

Non-Point Source Pollution Recommendations

Project Team	Rec #	Project Completion	Implementer	Implementation Target	Recommendation	Status at-a-glance			Status
						Implemented	In Progress	Not Under Consideration at this time	
Non-point Source Pollution	1	21-Mar-13	GoA	June 2014	GoA, with Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, within one year of the approval and release of this report, identify an internal Non-point Source Pollution lead that will coordinate and facilitate the development of a multi-stakeholder process to set the direction on how to better manage NPSP.	●			*NOTE* The updates below are provided by the identified implementer(s) and do not necessarily reflect the interpretation of the Alberta Water Council except where the implementers are identified as the 7 Priority Sectors. Those updates are provided by the project manager of the current CEP team. ESRD has reviewed the recommendations, identified a Non-point Source Pollution lead, and is currently working to develop next steps.
Non-point Source Pollution	2	21-Mar-13	GoA	June 2015	GoA, with ESRD as lead, through the multi-stakeholder process, coordinates and promotes the development and implementation of a provincial strategic approach. This will set provincial level outcomes and priority research needs for NPSP management. The provincial strategic approach will also outline alignment with existing policy frameworks and the development of regional plans and associated management frameworks. This approach to NPSP will be completed within two years of the approval and release of this report.		●		ESRD is currently developing the Alberta Policy for Pollutant Load Management. This provincial level policy will provide guidance on how the Government of Alberta will allocate substance loads amongst all the contributing sources in a watershed. This policy will complement the implementation of regional water quality management frameworks by enabling decision-makers to manage substance loads before water quality limits are reached. The project will take a case-study approach with a focus on: the Bow River Phosphorus Management Plan (BRPMP) and the Capital Region – Industrial Heartland Maximum Allowable Load project (CR-IH MAL). A review will be conducted of what has been done already at a place-based level within these projects, with the intent of using the learnings to develop a policy that will be applied province-wide. In addition, a jurisdictional review of other load allocation policies, principles and management tools will be conducted. From these findings, a variety of policy options will be developed for internal GOA, stakeholder and public consultation. The project objective will be realized through working in close collaboration with the project core team and a technical advisory team, which will include members of existing projects. A steering committee will provide oversight and feedback.
Non-point Source Pollution	3	21-Mar-13	GoA	June 2015	GoA, with ESRD as lead, within two years of the approval and release of this report, will coordinate a Multi-Sector Implementation Advisory Partnership that will recommend cost effective and practical solutions to address NPSP and support implementation.		●		The Alberta Policy for Pollutant Load Management will develop a framework for implementing flexible policy tools to support load allocation in a cost-effective, transparent, verifiable and enforceable way amongst contributing parties. ESRD has identified a technical advisory committee.

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Non-point Source Pollution	4	21-Mar-13	GoA	June 2015	GoA, with ESRD as lead, within two years of the approval and release of this report, create and coordinate an NPSP Cumulative Effects Research Partnership to address the gaps in scientific knowledge of all aspects of NPSP in Alberta.		●		The development of the Alberta Policy for Pollutant Load Management will be informed by case studies of the Bow River Phosphorus Management Plan (BRPMP) and the Capital Region – Industrial Heartland Maximum Allowable Load project (CR-IH MAL). Knowledge gaps from these studies will be addressed through the implementation of the policy.
Non-point Source Pollution	5	21-Mar-13	GoA	June 2015	GoA, with ESRD as lead, in collaboration with the NPSP Cumulative Effects Research Partnership, develop an NPSP research strategy within two years of the approval and release of this report, which will lead to better understanding and improved management of NPSP.		●		Development of a research strategy has not yet begun. However, the case studies of the Bow River Phosphorus Management Plan (BRPMP) and the Capital Region – Industrial Heartland Maximum Allowable Load project (CR-IH MAL) may inform requirements for further research.