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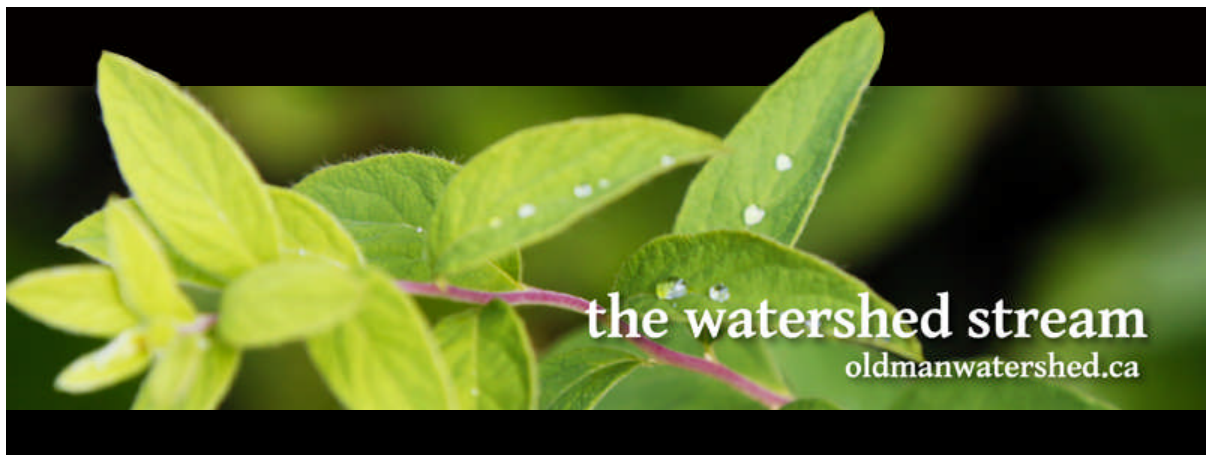
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In this newsletter, we'll be looking at our new blog focused on our buzzing pollinator friends, upcoming food producer consultation events, and ways to participate in ground water consultations. Dive in to learn how you can help protect Alberta's ecosystems and shape the future of our watershed.



Are you a food producer or involved in food production? Do you want your voice to be heard and contribute to how agriculture is understood by the public?

We invite you to join us for our final roundtable events as part of our Connecting People, Solutions, and Innovations (CPSI) project. This is an opportunity to influence the future of agricultural communication and build public trust.

February 24, 2025 - Lethbridge

- [Lethbridge Tickets](#)

February 25, 2025 - Claresholm

- [Claresholm Tickets](#)



Please share this with your colleagues, producer neighbours, and networks—we want to have as many voices as possible included in the consultation.

** These events are suitable for who produce food or are directly involved in food production. If you are unsure if you should attend, please contact us directly before registering. **



Most of us know that bees are essential to making sure plants are pollinated and food grows—but what happens to them in the winter? Do they get a break in the fall? What the difference between a honeybee and a fall queen?

Find out all the answer to these questions and more in our newest blog!

"I am a self-professed winter lover. I love snow, I love the cold, and I love seeing the moon every night at 6PM. But I know short days and chilly weather can start to drag, and when February rolls around, I start to feel myself looking forward to spring. To me, nothing feels like spring as much as seeing the very first insects of the year: bumble bees! Once the bumble bees are out, I know that the spring flowers are blooming, temperatures are above freezing, and summer is on its way..."

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Communities in Southern Alberta have been grappling with the impacts of prolonged drought—low water levels, usage restrictions, strained ecosystems, and water supply challenges for crops.

Living Lakes Canada and Oldman Watershed Council (OWC) are inviting southern Alberta residents to share their water concerns and priorities for a new community-based groundwater monitoring initiative. This program aims to enhance water management, raise awareness of groundwater sources, and ensure sustainable water use for future generations.

There are two opportunities to share your input, one in person, and one online.

- In-Person:
 - Pincher Creek: March 5, 7-8:30 pm
- Online
 - Zoom: March 13, 12-1:30 pm

[**Register Here**](#)

There is also an opportunity for to do an online survey, which you can access here:

[**Online Survey**](#)

Together, we can build a monitoring program grounded in community values and scientific priorities.



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INTERESTED IN GROUNDWATER in the Oldman Watershed?

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LEARN & SHARE
YOUR FEEDBACK

3 WAYS TO PARTICIPATE:

In-Person Meeting

Wednesday, March 5th
7-8:30 PM MT
Heritage Inn, Pincher Creek

Online Meeting

Thursday, March 13th
12-1:30 PM MT
Zoom

Survey

Everyone is invited to complete the online survey, whether or not you plan to attend a meeting. Scan the QR code or email us to access the survey.

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Scan QR code to register for a meeting and/or complete the survey.

OR email us: abgroundwater@livinglakescanada.ca



Save the date for a special **World Water Day Webinar on March 21, 2025**, hosted by Alberta's Watershed Planning and Advisory Councils (WPACs). From 12:30pm–1:30pm (online), learn how glaciers support our rivers and sustain ecosystems, and explore why preserving them matters to our water resources. We'll share more details soon—hope you can join us.



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