Central Assiniboine Watershed District

CAWD

2027

PROGRAM GUIDE

Envisioning a future where communities, agriculture and the environment are healthy, sustainable and in balance with one and other.

Who We Are

The Central Assiniboine Watershed District (CAWD) is a grassroots organization led by a local board and a staff of watershed-focused land management professionals.

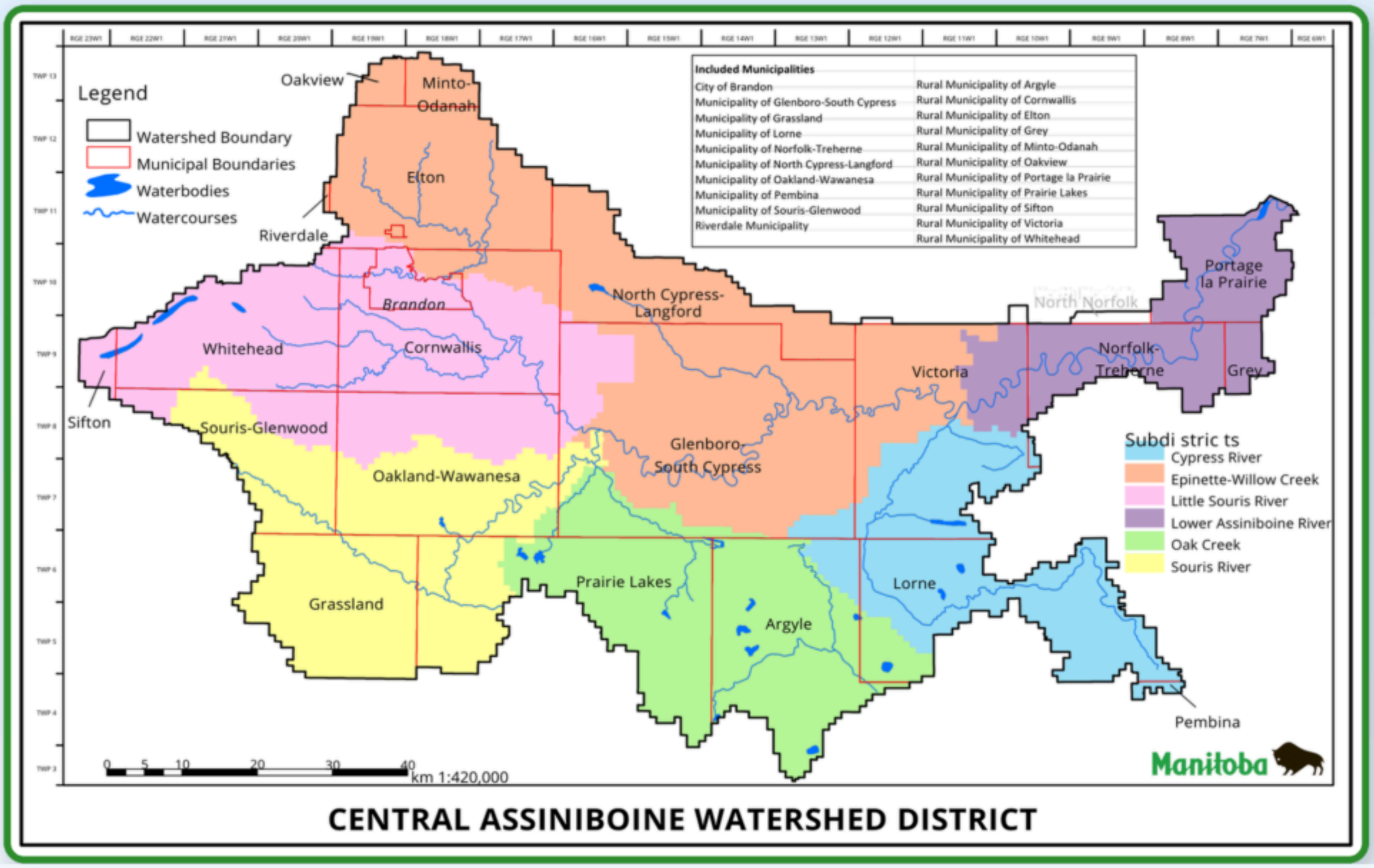
Current Board Members

Jeff Elder - *Chair*
Rod Durham - *Vice Chair*
Paul Gaultier - *Lower Assiniboine*
Myles Kubinec - *Cypress River*
Heather Dalgleish - *Epinette/Willow*
Ken Turner - *Souris River*
Mitchell Mcpherson - *Little Souris*
Ted Snure - *Provincial Appointee*



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OUR PARTNERS

The Central Assiniboine Watershed District is brought to you in partnership with:

