

“Our Heritage River – The River of Our People”

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‘Our Heritage River’

- The Bloodvein River carries and holds the history, culture and heritage of Bloodvein River First Nation. The Bloodvein River brought our community trade, sustenance and news.
- The River and Lake Winnipeg were our connection to the world
- The River is our highway, our Mother that feeds us, our source of vision.
- Here today we are going back to our heritage and forward to our future.

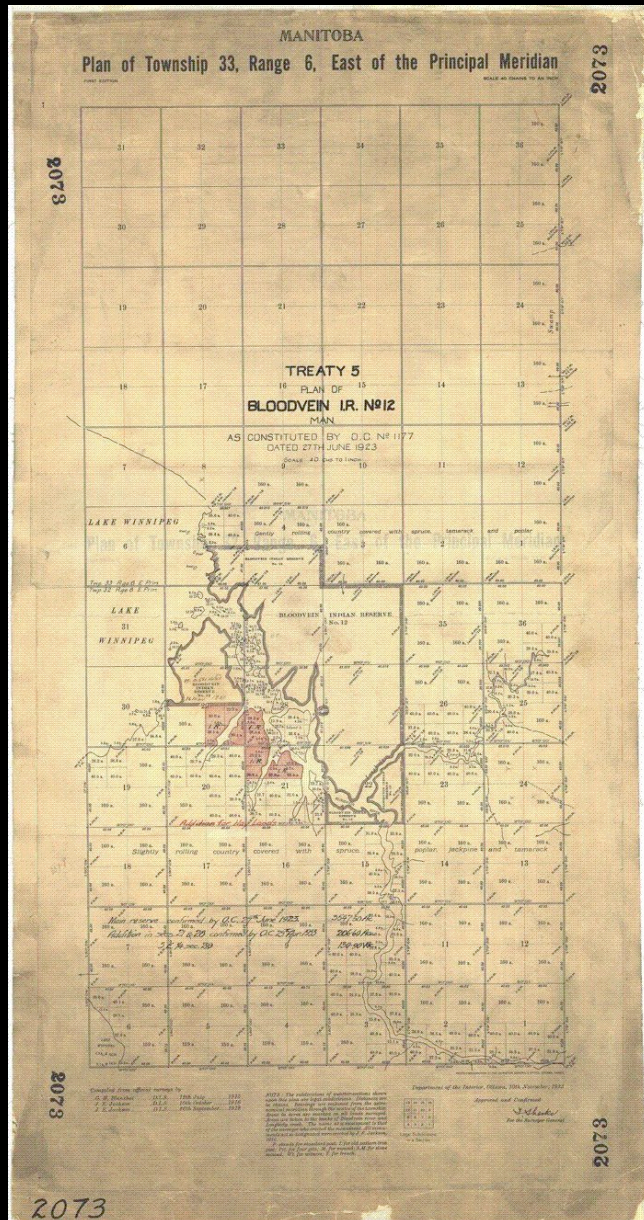
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‘Our Heritage River’

- The Bloodvein River flows from the east, through our traditional lands, through an Ontario and a Manitoba Park, and onto our community to Lake Winnipeg.
- Legend tells us the Blood River was first named for an ancient tribal battle, and Bloodvein River was named for the red and pink veins in the rock along the river – to remind us of fallen warriors.





- Canada Land Survey Archives (#2073)
- Treaty 5
- Plan of Bloodvein I.R. N° 12 Man.
- Order in Council N° 1177
- Dated 27th June 1923
- Department of Interior, Ottawa, 10th November 1923, For the Surveyor General
- Compiled from official surveys, 1915, 1916, 1918

