

Clean Air Strategic Alliance Concludes More Than 30 Years of Building Consensus for Better Air Quality in Alberta

Edmonton... On behalf of the Board of Directors, it is with great sadness that I announce that the Clean Air Strategic Alliance (CASA) will be winding down operations effective June 30, 2026. After careful deliberation, the organization has made the difficult decision to move toward an orderly dissolution.

For many years, Alberta Environment and Protected Areas has supported CASA's work through annual grant funding. In February 2026, we were informed that, due to the financial pressures facing the Government of Alberta, this funding would be discontinued effective May 26, 2026, as per the grant agreement. Despite efforts to secure other sources of operational funding, it was not possible to find a solution that would enable CASA to continue. Since its establishment in 1994, CASA has played a significant role in advancing air quality management and environmental collaboration across Alberta. For more than three decades, CASA has provided a unique forum where representatives from industry, government, Indigenous communities, environmental organizations, health groups, municipalities, and the public could come together to address complex air quality issues through consensus-based decision-making.

Over the years, CASA has contributed to the development of numerous policies, frameworks, guidelines, and recommendations that have helped improve air quality management, emissions reduction strategies, monitoring systems, and public awareness throughout the province. Our work has supported informed decision-making and fostered collaboration among diverse perspectives, always with the shared goal of protecting Alberta's air quality and the health of its people and environment.

At the heart of CASA's success was its commitment to collaboration, transparency, respect, and consensus. The organization created a neutral and trusted space where participants with differing interests and viewpoints could engage in meaningful dialogue, build mutual understanding, and work toward practical solutions to shared environmental challenges. Thousands of hours of expertise, discussion, and volunteer effort were generously contributed by stakeholders over the years, reflecting the enduring importance of collaborative environmental governance in Alberta.

Our priority now is to ensure a thoughtful, transparent, and well-managed transition as we wind down operations. Over the coming weeks and months, we will work closely with our partners, committees, and stakeholders to responsibly conclude organizational activities, address outstanding commitments, and support the transition of ongoing initiatives wherever possible.

We recognize that this news may come as a surprise to some, and we want to express our sincere gratitude for the trust, collaboration, and support that so many individuals and organizations have shown CASA throughout its history.

It has been both a pleasure and an honour to be part of this exceptional organization. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contributed their time, expertise, resources, and passion to CASA's work over the years.

While CASA's organizational journey is coming to a close, we remain confident that the relationships, knowledge, and collaborative spirit fostered through this work will continue to strengthen air quality stewardship and environmental management efforts across Alberta for years to come.

With appreciation,
Andre Asselin
Executive Director
Clean Air Strategic Alliance

The Clean Air Strategic Alliance's legacy will continue through its [website](#), which will remain available until further notice. Visitors can access the organization's reports, resources, and information about its work and lasting contributions to air quality management in Alberta.

The Clean Air Strategic Alliance was a multi-stakeholder partnership that operated from 1994 to 2026. It was composed of representatives selected by industry, government, and non-government organizations that aimed to provide strategies to assess and improve air quality for Albertans, using a collaborative consensus process. Every partner was committed to a comprehensive air quality management system for Alberta.

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