

National Land Trust Organization

Presentation to Land Trusts

The Ontario Land Trust Alliance, Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia, and Réseau de milieux naturels protégés, along with the Canadian Land Trust Working Group and other stakeholders, have been working towards establishing a Canadian National Land Trust Organization.

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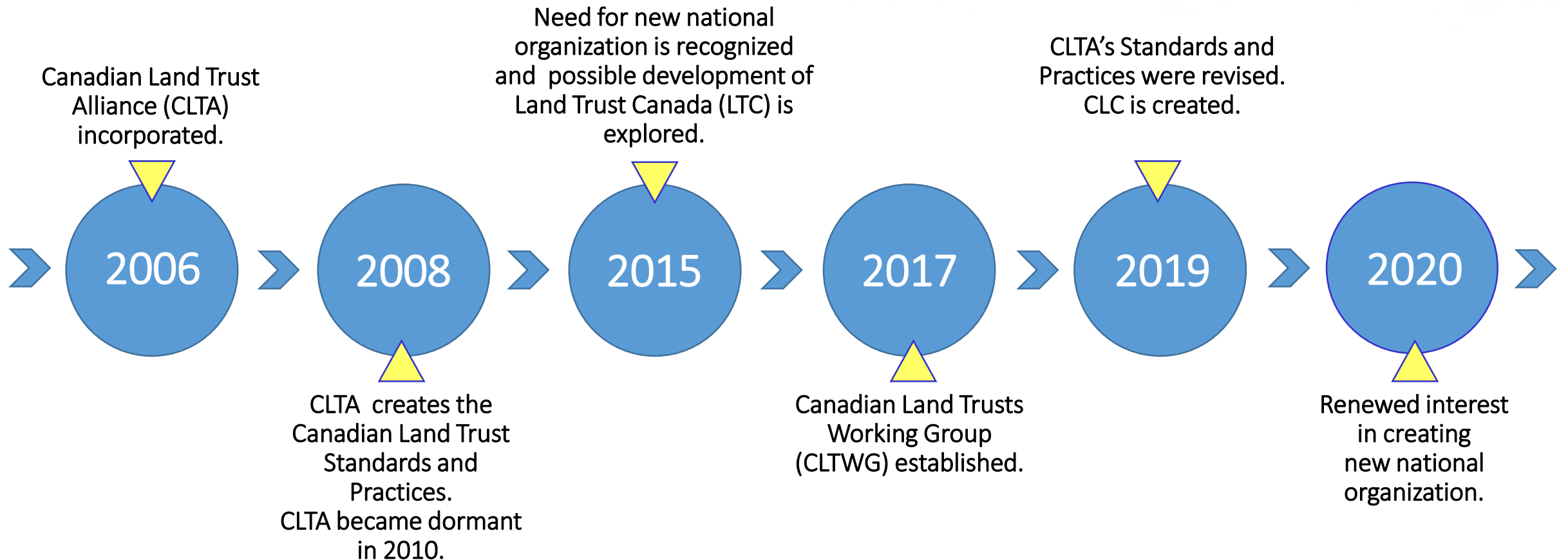
Welcome!

The purpose of this presentation is to seek input from Land Trusts on the creation of a National Land Trust Organization.

We will discuss the:

- **history and background,**
- **purposes,**
- **governance structure,**
- **priorities, funding, and**
- **next steps of establishing a National Organization.**

History & Background



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Canadian Land Trust Working Group (CLTWG)

- ▶ Represents the interests of and advocating for land trusts across Canada
- ▶ Negotiated the Natural Heritage Conservation Program in collaboration with NCC
- ▶ Accountable to Wildlife Habitat Canada to support delivery of LTCF

The CLTWG is comprised of leaders from land trusts and alliances:



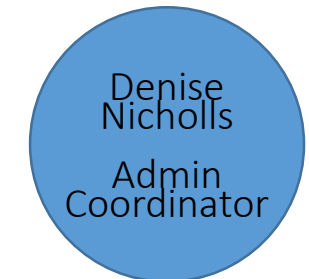
History & Background



National Organization Working Group

- ▶ Will provide recommendations to the Alliances and CLTWG, based on consultation with the sector proposing:
- The general mandate for the new national organization
 - Possible administrative and governance structures
 - Possible short and longer term funding mechanisms for the organization

Members of the Working Group:



Now is the time!

The community is stronger and has a voice (CLTWG) with representation from across Canada, and cross-alliance collaboration is stronger than ever.

The next natural step is to formalize this relationship, which will create:

Support for
Increased
Conservation

Collaborative
Leadership

Capacity
Building /
Funding

Advocacy &
Communications

There is renewed interest from the community in an organization that provides a national voice for community land trusts (National Forum and national survey).

Federal commitment to land conservation.

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Are you interested in learning and networking opportunities that a national organization can offer (conferences, document sharing, capacity building)?