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Bloodvein First
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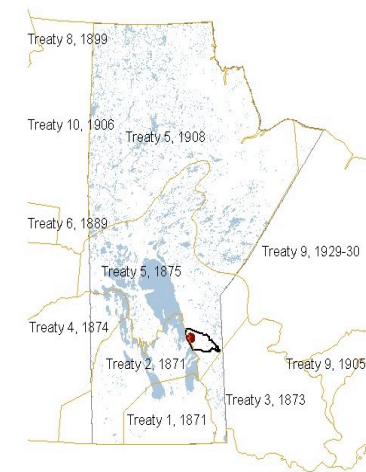
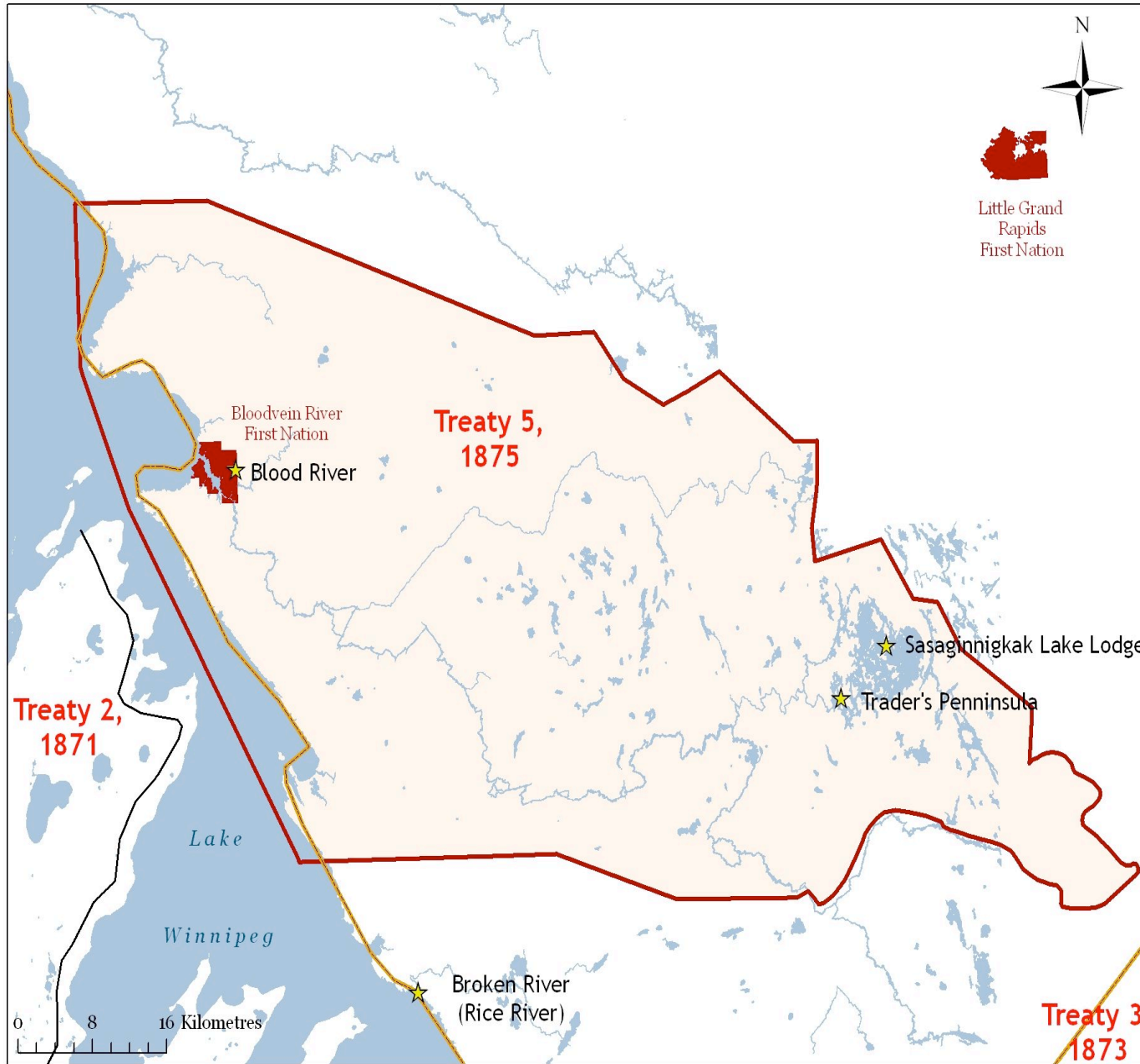
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‘Our River’s Economy’

- Economy then – fishery, fur trade, travel, news, rice, access to lakes, summer and winter highway
- Economy now – tourism, travel, access to our territory, tours / lodges / outfitters
- Economy for future – fishing, tourism, science, aboriginal tourism, lodges, camps



