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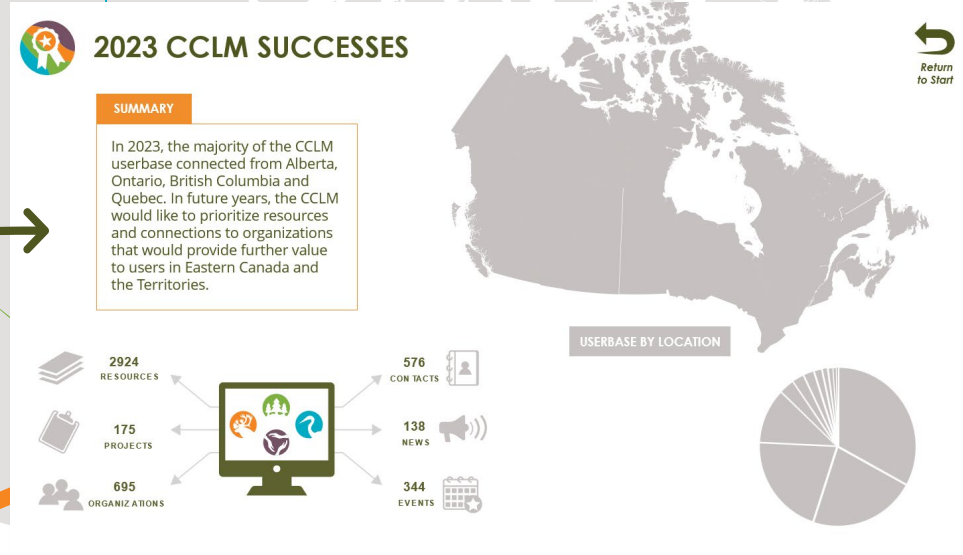
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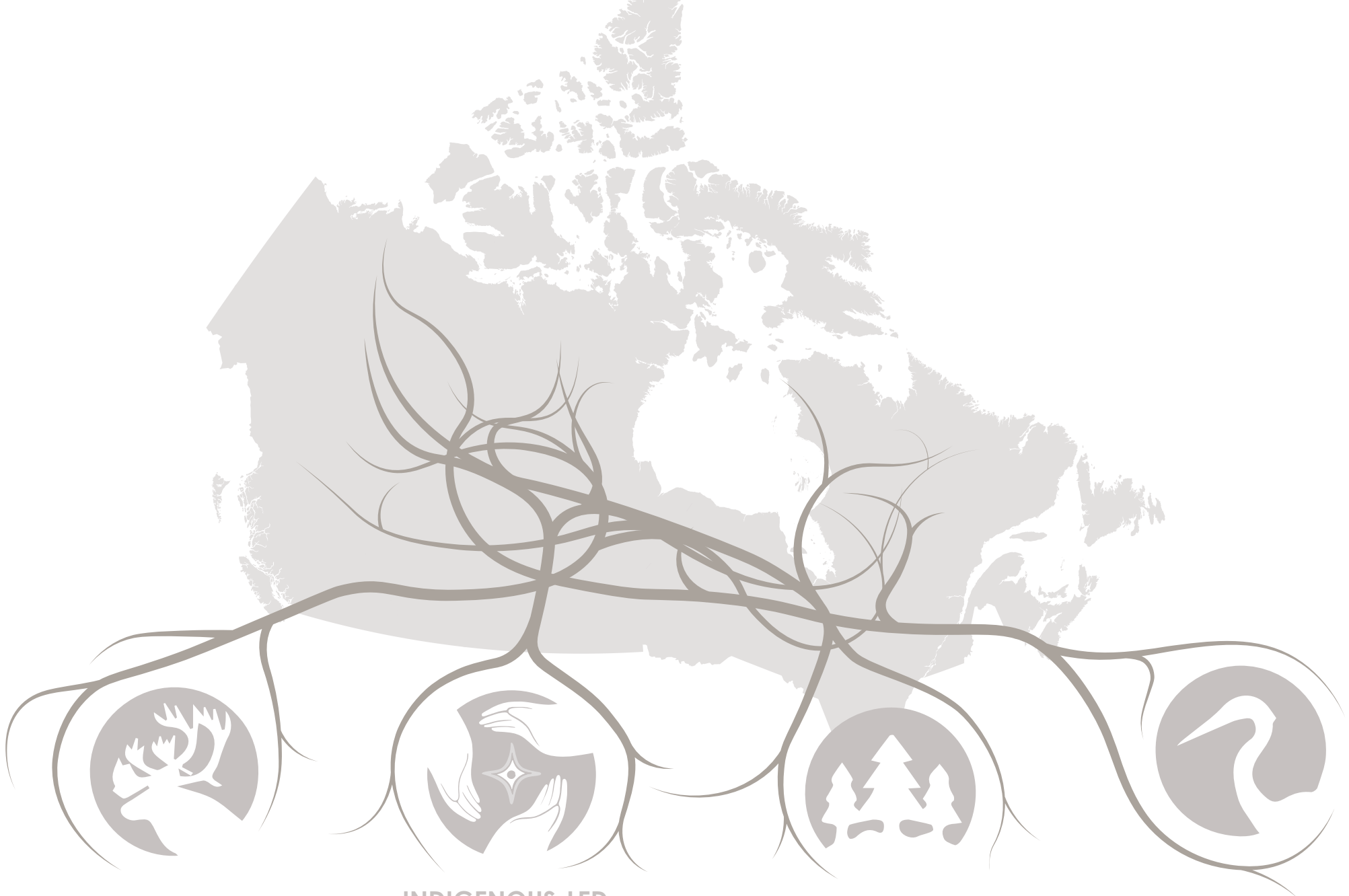
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# GROWTH OF CCLM SINCE LAUNCH

SUMMARY AND HIGHLIGHTS

COLLABORATORS AND HISTORY





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## SUMMARY AND HIGHLIGHTS

## COLLABORATORS AND HISTORY

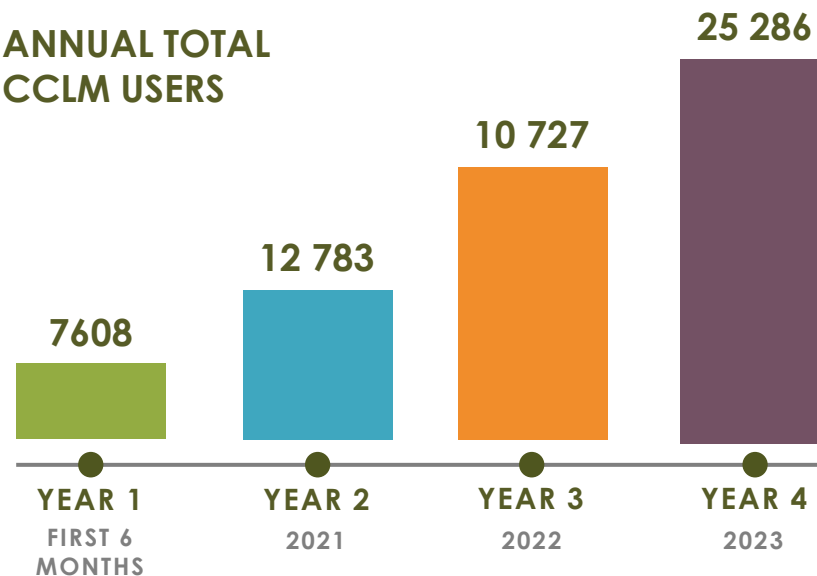


The Canadian Conservation and Land Management (CCLM) Knowledge Network is a collaborative group of organizations committed to creating a forum for sharing information and lessons learned about boreal caribou conservation, wetland best practices, land restoration and land reclamation.

