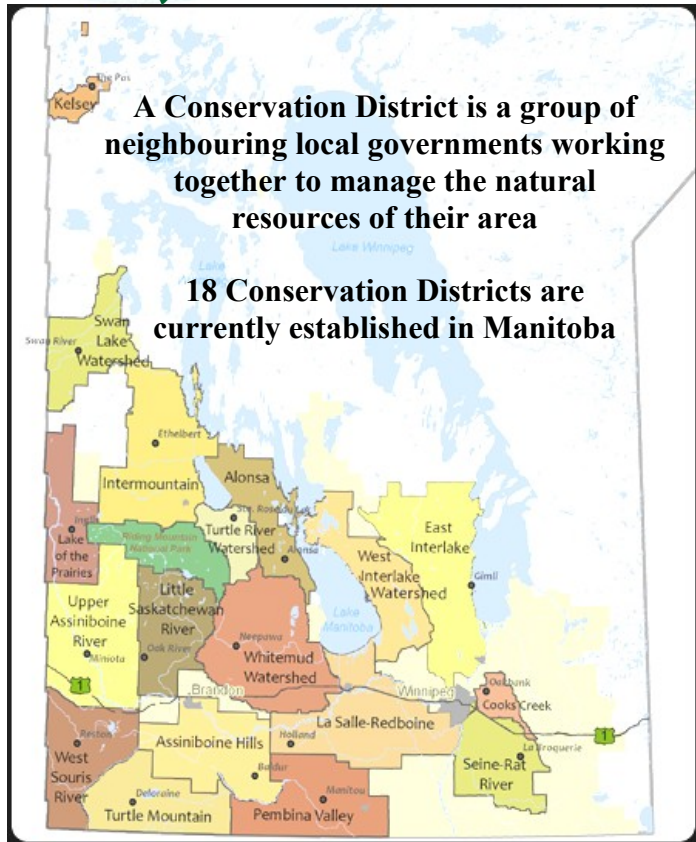




Manitoba Conservation Districts

A Conservation District is a group of neighbouring local governments working together to manage the natural resources of their area

18 Conservation Districts are currently established in Manitoba



Conservation Districts provide technical and financial assistance to local residents in the planning and delivery of programs such as:

- Abandoned well sealing:** filling abandoned wells to prevent groundwater contamination and remove potential hazards to people and livestock
- Source water protection:** undertaking programs to address well water quality and prevent well water contamination, such as shock chlorination and well-head improvements
- Aquatic habitat restoration:** working with landowners to stabilize, revegetate and improve the land-water interface

Riparian fencing: managing livestock access to waterways to improve riparian health

Pasture pipeline plov: piping fresh water to livestock so they do not need to enter a water source directly, thereby removing the potential to negatively impact water quality.

Livestock crossings: installing raised and/or fenced pathways over, around or through waterways to minimize the impact of livestock crossing the water when changing pastures.

Manure management: moving manure piles away from waterways

Grassed waterways: planting vegetation in water runways or gullies to minimize soil erosion by flowing water

Water retention: managing surface water, by plugging wetland drains, backflooding or building small dams to prevent soil erosion and destruction to personal property and municipal infrastructure

Environmental education: hosting water festivals for schools, developing trails and outdoor education spaces, and conducting tours

For more information, please visit:

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