

**NATIONAL ROUNDTABLE ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE ECONOMY (NRTEE)
- Integrative Science / Mi'kmaw Elder Albert Marshall invited participant**

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On 2 March 2011, Mi'kmaw Elder Albert Marshall participated in the National Roundtable on the Environment and the Economy (NRTEE) held at the Membertou Trade and Convention Centre in Sydney, NS. The purpose of the roundtable was to explore how collaborative governance might assist in achieving effective, efficient, and equitable water use by the natural resources sectors. An additional aim was to develop a better understanding of criteria for assessing when collaborative water governance models should be pursued. The event was part of a national initiative from the NRTEE on the sustainable use of water by the natural resource sectors in Canada. The overall objectives of the program were to address the following questions:



- With development of the natural resource sectors on the rise (agriculture, mining, forestry and energy production), and with pressures on water resources due to increasing population and a changing climate, does Canada have enough water to support economic growth while maintaining the health of our country's ecosystems?
- Is Canada in a position to sustainably manage its water resources for future generations?



Read the report "***Charting a Course: Sustainable Water Use by Canada's Natural Resources Sectors***" that emerged after more than a year of research and similar convening across Canada with top water experts and watershed managers. It can be accessed at: <http://nrtee-trnee.ca/wp-content/uploads/2011/11/charting-a-course-eng.pdf>

The executive summary can be accessed at: <http://nrtee-trnee.ca/wp-content/uploads/2011/11/charting-a-course-executive-summary-eng.pdf>