



Saskatchewan  
Prairie Conservation  
Action Plan



**Virtual  
8th Native Prairie  
Restoration/Reclamation  
Workshop  
February 1-5, 2021**

**Restoration and Reclamation in a Changing Environment:  
Adapting to Change, Building Resilience**

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### **Social Networks**

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Twitter: @SaskPCAP  
Instagram: skpcap or #pcapprairie  
Youtube: [www.youtube.com/user/skpcap](http://www.youtube.com/user/skpcap)  
Event Hashtags: #NPRRW21 or #nativeprairie

## **Event Overview**

**Name of the Event:** 8<sup>th</sup> Native Prairie Restoration/Reclamation *Online* Workshop

**Event Theme:** "Restoration and Reclamation in a Changing Environment: Adapting to Change, Building Resilience"

**Date:** February 1-5, 2020

**Venue:** *Online. Website address will be announced on* <https://www.pcap-sk.org/upcoming-events/nprw2021>

*Due to the Covid-19 Global Pandemic, for the first time ever we will be hosting this workshop as a virtual event. While there will be some limitations with the hands-on exercises, we are excited to be able to reach more participants from a wider geographic range than ever before.*

**Number of People Expected:** 250-500 people

**Where Participants are from:** Saskatoon, Regina, Swift Current, Kindersley, Weyburn, Estevan, Val Marie, etc. Outside of Province: Alberta, Manitoba, Montana, North and South Dakota, Wyoming and beyond.

**We are expecting representatives from the following companies/organizations.**

**Government:** Government of Saskatchewan (Ministries of Environment, Agriculture, Parks, Culture and Sport) Government of Alberta (Ministries of Environment and Parks, Agriculture, Food and Rural Development), Federal Government (Parks Canada, Environment Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada), Government of Montana, US Fish and Wildlife, US Parks Service.

**Educational Institutions:** University of Regina, University of Saskatchewan, First Nations University of Canada, University of Calgary, University of Alberta, University of Lethbridge, University of Manitoba, University of Winnipeg, Medicine Hat College, Lakeland College, University of Montana, etc.

**ENGO's:** Nature Conservancy Canada, Ducks Unlimited Canada, Nature Saskatchewan, Provincial Native Plants and Invasive Species Councils, local Watersheds, etc.

**Industry:** Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, Cenovus Energy, Husky Energy, Crescent Point Energy, K+S Potash, SaskEnergy, Westmoreland Coal, Native Seed Providers, etc. We will also be inviting various indigenous bands from Saskatchewan, Alberta, Manitoba and Montana to this event.

## Event Description

For the safety of workshop participants and to prevent the spread of Covid-19, the 2021 NPRRW has been moved into an online event format.

*\*An updated event program can be found at: <https://www.pcap-sk.org/upcoming-events/nprw2021>*

**Plenary Speakers:** Leading experts in the field of restoration, reclamation and remediation will share success stories and lessons learned about innovative projects. Speakers from research and academic institutions, environmental non-governmental organizations and industry leaders from across the Great Plains of North America will represent a variety of perspectives including land owners and land managers and traditional ecological knowledge. Presentations will focus on the theme of building resilience in restoration/reclamation projects and adapting to change such as climate change and an ongoing global pandemic. Presentation will be an online webinar format, approximately 45 minutes long with time for questions from participants. Presentations will be scheduled in themed topic sessions, followed by a virtual networking discussion session.

**Poster Session:** Innovative research projects about invasive species, endangered species, restoration and reclamation case studies, and native seed research will be on display in a virtual room and poster presenters will have a designated profile page with a pre-record video of their poster presentation and/or a slide deck of their poster. Workshop participants will be able to ask questions through a chat box.

**Tradeshow:** With the goal of networking and developing sustainable and resilient partnerships, native seed producers and users, environmental consulting companies, watershed groups and native plant organizations will have booths and displays available in a virtual exhibit hall. Workshop participants will be able to see the exhibitor's booth on their computer screen and be able to network with exhibitors through a private or public chat. Trade show exhibitors with virtual booths will be able to interact with their target audience and track their return on investment. Trade show exhibitors and workshop participants will be able to chat publicly over text or privately over text and video call (with PheedLoop Meet).

**Networking:** Designated virtual networking sessions will be taking place throughout the week. Sessions will have specific topics and be scheduled in the event program. Workshop participants will have the option to attend all networking events or select ones relevant to specific topics.

**Panel Discussion:** A diversity of industry-leading experts from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Montana will discuss restoration and reclamation projects in a changing environment. Workshop participants will be encouraged to ask questions during this interactive session. The goal of this session will be to bring together a diversity of speakers to compare and contrast experiences and perspectives.

