



North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

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Vision (2000-2005 Business Plan)

We envision a community of active leaders that balance the environmental, cultural, social, and economic implications of their decisions, actions and policies resulting in wise use and management of the North Saskatchewan Watershed within Alberta.

Mission (2000-2005 Business Plan)

The North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) is a non-profit society whose purpose is to protect and improve water quality and ecosystem functioning in the North Saskatchewan River Watershed within Alberta. We work to achieve this goal by:

- Improving the community's ability to make informed decisions about the value of watershed protection and the integrated stewardship of land and water resources
- Maximizing communication, relationships, and partnerships among members and within the larger community
- Promoting a balanced approach to watershed management that recognizes the relationship between cultural, social, and economic desires and ecosystem functions within the watershed.

Background

The NSWA is an on-going initiative founded in 1999. Our area of focus is the North Saskatchewan River watershed within Alberta, an area of approximately 80,000 km². Our members emphasize a watershed approach to address the cumulative effects of land use activities on water quality and quantity.

The NSWA uses an inclusive, transparent process to involve as many stakeholder groups as possible. Our members cooperate on projects and activities that will bring about positive environmental changes within the watershed. We work to coordinate watershed-related projects and raise public awareness within the basin community about the value of watershed protection. Our meetings provide a forum for members to share information and provides an opportunity for relationship building and partnerships. We also review government and industry actions and policies and recommend best management practices to achieve quality water resources.

Short-term Goals

The NSWA 2000-2005 Business plan sets the following short-term goals for the organization:

1. foundation and relationship building (2000-2001)
2. community-based action (2002-2005)
3. evaluation (2005)

As a result of participation in the development of *Water for Life – Alberta's Strategy for Sustainability*, and completion of 2 key projects, the North Saskatchewan River Guide and the Community Watershed Toolkit, as well as a draft Background Study for the Canadian Heritage Rivers System and the near completion of the State of the Watershed Report, the Steering Committee and manager drafted a new, 3 year Strategic Plan. This resulted in some revisions

to our Vision and Mission, as well as key areas of business and goals. This plan will be brought to the membership for formal feedback and comment. Once all member comments are addressed in the new document, the Steering Committee will approve the new plan.

The NSWA financial position remained steady as major projects such as the Community Watershed Toolkit and North Saskatchewan River Guide were marketed, distributed and sold widely. Detailed work on the Heritage Rivers Background Study and the State of the Watershed Report, along with outreach activities, communications and administration were among the major expenditures for the year. Funding support from EPCOR Water Services, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada – Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration, Ducks Unlimited Canada and the City of Edmonton continued for Operations and Projects this fiscal year, as well as in-kind support from the City of Edmonton, Trout Unlimited Canada and Alberta Environment. The NSWA gratefully acknowledges the in-kind support from these partners, which was valued at over \$35,000 this past year.

For the State of the Watershed Project, indicators of watershed health were finalized, data was sourced and collected and data sharing agreements secured. Membership grew and was revised, and key sectors for membership outreach were determined and sought.

The NSWA became a supporting partner in the Wonder of Water (WoW) – the western Canadian initiative for the United Nations International Year of Fresh Water. This 2-year initiative with a legacy year to follow, provided the NSWA and its members opportunities for profile raising, event advertisement and increased member and public participation in water-related activities. The NSWA also provided the service of event posting on www.albertawatersheds.org for several meetings and open houses held by the NSWA and our members.

Our *Community Watershed Toolkit* continued to reach groups within our watershed, and was distributed and is used by groups in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario. This is testimony to the excellent resources developed by our members. *The North Saskatchewan River Guide* continues to be a key public awareness tool for the river, the watershed and the NSWA.

