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| Oldman Watershed Council  Watershed Legacy Program  Grant Application  For more information: <http://oldmanwatershed.ca/wlp-overview> |

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| **Contact Information** PLEASE TYPE or PRINT CLEARLY - unreadable applications will be returned. | |
| **Date:** | |
| **Name:** | **Phone #:** |
| **Address:** | **Fax #:** |
| **City:** | **Cell #:** |
| **Postal Code:** | **Email:** |
| **Watershed Stewardship Group / Farm or Ranch Name:** | |
| **How long has your group or cooperative been active?** | |
| **Has your group or cooperative received funding from the Oldman Watershed Council in the past? If so for what and when?** | |
| **If this project does receive funding who should the cheque be made out to? Where should the cheque be sent? (if same as above, please indicate)** | |
| **Technical Specialist supporting this project:** *(please consult local extension person prior to submitting)* | |

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| **Project Information** | |
| **Project Title**: |  |
| **Project Location, County/M.D.:** |  |
| **Legal Land Description:** |  |
| **Sub basin:** |  |
| **Project Description:** | *Provide as much detail here as possible - tell us why your project is important and how it will make a difference.* *Include details such as the: relationship to the Sub-basin or local community, area, number of animals affected, planned grazing management strategies, number of anticipated participants, pictures/drawings/aerial or satellite imagery, Google map with specific stream/reach highlighted, etc. Attach separate page(s) if needed.* |
| **Project Results:** | *What are the results you are hoping to achieve with this project?*  *What will the environmental benefit be?*  *How do you plan to achieve these results?*  *Why should your project be funded?* |

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| **Project Details** | |
| **Project Category**  Your project should fall into one or more of the following categories:  ☐ **Riparian and Creek Restoration** (Off-stream watering systems, fencing, bioengineering, etc.)  ☐ **Invasive Species Management** (Biological control releases, weed pulls, etc.)  ☐ **Wetland Restoration and Development** (Cooperative drainage plugging projects, exclusion fencing, etc.)  ☐ **Nutrient Management** (Buffer strip establishment, improved wintering mngt, relocation of facilities, etc.)  ☐ **Land Use Issues** (Cumulative effects management, wildlife habitat establishment, wildlife mitigation, etc.)  ☐ **Water Quality** (Health assessments, monitoring, testing, improvement projects, etc.)  ☐ **Outreach, Communication and Education** (Field days, tours, brochures, watershed promotion, etc.) | |
| **What impact will your project have?**  *We use this information to communicate the successes of these projects to the public and our partners.* | |
| How many animals kept out of the water? | How many bags of weeds removed? |
| How many kilometres of fenceline? | How many hectares of wetland restored? |
| How many kilometres of streambank restored? | Other: |
| **Project Timeline**  Estimated Length of Project:  **☐** Less than 6 months ☐ 6 months ☐ 1 year ☐ 18 months  Start Date: End Date: | |

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| **Project Costs** | | |
| **Item** | **Estimated cost covered by the Watershed Legacy Program** | **Estimated cost covered by other sources including**  **in-kind (min 50%\*)** |
| **1. Materials** |  |  |
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| **2. Equipment/Hours** |  |  |
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| **4. Other (Explain)** |  |  |
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| **Total Costs** | *(A)* | *(B)* |
| **Grand Total***( A+B)* |  |  |
| **Budget in-kind contributions as follows:**   * Volunteer ($20/hr) * Technical (e.g. lab tech. $30/hr) * Professional Services (e.g. biologist $50/hr) * Equipment ($100/hr)   For other specifics not listed here please refer to the Alberta Custom Rate Survey  <https://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/$department/deptdocs.nsf/all/inf16413>  **\* If in-kind contributions are greater than 50% of the project, the OWC will not pay the amount above the 50% in cash.** | | |

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| **Attachments Checklist:**  *Be sure to include with your application form the following documents.* |

* Aerial or satellite imagery of project site (if available).
* A sketch-plan of the site showing existing built and natural features, location of the work site and a north arrow.
* Photos of project site (select photo points around project site – these will be used for monitoring purposes)
* Photo points MUST be clearly marked with metal stakes/rebar so as to be able to relocate in following years. If able, mark the photo points using a GPS and provide GPS coordinates with application.
* Letters of approval (or support in principle, specifying outstanding requirements to obtain full approval) from regulatory agencies. **See Appendix A.**
* Written quotes from suppliers (eg. UFA) for materials and/or quotes from contractors for machinery, etc. (if applicable).
* Any longer term plans for the project (eg. future years of monitoring, future project phases) (if available).
* Any other documents you feel may enhance your application.
* The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) requires you to allow us access to your project site for field days, tours, monitoring, etc. for up to 5 years after project completion. As well we require you to allow the OWC to profile your project on the OWC website.

