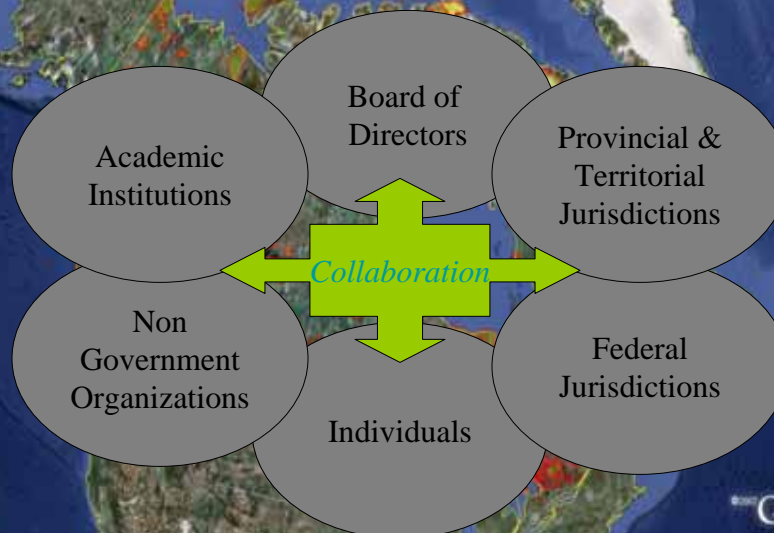




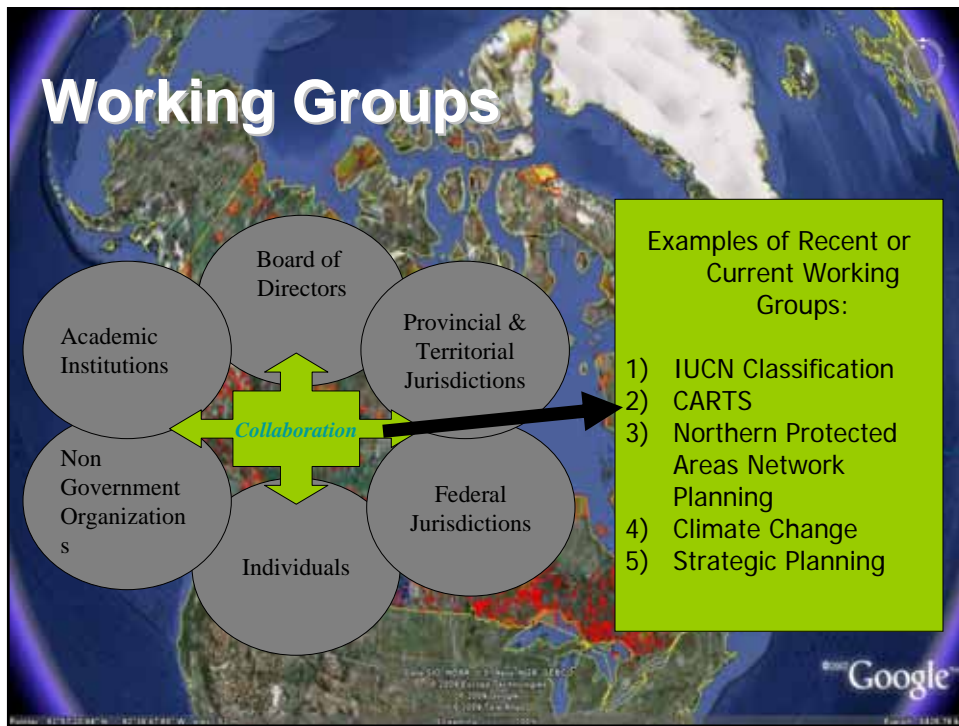
CCEA Objectives

- **Education** - to inform and educate Canadians about the importance and roles of protected areas;
- **PA Network Design** - to guide the design and completion of a network of protected areas including the full range of terrestrial and aquatic environments;
- **Integrity** - to determine the ecological requirements and institutional arrangements needed to secure the integrity of protected area networks;
- **Stewardship and Reporting** - to advance sound stewardship, management, monitoring and reporting of protected areas;
- **Promote Values** - to promote the environmental, social and economic values of protected areas in an ecosystem context; and
- **Information Exchange** - to facilitate the exchange of relevant information among interested partners through regional and national forums.

