

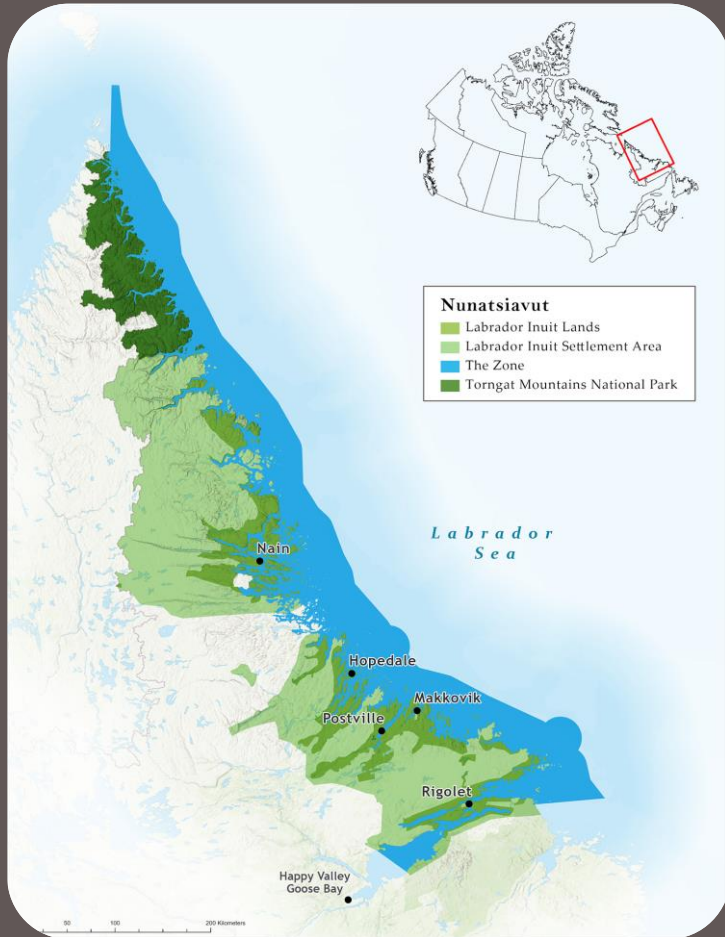
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Kavisilik in Nunatsiavut

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Nunatsiavut: Our Beautiful Land



The Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement sets out Inuit fishing, hunting, trapping, and gathering rights in the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area (LISA) and makes specific provisions for those who live outside of the LISA.

- 7,200 Beneficiaries: 1/3 in the LISA 1/3 in ULM
- The settlement area is 72,500 km²



Atlantic Salmon in Nunatsiavut

Canada co-manages a domestic salmon harvest and also monitor salmon returns in 4 Labrador rivers as indicators of the health of the species.

Overall, returns of salmon to Canadian rivers appear to be in decline, although rivers in Labrador appear to be comparatively healthy.



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Biological information and samples are collected from Atlantic salmon harvested in the Labrador Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) fisheries. Samples are sent to DFO Science for analyses and the information is incorporated into the annual stock assessment process.



Atlantic Salmon in Nunatsiavut

With the reduced presence of DFO in Nunatsiavut, NG Conservation Officers monitor the fishery.

NG manages access to the licenses under a Ministerial Directive.

At least 96% of salmon caught in the fishery is from Labrador rivers.



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Communal Licence

Labrador Inuit Settlement Area (LISA)

Labrador Inuit have the right to fish throughout the LISA at all times of the year in such quantities as are required to meet their full needs for food, social, and ceremonial purposes.



Communal Licence

Labrador Inuit Settlement Area (LISA)

Each Beneficiary household is eligible to receive a LISA Aboriginal Communal Licence with the Nunatsiavut Government to harvest trout, char and salmon in the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area.



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Labrador Inuit Settlement Area (LISA)

One Beneficiary per household is eligible to harvest up to seven (7) salmon tags for the duration of the season under a LISA Aboriginal Communal Licence.

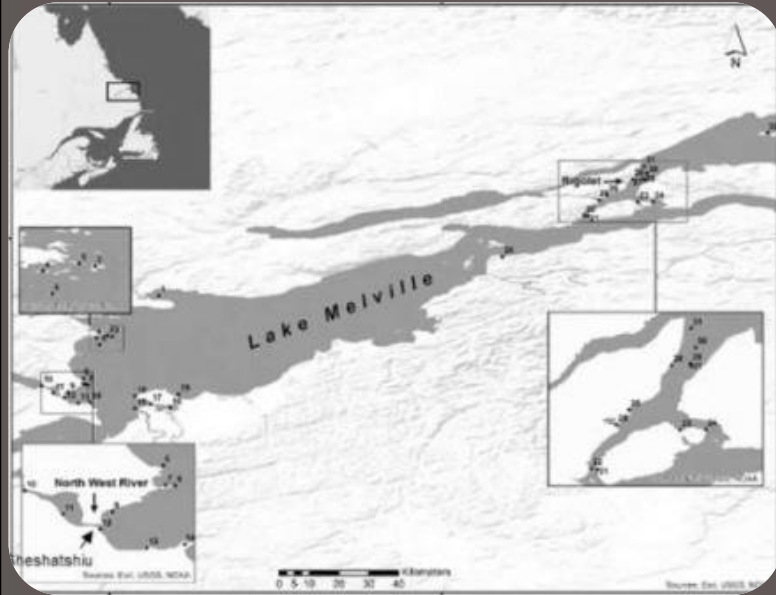


Communal Licence

Upper Lake Melville 12E Licence

Atlantic Salmon from Lake Melville (a marine estuary) are a genetically distinct population.

