

WATER SERVICES AND PROGRAMMING CATALOGUE

This catalogue is intended to assist Manitobans in finding information about ongoing water and water related services and programming offered by the government of Manitoba.

If you have a water-related inquiry, please use the contact information for the specific program area below. Program areas are listed in alphabetical order. If contact information for the program you are interested in is not available below, please use the general government inquiry information and you will be directed to the proper staff to respond to your request.

General Manitoba Government Inquiry:

mgi@gov.mb.ca

204-945-3744 or toll-free at: 1-866-MANITOBA (1-866-626-4862)

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Agricultural Programming

Beneficial Management Practices

- Manitoba Agriculture provides programming that supports the development of Manitoba's agriculture and agri-processing sector while protecting the province's environmental resources.
- Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (S-CAP)
 - Resilient Agricultural Landscape Program (RALP)
 - Sustainable Agri-Processing (SAP)
 - Sustainable Agriculture Manitoba (SAM)
- Contact:
 - Manitoba Agriculture
 - Website: <https://www.manitoba.ca/scap/>
 - E-mail: agriculture@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 1-800-811-4411

Business Risk Management Programs

- Manitoba Agriculture provides business risk management (BRM) programs to help farmers manage income declines caused by production losses, low prices, and increased input costs.
 - [AgriRecovery](#)
 - [AgriInvest](#)
 - [AgriStability](#)
 - [AgriInsurance](#)
 - [Livestock Price Insurance](#)
 - Contact:
 - Manitoba Agriculture
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/funding/business-risk-management.html>
 - E-mail: agriculture@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 1-844-769-6224
- Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation (MASC)
 - MASC, a Crown Corporation of the Manitoba Government, provides producers with a broad range of risk management tools, including unique insurance, targeted lending, and access to agricultural services.
 - Contact:
 - Website: <https://www.masc.mb.ca/masc.nsf/index.html>
 - Contact Information: <https://www.masc.mb.ca/masc.nsf/locations.html>

Diversification Centres

- Manitoba Agriculture Diversification Centres are non-profit, applied research organizations directed by local producers and industry.
- The province's four centres (links below) conduct applied research and demonstrations on crops, technology and best management practices.
 1. [Prairies East Sustainable Agricultural Initiative \(PESAI\)](#)
 2. [Canada-Manitoba Crop Diversification Centre \(MCDC\)](#)
 3. [Westman Agricultural Diversification Organization \(WADO\)](#)
 4. [Parkland Crop Diversification Foundation \(PCDF\)](#)

Environmental Farm Plan

- Environmental Farm Plans are a self-assessment tool used to identify on-farm agri-environmental assets and risks in order to develop an action plan to help mitigate high risk items.
- Contact:
 - Land Use & Ecosystem Resilience Branch, Manitoba Agriculture
 - Website: <https://gov.mb.ca/agriculture/environment/environmental-farm-plan/index.html>
 - E-mail: ManitobaEFP@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 1-844-769-6224

Research and Innovation Program

- Manitoba Agriculture's Research and Innovation Program supports the development of science-based solutions and tools that address known challenges, prepare for potential disruptions and climate threats, and capture emerging opportunities in the agriculture and agri-food sector.
- Contact:
 - Manitoba Agriculture
 - Website: <https://www.manitoba.ca/scap/>
 - E-mail: agriculture@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 1-800-811-4411

Soil Survey

- Manitoba Agriculture collects soil survey information to support decision-making related to land and water management.
- Contact:
 - Land Use and Ecosystem Resilience Branch, Manitoba Agriculture
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/soil/soil-survey/>
 - E-mail: agriculture@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 1-844-769-6224

Aquatic Invasive Species

- Natural Resources and Northern Development provides information and resources on aquatic invasive species (AIS) management. All Manitobans play an important role in preventing the introduction and spread of AIS such as Zebra Mussels and Spiny Waterflea.
- Contact:
 - Fisheries Branch, Natural Resources and Northern Development
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/stopais/>
 - E-mail: AIS@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 204-945-7787 or Toll Free: 1-877-867-2470

