MARR

2022 Manitoba Recycling & Waste Reduction Forum

Welcome to our special session on…

Sustainable Waste Management in First Nation & Indigenous Communities

Wednesday, October 11, 2022

(CanadInns Destination Centre Polo Park, Winnipeg, MB)

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This conference is taking place on Treaty 1 land and the original lands of Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation.

We also welcome and acknowledge participants from other Treaty lands and territories.

MARR respects the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we continue to look for ways to move forward in partnership with our Indigenous brothers and sisters in a spirit of true reconciliation and collaboration.

Join MARR!

MARR is a member-driven, non-profit organization that helps ensure efficient and effective waste reduction, reuse and recycling programs across Manitoba.

Membership in MARR is open to First Nations and Indigenous communities.

Ask us about membership today or...

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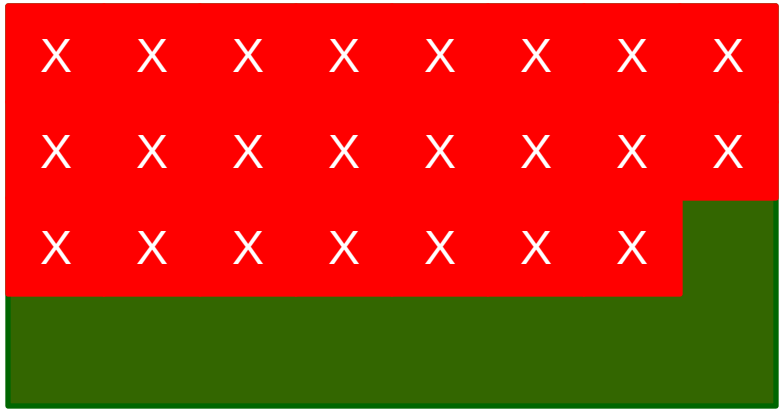
- *Waste/garbage/trash*
- *ziigwebinigan ni - something dumped out: slop, garbage, trash; a dump (Ojibwe language)*
- *Macikwanasa - house refuse, garbage (Cree language)*
- *?? (Dene and Sayisi Dene)*

Waste damages our land, our water, and our people.

Pollutes water

Pollutes the air

Contaminates lands & spaces



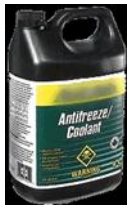
Increases cost and burden to future generations

$ capping landfills
$$ installing and monitoring wells
$$$ monitoring and managing leachate, methane gas buildup

Wasting the earth's precious resources

TAKE → MAKE → WASTE

Sustainable Waste Management (Reducing, Reusing, Recycling, Recovering)



4 Valuable Lessons from STP

- Let's stop calling it all "garbage" and let's stop calling our site "the dump".
- Storytelling is very important – Invest time and effort in developing your community's waste management vision, goals, and successes. Share those with your community as much as possible.
- Your waste management workers are just as important as the site, the buildings and the equipment (hire, support, train individuals who take pride in being protectors of the air, land and water)
- Improving how we manage "waste" is a long and ongoing journey. Start with one step and take advantage of all of the supports, assistance and information sharing available to you.