Accomplishments for the Year Ended March 31, 2004

The following points highlight the NSWA's activities in the key areas of our operations:

NSWA Development:

- The NSWA Steering Committee met bi-monthly to provide strategic direction and approve work plans for the organization. The manager provided bi-monthly financial and activity reporting to the Steering Committee for both operations and projects.
- Several Steering Committee members and the manager participated in the second *Water for Life* Minister's Forum in Edmonton, and in workshops held in Red Deer for the development of the WFL Partnership Framework. The NSWA participated in workshops for the three types of proposed partnerships – the Provincial Water Council, Watershed Planning and Advisory Councils and Watershed Stewardship Groups.
- The NSWA maintained and strengthened partnerships with watershed organizations from other basins (such as the Bow River Basin Council, Partners FOR the Saskatchewan River Basin and the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority)
- Jean-Francois Bouffard was hired on a 6 month term as office assistant

- The NSWA was named an Emerald Award Finalist for the second time, in the category of non-profit association
- We revised and reprinted NSWA brochure; and made additions to our website
- We entered into a partnership with Ducks Unlimited Canada for technical support (hardware, software and expertise) associated with the State of the Watershed Report and we completed Draft 1 of the State of the Watershed Report
- We participated in the National Policy Forum for Watershed Stewardship
- We strengthened media relationships and raised the NSWA profile by appearing on CBC National television, CTV Lloydminster, and provided comments and interviews to the Edmonton Journal and CBC radio.
- a Watershed Stewardship Group working group was formed, to address the needs of volunteer community watershed stewards
- The NSWA became a member of the Working Group of the Battle River Watershed Management Planning Process
- We continued to support and promote Trout Unlimited's Yellow Fish Road program in the City of Edmonton

Member Meetings:

- The third Annual General Meeting was held on June 25, 2003 to foster communication, education, and long-term planning among watershed stakeholders; the draft Terms of Reference for the Integrated Watershed Management Plan was distributed to members for comment and input
- As part of the State of the Watershed Project, members and the public were engaged at a series of Open Houses held throughout the watershed. The NSWA hosted day-long open houses in Rocky Mountain House, Sherwood Park and Elk Point to gather feedback on the project to date, to highlight local watershed initiatives and to gather public input on issues in their area of the watershed. All open houses were well attended, and feedback was positive.
- The NSWA attended several meetings, workshops and open houses hosted by our member organizations to provide project updates, to distribute our products and promote the NSWA and our vision. Some examples were: the FEESA Water Institute, Cows & Creeks Seminar Day, the River Valley Alliance, Iron Creek Watershed Improvement Society and the Vermilion Watershed meetings.

Member Recruitment (Outreach):

- 6 new member organizations joined the NSWA in 2003/4
- The NSWA continues to develop and maintain a database of interested and active stakeholder groups to track the participation of our members
- Based on a clear understanding of our membership organizations, we have identified sectors that require representation allowing for planned outreach efforts
- Throughout 2003/4, NSWA staff met with and made presentations to various groups about the NSWA's goals, activities and projects

Member Communications:

- Members were kept informed of ongoing activities and news via email and regular mailings and the State of the Watershed Open Houses
- The Manager and Steering Committee spent time in dialogue with many established and new members cultivating relationships and raising the profile of the organization
- The NSWA wrote articles for several publications, including member organizations' newsletters

- The NSWA developed and published 3 issues of our newsletter “Channels” and distributed it to over 200 member representatives and the public in the spring, fall and winter.

Website Development (www.nswa.ab.ca):

- NSWA staff continue to increase the amount of information available on the website, including NSWA reports, fact sheets, and member profiles
- A website review has lead to some streamlining of the site which is currently underway
- The office continues to receive inquiries and requests as a result of the public using the website and our on-line Community Watershed Toolkit

Resource Library Development:

- The size of the NSWA’s resource library increased with the purchase and donation of new books, videos, and CD’s. The library is kept updated and the reference list maintained. This list is available to all members upon request.
- Newspaper articles pertaining to water and watershed issues continue to be collected and filed
- Paper and digital maps of the watershed and a GPS unit are available for the use of our members
- NSWA publications are available to our members in electronic or hard copy format

Member Fundraising Opportunities

- NSWA members and interested stakeholders took the opportunity to use the *River Guide* as a fundraising tool
- The NSWA also became a distributor for two educational DVD’s produced by King Motion Pictures, entitled *Wildfire – a Force of Nature* and *Water – for this Living World*.

NSWA Projects

The following are detailed reports about NSWA projects undertaken during 2003/2004– the Heritage Rivers Background Study, the State of the North Saskatchewan Watershed Report and the Integrated Watershed Management Plan and proposed projects and areas of focus for the coming year.

These projects resulted from collaboration between NSWA members and partners. They were adopted because of their potential to unite members and bring about change in the watershed. In-kind contributions to all NSWA projects from Trout Unlimited Canada and The City of Edmonton continued throughout 2003/2004. These contributions are invaluable as they provide payroll and benefits administration, office space and computer support of all our projects.

