CONSERVATION COUNCIL OF NEW BRUNSWICK





MEET THE CONSERVATION COUNCIL TEAM!



LOIS' FIRST 10B IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT WAS AT THE CONSERVATION COUNCIL IN 1981 WHERE SHE WAS EMPLOYED AS A SUMMER STUDENT. LOIS RECENTLY RETURNED HOME TO N.B., AFTER 30 YEARS AWAY WORKING ON ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ELSEWHERE. TO JOIN OUR TEAM AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

LOIS CORBETT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DIRECTORS

JOHN BIRD DEBORAH CARR **JEAN-EUDES CHIASSON** STEPHANIE COBURN PATRICK COLFORD JOHN CROMPTON SUSAN EDDY IIM EMBERGER HANNAH GRANT FRANK JOHNSTON

DAVID MACDONALD TYLER McCREADY TERI MCMACKIN ROB MOIR' ROY RIES LIANE THIBODEAU PAULA TIPPETT **ALLAN VALLIS** JESSICA VIHVELIN

Nikole Watson

PROGRAM STAFF

CLIMATE CHANGE & ENERGY SOLUTIONS

LOUISE COMEAU AND AINSLEE MACMILLAN

FORESTRY TRACY GLYNN **ZACHARY BOURQUE**

BUY LOCAL

JIMY BELTRAN PASCALE OUELLETTE SCOTT BABIN

LEARNING OUTSIDE

NADINE IVES KARYN MACPHERSON

MARINE

MATTHEW ABBOTT OLIVIA DEYOUNG ISSAAC WEATHERHEAD

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT John Crompton VICE-PRESIDENT, ADMINISTRATION, Patrick Colford TREASURER Allan Vallis **SECRETARY** Susan Eddy **EXECUTIVE MEMBER-AT-LARGE** Stephanie Coburn, Frank Johnston **PAST PRESIDENT** Liane Thibodeau

COMMUNICATIONS

JON MACNEILL COREY ROBICHAUD SAMANTHA PHILLIPS MIKE GIRARD ANGELA BOSSE LEAH MEYER

OFFICE MANAGER

STEPHANIE PHILLIPS

FRESHWATER

KALEIGH HOLDER

INTERNS

STANISLAV HETALO MIKE ROSS





CLIMATE CHANGE & ENERGY SOLUTIONS

The Conservation Council's Climate Change and Energy Solutions program focused this year on conducting important research, making policy interventions, and engaging the public to help New Brunswickers better understand the challenges and opportunities of transitioning to a low-carbon economy.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONSERVATION COUNCIL'S CLIMATE ACTION WORK:

OUR STAFF INTERVENED ON SEVERAL CLIMATE POLICY DISCUSSIONS AT THE MUNICIPAL,
PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LEVELS THIS YEAR. HERE ARE JUST SOME EXAMPLES:

• We collaborated with other leading environmental organizations in Canada to release a country-wide report on climate action progress in September 2016, setting the context in advance of the meeting of the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment. The report found New Brunswick at the back of the pack on climate action, and, paired with the Conservation Council's provincial climate action plan, presented a pathway for the provincial government to tackle pollution and the impacts of climate change while growing a prosperous low-carbon economy in N.B.





Climate Change & Energy Solutions

- We lauded the release of the Final Report of the Select
 Committee on Climate Change in October 2016, saying the
 all-party document containing recommendations that
 aligned closely with our own climate action plan for N.B. —
 could set the stage for a sustainable New Brunswick.
 Conservation Council staff presented before the select
 committee and encouraged New Brunswickers and other
 interested organizations to make their voice heard at the
 committee.
- We welcomed the federal government's announcement that Canada's electricity systems be 90% emissions-free by 2030—meaning a phase-out of coal by that date. While pleased with the announcement, the Conservation Council urged the federal government to match global leaders such as the United Kingdom, which is phasing out coal from its electricity system by 2025.
- We called the provincial government's Climate Action
 Plan, released Dec. 2016, a credible plan containing
 commitments to Premier-led governance, target-driven
 policies, and sources of funding to support programs for
 low-income families, homeowners, and industry. The
 Conservation Council continues to work with government,
 industry and stakeholders to ensure the plan is
 implemented in full to create good jobs for tradespeople,
 grow renewable energy technologies, and make
 communities more safe and resilient in the face of climate
 change.





