CPAWS WINS NATURE INSPIRATION AWARD!

We are thrilled to share that CPAWS was awarded the Canadian Museum of Nature’s 2018 Nature Inspiration Award in the large Not-for-Profit category! CPAWS was recognized specifically for our “leadership, policy expertise and lobbying efforts [leading] to the Government of Canada announcing $1.3 billion dollars for conservation in the 2018 federal budget—the largest investment in conservation in Canada’s history.”

Watch the video prepared by the Canadian Museum of Nature recognizing CPAWS.

We are so thankful to our team across the country and our incredible supporters who helped us in securing conservation wins and donating to our work. This award is for all of us!

WEEKEND FOR THE WILD

This weekend will be all about the wild things! From Fri, Nov 16 to Sun, Nov 18, Bou, our CPAWS mascot will be taking over our social channels as host of the event. Weekend for the Wild is aimed to raise awareness of species at risk in Canada, and the need to protect their habitat. For this weekend flash fundraising and awareness event, help us get the word out by sharing #wkn4wild posts from national and chapters with your social networks. All weekend donors will be entered into daily draws for some great prizes!
WE'VE BEEN ON THE ROAD LEARNING ABOUT CARIBOU, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND MARINE PROTECTED AREAS

Lately, our NL CPAWS staff have been a bit like passing ships in the night. We've been taking turns on the road, attending meetings and workshops, returning home with broadened professional networks, new information and fresh ideas to promote protected areas in our province. Read on for a taste of what we've been up learning about.

Terra Nova Climate Adaptation Workshop - In October, we joined Parks Canada staff and environmental organization representatives to discuss climate change effects on NL ecosystems and adaptation strategies to mitigate them. As our climate is predicted to become warmer, wetter and stormier, we discussed what this could mean for freshwater, marine, boreal and sub-alpine ecosystems and the species that rely on these habitats.

North America Caribou Workshop - Over 600 delegates took part in the 17th biennial NACW in Ottawa this fall. The workshop was led by Environment and Climate Change Canada in partnership with Natural Resources Canada and a diverse group of non-governmental organizations. NACW participants included a range of participants from academia, government, Indigenous communities, non-governmental organizations, environmental consulting firms and forestry, energy and infrastructure sectors. Scientific and traditional knowledge have well established that most caribou populations are experiencing declines across North America. Caribou is an iconic species and holds a special significance for all North Americans – its status concerns us all. Working together is of the utmost importance to be at the forefront of caribou management, conservation and recovery initiatives and effort.

GROS MORNE NATIONAL PARK WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Gros Morne National Park is calling on all members of the public to participate in their online public consultation process to help guide the future direction of the park. You have until mid December to tell Parks Canada that you want your national park protected for the future! For more information, and to complete the survey, visit the Gros Morne National Park page at pc.gc.ca.

Atlantic Canada Marine Protected Areas Meetings - Our CPAWS Marine Coordinator joined environmental non-governmental organizations from across the Atlantic region this month in a quarterly meeting to discuss the latest progress towards Marine Protected Areas in the region.

CPAWS National Meetings - Twice a year, CPAWS staff from across the country meet face to face to discuss what is working and what isn’t. This month, our Conservation Director will join other CPAWSers in Ottawa to contribute to the CPAWS Strategic Plan.