Over 4 years, the CCLM has developed an accessible online platform, the [CCLM Knowledge Portal](#) to share resources and to connect practitioners across Canada.



### ANNUAL TOTAL CCLM USERS





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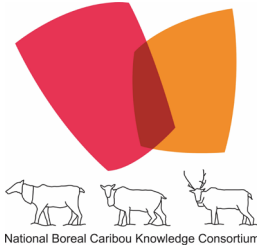
## PROGRAM LAUNCH

2020

2021

2022

2023



FOUNDING COLLABORATORS

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FOUNDING COLLABORATORS



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# 2023 CCLM SUCCESSES

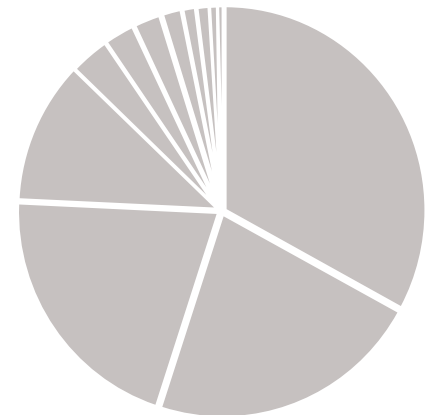


## SUMMARY

In 2023, the majority of the CCLM userbase connected from Alberta, Ontario, British Columbia and Quebec. In future years, the CCLM would like to prioritize resources and connections to organizations that would provide further value to users in Eastern Canada, the Prairies, and the Territories.



## USERBASE BY LOCATION



## TOTAL METRICS SINCE LAUNCH





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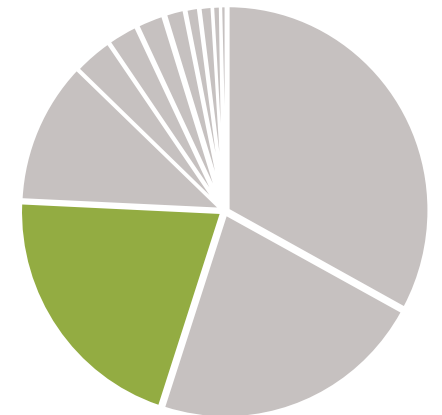
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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### BRITISH COLUMBIA

20.7%





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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

**ALBERTA**  
32.9%





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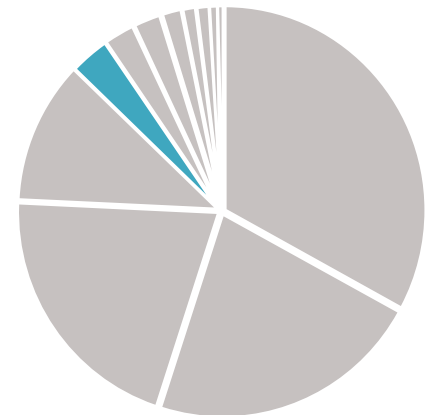
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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### SASKACHEWAN

3.2%







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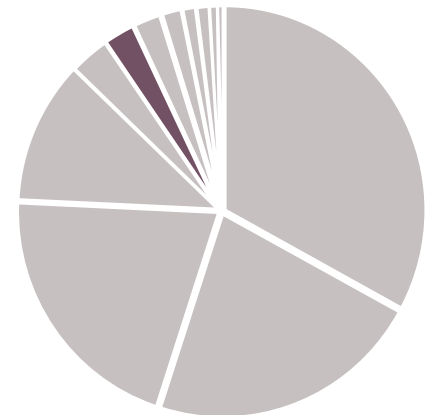
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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### MANITOBA

2.5%





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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### ONTARIO

22%





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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

**QUEBEC**  
11.4%





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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR

1.6%





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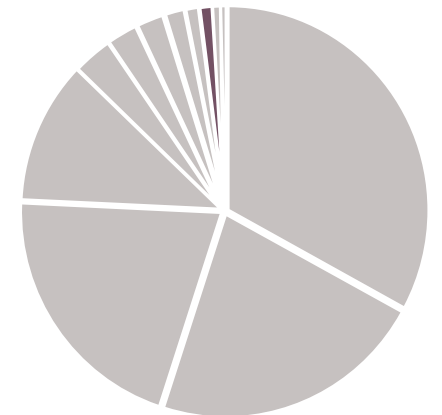
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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### NEW BRUNSWICK

1.1%





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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### NOVA SCOTIA

2.2%





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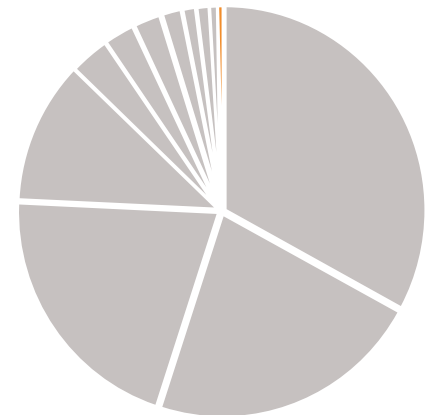


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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

**PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**  
0.2%





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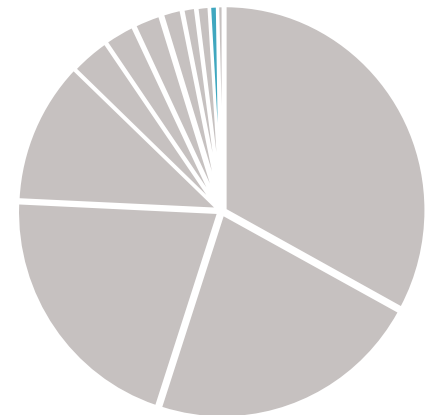
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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### YUKON

