

MD OF RANCHLAND AG BULLETIN

News, updates, and information for our community.



ALBERTA ENVIRONMENTAL FARM PLAN

The Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) in Alberta has a rich history aimed at promoting sustainable agriculture practices. The EFP program was initiated by the Government of Alberta to help farmers assess environmental risks and develop strategies to mitigate them. It encourages producers to self-identify potential environmental concerns on their farms. Previously the EFP was managed by the Environmental Farm Plan company and then the provincial government. Since 2013, the Agricultural Research and Extension Council of Alberta (ARECA) has been responsible for its delivery. Currently, about 24% of registered farms in Alberta have completed an EFP. An EFP is free to complete and all information remains confidential. Completing an EFP can increase awareness, education, and access to market opportunities such as grants. Once completed, an EFP is valid for 10 years.

If you do not yet have an EFP or need to update yours, please contact Erika at ag3@ranchland66.com or 403-646-3131.

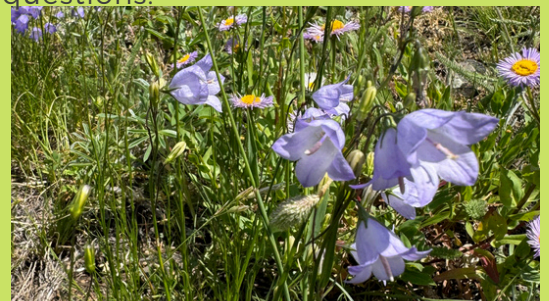
Source(s): 1) <https://www.albertaefp.com/>

GRANT TO APPLY FOR

<https://www.ab-conservation.com/grants-program/aca-conservation-community-and-education-grants/overview/>

ACA Conservation, Community, and Education Grants

The Alberta Conservation Association (ACA) supports the conservation, protection, and enhancement of Alberta's wildlife, fish, and habitat. Since 1997, ACA will offer funding through the Conservation, Community, and Education Grants (CCEG) for the 2025-2026 cycle. Contact Erika at 403-646-3131 or ag3@ranchland66.com with any questions.



WEED TO WATCH

Common Tansy

Tanacetum vulgare

ID characteristics: flowers are yellow, button-like, and numerous, forming dense, flat-topped clusters at the tops of stems. Stems are branched, erect, often purplish-red, dotted with glands, and up to 1.5 meters tall. Leaves are alternating on stem, deeply divided into narrow leaflets with toothed edges.



Source: <https://abinvasives.ca/fact-sheet/tansy-common/>

SECURING SUCCESS

PRODUCER OPPORTUNITIES

November 28 2024
Claresholm, AB
9:00am - 4:00pm

Join us to learn about available producer funding opportunities. You will have the chance to network and learn with the experts from different local and federal organizations. In the afternoon, you will have the opportunity to work with experts in 1 of 3 breakout sessions: Environmental Farm Plans, RALP Funding Support, or How To Build Your Grazing Plan.

Cost
\$25 - FFGA Member / \$35 - Non-Member

www.foothillsforage.com/securingsuccess

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ORGANIZATION HIGHLIGHT

Yellowstone to Yukon

<https://y2y.net/>

The Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative (Y2Y) is a non-profit organization that aims to connect and protect the vast region stretching from Yellowstone National Park in the U.S. to the Yukon Territory in Canada. Their mission is to preserve wildlife, native plants, and natural processes across this mountainous area. Y2Y works with various stakeholders, including governments, Indigenous communities, and private landowners, to create wildlife corridors and protect habitats for species like grizzly bears, caribou, and wolves.

