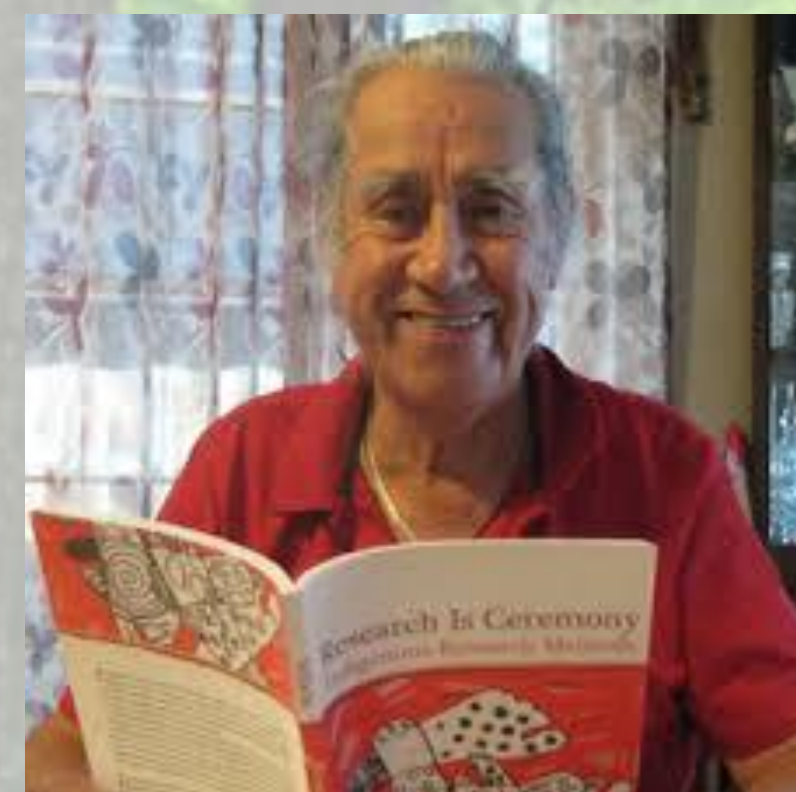


Etuaptmumk in Forestry: Integrating Two-Eyed Seeing for Sustainable Forest Management

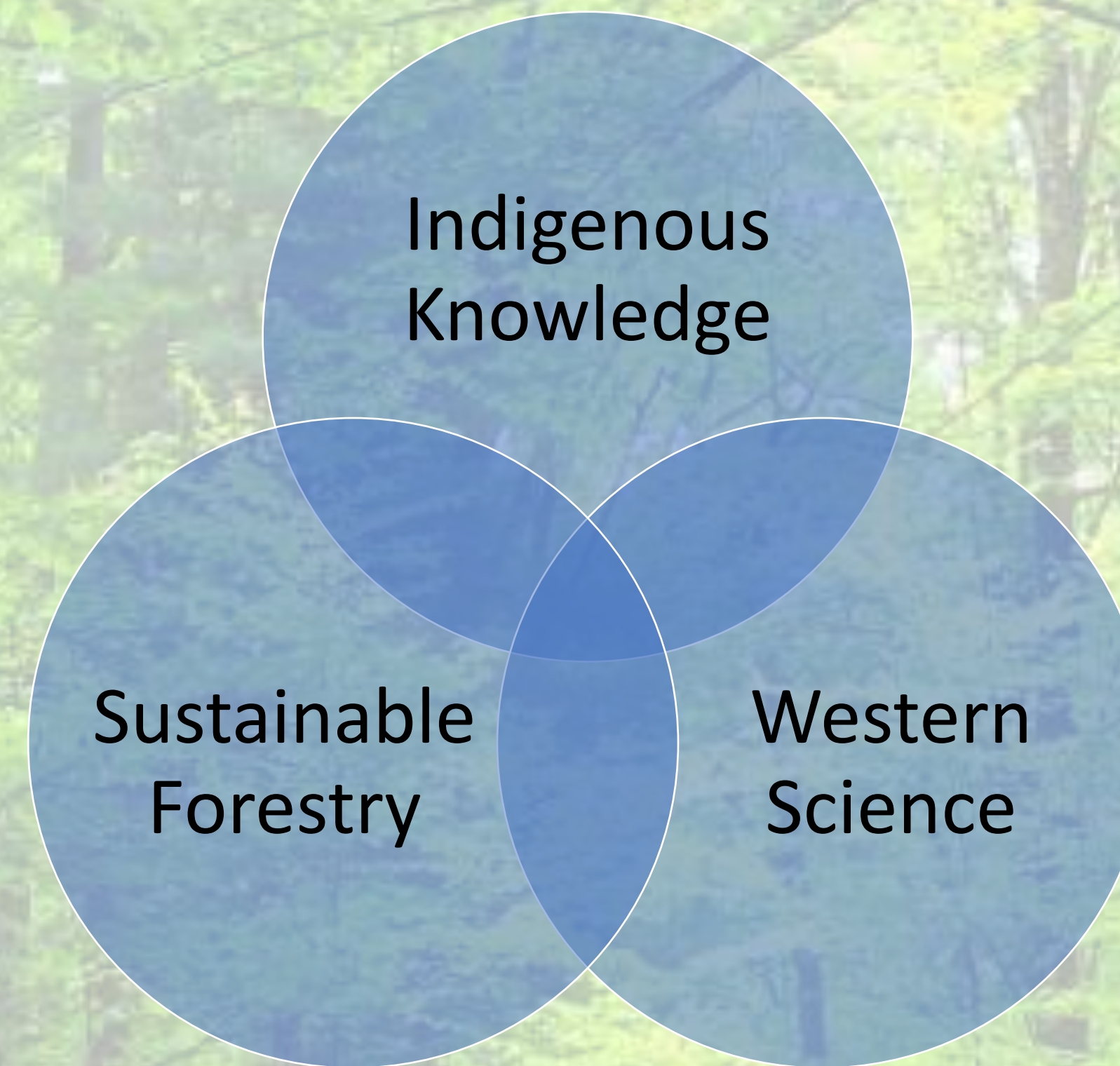
Introduction

Etuaptmumk, or Two-Eyed Seeing, emphasizes combining the strengths of Indigenous knowledge and Western science to benefit all. This approach is essential for sustainable forest management, enhancing biodiversity, and fostering community stewardship.



