

CSAS Annual General Meeting
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University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta

Director-at-Large – Report
by John Basarab

In 2003-2004, my dues included helping to plan the program for the 2004 Conference on The Science of Changing Climates and assisting in fund raising. The sponsorship committee, consisting of Duane McCartney, Mick Price, John Basarab, Jag Bhatti and Byron Irvine, was able to receive donations from the following sponsors:

1. Canadian Adaptation & Rural Development Fund, Agriculture and Food Council of Alberta with funding through Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada	\$ 10,000
2. Poplar Council of Canada & Natural Resources Canada, Canadian Forest Services	\$ 9,500
3. University of Alberta Agriculture (Vice President of Research; Faculty of Agriculture, Forestry & Home Economic; Department of Agricultural, Food and Nutritional Sciences; Department of Renewal Resources)	\$ 6,500
4. Alberta Agriculture, Food & Rural Development, Industry Development Division	\$ 5,000
5. Canadian Society of Animal Science	\$ 5,000
6. Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Program for Canadian Agriculture (Canadian Cattlemen's Association, Canadian Pork Council, Dairy Farmers of Canada and The Soil Conservation Council of Canada; sponsored by the Government of Canada)	\$ 5,000
7. Prairie Adaptation Research Collaborative	\$ 3,000
8. Canadian Climate Impact and Adaptation Research Network – Forest Sector	\$ 3,000
9. National Agroclimatic Information Service, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada	\$ 2,500
10. Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Conservation & Development	\$ 2,000
11. Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Greenhouse Gas Task Team	\$ 1,500
12. Ducks Unlimited	\$ 1,000
13. Agrium	\$ 500
Total:	\$54,500

This level of sponsorship is on target and as of July 19, 2004, \$35,000 has been received and is in the conference bank account. The remaining dollars have been pledged and should be received shortly. Despite 25 to 30 request plus several reminder letters, very few positive responses for sponsorship were received from the feed and pharmaceutical industries.

Sponsors over \$2000 (Platinum) received two complementary registrations and one full page of advertisement. Sponsors between \$1000 and \$2000 (Gold) received one free registration and one-half page of advertisement. All sponsors were also acknowledged on three large notice boards in each conference room.