

**WASCANA & UPPER QU'APPELLE WATERSHEDS ASSOCIATION TAKING
RESPONSIBILITY, INC.
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2017**

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

To the Members of
Wascana & Upper Qu'Appelle Watersheds Association Taking Responsibility, Inc.

Management has responsibility for preparing the accompanying financial statements and ensuring that all information on any related reports is consistent with the financial statements. This responsibility includes selecting appropriate accounting policies and making objective judgements and estimates in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

In discharging its responsibilities for the integrity and fairness of the financial statements and for the accounting systems from which they are derived, management maintains the necessary system of internal controls designed to provide assurance that transactions are authorized, assets are safeguarded, and proper records maintained.

Ultimate responsibility for financial statements to members lies with the Board of Directors.

Marcia Herback & Associates Chartered Professional Accountants Professional Corporation, an independent firm, has been appointed by the members to audit the financial statements and report to them; their report follows. The independent auditor has full and free access to the Board and management to discuss their audit findings.



Vice Chairman

Treasurer

May 11, 2018
Regina, Saskatchewan

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of
Wascana & Upper Qu'Appelle Watersheds Association Taking Responsibility, Inc.

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Wascana & Upper Qu'Appelle Watersheds Association Taking Responsibility, Inc., which comprise the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2017 and the statement of revenue, net assets and cash flow statement for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

Opinion

In my opinion the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Wascana & Upper Qu'Appelle Watersheds Association Taking Responsibility, Inc. as at December 31, 2017 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Regina, Saskatchewan
May 11, 2018

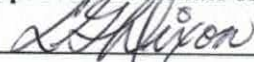

Marcia Herback
CPA, CA

**WASCANA & UPPER QU'APPELLE WATERSHEDS ASSOCIATION TAKING
RESPONSIBILITY, INC.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2017
(with comparative figures for 2016)**

	2017	2016
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash	\$ 97,730	\$ 164,226
Cash - operating reserve	25,032	15,024
Investment	102,461	-
Accounts receivable	34,052	113,103
Prepaid expenses	-	6
	<u>\$ 259,275</u>	<u>\$ 292,359</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 3,009	\$ 3,433
Deferred revenue	<u>94,157</u>	<u>177,986</u>
	97,166	181,419
Long-term liabilities		
ALUS Deferred revenue	<u>89,638</u>	<u>60,066</u>
	186,804	241,485
SURPLUS		
Operating reserve fund	42,651	25,002
Cumulative surplus	<u>29,820</u>	<u>25,872</u>
	72,471	50,874
	<u>\$ 259,275</u>	<u>\$ 292,359</u>

See accompanying notes

Approved on Behalf of the Board

 Director

Director

**WASCANA & UPPER QU'APPELLE WATERSHEDS ASSOCIATION TAKING
RESPONSIBILITY, INC.
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND CUMULATIVE SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
(with comparative figures for 2016)**

	2017	2016
Revenue		
Grants		
Water Security Agency	\$ 78,623	\$ 74,877
Project Funding		
AEGP Project funding	85,434	62,363
ALUS Project funding	50,109	53,406
EcoAction	27,915	14,450
Drainage	8,084	-
Memberships	32,490	25,776
Interest and other income	2,355	1,859
Other grants	10,698	7,771
Summer student funding	<u>13,236</u>	<u>8,928</u>
	<u>308,944</u>	<u>249,430</u>
Expenditures		
General and administration (Schedule 1)	159,282	123,590
Project expense		
AEGP	77,956	71,674
ALUS	<u>50,108</u>	<u>49,666</u>
	<u>287,346</u>	<u>244,930</u>
Surplus for the year	21,598	4,500
Cumulative surplus, beginning of year	25,872	31,372
Transfer to operating reserve fund	<u>(17,650)</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>
Cumulative surplus, end of year	<u>\$ 29,820</u>	<u>\$ 25,872</u>
See accompanying notes		

**WASCANA & UPPER QU'APPELLE WATERSHEDS ASSOCIATION TAKING
RESPONSIBILITY, INC.**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
(with comparative figures for 2016)**

	2017	2016
Operating activities		
Surplus for the year	\$ 21,598	\$ 4,500
Net change in non-cash working capital balances		
Investment	(102,461)	-
Accounts receivable	79,051	(10,454)
Prepaid expenses	6	(6)
Accounts payable	(424)	358
Deferred revenue	<u>(83,829)</u>	<u>(8,556)</u>
Cash used in operating activities	<u>(86,059)</u>	<u>(14,158)</u>
Financing activities		
ALUS Deferred revenue	<u>29,572</u>	<u>60,066</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash	(56,487)	45,908
Cash position, beginning of year	<u>179,250</u>	<u>133,342</u>
Cash position, end of year	<u>\$ 122,763</u>	<u>\$ 179,250</u>

