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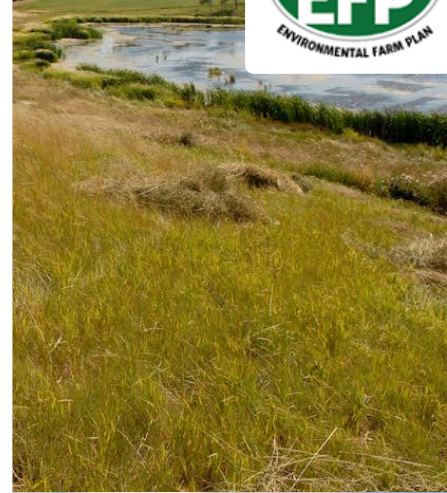
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## NEFP Seeking Synergies Outcomes

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## History of the NEFP Harmonization Initiative

- All PT programs met to discuss possibilities (Mar 2015)
  - Meeting was intended for PT programs, but, ...
  - Committee was struck to develop ToR
- A draft document (“Towards a National EFP”) outlined our goals (available upon request)
- ALL PTs agreed, in principle to goals (June 2016)
- Benchmarking started (July 2016)
- Summit proposed (**Have you registered yet?**)

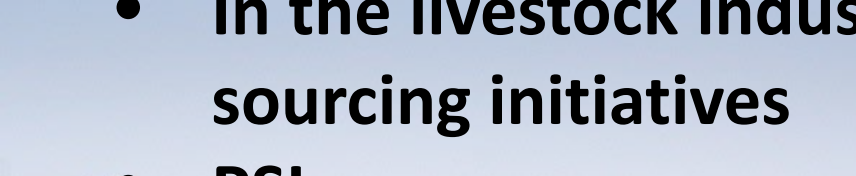
## Limitations on my presentation

- Draft documents for me to vet were finalized 1 week ago
  - Not enough info, not enough time
- Each EFP program is autonomous
  - Alberta EFP has Stakeholder Advisory Committee
  - Most provinces have this and have to pass through government as well
- i.e. There is room to discuss, and discuss and discuss we must



## About the EFP

- The Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) is a voluntary, whole farm, self-assessment tool that helps producers identify environmental risks of their operation and develop plans to reduce these risks. The EFP has a long history in Canada and has been widely adopted by producers and supported by their representative associations.
- Across Canada, 35% of producers encompassing 50% of the arable land have completed an EFP.



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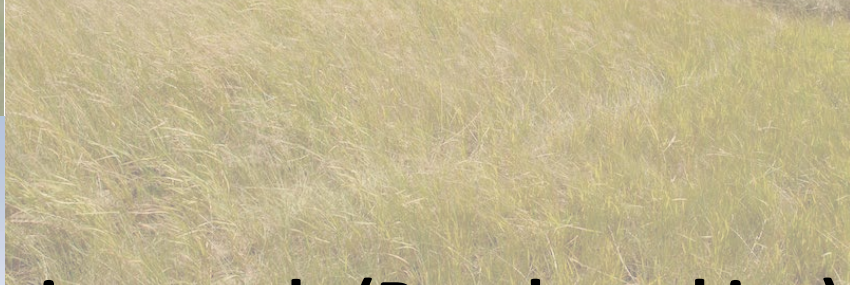


- The Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) is already used
  - In the livestock industry as part of its sustainable sourcing initiatives
  - PSI

## Purpose of the NEFP

- The purpose of a national EFP is to ensure all provincial/territorial Environmental Farm Plans cover the basic environmental components of sustainable sourcing requirements. It is intended that a national EFP would form a reliable and consistent base which could be customized and built upon



## Benefits of the NEFP

1. Single Standard
  2. Producer familiarity
  3. Pre-exists
  4. Covers Sustainable Sourcing needs (Benchmarking)
  5. Expansibility (**Data sharing – Point B**)
  6. Flexibility
  7. Regionally-defined BMPs
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## What I asked and responses (- option...)

- Can I represent you at the meeting? - **Yes**
- Can we offer support in principle – **1 No – Bring request from CRSC back to NEFP Steering Committee**
- What is your target audience – **Crops & Livestock (All Producers)**
- What is driving your program
  - **Financial Incentives through APF**
  - **Legislation (Poultry biosecurity – BC)**



## What I asked and responses (- option...)

- What targets/objectives is your program facing?
  - **NEFP Harmonization Initiative – Establish a minimum base**
  - **Make EFP responsive to industry needs**





What I asked and responses (- option...)

- How can the CRSC support your program?
  - **Recognize and work with EFP/NEFP**





## Final Thoughts

- Documents Tuesday. Required response by Friday.
  - I'm here. I can represent EFPs
  - BUT, they need time to catch up
  - AND, they need specifics (me too)
  - SO, now is not the time to press
- The No's came from the "most engaged" EFP
  - I think this is positive. They see clearly the need to collaborate. But process matters.



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