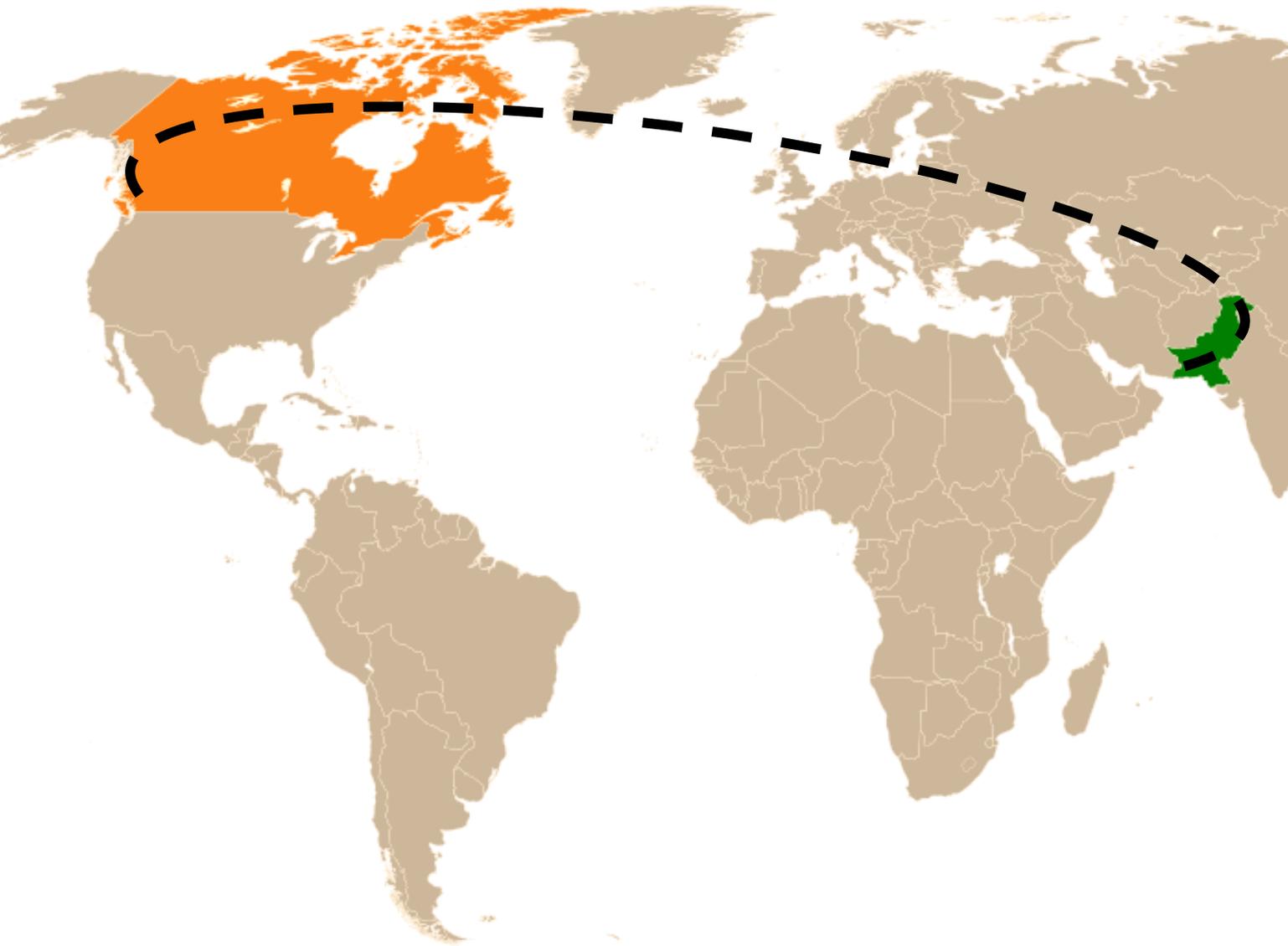
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kʷikwəɬəm (Kwikwetlem)

Sḵwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw  
(Squamish)

xʷməθkʷəyəm (Musqueam)





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She/Hers

Uninvited Settler

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Manager, Surrey Local  
Immigration Partnership

Social Justice addict

Travel, Yoga, Plants, Eating



**DECOLONIZE  
EVERYTHING**

Step 1: Do  
cultivate safe  
spaces through  
seeking,  
understanding and  
decolonizing

