

Natural Resources Portfolio



President Chartrand



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Red River Métis Self-Government Treaty



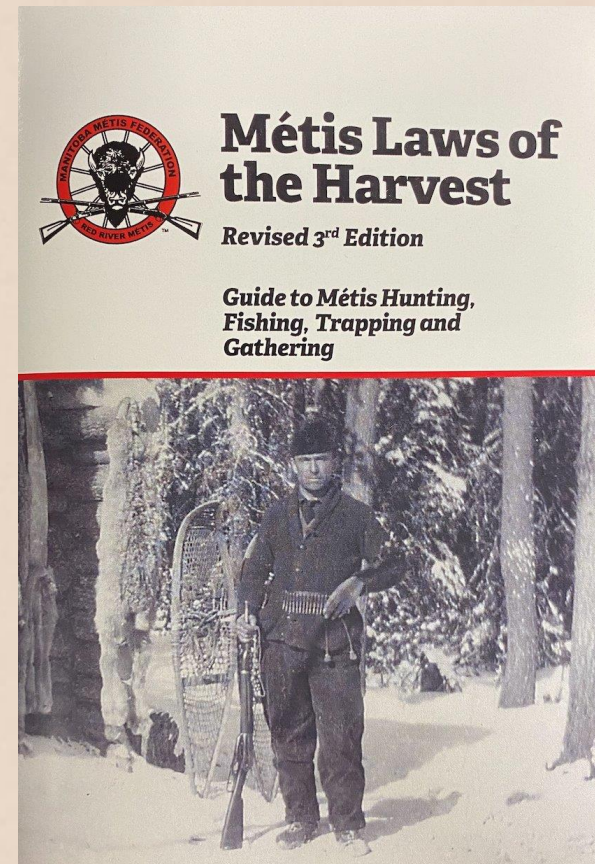
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Harvesting

- Your Red River Métis government continues to protect and expand our harvesting rights
- Red River Métis harvesters **must**:
 - Follows public health laws
 - Adhere to **Métis Laws of the Harvest**
 - Hold a valid **MMF Harvester Card** with current years **CTF Sticker**
- Harvesters need written permission to harvest on private land



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Red River Métis Harvesting Initiatives

- The MMF has developed two key initiatives to support Red River Métis Harvesters:
 - **Métis Lands Harvesting Initiative**
 - **Moose Conservation Harvesting Initiative**
- Both operate as a lottery system
- All members of each Harvesting Party must have a **valid MMF Harvester Card** and current year's **CTF sticker**.



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Parks Canada - Parks and Protected Areas

MMF collaborates with Parks Canada to represent Red River Métis rights, interests, and concerns at Parks Canada sites and projects, this includes:

- Strong partnerships established with six Parks Canada sites in Manitoba, including **Riel House** and **Battle of Seven Oaks** National Historic Sites.
- Securing Red River Métis Citizen access through the **Indigenous Open-Door Program** at National Parks such as Riding Mountain.
- Key partner in the development of the proposed **National Urban Park** in Winnipeg.



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Red River Métis Protected and Conserved Areas

- The MMF is proposing two Indigenous and Protected and Conserved Areas within the National Homeland of the Red River Métis:
 - **Kettle Hills Blueberry Patch**
 - **Thompson Region**
- These areas will serve to protect and preserve lands, waters, and resources to support Red River Métis ways of life now and for years to come.



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Kettle Hills Blueberry Patch

- Since 2021, the MMF has conducted the following environmental monitoring activities to inform conservation planning of the area:
 - Vegetation surveys to track blueberry regeneration,
 - ARU-based and visual bird monitoring,
 - Trail-camera and habitat surveys for moose, and,
 - Carbon mapping to guide climate and conservation priorities.



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Thompson Region – Project Caribou

- Since 2021, the MMF has installed and maintained trail cameras within **key wintering habitats**.
- This **passive monitoring** effort strengthens understanding of caribou behavior and informs future conservation.



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Species-at-Risk

- The MMF was notified that one of its properties, located at 385 Henderson Hwy, is home to a pair of **Chimney Swifts** — a threatened species protected under the federal *Species at Risk Act*.
- In response, the MMF partnered with **Métis N4 Construction** to support the conservation of this unique bird. Together, we designed and built an **artificial chimney** specifically for nesting purposes.
- A pair of Chimney Swifts successfully occupied the new structure and raised up to five offspring.



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"Make Our Homeland Green Again"

MMF's Tree Planting Initiative

- In 2024, the MMF supplied **13,755** trees and shrubs to **357** Citizens
- These plantings increase climate resiliency, protect against erosion, and improve wildlife habitat.
- For more information, please contact **trees@mmf.mb.ca**



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“Make Our Homeland Green Again” MMF's Tree Planting Initiative

- In 2024, the MMF hosted 5 educational workshops, presented at 2 MMF conferences, and facilitated 2 community planting events.
- During the 2024 Annual General Assembly, the EIRM department tent featured an interactive trees of Manitoba display.



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