

# Indian Arm Brook Proposed Ecological Reserve Questionnaire



**WERAC**  
Wilderness and Ecological  
Reserves Advisory Council

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this questionnaire. Your input will help to clarify current public perspectives about the proposed Indian Arm Brook ecological reserve. Your responses will remain anonymous and will not be shared with other participants.

The Wilderness and Ecological Reserves Advisory Council (WERAC) is assessing whether the proposed Indian Arm Brook ecological reserve should be considered for provisional establishment. If the area is protected provisionally, there will be a second formal consultation. If you wish to learn more about the proposal or the establishment process please visit [www.engageNL.ca](http://www.engageNL.ca).

1. Are you living in (or come from) a community near the proposed Indian Arm Brook ecological reserve?

Yes

No

Please provide your postal code \_\_\_\_\_

2. Which of the following best describes the perspective from which you are completing this questionnaire?

Individual

Business Owner / Industry

Member of Indigenous government or organization

Member of a municipal, provincial or federal government

Non-governmental organization

Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Why is the area proposed as Indian Arm Brook ecological reserve important to you (check all that apply)?

## Recreational activities

Cabin/cottage

Horse-back riding

Boating

Boil-ups

Swimming

Kayaking or canoeing

Camping

Snowmobiling

Pedal or electric powered biking

Hiking or dog-walking

Skiing or snowshoeing

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**Subsistence-based activities**

- Hunting
- Trapping
- Foraging (e.g. berry picking)
- Fishing
- Domestic timber harvest
- Gardening

**Motorized access routes**

- ATV on existing trails or roads
- Driving vehicles on existing roads

**Economic or business interest**

- Eco-tourism
- Commercial activities
- Outfitting
- Resource development

**Natural/Cultural**

- Cultural/spiritual values
- Natural beauty
- Personal history and connection
- Protection of wildlife and plants

Other \_\_\_\_\_

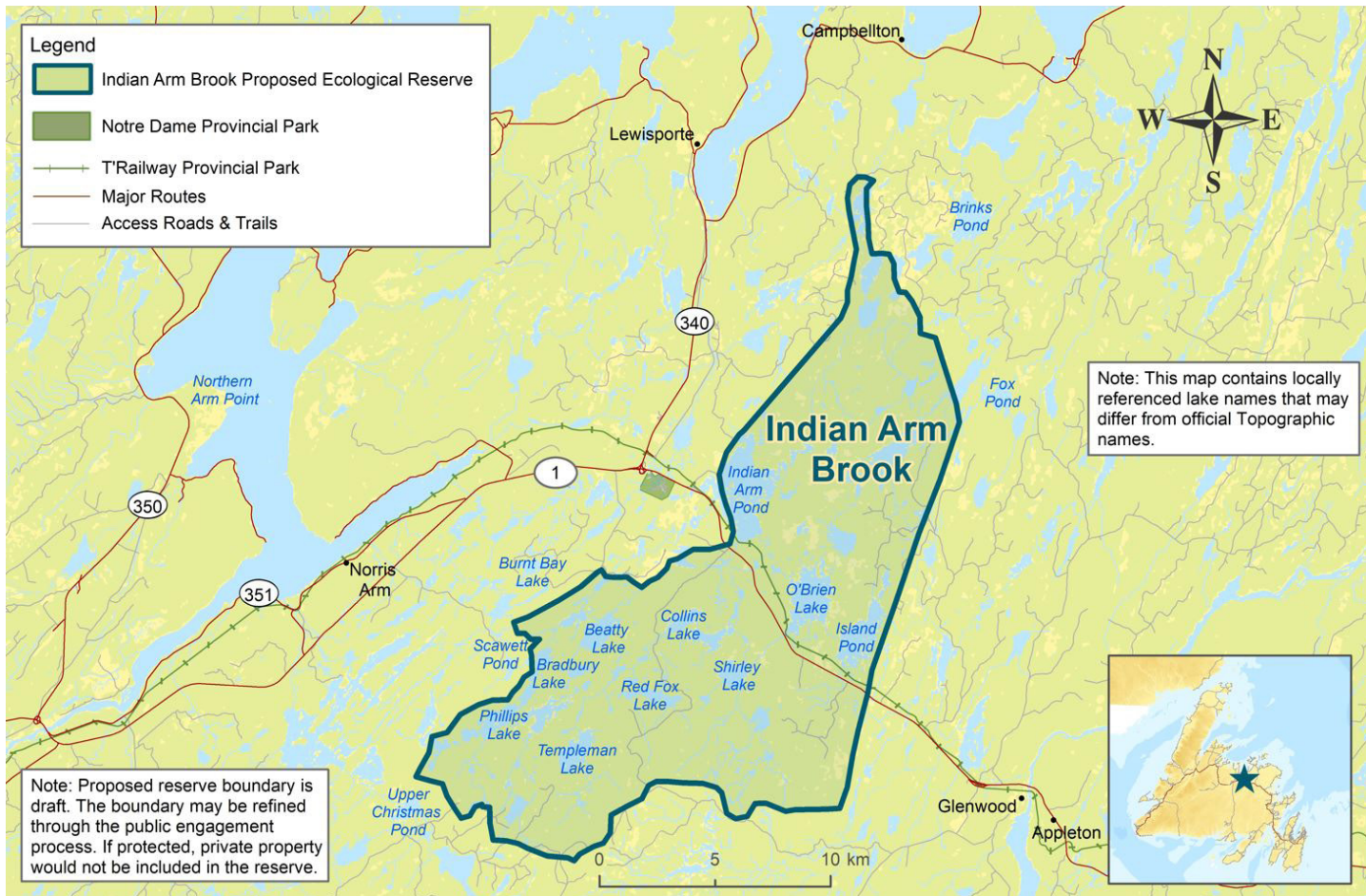
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4. The **WER Act** allows existing traditional activities to continue in wilderness and ecological reserves. If Indian Arm Brook were to be protected as an ecological reserve, what activities or uses would you like to see included or excluded?

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5. Do you have any suggested changes to the proposed ecological reserve boundary (See map below)?

- Yes (please describe where and why)
- No



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6. Do you have any concerns about the establishment of the proposed Indian Arm Brook ecological reserve? [Please provide additional comments below]

- Yes
- No
- Don't have enough information
- Unsure

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7. We are at the beginning of the establishment process, which may or may not result in protection. At this point, do you support the establishment of the proposed Indian Arm Brook ecological reserve?

Yes

Yes, if the following considerations are met: \_\_\_\_\_

Neutral

No

Unsure

[Please provide any additional comments]

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8. If the area is eventually protected as an ecological reserve, it will have a formal name. What are your thoughts on naming the proposed ecological reserve? If you have suggestions for the name, please share it.

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9. Please provide any additional comments or feedback you would like to share regarding the proposed ecological reserve.

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If you are a cabin owner or outfitter within the proposed ecological reserve, or if you would like to be added to an email distribution list to learn of upcoming in-person or virtual information and engagement sessions, please let us know at [werac@gov.nl.ca](mailto:werac@gov.nl.ca). Your email address will be collected in accordance with section 61(c) of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 (ATIPPA, 2015) and will be used for the purpose of providing information regarding upcoming engagement on the proposed ecological reserve. Your email address will be removed from our distribution list upon request. Any questions or comments can be directed to [ATIPPECC@gov.nl.ca](mailto:ATIPPECC@gov.nl.ca).

Thank you for completing the survey! Your feedback is valuable and will help make informed decisions about the proposed ecological reserve.