

# 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
- MANDATE:** Facilitate provincial government and agricultural industry collaboration to identify and proactively address environmental challenges and opportunities that influence sustainability of primary production in Alberta

## 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



Partners represented:

- 20+ agricultural commodity organizations
- 3 levels of government
- 2 environmental non-governmental organizations (ENGOs)

# ABOUT US

## Advisory Committee/Partner Organization (as of April, 2020)

## Member/Alternate

Industry Co-Chair	Don Shepert
Government of Alberta Co-Chair	Ken Gossen (Acting)
<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
Organic Alberta*	Arnold Van Os/ Charles Newell
<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 White-tail and Mule Deer Association, Bison Producers of Alberta, Horse Industry Association of Alberta, Ostrich Association of Alberta	John Cameron
<b>Environmental Non-Governmental</b>	
Ducks Unlimited Canada	Tracy Scott
ALUS Canada	Rhonda King
<b>Government</b>	
Rural Municipalities of Alberta	Kathy Rooyakkers
Alberta Environment and Parks (EP)	Tom Davis/Cam Lane
Alberta Agriculture and Forestry (AF)	Jamie Wuite (Acting)/Ken Gossen (Acting)
<b>Liaison</b>	
Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada	Candace Vanin
<b>Other Partners:</b> Intensive Livestock Working Group, Crop Sector Working Group	Ron Axelson/ Fiona Briody

\*New member