Alberta Environment and Ducks Unlimited Canada also provided in-kind support in member outreach and project activities during the past fiscal year.

Our voluntary Steering Committee also provides in-kind support of time and expertise, which the NSWA is dependent upon. We are grateful to have such dedicated individuals serving on our Steering Committee.

Community Watershed Toolkit and North Saskatchewan River Guide

The Toolkit and River Guide remain essential in the work of the NSWA and their distribution continued this past year. The Toolkit, being a freely available document, required a reprint of the folders. Alberta Conservation Association kindly provided funds to support 250 more copies to be put into use in the watershed.

The River Guide sales for 2003/4 totaled \$5,200. Profits were used to support book distribution and contributed towards editing efforts and additional research for the Heritage Rivers Background Study. The NSWA has an inventory of 3,700 River Guides, and members are reminded that they can also distribute the River Guide for use in fundraising efforts. Please contact the office to obtain your copies.

This is an extensively researched guide that includes the North Saskatchewan River from the headwaters in the Columbia Icefield to 'the Forks' in Saskatchewan. It provides detailed maps of each of the river's 27 reaches, and features historical, biological, and geographical information. It also explains and encourages ecologically sound camping, canoeing, and recreation practices.

The initial print run consisted of 7500 copies. The River Guide was launched at the 2002 AGM and became a non-fiction best seller in the Edmonton region. During 2003/4 the River Guide was again marketed by NSWA staff, and is a popular publication in Alberta and Saskatchewan. The River Guide can be purchased at the following locations:

In Edmonton at:	Audrey's Books Greenwood's Books Volume II Books The King's University Bookstore Mountain Equipment Co-op Totem Outdoor Outfitters Map Town Ellerslie Gift & Garden The Alberta Provincial Museum The Fishin' Hole
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In Edmonton cont'd:	The Wildbird General Store Camper's Village Fort Edmonton Park Muttart Conservatory
In Fort Saskatchewan from:	The Fort Saskatchewan Historical Society
In Nisku at:	The Leduc County Office
In Vilna through:	Friends of Victoria Settlement
In Elk Point at:	The Elk Point Historical Society Fort George/Buckingham House Interpretive Centre The Elk Point Review
In Rocky Mountain House at:	Buddy's Bookshoppe IGA and through the Rocky Mountain House Historical Society
In Calgary at:	McNally Robinson Booksellers
In Camrose at:	Camrose Chamber of Commerce
In Thorsby through:	Thorsby Fish and Game Association
In Battleford, SK through:	Friends of the Battle River Settlement
In North Battleford, SK at:	Heritage Farm & Village Gift Shop
In Saskatoon, SK at:	McNally Robinson Booksellers and through the Meewasin Valley Authority (Partners FOR the Saskatchewan River Basin)
In Prince Albert, SK at:	Venturoso Books

Heritage Rivers Background Study

In May 2001, the NSWA was commissioned by Alberta Community Development's Parks and Protected Areas Division to prepare a background study on the heritage values of the North Saskatchewan River. Because NSWA summer staff were gathering historical and cultural information for the River Guide, the projects became linked and research efforts were expanded to compile additional information for the Heritage Rivers Background Study.

The initial draft study was completed on March 31, 2002 and will form the basis for the nomination of the North Saskatchewan River as part of the Canadian Heritage Rivers System. After a lengthy review by Alberta Community Development, the Background Study underwent several changes this past year to increase the document's acceptance by the Minister, the CHRS National Board, and to increase its usefulness in preparing the Nomination Document (the next step in the designation process). This project was presented in poster format at the international conference 'Mountains as Water Towers', held in Banff in November, and will be presented as a paper at the 4th Canadian River Heritage Conference to be held June 7-9th, in Guelph, Ontario. Final graphic design and line editing is underway.

