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Water Act and Environmental Protection & Enforcement Act

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Water Act

The Province's review of its water management policy and legislation began in 1991 with the view of updating its water management policy and legislation to ensure that Alberta's water is managed and conserved for today and for the future. The *Water Resources Act* was over 60 years old and was primarily a tool for allocating water. The new Act focuses on managing and protecting Alberta's water and on streamlining administrative processes.



The *Water Act* consists of the following components:

Part 1: Consultation

Part 2: Planning and Environmental Assessment

Part 3: Right to Divert and Priority of Rights

Part 4: Approvals, Licenses, Preliminary Certificates, Registrations

Part 5: Changes in Ownership, Transfers

Part 6: Water Management Works and Undertakings

Part 7: Remedial Measures

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Part 10: Inquiry and Enforcement Orders

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Part Civil Matters

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13: Miscellaneous Matters

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14: Commencement

The following are the *Water Act* Regulations:

- [Water \(Ministerial\) Regulation AR 205/98](#)
- [Water \(Offences & Penalties\) Regulations AR 193/98](#)
- [South Saskatchewan Basin Water Allocation Regulation AR 307/91](#)

Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act

The following are [Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act](#) fact sheet summaries of regulations:

- [Beverage Container Recycling Regulation \(AR 128/93\)](#)
- [Conservation and Reclamation Regulation \(AR 115/93\)](#)
- [Environmental Appeal Board \(AR 114/93\)](#)
- [Environmental Protection and Enhancement \(Miscellaneous\) Regulation \(AR 118/93\)](#)
- [Ozone-Depleting Substances Regulation \(AR 125/93\)](#)
- [Pesticide \(Ministerial\) Regulation \(AR 127/93\)](#)
- [Pesticide Sales, Handling, Use and Application Regulation \(AR 126/93\)](#)
- [Potable Water Regulation \(AR 122/93\)](#)
- [Release Reporting Regulation \(AR 117/93\)](#)
- [Substance Release Regulation \(AR 124/93\)](#)
- [Waste Control Regulation \(AR 129/93\)](#)
- [Wastewater and Storm Drainage Regulation \(AR 119/93\)](#)
- [Wastewater and Storm Drainage \(Ministerial\) Regulation \(AR 120/93\)](#)

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