

AHEIA's Youth Camps and Outdoor Youth Seminar

Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association \$40,000 Grant

The Youth Hunter Education Camps and Outdoor Youth Seminar have targeted and attracted youth to these activities which in turn are providing introductory opportunities to become hunters, anglers, and responsible outdoorsmen and women.

Project Achievements:

- 295 youth attended multiple days at the Youth Camps and Outdoor Youth Seminar in 2018.
- Most youth purchased a Wildlife Identification Number (**WIN**) card, which is the first step in applying for hunting licenses when of hunting age.
- There is great success in passing the final tests for both the Hunter Education, Fishing Education, and Canadian Firearms Safety Programs.

“The future of hunting and fishing in Alberta lies with our youth. If the youth of today don’t take an interest in these outdoor activities then the number of hunters and fishermen will decline.”



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AHEIA's 25th Annual Outdoor Women's Program

Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association \$25,000 Grant

The Outdoor Women's Program continues to be an amazing opportunity for women to gather together and learn to be safe, confident, and comfortable in the outdoors. It is through gaining knowledge about wildlife, waterfowl and their habitats, and mastering outdoor skills that women truly begin to learn how to constructively aid in the management and care of our natural wildlife and waterfowl resources.

Project Achievements:

- Participants gained skills necessary for a safe & successful hunting experience.
- Participants learned wise utilization of wildlife resources through conservation.
- After attending the OWP, many of the participants purchased a Hunting License.



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Provincial Hunting Day

The Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association \$7,000 Grant

The Provincial Hunting Day initiatives held on September 22, 2018 introduced and encouraged ongoing participation in the enjoyment and skills necessary for a safe and successful waterfowl hunting experience for youth and novice hunters.

Project Achievements:

- 300 youth and novices participated in AHEIA's Provincial Hunting Day.
- Shotgun shooting at the trap range was enjoyed by all who attended.



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Waterfowl Nest Success in the Western Boreal Forest: Does Industrial Development Alter Predation?

University of Waterloo, Faculty of Environment, School of Environment, Resources, and Sustainability

\$50,000 Grant



The Boreal Forest is the second most important duck breeding area on the continent, but little information is available as to where they nest and associated predators. This project aimed to fill this knowledge gap by investigating the nest-habitat associations of ducks, identifying nest predators, and understanding how human land use influences predator-prey interactions.

Project Achievements:

- Identified and described previously unknown nest-site associations of multiple duck species in the Boreal Forest.
- Identified and described duck nest predator communities.
- Evaluated the relationship between industrial development, predators, and duck nest success.



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