- The Conservation Council's Lois Corbett and Matt Abbott participated as intervenors in the National Energy Board's Energy East hearings in New Brunswick, which took place over four days in Saint John and Fredericton in August 2016. Our staff defended the interests of concerned landowners, farmers and New Brunswickers concerned about the pipeline's potential impacts on freshwater river systems, drinking water, the important marine ecosystem in the Bay of Fundy and the coastal communities and sustainable fisheries that depend upon it. When the NEB process broke down due to conflict of interest issues a month later, the Conservation Council called for the entire review process to start over upon the appointment of a new review panel.
- Following the January 2017 ice storm that left more than 130,000 New Brunswickers without power, the Conservation Council made a submission to the Executive Council's Ice Storm Review containing research and recommendations for improving New Brunswick's ability to adapt and respond to extreme storms linked to climate change. Throughout the year we actively researched the impacts of extreme weather on N.B. communities, preparing presentations, recommendations, and engaging hundreds of New Brunswickers to share their stories about how extreme weather has impacted them.
- Following the federal government's move to implement a price on carbon across the country by 2018, the Conservation Council conducted extensive research and released materials to help governments and New Brunswickers better understand how a price on carbon will help Canada meets its international climate change commitments and help New Brunswick in a fair transition to a low-carbon economy. We also held a series of webinars on climate change communications and carbon pricing to help our partners in environmental groups better communicate the opportunities of a low-carbon economy to their memberships.
- We applauded the recommendations contained in the New Brunswick Auditor General's report on climate action in N.B., released in June 2017. The Conservation Council echoed the Auditor General in calling for an aggressive timetable for implementing the 118 actions in the province's Climate Action Plan, including new legislation to set pollution targets into law.



MARINE CONSERVATION

The Conservation Council's Marine Program had another busy year addressing threats to New Brunswick's coastal waters and working with partners to help ensure our important and stunning marine ecosystems are able to withstand the changes associated with climate change. Our Fundy Baykeeper program kept the spotlight on the dynamic yet stressed Bay of Fundy and continued our on-the-water watchdog activities while organizing and participating in a number of popular shoreline cleanups.



A BIG WIN FOR THE BAY OF FUNDY

All who recognized and appreciated the beauty and importance of our Bay of Fundy celebrated the good news this fall that it was no longer at risk from the proposed Energy East Pipeline.

TransCanada, the company behind the pipeline, cancelled the project on Oct. 5, 2017.

From the beginning, our Marine Program and Fundy Baykeeper were on the frontlines of the effort to protect the Bay of Fundy from the serious threats the diluted bitumen pipeline posed to the Bay's already-stressed ecosystem. We worked to highlight the risks associated with a dramatic increase in tanker traffic for export and what it would mean for marine wildlife, our traditional fisheries, the ecotourism industry, and coastal communities.





We worked with the National Resources Defence Council and other partners to publish the influential report, Tarsands in the Atlantic Ocean, TransCanada's proposed Energy East Pipeline. We frequently engaged with Indigenous peoples, fishers, tourism operators, coastal communities, and the media to discuss the risks of the project and propose alternatives for the Bay.

We also worked to ensure that government regulators fairly assessed the risks of Energy East and other projects like it by contributing to the National Energy Board review process and providing commentary to government processes to modernize the regulation of large-scale energy projects

CELEBRATING, AND ADVOCATING FOR, OUR PRECIOUS MARINE RESOURCES

The Conservation Council has long advocated for effective protection of sensitive marine waters, and this year was no different. Along with many others, we celebrated the 10th anniversary of the Musquash Estuary being established as a Marine Protected Area (MPA). Our Marine Program started working toward this goal in collaboration with local fishers and residents in 1998, helping Musquash win the well-deserved MPA designation in 2006.



