

## **DRAFT - JANUARY 2024**

### **What is a First Light Project?**

First Light projects share...

- A commitment to shared learning, resources and fundraising among non-native partners leading to every organization realizing and benefiting from the success of every other project.
- An understanding that an individual organization's credit is not as important as collective, shared credit and success.
- An understanding that harm can be done, and a commitment to transparently seek to minimize harm.
- An effort to shift culture away from colonial relationships between land and people.
- Building a level of cultural competency beforehand.
- Involving and affirming the role of the Wabanaki voice and knowledge through the Wabanaki Commission.
- Solidarity with Wabanaki people, not charity.
- Outcomes focused on Wabanaki wellbeing.
- Seeking equity in the results of our work among Wabanaki people.