**Reserve Land and Environment Management Program**

The Reserve Land and Environment Management Program (RLEMP) enables First Nations to develop the capacity needed to manage and exercise increased responsibility over their reserve land, resources and environment under the *Indian Act.*

There are two levels of progressive responsibility available under RLEMP: training and development and operational level**.** As First Nations progress from one level to the next, they develop the lands and environmental management capacity required to manage their reserve lands.

Eligible First Nations are provided annual ongoing funding by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA) and Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) Regional Offices. Funding is determined by a funding formula that considers volume and complexity of land and natural resource transactions registered in the Indian Lands Registry System as well as land area and population.

At the training level, CIRNA/ISC provide funding to train and certify one professional land manager per First Nation through the Professional Land Management Training and Certification Program (PLMCP).This funding covers costs such as: tuition, travel, accommodations and other administrative fees.

The goal of the PLMCPis to train a professional land manager to effectively manage reserve lands and processes under the *Indian Act* through a two-phase process:

* Post-secondary training (level 1)
* Technical training (level 2)

Building lands and environmental capacity through participating in the RLEMP program can also prepare First Nations to manage their reserve lands beyond the *Indian Act,* and to take advantage of the benefits of First Nations Land Management or comprehensive self-government.

For more information on RLEMP please visit [www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca](http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca).

For more information on PLMCP training, please visit [www.nalma.ca](http://www.nalma.ca).