0.8%







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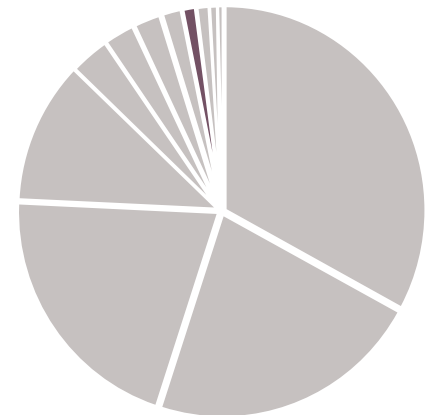
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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

### NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

1.1%





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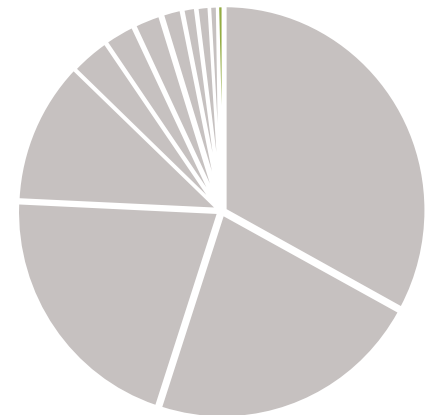
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## USERBASE BY LOCATION

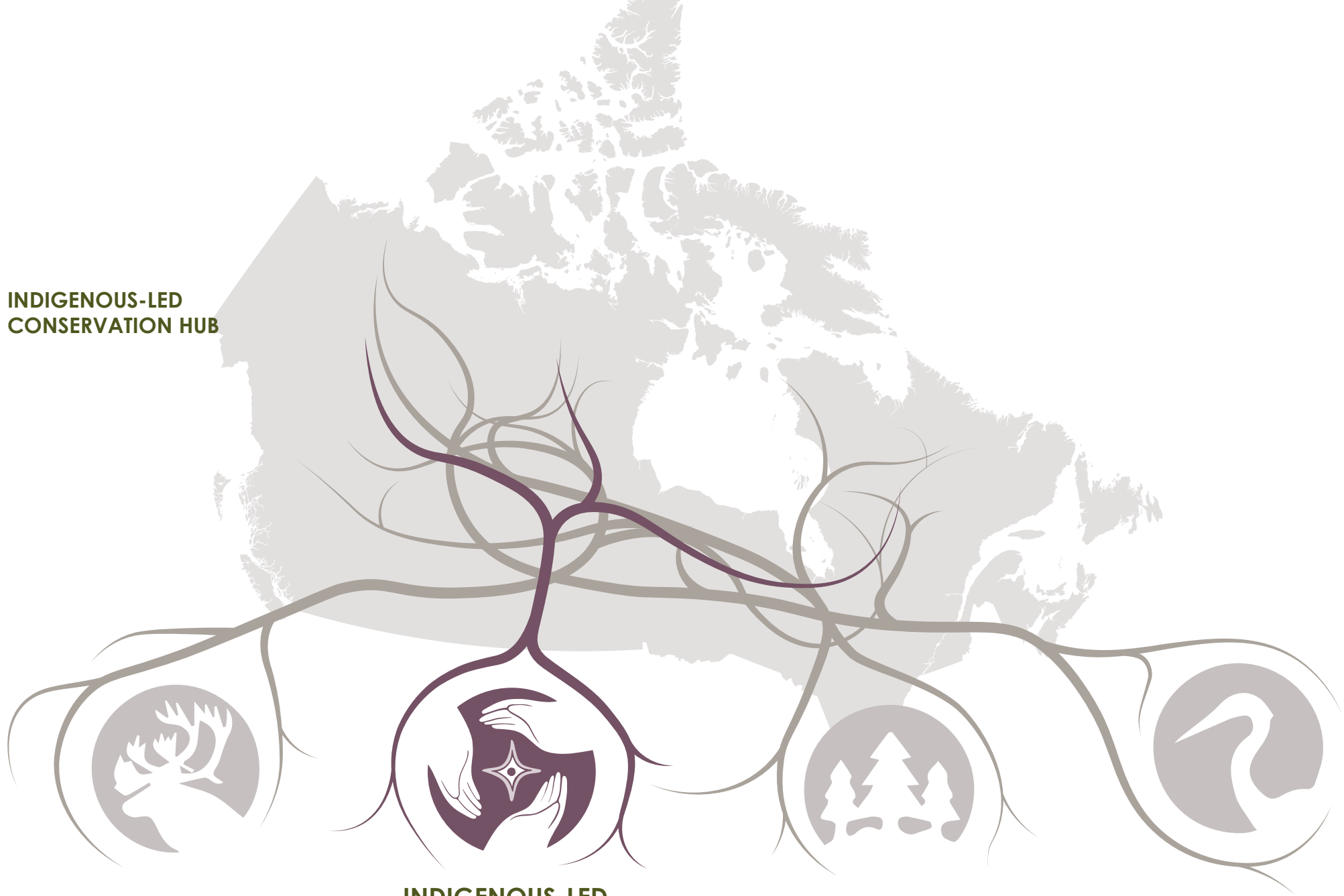
### NUNAVUT

0.1%





**INDIGENOUS-LED  
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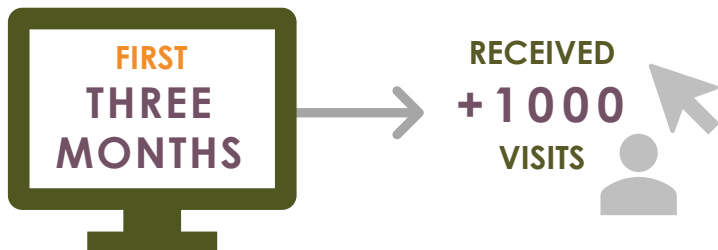
# INDIGENOUS-LED CONSERVATION HUB

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## SUMMARY

The Indigenous-Led Conservation Hub is the newest sub-portal on the CCLM, launched in October of 2023. It functions as a landing page to direct users to six exceptional online platforms of Indigenous-led conservation and stewardship organizations, including the Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources, the IPCA Knowledge Basket, the Conservation through Reconciliation Partnership, the Sahtú Renewable Resources Board, the Indigenous Climate Hub, and the First Nations Land Management Resource Centre.

The purpose of the Indigenous-led Conservation Hub is to connect users to the diversity of conservation and stewardship work being done by Indigenous people across Canada, and to connect Indigenous communities to resources and information that support their work. In addition to the six collaborators, the Hub also highlights other Indigenous-led organizations and resources hosted on the CCLM.





