

Collaboration on Data Priorities

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Water Agency

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Creation of the Canada Water Agency



Feb 2023: Budget 2023 calls for funding for CWA programming and commits to introducing legislation to establish the CWA as a stand-alone entity.

June 20 2024:
The legislation received royal assent.

Oct 16, 2024:
The Standalone Agency was launched in WPG.

Nov 21, 2023:
Legislation (Canada Water Agency Act) was introduced to create the standalone CWA.

Oct 15, 2024:
The coming-into-force Orders in Council are signed.

- The agency headquarters are in Winnipeg, a historical gathering place for Indigenous peoples and home to Lake Winnipeg.
- The CWA also has regional offices throughout Canada.

OUR MANDATE



1. Provide federal freshwater policy leadership and a whole-of-government approach to freshwater management



2. Collaborate with provincial, territorial and Indigenous partners



3. Facilitate access to federal freshwater information



4. Collaborate with stakeholders and provide funding and support for partner-led projects



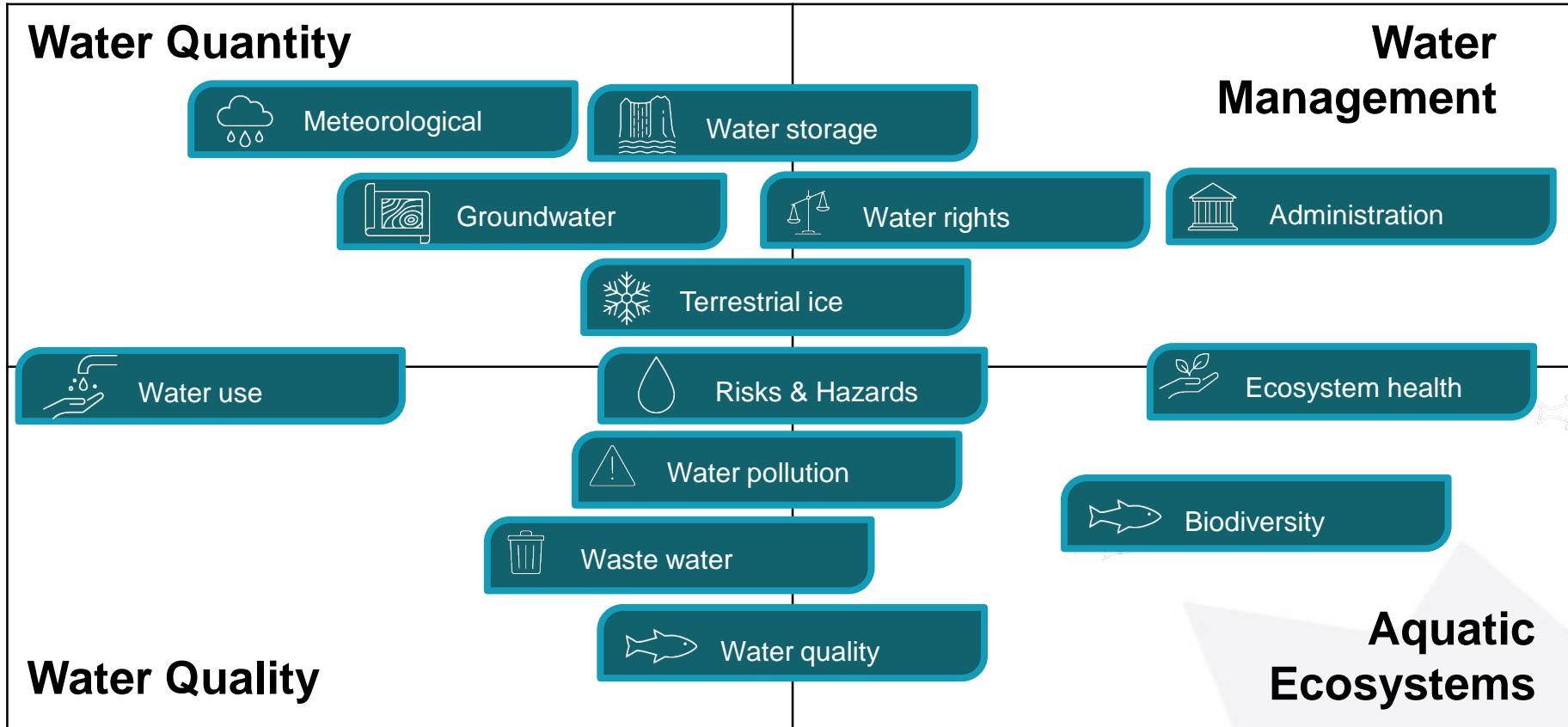
5. Leverage freshwater data and science for better outcomes



6. Enhance cooperation on transboundary watersheds

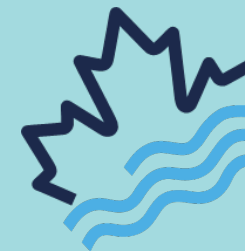


Understanding the freshwater domains...



National Freshwater Data Strategy Vision





Thank you!

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Annex: Federal Freshwater Committee Membership



1. Environment and Climate Change Canada
2. Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
3. Natural Resources Canada
4. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada
5. Fisheries and Oceans Canada
6. Global Affairs Canada
7. Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada
8. Public Safety Canada
9. Statistics Canada
10. PrairiesCan
11. PacifiCan
12. Health Canada
13. Indigenous Services Canada
14. Transport Canada
15. Impact Assessment Agency of Canada
16. Parks Canada
17. Innovation, Science and Economic Development
18. Other Regional Development Agencies
19. National Research Council
20. Canadian Space Agency
21. National Defense
22. Polar Knowledge Canada
23. Public Services and Procurement Canada
24. Public Health Agency of Canada
25. Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
26. Privy Council Office