

## HUMANITY AND THE WORLD DETAILS

### HUMANITY

Alberta is the oldest populated place in the new world and Edmonton is the oldest city in Canada. Our river started to run after the ice of the Edmonton Lake melted 9000 years ago. The banks of our river since then have been the crossing place of the longest road in the new world running from the Arctic Ocean to the Magellan Straits a distance of 20,000 km. This place called OTENAW has since then been a place of meeting. It was populated 4000 years earlier than the meeting places OODENA in Manitoba and OTTAWA in Ontario which are already historic sites.

Almost 4000 years later the owners the HBC found OTENAW and decided to give it their name because of its ideal location to serve their customers who had been shopping with the company for a hundred years. The secret of their success had been their company honesty. We will treat you as equals.

Rupert's Land was sold in the largest sale made by any company. The honesty was lost with Canada as the new owners. A century and a half of misery has followed these customers.

The first nations have brought up this terrible treatment by Canadians in their TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION which finished up in Edmonton. One very important section in this call to action is #79 COMMERCIALISATION OF HISTORIC SITES. Peter Lougheed's family is part of the HBC and his gift to Edmonton was part of his heart. But making the river banks beautiful and including historic sites still has not been achieved. Currently we have two 9000 year old riverside areas about to be destroyed. These two historic sites and others need more than reconciliation. They need action. Action - to ensure historic sites up to 1870 are designated and developed as such. Action – to ensure that historic sites obtain material appropriate for telling the story of the past, for the present and future. Action – to ensure that historic sites are for all people and a place for sharing the world.

### THE WORLD

The proposed solar site for near to Maskekosihk is an example of how to destroy a river and a people. It is an historic site and important to the people who made up the Reconciliation. It is also a piece of an ancient historic river which should be kept as natural as possible.

Having batteries is essential with the best use of renewals and keep costs down but in the end it is the amount of renewals or new CO2 removal systems which make for a clean world. Alberta is now coming into line with the rest of the world where wind is a preferred solution because it leaves the ground for farming and has proved to be the lowest cost option.

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