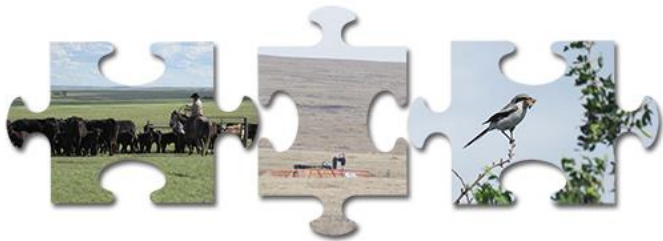


WHO IS SODCAP?

Initiated in the fall of 2014, the South of the Divide Conservation Action Program Inc. (SODCAP Inc.) is a partnership between stakeholders and multiple levels of government with a goal of implementing best practises and actions relating to the Draft South of the Divide Multi-Species Action Plan (SOD). This Draft Multi-Species Action Plan was developed with acknowledgement that species work together, sharing habitat and meeting their needs within the landscape patchworks of which the ecosystem is comprised of. The draft plan currently focuses on **thirteen different species** listed under the Species at Risk Act (SARA).



WORKING LANDSCAPES AGRICULTURE, INDUSTRY AND SPECIES AT RISK

SODCAP believes that success lies in developing programs cooperatively, making habitat management for species at risk an important priority while ensuring economic sustainability on the landscape. There is room for agriculture, industry and species at risk to be a part of a healthy ecosystem!

Biodiversity is important to the economic well-being of Saskatchewan.



WHERE DOES SODCAP WORK?

SODCAP works within the *Milk River Watershed* in southwestern Saskatchewan in areas south of the Continental Divide. The following Rural Municipalities are included entirely within this area: **Reno No. 51, Frontier No. 19, Val Marie No. 17, and Lone Tree No. 18.** The following RM's have portions located within this area: **Old Post No. 43, Waverley No. 44, Mankota No. 45, Glen McPherson No. 46, White Valley No. 49, Grassy Creek No. 78, Arlington No. 79, Piapot No. 110, and Maple Creek No. 111.**



HOW does SODCAP work?

SODCAP Inc. is governed by a Board of Directors representing producers, government and industry. The current Board of Directors represent Crescent Point Energy, Environment Canada, Nature Conservancy of Canada, the Ranchers Stewardship Alliance, SaskPower, Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association, Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment, and the Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association.



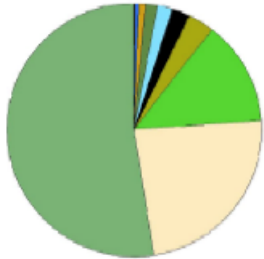
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13 species listed as "At Risk," "Threatened" or "Endangered" in SARA are included in the Draft South of Divide Multi-Species Action Plan. They include: Eastern Yellow-bellied Racer, Burrowing Owl, Prairie Loggerhead Shrike, Morman Metalmark, Mountain Plover, Sprague's Pipit, Swift Fox, Black-tailed Prairie Dog, Long-billed Curlew, McCown's Longspur, Northern Leopard Frog, Black-footed ferret, Greater Sage-grouse.

SODCAP's

Vision:

Native prairie and complementary habitat in the South of the Divide region of south-western Saskatchewan is managed and conserved as part of the province's history and identity. Through our collaboration we enable species at risk within the South of the Divide to thrive on working landscapes, providing environmental and economic benefits for all.



DYK? The South of the Divide area is comprised of a variety of land uses! Approximately **52.5%** of the area is native prairie; **23.7%** of the area is annual cropland; **13.4%** of the area is perennial forage and pasture and the balance is made up of wetland and riparian areas, anthropogenic features and shrubland.

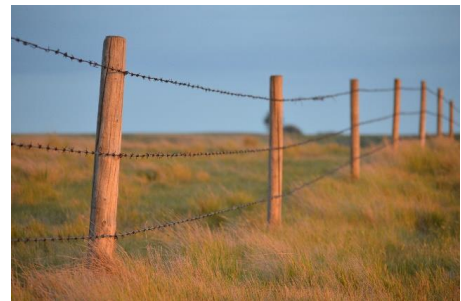
Attention PRODUCERS

SODCAP Inc. initiated the Milk River Agri-Environmental Group Plan (AEGP) in the South of the Divide area. Livestock and crop producers may be eligible to participate in an AEGP for Farm Stewardship Program funding for:

- Native Rangeland Grazing Management and Fencing
- Protecting High Risk Erodible and Saline Soils
- Native Plant Establishment
- Riparian Area Grazing Management and Fencing
- Relocation of Livestock Confinement Facilities
- Farmyard Run-off Control
- Natural Waterway Erosion Control
- Creek and Stream Crossings
- Fencing to Protect Surface Water

Funding may also be available through the Farm & Ranch Water Infrastructure Program for:

- Developing New Water Sources
- Installing Off-site Watering Systems
- Decommissioning Old Water Wells



SODCAP's

Mission:

The South of the Divide Conservation Action Program will champion partnerships for coordinated and innovative land management practices that sustain and recover multiple species at risk and their habitats in the South of the Divide region of south-west Saskatchewan, in balance with sustainable land and resource use.



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