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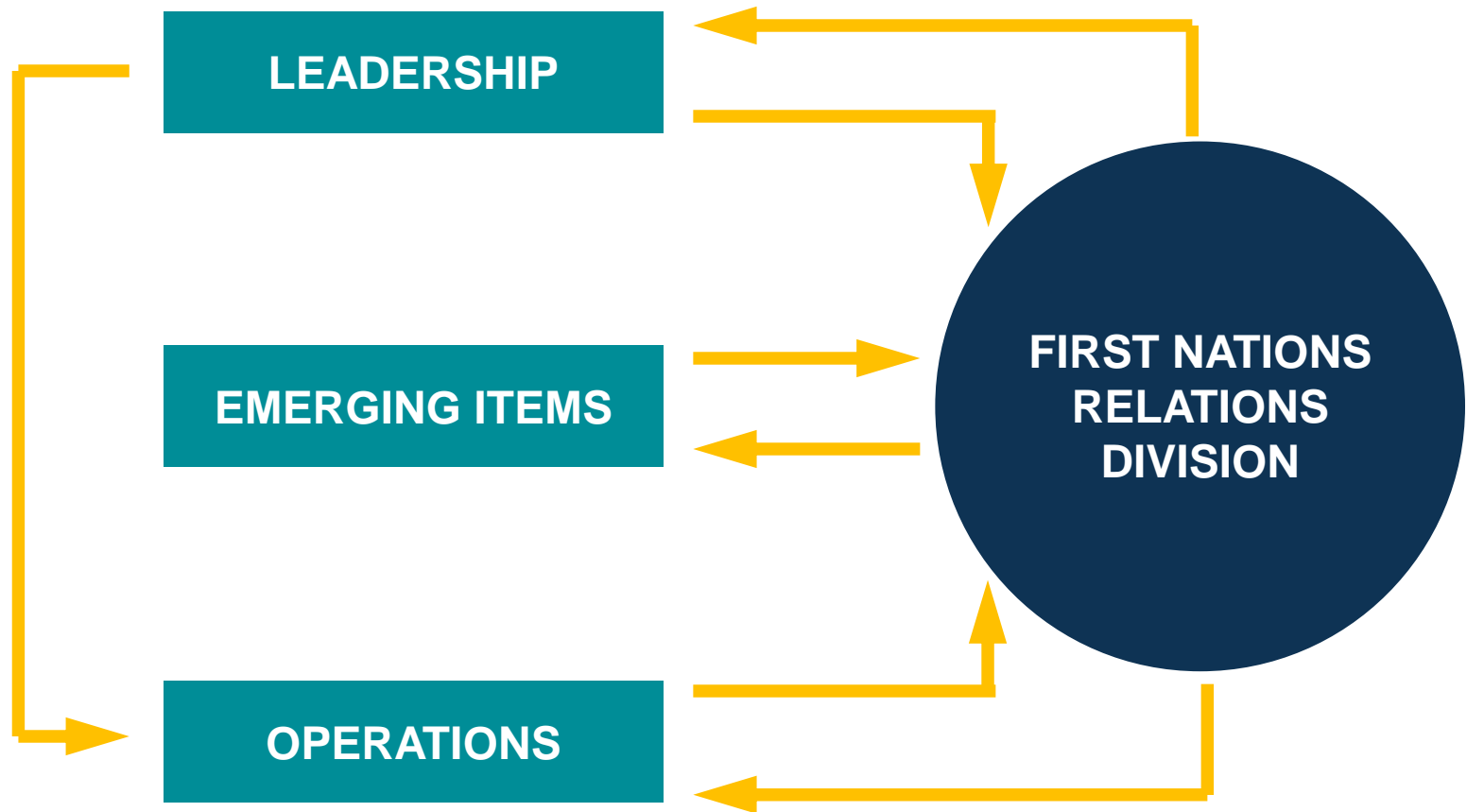
# DIVISION OVERVIEW

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# LEADERSHIP

- Facilitate connections between First Nations leaders and CRD Directors
- Respond to direction from the First Nations Relations Committee
- Coordinate staff training and organization's responses to the TRC
- Work with First Nations on participation in public events





# EMERGING ITEMS

- Includes emergent issues, special projects and opportunities for relationship building
- Such as: parks co-management, species management, shellfish restoration etc.





# OPERATIONS

- Ongoing support and capacity for CRD departments in their ongoing work with First Nations
- Includes, but is not limited to: service agreements, referrals, archaeology, regulatory obligations, negotiations, cultural and historical awareness



Members Train in Archaeological and Cultural Monitoring



Participants and staff gather for a group shot. Back row: Paul Harry, Rob Field, Doug Dame, Dwayne Goldsmith, Alexander Daniels, Abraham Daniels. Front row: Heather Adams, Pauline Harry, and Duncan resident Kathy McLean

First Nations can become over burdened by requests and referrals

- WJOLELP's administrator told us there are 27 agencies that regularly ask them to respond to requests, with 1 staff person to respond. Chief Tom has said to us in person that "letters aren't good enough and we have to do better"
- Ask ourselves how can the CRD be an effective partner without adding to the load?
- We are focused on building honest relationships through attending events and offering support with initiatives already underway as a way to build a better shared understanding of each other's abilities and priorities.
- When the CRD needs something as part of regular business we then have a better idea of who to talk to and how to reach out.

# THANK YOU

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