### **How this event will impact the community**

The native prairie ecosystem is home to many species at risk, including both flora and fauna. As these species populations continue to decline and native lands continue to be altered, native prairie restoration and reclamation efforts remain a priority. This event will focus on adapting to change and building resilience in native prairie restoration and reclamation projects. As the impacts of climate change and the Covid-19 global pandemic continue, exploring these topics is more important than ever before.

This event will bring together stakeholders, land owners and land managers, environmental advocates and students from across North America to share ideas and experiences. This engaging online forum will provide insight into the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for land use, prairie reclamation and species restoration across the Great Plains of North America, all during a global pandemic and a period of climate change. Although the workshop will be online this year, we are hoping to bring in new ideas and perspectives from new presenters and participants from a wider geographic range than ever before.

This event will impact local communities, as workshop participants will leave with new ideas and information on how to more efficiently plan for restoration/reclamation projects during a global pandemic and how to adapt to a changing environment. Community leaders, native prairie advocates and land managers will be able to better address issues such as reclaiming lands, restoring species at risk populations, invasive species management and more. Indirectly, this conference will leave the native prairie ecosystem a better place for generations to come.

### **Event Background and History**

The first Native Prairie Restoration and Reclamation Workshop was held in 2011, after participants from the 2010 Prairie Conservation and Endangered Species Conference indicated there was a need for more information specific to native prairie restoration and reclamation. The Native Prairie Restoration/Reclamation Workshop takes place two of every three years (skipping the third year for the triennial Prairie Conservation and Endangered Species Conference). The workshop rotates between Regina, SK and Saskatoon, SK.

#### **Past events:**

- 2011 - Regina, SK
- 2012 - Saskatoon, SK: Bridging the Gap
- 2014 - Regina, SK: Stretching Our Boundaries
- 2015 - Saskatoon, SK: The Building Blocks of Restoration
- 2017 – Regina, SK: Reclaiming Spaces, Restoring Species
- 2018 – Saskatoon, SK: Look to the Future, Learn from the Past.
- 2020 – Regina, SK: The Big Picture: Planning and Partnerships

### ***2021 – Virtual Online Workshop – "Restoration and Reclamation in a Changing Environment: Adapting to Change, Building Resilience"***

The overarching theme of the 2020 Native Prairie Restoration and Reclamation Workshop will be "Restoration and Reclamation in a Changing Environment: Adapting to Change, Building Resilience". Within this theme, issues in the following areas will be addressed:

- Holistic approaches to planning restoration/reclamation projects that include traditional ecological knowledge and landowner perspectives.
- Species at risk and wildlife habitat
- Biosecurity and invasive species
- Plant, water and soil interrelationships
- Industrial reclamation: contaminated sites and remediation
- Trends and changes: assessments and acts
- Adaptability of restoration and reclamation through climate change and a global pandemic.

The primary objective of this workshop is to hear from all stakeholders involved in native prairie land use:

- First Nations Groups
- Government (federal, provincial, municipal)
- Ranchers and land owners
- Education and researchers
- Environmental not for profit organizations
- Industry and utilities
- Watershed groups

The aim of this workshop is to bring all of these stakeholders together to exchange knowledge, share lessons learned and address challenges in native prairie restoration/reclamation during a time of climate change and a global pandemic.

## **Event Sponsorship and Benefits**

**Sponsorship Goal:** \$10,000

### **Past Event Sponsors:**

SaskPower, Sask Energy, Husky Energy, Prairie Conservation Forum, Trace Associates Inc., TransCanada, Faculty of Science - University of Regina, North American Helium, Peavey Industries LP, Tourism Saskatchewan, The Mosaic Company, North Shore Environmental Consultants, Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority, Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association, SaskTel, Blazing Star Wildflower Seed Company,

### **Overall Event Sponsorship**

#### **Platinum - \$2,500+**

- Solitary Logo and link prominently displayed on SK PCAP website and event registration page.
- Logo and link prominently displayed on pre-event and post-event press releases and media advisories, and on pre-event and post-event Social Media
- Logo and link prominently displayed on SK PCAP eNewsletter "Thank You Page" (over 2000 subscribers)
- Solitary logo prominently displayed on the home page banner
- Logo prominently displayed on the downloadable digital event schedule.
- Solitary logo placement on Pre-Roll Video before a presentation session goes live.
- Complimentary Tradeshow Booth Space (Value 250.00)
- Speaking Opportunity: Opportunity to bring greetings or closing remarks or introduce a plenary speaker.
- Verbal Recognition (during February 1st opening remarks and February 5<sup>th</sup> closing remarks)
- 4 Complimentary Event Registrations (Value \$600.00+)
- Opportunity to provide 2 native prairie related articles in the SK PCAP eNewsletter in 2020 (over 2000 subscribers)

