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Where do subsistence harvest rights apply?

Citizens of Yukon First Nations with Final Agreements have subsistence harvest rights within the Traditional Territory of their First Nation. Citizens can also harvest in the Traditional Territory of other Yukon First Nations with Final Agreements if they have written permission from that First Nation government. Permission does not apply to areas where Traditional Territories overlap.

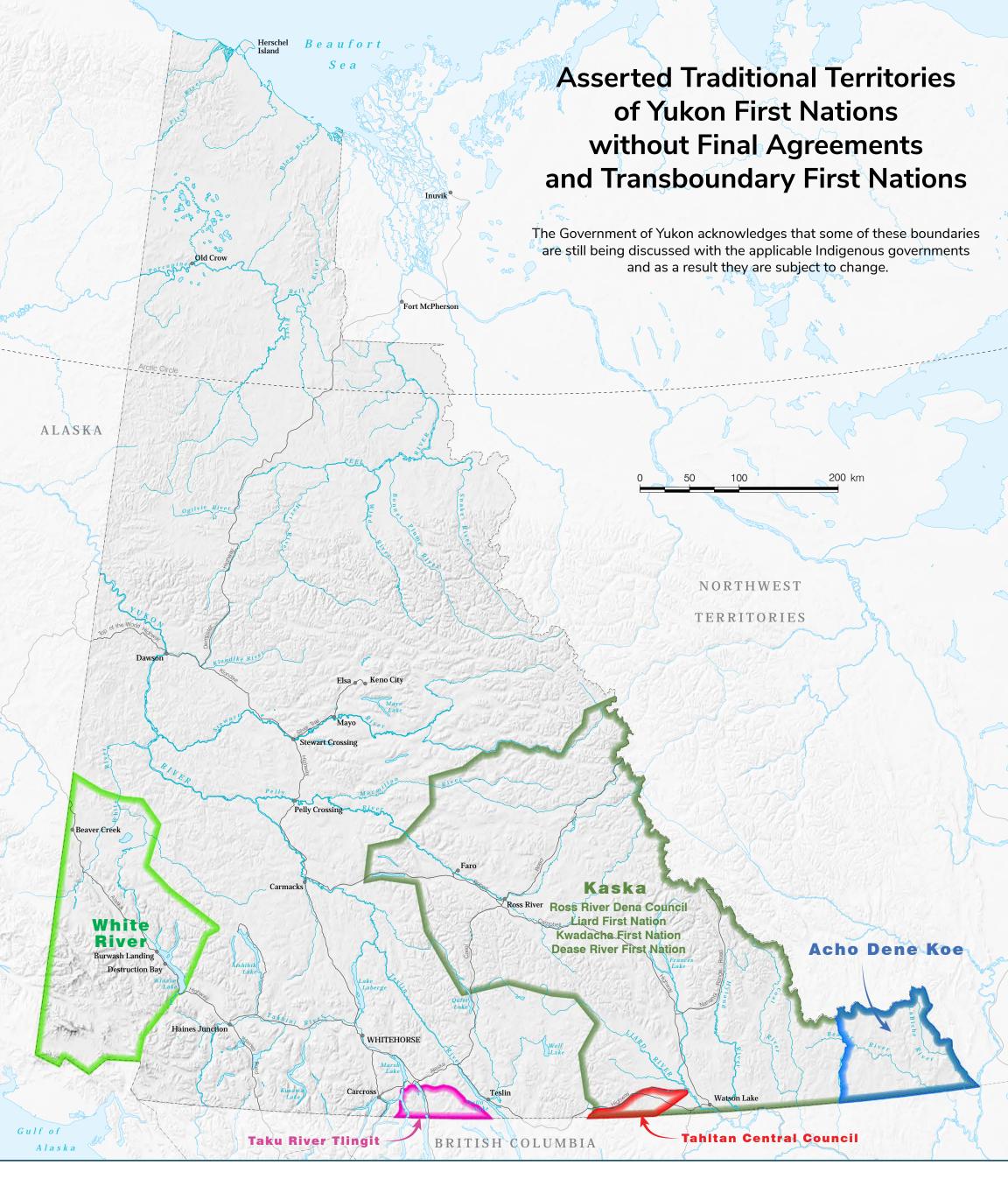
Tetlit Gwich'in beneficiaries of the Gwich'in Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement have subsistence harvest rights in the Primary Use Area and the Secondary Use Area, and in those areas of the Traditional Territory of the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun that do not overlap with any other Yukon First Nation's Traditional Territory.

Inuvialuit have subsistence harvest rights in the Inuvialuit Settlement Region in Yukon (the Yukon North Slope).

In areas where subsistence harvest rights don't apply, an Indigenous person needs a Yukon hunting licence and seals, angling licence, or trapping concession and licence, and must follow the rules that apply for licensed harvest.

You can get detailed maps of Traditional Territories from the office of the respective First Nation's government, the Council of Yukon First Nations, the Department of Environment, or view them online at **Yukon.ca**.





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Where do subsistence harvest rights apply?

Members of First Nations with asserted traditional territory in Yukon, but without comprehensive land claims agreements, have subsistence harvest rights within the asserted traditional territory of their First Nation.

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For further information

Contact the appropriate Indigenous government or the Department of Environment.

Department of Environment

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