Objectives

1. Demonstrate the integration of Indigenous and Western knowledge systems.
2. Highlight case studies showcasing Etuaptmumk in forestry.
3. Explore practical applications for sustainability and community engagement."



Methodology

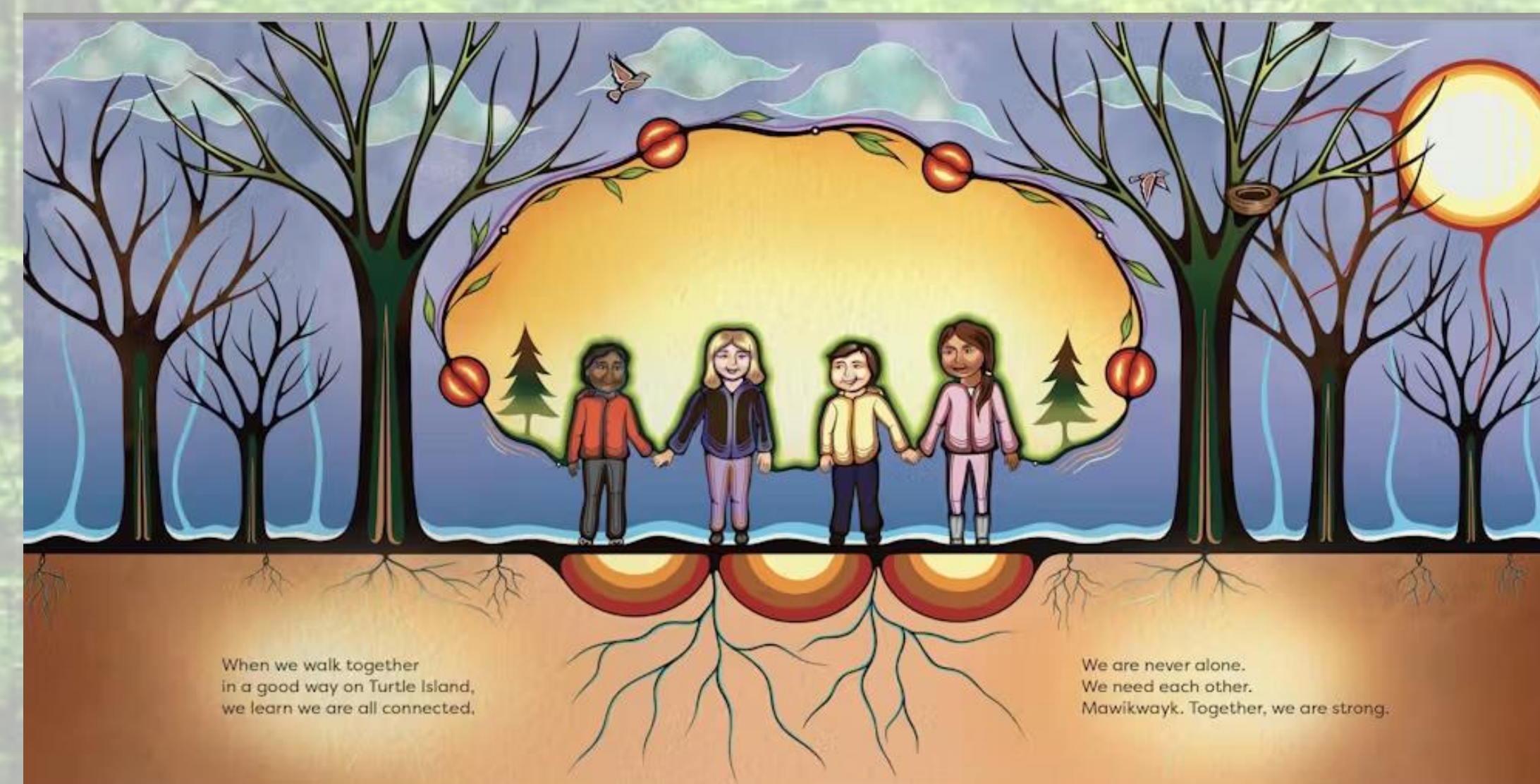
A review of SINEWS projects was conducted, focusing on:

- Ethical engagement strategies with Indigenous communities.
- Application of traditional knowledge, like prescribed burns.
- Collaborative frameworks for sustainable forest management.

Case Studies:

Fire Medicine: "Cassandra B. highlighted the cultural and ecological value of prescribed burns in Indigenous territories, improving forest health and biodiversity."

Better Ways of Knowing: "Emma T. and Natasha A. collaborated with Yukon communities to create an ethics guide for inclusive research."



Findings

Integrating Indigenous knowledge with Western science:

- Enhances biodiversity and protection through traditional practices.
- Strengthens community engagement and stewardship.
- Informs inclusive and effective forestry policies.

Etuaptmumk in forestry fosters resilient ecosystems and meaningful community participation. By honoring Indigenous knowledge, we can achieve sustainable management for future generations.