

South Saskatchewan River Watershed Stewards Inc.

2004

- January Watershed planners from the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority invited Rural and Urban Municipalities, First Nations and special interest groups from within the South Saskatchewan River Watershed to join a Watershed Advisory Committee. (WAC)
- March The first formal meetings for the North WAC, Lake Diefenbaker WAC and West WAC. Since this time, local residents and leaders have committed their time and worked hard to identify risks related to drinking water quality and quantity as well as provide solutions to proactively protect their source water.

2007

- January A Steering Committee was formed comprised of members from each WAC to engage in implementation of the plan. The steering committee became the Interim Board of Directors for the SSRWSI, until such time as a permanent Board could be established.
- April The South Saskatchewan River Watershed Stewards Inc. (SSRWSI) was incorporated.
- May The interim board put in place their constitution and Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.
- September Completion of the South Saskatchewan River Watershed Source Water Protection Plan which identifies risks related to drinking water quality and quantity as well as suggesting ways to remove or limit those risks.
- Core sponsorship funding secured from Saskatchewan Watershed Authority.
- September 21 SSRWSI Interim Board meeting
- October 15 Watershed Coordinator – Maurija Skansen, starts working for the SSRWSI based out of the MidSask REDA Office in Outlook, Saskatchewan.
- Nov. 20 SSRWSI Interim Board Meeting
- Nov & Dec. Implementation Support Team established and meetings held to establish objectives and priorities within a 6 month timeline, as well as long term objectives and goals.
- January Meetings were held in all three Watershed Advisory Committee (WAC) areas to talk about the South Saskatchewan River Watershed Stewards and Benefits of Membership through an Informational Watershed Presentation.
- Jan.24 SSRWSI Interim Board Meeting
- Feb 4 & 5 Hosted a Booth at the SUMA Conference Tradeshow to increase watershed awareness and encourage membership. The Tradeshow booth also served to promote and advance key actions identified in the Source Water Protection Plan.
- March 10-12 Hosted a Booth at the SARM Conference Tradeshow.
- April Another set of 3 WAC meetings, one in each area of the watershed, were held to elect a permanent board.
- April 14 &15 Provincial Watershed and Aquifer Planning Workshop in Yorkton.
- April 29 SSRWSI First Meeting of the newly elected Permanent Board.
- May 1 The South Saskatchewan River Watershed Stewards relocated to a new office space within the Town of Outlook Office Building. The new office allows for more visibility within the community of Outlook and affords much needed space to the coordinator. New Administrative / Financial Services secured from Wilson Office Services.
- May 21 Implementation Meeting held to establish new objectives and set priorities.
- June 8 Canadian Rivers Day and SSRWSI Open House in new office location.
- June 23 SSRWSI Board Meeting - a.m.
SSRWSI's first Annual General Meeting - p.m.