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Welcome to the Canadian Council on Ecological Areas Bulletin Board. Here you will find news and happenings from Canada's governmental, non-governmental, and academic partners in protection. Through open sharing of information, we aim to foster networking, partnering and excellence in the management of our treasured protected areas.

If you have news you would like to contribute please contact the [CCEA Website Administrator](#). The submission requirements can be found [here](#). Thank you for your interest in the CCEA.

CCEA AGM & MARINE PROTECTED AREAS CONFERENCE
Posted September 30, 2009
 The Canadian Council on Ecological Areas is inviting representatives of organizations responsible for protected areas in Canada, i.e. managers, researchers, professionals and representatives from non-governmental organizations interested in protecting the Canadian Marine landscape, to participate in an upcoming conference on Marine Protected Areas. [More...](#)



2010 CCEA GRADUATE AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT
Posted October 19, 2009
 The Canadian Council on Ecological Areas (CCEA) is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for the Stan Rowe Home Place Graduate Award for 2009/2010. Deadline for applications is December 15, 2009 and must be submitted via e-mail to the [CCEA Secretariat](#).

The cash award of \$1000 is offered to a graduate student in the first year of their program who is studying in Canada and engaged in research concerned with the establishment or management of protected areas which are representative of Canada's terrestrial, aquatic (including marine) ecological natural diversity.

Further application details are available on the CCEA website at http://www.ccea.org/en_stanroweaward.html.

For additional information contact the Awards Committee Chair - [Dr. Joyce Gould](#)

and press releases from the event. [More...](#)


Québec protected area reaches 8% and target 12% for 2015
Posted July 31, 2009
 Since April, 2009, Québec has increased the size of its protected areas network to more than 135,300 km², an area equal to 8.12% of its territory, thus exceeding the objective of 8% that was set by the government in its Strategic Action Plan. This represents an area a little greater than the total combined size of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

With the creation of fourteen new proposed protected areas, located for the most part in the North and covering a total area of 18,043 km², and the expansion of George river's protected area, the network now counts close to 2,500 protected areas that meet the highest standards set by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). Establishing this network is tangible evidence of Québec's will to protect the biodiversity associated with its natural environments.

On March 29, 2009, Quebec committed itself to protect 12% of its territory by 2015.

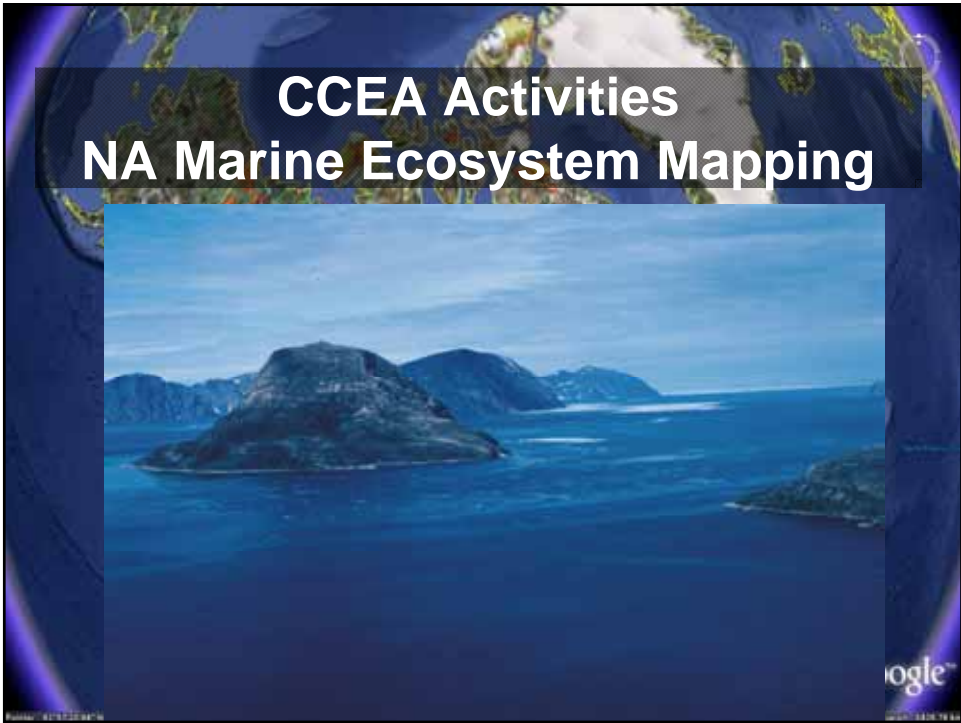
The list of new protected areas is appended and may also be consulted on the web site of the Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs: www.mddep.gouv.qc.ca.

[Summary report: Québec reaches its target of 8.12 % of protected areas on its territory.](#)

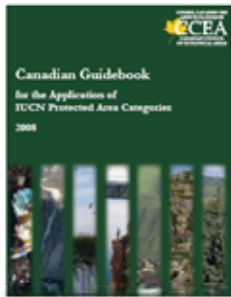


Manitoba's Newest Protected Areas
Posted July 27, 2009
 Recently, Manitoba designated several new protected areas as part of the province's Green and Growing strategy, which pledges to increase the number of ecological reserves and designate new wildlife management areas. Whitemouth Bog Ecological Reserve and Wildlife Management Area (WMA) and the Observation Point WMA legally protect the habitat of a variety of rare and threatened plant and animal species. The Whitemouth Bog Ecological Reserve and WMA contain a calcareous fen, one of the rarest wetland types in North America. These designations, as well as expansions to Pembina Valley WMA, Pinawa Dam Provincial Park, and the addition of 2,285 hectares of Nature Conservancy of Canada-owned lands to the protected areas network has increased Manitoba's protected landbase by more than 16, 500 hectares. [More...](#)

Canada's PA Annex to the 4th National Report to the CBD
Posted July 25, 2009
 Under the CBD, countries are called upon to periodically report on their progress. The



NEW CCEA PUBLICATIONS



Canadian Guidebook for the Application of IUCN Protected Area Categories

This guidebook has been prepared by experts from protected area agencies across Canada to provide further explanation to the World Conservation Union (IUCN) Guidelines of 1994, an international system to categorize and report on protected areas at the global level. This guidebook reflects current Canadian thinking on the IUCN classification system and provides a common tool for all Canadian jurisdictions to improve consistency in classifying protected areas and encourages cooperation in protected areas assessment and reporting.

66 pgs, CCEA Occasional Paper #18 2008 (English or French)



Protected Areas in Northern Canada: Designing for Ecological Integrity (NPA 1)

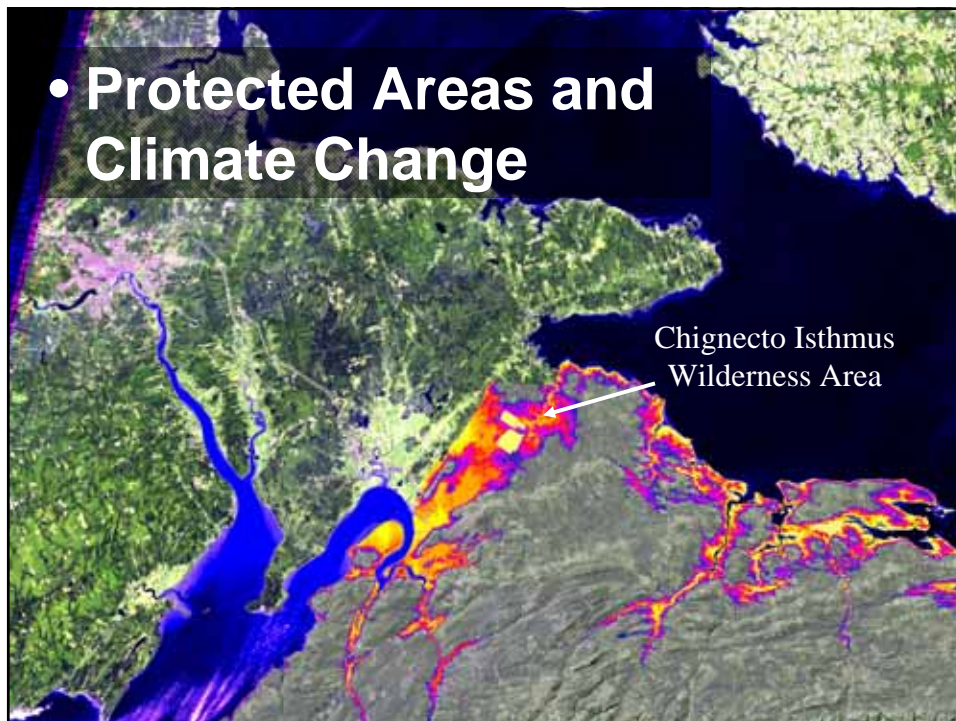
This report reviews and assesses science-based approaches appropriate for the design of protected areas in northern Canada. It contains results of a pan-Canadian survey of protected area agencies and practitioners. A central theme of this report is that large protected areas with inherent ecological integrity are cornerstones in efforts to conserve wildlife and the ecological processes necessary to sustain them.