See accompanying notes

**WASCANA & UPPER QU'APPELLE WATERSHEDS ASSOCIATION TAKING
RESPONSIBILITY, INC.**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2017

1. Status and nature of activities

Wascana & Upper Qu'Appelle Watersheds Association Taking Responsibility, Inc.'s purpose is to lead the Watershed Plan implementation and promote society's understanding of water as finite and essential to life. The association's mission is to have healthy watersheds with abundant quality water, achieved through individuals, communities, and their governments working co-operatively to ensure the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the watersheds. They are incorporated under the non-profit laws of Saskatchewan. Under present legislation, no income taxes are payable on the reported income of such operations.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

Capital assets

Capital assets are charged against revenues in the year of purchase.

Revenue

Grants are recorded as revenue in the fiscal period for which the monies were approved by the funding association. Grants received in advance of the period for which they are to be used are recorded as deferred grant revenue. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Operating reserve fund

The Organization has set up a Operating Reserve fund to ensure the stability of the mission, programs, employment, and ongoing operations of the organization. It is intended to provide an internal source of funds for situations such as a sudden increase in expenses, one-time budgeted expenses, unanticipated loss in funding or uninsured losses.

Financial instruments

The Wascana & Upper Qu'Appelle Watersheds Association Taking Responsibility, Inc. initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. It subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost.

Financial assets subsequently measured at amortized cost include cash and accounts receivable. Financial liabilities subsequently measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Management estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. By their nature, these estimates are subject to measurement uncertainty and the effect on the financial statements of changes in such estimates in future periods could be significant.

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DECEMBER 31, 2017**

3. Financial instruments

Wascana & Upper Qu'Appelle Watersheds Association Taking Responsibility, Inc. is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments. The following analysis provides a measure of the Wascana & Upper Qu'Appelle Watersheds Association Taking Responsibility, Inc.'s exposure and concentrations at December 31, 2017:

Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that a party may default on their financial obligations, or if there is a concentration of financial obligations which have similar economic characteristics that could be similarly affected by changes in economic conditions, such that the association could incur a financial loss. The association is exposed to credit risk with respect to cash and accounts receivable. Credit risk for accounts receivable is managed by the credit quality and diverse debtor base and creating an allowance for bad debts where applicable. There has been no change from credit risk exposure from 2016.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the association may not be able to meet a demand for cash or fund its obligations as they come due or not being able to liquidate assets in a timely manner at a reasonable price. The association is exposed to liquidity risk with respect to its accounts payable and accrued liabilities but manages its liquidity risk by holding assets that can be readily converted into cash. There has been no change from liquidity risk exposure from 2016.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is a type of market risk that refers to the risk that the fair value of financial instruments or future cash flows associated with the instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The association is exposed to interest rate risk with respect to its cash and its effect on interest income. Fluctuations in interest rates do not have a significant effect on cash due to the fact that interest income is not a major percentage of total revenue. There has been no change from interest risk exposure from 2016.

4. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

**WASCANA & UPPER QU'APPELLE WATERSHEDS ASSOCIATION TAKING
RESPONSIBILITY, INC.
SCHEDULES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
(with comparative figures for 2016)**

	2017	2016
Expenditures		Schedule 1
Administration		
Administration	\$ -	\$ 958
Bank charges and interest	258	301
Conferences and meetings	2,469	3,287
Communications	389	-
Computer expense	2,014	318
Insurance	2,394	2,310
Office	760	578
Professional fees	4,330	5,897
Programming	19,698	10,969
Registration and membership fees	4,221	3,956
Rent	3,000	3,000
Summer student payroll and expenses	20,562	10,880
Staff training and education	1,240	650
Supplies	1,181	1,155
Telephone	2,325	2,500
Tradeshows	-	163
Travel and meals	20,670	12,021
Wages and benefits	73,412	64,002
Website	359	645
	<u>\$ 159,282</u>	<u>\$ 123,590</u>
ALUS Project		
Bank charges	\$ -	\$ 26
Conferences and meetings	8,227	1,819
Office	2,426	2,336
Professional fees	1,915	581
Programming	1,644	319
Registration and membership fees	5,253	5,125
Travel and meals	1,918	1,444
Wages and benefits	28,725	38,016
	<u>\$ 50,108</u>	<u>\$ 49,666</u>
AEGP		
Administration	\$ 707	\$ 675
Accounting and professional services	1,915	1,005
Communications	3,770	4,045
Conferences and meetings	324	146
Office	1,708	2,450
Programming	1,332	2,678
Registration and membership fees	739	304
Staff training	400	410
Travel and meals	6,148	8,133
Wages and benefits	60,913	51,828
	<u>\$ 77,956</u>	<u>\$ 71,674</u>