

Indigenous Engagement

Each Nation has its own unique history, relationship, and responsibilities connected to this place. Guidance shared through Indigenous engagement has informed site planning, including principles related to access, protection, interpretation, and long-term stewardship.

Throughout 2025, and on an ongoing basis, the City has been meeting with the Treaty 7 Nation Consultation Offices, Elders, youth, land technicians, and community members of the:

- Siksika First Nation, Piikani First Nation, and Kainai First Nation including the Blackfoot Confederacy
- Chiniki First Nation, Bears paw First Nation, and Goodstoney First Nation of the Stoney Nakoda Nations
- Tsuut'ina First Nation
- Members of the Otipemisiwak – Métis Nation within Alberta
- Urban Indigenous individuals and organizations

Conversations were hosted through one-on-one meetings, workshops, and site visits.

Reconciliation in practice

Reconciliation is an ongoing way of working. For Medicine Hill / Paskapoo Slopes, this means:

- Recognizing the site first as a place of living Indigenous significance
- Protecting the Indigenous cultural landscape
- Ensuring Indigenous knowledge and land relationships inform planning decisions
- Designing with respect and restraint, sometimes choosing not to build is a form of care

This approach is guided by the White Goose Flying Report, which is actively being implemented and refreshed through ongoing collaboration with Indigenous Nations and communities.



Indigenous Connections

While each Indigenous Nation raised their own perspective, the engagement identified some overlapping design principles that are important for the site. These principles will help ensure that Indigenous presence and culture—historical, contemporary, and future—are woven into the concept.

