

ACTIVITY:

Assessing Your State of Readiness

(For Engaging in an Indigenous-Led Fire Prescription)

When determining the state of readiness in the journey of Indigenous-led uses of fire on the land, reflect on and answer the following questions:

As an example, the Saskatchewan River Delta is being used as the specific site.

The journey of Indigenous-led uses of fire on the land

1. Does your group or community want to return uses of fire on the land, continue uses of fire on the land, expand uses of fire on the land or support uses of fire on the land?
2. What does “success” look like for your group or community in terms of returning, continuing, expanding or supporting uses of fire on the land, particularly in the Saskatchewan River Delta?

Across the generations

3. What knowledge does your group or community want to pass on to future generations about uses of fire on the land, particularly in the Saskatchewan River Delta?
4. To what extent are Elders, Indigenous fire practitioners and community champions in your group or community available and willing to share their knowledge on uses of fire on the land with Youth and interested community members?
5. To what extent are Youth and community members interested in participating in land-based learning about uses of fire on the land?

The answers are in the community—knowledge, skills and abilities

6. What knowledge, skills and abilities do you think are needed to return, continue, expand or support uses of fire on the land, particularly in the Saskatchewan River Delta?
7. What values, knowledge, skills and abilities can your group or community bring to the journey of Indigenous-led uses of fire on the land, particularly in the Saskatchewan River Delta?
8. What knowledge, skills and abilities do you feel are missing from the journey of Indigenous-led uses of fire on the land, particularly in the Saskatchewan River Delta?
9. What phases of the Indigenous-led fire prescription does your group or community need help with, possibly bringing in other external Indigenous fire practitioners or settler state-led fire management specialists?