

New Brunswick's Nature Legacy

TOP 10 FAQ

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What is Canada's Target 1?

"By 2020, at least 17% of terrestrial areas and inland water, and 10% of marine and coastal areas of Canada are conserved through networks of protected areas and other effective measures."

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Why is the province participating in this initiative?

The Province recognizes that effective conservation is necessary for responsible natural resource management. This project aligns with provincial objectives for conservation – and complements current land management strategies.

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What is New Brunswick's Target?

New Brunswick's Target for land conservation under this project is 10% . This represents doubling of the area currently protected in New Brunswick and will be the largest amount of land protected at one time in the history of this province.

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When should New Brunswickers expect to see new sites established?

We expect to begin establishing new sites as early as spring 2021 and expect to continue through to March 31, 2023.

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What land is eligible for this protection ?

The main focus will be large scale land and freshwater on Crown land. For private land to be considered, it must connect to existing protected or conserved areas, be part of a larger land use plan, or be part of an agreement with willing landowners.

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What are some of the things we are trying to protect or conserve?

Areas will have a specific biodiversity focus such as: old forests, and unique ecosystem types. We are exploring areas which may adapt to or protect from climate change, sites with cultural significance and that connect people with nature.

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Is GNB working with Indigenous Organizations or Communities ?

Yes, GNB is ensuring the constitutional rights of NB's Indigenous peoples are upheld and that Indigenous Nations are consulted on the management of each site.

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How do New Brunswickers nominate land for protection?

GNB will consider sites nominated by interested members of the public between up until January 31, 2021. A proposal form and guidelines are available on the NB Nature Legacy website for public nominations.

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What are New Brunswickers permitted to do on these new protected areas?

The new protected areas will provide opportunities for people to connect with nature and enjoy various recreational activities, while not compromising long term biodiversity conservation, and providing sustainable and habitat for wildlife.

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How do I find more information and stay updated on new conservation sites?

Information on new sites and the conservation initiative is currently available through the GNB website and hosted on the New Brunswick Nature Legacy website. Keep an eye on GNB social media pages!

