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Celebrating 20 Years of Watershed Management
IN STREAM Newsletter
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World Rivers Day

Celebrated on the fourth Sunday of September

September 27th is **World Rivers Day!** We think the **North Saskatchewan River** is one of the best. What activities do you enjoy on or by the River? Send us some photos of your favorite spot on the River and we will share these on Instagram.

"Rivers are the arteries of our planet: they are lifelines in the truest sense"

Mark Angelo
Canadian River Conservationist

WHERE IN THE WATERSHED IS THIS?



The first person to correctly identify where on the River this photo was taken will win a copy of ***Living in the Shed*** - send your guesses to water@nswa.ab.ca

HINT: This photo was taken downstream of Edmonton.

The North Sask River is the source of drinking water for many in our watershed. The watershed has been home to humans for thousands of years. An important acknowledgment of the significance of this River is expressed in the Memorandum of Understanding between **EPCOR and the Enoch Cree Nation** (see more details below).

As we all drink a glass of water today, we can say thanks and celebrate the abundant and clean water in our River. We can also think about how we might help others in our shared global watershed.

We are all connected by water!

Miyo ᑭᑦ Wâhkôhtowin ᐱᑦᐱᑦᐱᑦᐱᑦ
Translated as "Maintaining Good Relationships"



Photo: EPCOR

Stuart Lee (EPCOR President and CEO) and **Chief Morin** (Enoch Cree Nation)

Enoch Cree Nation and EPCOR have signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) that formalizes their commitment to working together in the spirit of reconciliation and collaboration. This MOU is built on a shared appreciation for the land and water and provides opportunities for working together in the spirit of reconciliation.

[Read More](#)

THANKS RACHEL, JILLIAN and MICHELLE



NSWA's summer students, Rachel and Jillian, along with **Michelle** (NSWA Watershed Planning Coordinator) visited many sites in the eastern part of our watershed in August. We are thankful for the opportunity to work with **Alberta Lake Management Society (ALMS)** this summer.

Photos taken at Whitney Lake and Borden Lake
Frog Subwatershed



Knowledge in Know-ember

North Saskatchewan River

We hope you will join us for our lunch-time speaker series to be held on **Tuesdays in November**.

To align with NSWA's 20th anniversary this year, the theme of the series is *20 years of Partnership Progress*. Each week will feature watershed topics from our many partner organizations. These will be on-line sessions from 12:00 noon to 12:50 pm.

BYOB (bottle of water that is!). For more information and to register check out the Eventbrite link.

REGISTER NOW

VERMILION RIVER WATERSHED ALLIANCE - "LIVING WITH BEAVERS"



The VRWA posted a new blog on their website "*Living with Beavers - how to Co-exist with Nature's Eco-engineer*".

This article gives lots of facts about beavers, research into beavers and ways we can co-exist with them. Check out the link to the VRWA website for more information on various stewardship topics.

Beaver photo : Bill Trout, Images Alberta

COEXIST WITH BEAVERS



20 YEARS OF MEMORIES

~ DO YOU REMEMBER?

Douwe Vanderwel served on the NSWA Board for many years representing the City of Edmonton - he was the Treasurer in 2005, and then Vice President from 2007-2008. He was part of the organizing Committee for the Integrated Watershed Management Plan and helped to organize several 'on the water' trips for the Board and others.

In retirement Douwe continues to be involved in environmental and social issues as evidenced by two terms as an Edmonton Area Land Trust Director and Edmonton Native Healing Centre volunteer. He continues to have a strong interest in local water issues (Big Lake and Sturgeon River).

OTHER WATERSHED RESOURCES

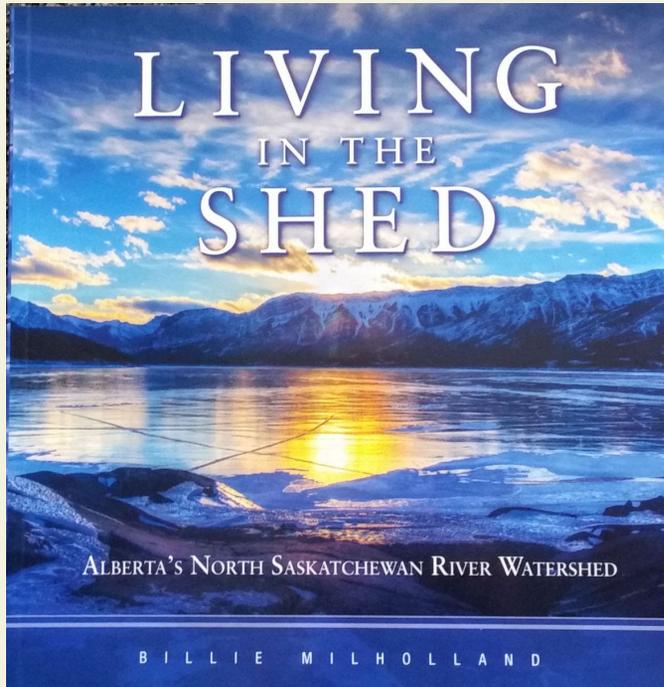
The **Miistakis Institute's** Map of Beaver Co-existence Tools is a knowledge sharing platform that allows exploration of beaver co-existence tools in Alberta.

Associated Engineering and the City of Camrose are hosting a Bioengineering Hands-On Workshop on October 3, 2020. This is an opportunity to learn about soil bioengineering to stabilize and restore steep slopes and eroding stream banks.

Ducks Unlimited Canada is hosting a free webinar on iWETLAND: Managing Species at Risk Habitat through Wetland Water Level Citizen Science. This is part of a Wetland Knowledge Exchange series. You can register through Eventbrite

The **Alberta Government** publishes a Agri-News bulletin with developments across the province - the July 13th edition featured several projects in our watershed.

Check out the **NSWA DISCOVER** section on our website with watershed resources and activities for adults and children. There are many activities to encourage watershed learning for your family.



2020 ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL

Living in the Shed is priced at \$20 per copy for our 20th Anniversary. Purchase your copies today at our SHOP.

Due to COVID-19 Some deliveries may be delayed at this time.

NSWA is a registered charity - for information on supporting our watershed projects go to our DONATE page.



Did you know - NSWA was a finalist for the 2020 Emeralds Awards in the Community Group/Non-Profit Large Organization category.



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