

News Advisory
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New Treaty film released:
Portland: One River – Ethics Matter.

As Canada and the United States prepare to negotiate the Columbia River Treaty, a series of conferences are being held to explore the ethical dimensions of the wrenching impacts of dams on the river and people. The conference series "One River, Ethics Matter" is based on the Columbia River Pastoral Letter and seeks to modernize the international river treaty based on stewardship and justice principles.

To watch a 13-minute overview of the Portland conference, connecting the 1948 Vanport Flood with the devastation and permanent flooding of river valleys in the Upper Columbia, click: [Portland: One River - Ethics Matter.](#)

Voices include:

- **Leotis McCormack** | *Executive Committee, Nez Perce Tribe*
- **William Skylstad** | *Bishop Emeritus, Roman Catholic Church*
- **Edward Washington** | *Vanport Flood Survivor, Portland*
- **Crystal Spicer** | *Columbia Basin Revitalization Coalition, Nakusp, BC*
- **Paul Lumley** | *Executive Director, Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, Yakama Nation*
- **Pauline Terbasket** | *Executive Director, Okanagan Nation Alliance*
- **Rabbi Jonathan Seidel** | *Light of the Garden Jewish Community*
- **Wilbur Slokish** | *Hereditary Chief of the Klickitat - Cascade Tribe, Yakama Nation*

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Please take a moment to watch this short film.