



Guidance on Submitting a Story

Thank you for your interest in submitting a story to the [Indigenous Climate Monitoring Toolkit](#), hosted by [First Peoples Group](#) with support from the [Indigenous Community-Based Climate Monitoring Program](#).

The stories are organized under these themes:

- Climate and Weather
- Land and Water
- Wildlife and Vegetation

A variety of formats will be accepted such as:

- Written story (see [examples here](#))
- Photo essay
- Video
- Interview (written, audio, or video)
- Combination of any of the above

Here are some guiding questions to help get you started:

1. Where is your community or Territory located and what climate change impacts are you seeing?
2. What are the goals and objectives of your climate monitoring project? Who are your partners?
3. What are you monitoring (indicators)? What methods are you using to collect, manage, and protect Indigenous Knowledge and scientific data?
4. How have you involved youth and Elders in your project? How have you engaged your community as a whole in the project? What training and capacity building do you offer your project team?
5. What are some of your key successes? Similarly, what are some of your key challenges and how have you overcome them?
6. How is the information you are gathering being used in decision-making around climate change adaptation, land use planning, resource management, environmental stewardship, etc.?
7. What are some good practices and lessons learned that would be helpful for others to know?
8. What resources or tools have been helpful to your project? Feel free to provide hyperlinks or documents to upload to the Toolkit.
9. Is there any other information about your project that you would like to share with your peers? Any tips or guidance?
10. Are you open to other Indigenous communities or organizations contacting you for more information? Is there a project website or social media page where people can learn more?

Please note that if you share any photos or videos, you will need to sign a standard photo/video release form to give First Peoples Group permission to post them on the website as part of your story. Alternatively, First Peoples Group can use stock images for your story.

There is no deadline to submit a story since the website will be updated on a regular basis.

You can submit your story to First Peoples Group at share.fpg@gmail.com. A small honorarium may be available upon request. Contact First Peoples Group for more information.

If you need help with editing a written story, the Indigenous Community-Based Climate Monitoring Program is available to support you. Please contact the Program at surveillanceclimat-climatemonitoring@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca.