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Passamaquoddy people trace their ancestry to time immemorial. The oldest archaeological site dates back to more than 13,000 years ago, when people moved into the region as the glaciers melted at the end of the last Ice Age.

Passamaquoddy means “pollock fishing place,” and these fish continue to be an important resource to the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Native Americans, along with porpoise, lobsters, scallops, clams, eels, and alewives.

Today’s Passamaquoddy are part of the Wabanaki Confederacy of tribes and First Nations, whose traditional homeland extends across the northeastern United States and Canada.