

Sector Planning for Water Conservation, Efficiency and Productivity Recommendations

Project Team	Rec #	Project Completion	Implementer	Implementation Target	Recommendation	Status at-a-glance			Status
						Implemented	In Progress	Not Under Consideration at this time	
Sector Planning for WCEP	1	21-Mar-13	7 Priority Sectors	October 2014	<p>Sector Progress Reports</p> <p>A) All seven priority sectors prepare progress reports based on performance data as of December 31, 2014, and submit these reports to the Alberta Water Council's final meeting of 2015</p> <p>B) The two sectors that completed sector CEP plans in 2010 (irrigation and urban municipalities) prepare interim progress reports based on data as of December 31, 2012 and submit to the Alberta Water Council not later than the final meeting of the Alberta Water Council in 2013.</p>	●			<p>*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.</p> <p>The seven priority sectors provided updates on the implementation of their sector CEP plans to AWC members at an information session prior to the October board meeting in 2015. The information is available on the AWC website.</p> <p>The irrigation and urban municipalities sectors provided their interim updates to the Council at the October 2013 meeting. The updates are available on the Council's website at http://awchome.ca/Projects/CompletedProjects/WaterCEP/tabid/115/Default.aspx.</p>
Sector Planning for WCEP	2	21-Mar-13	7 Priority Sectors	October 2014	<p>Focus of Sector Progress Reports</p> <p>A) Describe and evaluate the sector's success in meeting CEP plan objectives, benchmarks and targets, including productivity and efficiency improvements, any reductions in water use, impacts on return flows, and performance relative to the baseline year. This should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the adoption of new industry best practices and technologies, subject to confidentiality and competitiveness considerations; • Note adjustments needed to improve the sector plan or adapt to new technologies or legislative requirements (e.g., regional land use plans); and • Make reference to development of CEP plans by individual sector members, if appropriate. <p>B) Encourage member(s) to be aware of opportunities that could improve the health of aquatic ecosystems and to work with appropriate organizations engaged in watershed management within the watersheds in which the member(s) operate(s).</p> <p>C) Using metrics developed for each sector</p>	●			<p>The irrigation and urban municipalities sectors provided interim updates to the Council at the October 2013 meeting. The forestry sector provided an interim update in March of 2014. All seven sectors provided sector progress reports in 2015 as scheduled. The information is available on the AWC website.</p>

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					<p>plan, summarize water use, assess and document impacts of CEP efforts, and indicate how implementation of the CEP plan is contributing to the three <i>Water for Life</i> goals, namely safe secure drinking water supply, healthy aquatic ecosystems, and reliable, quality water supplies for a sustainable economy. Other environmental impacts of CEP efforts should also be noted; e.g., impacts on riparian health, instream flow improvement, water quality.</p> <p>D) Discuss opportunities and challenges.</p> <p>E) Describe interactions with stakeholders on plan implementation and progress.</p> <p>F) Indicate how other environmental endeavours are affecting water use (e.g., increase in water use as a result of efforts to reduce CO₂ emissions).</p>				
Sector Planning for WCEP	3	21-Mar-13	AWC	2014	<p>Establishing a New Team</p> <p>A new multi-stakeholder project team be established in 2014 to undertake the tasks listed below. The team would have representation from the seven priority sectors, Government of Alberta, environmental and other non-government organizations, and other stakeholders identified by the Alberta Water Council. The new team would:</p> <p>A) Serve as a forum for sectors to share ideas, experiences and challenges in implementing their sector plans and developing their sector progress reports.</p> <p>B) Receive reports from sectors on the evaluation of overall progress in implementing their CEP plans, provide feedback as appropriate, and coordinate the presentation of sector progress reports to the Water Council.</p> <p>C) Evaluate and update the Framework to reflect changes as CEP plans evolve and are updated in the future (if needed).</p> <p>D) Determine how to measure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • overall success of CEP plans in contributing to achieving the goals of <i>Water for Life</i> including, the <i>Water for Life</i> outcome of a 30% improvement in overall efficiency and productivity of water use by 2015, and • The extent to which the Criteria for Reviewing Sector Plans (Alberta Water 	•			The fourth phase of the CEP initiative is underway and is expected to complete its work in early 2017. The board approved a terms of reference that addresses the bullets described.

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					<p>Council, 2008, p. 18, item 2) have been met.</p> <p>E) Prepare a report to the Alberta Water Council that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describes the progress of sector plans in achieving CEP desired outcomes as reflected in the Framework (Alberta Water Council, 2008, p. 18, item 2), and• Includes recommendations to enhance sector CEP planning, implementation and reporting if needed. <p>Data from this report would be used by the Council in its report on implementation of the <i>Water for Life</i> strategy.</p>				
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