CONSERVATION  
APPLICATIONS OF DRONE  
AND UAV TECHNOLOGY



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# CONSERVATION APPLICATIONS OF DRONE AND UNOCCUPIED AERIAL VEHICLE (UAV) TECHNOLOGY



## WEBINAR

February 2023

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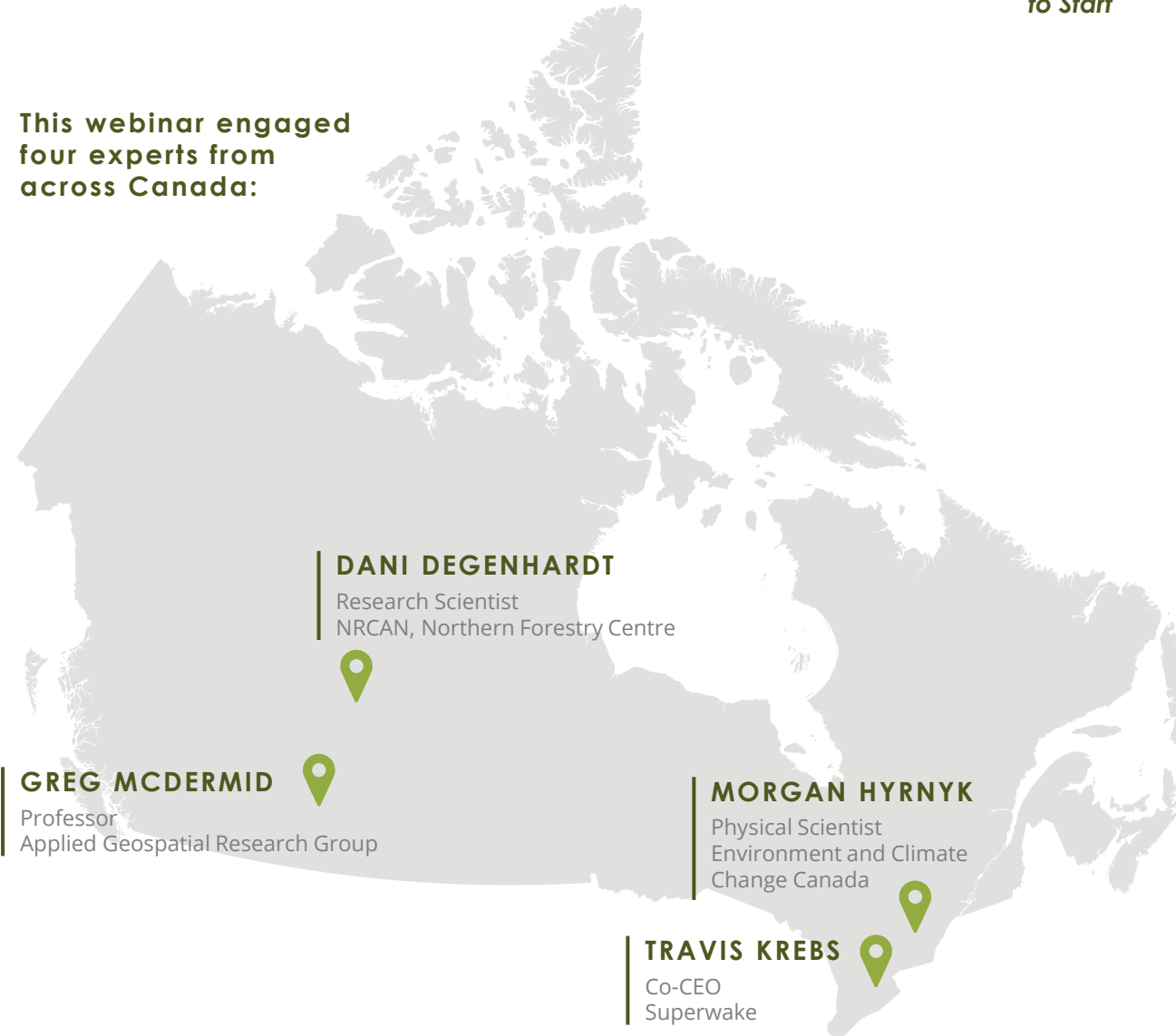
### SUMMARY

Unoccupied aerial vehicles (UAVs) are a low disturbance method for monitoring wildlife and can provide access to environments that are difficult to reach. Combining UAV monitoring with AI image detection is contributing to more accurate population records.

As technology quickly improves, assisted image capture is helping scientists detect and address reclamation challenges such as microtopography, seedling regrowth and biodiversity.

Although UAVs have become more accessible and positioned as acute sensory tools, regulations, data management and analysis can still be common challenges. It is a quickly changing field of science and adopting new technologies after a few generations is generally recommended.

This webinar engaged four experts from across Canada:



