# THE ALBERTA LAND-USE FRAMEWORK; THE ALBERTA LAND STEWARDSHIP ACT AND REGIONAL PLANNING Consultation - What I Have Learned



Government of Alberta

#### Alberta's Land Use Luminescence

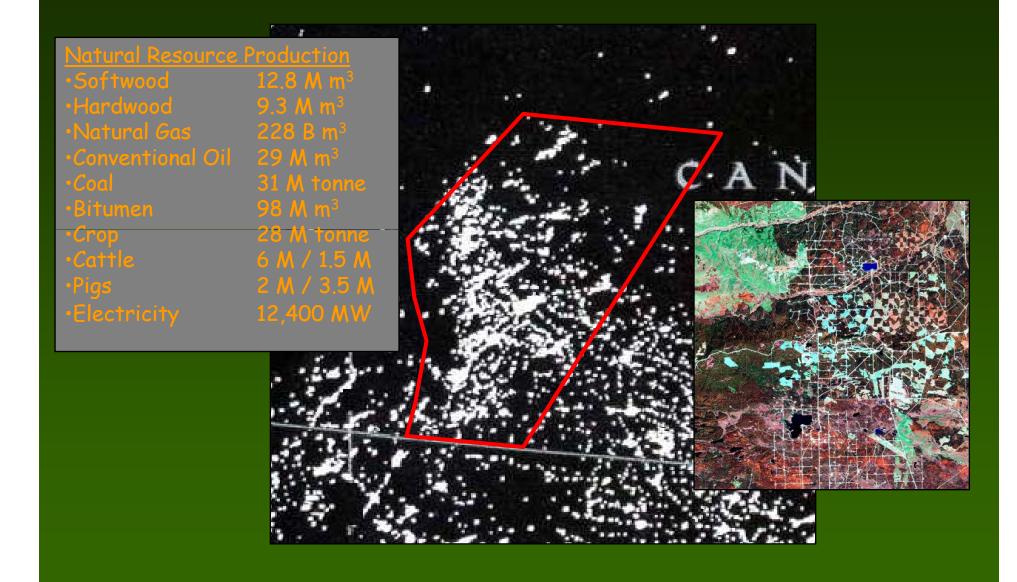
Source: International Dark Sky Organization; www.darksky.org







#### Resource Production in Alberta (2004)

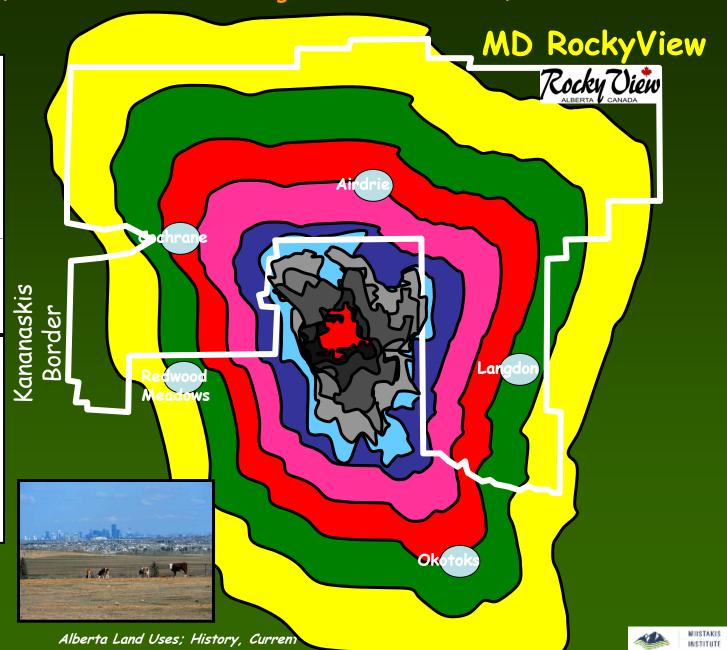






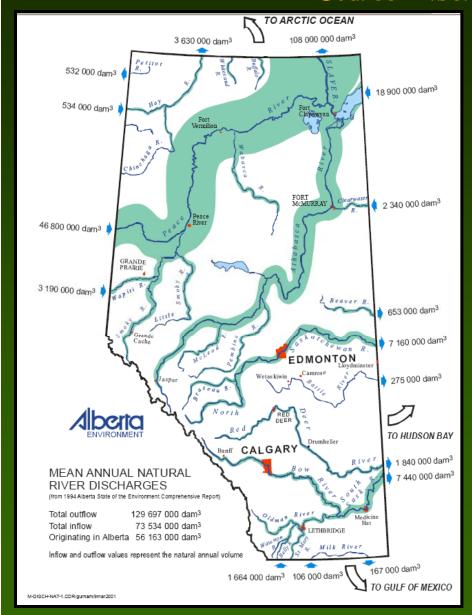
#### Historic and Future Simulated Growth of Calgary

