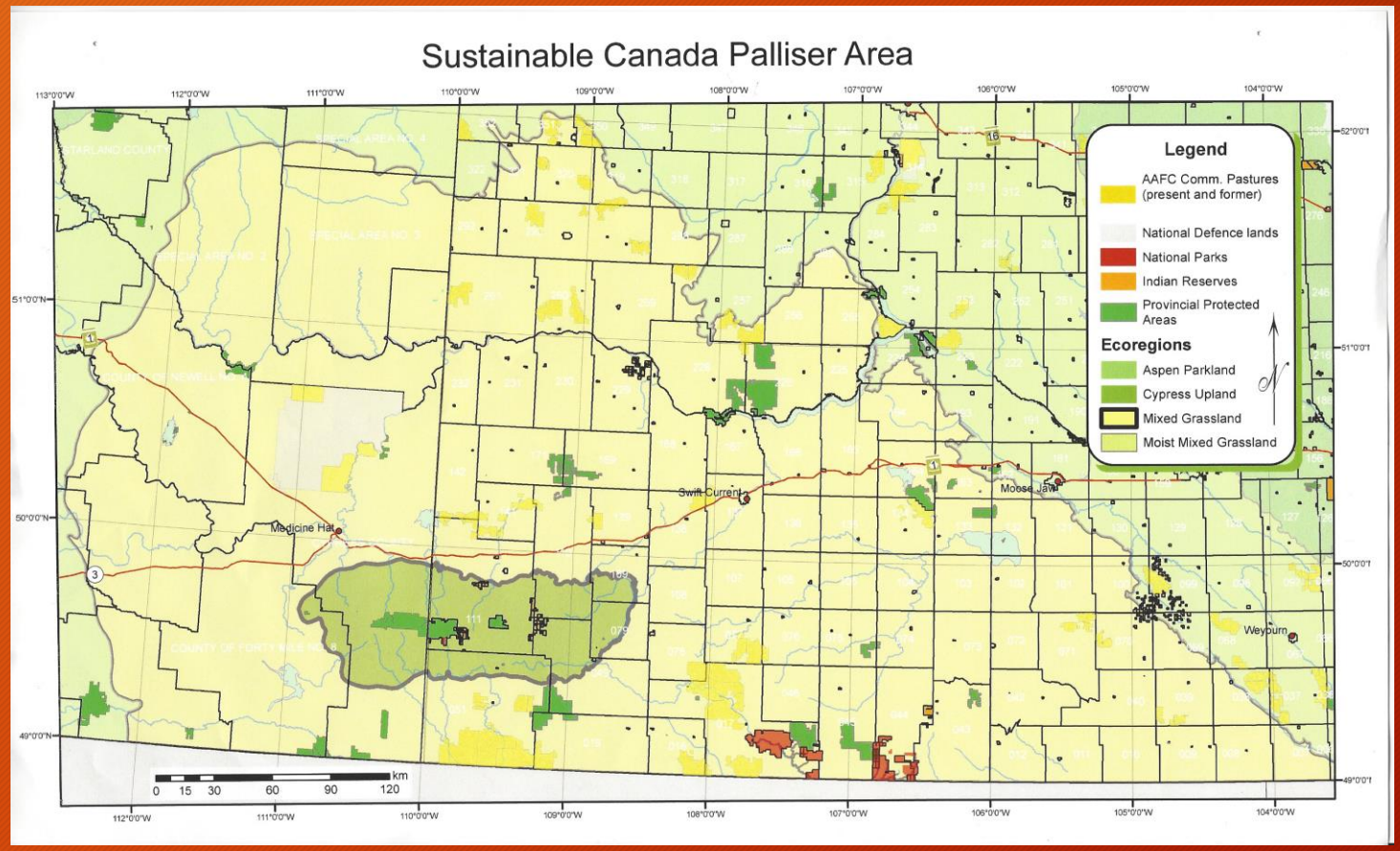
Sustainable Canada Association

Common Sense Conservation

History: Why are we here?