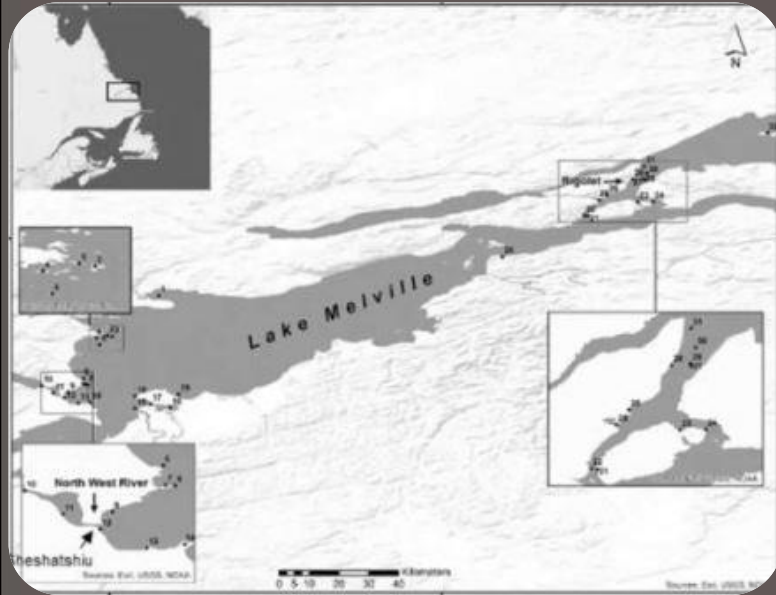
In this region, harvest levels are negotiated annually. There are weekend take-ups as well as a 10 day take-up period from July 9th -19th. This is to allow the peak run of large salmon to return to rivers in the ULM area.



Communal Licence

Upper Lake Melville 12-E Licence

Each Beneficiary household in Labrador outside of the LISA is eligible to receive a 12-E Aboriginal Communal Licence from the Nunatsiavut Government.



Communal Licence

Upper Lake Melville 12-E Licence

One Beneficiary per household is eligible to harvest up to seven (7) salmon tags for their household for the duration of the season under a 12-E Communal Licence.



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Cultural Importance

Atlantic salmon is an iconic species for Labrador Inuit and Indigenous people.

Access to Country foods are critical for food security and fundamental to our Indigenous culture.



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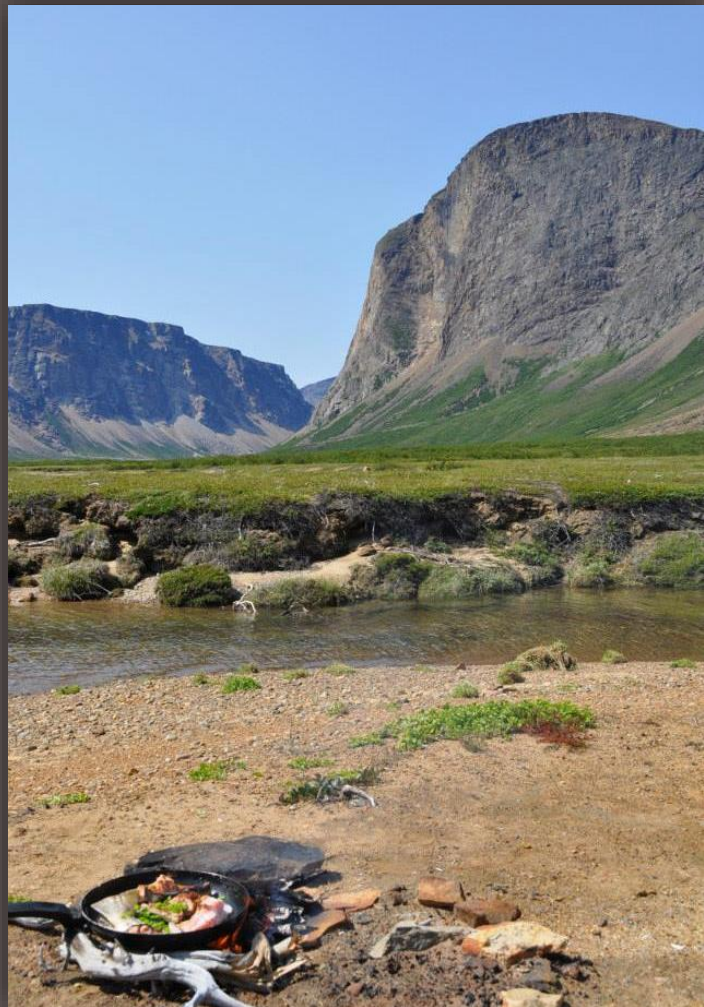


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