

Supporting Indigenous-Led Conservation in Boreal Manitoba

Boreal Manitoba is at the heart of the largest intact forest remaining on Earth, which is the homeland of Indigenous Peoples, habitat for an incredible array of biodiversity, and a global carbon storehouse. Nature United works in partnership with Indigenous communities, which have strong connections to their territories and are best positioned to lead protection, sustainable management and stewardship.

INITIATIVES

- Indigenous-led laws, policies, and plans, including land-use plans and protected areas
- On-the-ground stewardship initiatives such as Guardian programs
- Land-based programs for cultural revitalization, youth leadership and healing
- Revenue generation integrating culture and sustainable management



Vision

Healthy, resilient, and thriving boreal communities, lands, and waters

OUTCOMES

communities are leading decisionmaking on their

> Local people have policies and plans

> > Diversified local economies based on cultural values objectives

APPROACH

Provide communitydriven support by building respectful, long-term partnerships

Collaborate with academics, ENGOs, governments, and industries

Support regional initiatives that strengthen connections, learning and action

PRINCIPLES

Community-Driven

Understanding local needs to co-create workplans.

Relationship-Centered

Building trust and long-term partnerships, recognizing that lasting change takes time.

Respect

Valuing different approaches, recognizing diversity, and seeking common ground

Mutual Learning

Seeking opportunities to share, receive, and grow collectively.

Adaptability

Taking time to be flexible to community needs, constraints, and priorities.

Accountability

Open communication. transparency, and feedback, shifting our approach as needed.