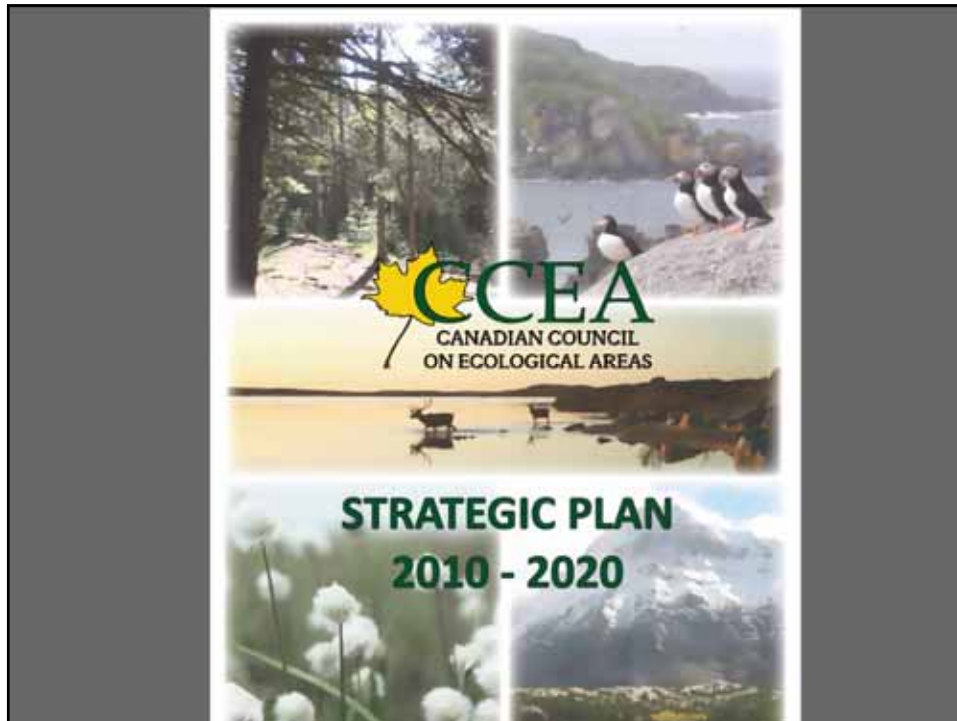


Protected Areas in Northern Canada: Identifying Ecological Areas to Represent Mammals (NPA 2)

Building on the conclusions of NPA1, this report is a case study of the Western Canadian Mammalian Province, which is largely coincident with Canada's boreal ecozones east of the cordillera. The focus of this case study is the testing of an optimization model for representing disturbance sensitive mammalian species in protected areas large enough to maintain species diversity. This paper contains potential applications by protected area agencies and NGOs conducting gap analyses.

• Protected Areas and Climate Change





AND GOALS

At the heart of this plan are **five strategic priorities** aimed at fulfilling CCEA's mission.

1. CONSERVE ECOLOGICAL DIVERSITY THROUGH A NETWORK OF PROTECTED AREAS.
2. MANAGE PROTECTED AREAS USING KNOWLEDGE-BASED DECISION MAKING.
3. DOCUMENT AND REPORT PROTECTED AREAS INFORMATION ACCURATELY.
4. ENHANCE EDUCATION AND AWARENESS OF PROTECTED AREAS.
5. ENGAGE THE PROTECTED AREAS COMMUNITY TO WORK TOGETHER EFFECTIVELY.



Marine Protected Areas Conference

- **Conference Objectives**
- Link terrestrial and marine protected area communities and programs;
- Share knowledge on terrestrial and marine protected areas network planning;
- Use knowledge exchange to inform national marine protected area network planning;
- Use knowledge exchange to inform national (terrestrial & marine) protected area network engagement, communications and reporting.



CCEA Strengths

- Science-based approach
- Investigating emerging issues
- Collective needs
- Access to funding opportunities
- Breadth of membership
- Communications
- Conference and workshops



CCEA Looking Ahead

CCEA provides a strategic opportunity to influence conservation and protection across the country and beyond, through collaborative research, networking and information sharing