



# Water for Life Action Plan Project

## ABOUT WATER FOR LIFE

The *Water for Life* strategy outlines the Government of Alberta's commitments to manage and safeguard Alberta's water resources. It has been the vehicle for managing Alberta's water resources since 2003, and it was renewed in 2008. Its goals are:

- Safe, secure drinking water
- Healthy aquatic ecosystems
- Reliable, quality water supplies for a sustainable economy

The goals are met through key directions:

- Knowledge and research
- Partnerships
- Water conservation

## ABOUT THE WATER FOR LIFE ACTION PLAN (2009)

The *Water for Life* Action Plan was released by the Government of Alberta in 2009, and included actions up to a 10-year horizon that were designed to ensure achievable and timely outcomes that reflect growing pressures on Alberta's water supplies.



**The Alberta Water Council (AWC) is a partnership of governments, industry, and non-government organizations working together to ensure our water resources are safe, healthy, and well-managed for future generations.**

## About the Project

**The project's goal was for AWC members and Partners to identify actions their community or sector is committed to undertaking to address risks and opportunities, and advance the goals and directions of *Water for Life*.**

The renewed *Water for Life* strategy (2008) and Action Plan (2009) outlines the Government of Alberta's commitments to manage and safeguard Alberta's water resources. The intent of this project was to develop a new multi-sector *Water for Life* Action Plan that would include actions from AWC members and Partners. This was an ambitious and complex undertaking which required coordination and collaboration.

The steps involved in the project were to:

1. Provide planning guidance to support AWC members and Partners with sector engagement.
2. Guide and coordinate identification of actions.
3. Identify collaboration opportunities.
4. Develop a new, multi-sector *Water for Life* Action Plan.

### Outcome:

While the project team did not complete a new *Water for Life* Action Plan, the project work helped identify key water management themes for AWC members and Partners, and highlighted the need to take an adaptive management approach in future work supporting management of Alberta's water resources.

The learnings from this project will inform future AWC projects and support the Council's planning processes in 2025 and beyond.

The AWC and its members continue to support the goals and key directions of the *Water for Life* strategy. Work to support responsible water resource management is ongoing in many sectors.

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