Funding Partners:

Alberta Beef Producers, Alberta Community Development, the Canadian Heritage River System, and Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Parks Canada – CHRS, EPCOR Water Services and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada; Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration

State of the North Saskatchewan Watershed Report

The State of the North Saskatchewan Report is key to the NSWA's long-term goals. It is intended to provide a sound scientific base for decision-makers in our watershed. This is an ongoing NSWA project that will be completed in 2004. The goals of the report are to:

- raise awareness among stakeholders and citizens of the current condition of the watershed and the value of watershed protection
- encourage studies in areas of the watershed that are poorly understood
- make recommendations for sustainable management of the watershed
- form the basis for an Integrated Watershed Management Plan under the *Alberta Water Act*

The State of the North Saskatchewan Watershed Report is compiling information about current land use, water and ecological conditions within the North Saskatchewan Watershed in a GIS database format. The public was consulted to help identify emerging issues and knowledge gaps and make recommendations for the wise use and management of the watershed.

The work undertaken in 2003/2004 included:

- indicator refinement and data sourcing and collection
- developing partner relationships and securing data contribution agreements
- 3 public Open houses to present the project, local watershed initiatives and to gather public input into the project by scoping issues throughout the watershed
- submission of a draft report to the project Working Group

A large number of NSWA members and partners had originally committed their data for inclusion in the report. However, obtaining permission to use this data for the report has proven to be difficult in some cases. This has led to a slight extension in the project timelines. The working group for the State of the North Saskatchewan Watershed report included representatives from the Alberta Conservation Association, Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada, the Land Stewardship Centre, EPCOR Water Services, Alberta Environment, Ducks Unlimited Canada and the NSWA manager.

Funding Partners:

Agriculture and Agri-food Canada – Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration, Alberta Capital Region Wastewater Commission, Alberta Beef Producers, Alberta Conservation Association, Alberta Ecotrust, Alberta Environment, Ducks Unlimited Canada, EPCOR Water Services, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, The Northeast Capital Industrial Association, and Mountain Equipment Co-Op

Integrated Watershed Management Plan

The main goal or function of the North Saskatchewan Integrated Watershed Management Plan is to provide a framework to protect, maintain and restore a healthy, natural watershed system where economic and social needs will be in balance with the ecological needs of the watershed. This includes the protection of the aquatic environment and its associated necessary flow needs.

The management plan will address surface water, groundwater, existing and proposed land use, social, cultural and economic issues. Land use issues affecting water will be identified and sub basin recommendations made.

The plan will be prepared in consultation with NSWA members and stakeholders, and will ensure that stakeholders are provided the opportunity to form and participate in the planning process. The plan will also incorporate existing regional strategies and related plans, including the Battle River Watershed Management Planning Process, currently underway by Alberta Environment.

The draft Terms of Reference was prepared for and in consultation with the NSWA by AMEC Earth & Environmental Ltd. It is intended to provide specific details on the approach to be undertaken during the planning process and is intended to be consistent with:

- The Vision and Goals of the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance
- Province of Alberta's *Water Act*
- Province of Alberta's 'Framework for Water Management Planning'
- *Water for Life: Alberta's Strategy for Sustainability*
- Other pertinent provincial and federal legislation

The draft Terms of Reference received wide distribution and review. NSWA members, Watershed Stakeholders and the general public were given the document to review. The NSWA allowed 6 weeks for completion of a feedback form and verbal comment. These comments were then incorporated into the document for final approval which is pending.

Funding Partners to Date:

Agriculture & Agri-food Canada – Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration, Alberta Environment, EPCOR Water Services, Ducks Unlimited Canada

NSWA Membership

Every effort is made to involve as many stakeholder groups as possible in the NSWA. We believe that our membership should include the active participation of all user groups across the North Saskatchewan Watershed.

There are two categories of NSWA members: those who actively participate in working groups and want to receive regular updates, and those who wish to be periodically kept informed about NSWA activities.

The total membership at March 31, 2004 was 131 organizations and 7 citizen members. The NSWA grew by 6 organizations this past year. Some organizations have more than one representative, so our mailing lists contain over 200 individuals. A complete list of members is attached to this report (Appendix A).

NSWA Steering Committee 2003/2004

Steering Committee members are elected at the Annual General Meeting and normally commit to one year of service from the date of the AGM. The executive officers for 2003/2004 are listed below.