#### DANI DEGENHARDT

Research Scientist  
NRCAN, Northern Forestry Centre

#### GREG MCDERMID

Professor  
Applied Geospatial Research Group

#### MORGAN HYRNYK

Physical Scientist  
Environment and Climate  
Change Canada

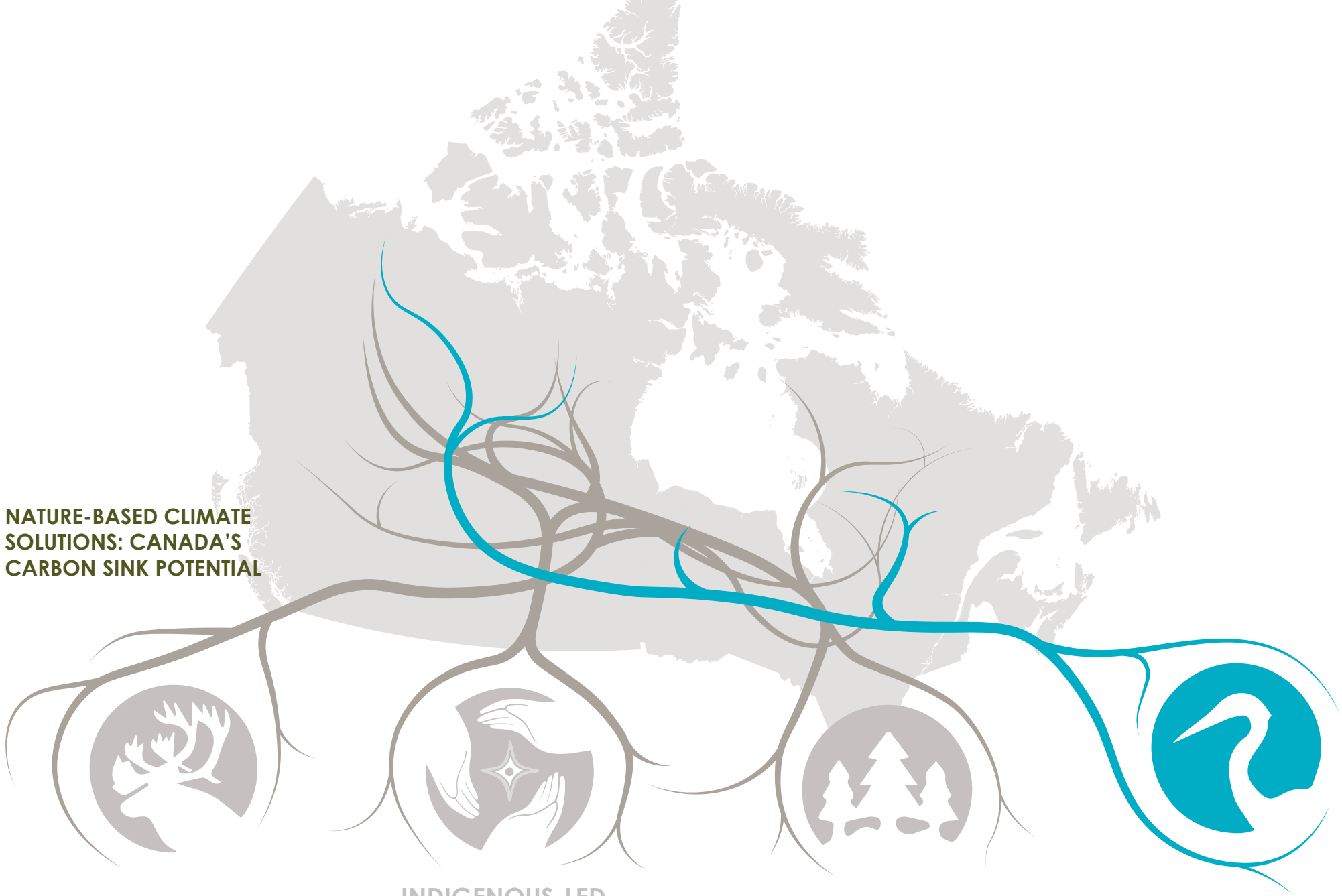
#### TRAVIS KREBS

Co-CEO  
Superwake

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**NATURE-BASED CLIMATE  
SOLUTIONS: CANADA'S  
CARBON SINK POTENTIAL**



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# NATURE-BASED CLIMATE SOLUTIONS: CANADA'S CARBON SINK POTENTIAL



WEBINAR

May 2023

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This webinar engaged  
four experts from  
across Canada:

## SUMMARY

By the definition of the report, Nature Based Climate Solutions (NBCS) are “actions for protection, management and restoration of managed and unmanaged ecosystems that provide additional climate change mitigation by way of carbon sequestration or reduced Green House Gas (GHG) emissions, relative to a defined baseline.”

Strong reduction policies are still needed across all sectors to reach Greenhouse Gas targets in Canada, and NBCSs can only support these efforts and lessen the risks of carbon stocks becoming a climate change liability.

The NBCSs with highest potential for CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration are peatlands, agricultural lands and grasslands, where crop management, forest management and restoration can provide the most impact and opportunity. These areas are well understood scientifically, affect large areas of the landscape, and the majority of challenges to implementation are related to current policies.

### DAVID OLEFELDT

CCA Expert Panel Member  
Nature-Based Climate Solutions

### SUSAN ZIEGLER

CCA Expert Panel Member  
Nature-Based Climate Solutions

### MELISSA ARCAND

CCA Expert Panel Member  
Nature-Based Climate Solutions

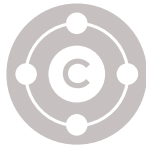
### TIJS CREUTZBERG

Director of Assessments  
Council of Canadian  
Academies

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INTENSIVE FOREST MANAGEMENT  
ACROSS CANADA



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# INTENSIVE FOREST MANAGEMENT ACROSS CANADA



## WEBINAR

November 2023

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### SUMMARY

Intensive Forest Management (IFM) involves four key areas of planning, silviculture, protection and monitoring. The goal is to maximize the values (such as resource harvest, wildlife habitat and recreation potential), provided by Canada's forest in a sustainable, ecologically suitable and timely manner.

Emerging technologies such as drone monitoring and aerial survey are helping project and detect more accurate forest regrowth, allowing for improved management and long-term planning throughout growth and harvest cycles.

Principals of IFM can help meet multiple industry, environmental and socio-economic objectives at once, such as faster harvest for forestry, climate change protection through drought resiliency, and community protection through wildfire hazard reduction.

This webinar engaged four experts from across Canada:

