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Energy, Infrastructure and Resource Management
Traditional Economies

Commercial Fisher Net Program

- All remaining commercial fishing nets were distributed in the 2025-26 fiscal year

- This initiative has benefited more than 200 Red River Métis commercial fishers with over **2,000 complimentary commercial nets**



Mapleleaf Mussel eDNA Sampling

- Conducted Environmental DNA (eDNA) monitoring for Mapleleaf Mussels across Manitoba
- Mapleleaf Mussels are listed as a **species at risk** in Manitoba
- Project delivered in partnership with the University of Manitoba
- Sampled **64 monitoring sites** in 2025





Lake Winnipeg Basin Riparian Restoration Project

- Identified Red River Métis Citizens with properties located along **Lake Winnipeg tributaries**
- Conducted environmental assessments to evaluate erosion
- Implemented **riparian restoration activities,** including native species planting and invasive species removal



Restoration Priorities

- Held 3 Citizen Consultation Meetings to identify areas of significance for potential **aquatic restoration initiatives**
- Secured additional funding to advance the initiative
- Partnering with Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) to conduct site assessments at previously mapped locations



Oceans Protection Plan

- Partnered with the Canadian Coast Guard on several initiatives supporting Marine Environmental Hazards Response (MEHR) in the Arctic
- Engaged Citizens through two Consultation Meetings in Churchill during 2025-2026
- Supported collaborative approaches to Arctic **marine environmental preparedness and response**

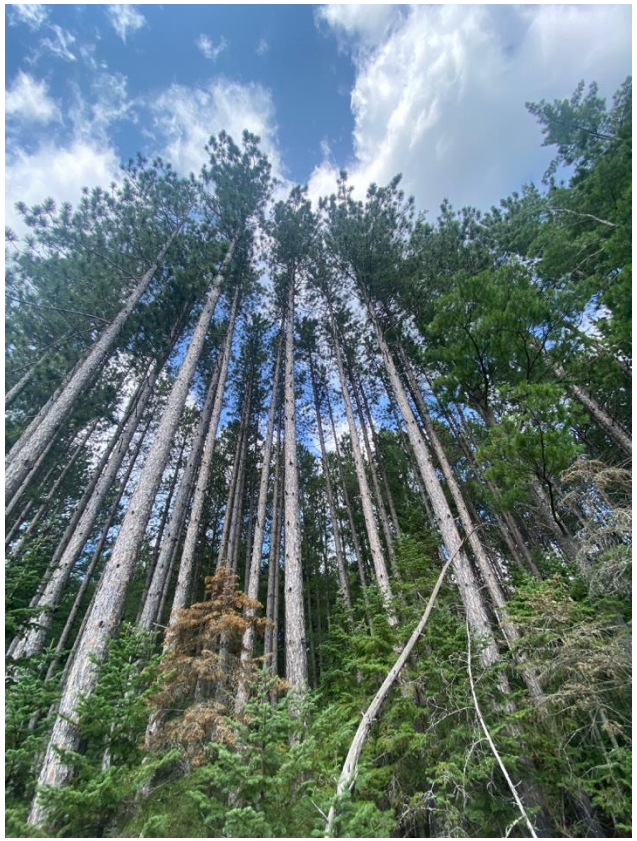


Indigenous and Local Communities Engagement and Partnership Program

- Partnered with Transport Canada on initiatives that advance marine safety and environmental protection
  - Participates in the **Arctic Regulatory Roundtable** to provide Red River Métis input on regulatory development
  - Helped develop a **Collaborative Governance Framework** to guide engagement with Red River Métis Citizens on marine safety and environmental protection

Forestry & Peatlands

- Engaged **Red River Métis timber harvesters** to identify priorities and concerns
- Advocated for meaningful consultation and engagement on forestry and peatland operations
- **Upcoming Consultation Meeting**:
  - Louisiana Pacific and Mountain Quota Holders Association 2026-2028 Forest Management Operating Plan



Trapping

- Rebuilding a **traditional Red River Métis commercial trapping industry** is a top MMF priority

- Program development is underway using excess funds from the Summerberry Trapping Settlement

- The program will support:
  - Red River Métis trappers who currently trap, or may wish to trap, in the Summerberry Marsh
  - Red River Métis Citizens interested in learning how to trap



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Thank you!