

## Who we are

Canada's trusted source of environmental market research and guidance

Cooperative initiative on shared platform of MakeWay, led by diverse, fee-paying coalition of NGOs

Public source of intel for communicators and campaigners, addressing climate change and biodiversity loss

Since 2016: 13 national surveys, 26 reports, many webinars



# Theory of change

### If EcoA provides influential ENGOs with...

Rigorous, timely public opinion research on topics of greatest relevance to them

Good guidance on applying this research in communicating with diverse, key segments Space to discuss learnings, experience applying guidance and design research of value

Then...

EcoA will strengthen the environmental movement and contribute to changing the political landscape, so decision-makers take action to protect people and the environment, permanently.

### **Key achievements**



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#### Influential research

Two rounds completed, one initiated

Our largest survey, segmentation research informing changemakers nationally, English/French

National biodiversity opinion survey

Groundwork for research to expand Indigenous-led conservation

## **Expanded knowledge translation**

New publications and presentations that have reached a growing subscriber audience

### **National influence**

Broadened our reach greatly, through partnerships

Wide publication of research has forged new relationships...

Broadened our network of research, ENGO, media and governmental partners, clients and supporters

# Highlights: CA-MAP National Segmentation Survey

In 2023–2024, our members wanted to learn more about potential new audiences; so we conducted our largest climate survey to date, the CA-MAP national segmentation study.

- 6,142 surveyed
- · Five key segments identified
- Attracted extra funding from members
- · Informed follow-up focus groups run by Re.Climate
- Shared results in 6 webinars to 1,500 communicators
- Quantitative and qualitative results fuelled innovative campaigns by Environmental Defence, My Climate Plan, and other groups
- Worked closely with Re.Climate, Université de Montréal, Environmental Defence, COMM-Climat



## Highlights: ENGO financial practices research

Broad consultation in the field of Indigenous conservation finance culminating in seminal research on how ENGO financial practices align with their commitments to reconciliation.

member and non-member participating ENGOs

Partnerships with RAD Network and CRP, Environics Research

RAD: Restore, Assert, Defend Network

CRP: Conservation Through Reconciliation Partnership



### Knowledge translation

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EcoA Research
Nutshells

FOCUS: OPINIONS OF PARENTS AND BRITISH COLUMBIANS

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Notes from the Field briefs

FOCUS: CAMPAIGNS BY
MY CLIMATE PLAN AND
ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENCE

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Research briefs

FOCUS: RENEWABLES IN ONTARIO, CLIMATE DENIAL IN RURAL ON

4

Articles published in The Energy Mix 7

Issues of *EcoA Tips* newsletter



# Webinars on hot topics

Including ecoanxiety in youth, biodiversity opinions, communicating with social values, lessons from Europe and US on populist backlash and polarization. Hosts included:

- The Sustainability Network (2 webinars)
- Re.Climate (2)
- COMM-Climat (1, in French)
- EcoAnalytics (2)

### Audience reach

This year our reach grew significantly due to open access to data, new products, new partnerships and relevant research

279

subscribers

↑ 65%

68%

average open rate despite rapid growth of readership

1,536

attended webinars, 10x increase over 2023 4,381

website traffic doubled in 2024 (over 2023)

## **Diverse**collaboration

New collaborators, reaching new sectors

Zero Emissions
Innovation Centre
(ZEIC)

Building industry survey

ENGO financial practices research

Social media testing

Nature Canada & Nature Saskatchewan

Conservation
Through
Reconciliation
Partnership (CRP)

Restore, Assert, Defend (RAD) Network

## Our growing community

Members were engaged more than ever, designing the research, disseminating results, funding additional studies, etc. And we built many new relationships (see right).

member groups
attended our biannual
3-day meeting in
Toronto

- Social media testing, supported by a digital community of practice for conservation communicators, with Nature Saskatchewan and Nature Canada
- Welcomed as a new member The Nature Agency
- Helped ZEIC conduct a building industry survey that proved pivotal in encouraging City of Vancouver to maintain its ban on natural gas in new builds
- Continued work with research partners Erick
   Lachapelle, Marjolaine Martel-Morin and Environics
- Forged productive new relationships with NGOs focused on supporting climate-friendly policies in cities: The Atmospheric Fund, Community Energy Association, STAND.earth, BC Climate Action Secretariat, Urban Climate Leadership, etc.