Position	Name	Organization
President	Mr. Tracy Scott	Ducks Unlimited Canada
Vice-President	Mr. Frank Vagi	Petro- Canada
Treasurer	Mr. Chris Ward	City of Edmonton
Secretary	Ms. Diana Rung	Alberta Conservation Association
Director	Mr. Nolan Becker	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada - PFRA
Director	Mr. Ernie Ewaschuk	Land Stewardship Centre of Canada
Director	Mr. Bill Fox	Alberta Beef Producers
Director	Mr. Locke Girvan	Strathcona County
Director	Ms. Beth Michener	EPCOR Water Services
Director	Mr. Doug Thrussell	Alberta Environment

The NSWA Steering Committee meets bi-monthly. All NSWA declared members are welcome to run for a position on the Steering Committee at the NSWA's Annual General Meeting normally held in June of each year.

The NSWA would like to thank those organizations for allowing their staff to participate in our Steering Committee. The NSWA gratefully acknowledges the value of our Steering Committee members' time. The success of our organization is directly related to the time these individuals commit to the NSWA mission, and the expertise and dedication they bring to the NSWA.

NSWA part time staff for 2003/4 included Jean-Francois Bouffard, Billie Milholland and Vicki Wishart. We would like to acknowledge their contribution to our organization's success.

Lasting Benefits of the NSWA Initiative

There are many tangible and intangible benefits to the NSWA's work.

The organization creates tangible benefits for members by:

- *Establishing partnerships* between diverse stakeholder groups, including agriculture, industry, municipalities, First Nations, and NGOs
- *Using resources collectively* to avoid duplication and expand the capacity of the NSWA and its members
- *Addressing cumulative effects* at a watershed level
- *Coordinating programs* to raise public awareness and encourage widespread participation of stakeholders and communication between stakeholders
- *Increasing the information available* about groundwater protection, cumulative use management, and best management practices
 - *Improving the understanding* of aquatic and riparian ecology and the link between human land use, ecosystem functioning and water quality
 - *Improving the understanding* of the watershed's interconnectedness
 - *Developing long-term sustainable use and management plans* for water and land resources
 - *Envisioning environmentally sustainable solutions* to watershed issues
 - *Enhancing water quality and quantity* to meet human and ecological needs
 - *Preserving and enhancing aquatic and terrestrial biodiversity*, ecosystems and the hydrologic cycle
 - *Making increased resources, information, and support available* to small groups and rural water users

Intangible benefits:

The NSWA Initiative is a working model of an integrated watershed approach to sustainable resource use and management. This is a relatively new concept and involves voluntary commitment from the watershed community and government. The community drives this process, and all members contribute as equal partners.

The success of this model will serve to:

- *Motivate and stimulate others* to embrace a cooperative, non-jurisdictional approach to water and environmental protection
- *Demonstrate* how local cooperation and action can have far-reaching impacts
- *Illustrate the connection* between land use and water quality
- *Create a sense of ownership and empowerment* in communities throughout the watershed

The Year Ahead...

In 2004-5, the NSWA looks forward to the release and distribution of our State of the Watershed Report, the development of the Municipal Resource Guide and the release of the Heritage Rivers Background Study. Continued progress with the Watershed Stewardship Working Group, initiation of the Education Working Group and the Municipal Working Group, will further provide members with opportunities for engagement. We also look forward to the beginning of stakeholder engagement as the consultation portion of the IWMP process begins. Under *Water*

for Life, the NSWA is well positioned to be named the Watershed Planning and Advisory Council for the North Saskatchewan Watershed.

Supporting Documents (available upon request or on the NSWA website – www.nswa.ab.ca):

- 2000 – 2005 NSWA Business Plan
- 2004 – 2007 Draft Strategic Plan
- NSWA Bylaws
- Member Terms of Reference
- Steering Committee Terms of Reference
- Manager Terms of Reference
- State of the North Saskatchewan Report Terms of Reference
- North Saskatchewan River in Alberta – Integrated Watershed Management Plan Draft Terms of Reference

Appendix A

North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance Member/Partner List – March 2004

1. Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada; Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration
2. Alberta Agriculture, Food & Rural Development
3. Alberta Capital Region Wastewater Commission
4. Alberta Beef Producers
5. Alberta Community Development
6. Alberta Conservation Association
7. Alberta Ecotrust
8. Alberta Energy and Utilities Board
9. Alberta Environment
10. Alberta Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture (AESAs)
11. Alberta Fish and Game Association
12. Alberta Lake Management Society
13. Alberta Recreation Canoe Association
14. Alberta Research Council
15. Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation
16. Alberta Sustainable Resource Development
17. Alberta Trailnet Society
18. Alberta Urban Municipalities Association
19. AMEC Earth & Environmental Ltd.
20. Aquality Environmental Consulting
21. AquaScience
22. Banff National Park
23. Big Lake Environment Support Society (BLESS)
24. Bonnie Lake Sustainability Association
25. Bow River Basin Council
26. Bow River Project
27. Butte Action Committee for the Environment
28. Canadian Heritage Parks Canada
29. Capital Health Authority
30. City of Camrose
31. City of Edmonton, Drainage Services
32. City of Edmonton, Planning & Development
33. City of Edmonton, River Valley Rangers
34. City of Leduc, Environmental Advisory Board
35. City of St. Albert
36. City of Spruce Grove
37. County of Camrose
38. County of Minburn #27
39. County of Paintearth #18
40. County of St. Paul #19
41. County of Two Hills #21
42. County of Vermilion River #24
43. County of Wetaskiwin #10
44. Cows & Fish
45. Devon Watershed Alliance
46. Dickson Fish & Game Association
47. Dillon Consulting Ltd.
48. Ducks Unlimited Canada
49. East Central Regional Health Authority
50. ECL Environmental Services Limited
51. Edmonton Catholic Schools
52. EduTransfer Design Association Inc.
53. Elk Island National Park
54. Elk Point Chamber of Commerce
55. Energy Efficiency Association
56. Enoch First Nation

57. EnviroMak
58. Environmental Law Centre
59. EPCOR
60. Federation of Alberta Naturalists
61. Fisheries and Oceans Canada
62. Flagstaff County
63. Friends of Lily Lake
64. Golder Associates
65. Grey Wooded Forage Association
66. Inside Education
67. Intensive Livestock Working Group
68. Iron Creek Watershed Improvement Society
69. Lacombe County
70. Lac Ste. Anne County
71. Lakeland Regional Health Authority
72. Lamont County
73. Land Stewardship Centre
74. Leduc County
75. The Living by Water Project
76. M.D. Brazeau
77. M.D. Clearwater
78. M.D. of Wainwright No. 61
79. Métis Nation of Alberta
80. Midwest Tourism
81. Noble Resource Management Ltd.
82. North West Alliance Conservation Initiative
83. Northeast Capital Industrial Association
84. Northwest Voyageurs Canoe and Kayak Club
85. Nova Chemicals Corporation
86. Parkland County
87. Parkland Residents Association
88. Parks Canada – Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site
89. Partners FOR the Saskatchewan River Basin
90. Paul First Nation
91. Pembina Institute for Appropriate Development
92. Petro-Canada
93. R L & L Environmental Services
94. River Valley Alliance
95. Riverwatch
96. Rocky & Nordegg Cooperative Fisheries Inventory Program
97. Rocky Riparian Group
98. Rosedale Community League
99. Saddle Lake Tribal Administration
100. Shell Canada
101. Sierra Club, Prairie Chapter
102. Smoky Lake County
103. St. Mary's Irrigation District
104. Strathcona County Engineering and Environmental Planning
105. Strathcona County Environmental Operations
106. Strathcona Industrial Association
107. Sturgeon County
108. Sundance Forest Products
109. Sunpine Forest Products
110. The Canadian Salt Company Limited
111. The Iron Horse Trail
112. The King's University College
113. Thorsby Fish & Game Association
114. TOPSOIL & Northeast Edmonton Heritage Conservation Initiative
115. Town of Devon
116. Town of Drayton Valley
117. Town of Elk Point
118. Town of Gibbons

- 119. Town of Rocky Mountain House
- 120. Toxics Watch Society
- 121. TransAlta Utilities
- 122. Trout Unlimited Canada
- 123. University of Alberta, Kinsella Research Station
- 124. University of Alberta, Renewable Resources Department
- 125. Vermilion River Naturalist Club
- 126. Village of Marwayne
- 127. Voyageur Ventures
- 128. Water Institute for Semi-arid Ecosystems (WISE)
- 129. Weyerhaeuser
- 130. Wonder of Water
- 131. YoWoChAs

Citizen Members

- 1. Elke Blodgett
- 2. Adam Farr
- 3. Fred Bentley
- 4. Ed Davidson
- 5. Doug Frost
- 6. Charles Labatiuk