

The UBCIC Transcription Project

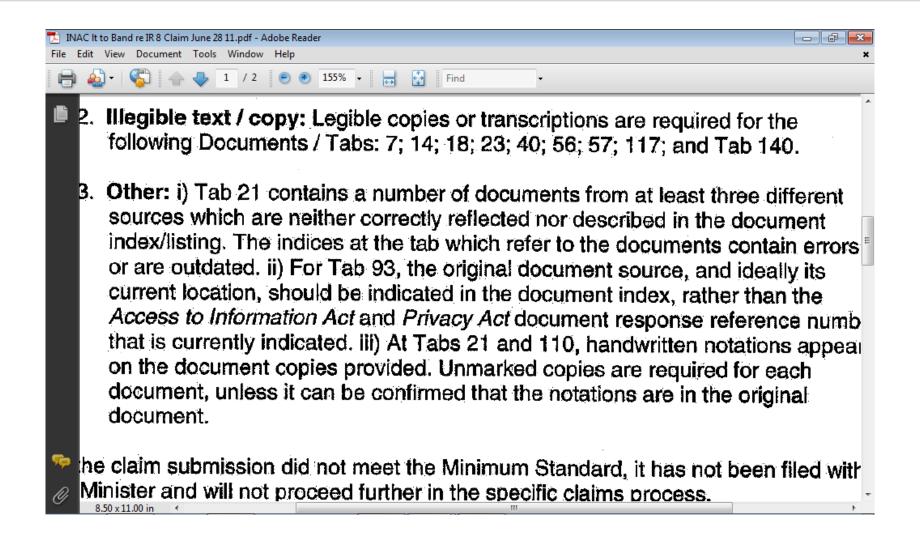
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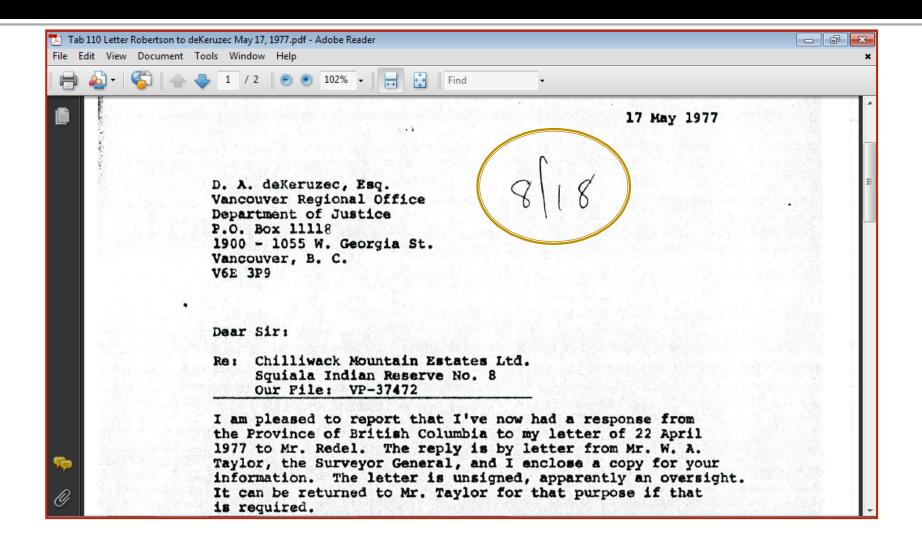
The Minimum Standard

- Canada has given itself an additional six-months from the day a claim is submitted to decide if a claim submission meets its new "minimum standards."
- If a specific claim submission meets the "minimum standards," the claim will be considered officially "filed" by Canada. If it does not, the SCB will return the claim to the First Nation. The First Nation can revise the claim so that it meets the minimum standards and resubmit it to the SCB, at which time Canada can take an additional six months to review the claim again.