Bloodvein River First Nation- Trading Posts



- First Nation Reserve Lands
- Roads
- Treaty Boundary
- Trading Post Locations

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Data Sources

- Manitoba Land Initiative
- Bloodvein First Nations Land Use Study

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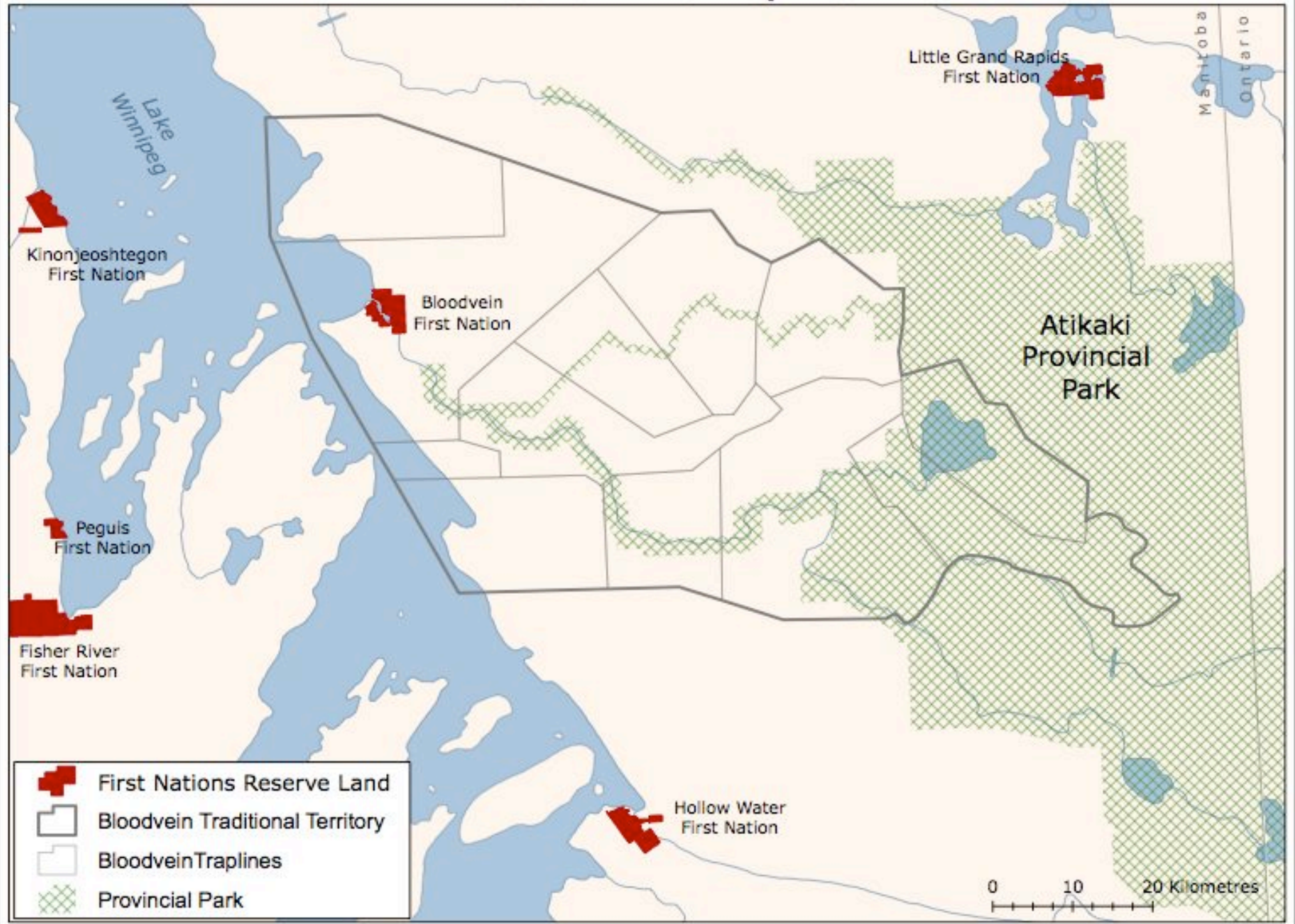


'A Heritage River and a Park'

- Atikaki Wilderness Park and the Bloodvein Heritage River established 1986, 1987
- Bloodvein River First Nation involvement minimal, no meaningful consultations
- So we found ourselves with a Wilderness Park and a Heritage River in our traditional territory



Bloodvein River Traplines



‘Values of the River’

“WHEREAS the Bloodvein River displays human heritage features in the form of nationally significant petrographs and outstanding recreational values in the challenging canoeing experiences and scenic qualities which enhance the corridor's wild river character ...”