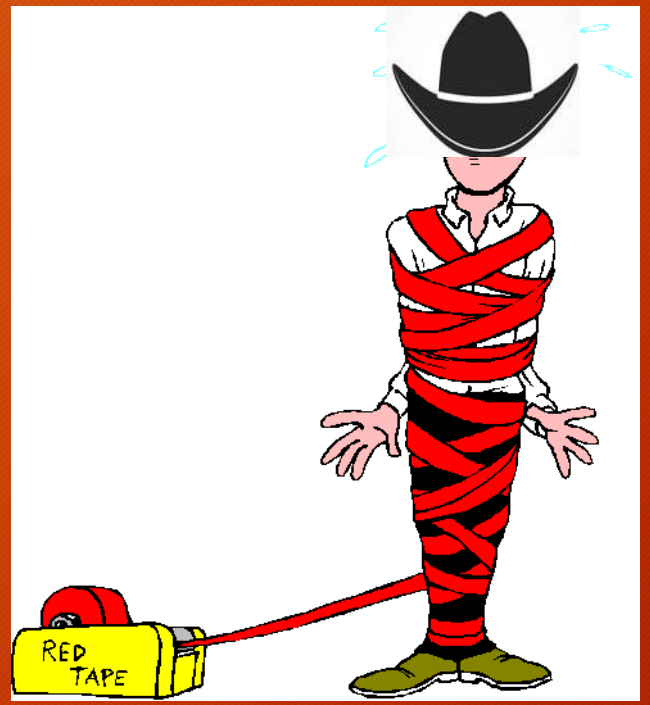
In January 2014 residents of the Triangle Region gathered in response to the first Emergency Protection Order under the auspices of the Species at Risk Act in Canada invoked for the protection of the Greater Sage Grouse. They came together in support of establishing a Council that would keep local people involved and informed, increase collaboration, increase funding opportunities, and provide a forum to respond to “Species at Risk” legislation. This was followed by two public informational meetings through which a steering committee was formed to draft bylaws, goals and an action plan which ultimately lead to the formation of Sustainable Canada Association. (SCA)

Affected Area



Our Fear:

Large Land Management Bureaucracies



Ranchers and Landowners

Provincial Lease Inspectors

Rancher: Grass Manager

Jay, Garett, Monty, Terry & Randy

Abbey and Jay

Various NGO Conservation Groups
Environment Canada and Climate Change
Nature Conservancy of Canada
United Nations
Ranchers and Landowners
World Wildlife Federation
Alberta Conservation Association
The Nature Conservancy
Alberta Wilderness Association
Provincial Department of Environment
PPPI
Nature Saskatchewan

Vision:

A region where community well-being is supported by a vibrant economy, through in part, a sustainable harvest.

Our Mission:

Sustainable Canada strives to proactively preserve and improve the economic, social and environmental interests of the Triangle Region through effective partnerships and sound science.

Goal:

Our goal is to Identify and recognize stockholders as and integral component in environmental stewardship and their vital role in balancing conservation and restoration of biodiversity and a prospering economy.

Sustainability: the common target

- Protection of native grasslands
- Protection of livestock industries and communities
- Support economically and environmentally sound resource industries.
- Protection of SAR
- Protection of the environment

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Sustainability starts with the rancher

Multi-species Habitat Conservation and Management Project – Willow Creek Ranch

PREPARED AT THE REQUEST OF:
Willow Creek Ranch – Randy and Terry Stokke

PREPARED BY:
BEAR TRACKS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (2015) LTD.

BearTracks Environmental Services

November 30, 2016

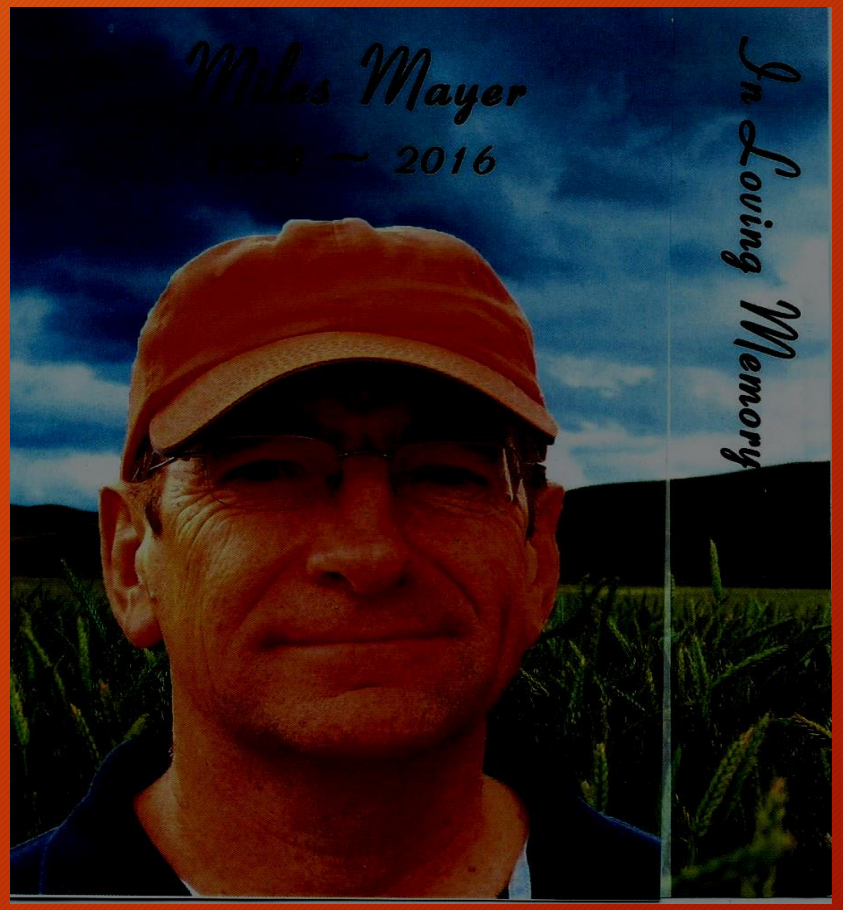
Willow Creek Ranch

"The Willow Creek Ranch is a diverse and healthy ecosystem that supports over 50 species of birds and other wildlife, including eight prairie species at risk."