Business and Industry Services

Business Navigation Unit

- The Business Navigation Unit works to advance economic growth, business development and investment attraction by providing wrap-around client-centered service for businesses looking to open, expand or invest in Manitoba.
- The Unit provides a pathfinding service for businesses of all sectors, by working across government departments, with partners, and the federal government to provide companies and stakeholders with program and policy supports that address their needs, and encourage investment and growth in Manitoba.
- Contact:
 - Business Navigation Unit, Economic Development, Investment and Trade
 - Website: www.investmanitoba.ca
 - E-mail: eonu@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-1055

Food and Ag Processing

- Manitoba Agriculture provides services for entrepreneurs, businesses and organizations to strengthen the competitive position of Manitoba's food and agri-product processing industries in the domestic and global marketplace. Business development specialists offer consulting and pathfinding services, workshops, training and access to market development activities that will help you manage and grow your business.
- [Manitoba's Protein Advantage Strategy](#)
- [Capital Infrastructure and Investments](#)
- Contact:
 - Industry Development Branch, Manitoba Agriculture
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/food-and-ag-processing/index.html>
 - E-mail: agriculture@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 1-844-769-6224

Climate

Ag Weather Network

- Manitoba Agriculture operates about 109 automated near real-time permanent weather stations measuring air temperature, relative humidity, rainfall, wind speed/direction, soil temperature, and soil moisture conditions. Data from the network are available in a variety of formats through the links below.
- [Rain Watch](#)
- [Weather Reports and Maps](#)
- [Agri-Maps](#)
- Contact:
 - Land Use & Ecosystem Resilience Branch, Manitoba Agriculture
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/weather/manitoba-ag-weather.html>
 - E-mail: agriculture@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 1-844-769-6224

Climate Change

- The Climate Division implements the Climate and Green Plan and collaborates on actions, tools and strategies to reduce carbon emissions, foster a green economy, clean energy, and increase knowledge and preparedness about climate hazards for today's changed climate and for future climate impacts.
- Contact:
 - Climate and Green Plan Implementation Office, Environment and Climate
 - Website: https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/environment_and_biodiversity/climate_change/index.html
 - E-mail: ccinfo@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-6784
- [Climate and Green Plan](#)
 - This strategic framework covers the full range of sustainable development approaches and activities from climate to jobs to water and nature. It brings together the environment and the economy focused on the top priorities and needs of Manitobans.
- [Prairie Climate Centre](#)
 - An evidence-based perspective to communicating the science, impacts, and risks of climate change through maps, documentary video, research reports, and plain-language training, writing, and outreach. Includes the [Climate Atlas](#), which provides detailed, state-of-the-art yet easily understood information about our region's changing climate.
- [ClimateWest](#):
 - Is the regional hub for climate services in Alberta, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan, providing access to regionally relevant climate information and the support to use it effectively in planning and decision-making

Crown-Indigenous Consultation and Accommodation

- Manitoba has a legal obligation to consult with First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and local Indigenous communities about any proposed provincial law, regulations, decision or action that may adversely impact Treaty or Aboriginal rights, as recognized in Section 35 of the Constitution Act.
- Contact:
 - Consultation and Agreements Branch, Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/inr/reconciliation-strategy/crown-indigenous-consultations.html>
 - E-mail: CAR.General@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-2510

Drainage and Water Control Works

- Environment and Climate licenses drainage (surface and subsurface) and water control works (dykes, dams, etc) that will temporarily or permanently alter flow or water levels in a water body.
- Contact:
 - Drainage and Water Rights Licensing Branch, Environment and Climate
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/water/water-rights/drainage-and-water-control/index.html>
 - E-mail: drainage@gov.mb.ca

- Phone: 204-945-3983

Drinking Water

- Environment and Climate regulates drinking water systems across Manitoba, and provides guidance, technical expertise, up-to-date information and educational materials about drinking water safety for water suppliers, private well owners, and the public.
- [Drinking water advisories map](#)
- Contact:
 - Office of Drinking Water, Environment and Climate
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/water/drinking-water/index.html>
 - E-mail: odw@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-5762

Drought Management

- Environment and Climate carries out drought monitoring, preparedness, response and mitigation activities, including the publication of Water Availability and Drought Conditions reports.
- [Drought Management Strategy](#)
- Contact:
 - Surface Water Management Section, Environment and Climate
 - Website: [Manitoba Drought Monitor](#)
 - E-mail: drought@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 204-945-0002