#### **Gold - \$1,000+**

- Logo and link displayed on SK PCAP website and event registration page.
- Logo displayed on pre-event and post-event press releases and media advisories, and on pre-event and post-event social media
- Logo and link displayed on SK PCAP eNewsletter "Thank You" Page (over 2000 subscribers)
- Solitary Logo Display on Home Page Carousel
- Logo displayed on the downloadable digital event schedule.
- Logo placement on Pre-Roll Video before a presentation session goes live.
- Speaking Opportunity: Opportunity to bring greetings or closing remarks or introduce a plenary speaker.

- Verbal Recognition (during February 1st opening remarks and February 5<sup>th</sup> closing remarks)
- 3 Complimentary Event Registrations (Value \$450.00)
- Opportunity to provide 1 native prairie related articles in the SK PCAP eNewsletter in 2020 (over 2000 subscribers)

#### **Silver - \$750+**

- Logo and link displayed on SK PCAP website and event registration page.
- Name on pre-event and post-event press releases and media advisories, and on pre-event and post-event Social Media
- Logo displayed on SK PCAP eNewsletter "Thank You Page" (over 2000 subscribers)
- Logo displayed in Silver Level Group display on Home Page Carousel
- Name displayed on the downloadable digital event schedule.
- Logo placement in a multi-logo display on Pre-Roll Video before a presentation session goes live.
- Verbal Recognition (during February 1st opening remarks and February 5<sup>th</sup> closing remarks)
- 2 Complimentary Event Registrations (Value \$300.00+)

#### **Bronze - \$500+**

- Name displayed on SK PCAP website and event registration page.
- Name on pre-event and post-event press releases and media advisories, and on pre-event and post-event Social Media
- Name displayed on SK PCAP eNewsletter "Thank You Page" (over 2000 subscribers)
- Logo displayed in Bronze Level Group display on Home Page Carousel
- Name displayed on the downloadable digital event schedule.
- Logo placement in a multi-logo display on Pre-Roll Video before a presentation session goes live.
- Verbal Recognition (during February 1st opening remarks and February 5<sup>th</sup> closing remarks)
- 1 Complimentary Event Registrations (Value \$150.00+)

#### **Friend Sponsor - \$250+**

- Name displayed on SK PCAP website and event registration page.
- Name on pre-event and post-event press releases and media advisories, and on pre-event and post-event Social Media
- Name displayed on SK PCAP eNewsletter "Thank You Page" (over 2000 subscribers)
- Name displayed on the downloadable digital event schedule.
- Logo placement in a multi-logo display on Pre-Roll Video before a presentation session goes live.
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- Verbal Recognition (during February 1st opening remarks and February 5<sup>th</sup> closing remarks)

## Targeted Sponsorship

### **Technology Sponsor - \$1,000**

- Logo and link displayed on SK PCAP website and event registration page.
- Logo displayed on pre-event and post-event press releases and media advisories, and on pre-event and post-event social media
- Logo and link displayed on SK PCAP eNewsletter “Thank You” Page (over 2000 subscribers)
- Solitary Logo Display on Home Page Carousel
- Logo displayed on the downloadable digital event schedule.
- Solitary Logo placement on Pre-Roll Video before a presentation session goes live.
- Speaking Opportunity: Opportunity to bring greetings or closing remarks or introduce a plenary speaker.
- Verbal Recognition (during February 1st opening remarks and February 5<sup>th</sup> closing remarks)
- 3 Complimentary Event Registrations (Value \$450.00)
- Opportunity to provide 1 native prairie related articles in the SK PCAP eNewsletter in 2020 (over 2000 subscribers)

### **Poster Session Sponsor - \$500**

- Name displayed on SK PCAP website and event registration page.
- Name on pre-event and post-event press releases and media advisories, and on pre-event and post-event Social Media
- Name displayed on SK PCAP eNewsletter "Thank You Page" (over 2000 subscribers)
- Logo displayed in in Poster Session Sponsor display on Home Page Carousel
- Name displayed on the downloadable digital event schedule.
- Special logo display on event platform during each Poster Session.
- Logo placement in a multi-logo display on Pre-Roll Video before a presentation session goes live.
- Verbal Recognition (during February 1st opening remarks and February 5<sup>th</sup> closing remarks)
- 1 Complimentary Event Registration (Value \$150.00)

### **Landowner Participant Sponsor or Student Participant Sponsor - \$300**

\*A subsidy will be available to encourage landowners or students to attend this event. This subsidy will cover 2 event registrations.

