

Biodiversity Stakeholder Engagement

Over 70 individuals and organizations were involved in creating this strategic plan:

- Local, regional, provincial, federal and international participants.
- Business units and departments across The City of Calgary.
- Park stewardship groups, biologists, experts in environmental education, academic researchers, community representatives and City staff.

Parks connected with stakeholders in the spring and summer of 2013 at several engagement sessions:

- A background information document was sent to stakeholders prior to engagement sessions.
- Sessions were composed of six to eight people, in the format of an open conversation guided by a few questions (the summer stakeholder sessions were put on hold until the fall due to Calgary's historic June flood).

A summary of what Parks heard during our sessions was sent out to participants and stakeholders, who were later provided with an opportunity to respond to the document.

An outline for this document was developed based on the stakeholder input, literature review and review of current practices in strategic plans for biodiversity.

In January 2014, the outline was sent to stakeholders with feedback requested.

In June 2014, a draft of the strategic plan was circulated with feedback requested.

In October 2014, a final draft was circulated with feedback requested.

In December 2014, a final version was circulated for review.

The final version, including illustration, layout and design, was completed in January 2015.

The stakeholders listed on the following page were either involved in the project launch stakeholder engagement sessions or invited to comment on the biodiversity strategic plan, from its conception through to final draft, including the illustrations used in the plan.

Stakeholders	Business Unit / Organization	Comments Received
1.	External Alberta Biodiversity Monitoring Institute	
2.	Alberta Conservation Association	
3.	Alberta Low Impact Development Partnership	Y
4.	Alberta Renewable Energy Alliance	
5.	Alberta Native Plant Council	
6.	Alberta Tourism, Parks & Recreation	
7.	Alberta Wilderness Association	Y
8.	Backyard Bees	
9.	Bow Point Nursery	
10.	Bow River Basin Council	Y
11.	Calgary Board of Education (Public School Board)	
12.	Calgary Catholic School District	
13.	Calgary Field Naturalists (Nature Calgary)	Y
14.	Calgary River Valley	
15.	Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society	Y
16.	Central Business District (CBD)	
17.	City of Chestermere	
18.	Community Garden Resource Network	Y
19.	Cows and Fish	
20.	Department of Fisheries and Oceans	
21.	Ducks Unlimited	
22.	Edworthy Park Heritage Society	Y
23.	Elbow River Partnership	
24.	Environment Canada	
25.	Environment and Sustainable Resource Development (ESRD)	
26.	Federation of Calgary Communities	Y
27.	Fish Creek	
28.	Foothills Landscaping Ltd.	
29.	Friends of Fish Creek	Y
30.	Friends of Nose Hill	Y
31.	Green Calgary	
32.	IBI Group	Y
33.	International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI)	Y
34.	Leaf Ninjas	
35.	Mount Royal University	
36.	Municipal District of Foothills	
37.	Nature Calgary	Y
38.	Nose Creek Partnership	
39.	Prairie Conservation Forum	
40.	Paskapoo Slopes Preservation Society	
41.	Sierra Club Chinook Chapter	
42.	Rockyview County	

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43.	Slow Food	
44.	Tsuu T'ina Nation	
45.	Weaselhead/Glenmore Park Preservation Society	
46.	United Nations Association Canada	
47.	University of Calgary	Y
48.	Urban Development Institute (UDI)	Y
49.	Animal & Bylaw Services (ABS)	
50.	Engage	
51.	Corporate Properties & Buildings	
52.	Community & Neighbourhood Services	Y
53.	Planning Development & Assessment (previously DBA)	Y
54.	Environmental & Safety Management (ESM)	
55.	Fire	Y
56.	Law	Y
57.	Local Area Planning and Implementation (previously LUPP)	Y
58.	Office of Land Servicing and Housing (OLSH)	Y
59.	Office of Sustainability	Y
60.	Parks	Y
61.	Recreation	Y
62.	Supply	
63.	Transportation Infrastructure	Y
64.	Transportation Planning	Y
65.	Urban Development	
66.	Waste & Recycling Services	Y
67.	Water Resources	Y