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Join us for OWC's 21st Annual General Meeting

Our AGM is almost here! Join us on Thursday, June 19, 2025, from 1:00 – 4:30 p.m. at the Bunka Centre at Nikka Yuko Japanese Gardens in Lethbridge, or attend virtually via Zoom.

We're pleased to welcome Councillor Elliot Fox, Kainai Nation and Grant Hunter, MLA and Associate Minister of Water, who will provide opening remarks. After introductions from our Chair, Doug Kaupp, you'll hear key water security updates from our team on restoration, education, biomonitoring, and government relations initiatives. We'll also present our audited financial statements and recognize our outstanding donors and volunteers. Finally, Dr. Matthew Bogard, Canada Research Chair in Aquatic Environments, will share the year's most compelling monitoring results.

The event is free to attend with an [OWC membership \(also free!\)](#). Seats are filling up—register today:

[Register, view the detailed agenda, and reserve your spot here.](#)



OWC Won an Emerald Award

We are so proud and honoured to have received an Emerald Award on June 5 in the Community/Non-profit category! The Emerald Awards recognize and “accelerate environmental excellence by identifying and celebrating Alberta’s visionary leaders and by sharing best practices through the power of compelling educational narratives.”

Thank you to the Alberta Emerald Foundation, and congratulations to all the recipients and nominees for their excellent work advancing environmental excellence across the province.

Long-standing board chair and volunteer Doug Kaupp was on hand to accept the award on behalf of the OWC at the ceremony in Edmonton.

This award represents the remarkable achievements made by staff, board members, and volunteers, both current and past, and is a testament to the important work being done by the OWC every day over the past 25 years.

Thank you!

[Learn more about this year's nominees and winners.](#)



Last Chance to Register for the 11th Annual KEPA Summit!

Today—June 9th—is your final opportunity to register for the 11th Annual KEPA Summit – Ksaahkomma ki Sokinaapi (Environment & Health), happening June 11–13, 2025. Join Blackfoot knowledge-keepers, scholars, and allies for three enriching days of ceremony, youth panels, cultural demonstrations, and insightful presentations from Indigenous leaders from Alberta, Ecuador, and Guatemala.

Don't miss the powerful keynote sessions, an iinnii (bison) harvest, and a special film screening of Dry Horizons. Choose from one, two, or all three days at locations across Blackfoot Territory, including Lavern, Thunder Chief, and Waterton Lakes National Park.

Today is the final day for registration—register now to secure your place.

[Eventbrite Registration](#)

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