



2023 – 2024 Program Update

Chad Ritter & Wayne Pukalo

June 4, 2024



ALUS National

What is ALUS?

ALUS National – What is ALUS?

Our Mission

ALUS engages farmers and ranchers in creating nature-based solutions on their land to build climate resilience and enhance biodiversity for the benefit of communities and future generations.

How ALUS Makes a Difference

- » ALUS is an economic driver that benefits agricultural producers, the environment, and the entire local community
- » ALUS National sources funding through corporate sponsors and grant opportunities, and allocates funds to participating ALUS communities
- » ALUS funds support on the ground project establishment, as well as provide ongoing annual payments, as recognition for the ecosystem goods and services produced
- » ALUS is community-developed, and farmer-delivered



ALUS National

Ecosystem Goods and Services

ALUS continues to focus on projects that create or enhance ecosystem goods and services, for the benefit of agriculture, nature, and the entire local community.



Water
Filtration



Cleaner
Air



Carbon
Capture



Aquifer
Recharge



Native
Habitat



Nutrient
Cycling

+\$30M

in funds distributed

[BECOME A SPONSOR >](#)

52,645

acres actively managed

[SEE OUR WORK >](#)

1,761

farmer & rancher participants

[MEET OUR FARMERS >](#)

39

ALUS communities

[SEE OUR COMMUNITIES >](#)





ALUS Parkland – Funding Allocations

2023 and 2024 Funding
Allocations and Utilization



ALUS Parkland – Funding Allocations

2023 ALUS Parkland Funding Allocation

- » **\$259,905.61 in total funding received**
- » From 3 different funders
- » 100% of 2023 funding allocation utilized
- » 2023 new and renewal acre targets achieved

2024 ALUS Parkland Funding Allocation

- » **\$206,202.11 in total funding received**
- » From 4 different funders
- » Projected 100% utilization of 2024 funding allocation
- » Projected to achieve 2024 new and renewal acre targets





ALUS Parkland – Highlights

ALUS Parkland – Current Statistics

Current ALUS Parkland Statistics – To Date

- » 44 total ALUS Parkland participants
- » 4,551.78 total acres enrolled in ALUS Parkland

2023 ALUS Parkland Statistics

- » 7 new ALUS contracts initiated in 2023
- » 3 new ALUS Parkland participants in 2023
- » 723.32 new project acres enrolled in 2023
- » 1,259.41 project acres renewed in 2023



ALUS Parkland Project Highlight

PAR-01852J-C2427

- » 2022 established project
- » Dugout exclusion fencing, and solar off-site watering

Before ALUS – Summer/Fall 2022



After ALUS – Summer 2023



ALUS – Dave Reid Award

ALUS Parkland Participants – Wayne and Jesse Pukalo

» 2023 Dave Reid Award Recipients



ALUS Parkland – 2023 Grazing Forward Field Day



GRAZING FORWARD FIELD DAY

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

LUNCH PROVIDED WITH
FIELD DEMONSTRATIONS
TO FOLLOW

PRESENTATIONS BY:



Steve Kenyon
Greener Pastures Ranching Ltd.



RoCon
Richardson Ground Squirrel Control



Range Ward
Professional Electric Fencing Tools



ARECA
Environmental Farm Plan - EFP

Jubilee Hall
5132 53 Ave, Wabamun, AB

FREE
EVENT

Call now to register and save your spot!

780-968-8467



Parkland County – Environmental Farm Plan Workshop

EFP WORKSHOP

FEBRUARY 21, 2024
9:30 AM - 2 PM

PARKLAND COUNTY- CBS TRAINING ROOM
2700 48TH ST, STONY PLAIN

Join us for an in-person Environmental Farm Plan workshop.
Please bring a laptop or tablet so you can work on your EFP workbook.