Source - pp. 3 CHRS Nomination 1986



‘Values of the Park’

“To continue to manage the Bloodvein River as a nationally significant river, to sustain and enhance its natural and human heritage values and recreational opportunities.”

“Traditional uses include spiritual, ceremonial, social and recreational activities, as well as hunting, fishing, trapping, berry picking and wild rice harvesting.”

Source - Atikaki Provincial Park and Bloodvein Canadian Heritage River
Draft management Plan Manitoba Conservation September 2001

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‘Values of the River’

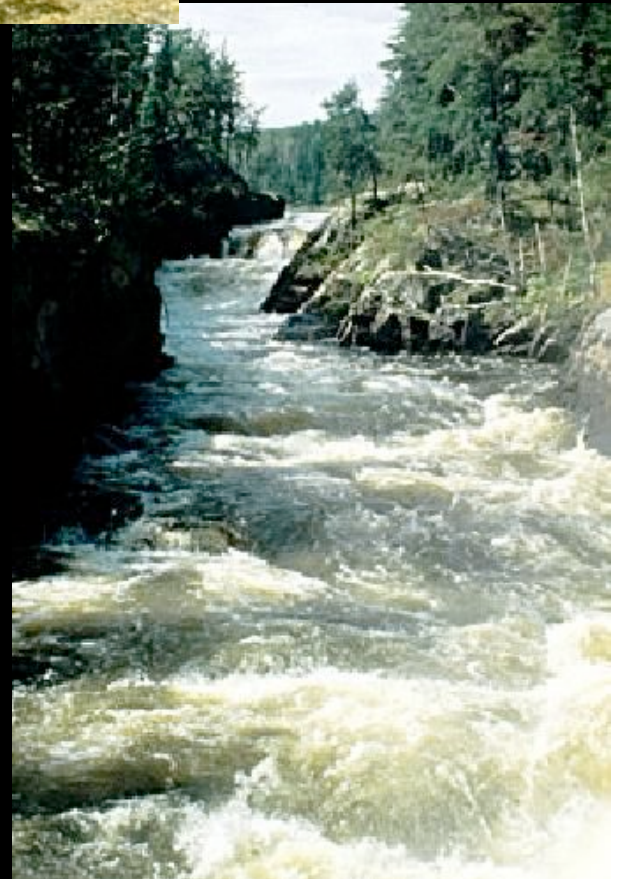
“To conserve and protect the superb natural and cultural values of this nationally significant river corridor which is representative of the distinctive geophysical, ecological and human history of the region.”

Source - Bloodvein River (Ontario Portion) Resource Management Strategy, 1998

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‘Protected River, Protected Park’

- Atikaki protected from industrial development, Manitoba Parks Act and Mines Act, 1986, 1993, 1997
- Bloodvein Heritage River more protected where it flows through Atikaki
- First Nation values, uses, and rights must also be protected



‘Ecological Benefits and Services’

We need to be thinking about:

- Ecological services from River
- Economic benefits from River
- Traditional values from River
- Past, current, future values and services
- Services, benefits and values for Bloodvein River
First Nation



