

New Watershed Coordinator Hired for South Saskatchewan River Watershed

The South Saskatchewan River Watershed Stewards Inc. are proud to introduce Maurija Skansen as their first Watershed Coordinator.

Hired in September of 2007, Maurija will take on the task of overseeing implementation of the South Saskatchewan River Watershed Source Water Protection Plan. Launched on September 21, 2007, the plan contains key actions, recommendations and objectives that will help protect source water within the South Saskatchewan River Watershed.

"I am looking forward to meeting the challenges outlined in the plan, as the protection of our water supplies is critical to our economic, social and environmental wellbeing. We want to protect the water resource now to ensure its integrity for future generations," said Skansen.

Through a rural background and strong connections to Saskatchewan, Maurija understands the importance of a healthy environment. As well, she holds a Degree in Chemistry and a Diploma in Land & Water Management, and has worked in the fields of occupational health and safety, environmental analytical chemistry, and natural resource management. She says that communication, collaboration and cooperation are the key ingredients to the success of the plan.

"The Stewards, Watershed Advisory Committees, technical committees, planners, funding partners and communities, will work together to ensure safe, sustainable water supplies within our watershed."

For more information on the South Saskatchewan River Source Water Protection Plan and how communities can get involved, contact Maurija at (306) 867-9549, or e-mail info@southsaskriverstewards.ca. Information is also available at www.southsaskriverstewards.ca.