The Minimum Standard



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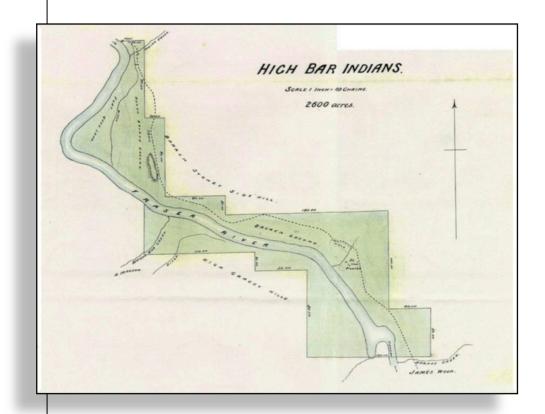
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The UBCIC Transcription Project

- Online library of commonly referenced transcribed archival documents
- Free and publically accessible
- Would contain :
 - Best possible copies of original documents (pdf)
 - Linked to clean transcriptions (pdf)
- Text searchable

Examples of Document Types

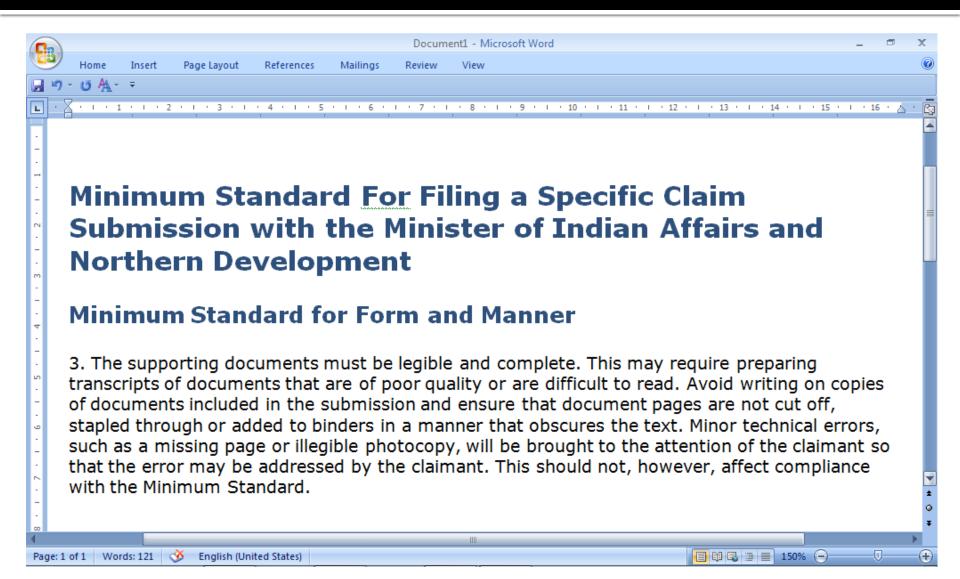
- Orders-in-Council
- Reserve Schedules
- Minutes of Decision from various Indian Reserve Commissions
- Correspondence surrounding Reserve
 Creation in BC
- Other materials