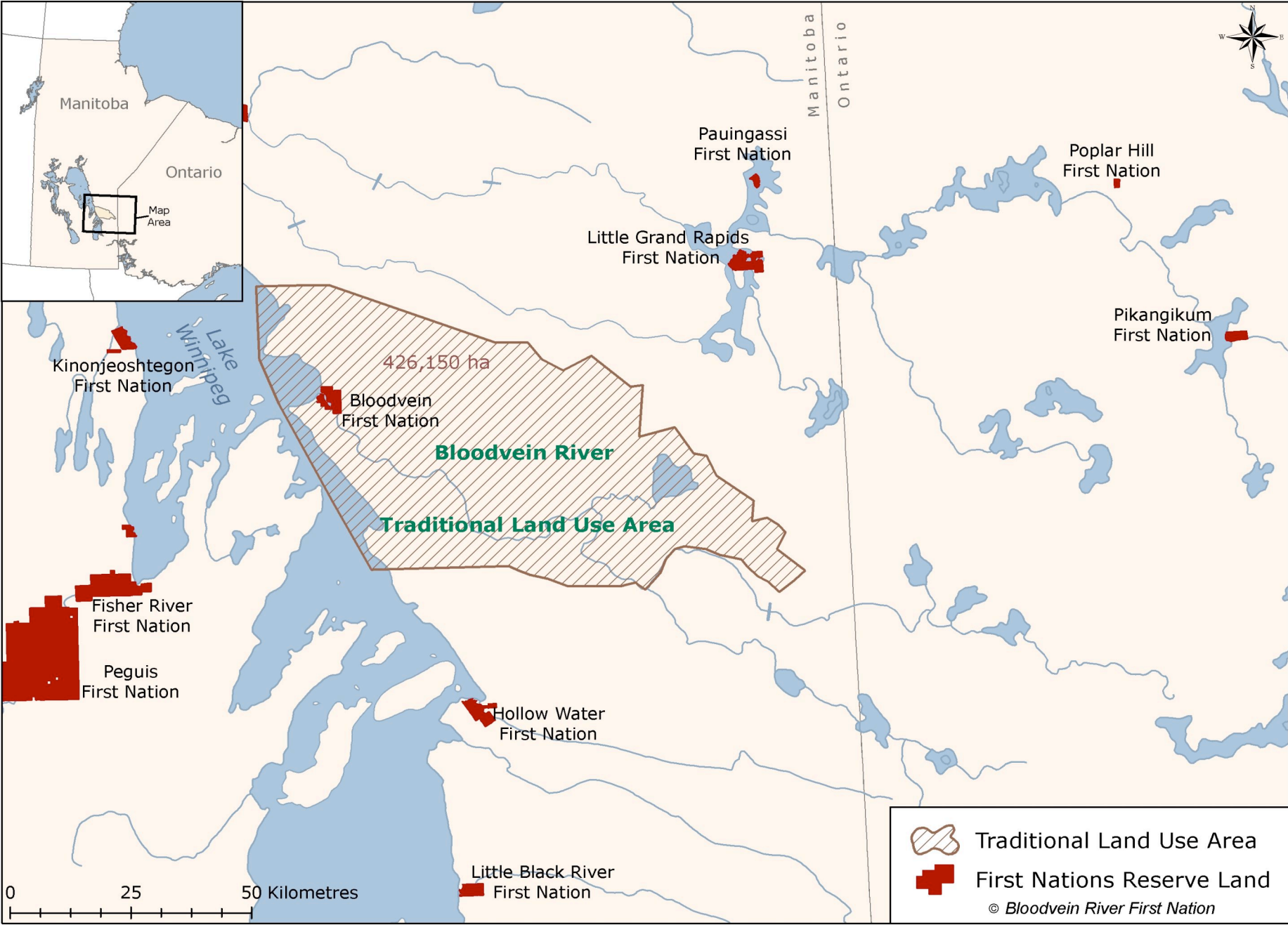
Bloodvein River First Nation Lands Planning Projects

- Oral History and memory mapping
- Land and water cover change detection
- Traditional use studies and mapping atlas
- Historic and treaty research
- Lands management plan for whole traditional territory

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Bloodvein River Traditional Land Use Area



‘Our Heritage River – Recommendations’