Emergency Management

- The Emergency Measures Organization provides programming and support to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from hazards and disasters, including floods.
- [Emergency Preparedness](#)
- [Emergency Response](#)
- [Recovery](#)
- [Mitigation](#)
- [Disaster Financial Assistance \(DFA\)](#)
- Contact:
 - Emergency Measures Organization, Transportation and Infrastructure
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/emo/index.html>
 - General e-mail: emo@gov.mb.ca
 - Disaster Financial Assistance e-mail: dfa@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-3050 or toll-free at 1-888-267-8298

Environmental Assessment and Licensing

- Environment and Climate is responsible for environmental assessment and licensing under The Environment Act for developments in Manitoba that may have potential for significant environmental and/or human health effects.
- [Public Registry](#)
- Contact:
 - Environmental Approvals Branch, Environment and Climate
 - Website: https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/permits_licenses_approvals/eal/index.html
 - E-mail: EABDirector@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-8321

Fisheries Management

Commercial and Recreational Fisheries Management

- Natural Resources and Northern Development ensures the sustainable use of Manitoba's fisheries resource. Management programs are developed to maintain or enhance fish populations and habitat, monitor harvest and habitat alterations, and allocate resources for the best return.
- [Commercial Fishing](#)
- [Manitoba's Recreational Angling Strategy](#)
- [Manitoba's Anglers' Guide](#)
- [Manitoba licensing](#)
- Contact:
 - Fisheries Branch, Natural Resources and Northern Development
 - Website: <https://gov.mb.ca/nrnd/fish-wildlife/fish/index.html>
 - Phone: 204-945-6784 or toll-free at 1-800-214-6497

Fish Habitat and Fish Health

- Natural Resources and Northern Development supports efforts to conserve, evaluate, restore, and enhance both fish communities and aquatic ecosystems to achieve a net gain in healthy, productive fish stock. The branch coordinates, evaluates and develops science-based programs that support the sustainability of aquatic ecosystems and enhance, restore and develop the habitat to sustain fish resource and the benefits that they provide Manitoba.
- Contact:
 - Fisheries Branch, Natural Resources and Northern Development
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/nrnd/fish-wildlife/fish/habitat/index.html>
 - E-mail: Jeff.Long@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-7792

Flood Management

Hydrologic Forecasting

- Transportation and Infrastructure issues flood condition reports, forecasts and warnings, lake wind effect maps, daily river and lake conditions, and other resources for the public such as Spring Flood Outlooks.
- Contact:
 - Hydrologic Forecast Centre, Transportation and Infrastructure
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/floodinfo/index.html>
 - E-mail: hydrologic@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-1165 or toll-free at 1-855-415-4530

Mitigation

- Transportation and Infrastructure conducts ice jam mitigation programming, community flood protection works, and flood mitigation studies.
- Contact:
 - Hydrologic Forecasting and Water Management Branch, Transportation and Infrastructure
 - E-mail: HFWM@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 204-945-6497

Permitting

- Transportation and Infrastructure is responsible for Designated Flood Area (DFA) Permitting. New, permanent structures within DFAs must be constructed to Flood Protection Levels or protected by dikes constructed to those levels.
- Contact:
 - Hydrologic Forecasting and Water Management Branch, Transportation and Infrastructure
 - Website : <https://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/wms/permit/designated.html>
 - E-mail: MITWaterReview@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 204-948-4764

Groundwater and Wells

- Environment and Climate collects data and information on groundwater conditions (water levels, groundwater quality, etc.), provides information and resources on well management, and is responsible for licensing of well drillers.
- [Manitoba Well Aware guide](#)
- Contact:
 - Groundwater Management Section, Environment and Climate
 - Website: https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/water/groundwater/wells_groundwater/index.html
 - E-mail: groundwater@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-6959

Infrastructure (Provincially Owned)

Permitting

- Provincial Waterways are formally designated drains, dams, reservoirs, diversions, floodways, dikes, natural water channels, and lakes.
- Accessing and using Provincial Waterways for either permanent or temporary infrastructure or activities requires a Provincial Waterway Authorization, which can be obtained through Transportation and Infrastructure.
- Contact:
 - Hydrologic Forecasting and Water Management Branch, Transportation and Infrastructure
 - Website : <https://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/wms/permit/authorizations.html>
 - E-mail: MITWaterReview@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 204-948-4764

