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## **ABSTRACT**

This paper focuses on identifying lessons from recent experience involving conflict resolution and attempts to share downstream benefits in international drainage basins. The Columbia River between Canada and the United States is discussed first together with other examples where conflict on international rivers has been resolved through the sharing of downstream benefits.

Discussion follows of the possible application of the potential for conflict resolution and downstream benefit sharing to help resolve conflict in other international drainage basins including the Mekong, the Nile and international rivers that are shared between Nepal and India.