Hosted by Parkland County

parkland county

AN ARECA INITIATIVE

BUILDING ON A SOLID FOUNDATION
Alberta EFP
ENVIRONMENTAL FARM PLAN

- 1 CREATE ACCOUNT**
Please create an EFP account at albertaefp.com prior to attending the workshop
- 2 REGISTER**
Register by emailing agriculture@parklandcounty.com or phone (780)-968-8467
- 3 DIRECT SUPPORT**
Work through workbook chapters with support of an EFP technician



February 21, 2024 – EFP Workshop

- » Parkland County's first ever Environmental Farm Plan workshop
- » Hosted with support from ARECA
- » 8 farm groups attend
 - 6 agriculture producers
 - 2 Grazing Reserves
- » Great extension opportunity for the ALUS Parkland program
- » 8 Parkland County producers have completed EFP workbooks to date

ALUS Parkland Advertisement Highlights – Your Parkland



ALUS
PARKLAND

ALUS Parkland

ALUS is a national charitable organization that provides expertise, resources, and financial support to farmers and ranchers, allowing them to build nature-based solutions on their land to sustain agriculture and biodiversity for the benefit of communities and future generations.

Take Grant Tallieu's farm for example. His farm features an Adaptive Multi-Paddock (AMP) grazing system, with a central off-site watering system that is both solar powered and capable

of operating throughout all of Alberta's seasons. AMP grazing is a targeted approach that focuses on appropriately managing summer grazing practices. In return, successfully managed AMP grazing practices allow producers such as Grant to improve their rangeland health and increase their pasture productivity. The off-site watering component that provides water to cattle throughout the winter months allows Grant to winter cattle on the same land that is used for summer grazing. By wintering cattle on this same parcel of land, nutrients are put

directly back onto the land, increasing the nutrient supply needed for the grasses that are grazed in the summer months. Thanks to environmentally conscious producers like Grant, the ALUS Parkland program helps produce numerous ecosystem innovations for the benefit of Parkland County.

To learn more about the ALUS program, visit www.parklandcounty.com/ALUS

8 YOUR PARKLAND



PARTICIPATE IN
ALUS

Do You Have Wetlands You Want To Protect?

ALUS Parkland will help provide funding for you and your next wetland related project.

JOIN US

For more information, contact your local ALUS program coordinator:

Chad Ritter
ALUS Coordinator, Parkland County
780-968-8888 ext. 8286
chad.ritter@parklandcounty.com

ALUS.ca



BUILD
RESILIENCE

“Conservation will ultimately boil down to rewarding the private landowner who conserves the public interest.”
Aldo Leopold

ALUS
PARKLAND

Build Resilience

Are you a farmer or rancher with marginal land or sensitive ecology?

ALUS helps you establish alternative watering systems, wetlands, rotational grazing, pollinator habitat and other projects.

Over 1,400 farmers and ranchers have enrolled 37,000 acres of land in the ALUS program.

Join Us!

ALUS.ca

[f](#) [t](#) [in](#) [v](#)

For more information, contact your local ALUS program coordinator:

Chad Ritter
Office: 780 968-8888 ext. 8286
Cell: 780 668-9245
chad.ritter@parklandcounty.com

Are you a farmer or rancher with marginal or uneconomic lands?

JOIN US

ALUS helps you with wetland fencing, off-site waterers, tree planting, adaptive multi-paddock grazing projects and more.

Over 1,600 producers have enrolled more than 46,000 acres of land in the ALUS program.



For more information, contact your local ALUS program coordinator:

Chad Ritter
ALUS Parkland

Office: (780) 968-8888 ext. 8286
Cell: (780) 668-9245
chad.ritter@parklandcounty.com

ALUS.ca



ALUS Parkland Extension Highlights

2023 Canadian Beef Industry Conference



2024 Ladies Ranching Retreat



ALUS Parkland Advertisement Highlights – 2024 Billboard Campaign



ALUS Parkland – Looking Ahead



What's to Come

- » Establishment of new 2024 ALUS projects
- » Renewal of 2023 expired ALUS contracts
- » *July 18, 2024, ALUS Parkland and Farming Forward extension event
- » ALUS Parkland carbon monitoring survey
- » Continued outreach and extension



Thank You!