Water Control Structure Operations

- Transportation and Infrastructure operates major flood control infrastructure including the Red River Floodway, the Fairford River Water Control Structure, the Shellmouth Dam and Reservoir, and the Portage Diversion.
- Contact:
 - Hydrologic Forecasting and Water Management Branch, Transportation and Infrastructure
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/wms/ops/index.html>
 - E-mail: HFWM@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-6497

Water Infrastructure Management

- Transportation and Infrastructure manages and delivers provincial water related infrastructure preservation and capital programs, including for dams, dikes, diversions, Provincial Waterways, pumping stations and other water infrastructure.
- [2023 Multi-Year Infrastructure Investment Strategy](#)
- Contact:
 - Water Infrastructure Branch, Transportation and Infrastructure
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/wms/wmec/index.html>
 - E-mail: WaterInfra@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-8535

Infrastructure (Not Provincially Owned)

Manitoba Hydro

- Manitoba Hydro owns and operates 16 hydroelectric generating stations on the Nelson, Winnipeg, Saskatchewan, Burntwood, and Laurie rivers in addition to other major water infrastructure projects such as the Churchill River Diversion and the Lake Winnipeg Regulation project.
- Website: https://www.hydro.mb.ca/corporate/facilities/generating_stations/

Municipalities

- Government collaborates to help municipalities maximize investment potential with existing provincial grants, to facilitate more projects designed to maintain healthy and sustainable communities, economies, and waterways.
- The provincial share of water and wastewater projects funded by the Manitoba Water Services Board is supported by the Strategic Municipal Investment Fund. The Department of Municipal Relations – Outcomes and Strategic Policy Division – provides management and administration of the strategic infrastructure basket, along with ongoing communications to municipalities and engagement with the Association of Manitoba Municipalities and the City of Winnipeg.
 - Contact
 - Municipal Funding Policy and Programs
 - Website: <https://www.manitoba.ca/mr/mfpp/msif.html>
 - E-mail: mfpp@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 431-336-6653
- The Manitoba Water Services Board has been assisting rural Manitobans for over 60 years in the development of safe, affordable, and sustainable water and wastewater infrastructure. Water Services Branch staff within the Department of Consumer Protection and Government Services implement projects on behalf of the Board and provide technical and financial assistance to municipalities and water cooperatives in the development, transmission, distribution and control of water supplies, as well as, assistance for collection, treatment and disposal of municipal wastewater.
 - Contact:
 - Manitoba Water Services Board
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/mr/mwsb/mwsb.html>
 - E-mail: mwsb@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-726-6076
- Emergency Measures Organization oversees the provision of disaster mitigation related funding.
 - [Mitigation Program](#)
 - [Disaster Financial Assistance \(DFA\)](#)
 - Contact:
 - Emergency Measures Organization, Transportation and Infrastructure
 - General e-mail: emo@gov.mb.ca
 - Disaster Financial Assistance e-mail: dfa@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-3050 or toll-free at 1-888-267-8298

Northern Affairs Communities

- Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations supports and facilitates the provision of municipal services, including infrastructure (water and waste water services) and land use and community planning in 50 designated communities in the unorganized territory of northern Manitoba as defined by The Northern Affairs Act.
- Contact:
 - Northern Affairs Branch, Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/inr/resources/community-docs.html>
 - E-mail: NAB.General@gov.mb.ca

- Phone : 204-945-1313

Watershed Districts

- The Northeast Red, Inter-Mountain, Westlake, and Whitemud Watershed Districts have a unique mandate that includes the responsibilities for maintaining former provincial and municipal waterway infrastructure including drains, crossings, and bridges, as defined in the Watershed Districts Regulation.
- Watershed District Contact Listing: <https://manitobawatersheds.org/rm-lookup>

Land Use Planning and Management

Agricultural Crown Lands

- Through Manitoba Agriculture, crown lands suitable for agricultural use may be leased for grazing, haying or annual cropping, depending on the authorized use and capability of the land.
- Contact:
 - Land Use and Ecosystem Resilience Branch, Manitoba Agriculture
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/land-management/crown-land/index.html>
 - E-mail: agcrownlands@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 1-844-769-6224

Crown Lands

- Natural Resources and Northern Development manages thousands of square kilometres of Crown lands, through establishing policy, planning, setting fees, reviewing and approving or denying applications, and specifying conditions for sale, lease, permit, or other dispositions.
- Contact:
 - Lands and Planning Branch, Natural Resources and Northern Development
 - Website: <https://gov.mb.ca/nrnd/forest/land-management/index.html>
 - Contact List: https://gov.mb.ca/nrnd/forest/pubs/forest_lands/land/lands_contact_list.pdf