Yes

No

Purposes

The main purposes of the National Land Trust Organization would be to:



1 Raise the profile of land trusts nationally

2 Provide national opportunities for partnerships, education and leadership

3 Build partnerships with federal government in achieving national objectives

4 Strengthen governance and reduce risk

5 Secure funding for national activities that will directly support alliances and land trusts, while strengthening the role of the alliances

6 Develop national tools and initiatives that benefit land trusts and partners

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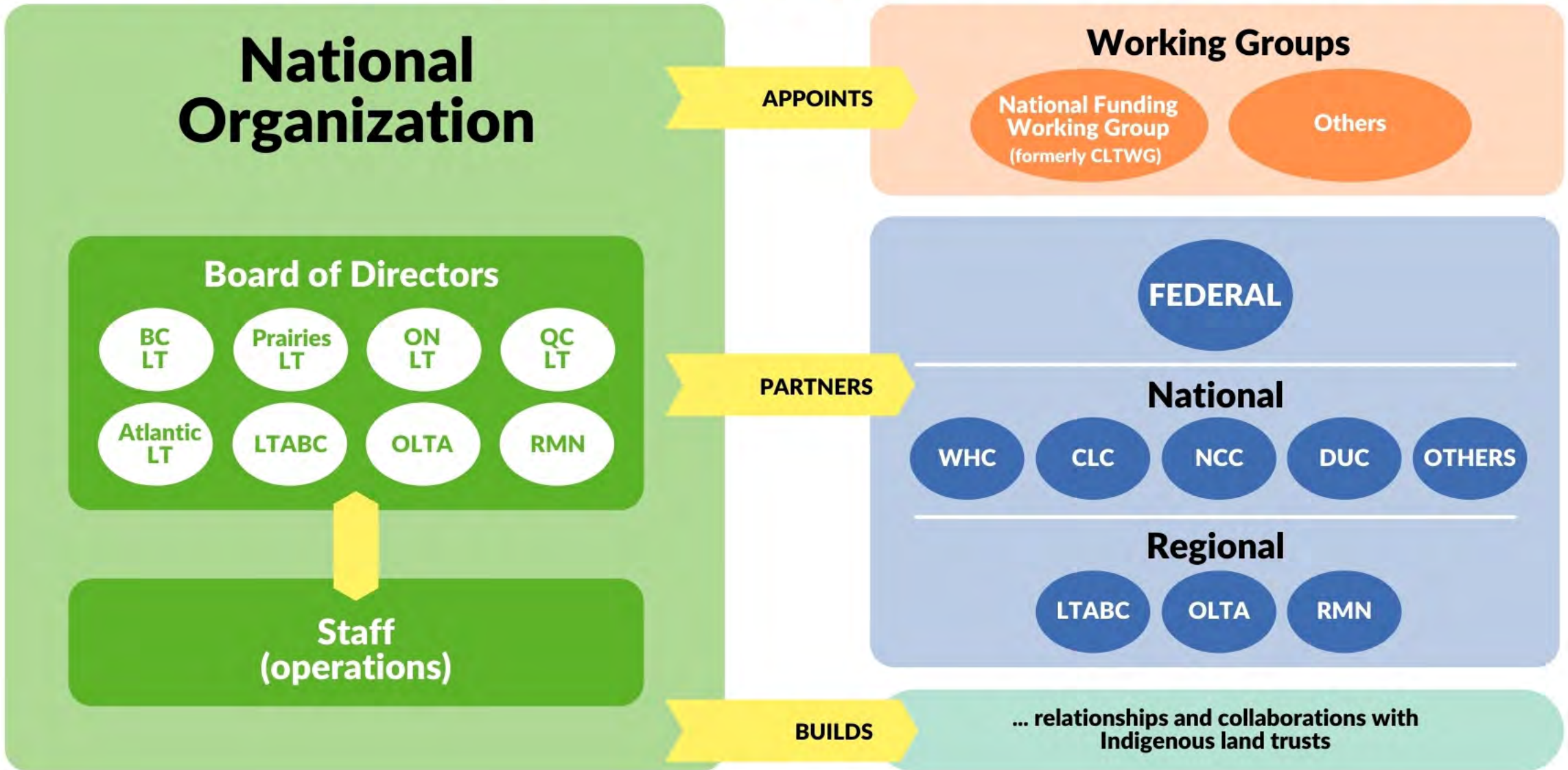
Do you agree with these purposes of the National Land Trust Organization?

Yes

No

Are there any key purposes that you think are missing?

GOVERNANCE & RESPONSIBILITY



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As a governance model, do you support a community up approach where Alliances and Representative Land Trusts become the stakeholders of a national body to respond to collective federal issues?

Yes

No

Proposed Activities



INITIAL PRIORITIES

- ✓ Strategic Plan
- ✓ Business Plan
- ✓ Secure funding for National Organization operations
- ✓ Build national relationships
- ✓ Advocate for land trusts
- ✓ Secure funding for land trust community from the Natural Heritage Conservation Program

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Do you agree with the proposed priorities of the national organization?

Yes

No

Are there other activities that you feel would be helpful for your organization?

Funding Strategy



The goal of the funding strategy is to provide for a sustainable national organization while advancing funding priorities for land trusts.

- Secure for funding for the operations and programs of a national organization (government, Foundations, corporations, events)
- Advocate and secure funding for land trusts (NHCP/LTCF, other partners)

Funding Strategy



Through the development of a business plan:

- Secure funding from Alliances, Capacity Building for initial start-up
- Secure broad-based funding for national organization based on business plan and program agreed to with Alliance partnerships (governments, events, foundations, corporations, individuals, fee for service, sponsorships)
- Develop long-term funding strategy as strategic plan is developed and partnerships created

Next Steps



- 1 Summarise “what we heard” during the presentations across Canada
- 2 Take recommendations back to CLTWG and Alliances
- 3 Finalize the plan to create a National Land Trust Organization
- 4 Outreach to potential national partners
- 5 Strategy for start-up funding
- 6 Apply for charitable status and develop by-laws
- 7 Establish Board of Directors
- 8 Hire Executive Director
- 9 Implement initial priorities
- 10 Organize national conference in 2022

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Are you in support of creating a new
Land Trust National Organization?

Yes

No

Thank You!

For more information, or further conversation, please contact:

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