PROTECTING MARINE WATERS AND COASTAL COMMUNITIES FROM THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

As the federal government moves to protect more of our ocean and coastal communities, we continue to work with sustainable fisheries, tourism operators, environmental groups, and governments to ensure New Brunswick's important marine areas receive the protection they are due.

We believe effective protections can be established that respect and allow for sustainable fishing and tourism activities while preventing activities that will harm ecosystems facing increasing stress from climate change. Further to this work, this year we engaged Bay of Fundy fishers to share information about climate change impacts and discuss strategies for ensuring sustainable fishing in our changing Bay.



ENSURING POLLUTION PREVENTION IS ENSHRINED IN LAW



We continued our work advocating for a stronger regulatory environment that will ensure our ability to prevent and respond to pollution is always improving in our changing waters.

This included maintaining our long-time focus on pressuring government to effectively enforce environmental laws, with a particular focus on highlighting regulatory gaps with respect to open-pen salmon aquaculture and other industries. We also continued our work with national partners to influence the review of the Fisheries Act and other important pieces of environmental legislation.



PUSHING FOR CHANGE ALONG THE NORTHUMBERLAND STRAIT

When it was reported in 2016 that the water quality at Parlee Beach failed to meet Canadian health guidelines, we pushed the provincial government to address the issue and put protocols in place to ensure the health of people and the environment along the Northumberland Strait.

The Conservation Council also supported stakeholders and their efforts to safeguard coastal communities from further contamination. In April 2017, Environment Minister Serge Rousselle announced that Parlee Beach will now follow federal guidelines for monitoring and reporting water quality, a much-needed improvement for our province's most popular beach destination.

Our work, along with that of many other citizen groups, businesses and municipal stakeholders, spurred the provincial and federal governments to announce investments in infrastructure and development restrictions around Parlee Beach. We have publicly encouraged Minister Rousselle to not only focus on Parlee Beach, but the entire Northumberland Strait region as the pollution problems cannot be fully resolved without looking at the entire coastal ecosystem.

We will continue to work hard and advocate for stricter regulations that ensure the entirety of the Northumberland Strait is protected from contamination.

A STRONG TRADITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION IN OUR BAY OF FUNDY



Fundy Baykeeper, part of our marine program, was honoured with the prestigious T.B. 'Happy' Fraser Award from the Atlantic Salmon Federation. The award was given in recognition of the Fundy Baykeeper program's long-term commitment to wild Atlantic salmon conservation. Matt Abbott, Fundy Baykeeper since 2011, received the award in St. Andrews on May 17.

WATER QUALITY APP FOR N.B. BEACHES

This year, more than ever, we wanted to ensure that citizens could access basic information about water quality at popular N.B. beaches. We partnered with our Waterkeeper friends to bring the water quality app, Swim Guide, to New Brunswick beaches. Swim Guide is a free mobile app that lets you easily find beaches close to you that are safe for swimming.

We currently maintain the information for more than a dozen recreational swimming sites throughout New Brunswick. In June, the provincial Department of Health announced it was considering testing and reporting water quality at more provincial park beaches. The Conservation Council welcomed this news as we believe people need regular access to water quality information in order to protect our health and safety.





FRESHWATER PROTECTION

A COMPREHENSIVE WATER STRATEGY FOR NEW BRUNSWICK

In January, Department of Environment Minister Serge Rousselle formed a working group to provide recommendations to the government on watershed management. The group is comprised of 15 people — including our Executive Director, Lois Corbett — representing watershed groups, industry, First Nations, regional service commissions and departmental staff.

Our participation in this working group was a great opportunity to continue advocating for a comprehensive provincial water strategy like New Brunswickers expect and deserve — one that, among other things, is based in science, involves baseline data collection and monitoring, is tailored to each of the 14 primary watersheds and major rivers in N.B., and, most importantly, is enshrined in a new law.

GIVING OUR NB WATERS SOME LOVE

New Brunswick is rich in beautiful lakes, rivers and streams. Whether it's our 5,000 kilometres of ocean coast, our 60,000 kilometres of major rivers and lovely streams, or our 2,500 lakes, we know them all, love them all, and argue which part of our wet province is our favourite.

