Human Dimensions and Education

To prepare an area for the reintroduction of an extirpated species a significant education process is necessary. The form this process takes will be evaluated through a series of questionnaires circulated to the Blood Tribe and local area residents. These questionnaires will ascertain the attitudes to and the level of knowledge about wildlife and the environment before the education program begins and will then be repeated at intervals in order to evaluate the success of the ongoing education program. The process will be designed to evaluate the changes in public attitudes and knowledge over the project period and, if necessary, to modify the education component to fill knowledge gaps in the communities through newsletters, public meetings, and the interactive multi-media web page.

Another tool in the education process is this web page which will be updates regularly throughout the project.

The final tool will be a series of regular presentations by project staff in local schools. These will concentrate on the Swift fox their habits and biology.