

LWF invests \$39,000 in local water projects

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LWF has awarded a total of \$39,000 to seven projects as part of its ongoing Stewardship, Research and Education Grants Program.

Projects supported by LWF's spring 2015 grants include:

- **Brokenhead Wetland Monitoring and Restoration Planning:** a project facilitated by the Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources (CIER) that will enhance and restore the Brokenhead Wetland in Manitoba on Lake Winnipeg, and build the capacity of the local community to conduct wetland monitoring.
- **OPEN Water:** an educational initiative of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society that will see an innovative Lake Winnipeg watershed mapping project designed in consultation with teachers so that students can visualize the entire watershed, locate their own communities and appreciate the impact of activities in one location on the watershed as a whole.
- **Healthy Soils, Healthy Watershed:** a five-year project run by the Upper Assiniboine River Conservation District that will support and measure three distinct farm operations' attempts to improve soil health, in order to demonstrate and communicate to annual grain producers that small changes to current practices can have multiple benefits.

"The caliber of this season's applicants was especially impressive," says Alexis Kanu, LWF's executive director. "Whether on the land or in the classroom, stakeholders from across the watershed are actively working on solutions for Lake Winnipeg. We're proud to be able to invest in those solutions by supporting such worthwhile initiatives."

LWF awards grants twice a year. Priority is given to projects that address one or more of the Lake Winnipeg Health Plan's eight actions to reduce nutrient loading. Descriptions of all seven projects funded by LWF this spring and past grant recipients are available [here](#).

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