



# Sounding Board Columbia River Treaty Review

Cranbrook, July 3, 2013



## AGENDA

TIME	TOPIC
9:00 – 9:15 am	Review Day's Agenda
9:15 – 9:45 am	Framework for the recommendation
9:45 – 10:30 am	Analysis of June 3 Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alan Thomson presentation (45 min)</li> </ul>
10:30 - 10:40 am	Bio-break
10:40 – 11:15 am	Review Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q&amp;A re: Alan Thomson presentation</li> </ul>
11:15 – 12:00 pm	Review Benefits of Coordination Paper and US Draft Recommendations
12:00 – 12:45 pm	Lunch
12:45 – 2:00 pm	Key Elements for Treaty Plus
2:00 – 2:15	Bio-break
2:15 - 3:15 pm	Outline of potential recommendations to Cabinet
3:15 – 3:30 pm	Last Thoughts/Next Steps



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# Strategic Decision Overview

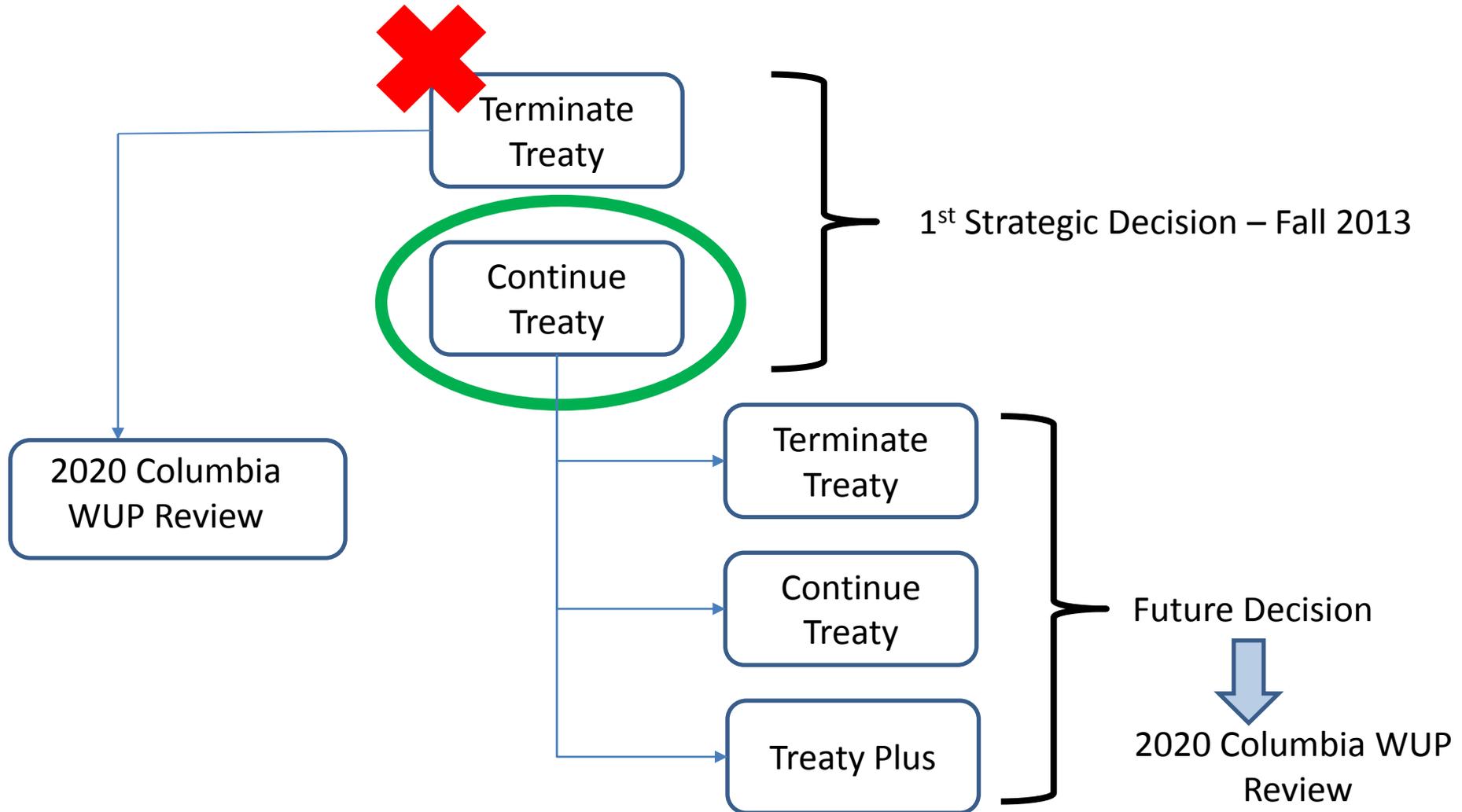


## Columbia River Treaty

- Signed in 1964 after nearly 20 years discussion/negotiation
- First possible termination date is Sept 16, 2024, with 10 years or more notice. Notice can be given at any time.
- Treaty's Assured Flood Control converts to Called Upon in 2024 regardless. Both Canadian & US Entities see benefit in a better plan for flood management than Called Upon.
- The Treaty has prescriptive requirements for border flows, reservoir storage and dam discharges at the 3 Canadian Treaty Dams – Mica, Hugh Keenleyside, and Duncan.
- At any point, Canadian & US entities can agree to deviate from prescriptive requirements for their mutual benefit.



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# Implications of Strategic Decision

September 2024

**Treaty  
Continue/  
Treaty  
Plus**

**Required Border Flows**  
(Arrow / Kinbasket Balance)

**Canadian Entitlement**

**Negotiated Mutual Interests**

**Called Upon  
Flood Control**

**Libby Coordination**

**Treaty  
Terminate**

**Less Restrictions on Canadian  
Operations**

(More flexibility for Arrow & Kinbasket  
Need to Balance Basin Interests)

**No Canadian Entitlement**



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# Questions?