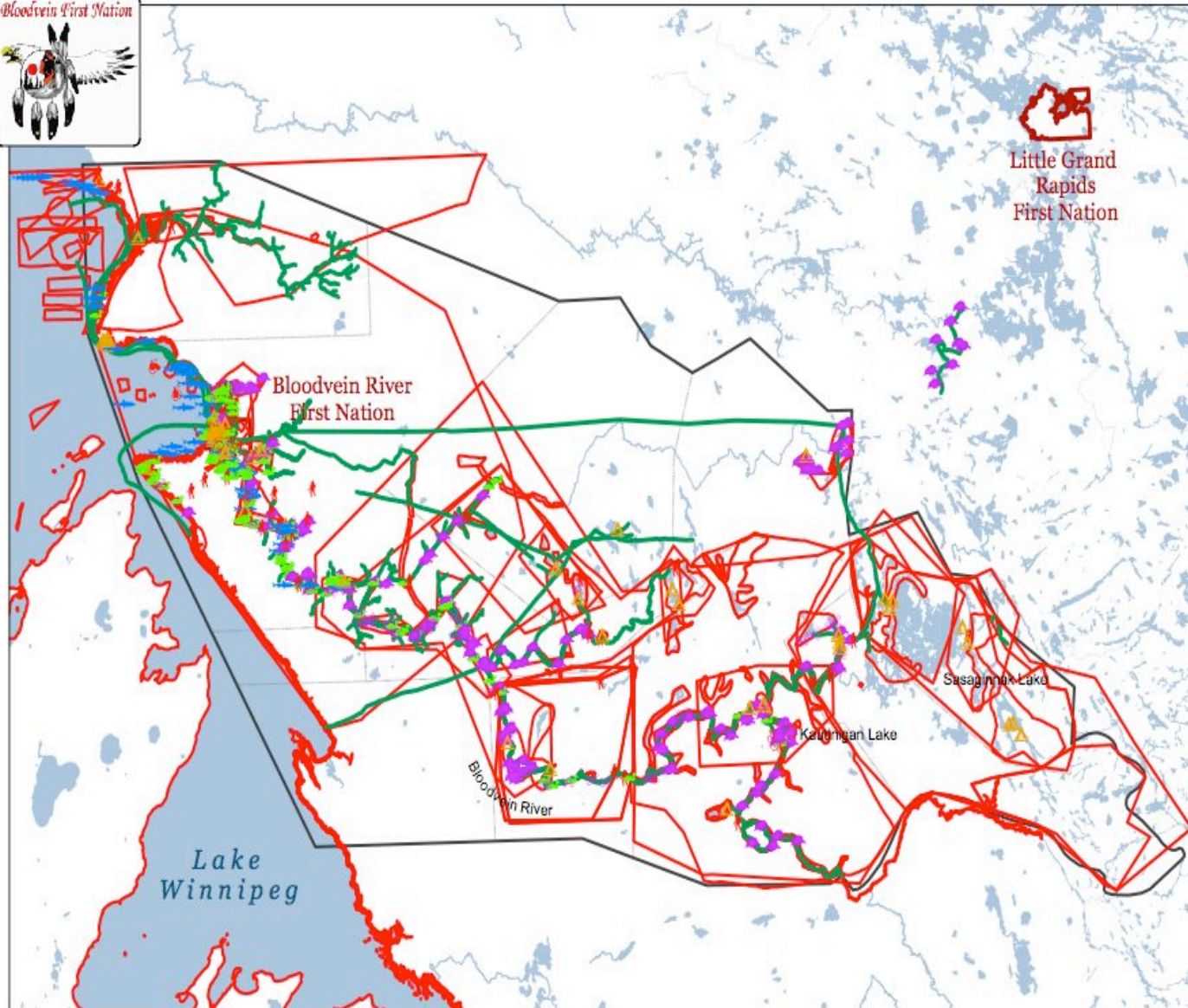
- Participation by Bloodvein First Nation: 2010 Heritage Rivers monitoring report
- Monitoring criteria include traditional ecological values
- Consider Heritage River corridor width, sustainability of uplands and river banks habitat
- Support for First Nation based tourism
- Co-Management: park and river
- Reviews *with* Bloodvein River First Nation



