



Vision, Core Values And Goals And Objectives

4.0 VISION, CORE VALUES AND GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The vision, core values, goals and objectives of this Plan are based on the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement and the Labrador Inuit Association Constitution. They have been developed within a land use planning context by the Regional Planning Authority.

4.1 Vision

The Labrador Inuit Settlement Area is a land of spectacular beauty. Inuit culture is deeply rooted in a spiritual relationship with the environment and stewardship of land, water, wildlife and other resources. Development within LISA provides economic benefits while maintaining a sustainable environment where Inuit retain a strong connection to the land through traditional land use and occupancy.

4.2 Core Values

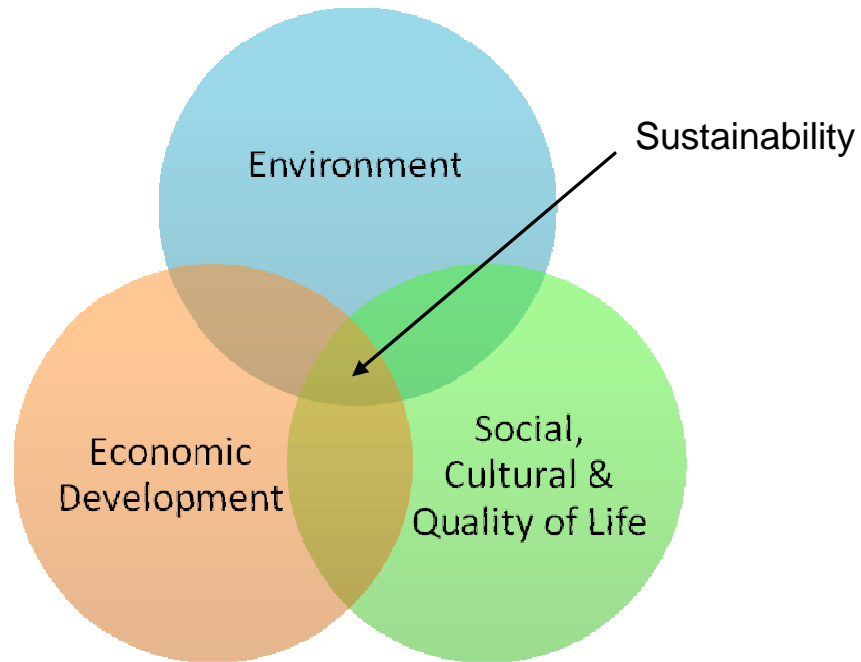
The Vision and Core Values incorporated in this Plan are:

- ensure a sustainable environment through conservation of natural and cultural resources
- ensure Inuit access to resources for cultural and sustenance purposes
- enable Inuit commercial and recreational use of resources in LISA in a sustainable fashion
- enable non-Inuit commercial and recreational use of resources in LISA in a manner that respects Inuit values, priorities and LILCA rights

4.3 Goals and Objectives

The Land Use Plan has three major goals which must be held in balance for sustainability. No one goal should be over or under emphasised. Sustainability within the Regional Land Use Plan is achieved when all three goals are considered and given equal weight. A graphic portrayal is shown on Plate 17.

Plate 17 - Relationship of the Goals



There are three major goals and a number of objectives that will guide development within LISA. The environment, health and quality of life shall be considered paramount where a potential conflict may arise between goals and objectives.

4.3.1 ENVIRONMENT - GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

<p>GOAL</p> <p>To protect the environment within the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area for future generations.</p>
<p>OBJECTIVES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) ensure that all land use activities minimize negative effects on the environment. (b) protection of the pristine and sensitive coastline of Northern Labrador (c) ensure development proposals address sustainability, cumulative impacts, and sequential use on the site and the surrounding area. (d) use Environmental Assessments to assist in making land use decisions within LISA. (e) require joint utilization of corridors for transportation, transmission lines and utilities to minimize impact on the environment. (f) recommend cleanup of existing waste and contaminated sites.

<p>Renewable Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (g) protect water resources including designated wellhead and protected water supply areas. (h) provide for renewable alternative energy sources such as wind, solar and tidal power provided it has minimal adverse effects on the environment. (i) protect the estuarine, coastal and marine ecosystems including sea ice, which becomes an extension of the land to the outer coastal islands during winter and spring. (j) ensure that forestry, hunting, fishing and gathering are carried out in a sustainable manner. <p>Non-Renewable Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (k) ensure that mining and petroleum exploration, development, production and abandonment proceed with minimal adverse effects on the environment and the communities. <p>Research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (l) integrate traditional knowledge with scientific knowledge for making better land use decisions. (m) encourage research and collection of information on renewable and non-renewable resources. (n) encourage long-term research on changing climate patterns and the effects on marine and terrestrial ecosystems.
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4.3.2 SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND QUALITY OF LIFE OF INUIT AND OTHER RESIDENTS - GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

<p>GOAL</p> <p>To manage land uses and development to improve the health and quality of life of residents of the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area.</p>
<p>OBJECTIVES</p> <p>Rights of Inuit and other Residents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) recognize and protect the rich Inuit and non-Inuit heritage resources and Inuit cultural values. (b) ensure that development has a positive social, cultural and economic benefit to the residents within LISA. (c) recognize and protect Inuit rights to use wildlife, fish and plants for dietary, ceremonial, economic and cultural purposes. <p>Inuit Communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (d) ensure sufficient land is held in reserve for the future expansion of Inuit Communities. (e) Direct residential, commercial and industrial uses to locate within existing Inuit Communities.

Regional Development

- (f) improve the region as a place for living, working and recreation by creating a healthier and safer environment.
- (g) guide the location of development and ensure it proceeds at a pace and scale that respects the values, needs, priorities and capabilities of the region and communities.

4.3.3 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

GOAL
To provide economic opportunities and development within the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area.

OBJECTIVES

Renewable Resources

- (a) promote economic activity based on the sustainable use of renewable resources.

Non-Renewable Resources

- (b) promote sequential use of the land, where appropriate, such as the removal and use of forest resources prior to mining or quarrying.
- (c) ensure rehabilitation of land after extraction of resources.
- (d) identify areas where mineral and petroleum resource exploration may or shall not take place.
- (e) Promote the extraction of non-renewable resources in appropriate areas but only where the activity respects the objectives of the Environment and Social, Cultural and Quality of Life of Inuit and other Residents.
- (f) maximize benefits to residents of mineral and petroleum exploration and production by ensuring economic opportunities through participation and employment.

Tourism

- (g) promote Torngat Mountains National Park and Mealy Mountains National Park reserve, future protected areas, ecological areas and landscape vistas as tourist attractions.
- (h) develop and promote historic and cultural attractions within existing and historic Inuit communities.
- (i) recognize the importance of developing tourism related activities.

Marine and Terrestrial Transportation

- (j) provide for a regional transportation system to improve the movement of people and goods utilizing land-based transportation corridors and shipping channels.
- (k) provide for multiple use ports in conjunction with the land based road network.