#### AMANDA SCHOONMAKER

NSERC Industrial Research Chair  
NAIT Centre for Boreal Research

#### BRAD PINNO

Associate Professor  
University of Alberta

#### TREVOR JONES

Research Lead  
Natural Resources Canada

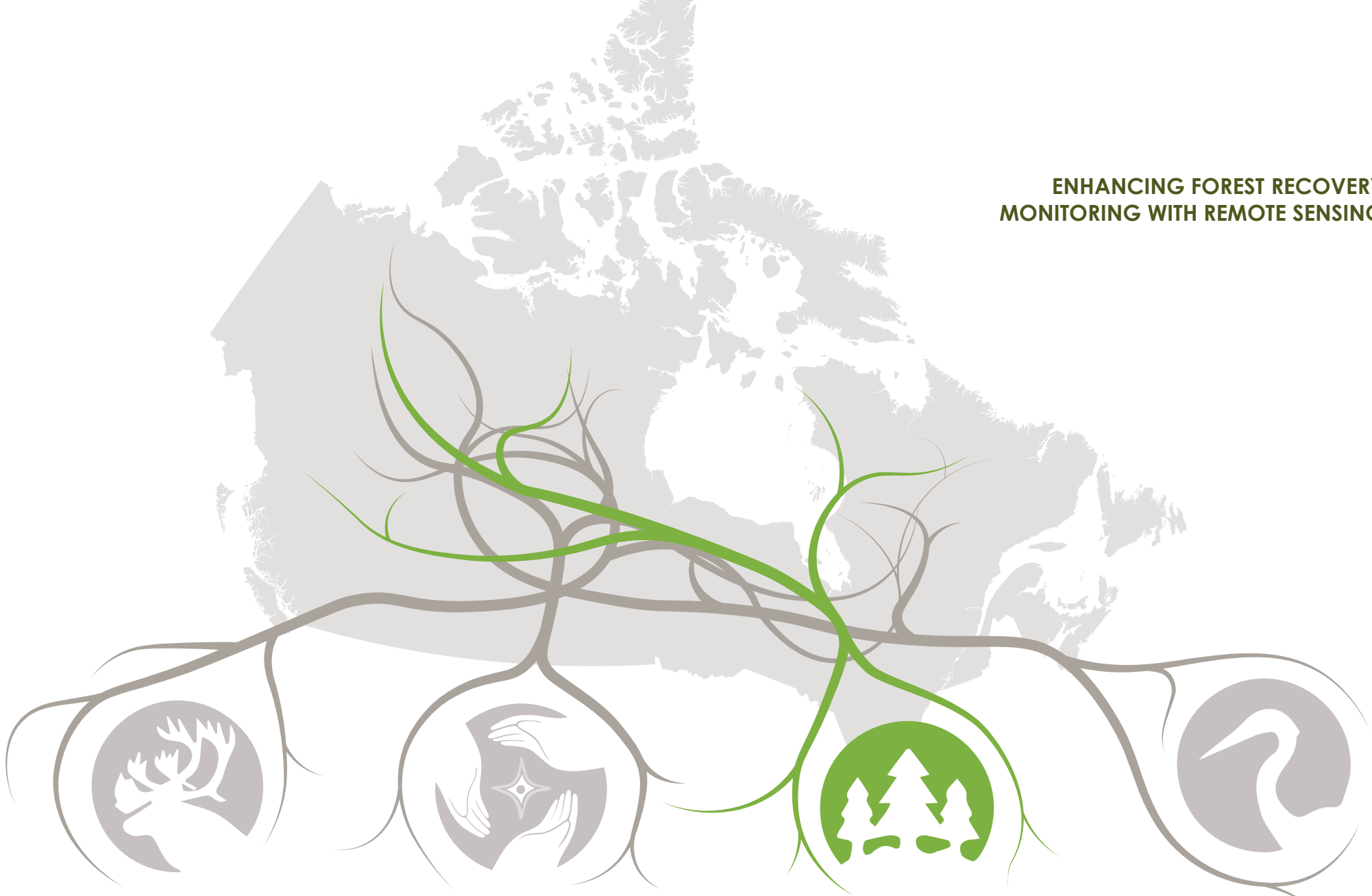
#### WAYNE BELL

Forest Ecology & Silviculture Researcher  
Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources

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ENHANCING FOREST RECOVERY  
MONITORING WITH REMOTE SENSING



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# ENHANCING FOREST RECOVERY MONITORING WITH REMOTE SENSING



## INFOGRAPHIC

June 2023

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### SUMMARY

Remote sensing is an effective tool that can be leveraged to map and monitor forest recovery dynamics, when accurately and effectively monitoring forest recovery after a disturbance or over a large area is challenging or access is limited.

Data generated from remote sensing provides key baseline information on forest disturbance recovery trends, which can be combined alongside existing data to capture a more complete picture of forest dynamics over time and space.

For large-scale programs, like Two Billion Trees (2BT), accurate, up-to-date and nationally consistent data regarding forest dynamics is important for guiding future tree planting and forest management activities. Science and monitoring are key components of the program, and multiple remotely sensed data sources can be leveraged such as open-source information products derived from Landsat data on Canada's National Forest Information System.



# ENHANCING FOREST MONITORING WITH REMOTE SENSING

## INFOGRAPHIC

June 2023

### SUMMARY

Remote sensing is an effective tool for monitoring forest dynamics, when accurate data is needed over a large area or in a challenging or inaccessible area.

Data generated from remote sensing can be combined with other data sources to provide a more complete picture of forest dynamics over time and space.

For large-scale programs regarding forest dynamics, remote sensing data can be leveraged such as open-source information products derived from Landsat data that are available on Canada's National Forest Information System.

## ENHANCING FOREST RECOVERY MONITORING WITH REMOTE SENSING

MONITORING FOREST RECOVERY FOLLOWING DISTURBANCE IS IMPORTANT FOR UNDERSTANDING FOREST DYNAMICS AND INFORMING FOREST MANAGEMENT, RESTORATION AND CLIMATE MITIGATION.



However, accurately and effectively monitoring forest recovery after a disturbance – and over a large area – is challenging, especially in areas that are difficult to access. Remote sensing is an effective tool that can be leveraged to map and monitor forest recovery dynamics, supplementing other monitoring approaches, such as field plots.

REMOTE SENSING HAS COME A LONG WAY IN RECENT YEARS, AND SOME KEY TOOLS INCLUDE:

**AIRBORNE LiDAR**  
(or airborne laser scanning)



- Can map a range of forest attributes (i.e., forest canopy cover and height).
- Can help confirm spectral observations of recovery derived from Landsat.



**LANDSAT**

- Freely available satellite data.
- 30m spatial resolution.
- Helps characterize forest change over time, such as post-disturbance forest recovery.

The data generated from remote sensing provide key baseline information on forest disturbance recovery trends, which can be combined alongside existing data to **capture a more complete picture of forest dynamics over time and space.**

### LEVERAGING EXISTING DATASETS

For large-scale programs, like Two Billion Trees (2BT), accurate, up-to-date and nationally consistent data regarding forest dynamics is important for guiding future tree planting and forest management activities.

**The 2BT program plans to integrate remotely sensed data to support monitoring its mass plantation sites.** There are multiple remotely sensed data sources that can be leveraged for monitoring, and there are open-source information products derived from Landsat data that are available on Canada's National Forest Information System:

1. [opendata.nfis.org/downloads/forest\\_change/CA\\_forest\\_fire\\_recovery\\_rate.zip](https://opendata.nfis.org/downloads/forest_change/CA_forest_fire_recovery_rate.zip);
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*In less remote areas that are easier to access, field visits will continue to be an important component of the 2BT monitoring strategy.*

### 2BILLION TREES

The 2BT program, led by the federal government, provides funding to organizations to plant trees over 10 years, in order to help Canada meet its climate change and biodiversity goals. Science and monitoring are key components of the program.



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TO LEARN MORE ABOUT REMOTE SENSING, VISIT [WWW.CCLMPORTAL.CA](https://www.cclmportal.ca)

Reference: White, J.C., Hermosilla, T., Wulder, M.A., Coops, N.C. 2022. Mapping, validating, and interpreting spatio-temporal trends in post-disturbance forest recovery. Remote Sensing of Environment 271, 112904. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rse.2022.112904>

Landsat: <https://www.usgs.gov/landsat-missions>



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# MESOCOSM TEST FACILITY: A BRIDGE BETWEEN LAB AND FIELD

## INFOGRAPHIC

December 2023

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### SUMMARY

Mesocosms are a way for scientists to run experimental trials under conditions that are similar to natural ecological environments, while still being able to control variables and collect precise data.

The InnoTech Alberta Mesocosm Facility can conduct multi-year studies, can support on-site plan propagation and laboratory analysis, and is the only mesocosm facility in North America to support research in freezing temperatures.

The Mesocosm Facility currently contains 30 14,000L below-ground mesocosm tanks inside a 23,000L containment tank, and 16 4,750L above-ground mesocosm tanks on a containment pad.



