# Look North Forestry Strategic Plan





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# **Background**

- Process began with stakeholder engagement
- Engagement process included Large Scale Forestry, Small Scale Forestry, Government and Industry Associations, Non-Timber Forest Products and Trapping, Lodges and Outfitters, and Interested Northerners
- Their input was summarized into Challenges, Opportunities and Concerns
- The finding were then used to develop the Look North Forestry Strategic Plan

# Look North Forestry Strategic Plan - 2020-2021

Vision - "Growing Northern Manitoba"

Mission - "Through leadership in community building, creating connections and business development we unleash the economic power of Northern Manitoba."





#### **Strategic Direction**

The strategic plan will include 6 strategic goals and 9 objectives. The plan will include key actions for each objective used as a measure of performance for the executive and staff. This plan was developed based on the study done by W. Henderson Consulting and the finding presented in the Resource Stakeholder Engagement Report.



# CEDF 2020/21 STRATEGIC PLAN

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#### Strategic Goal

#1 - Enhance the Large Scale Forestry Operations

Strategic Goal #2 - Enhance the Small Scale Forestry Program

#### Strategic Goal

#3 - Enhance the Value-Added Forestry Sector

#### Strategic Goal

#4 - Enhance the
Bio Fuel Resource in
Northern
Communities

#### Strategic Goal

#5 - Enhance the Non -Timber Forest Products Program

# Objective 1: promote the Large Scale Forestry Operations in the Look North Region

- meet with local/ provincial government to establish the potential operating area available for new business
- Research viability of large scale forestry operation
- Research the Trembling Aspen Market (large unallocated species)
- create a promotional campaign for the "Open for Business" slogan

Objective 1: Promote the small, community-based sawmill operations

- Create a promotional package that can be delivered in the Northern communities.
- Create a training package that can be delivered to the communities.
- Create a funding program for the sawmill purchase and operating
- Engage local business in Thompson to market the northern products
- Product assessment and suitability study

Objective 2: To enhance the local skills to support the forestry operations

- Create a training package that supports the local sawmill operations including tree identification, block layout, road location etc
- Create a training program for harvesting operations
- Create a training program for reforestation (tree planting, surveys, brushing)

Objective 1: Enhance the By Product from Sawmill Operations

- Research pellets, siding, fuelwood markets (community sales)
- Create a training program to run the by product business
- Engage local government to secure land tenure for business operations
- Product assessment and suitability study

Objective 1: To create a Bio Fuel program for Northern Manitoba

- Research the existing Bio Fuel Projects (costs, resources needed, successes)
- Engage the Northern Communities in the Bio Fuel options
- Research funding options
- Product assessment and suitability study

Objective 1: Promote local NTFP businesses in the Look North Region

- Create a marketing campaign for the NTFP businesses
- Create market place for local businesses to sell products

Objective 2: Grow the NTFP business opportunities

- Research new opportunities (what are other regions doing)
- Create an easily accessible funding program for business
- Create a training program for starting a new business.
- Engage the local government in the NTFP opportunities
- Create a package that provides businesses with government contacts, forms, and process information when applying for permits
- Product assessment and suitability study

Strategic Goal

#6 - Enhance the Communication with Resource Users and Government

Objective 1: To enhance the relationship between resource users and local government

- Create a directory of of local/ provincial government resources
- Engage the local government in the Look North Strategic Plan
- Create a map of existing forest users and land title holders.
- Research new funding opportunities for the North
- Investigate resource revenue sharing options

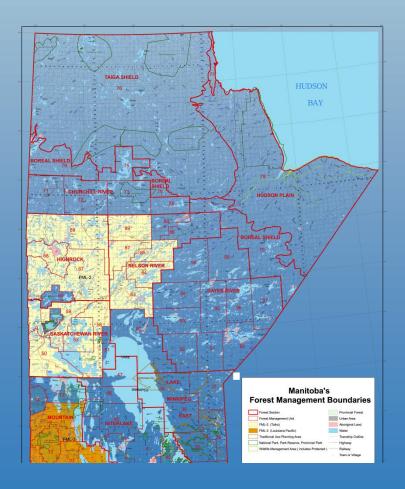
Objective 2: To enhance the relationship with Indigenous communities

- Engage the communities in the Look North Strategic Plan
- Create workshops to promote the small scale forestry program, NTFP
- Engage the Indigenous communities on significant cultural activities that can be incorporated into the NTFP program

## Strategic Goal #1 - Enhance the Large Scale Forestry Operations

Objective 1: promote the Large Scale Forestry Operations in the Look North Region

- meet with local/provincial government to establish the potential operating area available for new business
- Research viability of large scale forestry operation
- Research the Trembling Aspen Market (large unallocated species)
- Create a promotional campaign for the "Open for Business" slogan.













