CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS
ELVER BUYERS

Mi'kmaq Rights Initiative
Kwilmu'kw Maw-klusuaqn
Our Rights. Our Future.

The Treaty Rights Protected (TRP) Fishery invites qualified buyers to submit proposals for access to buy elver for the 2027 and 2028 fishing seasons. We are seeking qualified buyers to bring value to our harvesters, participating communities and fishery.

The categories and proposed weights below will frame the evaluation. Additional details are provided in the application form. Applicants should provide clear, detailed information and supporting evidence so that their proposals can be assessed against these considerations.

Preference will be given to Mi'kmaw businesses however all eligible businesses are encouraged to apply.

Category	What we are looking for:	Weight
Operations and river coverage	Details on operations – location, staffing, handling capacity, etc.	25%
Mi'kmaw ownership	Do you have Mi'kmaw ownership and operation, or ties to Mi'kmaw communities.	20%
Payment and value	Information on how harvesters will be paid, and financial plans.	20%
Community benefits	How will participating Mi'kmaw communities benefit?	20%
Compliance and traceability	Information on the licenses and approvals you have, understanding of EMT and data sharing.	15%

Additional Information for buyer applicants
The following rivers, TAC limit, and participation numbers are from the 2026 season and are subject to change for the 2027 and 2028 seasons.

Rivers: Bear River (Annapolis), Chebogue River, Chegoggin, Gold River, Little River (Yarmouth), Medway River, Middle River, Salmon River (Digby), Salmon River (Port Dufferin), Sissiboo River, Woodens River

TAC: 2199kg **Number of harvesters**: 447

HOW TO APPLY

Please complete the following application form: mikmaqrights.com/?p=4738

Email the completed form and any supporting documentation to TRP_Fish@mikmaqrights.com by **Wednesday, January 6th, 2027 at 12pm AST**.

Any questions should be directed only to TRP_Fish@mikmaqrights.com
Notification regarding participation will be sent the week of January 18th.