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**INNOTECH ALBERTA MESOCOSM FACILITY**

Vegreville, AB







# MESOCOSM TEST FACILITY: A BRIDGE BETWEEN

## INFOGRAPHIC

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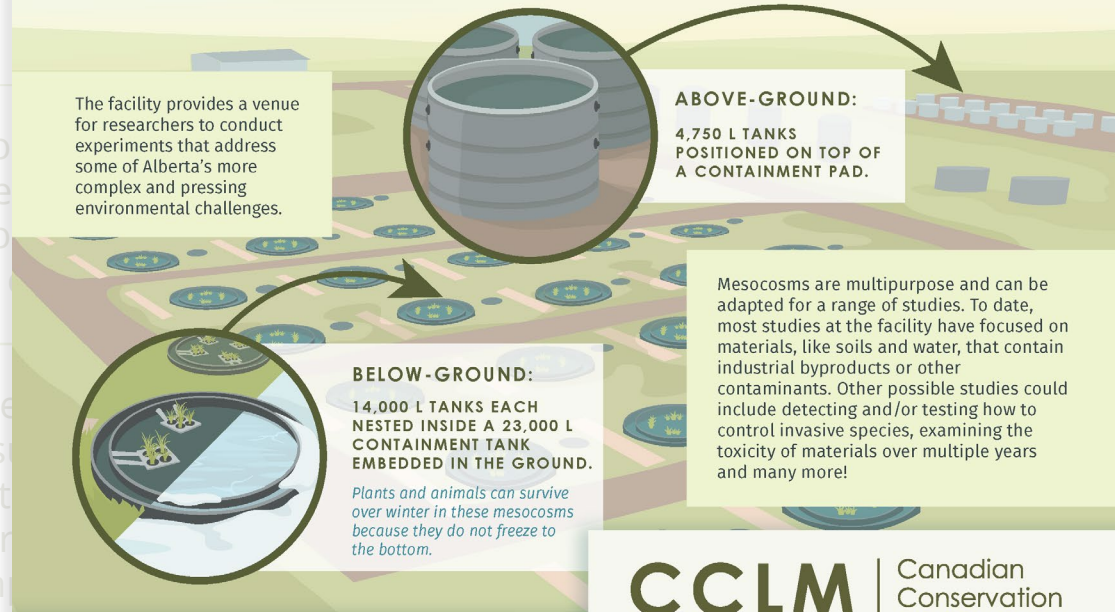
The InnoTech Alberta Mesocosm Facility, located in Vegreville, Alberta, was built in 2015-2016 and currently contains 30 below-ground and 16 above-ground mesocosms.

The Mesocosm Facility consists of 30 below-ground mesocosms, each containing a 14,000 L containment tank, and 16 above-ground mesocosms, each containing a 4,750 L containment tank.

## MESOCOSM TEST FACILITY: A BRIDGE BETWEEN LAB AND FIELD STUDIES

MESOCOSMS ARE LARGE, UNIFORM CONTAINERS USED TO EMULATE NATURAL SYSTEMS FOR EXPERIMENTAL STUDIES. THEY PROVIDE THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO CONDUCT SEMI-CONTROLLED AND REPLICATED EXPERIMENTS UNDER 'REAL-WORLD' CONDITIONS, SUCH AS DAILY AND SEASONAL CYCLES, WEATHER PATTERNS AND INCORPORATION OF RELEVANT LIVING ORGANISMS.

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### KEY BENEFITS OF THE FACILITY:



Opportunity to conduct multi-year, customized studies in semi-natural conditions.



The only mesocosm facility of its type in North America that supports research in freezing temperatures.



On-site plant propagation.



On-site laboratories to support analyses.



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TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE AQUATIC MESOCOSM FACILITY CHECK OUT THESE RESOURCES FROM INNOTECH ALBERTA AND MORE AT [WWW.CCLMPORTAL.CA](http://WWW.CCLMPORTAL.CA)

Mesocosm Test Facilities - October 2023

Using Aquatic Mesocosms to Assess the Effects of Soil and Vegetation for Informing Environmental Research - July 2023

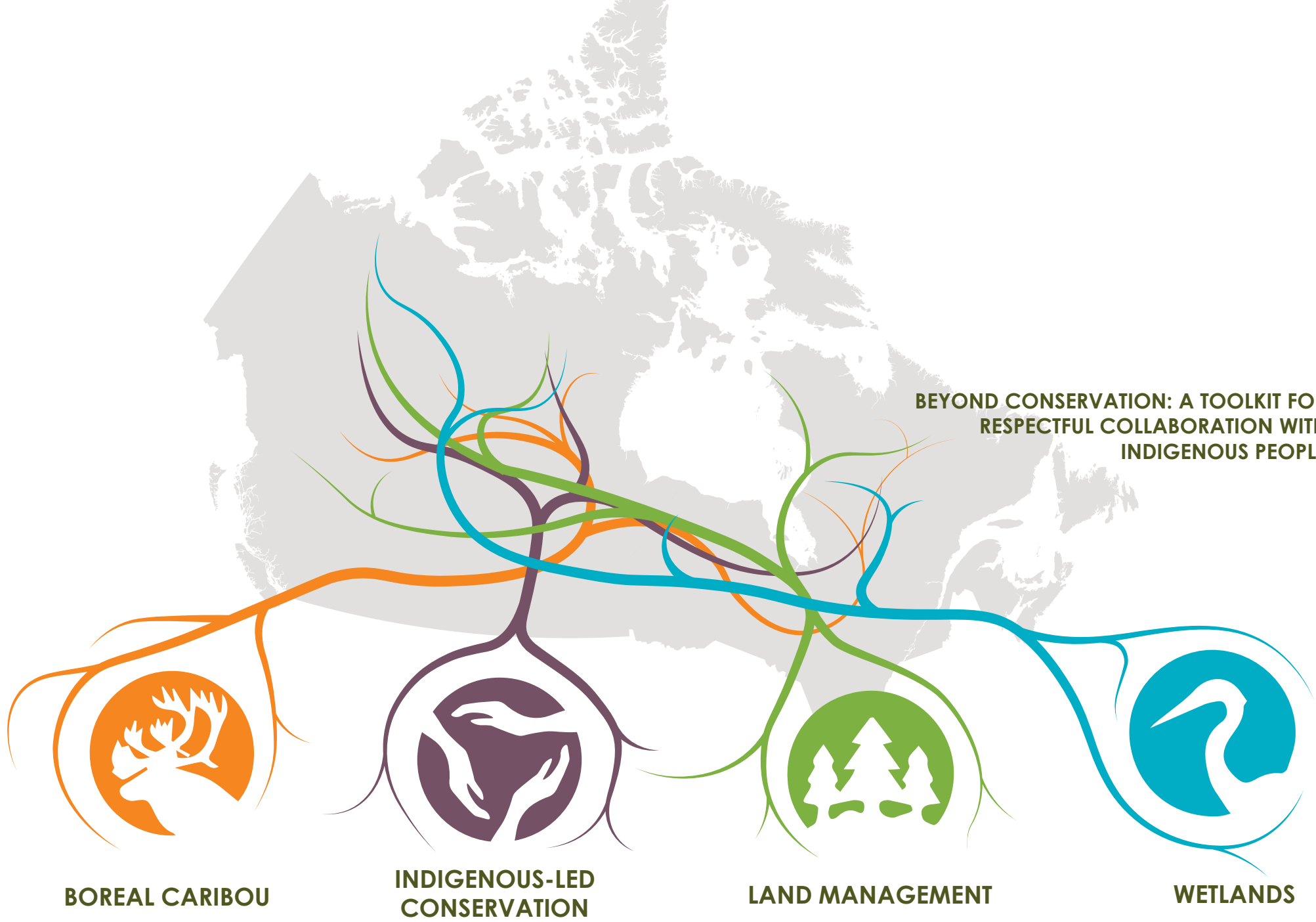
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# BEYOND CONSERVATION: A TOOLKIT FOR RESPECTFUL COLLABORATION WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

