

2015-2016 IMPACT REPORT

Another amazing year thanks to your support!

Your commitment to CPAWS over the past year has allowed us to continue to fight for the protection of Canada's diverse wildlife and incredible wild spaces. Our strength as an organization is only magnified by the voices of our donors and supporters – we couldn't do what we do without you!

Éric Hébert-Daly, National Executive Director

This is what you helped to make happen in 2015-2016:

Protection for Castle Wilderness

After more than four decades of lobbying and letter writing, you helped establish Alberta's newest protected area and put an end to commercial forestry in the Castle Special Management Area. The management planning process is currently underway. That's more than 1,000 square kilometers of newly protected land in southern Alberta! Photo by Stephen Legault





Cultivating young nature lovers

Education is essential for the work CPAWS does across the country and there is incredible value in getting youth outside and connected with nature. Your support is vital to help CPAWS chapters with the amazing on-the-ground education initiatives that are happening from coast to coast. Our Southern Alberta chapter in particular is a leader in this field. This year their award-winning education program hit a milestone, reaching over 100,000 participants since 1997! Photo courtesy CPAWS Southern Alberta

Rejecting giant "Mother Canada" statue proposed for Cape Breton Highlands National Park

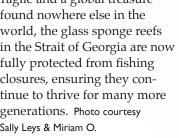
Thousands of Canadians like you wrote to the Environment Minister and Parks Canada opposing the proposed seven-story "Mother Canada" statue in Cape Breton Highlands National Park, ultimately resulting in the cancellation of the project and the preservation of the integrity of the park. You echoed our call that Canada's national parks are not the place for this kind of development. Illustration by Never Forgotten National Memorial Foundation



Protection for the Strait of Georgia's glass sponge reef

Thousands of years old, incredibly fragile and a global treasure

found nowhere else in the world, the glass sponge reefs in the Strait of Georgia are now fully protected from fishing closures, ensuring they continue to thrive for many more generations. Photo courtesy Sally Leys & Miriam O.





The Yukon Court of Appeal released a decision confirming the Yukon Government failed to honour its treaty obligations regarding the Peel Watershed. The matter was reverted back to an early stage in the process, giving Government a "do-over". CPAWS and partners applied to have the remedy reviewed by the Supreme Court of Canada. It will be heard in March 2017.

Photo by Peter Mather



Mealy Mountains National Park Reserve with its mountain tundra, coastal ecosystems, boreal forest, island and wild rivers became a reality in Labrador after the extensive hard work of locals, Aboriginal groups and CPAWS supporters like you! Photo by John Jacbos



New Ecological Reserve in Newfoundland

After much campaigning and community involvement, you helped to create the Lawn Bay Ecological Reserve. A series of three islands which, along with six other existing Seabird Ecological Reserves, protects internationally significant seabird colonies including approximately 152 square kilometers of marine area around those colonies.

Photo by Stockvault

65 new parks and protected areas in NS

Your passion for conservation and willingness to urge decision-makers to protect Canada's wild spaces helped with the creation of 65 new parks and protected areas in Nova Scotia, from one end of the province to the other. This is the third significant batch of new protected areas created in Nova Scotia within the past two years, with more to come! Photo by Irwin Barrett



Continuing to defend Jasper National Park from further development

We know you value nature as highly as we do, which is why we continue to defend our national parks against commercial development and were back in court to protect Maligne Lake. The courts did not approve the Parks Canada development plan but did concede that proposals violating park management plans cannot be approved. With your support we will continue to be the watchdog for our parks! Photo by Harvey Locke

Another 500,000 hectares of protected lands in Québec!



After many years of tireless negotiations between the Cree and the Québec Government, 500,000 hectares - an area roughly 11 times the size of Montreal – is now fully protected. Your support ensured these important cultural sites for the Cree Nation of Nemaska will be around for many more generations. Photo courtesy CNG

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION[†]

	2016	2015
ASSETS		
Current		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,840,812	2,031,638
Accounts Receivable	227,451	145,464
Prepaid Supplies, expenses and deposits	27,402	48,775
	3,095,665	2,225,877
Capital assets	28,139	152,916
Subtotal	3,123,804	2,378,793
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	118,240	111,560
Deferred contributions	321,682	355,153
Transfers payable to regional chapters	392,197	341,888
Transfers payable to the controlled Foundation	11,119	0
Deferred contributions related to capital assets	0	0
Subtotal	843,238	808,601
Deferred lease incentives	-	942
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted net assets	852,233	398,688
Invested in capital assets	28,139	151,974
Reserve fund	389,020	387,414
Endowment—Now & Forever Wild Fund	1,011,174	631,174
Subtotal	2,280,566	1,569,250
Total	3,123,804	2,378,793

*For the year ended March 31, 2016 Other: 5% Government: 5% Individual: Corporate: 5% 36% How CPAWS is funded Foundation: INCOME: \$5,111,669 Amortization of Capital Assets: 1% Operations:13% Membership and Development: 9% Conservation Conservation Awareness: 10% Programs: How your donation is used **EXPENDITURES: \$4,797,955**

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