Stakeholder Workshop on Water and Climate Lethbridge Lodge Hotel, Lethbridge AB Friday Dec. 1, 2006

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Purpose/Objective:

- To consult with water stakeholders about climate-induced water issues, with some discussion of future scenarios
- To ask for guidance from stakeholders on assessing the challenges and needs that face water institutions, today and with future scenarios
- To provide information to stakeholders about the Institutional Adaptation to Climate Change project, jointly being conducted between Canada and Chile

Invitees:

Non-government and government stakeholders who share an interest in:

- water resources
- the effect of climate on future water supplies in the South Saskatchewan River Basin
- Agencies invited include: Alberta Irrigation Projects Association, Taber Irrigation District, Bow River Basin Council, Oldman Watershed Council, Milkriver Watershed Council, Western Canadian Wheat Growers, Potato Growers of Alberta, Rogers Sugar Ltd., Alberta Sugar Beet Growers, McCain, Special Areas Board, Counties (Forty Mile, Lethbridge, Newell, Cypress), Blood Tribe, Gov. of Alberta (Agriculture, Environment, Sustainable Resource Development, Municipal District of Taber, Town of Taber, University of Lethbridge, Water Institute for Semi Arid Ecosystems

Date:

Friday December 1, 2006 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Location:

Lethbridge Lodge Hotel and Conference Center 320 Scenic Drive Lethbridge, Alberta 403-328-1123

Agenda attached; lunch provided

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Agenda

- 9:00 Welcome; Overview of Institutional Adaptation to Climate Change
 - Polo Diaz, Canadian Plains Research Centre, University of Regina
- 9:15 Water and Climate Scenarios for Alberta's South Saskatchewan River Basin
 - Dave Sauchyn, Suzan Lapp, University of Regina
- 10:00 Coffee
- 10:30 Breakout Sessions
 - discussion of water issues, institutional needs, etc.
- 12:00 Lunch, provided
- 1:00 Plenary Session
- 2:00 Community Vulnerabilities

Canadian Case Studies, SSRB in Alberta

- Vulnerability Johanna Wandel, University of Guelph
- Water Conflict Lorenzo Magzul, University of British Columbia

Chilean Case Studies, Rio Elqui, La Serena

- Governance Darrell Corkal, PFRA
- Communities Gwen Young, University of Guelph
- 3:15 Coffee
- 3:45 Closing Remarks and Thanks
 - follow-up reporting