- Rural Municipality of Argyle
- Rural Municipality of Cornwallis
- Rural Municipality of Elton
- Rural Municipality of Grey
- Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah
- Rural Municipality of Oakview
- Rural Municipality of Portage la Prairie
- Rural Municipality of Prairie Lakes
- Rural Municipality of Sifton
- Rural Municipality of Victoria
- Rural Municipality of Whitehead
- City of Brandon
- Municipality of Glenboro-South Cypress
- Municipality of Grassland
- Municipality of Lorne
- Municipality of Norfolk-Treherne
- Municipality of North Cypress-Langford
- Municipality of North Norfolk
- Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa
- Municipality of Pembina
- Municipality of Souris-Glenwood
- Riverdale Municipality
- Province of Manitoba

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Program Funders

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- GROW projects vary from 5–10 year agreements depending on the project.
- The producer may terminate their agreement at any time within 30 days prior to a written notice.
- Anything written under a GROW agreement will not be tied to the land title.
- Renters can apply.
- Producers must apply before purchasing anything or completing the project.

PWCP

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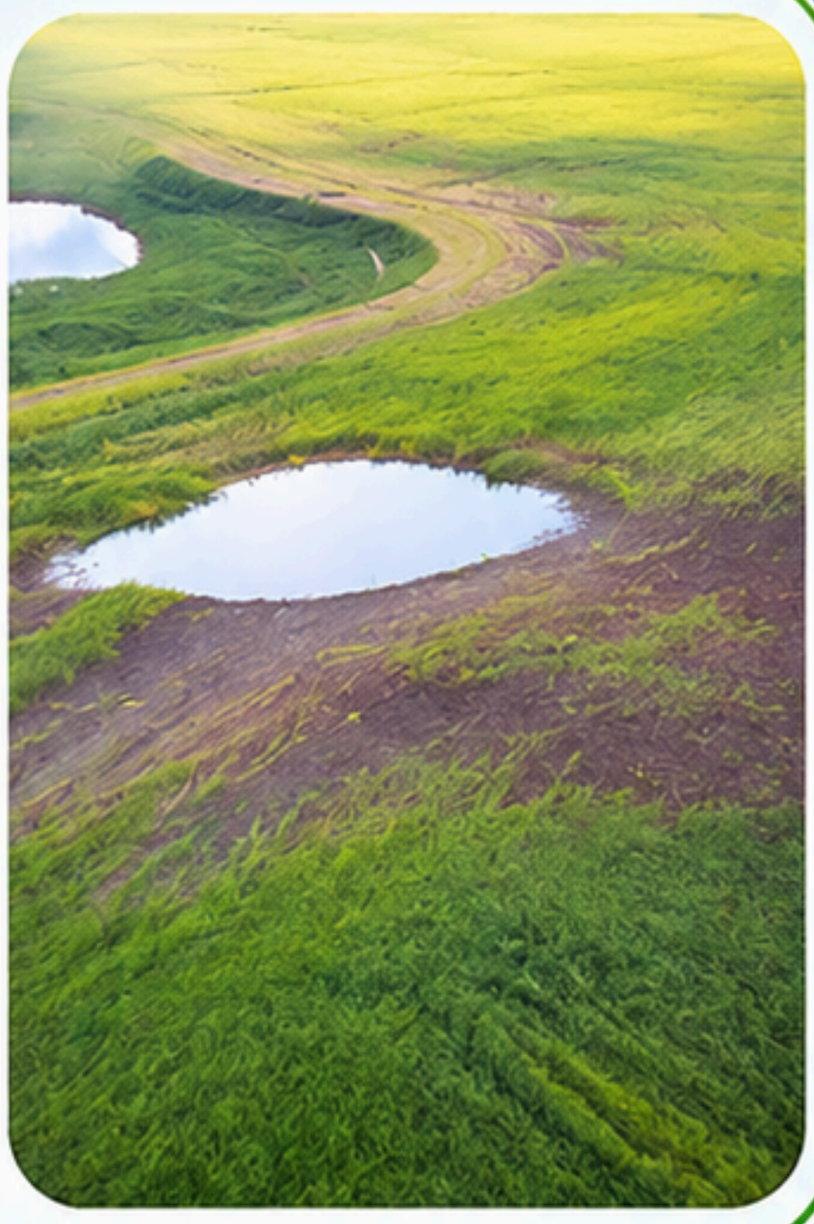
- PWCP projects are 1 year agreements.
- Must be first time practice or have applied for the program in the past.
- Must be willing to provide SIN, BN or Partnership #.
- Must provide invoices upon applying.



