

# GAP AND CLIMATE ADAPTATION

HOW THE HOULTON BAND OF MALISEET INDIANS (HBMI) USES THE GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (GAP) TO ADDRESS THEIR CLIMATE PRIORITIES



## 1. Identify Vulnerabilities

HBMI's River has critical impairments in its water, tributaries, channel structure and riparian zones that impact its resilience to climate change and the quality of its fish habitat.

*2022 GAP Guidance Sec 2.1.1*

## 2. Determine GAP Supporting Roles

HBMI is leveraging GAP resources to advance the Tribe's technical and administrative capacity while fostering partnership development.

*2022 GAP Guidance Sec 1.3*



## 3. Relate to Environmental Programs

To address these impairments, HBMI uses GAP to meaningfully participate in Clean Water Act Non-Point Source Management and Water Quality Monitoring Programs.

*2022 GAP Guidance Sec 2.1.1*



## 4. Recognize Results

Through partnerships, leveraging resources, and building capacity, HBMI is improving connectivity, water quality, and fish habitat in its river by increasing watershed resilience to climate change.

*2022 GAP Guidance Sec 3.10*



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