



Prairie Conservation and Endangered Species Conference

Working Landscapes

February 19 – 21st, 2019

Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre

Winnipeg, Manitoba

Background

Event Overview

Name of the Event: 12th Prairie Conservation and Endangered Species Conference

Dates: February 19-21, 2019

Location: Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Number of People Expected: 300+

Where Participants are from: Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan, North and South Dakota, and beyond.

Event Description

Join fellow prairie and species at risk enthusiasts, landowners, producers, professionals, practitioners, students and other stakeholders from all over North America who will attend **the 12th Prairie Conservation and Endangered Species Conference – *Working Landscapes***. This high quality and affordable professional development event will attract more than 300 native prairie advocates, landowners, producers and managers from all walks of life to share ideas and experiences. This engaging forum will provide insight into the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for land use, prairie conservation and endangered species across the Northern Great Plains.

Conference Events

February 19-21, 2019

Opening Reception – join us on the opening evening for an opportunity to visit, network and enjoy a reception to kick off the event.

Keynote Speakers – several expert keynote speakers will address the most challenging topics focused on prairie and species at risk conservation.

Plenary & Breakout Sessions – a variety of topics and themes will be explored through plenary speakers as well as concurrent sessions, providing attendees with diverse options to learn.

Panel Interviews – practitioners and specialists will share their opinions on the past, present and future of prairie and species at risk conservation across Canada.

Poster Session– participants can share their research and work through an interactive poster session display as well as engage with organizations dedicated to conserving and restoring native prairie.

Banquet and Awards Reception

The sit-down banquet provides a networking opportunity to connect with others. At the banquet, the Prairie Conservation Award will be awarded to a deserving recipient from each of the three Prairie Provinces in recognition of significant long-term contributions to native habitat or species at risk conservation. Sponsors will be recognized at the banquet.

Event Background and History

The first Prairie Conservation and Endangered Species Conference (PCESC) was held in 1986 in Edmonton, Alberta. Following the success of this conference, it was decided to host the conference every three years alternating amongst each of the three Prairie Provinces, leading up to the 2019 event, planned for Winnipeg. Past locations and themes include:

2016 – Saskatoon: It's a Happening Place

2013 – Red Deer: Engaging People in Conservation

2010 – Winnipeg: Patterns of Change: Learning From Our Past to Manage our Present and Conserve our Future

2007 – Regina: Homes on the Range – Conservation in Working Prairie Landscapes

2004 – Calgary: Keeping the Wild in the West

2001 – Winnipeg: Sharing Common Ground

1998 – Saskatoon: Connection between Prairie Ecosystem Conservation and Economic Social and Ethical Forces of Society

1995 – Lethbridge: Ecosystem Management for Conservation

1992 – Brandon: Partnerships between Agriculture and Wildlife

1989 – Regina: Implementing the Prairie Conservation Action Plan

1986 – Edmonton: Endangered Species

Organization

This event is co-chaired by the **Manitoba Cattle Producers** and **Manitoba Sustainable Development** with help from a very hard-working organizing committee comprised of individuals from a variety of organizations across the prairies, including:

- Assiniboine Park Zoo – Assiniboine Park Conservancy
- Association of Manitoba Community Pastures
- Bird Studies Canada
- Brandon University
- Canadian Roundtable for Sustainable Beef
- Critical Wildlife Habitat Program
- Ducks Unlimited Canada
- Environment and Climate Change Canada
- Manitoba Agriculture
- Manitoba Burrowing Owl Recovery Program
- Manitoba Forage and Grasslands Association
- Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation
- Manitoba Museum
- Nature Conservancy of Canada
- Nature Manitoba
- Parks Canada
- University of Alberta
- University of Manitoba
- University of Winnipeg

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