



## **Mission**

Businesses for Conservation & Climate Action’s mission is to establish national, regional, and state policies that recognize sustainable, BIPOC and community- based businesses as compatible with healthy lands and oceans, and to enhance rather than exclude these sustainable businesses from conversations about resource access at every step of the decision-making process. Our work is guided by a firm commitment to social equity, local and traditional wisdom, and triple bottom line solutions that restore social, ecological and economic health.

## **Principles & Values**

- We must act now and we must act together to address the increasing climate-driven pressures and extreme events, new and continued efforts to industrialize lands and waters, and struggling resource-dependent communities
- Climate change calls for a new approach to conservation that simultaneously enhances community, economic, and ecosystem resilience.
- Developing creative and cohesive policy approaches to secure a positive climate future for all is a generational mission for businesses and the environment alike. Solutions must be innovative, comprehensive, and locally-driven, with Indigenous leadership at the forefront.
- Visionary new policies and environmental wins can be developed and achieved if they are championed by an empowered community of conservation-focused Indigenous and community-based business.
- BCCA policy goals, our process for engagement on conservation and climate, our and implementation strategies will be rooted in Indigenous worldview and led by Indigenous leaders and businesses, community based businesses and resource dependent communities.
- Our Alliance is committed to serve as a hub for meaningful dialog and innovative cross-sector problem solving and action catalyzed by inclusive processes that defers to local knowledge and experience.