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2011 Manitoba Election

Survey #5

Protected Areas, Parks, &
World Heritage Site

If elected, will your party:

1) Maintain protection standards for all existing protected areas?

Yes, and we would enhance them further.

2) Fulfill public consultations steps for areas identified for protected status?

Yes.

3) Renew the memorandum of understanding with First Nations for establishment of new protected areas, maintaining conservation principles in the MOU?

Yes.

4) Establish new protected areas in agro-Manitoba?

Yes.

5) Make public location of conservation easement lands?

Yes.

6) Review community pastures for protection of lands and grazing rights?

Yes.

7) Resume technical steps to identify further options for protected lands inside Shilo DND base?

Yes.

8) Work to establish new protected areas in the Hudson Bay area, starting with the 8 candidates along the west coast?

Yes.

9) Review data for protected areas establishment since 1990 and post updated details, including size, location, and regulatory steps for each designation?

Yes.

10) Update Protected Areas Initiatives (PAI) maps regularly, making them public?

Yes.

11) Update regularly protected area, and crown land designation data on the Manitoba Lands Initiative website?2011 Manitoba Election Survey #5: Protected Areas, Parks, & World Heritage Site

Yes.

12) Dedicate resources to support the Protected Areas Initiative, returning to former staff levels?

Yes.

13) Put clear job descriptions, and lines of authority in place for establishment of protected areas?

Yes.

14) Put management plans in place for all protected areas in Manitoba?

Yes.

15) Ensure any new Wildlife Management Area is assessed so it can meet protection standards?

Yes.

16) Establish protected area management standards for rivers, open waters,

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lakes, shorelines etc.?

Yes.

17) Complete and make public the Systems Plan for parks and protected areas in Manitoba?

Yes.

18) Protect more lands and waters inside existing provincial parks?

Yes.

19) Finish steps to protect lands in Atikaki Park South?

Yes.

20) Establish special management areas adjacent to provincial parks and other protected areas?

Yes.

21) Increase the number of Ecological Reserve, acting on the listing of 50 under consideration?

Yes.

22) Update to the 2003 Manitoba Action Plan for the Network of Protected Areas in a manner consistent with current protection standards, public policy, design standards and ecological principles?

Yes.

23) Fulfill NDP commitments to have protected areas networks in place before any new or extended forest management license is issued, and prior to a five year renewal of quote holders permits?

Yes.

24) Fulfill NDP commitment to establish an advisory committee regarding protection of boreal areas, including valuation of carbon inside boreal protected areas? 2011 Manitoba Election Survey #5: Protected Areas, Parks, & World Heritage Site

Yes.

25) Complete review of potential sites, 'areas of special interest' for protected areas?

Yes.

26) Avoid development on 100 candidates/ areas of special interest sites until review is complete, decisions in place?

Yes.

27) Establish 'marine' protected areas in Lake Winnipeg and Hudson Bay?

Yes.

28) Improve mapping for crown land designations, protected areas and parks so water bodies are identified and indicated as protected or not?

Yes.

29) Post the surveys for all crown land designations, including protected areas?

Yes.

30) Honour First Nations nominations for establishment of protected areas, parks, or special land management areas?

Yes.

31) Include consultations with Aboriginal peoples in steps for establishment of any new park, or protected area?

Yes.

32) Make public the procedures for review, consultation, establishment, and regulatory steps to establish protected areas in Manitoba.

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Yes.

33) Make available to First Nations involved in the world heritage site nomination agreements, and regulation language under discussion with their neighbours?

Yes.

34) Return to the table with Manitoba's mining sector to resume joint technical reviews, mineral assessment, and ranking in relation to new protected areas?

Yes.

35) Act on remaining candidate sites for new protected areas from previous mining sector reviews?

Yes.

36) Complete networks of protected areas for boreal forest region in Manitoba?

Yes.