Take a step back.. Or many  
steps back

ASSUME  
NOTHING

Step 2: Don't  
expect a certain  
outcome, timeline  
or result  
beforehand

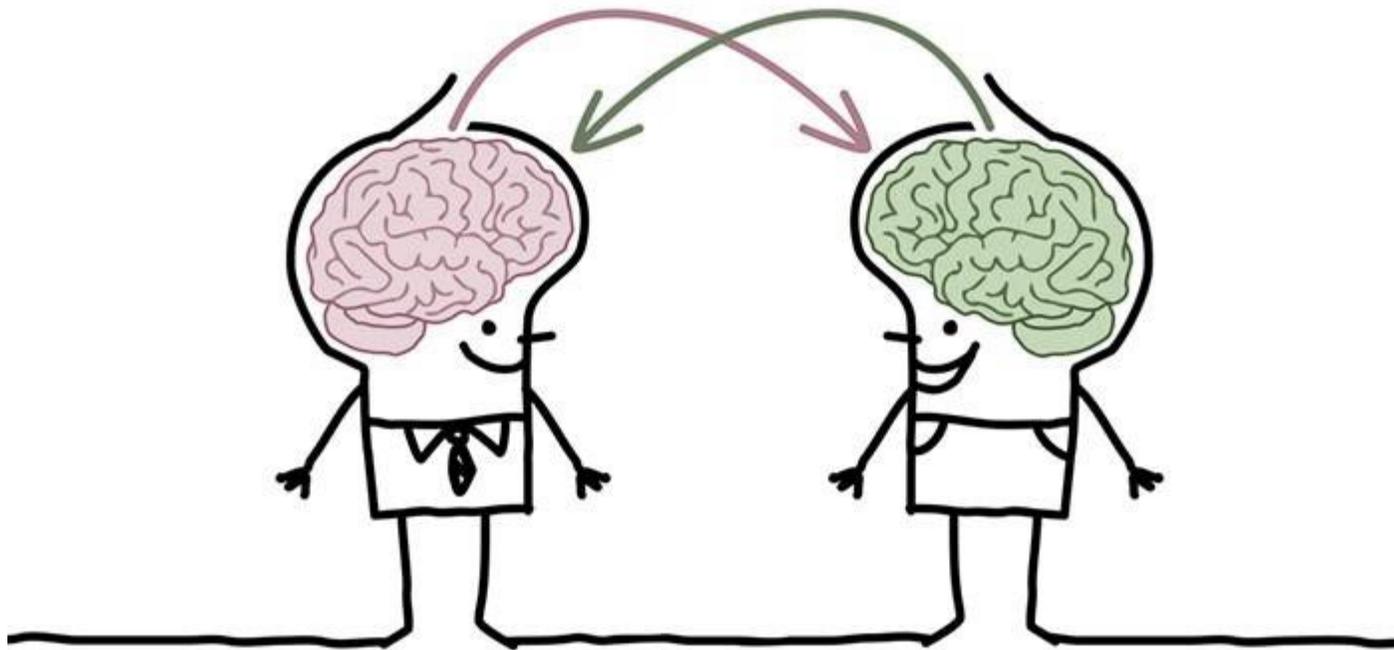
Human and Equity Centered  
Design

**YOU DESERVE RESPECT AND  
JUSTICE SO WE DEMAND IT!**

# Step 3: Incorporate Respect, Concern & Justice

Ethics Frameworks

[ethics.gc.ca](http://ethics.gc.ca)



## Step 4: Mutual, reciprocal and collective collaboration

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## Step 4: Honoring peoples ways and practices

Holistic, traditional, cultural,  
religious, societal, personal



Step 5:  
Share,  
communicate, and  
explore

Mutual relationship  
Framework Agreements



*Artwork: Storm Thorgerson; The Division Bell – Pink Floyd*

Step 5:  
Responsive funding,  
continuous  
reflections,  
progressive leadership

Public Health Sudbury & Districts  
Indigenous Engagement Strategy

[phsd.ca](http://phsd.ca)

*“Learning is a collective activity, not individual, it is built on relationships. It is about the relationship with self, with history, with language, with learning, with family, with community”*

Makokis, Leona J., Marilyn V. Shirt, Sherri L. Chisan, Anne Y. Mageau, and Dianna M. Steinhauer. m̄mawinehiyaw iyinikahiwewin.

(Blue Quills First Nations College, 2010.)



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*Michael-Kelly*

*Gabriel*

Kwantlen Cultural  
Ambassador

“...we start our gatherings by singing a song to thank them (*our guests*) for travelling to our ceremony.

This opening song plays another purpose as well. It is meant to ground the guests so we can all work with one heart and one mind.

The word for this is Let’semot in our language – working with one heart and one mind for the good of the people.”

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Languages available:

English

Punjabi

Tagalog

Mandarin

Coming soon:

French

Hindi

Korean

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*Thank You*

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