- Name displayed on SK PCAP website and event registration page.
- Special Logo Placement on Website to advertise “Subsidy Available”

- Name on pre-event and post-event press releases and media advisories, and on pre-event and post-event Social Media
- Name displayed on SK PCAP eNewsletter "Thank You Page" (over 2000 subscribers)
- Name displayed on the downloadable digital event schedule.
- Logo placement in a multi-logo display on Pre-Roll Video before a presentation session goes live.
- Verbal Recognition (during February 1st opening remarks and February 5<sup>th</sup> closing remarks)

## Organization Overview

**The Saskatchewan Prairie Conservation Action Plan (SK PCAP) Partnership** brings together 30 agencies and organizations representing producers, industry, provincial & federal governments, environmental non-government organizations, research and educational institutions working towards a common vision of prairie and species at risk conservation in Saskatchewan. The SK PCAP Partnership has proven to be an important forum for guiding conservation and management efforts within Saskatchewan's Prairie Ecozone as it:

- Increases communication and collaboration amongst partners, thereby reducing duplications;
- Addresses gaps in native prairie research/activities and programming;
- Guides the development of programs and policies that reward sustainable use and promote ecological health and integrity including species at risk recovery, and;
- Improves public understanding of native prairie and species at risk.

### SK PCAP Vision & Goals

**Vision:** Healthy native prairie ecosystems as vital parts of our vibrant and strong communities.

**Our Mission:** The PCAP Partnership represents the collaborative efforts of multiple interests toward promoting and conserving Saskatchewan's native prairie. The PCAP Partners work together to deliver innovative and critical prairie conservation activities that represent the shared objectives of a diverse mix of stakeholders and that benefit the social, cultural, economic and ecological fabric of Saskatchewan.

**Our Ecosystem Goal:** Native prairie ecosystem health and biodiversity are conserved and restored as part of a functioning landscape.

**Our Economic Goal:** Sustainable uses of native prairie improve the livelihoods of Saskatchewan people.

**Our Cultural Goal:** Native prairie is a valued part of our culture and identity as Saskatchewan people.

### **What We Do - in a Nutshell?**

- Native Prairie Speaker Series: monthly presentation about a topic related to native prairie and environmental stewardship in Saskatchewan. Available in-person and online.
- Prairie's Got the Goods Week: a week long webinar series about the ecological goods and services provided by native prairie
- Educational Programming for Youth: *Taking Action For Prairie* and *Adopt a Rancher* to foster awareness about the importance of native prairie for grades 6-8 and grade 10 curriculum, respectively. As well as Pitch for Pipits and Plovers for Grades 4-6, delivered annually at Agribition
- Native Prairie Appreciation Week: SK PCAP hosts events around the province to raise public awareness about native prairie risks and conservation.
- Monthly eNewsletter distributed to over 2000 subscribers with unlimited forwards

- Contributes 5 producer-focused articles in Saskatchewan Stock Grower Association's *Beef Business Magazine* per year
- Produces Guides to Managing for Optimal Habitat Attributes for Species at Risk, a resource for land managers

**Executive Committee**

Name	Position on Board	Organization
Kelly Williamson	Chair	Saskatchewan Stock Grower's Association
Beatriz Prieto Diaz	Board Member	Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment
Megan Burns	Board Member	Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture
Helene Careau	Board Member	SaskPower
Jordan Ignatiuk	Board Member	Nature Saskatchewan
Heather Facette / Maggi Sliwinski	Board Member	Parks Canada

*SK PCAP is a subcommittee of Saskatchewan Stock Grower's Association*

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## **Our Partners**

- Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada - Science & Technology Branch
- Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS)
- Ducks Unlimited Canada
- Environment Canada - Canadian Wildlife Service
- Native Plant Society of Saskatchewan Inc.
- Nature Conservancy of Canada
- Nature Saskatchewan
- Parks Canada-Grasslands National Park of Canada
- Prairie Wind & Silver Sage - Friends of the Grasslands
- Redberry Lake Biosphere Reserve Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities
- Saskatchewan Association of Watersheds
- Saskatchewan Bison Association
- Saskatchewan Burrowing Owl Interpretive Centre
- Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association
- Saskatchewan Environmental Society
- Saskatchewan Forage Council
- Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture
- Saskatchewan Ministry of the Energy and Resources
- Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment
- Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association (SSGA) - PCAP CHAIR
- Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation
- SaskOutdoors
- SaskPower
- Society for Range Management (SRM) - Prairie Parkland Chapter
- South of the Divide Conservation Action Program
- University of Regina (UofR)
- University of Saskatchewan (UofS) - College of Agriculture & Bioresources
- Water Security Agency (WSA)