“The high numbers of species at risk detected demonstrates that the Ranch historically has, and is currently providing suitable and healthy wildlife habitat under the current ranch management plan. Continuation of this management plan should continue to maintain and support species at risk in the future.”

~Willow Creek Ranch~

“ Nobody knows my land better than I do.”



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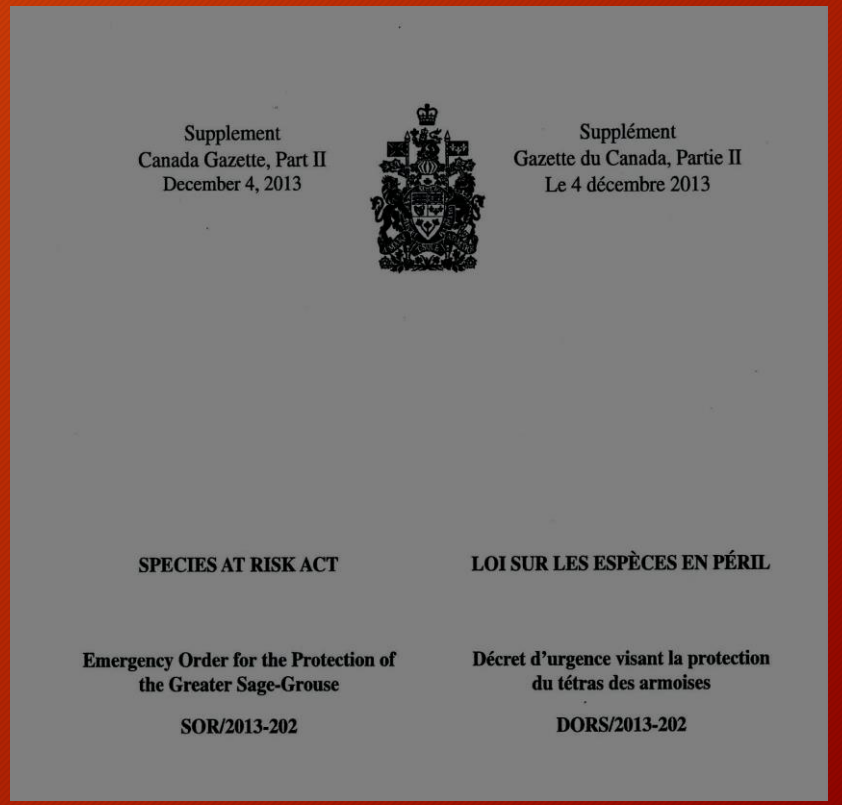
Trust

Species at Risk Act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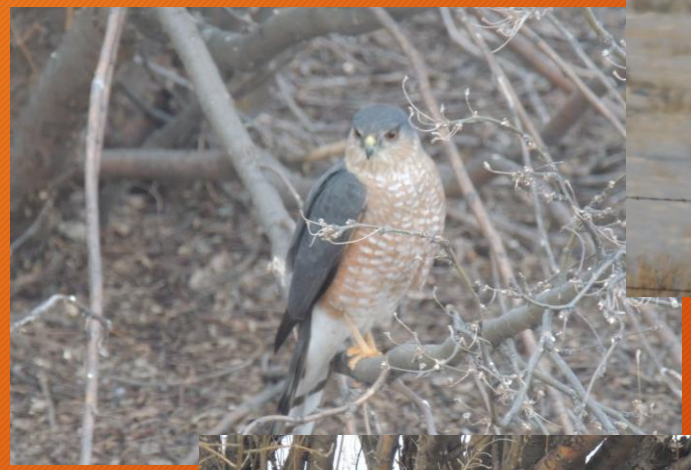
A variety of birds we enjoy in our yard!

Larger Birds seen throughout the ranch!



Proposed Changes for term contracts

- Federal recognition that the land is protected.
- Provide economic compensation for any landholder expenditures that are solely for enhancement of Species at Risk habitat.
- Provide a realistic compensation for private lands that landholders may be willing to protect.
- Provide assurances that landholders with signed contracts would not be open to additional orders such as Emergency Protection Orders (EPO).
- Guarantee confidentiality of information.

Summary:

The ranching industry is the foundation which we need to build upon.

We do not need more land managers. We just need support and to be provided with the tools to accomplish sustainability.

Species at Risk…

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