## Roles and Responsibilities

## Other Local Agencies

- There are other water infrastructure owners and operators of wastewater, stormwater, and potable water assets. In some cases, water infrastructure owners are outside Alberta; the Transboundary Section of Alberta Environment and Parks can help facilitate information gathering in these situations.
- Watershed Stewardship Groups (WSGs) take community-level action to safeguard water supplies. They are community, volunteer-based partnerships engaged in stewardship of their watershed and include individuals, organizations, agriculture, industry, municipalities, and other forms of local government. They set common goals to achieve shared outcomes. WSGs may work with affected stakeholders to develop informal agreements to share limited water supplies during a multi-year drought. WSGs may share resources with others at a tributary or local scale.
- Local authorities may establish or participate in multi-agency water-management teams that work with regional government teams to coordinate drought response activities.
- Local authorities play a part in the approval of Water Reuse projects in their areas.
- The Agriculture Financial Services Corporation is a provincial Crown corporation that provides loans, crop insurance, and farm income disaster assistance to farmers, agribusinesses, and small businesses. They help municipalities in times of drought through the Crop Reports, Insurance Program Response, AgriStability Response, and AgriRecovery Process.

## Notes