

# AEPA OVERVIEW

## OUR PURPOSE

**VISION:** Agri-environmental policies are balanced and support sustainable industry growth

**MISSION:** To provide credible, proactive, and evidence-based input into agri-environmental policy development processes

## BY THE NUMBERS

2018 - 2019

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE

15 positions; 28 members/alternates

Partners represented:

20+ agricultural commodity organizations

3 levels of government

2 environmental

non-governmental organizations (ENGOs)

6 meetings; 20 presentations

### 2 WORKING GROUPS:

#### LAND USE FRAMEWORK & WATER

21 member organizations

8 meetings; 14 presentations

3 consultations with partners:

- EP Surface Water Allocation Directive
- EP Climate Change Adaptation Capacity
- AF Research Strategy

3 consensus documents:

- NSRP RAC\* Advice feedback
- 2 letters of support including EP BRACE\*\* project and AF Bioreactor project

4 e-newsletters; 194 subscribers

## WHAT WE DO



Provide timely policy input on topics such as water, land-use and climate change



Identify opportunities for partners to become more engaged in development of relevant policy and programs



Increase awareness, knowledge and understanding of issues and perspectives with a broad group of agriculture partners

## WHO WE ARE

Consensus-based, multi-stakeholder partnership



# ABOUT US

Advisory Committee/Partner Organization	Member/Alternate
Industry Co-Chair	Don Shepert
Government of Alberta Co-Chair	Sean Royer
<b>Agriculture Industry - Crop</b>	
Alberta Barley Commission	Neil Gorda/ Shannon Sereda
Alberta Canola Producers Commission	Dan Doll/Ward Toma
Alberta Pulse Growers Commission	Kelisha Archer/ Leanne Fischbuch
Alberta Wheat Commission	John Wozniak/ Shannon Sereda
Specialty Crops: Potato Growers of Alberta, Alberta Sugar Beet Growers	Terence Hochstein/ Melody Garner-Skiba
<b>Agriculture Industry - Livestock</b>	
Alberta Milk	Lorrie Jespersen/ Jason Crozier
Alberta Pork	Mark Wipf/ Darcy Fitzgerald
Beef: Alberta Beef Producers, Alberta Cattle Feeders' Association	Rich Smith/ Janice Tranberg
Poultry: Alberta Chicken Producers, Alberta Hatching Egg Producers, Alberta Turkey Producers, Egg Farmers of Alberta	Mike Froese/ Dennis Steinwand
Diversified Livestock: Alberta Elk Commission, Alberta Goat Breeders Association, Alberta Lamb Producers, Alberta Reindeer Association, Alberta Whitetail and Mule Deer Association, Bison Producers of Alberta, Horse Industry Association of Alberta, Ostrich Association of Alberta	Tanis Downey
<b>Environmental Non-Governmental</b>	
Ducks Unlimited Canada	Tracy Scott
ALUS Canada	Howie Bjorge
<b>Government</b>	
Rural Municipalities of Alberta	Paul McLauchlin/ Kathy Rooyakkers
Alberta Environment and Parks (EP)	Rick Blackwood
Alberta Agriculture and Forestry (AF)	Dave Burdek/ Sean Royer
<b>Liaison</b>	
Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada	Don Reiter/ Candace Vanin
<b>Other Partners:</b> Intensive Livestock Working Group, Crop Sector Working Group	Ron Axelson/ Fiona Briody

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\*North Saskatchewan Regional Plan Regional Advisory Committee

\*\*Building Regional Adaptation Capacity and Expertise

