



## **FMF Partners Satisfied with Governance**

The results of a communication and governance survey sent to partner representatives in late March show that participating organizations are satisfied overall with the current governance structure.

There was a slight concern among a few respondents that more community representation may be needed at the Executive Committee level. The survey also indicated a need to accommodate agencies that wish to be active but non-voting partners. General Manager Nairn Hay is looking into how to accomplish this change.

In looking at the future direction of Fundy Model Forest, partners expressed a willingness to consider change. At the same time, they wished to maintain qualities that are integral to the Model Forest, in particular the “on-the-ground” connection to landowners and communities.

On the communication side of the questionnaire, partners demonstrated a clear desire to receive information about Fundy Model Forest activities and events and are frequently passing this information on to others in their organizations. Fourteen of the 15 respondents had done so more than twice in the past 12 months.

Respondents are also giving recognition to Fundy Model Forest, with 11 reporting that they had mentioned the Model Forest in a public communication in the preceding year.

About half the surveys mailed were returned, an excellent response rate. A sincere thank-you goes to everyone who completed the multi-page questionnaire.

For more detailed results, please contact [barb@fundymodelforest.net](mailto:barb@fundymodelforest.net).