

Project Team	Rec #	Project Completion	Implementer	Implementation Target	Recommendation	Status at-a-glance			Status
						Implemented	In Progress	Not Under Consideration at this time	*NOTE* The updates below are provided by the identified implementer(s) and do not necessarily reflect the interpretation of the Alberta Water Council
WFLIR	1	4-Jun-09	AESRD	1-Aug-12	Review the effectiveness of the Government of Alberta's current water education programs, identify any gaps and opportunities for collaboration and take action.	●			Assessment of water education priorities, challenges and opportunities was conducted in 2010.
WFLIR	2	4-Jun-09	AESRD	1-Aug-12	Address source water protection through watershed and regional planning and integrate with existing and emerging regulatory tools.		●		Underway through Framework for watershed management planning and AWC Riparian Land Management Project Team's work.
WFLIR	3	4-Jun-09	AESRD; WFL Partners	1-Aug-12	Develop a source water protection framework to address the effects of non-point source pollution on provincial water quality.		●		AWC NPS pollution team to prepare recommendations on management of NPS pollution for government consideration.
WFLIR	4	4-Jun-09	AESRD	1-Aug-12	Review, enhance and expand existing education and outreach programs for those operating private drinking water systems. Every private drinking water system operator in Alberta should be made aware of available information and how they can access it.		●		Working Well Program three year pilot completed in 2011. Next phase of the program is for an additional three years. Education resources part of this program.
WFLIR	5	4-Jun-09	AESRD	1-Aug-12	Review the standards for small public drinking water systems and enhance their accompanying support and monitoring programs.		●		Alberta Health and Wellness has undertaken several initiatives including a new voluntary operator training program; operating standards for small systems; information resources available through a volunteer operator training program; and an inventory and initial audit of small systems.
WFLIR	6	4-Jun-09	AESRD	1-Aug-12	Develop a provincial healthy aquatic ecosystems implementation plan, utilizing the findings of the Alberta Water Council's Healthy Aquatic Ecosystems Project Team, including clear and timely objectives.		●		See Water for Life action plan (2009) key actions 2.1 - 2.5, as well as responses to HAE recommendations
WFLIR	7	4-Jun-09	AESRD	1-Aug-12	Develop and implement an enhanced water allocation transfer system.		●		GoA is reviewing the system and has received recommendations from various groups. GoA has not come forward with a plan and schedule for broader public consultation at this time. GoA is committed to ensuring this is completed the 'right' way, rather than completed based on meeting a timeline.
WFLIR	8	4-Jun-09	AESRD; WFL Partners	1-Aug-12	Continue, but broaden, the examination of innovative water storage solutions. This work should include an examination of ecosystem-based water storage solutions.		●		Bow Basin project is one example of a project that looks at innovative solutions to water supply issues. Also see action plan action 3.4 which is a long term action by 2019.
WFLIR	9	4-Jun-09	AESRD; AWC & AI-EES	1-Aug-12	Develop mechanisms to coordinate and communicate data, knowledge, and research. Efforts should be made to connect partners and to coordinate among similar research initiatives.	●			Connections between Alberta Innovates - Energy and Environment Solutions and GoA ministries have been successful in a number of projects. Also internal governance mechanisms across GoA such as the WFL Cross Ministry Steering Committee. Also see AWC's Moving from Words to Actions project report.

WFLIR	10	4-Jun-09	AESRD; WFL Partners	1-Aug-12	Develop a communications plan outlining the key processes and tools that will enable effective and efficient communication and coordination among <i>Water for Life</i> partners including Watershed Planning and Advisory Councils, Watershed Stewardship Groups, the Alberta Water Council, the Government of Alberta and the public.	●			AWC's Moving from Words to Actions project report speaks to communication and coordination among the WFL partnerships.
WFLIR	11	4-Jun-09	AESRD; WFL Partners	1-Aug-12	Ensure the long-term sustainability of <i>Water for Life</i> partnerships.	●			Report complete on sustainable funding options.
WFLIR	12	4-Jun-09	AESRD	1-Aug-12	Implement mandatory water use reporting to better understand actual water use by all water-licence holders.	●			Water Use Reporting System (WURS) started in 2005, and is now mandatory. More than 4,500 water diversion licences have been amended to include mandatory water use reporting, representing more than 90% of the allocated water in Alberta.
WFLIR	13	4-Jun-09	AESRD	1-Aug-12	In order to ensure all stakeholders have input to, and support the implementation of, new tools to advance water conservation, efficiency, and productivity, the provincial government should work with the Alberta Water Council to complete the examination of economic instruments.	●			Seven priority water using sectors will have complete CEP plans by March 2012. The Alberta Institute for Agriculture, Forestry and the Environment produced the Ecosystem Services Market Policy Framework in March 2010 for government. Government has also completed reports on economic instruments. There is information on the GoA website about Full Cost Accounting for Municipal Drinking Water Facilities for municipalities to use.