

CODE OF ETHICS

Aboriginal Relations Professionals are guided by the following code of ethics when consulting with First Nations, Métis and other Aboriginal peoples and their communities:

- ❑ **Aboriginal and Treaty Rights**

Aboriginal Relations Professionals recognize and acknowledge that the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights of First Nations, Métis and other Aboriginal peoples and their communities must be taken into consideration in public policy, regulatory and corporate decision-making

- ❑ **Respect**

Aboriginal Relations Professionals are committed to inclusiveness and diversity and respect the rights, roles, responsibilities, interests and perspectives of others as well as the history and origins of First Nations, Métis and other Aboriginal peoples and their communities

- ❑ **Accountability**

Aboriginal Relations Professionals are responsible for the effect of their decisions, accountable for their actions and recognize that the consequences of their behaviour reflect on the profession as a whole

- ❑ **Transparency**

Aboriginal Relations Professionals facilitate and establish open and clear decision-making processes that include dialogue with all those potentially affected by their actions and decisions

- ❑ **Mutual Benefit**

Aboriginal Relations Professionals promote positive relationships and the desire for enhancing opportunities to the mutual benefit of all parties

- ❑ **Knowledge and Understanding**

Aboriginal Relations Professionals endorse and promote the incorporation of traditional ecological knowledge, local community knowledge and western science in public policy, regulatory and corporate decision-making

- ❑ **Adaptive Management**

Aboriginal Relations Professionals learn from the past and look for new and improved approaches to building positive relationships with First Nations, Métis and other Aboriginal peoples and their communities