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### Call for Abstracts for Papers or Posters

Submit your paper or poster abstract of 300 words or less to [jtr888@mail.usask.ca](mailto:jtr888@mail.usask.ca) with a title of 15 words or less and the names and full contact details for all authors. Please identify the conference theme most closely related to your contribution in your email subject line.

Abstracts for papers and posters focusing on the topics listed here will be reviewed and selected by the Program Committee, with:

Deadline for Abstract Submission: February 13, 2006

Authors' Acceptance Notification: March 6, 2006

Deadline for Paper Submission: June 8, 2006

## Climate Change and Water in the Prairies Conference

June 21-23, 2006

Saskatoon

Bessborough Hotel

601 Spadina Crescent East

(Details forthcoming at:  
<http://saskriverbasin.ca/>)



***You are invited...***

We invite you to the *Climate Change and Water in the Prairies* Conference co-hosted by the Partners FOR The Saskatchewan River Basin (PFSRB), the National Water Research Institute and the University of Saskatchewan. This conference will be held June 21- 23, 2006 in Saskatoon.

***The Conference Focus...***

This interdisciplinary conference will explore the challenges of combining physical and socio-economic planning in a region facing population, commercial and industrial growth; increasing demands for water and other natural resources; socio-political and legal issues related to water access, licensing, and inter-jurisdictional and inter-basin transfers; and trade-offs between commercial opportunities and recreational and ecological water use. Key results from the Climate Change and Water in the SSRB research project funded by Natural Resources Canada's Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation Program (CCIAP) will be discussed, along with policy implications highlighted by project collaborators and other participants. Issues related to water supply and climate change, adaptation and risk perception on the part of community members will be discussed, especially those dealing with water access, water pricing, drought and extreme events. The need to consider water quality, water/land use interfaces, and the full water cycle, including groundwater, will be emphasized.

The conference will be of interest to academic generalists and specialists working across social and physical science disciplines, as well as engineers, planners, policy-makers, students, and key stakeholders (agriculture, energy, commerce, and industry), as well as the residents of the three Prairie Provinces generally.

**Guest Speakers: Gordon Young (UNESCO), Soroosh Sorooshian, Henning Bjornlund, John Stone.**

**Conference Themes on Water in the Prairies:**

- 1. Advances in Modeling Hydrological Processes***
- 2. Advances in Modeling Socio-economic Response***
- 3. Stakeholder Involvement and Public Risk Perception***
- 4. Drought and Extreme Events in the Prairies***
- 5. Watershed Planning and the Full Water Cycle***
- 6. Agri-Food Systems and Irrigation Demand***
- 7. Water Demands In Other Sectors (i.e. Forestry, Energy, Mining)***
- 8. Policy Options Related to Change in Water Supply***
- 9. Policy Options Related to Change in Water Quality***
- 10. Institutional and Inter-jurisdictional Legal Issues***
- 11. Comparative Lessons Learned (Canada and elsewhere)***
- 12. From Policy to Practice***

**Links:**

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