Land Use and Development Planning

- Land use planning in Manitoba is a partnership between the provincial and local governments and their citizens. Land use planning helps communities establish a sustainable vision for the future use of land, resources and natural features that balances private and public interests and help communities manage change, avoid land use conflicts and respond to future challenges.
- [Land Use and Development Web Application](#)
- [Community Planning Branch Regional offices](#) and [map](#)
- [Planning Districts](#)
- [Subdivision Review and Approval](#)
- [The Planning Act Handbook](#)
- Contact:
 - Community Planning Branch, Municipal Relations
 - Website: https://www.gov.mb.ca/mr/land_use_dev/index.html
 - E-mail: provincialplanning@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-2150

Protected and Conserved Areas

- Natural Resources and Northern Development oversees an established network of protected areas that conserve the wide range of biological diversity and unique natural features for future generations.
- Contact:
 - Protected Areas Initiative, Natural Resources and Northern Development
 - Website: https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/environment_and_biodiversity/protected_areas/index.html
 - E-mail: pai@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-6784 or toll-free at 1-800-214-6497

Provincial Parks

- Manitoba has protected more than four million hectares of land and water in 92 provincial parks across the province for the enjoyment of all Manitobans.
- Natural Resources and Northern Development provides information and resources on camping, commercial operations, cottaging, education and interpretation, fees, parks planning and research, and trails and other recreational activities.
- [Manitoba Provincial Parks Strategy](#)
- Contact:
 - Manitoba Parks, Natural Resources and Northern Development
 - Website: <https://gov.mb.ca/nrnd/parks/index.html>
 - E-mail: parks@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-6784 or toll-free at 1-800-214-6497

Resource Management Boards

- Through the respective adverse affects settlement agreements (ex: Northern Flood Agreement, Grand Rapids Forebay and others), Resource Management Boards (RMBs) were established to co-manage the natural resources in defined areas (Resource Management Areas). Each of the nine existing RMBs are mandated to develop and implement land use plans and resource management plans.
- Contact:
 - Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/inr/settlements-and-other-agreements/resource-management-boards.html>
 - E-mail: NAB.General@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 204-945-1313

Mining, Oil and Gas

- Economic Development, Investment and Trade facilitates the sustainable development of the province's mineral and petroleum resources by encouraging investment, enhancing geoscience knowledge, promoting wise land-management and access to resources, ensuring rehabilitation of lands affected by resource development, and advancing opportunities for Indigenous involvement in resource development.
- Contact:
 - Resource Development Division, Economic Development, Investment and Trade

- Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/iem/explore/index.html>
- E-mail: mines_br@gov.mb.ca (Mines Branch)
- Phone : 204-945-1119

Peatlands Management

- Natural Resources and Northern Development manages Manitoba's peatlands to ensure a balanced approach between peatland conservation and responsible development.
- Contact:
 - Forestry and Peatlands Branch, Natural Resources and Northern Development
 - Website: <https://gov.mb.ca/nrnd/forest/land-management/peatlands/index.html>
 - E-mail: peatlands@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone : 204-945-7989

Surface Water Quality

- Environment and Climate conducts water quality monitoring on rivers, streams, and lakes across Manitoba, including Lake Winnipeg, and protects and improves surface water quality through standards, objectives, guidelines, regulations and other programming.
- [Lake Winnipeg](#)
- [Clean Beaches Program](#)
- [Water Quality Standards, Objectives, and Guidelines](#)
- [Nutrient Management Regulation](#)
- Contact:
 - Water Quality Management Section, Environment and Climate
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/water/lakes-beaches-rivers/index.html>
 - E-mail: waterquality@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-0002

Transboundary Water Management

- Manitoba, through several departments, participates on a number of transboundary boards and committees, such as through the International Joint Commission, intended to support cooperation on transboundary water management.
- Contact:
 - Water Science and Watershed Management Branch, Environment and Climate
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/water/watershed/transboundary/index.html>
 - Phone: 204-945-0002

Water Monitoring Networks (Provincial)