#### Goal #2 - Enhance the Small Scale Forestry Program

Objective 1: Promote the small, community-based sawmill operations

- Create a promotional package that can be delivered in the Northern communities, consisting of set up, purchase costs, operating costs and labour requirements.
  - Create a training package that can be delivered to the communities, including setup, milling, and marketing.
  - Create a funding program for the sawmill purchase and operating
  - Engage local business in Thompson to market the northern products
  - Product assessment and suitability study









## Goal #2 - Enhance the Small Scale Forestry Program

Objective 2: To enhance the local skills to support the forestry operations

- Create a training package that supports the local sawmill operations including tree identification, block layout, road location, and harvesting techniques.
  - Create a training program for harvesting (Cut and Skid operations).
  - Create a training program for reforestation (tree planting, surveys, brushing)



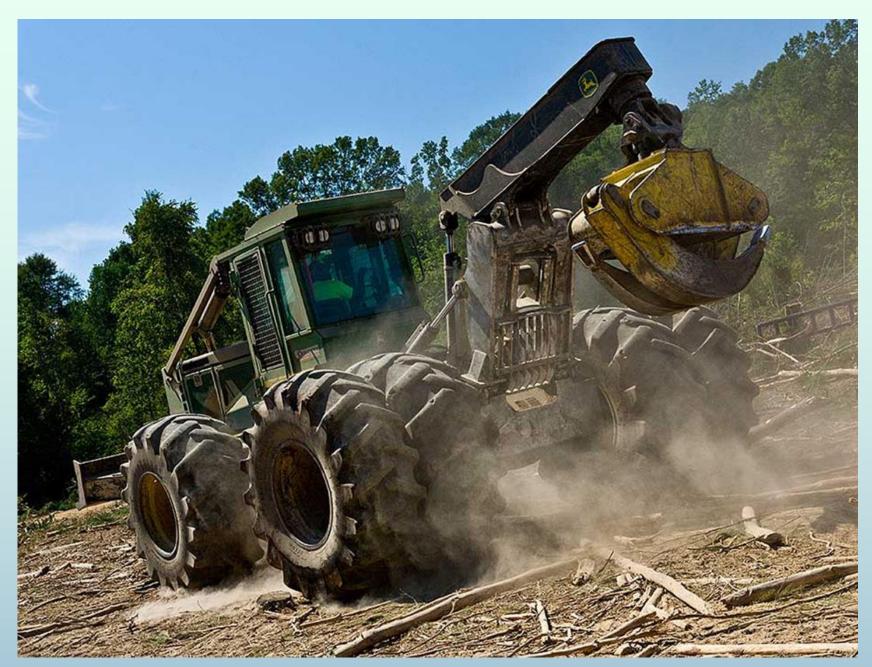














## Strategic Goal #3 - Enhance the Value-Added Forestry Sector

#### Objective 1: Enhance the By Product from Sawmill Operations

- Research pellets, siding, fuelwood markets (community sales), shavings
- Create a training program to run the by product business
- Engage local government to secure land tenure for business operations
- Product assessment and suitability study









