

**Alberta Conservation Association**  
**2022/23 Annual Project Summary Report**

**Project Name:** Corporate Partners Program

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**Abstract**

Our Corporate Partners Program is a collaboration between Alberta Conservation Association (ACA) and key industry partners to offset the impact of industrial activity through the securement of ecologically important lands in Alberta's Natural Regions. The properties that are secured through our Corporate Partners Program are incorporated into ACA's network of conservation sites and provide key habitat for wildlife and fish species while allowing for increased recreational opportunities for all Albertans. ACA has been working with industrial partners since 2003 to secure ecologically important land. In 2022/23, we approached Suncor Energy, Shell Canada, and TC Energy to become a Corporate Partner through multi-year agreements; however, reducing carbon emissions currently has a higher priority for many of these companies. We were successful with a 1-year grant application to Enbridge for \$15,000. Our goal is to continue working with industry partners in 2023/24 to secure a financial partnership conserving key habitats using a collaborative approach. ACA staff continue to respond to landowner enquiries wanting to sell their land to us for conservation purposes.