

## MITSUBISHI CORPORATION FOUNDATION SUPPORTS DIVERSE PROJECTS: FROM CARIBOU CONSERVATION IN CANADA TO GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE IN US CITIES



*Endangered Mountain Caribou from Northeast British Columbia, Canada (Photo by Antonio Sunci3n)*

NEW YORK (November 27, 2018) – On October 31, 2018, the Board of Directors of the Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas (MCFA) approved new grants to a wide range of projects, including a new multi-year grant to the [Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative \(Y2Y\)](#) to support First Nations-led Caribou conservation in British Columbia, Canada; and a new grant to [CDP](#) to enhance its [Matchmaker platform](#), which promotes the implementation of climate resilient infrastructure projects in cities throughout the US.

The Board of MCFA also approved renewed funding to the [Rainforest Alliance](#), to continue supporting access to finance to strengthen sustainable livelihoods and sustainable forest management in Peru; to [Fair Trade USA](#), to continue improving labor conditions and environmental protections for farmworkers in North America; to [NatureServe](#), for further development of a [web-based portal](#) to strengthen collaborative biodiversity conservation in the Gulf of Mexico; to [Mitacs](#), for its Indigenous Community Engagement efforts, to support a newly developed *Resource Management Tool* for First Nations to help document their traditional use when responding to resource development proposals in Canada; and to [Pronatura Noroeste](#) to continue its efforts to promote shorebird conservation through community education and outreach in Baja California.

MCFA's Board also ratified continuing grants to the [Wildlife Conservation Society](#) in support of the [Amazon Waters Initiative](#), which seeks to maintain the integrity of the world's greatest and most diverse freshwater system by promoting the model of Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM) in key watersheds in Brazil and Peru; to [Conservation International](#) for its work engaging urban stakeholders in watershed conservation in Bogota, Colombia; to [Equitable Origin](#) for its work in Mexico improving local capacity for assessing social impacts of energy development; and to the [Pembina Foundation](#) to promote deep energy retrofits for social housing in Canada.

MCFA's mission encompasses biodiversity conservation, environmental education, environmental justice and sustainable development, and it is but one of several means through which [Mitsubishi Corporation](#) is proactively working to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

The [Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas](#), based in New York City, was established 1991 with funding from Mitsubishi Corporation of Japan, and its U.S.-based subsidiary, Mitsubishi International Corporation. MCFA is currently supported by Mitsubishi Corporation and Mitsubishi Corporation (Americas). Since its establishment, MCFA has dedicated over \$11 million to environmental causes throughout the Americas.

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