**You must agree to these terms to receive funding.**

**☐ Agree**

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| **Submit Completed Application Form to the Oldman Watershed Council:** |
| **By Mail:**    Oldman Watershed Council  104 13 St N, Unit 276  Lethbridge, AB T1H 2R4  **By Email:** info@oldmanwatershed.ca |

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| **OWC Contact Information:**  Feel free to contact us at any point if you have questions or concerns with the application process. |
| **Main Office** |
| 104 13 St N, Unit 276, Lethbridge Alberta, T1H 2R4 |
| Phone: 403-330-1346 |
| Email: info@oldmanwatershed.ca |
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| **Shannon Frank** |
| OWC Executive Director |
| Phone: 403-330-1346 |
| Email: shannon@oldmanwatershed.ca |

**Appendix A:**

General Spring Development Criteria

Licence requirements:

So long as a spring is developed in a manner that does not increase the flow of water a Licence would not be required as per Schedule 3 of the *Water (Ministerial) Regulation 1(d),* “… the diversion of surface water (i.e. spring) for the purpose of operating an alternative watering system for livestock that are generally grazed.” This type of diversion of water is exempt from the requirement of a licence. Whereas an “alternative watering system” is defined under the Water (Ministerial) Regulation as “ a method of supplying water to grazing livestock that has been developed to replace the watering of grazing livestock directly in a natural water body”. If the flow from a spring is increased a licence would be required. However, approval may still be required (see below).

Approval requirements:

An Approval under the Water Act is required prior to commencing any construction or disturbance within a natural water body, e.g. spring. Note that the spring needs to be developed in a manner that does not increase the flow of water. If the flow of water is increased a licence under the Water Act is required. The Bow, Oldman, and South Saskatchewan River Basins and their tributaries however, are closed to new water allocations under a licence. Please confirm whether or not the rate of flow from the spring will be increased as a result of the proposed development.

For your application to be considered complete you need to submit the following information, which will have to be done for each spring to be developed:

* complete Water Act Application – at the top of the form check off Approval for Constructing Works under the Water Act for a spring development. (attached)
* annual water consumption – Livestock Water Requirement Worksheet (attached)
* Application Plan within the quarter section(s) (attached)
  + Location of springs need to be labelled on the Plan
  + If you choose to use the airphoto or google Map submitted previously you will need to:
    - Label springs
    - Put a North arrow
    - Label quarter sections
    - Show any piping and where it leads to eg. Waterers, troughs etc.
    - Sign and date the Plan
* detailed plan(s) of the proposed spring development (see attached Agri-Facts sheets on spring developments) and any water distribution system (troughs, pipelines and overflow return to the natural channel).

Note you are not restricted to these forms for illustrating the proposed works, so long as the plan is clearly defined. Please note that the piping of the spring water from the culvert can ONLY be used on the quarter section where the spring source is located, it CANNOT be piped off quarter.

Submit the complete application to the Regulatory Approval Centre email address – aep.waapplications@gov.ab.ca

Main Floor Oxbridge Place

9820 106 Street

Edmonton Alberta T5K 2J6

Telephone: 780-427-6311

Fax: 780-422-0154

Upon receipt and review of the complete application by this office, a notice of application will be sent to you requiring a 7 day period for public notice. The 7 day period for public notice allows any directly affected party to submit a statement of concern. Once the public notice period is complete and the statements of concern are addressed, an approval may be issued for the proposed project.

In regards to any licence requirements for the diversion of water from the spring, so long as the flow of water is NOT increased from the spring, then as per Schedule 3 of the Water (Ministerial) Regulation 1(d), “ the diversion of surface water (i.e. spring) for the purpose of operating an alternative watering system for livestock that are generally grazed”, this diversion of water is exempt from the requirement of a licence. Whereas an “alternative watering system” is defined under the Water (Ministerial) Regulation as “ a method of supplying water to grazing livestock that has been developed to replace the watering of grazing livestock directly in a natural water body”.

Once the spring development is complete, the spring should be fenced off to prevent the cattle continued access to the spring source. All water that overflows the spring development (e.g. culvert) MUST be allowed flow back into its original channel.

*Please note: This information was provided by Alberta Environment and Parks and is reported here for informational purposes only. WLP applicants are responsible for following up with the Regulatory Approval Centre to determine how licencing or approval may apply to their specific project. Oldman Watershed Council is not responsible for determining whether licencing or approval is required.*