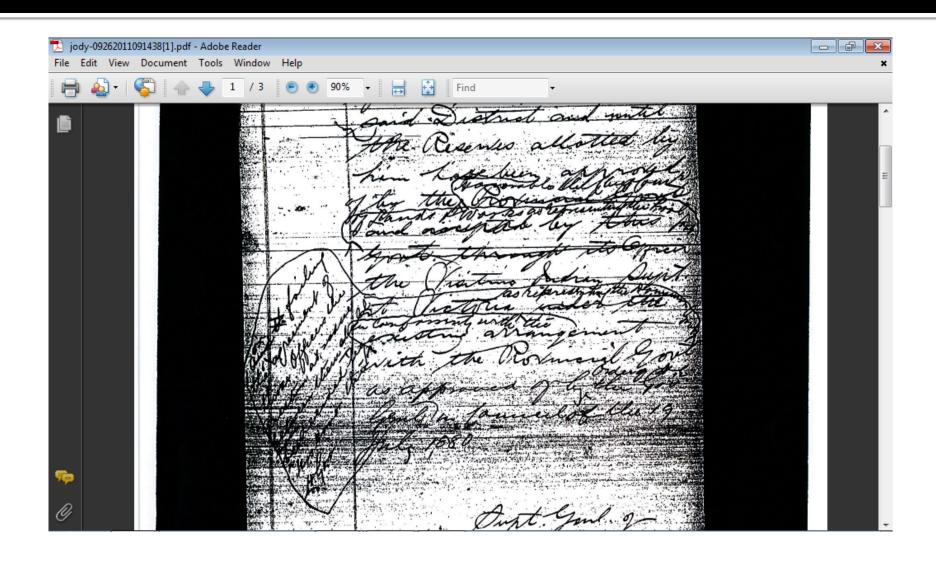
Project rationale

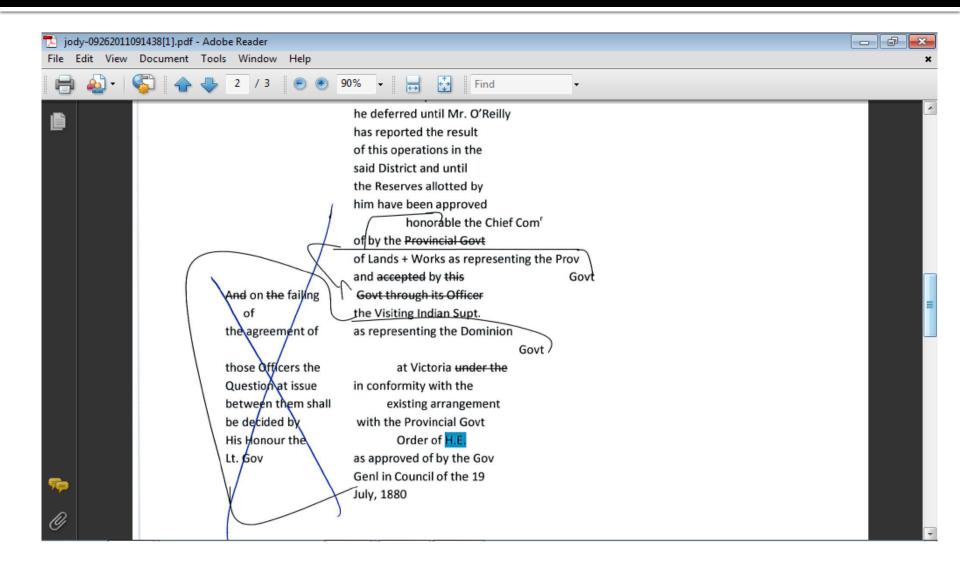
- Defray extra costs:
 - by creating a readily accessible body of commonly referenced archival materials
 - By sharing that collection freely with other CRUs and First Nations
- Reduce delays that result from the demand for transcribed documents
- Increase access to common documents used in Specific Claims research

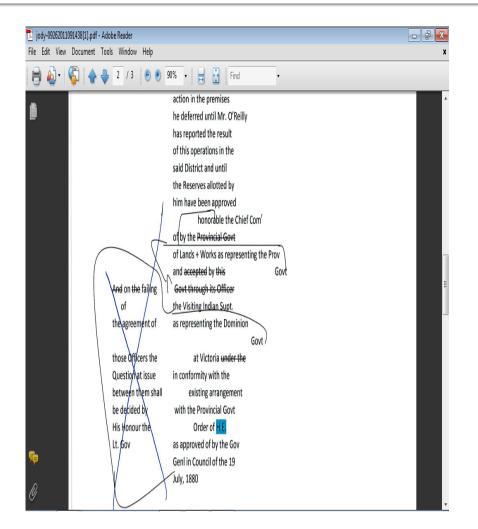
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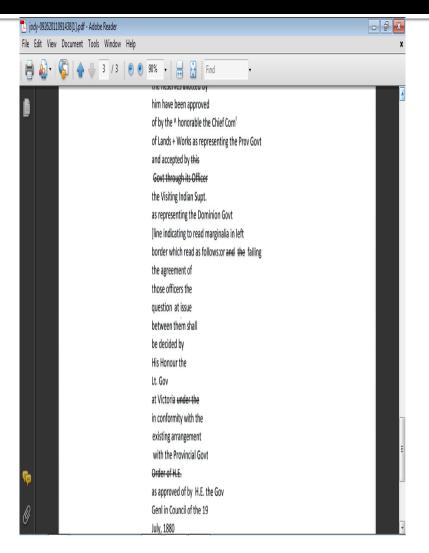
- Demand is significant
 - Potential number of existing and new claims in BC is still high
- Common document collections widely useful
- Research skills capacity building
 - creating a Transcription Guidelines manual
 - Providing background research framework for BC reserve creation history

