



<http://synergyalberta.ca/group/battle-lake-watershed-synergy-group>

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A meeting of the Battle Lake Watershed Synergy Group was held on Thursday February 3, 2022 via Zoom Virtual Meeting with Paul McLaughlin acting as Facilitator.

### **CALLED TO ORDER:**

Paul called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

### **AGENDA:**

- Introductions
- Review of Minutes
- Follow-up Action Items
- AER Updates
- Industry Updates
- Community Updates
- Next Meeting

### **ATTENDANCE:**

In attendance were {3} residents, {8} industry representatives and government officials. (See the attached list.)

### **Review of Minutes:**

### **Follow-up Action Items:**

Circulate BMPs, Pilot Project Reports and upload to the Synergy AB webpage.

### **AER Update: Leanne Chartrand**

Via Email Feb. 3, 2022

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- 1) AER Review of Administration Fee (Industry Levy), released January 18 2022  
<https://static.aer.ca/prd/documents/bulletins/Bulletin-202201.pdf>
- 2) New Requirements and Guidance Related to Liability Management, released December 1 2021 <https://www.aer.ca/regulating-development/rules-and-directives/bulletins/bulletin-2021-45>
- 3) Update on Alberta Energy Industry Water Use Performance Report, released December 15 2021 <https://www.aer.ca/protecting-what-matters/holding-industry-accountable/industry-performance/water-use-performance>

**Social Media:**

[AER YouTube](#)

**Resource:** Check out our newest story by clicking the link below

<https://resource.aer.ca/stories/planting-the-seeds-of-reclamation>

When a company applies for an energy development project—regardless of the project's size or kind—it must have a plan in place to reclaim the site once the project is over. Learn more about how the AER oversees reclamation.

**Community Events:** We hold events, such as community meetings and formal hearings, across the province to share information. We also want to hear from indigenous communities, Albertans, and other stakeholders who inform our decisions about energy regulation.

Check this page for events in your area.

<https://www.aer.ca/protecting-what-matters/giving-albertans-a-voice/events>

**Request for Information:** The shapefile of the Battle Lake Tier 1 Map used in the AER's D056, Section 8.2.1, Figure 3 can be requested by and provided to the public by emailing

[InformationRequest@er.ca](mailto:InformationRequest@er.ca)

**INDUSTRY UPDATES:****Baytex: Barret Henschel**

Drilling 7-27 (3) well pad surface. In the process of drilling until break up end of February. First well TD completed today. Completion after break-up end of May.

2-27 amendment to existing facility to accommodate the production from the new wells. Pipeline heading east, then south to 15-34 i3energy facility then to the Keyera gas plant. No other drills for 2022.

**Sifton Petroleum Inc: Davin Chandler**

No update

**County of Wetaskiwin: Kathy Rooyackers**

No Update

**Farmers Advocate Office: Darcy Allen**

Steady with landowner assistance regarding landowner surface lease compensation.

Solar/wind development inquiry increase. Larger developers trying to procure large amounts of land access.

Questions on carbon sequestration and how it relates to surface rights.

Recommend visiting AER website for Directive 088 information. Very comprehensive.

Discussion:

Questions on access to BLWSG BMP, ERCB Pilot Project Report etc. Upload to webpage.

Access to Shapefile that identifies Battle Lake Tier 1 boundaries. 2006 version with AER.

**COMMUNITY UPDATES:****Louis Bull Tribe: Melanie Daniels**

See Brochure attachment.

Lands for Prosperity Project.

Work on Area structure plan, initial discussion regarding campground, bird observation area, connect with nature.

Summer student program.

Fencing, regenerative agriculture.

Land assessments, reclamation of well sites

**Battle River Watershed Alliance: Sarah Skinner**

Riparian Workshop Series – open house coming up. Two new workshops in March and May.

Alberta Lake Management Society – Winter Lake keepers. Water quality sampling program.

Would like to have an ALMS representative speak when the summer water quality monitoring results are available. Examine the state of the watershed.

[https://alms.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/WLK\\_2020-2021\\_Final\\_20211202.pdf](https://alms.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/WLK_2020-2021_Final_20211202.pdf)

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/battle-river-watershed-alliance-28491249379>

**Michael Black:**

Preservation Society has remaining funds available from baseline water quality program done previously. Working with Eco Canada to set up hydrocarbon/water quality testing at Battle Lake.

**Denika Piggot:**

No update.

**Margaret Rathnavalu:**

No update.

**Battle Lake Watershed Pilot Project Reports:**

<https://www.battleriverwatershed.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Battle-Lake-Watershed-Development-Planning-Pilot-Project-2006-Summary-Report.pdf>

**ERCB Review of the Battle Lake Watershed Development Planning Pilot Project, March 2011:**

[https://static.aer.ca/prd/documents/reports/BattleLakeReport\\_March2011.pdf](https://static.aer.ca/prd/documents/reports/BattleLakeReport_March2011.pdf)



**Meeting Dates for 2022:**

May 5, 2022

September 1, 2022

November 3, 2022

\*Options for zoom or call in will be utilized as necessary for meetings to accommodate COVID restrictions of that time.

**ATTENDANCE LIST**

<b>INDIVIDUAL</b>	<b>REPRESENTING</b>
Paul McLauchlin	Facilitator
Linda Black	Secretary
Leanne Chartrand	AER
Darcy Allen	Farmers and Property Rights Advocate Office
Sarah Skinner	Battle River Watershed Alliance
Denika Piggot	Resident
Barret Henschel	Baytex
Michael Black	Resident
Melanie Daniels	Louis Bull Tribe
Michelle Cotton	Solstice Environmental
Margaret Rathnavalu	Resident