To celebrate World Water Day in March, the Conservation Council asked New Brunswickers to share their favourite stories about one of our many beautiful rivers, streams, lakes or bays. We received lots of great stories, in the form of letters, photos, and even songs, all of which showed how highly we value this beautiful, natural heritage. From traveling dirt roads along the Magaguadavic River to enjoying the salt air in Passamaquoddy Bay, we enjoyed sharing your stories in celebration of our love for New Brunswick water.



AVOIDING A MOUNT POLLEY DISASTER IN THE NASHWAAK WATERSHED

The Conservation Council, with support from Mining Watch Canada, the Indigenous Environmental Network and Western Mine Action Network, brought a delegation of people knowledgeable about mining and tailings disasters to New Brunswick during the Mining Ministers' conference in St. Andrews in August 2017.

The delegation included Jacinda Mack from Xat'sull First Nation, who was affected by the Mount Polley tailings spill in B.C., Ugo Lapointe, the Canada Program Coordinator for MiningWatch Canada, and Joan Kuyek, a specialist on the economics of mining. Our guests made important connections with indigenous community members, environmental groups and concerned residents in New Brunswick.

We also had a busy week of presentations and meetings outside the conference, hosting a standing-room only public event at St. Mary's First Nation Cultural Centre, meeting with the Wolastoqiyik grandmothers at their camp at the proposed Sisson mine site, presenting to government department officials responsible for the proposed Sisson mine file, meeting with staff of the Maliseet Nation Conservation Council, and meeting with staff working with the Maliseet Chiefs on the proposed Sisson mine.

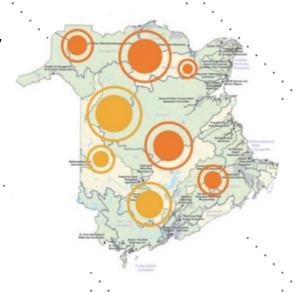
These events and meetings covered the lessons learned from the Mount Polley tailings breach the need for better mine waste regulations, the track record of the companies behind the proposed Sisson mine site, and the need to honour the Peace and Friendship treaties.



GLYPHOSATE AND DRINKING WATER DO NOT MIX

We analyzed the interactive map showing where herbicides would be sprayed on Crown land in 2017 to help New Brunswickers wrap their head around the large spray program.

Our work helped people across the province better understand the total volume of herbicide containing glyphosate slated to be sprayed in the public forest this summer and fall, and where the spraying hotspots are located.



We broke down the data to show the volume and location of herbicide spray sites within several municipalities' drinking water supply zones, including drinking water supplies for Moncton, Riverview and Dieppe, Saint John, Dalhousie, Edmundston, and Bathurst. We also broke down spray hot spots around popular N.B. cottage lakes, including Grand Lake, Washademoak Lake, Nashwaak Lake, Lake George, Yoho Lake, Pokiok Lake, Kilburn Lake, Harvey Lake, Lac Unique, and Baker Lake.

The viewer-friendly graphics we produced from this work were circulated widely on social media, with more than 180 shares on Facebook and reaching more than 100,000 New Brunswickers online.

See our Forest Conservation section for more on our work this past year to end the spraying of herbicide on Crown land.

ANNUAL REPORT 2017



HEALTHY WATER, HEALTHY PEOPLE

With the support of the Environmental Trust Fund, the Conservation Council surveyed New Brunswickers on their concerns and attitudes about fresh water and preparedness for extreme weather events.

The 500-person survey was conducted in 2016 for the Conservation Council by Corporate Research Associates and was developed based on a national survey by the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC). When we asked New Brunswickers to tell us what they love about their favourite lake, river or stream, the most cited word was "clean" followed by "beauty."



When asked to tell us what worries them about their favourite lake, river or stream, New Brunswickers most cited word was "pollution" and other associated words like "contamination."

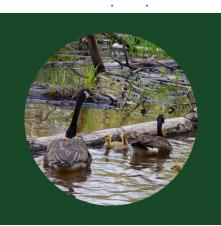
The survey also found that 70 per cent of New Brunswickers strongly believe governments are mismanaging fresh water. Furthermore, New Brunswick residents experience boil water orders at a far higher rate than the national average with 44 per cent of survey respondents saying they have experienced a boil water order, compared to national results of 24 per cent in the RBC survey.