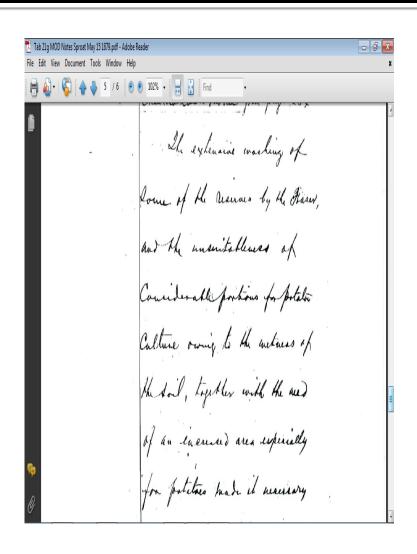


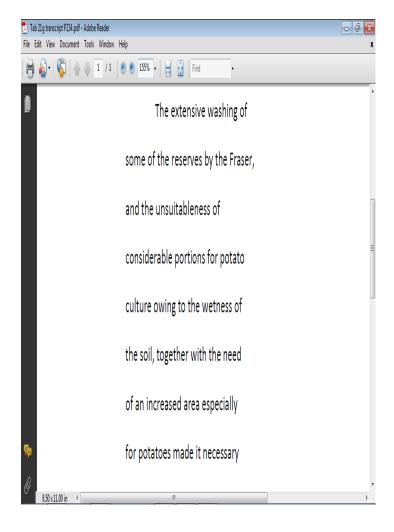


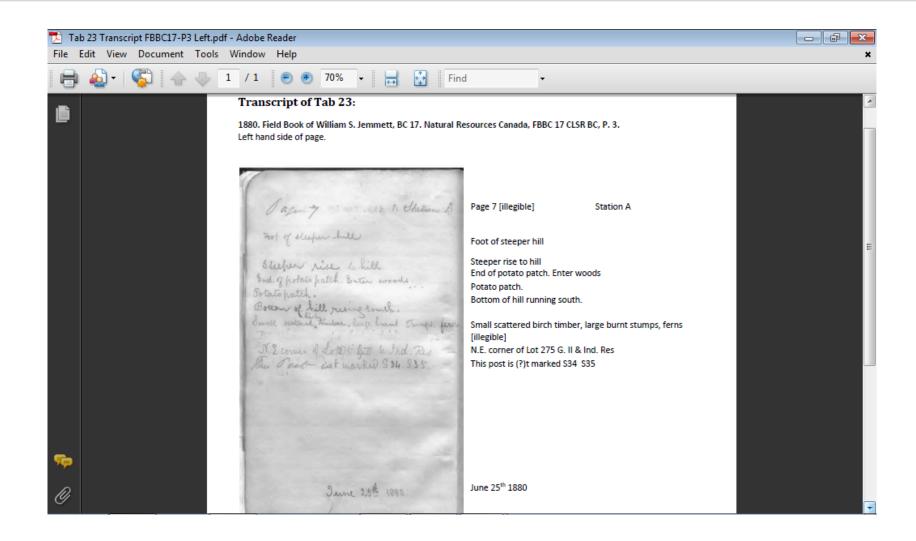












Work plan

- Conduct internal survey and survey of other CRUs and SCB to identify and prioritize relevant and commonly referenced documents or collections of materials that require
- Hire part time project coordinator
- Locate, order, and retrieve "best-copy" documents
- Recruit volunteers and interns to do scanning and transcriptions

Work Plan

- Scan original copies of obtained documents not yet digitized
- Develop transcription guidelines
- Transcribe documents.
- Design document library, assign metadata and link transcriptions to scans of originals.
- Make all materials (documents and transcription guidelines) available through the UBCIC website.

Conclusion

- Invite other CRUs from across BC and Canada to contribute by submitting already transcribed documents to the collection and by contributing to the Transcription guidelines document
- We also hope to work with SCB 's BC office to identify documents and develop the Transcription Guidelines