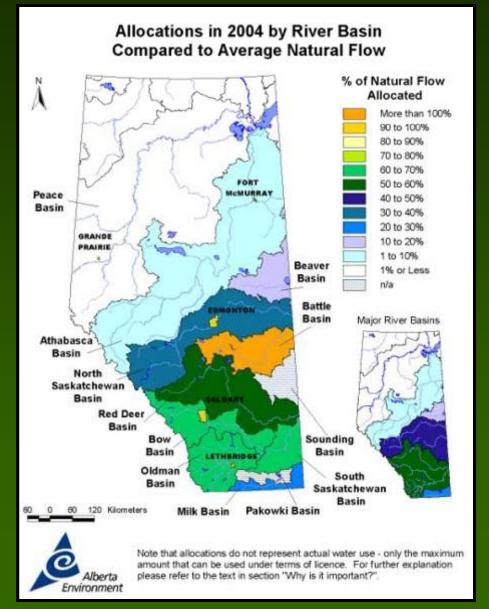
(based on an annual area growth rate of 4.5%)



#### Alberta's Rivers - Water Supply and Demand

Source: Alberta Environment



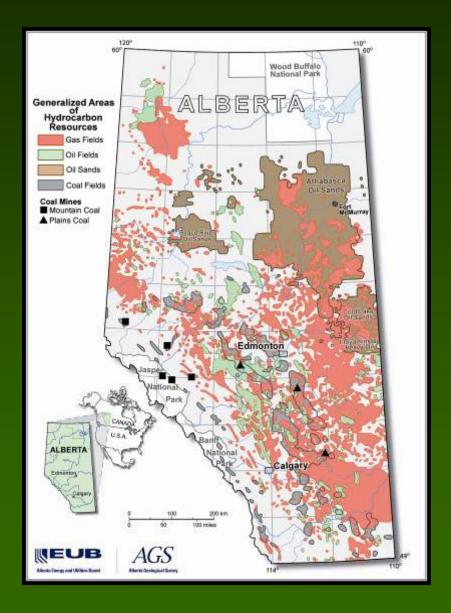






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### Distribution of Hydrocarbon Reserves Source: Alberta Energy & Utilities Board; Alberta Geological Survey









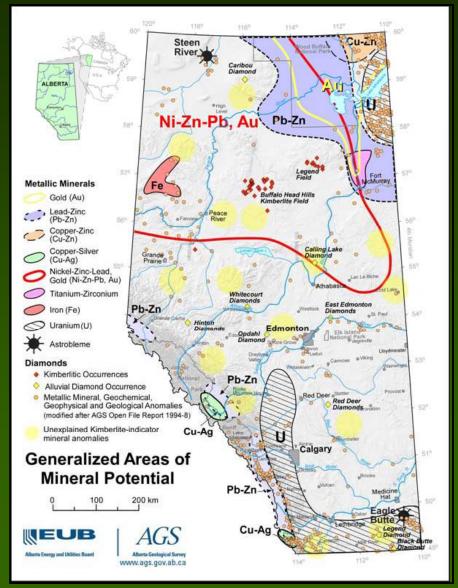


#### Generalized Areas of Mineralized Potential

Source: Alberta Energy and Utilities Board



## Diamonds ◆ Kimberlitic Occurrences ◆ Alluvial Diamond Occurrence • Metallic Mineral, Geochemical, Geophysical and Geological Anomalies (modified after AGS Open File Report 1994-8) Unexplained Kimberlite-indicator mineral anomalies







