

Environmental Trust Advisory Board

2022-2023 Annual Report

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Message from Chair

I am pleased to present the annual report of the Environmental Trust Fund. This report highlights the contributions made towards our mission to protect and preserve the environment.

The Environmental Trust Fund has focused its support for projects in five priority areas: protecting our environment, increasing environmental awareness, managing our waste, addressing climate change, and building sustainable communities. Our commitment to these priority areas has enabled us to make a meaningful impact on the environment and the communities we serve.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated staff at the Department of Environment and Local Government for their hard work and commitment. Their contributions have been invaluable in advancing our mission.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to our partner organizations who bring the projects to life. Your hard work and dedication are truly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Charbel Awad
Environmental Trust Advisory Board Chair

Mandate

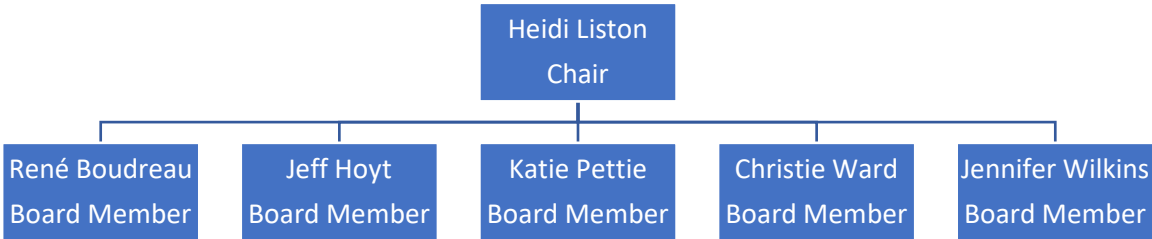
The assets of the Environmental Trust Fund shall be used to

- (a) pay for the costs incurred to
 - (i) provide for environmental protection,
 - (ii) provide for environmental restoration,
 - (iii) promote sustainable development of natural resources,
 - (iv) conserve natural resources within the Province,
 - (v) educate on matters relating to environmental issues and the sustainable development of natural resources, and
 - (vi) maintain and enhance the visual environment; and

(b) reimburse any department, corporation or agency of the Government of the Province that makes an advance so as to provide financing for any of the costs incurred for any of the purposes set out in paragraph (a).

Board membership

The Environmental Trust Advisory Board was composed of the following members as of March 31, 2023.



Legislation, policies, and by-laws

The Environmental Trust fund is governed by the following acts:

- Environmental Trust Fund Act
- Trustees Act
- Provincial Loans Act
- Accountability and continuous Improvement Act

Activities and metrics (KPIs)

PRIORITY AREA	NUMBER OF PROJECTS
ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE	61
BUILDING SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES	6
INCREASING ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS	48
MANAGING OUR WASTE	38
PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT	87
GRAND TOTAL	240

Financial information

CATEGORY	BUDGET	ACTUAL
2022/23 ETF PROJECTS	\$8,999,200	\$11,518,335.17
BEVERAGE CONTAINERS PROGRAM ADMIN	\$250,000	\$250,000.00
ETF ADMIN	\$250,000	\$169,163.36
TOTAL	\$9,499,200	\$11,937,498.53*

*Revenue for the 2022-23 fiscal year was greater than projected. Accordingly, additional funds were awarded to projects in-year resulting in a variance between actual and budgeted expenditures.

Staffing

The Environmental Trust Fund does not directly employ any personnel. Program operations are supported by staff of the Department of Environment and Local Government.