We believe that the survey results show the need for government leadership both on cleaning up and preventing pollution from being released into our precious waterways, and on investing in infrastructure and preparedness to protect citizens and communities from the risks of extreme weather resulting from climate change.



FOREST CONSERVATION

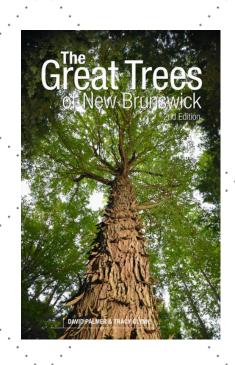
Hunting for New Brunswick's great trees, inspiring more love for our woods and wildlife, and encouraging the government to implement stronger rules to better protect our forest. It has been a busy year for the Conservation Council's forest conservation program.



GREAT TREES OF NEW BRUNSWICK

New Brunswickers sure love their iconic trees. We received more than 200 nominations during our hunt or the province's next great trees for the second edition of the book, The Great Trees of New Brunswick.

The Conservation Council is working with David Palmer, a forester and writer, and Geoffrey Ritchie, an arborist, to determine which trees are worthy of entry into what will be a colourful, insightful and useful book for anyone wanting to get to know New Brunswick's native trees.



Expect the book, published by Fredericton's Goose Lane Editions, on store shelves in the fall of 2018. In keeping with our goal of inspiring deeper appreciation for our trees and the important role they play in our environment, we hosted a popular talk with Dr. Matthew Betts on the diversity of life found in our forests.



5 Days for the Forest

Hundreds of New Brunswickers showed their love for our forest in its fall glory by attending events throughout our second annual 5 Days for the Forest festival in September.

Nearly 100 people, from toddlers to retirees and everyone in between, englished a delightful walk through Odell Park with revered naturalist Dr. Jim Goltz. A good crowd got a sneak peek of New Brunswick's next great trees in a slideshow and discussion led by Geoffrey Ritchie and David Palmer at the University of New Brunswick's Forestry Building. A group of some 60 children and their parents, including a local scout troop, had fun getting to know our native trees through activities with our Learning Outside Coordinator Nadine lves.

The event also included performances from Fredericton's favourite youth theatre group, the Calithumpians. Back by popular demand, TREEvia night was exceptionally fun, educational, and competitive! Local musician and storyteller Brent Mason entertained an audience that included Minister of Environment Serge Rousselle at OMISTA's Chews & Brews at the Crowne Plaza.

The festival wrapped up with some much-welcome hilarity and inspiration at the film screening of "Surviving the Fundy Footpath" with trailblazer Alonzo Leger of The Fundy Trail Hiking Association. Watch for 5 Days for the Forest in your community in 2018!

ANNUAL REPORT 2017



FOREST REPORT CARD

The Conservation Council released a forest report card in summer 2017 that assessed different public priorities for forest management.

We surveyed various knowledge holders (forest scientists, naturalists, woods workers, First Nations organizations, etc.) and asked them to rank the status of Crown forest management on a number of criteria, including public participation, transparency and monitoring, watershed protection, climate change, old forest conservation, wildlife conservation, action on threatened species, protected natural areas, silviculture, diversity of products, revenue and treaties and Aboriginal rights.

The responses revealed that these public priorities are inadequately reflected in the current approach to Crown forest management in New Brunswick, and in many cases are getting worse.

The report card makes a strong case for a modernized Crown Lands and Forest Act that ensures the public priorities for forest management are met.

We also wrote and distributed articles on Dr. Marc-André Villard's call for greater protection of forest biodiversity and Dr. Julia Linke's study on harmful harvesting practices in the Miramichi watershed.





BUILDING MOMENTUM TO STOP THE SPRAYING OF OUR FOREST

The Conservation Council worked with Stop Spraying NB and other organizations across the province to stop the spraying of our forest with herbicides, namely glyphosate. We showed New Brunswickers which areas of the province were slated for the most spraying during the 2017 herbicide season, including near popular NB lakes and waterways and within municipal drinking water supply areas.

