

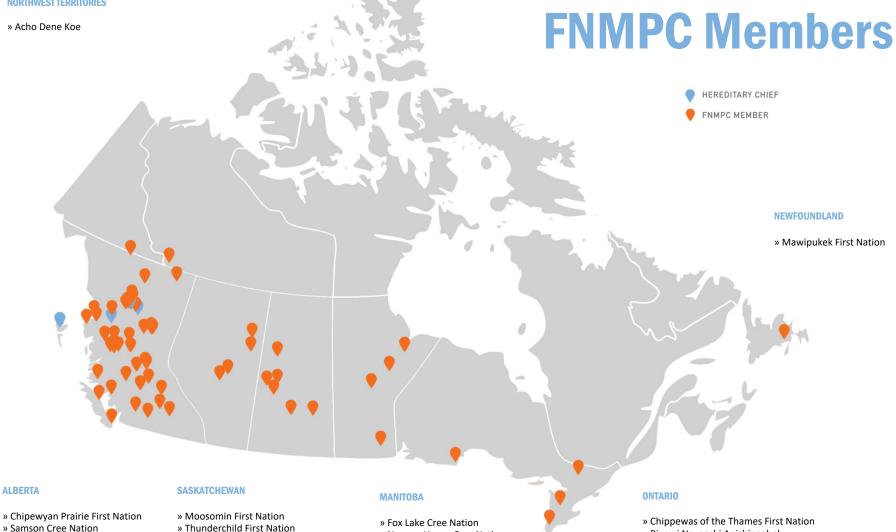
**Current Clean Energy Projects With Indigenous Equity Participation** 

### **BRITISH COLUMBIA**

- » Burns Lake Indian Band
- » Chee Xial Taaiixou (Hereditary Chief Roy Jones Jr.)
- » Cheslatta Carrier Nation
- » Fort Nelson First Nation
- » Gitanyow
- » Gitsegukla First Nation
- » Gitsegukla Chiefs (2 Chiefs)
- » Gitwangak (aka Kitwanga)
- » Gitxaala
- » Gitxsan Govt Commission
- » House of Delgamuukw
- » Kaska Dene Council
- » Kispiox Band Council
- » Kitselas First Nation
- » Kitwanga Band Council
- » Kwadacha
- » Lake Babine Nation
- » Lax Kw'alaams First Nation
- » Lheidli T'enneh First Nation
- » Lhtako Dene
- » Lil'wat Nation
- » Nadleh Whut'en
- » Nak'azdli Whut'en
- » Nazko First Nation
- » Nee Tahi Buhn
- » Nooaitch Indian Band
- » Nuxalk Nation
- » Okanagan Indian Band
- » Saik'uz First Nation
- » Simpcw First Nation
- » Skin Tyee
- » Stellat'en First Nation
- » Suskwa (8 Chiefs)
- » Takla Lake First Nation
- » Tk'emlúps First Nation
- » Tsideldel First Nation
- » Wet'suwet'en Matrilineal Coalition (5 Chiefs)
- » Xat'sull Development Corporation
- » Yekooche First Nation
- » Wai Wei Kum First Nation
- » Wet'suwet'en First Nation
- » Williams Lake First Nation
- » Witset

### **NORTHWEST TERRITORIES**

» Acho Dene Koe



### **ALBERTA**

- » Samson Cree Nation
- » Papaschase First Nation
- » Fort MacKay First Nation
- » Des Nedhe Development Corporation
- » English River First Nation
- » Thunder Developments LP
- » Muskowekwan First Nation

- » Norway House Cree Nation
- » Bunibonibee First Nation
- » Manitoba USKE

- » Bingwi Neyaashi Anishinaabek
- » AAamjiwnaang First Nation
- » Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation



# **Current Clean Energy Projects With Indigenous Equity Participation**

- Tu-Deh-Kah Geothermal Project 7-15mw facility 100% owned by the Fort Nelson First Nation
- **Blackwater Gold Transmission** 3 First Nations will construct the line and are negotiating an equity share in the project
- NeToo Hydropower Project 4 Nations advancing a hydropower station in partnership with a multinational mining company
- Chatham to Lakeshore Transmission 50% equity participation for 5 First Nations working with Hydro One



# **The Opportunity**

The energy transition represents a generational opportunity for Indigenous communities to lead and partner on a verity of different projects. Done correctly, this opportunity has the potential to launch many Indigenous communities into the economic mainstream.

"The road to Net Zero runs through Indigenous Lands"



## What's Needed From Government?

## A public policy framework that supports:

- Access to business capacity to make informed decisions on project participation
- Ongoing negotiation support and deal structuring
- Access to competitive capital through financing supports that enable Indigenous communities to become equity partners

## • A philosophical shift

- Projects that have full Indigenous partnership (environment, governance, equity) should be considered for regulatory acceleration
- General recognition by policy makers that any infrastructure needed for the energy transition will impact Indigenous lands



## What's Needed From The Private Sector?

- Expanded willingness to partner with Indigenous communities on projects
  - Co-design and structure of the project
  - Ensuring Indigenous interests are reflected in the deal
  - Achieve equity participation and project governance early
  - Submit permits and regulatory applications together



## What's Needed From Indigenous Communities?

- Become business ready to take advantage of opportunities with the private sector
  - Establish sound commercial governance
  - Ensure proper capacity to respond at the speed of business (including project negotiations)
  - Identify early community interests so they can be incorporated into the structure of the business deal
  - Providing consent through true partnership



# **Looking To The Future**

- The energy transition will require major investment in infrastructure
- The ability to de-risk projects will be paramount to attracting investment to build projects
- Indigenous partnerships offer the ability to both de-risk projects and boost ESG ratings
- Indigenous partnerships will offer a way to accelerate regulatory approvals and avoid challenges and delays





# **Thank You**

We look forward to connecting further