Groundwater Monitoring Network

- Environment and Climate owns, operates and maintains a groundwater monitoring network of over 850 monitoring wells to understand ambient groundwater quality and water levels in major aquifers.
- Contact:
 - Website: https://www.manitoba.ca/sd/water/groundwater/wells_groundwater/index.html
 - E-mail: groundwater@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-6959

Hydrometric Program

- Manitoba Infrastructure Hydrometric Network
 - Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure owns, operates and maintains a network of approximately 150 water level monitoring stations across the province. About half of these stations are maintained and operated to the standards of the National Hydrometric Program and the data from these stations is published to the [National Water Data Archive](#) (HYDAT). Data from the remaining stations are available upon request.
 - Contact:
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/wms/ops/hydrometric.html>
 - E-mail: mb.hydrometric@gov.mb.ca
- National Hydrometric Network
 - The Manitoba portion of the National Hydrometric Program consists of 230 water monitoring stations that are cost shared between Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure, the Water Survey of Canada, and Manitoba Hydro.
 - Contact:
 - Website: Data are publically available in the National Water Data Archive (HYDAT) and through the [Government of Canada Water Office](#).
 - E-mail: mb.hydrometric@gov.mb.ca

Water Quality Monitoring Network

- Environment and Climate maintains a long-term water quality monitoring program on major streams, rivers and lakes at over 65 sites throughout Manitoba, measuring up to 150 water quality variables.
- A long-term water quality monitoring program on Lake Winnipeg is in place to assess changes to water quality and evaluate impacts to aquatic life.
- Contact:
 - Website: <https://www.manitoba.ca/sd/water/lakes-beaches-rivers/index.html>
 - E-mail: waterquality@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-0002

Manitoba Hydro's Coordinated Aquatic Monitoring Program

- Manitoba Hydro and the government of Manitoba operate a long-term aquatic monitoring program to study and monitor the health of water bodies (rivers and lakes) affected by Manitoba Hydro's generating system.
- Contact:

- Website: <http://www.campmb.com/>
- E-mail: CAMP@hydro.mb.ca
- Phone: 204-360-7735

Water Power

- Environment and Climate licenses hydroelectric power stations and other structures related to water power generation. They are also responsible for reviewing applications to develop Crown land parcels located within the Water Power Licensed areas and/or Water Power Reserves (e.g., the construction of a dock or cabin within a licensed area or reserve), and provide permit recommendations to Labour, Consumer Protection, and Government Services.
- Contact:
 - Water Power Act Licensing Program, Environment and Climate
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/water/water-power/index.html>
 - E-mail: EABDirector@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-8321

Water Use

- Environment and Climate licenses water use for domestic, agricultural, municipal, industrial, irrigation or other purposes.
- Contact:
 - Drainage and Water Rights Licensing Branch, Environment and Climate
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/water/water-rights/water-use/index.html>
 - E-mail: wateruse@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-3983

Watershed Districts

- Currently there are 14 watershed districts in Manitoba. Each are responsible for developing and implementing programming to improve watershed health, while four districts also have a surface water infrastructure mandate to maintain provincial waterways within their boundary.
- [Watershed Districts Program](#)
- [Growing Outcomes in Watersheds \(GROW\)](#)
- Contact:
 - Manitoba Association of Watersheds
 - Website: <https://manitobawatersheds.org/>
 - Phone: 204-202-7520

Watershed Planning and Management

- Integrated Watershed Management Plans (IWMPs) are a cooperative effort led by a local project management team and implemented by Watershed Districts. IWMPs incorporate

feedback and input from watershed residents, government and other stakeholders to create a long-term plan to manage land, water and related resources on a watershed basis.

- Contact:
 - Watershed Planning and Programs Section, Environment and Climate
 - Website: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/water/watershed/iwmp/index.html>
 - Phone: 204-945-6784

Wildlife Management

- Natural Resources and Northern Development protects Manitoba's wildlife resources in a manner consistent with the conservation of species and ecosystems for the benefit of Manitobans through programs, policies and legislation for hunting and trapping, biodiversity conservation, wildlife-human interactions and habitat.
- Contact:
 - Wildlife Branch, Natural Resources and Northern Development
 - Website: <https://gov.mb.ca/nrnd/fish-wildlife/wildlife/index.html>
 - E-mail: wildlife@gov.mb.ca
 - Phone: 204-945-6784 or toll-free at 1-800-214-6497