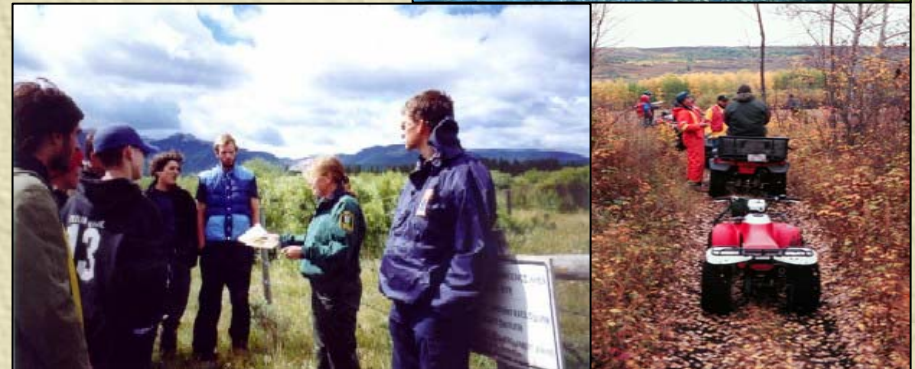



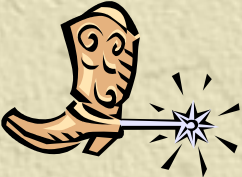

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Considering the Tools

Tool	+	-	Client Manifestation
	Enduring Commitment, Flexibility	Time & proactive investment	<i>“I want to ...”</i>
	Short to Medium Term Stability	Winners / losers & Entrenchment	<i>“I’m supposed to ...”</i>
	Quick, ‘easy’	Animosity & Distrust	<i>“The @!% will kick my ...”</i>

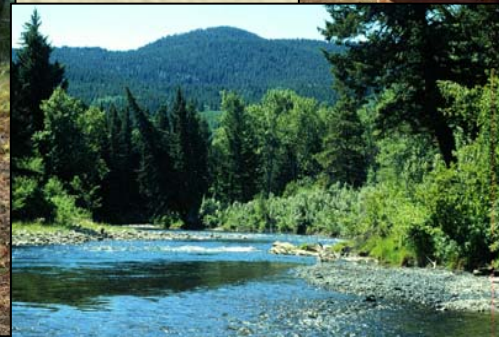
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✦ Respect the Land program

✦ Recreational Access Program



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Recreational

Facing the Facts

- ✦ Burgeoning industry
- ✦ Increasing impacts and conflicts
- ✦ Relatively low priority outside of parks system
- ✦ “Rusty tool box” (staff skills, policy etc.)
- ✦ Eroded outdoor ethic
- ✦ Limited resources
- ✦ Unsustainable status quo



Shift Behaviors to:

✦ Reduce impacts to:

- ◆ Land, water, wildlife, vegetation, etc.

✦ Improve safety

✦ Sustain opportunity

✦ Increase respect

✦ Encourage Positive Actions



Program

✦ Principles

- ◆ Ethically based
- ◆ Shared Responsibility
- ◆ Provincial Scope

✦ Fundamentals

- ◆ Outcome concentration
- ◆ Shift in staff emphasis
- ◆ Build capacity
- ◆ Increase Department visibility
- ◆ Improve relationships with recreationalists

Efforts to Date

- ✦ Baseline publications
(posters, user guides etc.)
- ✦ Knowledge transfer and dialogue
- ✦ Events, signage, and kiosks
- ✦ Identification /removal of barriers
- ✦ Targeted (limited) media
- ✦ Partnerships



On the Burner



- ✦ Increase partnerships
- ✦ Broaden audiences
- ✦ Integrate with school programs
- ✦ Presentation templates
- ✦ Increase staff training
- ✦ Enhance external website
- ✦ Workshop facilitation

Recreational Access to Public Land Under Agricultural Lease

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The ADSAA

- ✦ Clarification of rights and procedures for recreational access on leased lands
- ✦ “reasonable access” for “recreational purposes”
- ✦ Dispute resolution process
- ✦ Reduced liability of lease holders
- ✦ Compliance Teeth

Recreational Access Regulation



Recreational Access Regulation

✦ Duties of Leaseholder

- ◆ Must allow access unless certain circumstances exist
- ◆ Must provide contact name and means

✦ Duties of Recreational User

- ◆ Contact leaseholder before accessing lease
- ◆ Provide information about recreational activity to leaseholder
- ◆ Abide by regulations

Recreational Access Website

<http://www3.gov.ab.ca/srd/land/recaccess/contact/>

Recreational Access to Agricultural Public Land Contact Information - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Local intranet

Recreational Access Disputes



http://gallery.cocamonkey.com/funny-pics/trespassers_jpg

Access Dispute Resolution Process

Initial Contact

- ✦ Recreational User Searches for Contact Information
 - ◆ Website:
<http://www3.gov.ab.ca/srd/land/recaccess/contact/>
 - ◆ Toll free number – 1-800-279-0023
- ✦ Recreational User makes contact
 1. Agreement
 2. Parties in dispute

Access Dispute Resolution



Three Stages:

Stage 1: Informal facilitation

Stage 2: Formal review

Stage 3: Decision on dispute

Bill 16 – Recreational Access

A Success

Deputy Ministers Award

- ✦ 90% of leaseholders participate
- ✦ 5 million acres or more of recreational land
- ✦ Website use
- ✦ Few disputes

People may be part of the problem . . .



. . . they're also part of the solution.