Map #8 Bloodvein River First Nation - Some Composite Data



Little Grand Rapids First Nation



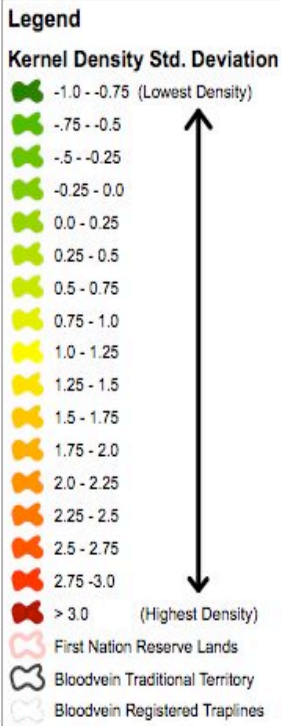
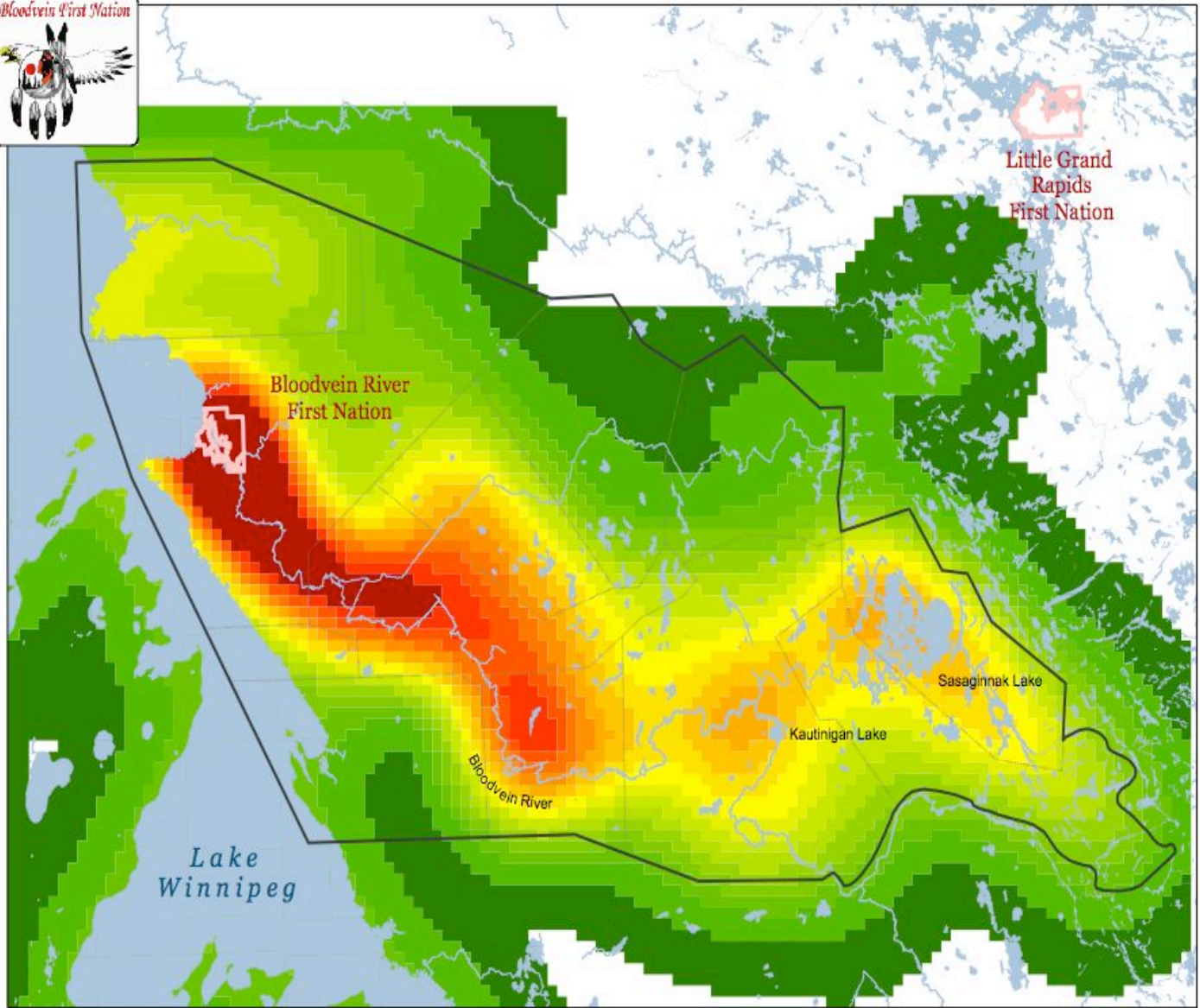
Legend

- Hunting Big Game
- Hunting Small Game
- Hunting Birds
- Trapping
- Fishing
- Gathering
- Occupancy
- Animal Observation
- All Bloodvein Lines
- All Bloodvein Polygons
- First Nation Reserve Lands
- Bloodvein Traditional Territory
- Bloodvein Registered Traplines

Data Sources
 - Manitoba Land Initiative
 - Manitoba Geological Survey
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Map #9 Bloodvein River First Nation - Density Analysis



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