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Wetlands

- The wetlands program can pay annual incentives to **conserve** class 1+2 wetlands on annual cropland and/or hayland by leaving them undrained and unfilled. These wetlands **CAN** be farmed through whenever possible.
- The wetlands program can also pay for you to **enhance** wetlands by seeding them down to perennial cover.



Funding (GROW):

- Max $185/acre every year for 10 years (Conservation)
- Cost of the seed + $35/acre to seed (Enhancement)

Funding levels will be dependent on the land assessment value.

All wetlands programs are 10 year agreements.

Rotational Grazing

The rotational grazing programs are designed to help increase the rotations in your grazing systems to help increase the health of your livestock and soil.

Funding:

- (GROW) $18 000/quarter max for Cross Fencing, Exclusion Fencing, Watering Systems, Wells, pipeline.
- (PWCP) $18 000/quarter max for Cross Fencing, Wildlife friendly fencing, temporary fencing, watering systems, pipeline.
- Panels are not eligible in CAWD.



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Land Conversion

- The GROW program can help fund land conversion from annual cropland to perennial cover. This could involve seeding down a low spot, seeding buffers around wetlands, Seeding Grassed Runways, seeding riparian areas, seeding salinity areas, ect.
- Funding and agreement lengths vary per project.



Funding:

- Cost of seed + $35/acre cost to seed
- Incentives may be provided depending on the project and the budget.
- ***Buffer projects are 10 year agreements.***
- ***All other projects may be a 5-10 year agreement.***

Shelterbelts

- CAWD can provide funding for planting trees and shelterbelts. Trees/shrubs that will produce products that can be harvested and sold such as berries, will not be covered under any programs though the watershed district.



Funding:

(GROW)

Field Shelterbelts (Total Cost of Trees)
10 Year Agreement

(CAWD) Shelterbelt Rebate

- 100% of cost up to $3 000 for holdings over 10 acres
- 100% of the cost up to $1 500 for holdings less than 10 acres

(CAWD) Plastic Mulch Rebate

- 100% up to $500

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Cover Crops



Cover Crops can improve soil fertility, increase organic matter, and increase the soil's ability to hold moisture.
Through the cover crop program you must have at least 6" of growth over the winter and the crop may not be harvested as a cash crop.

For more information on funding call Hailey at the office today!

PWCP- Nitrogen Management

Under the Nitrogen Management Program, CAWD can help fund:

- Seeding down legumes (Beans, Peas, Alfalfa, Clover etc.)
- The use of Dual inhibitors and PCU's
- Equipment Upgrades to allow for fertilizer Side Banding, Midrow banding, Side Dressing and injection
- Split Fertilizer
- Manure incorporation equipment upgrades (Spreaders are not eligible in CAWD)
- Manure Incorporation
- Soil Testing and Soil Mapping



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Water Retention

- Water retention projects can enhance water storage and reduce downstream flows, which will help minimize erosion and the volume of runoff during the spring.
- CAWD can help design and construct small dams as well as other structures that provide permanent or temporary water retention.

Funding:

- 100% of the cost upon Board approval



Low Level Crossings

- Low level crossings can be helpful when moving cattle or machinery over a low spot or creek. CAWD can help design and create a crossing that best suits your environment and location.

Funding:

- 100% of the cost upon Board approval





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Well Water

Well Water Sample Days:

CAWD provides 2 days every June for free delivery of water samples to an accredited lab in Winnipeg. Water sample bottles can be picked up and dropped off at any of the municipal offices located around the district. The producer will need to pay for the samples themselves.

Shock Chlorination:

Properly maintained wells and water distribution systems reduce the likelihood of waterborne disease and illness and extend the life of pumps and wells. CAWD can shock chlorinate area wells following provincial and federal guidelines.

Scan for an at home guide on how to shock your own well

Cost: | **$75.00 per well**

Well Capping:

Unused and abandoned wells can be a nuisance and a hazard for landowners. By properly sealing abandoned wells, landowners protect groundwater from contamination and prevent accidents. CAWD can assist in sealing and filling old wells including submitting legally required documentation and providing landowners with piece of mind.

No Cost

Well Establishment Rebate:

50% of the cost up to $1 000 (one time only)
House wells, livestock wells etc.







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Equipment Rental

- **Tree Planter** – $75 per day
- **Plastic Mulch Applicator** – $75 per day
- **Grass Seeder (Broadcaster)** – $50 damage deposit refundable upon return of equipment (Max 5 days)









Beaver Leveler

No cost at a max of

$500

Technical assistance will be provided by CAWD Staff.



Brush Maintenance

The Brush Maintenance program pays up to **$1,100 per acre** for mechanical maintenance of brush and **$50 per acre** for chemical maintenance of brush.

This program does not help with the removal of established trees or shrubs and maintenance for new fence lines is not eligible.

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