Our research, maps and graphics about the 2017 herbicide spray program spread far and wide on social media, being shared more than 1,150 times over Facebook within a period of two weeks and reaching more than 165,000 people online.

We made it easy for New Brunswickers to write their MLA to ask for the spraying to stop on Crown land, resulting in more than 1,500 letters sent to MLAs in less than 15 days.

The petition we drafted in 2015 calling for an end to spraying on Crown land has collected more than 30,000 signatures to date, with more New Brunswickers adding their name to the petition each week.



This past year has been a yummy one for BuyLocalNB™. Launched in 2009 with the goal of offering a sensible solution toward the improvement of human and environmental health and strengthening local economies across the province, BuyLocalNB™ has become one of our most popular and successful projects, with more than 450 businesses listed in our directory and a passionate following of more than 9,000 people on social media.



The Conservation Council of New Brunswick, along with the National Farmers Union and the Agricultural Alliance of New Brunswick, was happy to collaborate with government departments and stakeholders in the development of the first-ever Local Food and Beverages Strategy in New Brunswick.

Introduced in 2016, the strategy is aims to improve consumer awareness of local food and beverages and to provide support for new or expanding food and beverage enterprises.

A large part of our BuyLocalNB™ program is getting out to community events, farmers markets, and open houses to showcase the project and the important role that buying locally plays in strengthening our local economies and reducing the environmental impact of the foods and drinks we consume. We especially love when people stop by our booths looking for a coveted "BuyLocalNB™" sticker!



OTHER HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YEAR INCLUDE:

- Encouraging farmers to comment on agricultural priorities with the expiry of Canada's Growing Forward 2 agricultural policy in 2018; and encouraging New Brunswickers to comment on the federal government's A Food Policy for Canada, a national policy to address food-related issues in Canada;
- Devoting a holiday edition of our EcoAlert Magazine to buying local, highlighting the exciting things growers, producers and retailers are working on; and
- Once again holding our Southeast Chapter's 100 Mile Dinner, treating New Brunswickers to a delicious, locally-sourced meal while showcasing some of the producers listed in our BuyLocalNB™ Directory.



We are continuously updating our BuyLocalNB™ website, www.BuyLocalNB.ca, to bring you the most up-to-date list of growers, producers and retailers in our user-friendly database, allowing New Brunswickers to find local food, products, crafts, local retailers and farm experiences near them.



We know there are many more farms and local entrepreneurs out there that have yet to join our directory. We hope that you will help spread the word and share the opportunity for farmers, value-added food entrepreneurs, farmers markets, local grocers, craftspeople, and restaurants to be a part of this movement to strengthen our communities' economies while helping New Brunswickers find tasty, locally grown meat, fruit and vegetables to fill their tables all year long.

OUR BUYLOCALNB™ PROJECT ENCOURAGES NEW BRUNSWICKERS TO SHOP LOCAL! BUYING LOCAL:

- Supports the provincial economy and the family farm;
- Keeps NB money in NB communities by circulating our food dollars locally;
- Protects the environment by decreasing greenhouse gas emissions from transportation;
- Strengthens our communities by letting New Brunswickers get to know their local farmers and learn about where their food comes from; and
- Proactively increases our public health by providing better access to healthy nutritious food





LEARNING OUTSIDE

Our Learning Outside project continues to provide students, teachers, families and community members with opportunities to explore and learn about the natural world right here in our backyards, neighbourhoods and school grounds. We engaged more than 250 teachers and 330 students in learning outside in nature this year!



The main focus of this project is to encourage teachers to take their students outdoors for curriculum-linked activities that also include learning in and about nature. Children love being outside, exploring nature and sharing what they learn – and we saw ample evidence of that in 2016!

Throughout the school year, we led classes at Lincoln Elementary Community School on outdoor excursions linking seasonal happenings in nature to curriculum subject areas. We explored animal and plant adaptations, watched for birds at the school birdfeeders, and made pop-bottle bird feeders with four classes, providing seed and information for the students to take home with the feeders.

