



Water Shortages

Many areas in the province are currently experiencing large scale water shortages after one of the driest summers in recent years, with little to no precipitation. Several municipalities within the watershed have been impacted by the limited availability of water.

[Read our blog](#)

Workshops & Events - Join Us



November 30th, Building Resilience to Multi-Year Drought in Alberta

Join us for a workshop to help municipalities with drought management. The session is intended for municipal councillors and staff, Government of Alberta, and other agencies involved in drought management in the province.

Location: Sunshine Club, 4630 49 St, Vegreville, AB

Time: 10am - 3pm

Registration deadline is November 16th. [Register Today!](#)



December 5th, Stewardship Organizations, Community of Practice

BRWA is hosting an online gathering to meet fellow environmental stewardship groups in the Battle River and Sounding Creek watersheds.

Location: Virtual

Time: 12 - 1pm

If you would like to join, contact Susanna at susanna@battleriverwatershed.ca



January 24th, Riparian Web Portal 102 Workshop

Learn about the Riparian Web Portal, how it may support your work, and how you can share information about your riparian projects. The session is intended for planners, councilors, and program managers in governments, Watershed Planning and Advisory Councils, and other NGOs.

Location: Virtual

Time: 2 - 4pm

For more information or to register, contact Sarah at sarah@battleriverwatershed.ca



January 26th, Building Resilience to Multi-Year Drought in Alberta

Join us for a workshop to help municipalities with drought management. The session is intended for municipal councillors and staff, Government of Alberta, and other agencies involved in drought management in the province.

Location: Blackfalds, AB

Time: 10am - 3pm

For more information or to register, contact Susanna at susanna@battleriverwatershed.ca

In the Classroom



That's a wrap on our fall field trips!

We finished the first round of field trips for the new school year. We have limited spots left for the spring, so book now while you still can! The available programs are:

- Discover Your Wetlands (Gr. 5)
- Habitat Tour (Gr. 6)
- X-Stream Science (Gr. 7-12)

[Spring Program Booking](#)

The Alliance



Watershed Planning and Advisory Council Summit

Alberta's 11 Watershed Planning and Advisory Councils (WPACs) met in Drumheller in October to share watershed management highlights. Red Deer River Watershed Alliance was the host this year, and representatives from the Government of Alberta were also in attendance. Battle River Watershed Alliance presented on our newly released State of the Watershed Report and shared information on our two new education programs - Waste in our Watershed Wetaskiwin (for grade 4), and the Habitat Tour (for grade 6).

Fun Fact: BRWA was recognized among the WPACs for their longstanding, dedicated staff. Past General Manager David Samm was recognized for being one of the longest retained Managers,

and Sarah Skinner, Sheila Logelin and Susanna Bruneau were recognized for being with BRWA for more than 10 years!

OTIS Award Nominations Now Open!

The OTIS Award recognizes individuals, agricultural initiatives, businesses and organizations, and youth in the Battle River and Sounding Creek watersheds who are Outstanding In Stewardship.

Deadline: March 31

[Nominate someone you know](#)

Riparian Restoration and Conservation Funding Available!

Contact BRWA about funding for riparian projects, including riparian fencing, installation of livestock watering systems, native vegetation planting, and more.

[Program Guidelines](#) | [Application Form](#)

In Other News

- [Alta. livestock producers to receive \\$165M in drought support](#)
- [Drought conditions not letting up](#)
- [First 'significant' snowfall over Alberta](#)
- [2023 Bringing in the Harvest fundraiser](#)
- [Call for submissions: Indigenous Perspectives case studies](#)
- [LakeLine Issue 43-3: Shoreline Stabilization](#)
- [Edmonton Talk: Don't Mine McClelland with Phillip Meintzer on Nov 4 at 7pm](#)

*Many of the articles we feature have been shared through the [Alberta Water Portal Society](#). If you are interested in water-related issues in Alberta, we encourage you to subscribe.

Are you in Grades 7 to 12?

Compete to win \$1,000 cash!

Submit a proposal that answers the question:

“What can you do to improve your watershed?”

- Research your local watershed and come up with a solution to an environmental concern
- Finalists present their idea to win cash rewards
- Nearly \$20,000 will be awarded to students and schools who participate
- Funding is also available to help implement student ideas

Alberta contest deadlines:

March 12, 2024 Contest Entry Deadline

May 10, 2024 Final Competition



Solutions are judged on innovation, impact potential, comprehensive scope, communication, budget, realistic solution, visuals, and connection to the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



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