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## BRIEFING NOTE

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### SUMMARY

### GUIDING PRINCIPLES



The Beyond Conservation Toolkit was developed by the Indigenous Knowledge Circle (IKC) of the NBCKC, a group of ~40 Inuit, First Nations, and Métis organizations, communities, regional governments, and co-management boards who are actively involved in the conservation, recovery, and management of caribou.

The Toolkit is for government agencies and organizations, ENGOs, private sector or industry organizations, academics and researchers, consultants and all others in the stewardship and conservation field seeking to collaborate or improve their relationships with Indigenous Peoples.

Embedding reconciliation into conservation and stewardship is an ongoing process and must come from a place of ongoing respect, humility, and openness to learn. Through thoughtfulness and meaningful collaboration, we can avoid past mistakes and work towards mutual conservation goals.



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GUIDING PRINCIPLES



Ten guiding principles help direct learnings in the Beyond Conservation Toolkit, and are available in English, French, Inuttitut, Michif and Woods Cree. They are:

1. Recognition of relationships with caribou
2. Respect for land claims, treaties and recognition of the self-determination of Indigenous nations
3. Relationships built on trust
4. Collaboration and shared decision-making
5. Transparency and accountability
6. Open Communication
7. Reciprocity and shared benefits
8. Shared interest
9. Adherence to the First Nations principles of Ownership, Control, Access, and Possession (OCAP®) for Indigenous data
10. Respect for and openness to Indigenous Knowledge, culture and perspectives

# BEYOND CONSERVATION: A TOOLKIT FOR RESPECTFUL COLLABORATION WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

In seeking reconciliation with Canada's Indigenous Peoples, it is important to acknowledge the damage that has been done through colonial conservation methods. For example, in some cases Indigenous nations were forcibly removed from their territories or denied their traditional harvesting rights in an effort to protect and conserve lands and species. It is necessary to learn from these past mistakes and to advance stewardship and conservation in ways that include meaningful collaboration with Indigenous communities and consider Indigenous Knowledge, perspectives and practices.



While it can be challenging to know where to start, the **Beyond Conservation Toolkit** is a user-friendly online resource created to support individuals or organizations in the environmental field seeking to collaborate or improve their relationships with Indigenous Peoples.

Launched in 2023 by the Indigenous Knowledge Circle (IKC) of the National Boreal Caribou Knowledge Consortium (NBCKC).



Sparked by the rapid decline of caribou in boreal Canada, the toolkit grew to be broadly applicable to any stewardship or conservation collaborations.



Contains links to hundreds of practical tools and resources to help guide collaboration between non-Indigenous and Indigenous people.

## Who is it for?

- Government agencies and organizations
- NGOs
- Private sector/industry
- Academics/researchers
- Consultants
- Anyone in the stewardship and conservation field

## A FOUNDATION FOR RECONCILIATION IN CONSERVATION AND STEWARDSHIP

A foundational aspect of the toolkit is the **Ten Guiding Principles for Cross-Cultural Collaboration**. These principles were developed by the IKC to help embed reconciliation, healing and collaboration into stewardship and conservation work. The Guiding Principles aim to:

PROMOTE RECIPROCITY  
AND RESPECT

ENSURE A ROLE FOR  
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES  
AND THEIR KNOWLEDGE  
IN STEWARDSHIP AND  
CONSERVATION WORK

CREATE STRONGER  
CONSERVATION  
OUTCOMES

## THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES INCLUDE:

- 1 Recognition of relationships with caribou
- 2 Respect for and openness to Indigenous Knowledge, culture, and perspectives
- 3 Relationships built on trust
- 4 Collaboration and shared decision making
- 5 Transparency and accountability
- 6 Open communication
- 7 Reciprocity and shared benefits
- 8 Shared interest
- 9 Adherence to the First Nations principles of Ownership, Control Access, and Possession (OCAP®) for Indigenous data
- 10 Respect for land claims, treaties, and recognition of the self-determination of Indigenous nations

The guiding principles are available in five languages: English, French, Inuittitut, Michif and Woods Cree.

## NAVIGATING THE TOOLKIT

The **Practical Steps and Resources** section of the toolkit supports the implementation of the Ten Guiding Principles of Cross-Cultural Collaboration. This section is organized into three overarching categories:

### BEFORE YOU GET STARTED:

Sets the stage for learning about the **current context of Indigenous and non-Indigenous relationships in Canada**, including the history of colonization and residential schools. This section contains resources to learn about Indigenous rights, treaties and land claims, cultural awareness, the legacy of colonialism and opportunities to explore Indigenous media.

### WORKING RESPECTFULLY WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND THEIR KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS:

Contains resources to learn about **what Indigenous Knowledge and Indigenous Knowledge Systems are, how to work with multiple knowledge systems**, methods for gathering Indigenous Knowledge, and agreements or protocols to ensure knowledge is shared respectfully and appropriately. While the toolkit highlights three well-known frameworks for working with Indigenous Knowledge Systems, each nation, community, or organization may have a different preferred approach.

**EMBEDDING RECONCILIATION INTO CONSERVATION AND STEWARDSHIP IS AN ONGOING PROCESS AND SHOULD COME FROM A PLACE OF RESPECT, HUMILITY, AND A WILLINGNESS TO LEARN. THROUGH THOUGHTFUL AND MEANINGFUL COLLABORATION WE CAN AVOID PAST MISTAKES AND WORK TOWARDS OUR MUTUAL CONSERVATION GOALS.**

### BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS FOR COLLABORATION (PARTS 1 AND 2):

Provides high-level guidance and tools to help users **learn about the Indigenous community they would like to work with and resources to help integrate equity and reconciliation into collaborations**. Also includes information to help users understand and share capacity, plan meetings and engagement activities, and build and maintain trust and communication.



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TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE TOOLKIT AND OTHER RESOURCES ON THE CCLM, VISIT [CCLMPORTAL.CA](https://cclmportal.ca)

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