

A QUIET REVOLUTION

LAND USE INITIATIVES IN THE WESTERN RESERVE

Our Relationship to Land: A Historical Perspective

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“Land” is a complex concept. As property, it is a legal construct that has evolved over time. As place, it is a terrain of consciousness that shapes our perception of the world. As life, it permeates our bodies at the molecular level.

How have humans related to the land that some call the Western Reserve? How has this relationship changed over time? How can we now learn to inhabit this place in a more sustainable manner in the future?