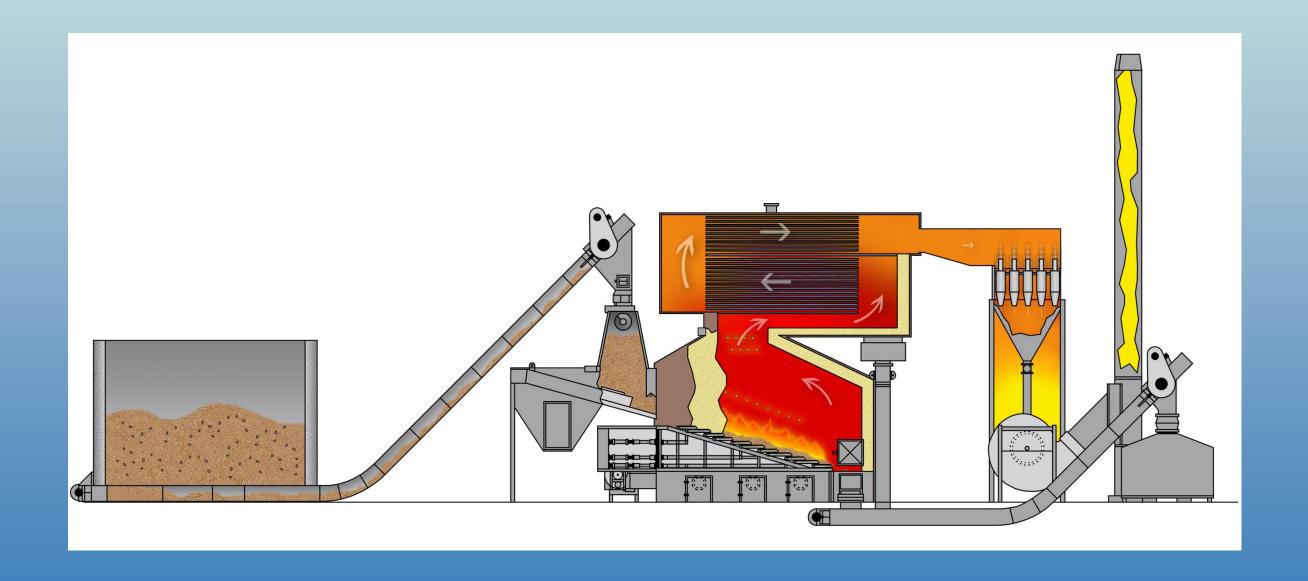


## Strategic Goal #4 - Enhance the Bio Fuel Resource in Northern Communities

#### Objective 1: To create a Bio Fuel program for Northern Manitoba

- Research the existing Bio Fuel Projects (costs, resources needed, successes)
- Engage the Northern Communities in the Bio Fuel options
- Research funding options
- Product assessment and suitability study









## Strategic Goal #5 - Enhance the Non -Timber Forest Products Program

Objective 1: Promote local NTFP businesses in the Look North Region

- Create a marketing campaign for the NTFP businesses
- Create market place for local businesses to sell products

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Birch Furniture



**Christmas Decorations** 



Pine Furniture



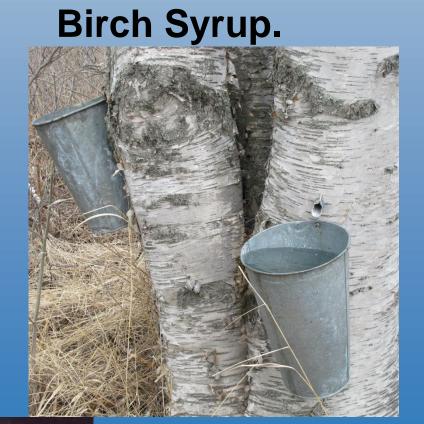




# Strategic Goal #5 - Enhance the Non -Timber Forest Products Program

#### Objective 2: Grow the NTFP business opportunities

- Research new opportunities (what are other regions doing)
- Create an easily accessible funding program for business
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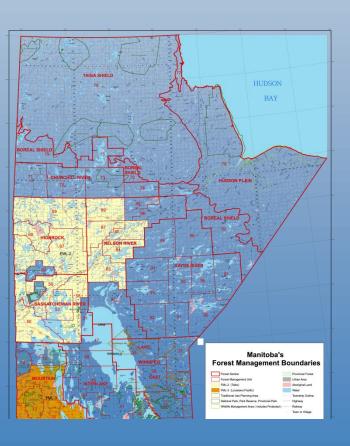


## Strategic Goal #6 - Enhance the Communication with Resource Users and Government

Objective 1: To enhance the relationship between resource users and local government

- Create a directory of local/provincial government resources
- Engage the local government in the Look North Strategic Plan
- Create a map of existing forest users and land title holders, (what's available for new business opportunities)
- Research new funding opportunities for the North (Federal and Provincial grants)
- Investigate resource revenue sharing options







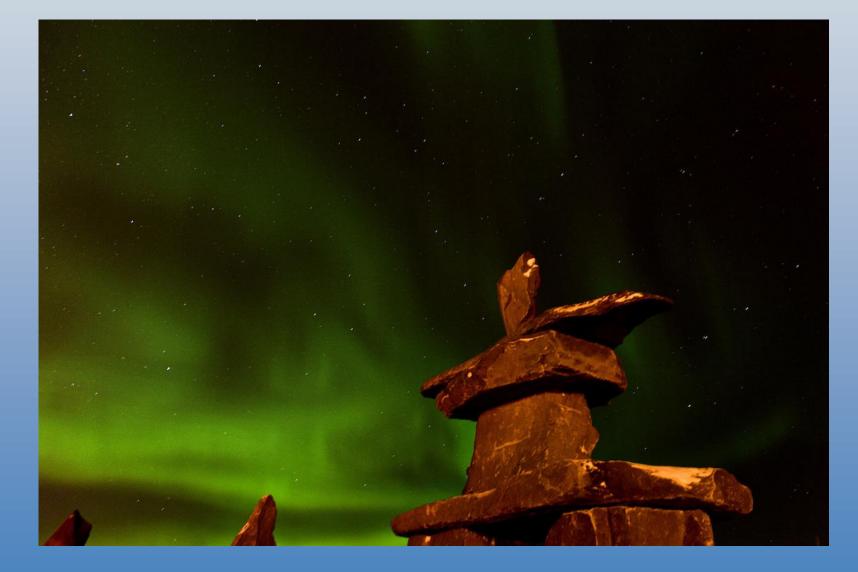


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Objective 2: To enhance the relationship with Indigenous communities

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# Questions