#### **LUF Priority Actions**

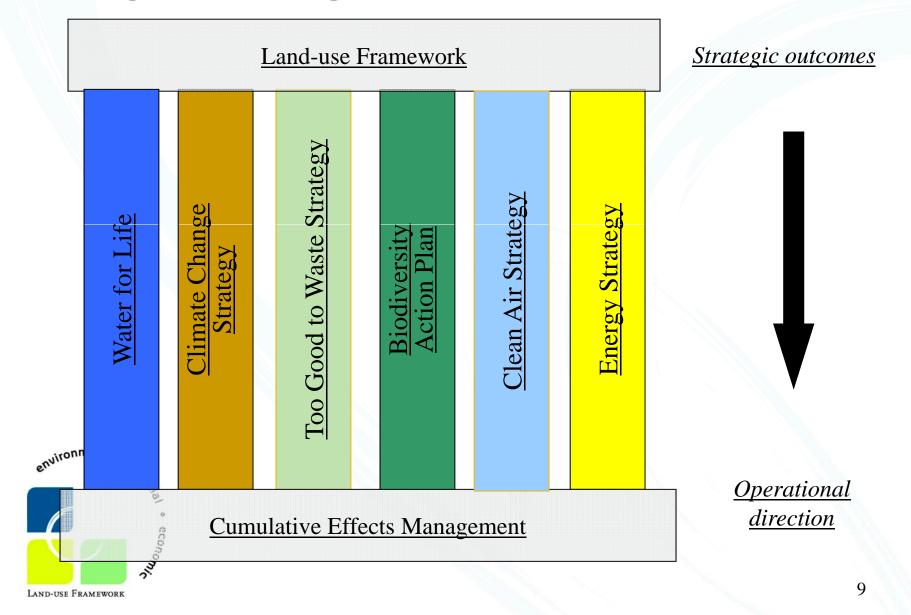
#### Immediate priorities

- Legislation to support the framework, Spring 2009
- Development of regional plans for South Saskatchewan and Lower Athabasca regions
- Completion of metropolitan plans for the Capital and Calgary subregions

Policy gaps and areas of provincial interest to be addressed

- Manage subsurface and surface activities
- Reduce fragmentation and conversion of agricultural land
- Develop a transportation and utility corridors strategy
- Manage recreational use of public lands
- Conserve and protect the diversity of ecological regions
  - Monitoring and Reporting

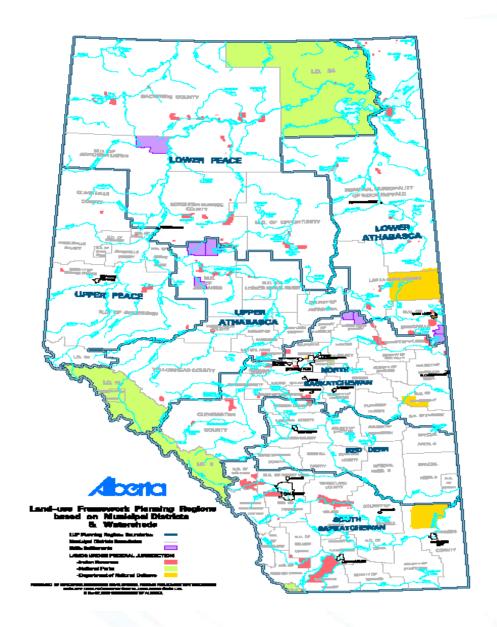
#### **Linkages and Alignment**



#### Land-use Regions

Lower Peace
Upper Peace
Lower Athabasca
Upper Athabasca
North Saskatchewan
South Saskatchewan
Red Deer





#### Regional Plans

Define regional outcomes (economic, environmental and social) and a broad plan for land and natural resource use for public and private lands

Align provincial strategies and policies at the regional level

Determine specific trade-offs and appropriate land and natural resource management for specific landscapes within a region

Define the cumulative effects management approach for the region and identify targets and thresholds



#### Alberta Land Stewardship Act

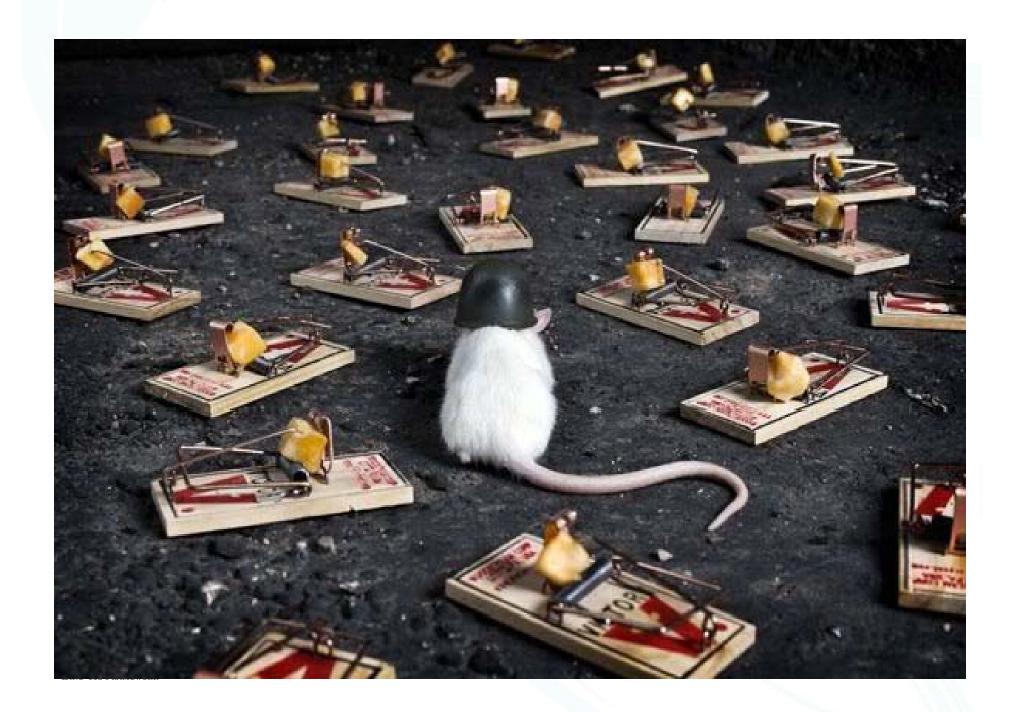
- ➤ Proclaimed October 1, 2009 :
- ➤ Amendment of 27 Provincial Acts
- ➤ Provides for regulations to confirm public/stakeholder participation processes

