# THE HUDSON BAY CONSORNBAY Roundtable 2024



The Hudson Bay Consortium is a collaborative effort among communities, rights holders, Indigenous organizations and all levels of government to work together towards a shared vision for the region





Hudson Bay Consortium Vision: Encouraging and facilitating crossjurisdictional and cross-cultural communication, cooperation and collaboration in the pursuit of knowledge and the means to protect, improve and steward the greater Hudson Bay/James Bay ecosystem for the primary benefit of the people, flora and fauna that live there









### The Consortium has established 5 Strategic Goals:

- 1. Create a space for people to come together for the stewardship of Hudson Bay and James Bay
- 2. Ensure that communities and their knowledge play a meaningful role in the long term stewardship of Hudson Bay and James Bay
- 3. Bring attention to community priorities and work being done to address them
- 4. Improve communication between regions
- 5. Encourage collaboration and relationship building



### 1. Create a space to come together for the stewardship of Hudson Bay and James Bay

- a. Host in-person meetings, roundtables and summits with formats and agendas which maximize active participation
- b. Increase capacity of the Consortium and ensure it is sustainable in the long term
- c. Utilize Working Groups to advance work on specific areas of focus
- d. Aim for equal access to meetings for eastern and western communities
- e. Respect the jurisdiction and mandates of our membership while identifying gaps and needs to address
- f. Recognize benefits of networking, ensure sufficient meeting breaks and social events



2. Ensure communities and their knowledge play a meaningful role in long-term stewardship of Hudson Bay and James Bay

- a. Make a space for sharing knowledge and enabling knowledge transfer between generations and regions
- b. Encourage youth to be involved, create space for youth not just at meetings but in Consortium work in a sustained way
- c. Promote building capacity at the community level
- d. Create opportunities for community leaders to connect, discuss strategies and foster mentorship opportunities
- e. Bring data from Voices from the Bay back to communities and explore initiating a Voices from the Bay II before knowledge is lost
- f. Improve recognition of expert environmental knowledge from Elders and land users



# 3. Bring attention to community priorities and work being done to address them

- a. Improve state of knowledge on the ecosystem, access to information and data
- b. Bring experts together to discuss strategies and solutions
- c. Communicate community priorities and experiences to those with aligned interests
- d. Celebrate work being done, showcase innovative approaches, and attract more support
- e. Build recognition of potential cumulative effects around Hudson Bay and James Bay to inform future decision-making
- f. Improve access to funding, tools and other resources



#### 4. Improve communication between regions

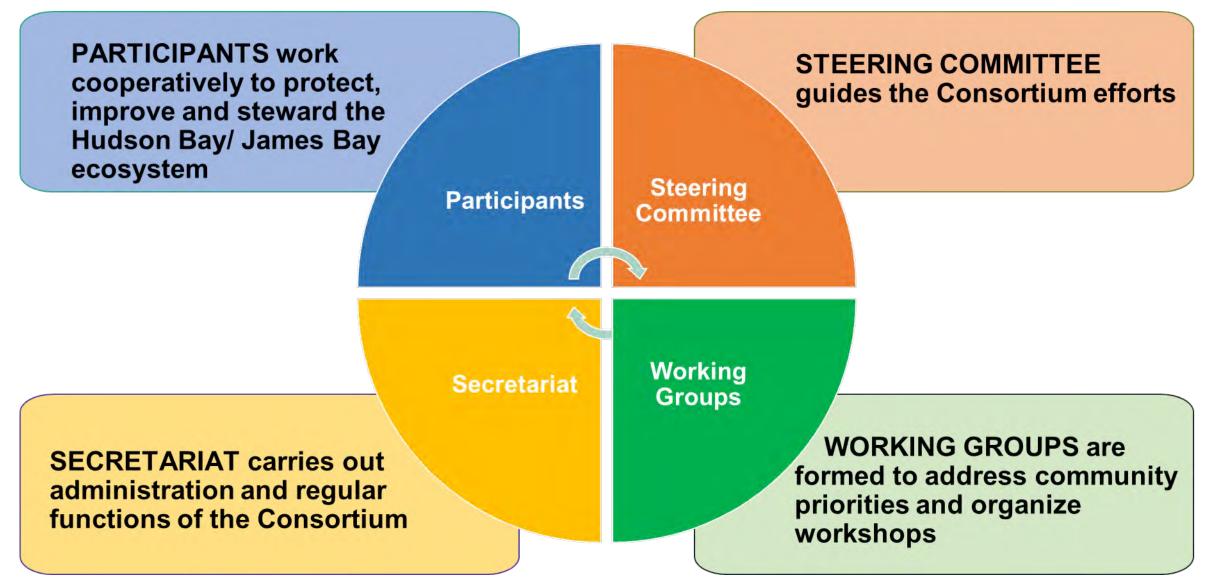
- a. Share information and messages regularly through appropriate channels
- b. Distribute follow up communications following Summit and other events
- c. Share information and updates on projects underway or planned
- d. Create directories to clarify roles and responsibilities and build connections
- e. Promote translation, interpretation, use of Indigenous place names and terminology



### 5. Encourage collaboration and relationship building

- a. Identify areas of common interest, shared priorities
- b. Emphasize the connectivity of Hudson Bay and James Bay as a single ecosystem
- c. Highlight the role of land claims and treaties so all participants are aware
- d. Share lessons learned, challenges and strategies, and promote shared protocols
- e. Provide space for government to come to the table
- f. Celebrate successful partnerships and outcomes







## WORKING GROUPS

Working Groups are formed to address community priorities and organize workshops:

- Coastal Restoration (completed)
- Communications
- Community-Driven Research and Monitoring
- Indigenous Stewardship and Protected Areas
- Emergency Response (planned)
- Community Fisheries (planned)





- Presentations shared through the Roundtable will be made available to all participants
- Report to be produced by the Consortium summarizing what was discussed and planned next steps
- New Working Group to be formed by the Consortium
- Action Plan to be developed by the Working Group
- Reporting back through future Consortium events
  - 2025 Roundtable & 2026 Summit

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