We also led a four-session series of activities with two smaller groups of students focusing on animal adaptations to winter, animal tracks and signs, recording weather conditions, measuring snow depth and examining the snow profile characteristics, having a close-up look at snowflakes, and recording observations in journals.

We also hosted six popular workshops for families and community members at Conserver House (180 St. John St. in Fredericton). Topics included creating pollinator-friendly gardens, learning about milkweeds and monarchs, and backyard birds and birdfeeders. Each workshop included a hands-on activity for all ages, a presentation, and resources to take home. We hope to continue offering similar activities in the coming year.

ANNUAL REPORT 2017

- In conjunction with these school and community activities, we produced a number of colouring pages featuring New Brunswick habitats (forest, wetland, ocean, and seashore), pollinator gardens, and animal tracks. All include a key to the native plants and animals they portray. These beautiful colouring pages are available for download on our Learning Outside website (www.learningoutside.ca).
- As a core member of the Sustainable Education Alliance of New Brunswick's
 Great Minds Think Outside program, in 2016 we delivered fun, active, hands-on
 professional learning sessions to teachers at five schools (and another four in
 the first month of the 2017-18 academic year!).

These sessions show teachers how they can adapt simple outside activities on their own school grounds to meet their curriculum outcomes in all subject areas. We had a full-day outdoor workshop for teachers and other educators at Mactaquac Provincial Park in August 2016.

In addition to these sessions for teachers, we spent three chilly, but invigorating, mornings outside at Nackawic Elementary in late January leading every class in the school in outdoor learning activities.

 Learning Outside also facilitated Great Minds Think Outside sessions at two science workshops for teachers held at the University of New Brunswick's Quartermain Earth Science Centre and for participants of the UNB Atlantic Science Conference. In addition, we have been developing a Teacher's Guide to complement the professional learning sessions.



Thank you to our generous funders!

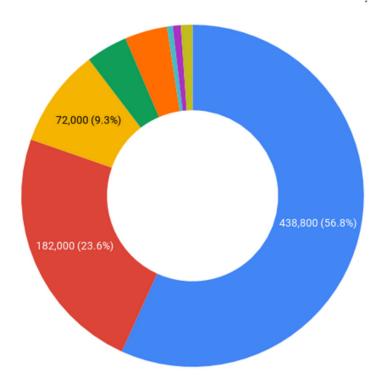
- Province of New Brunswick- Environmental Trust Fund, and Department of Agriculture
- Fredericton Community Foundation
- Canadian environmental Law Foundation
- Echo foundation
- Nb Wildlife trust fund
- CPAWS
- · Ecology Action Centre
- TD FEF
- Gosling Foundation
- Tides Canada
- Intact Foundation
- DFO
- MEC (Mountain equipment co-op)
- Fundy North Fishermans association
- Pembina Institute
- Sitka Foundation
- Greater fredericton Social Innovation fund





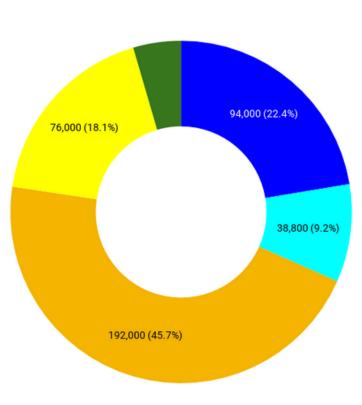
Income Received between 2016-17

- \$438,800 Programs/Projects
- \$182,000 Donations
- \$72,000 Wage subsidies
- \$30,400 Investments
- \$31,000 Project Admin
- \$4,200 Memberships
- \$5,800 Events
- \$8,500 Sales
- \$772,700 TOTAL



Income by Programs & Projects

- \$94,000 Marine
- \$38,800 Freshwater
- \$192,000 Energy/Climate
- 76,000 Learning Outside/ Biodiversity
- \$19,000 Forest
- \$438,800 TOTAL



Expenses Incurred between 2016-17

- \$62,800 Fundraising/Member Services
- \$64,100 Administration
- \$95,00 Conserver House
- \$189,000 Core Wages
- \$447,600 Programs/Projects
- \$773,000 TOTAL