#### Implementation of Regional Plans through:

- Other legislation (eg. Public Lands, MGA, ERCB)
  - Requires officials under other Acts to follow direction in regional plans and enforce under their legislation

#### Regional Plans: Built with Albertans

- Regional Advisory Councils established for each region
- Public, stakeholder, municipal, aboriginal consultation
- Legislated requirement to review at least every 10 years
- ➤ at least once every 5 years, appoint a committee to evaluate and audit the policies of regional plans to determine whether they are meeting the purposes and deliver a public report



## 6 Streams of Consultation – each with Unique Characteristics and Needs

Regional Advisory Councils
Public,
Stakeholders,
Municipal,
Aboriginal
Internal GoA



#### Learning's-The Start

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- For every minute you spend at the start saves you 10 minutes at the end
- Check assumptions
- Know your stakeholders
  - Build relationships (You need allies internal and external)
  - Do your homework
    - Know what has already been asked
  - Appropriate engagement
    - External and Internal
      - Eg. First Nations
        - » Relationships
        - » Legal requirements
- Internal communication
- Balance between Confideentiality and Transparency
- Don't create expectations you can't deliver
- Stakeholder/Public/Municipal/Aboriginal weighing of input

#### Snapshots at jasonlove.com



"Chuck, no! Keep circling. I love this part."

#### Learning's-Middle

- Appropriate engagement of public/stakeholders/municipal/aborigional
- Key Stakeholders need a heads up
- Transparent and honest
- Focus on the ball- easy to get distracted
- Don't tell them what they want to hear —what they need to hear
- Don't promise what you can't deliver

#### Learning's-Middle (Flexibility)

The Real Seiferling Gantt Chart



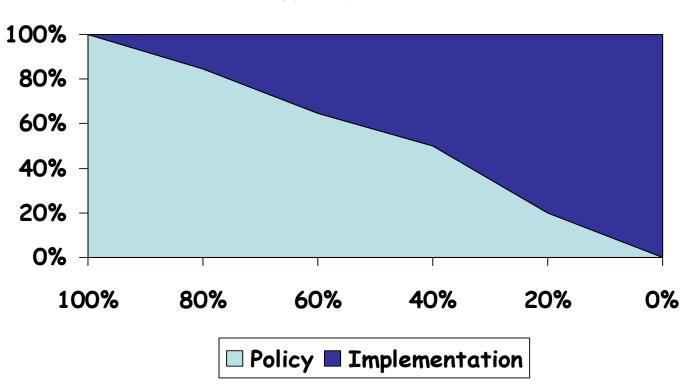




# **Snakes & Standards**

#### Learning's - Middle





#### Learning's- End -Success

- Conversation in the meeting is the same conversation in the hall outside the meeting
- When people are defending it when you are not there to defend it yourself
- Tangible

#### Protection of Private Property Rights

- ➤ Private Property rights are entrenched in the Alberta Bill of Rights
- ➤ The Alberta Bill of Rights identifies enjoyment of property as a fundamental right.
- ➤ A landowner cannot be deprived of this right except by due process of law.
- ➤ The Alberta Bill of Rights takes precedence over all other Alberta legislation including ALSA.

#### Protection of Private Property Rights

- ➤ All the existing rights of Albertan's to appeal decisions by provincial departments, municipalities and boards are still in place
- ➤ All existing provisions for compensation remain in force.
- ➤ Section 19 Compensation Provisions Protected
- ➤ Section 11 Change Statutory Consent
  - ➤ Cannot cancel a Land Title or Freehold Mineral

#### Questions

Website:

http://www.landuse.alberta.ca





