

Assurance Partners

Agriculture Service Boards (ASB)

Market Access Impact

69 Farmer-led Ag Service Boards
729+ jobs created annually

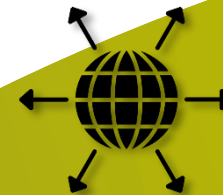


ASB's are grass-root organizations
Mandated by legislation
ASB's act as an advisory body
to the Minister on matters of mutual
concern

ASB's invest an additional
\$8.4M **\$7** for every
\$1 from AFRED

Generates >
\$102.6M
in economic output
annually

Annually supports
Alberta Ag Exports
(primary and processed) of
\$12.4B



Delegated Authority For:

- Ag Service Board Act
- Agricultural Pest Act
- Weed Control Act
- Soil Conservation Act
- Animal Health Act

Inspect and
license
91
stationary and mobile
seed cleaning
Plants in AB



Alberta's Rat Free Status



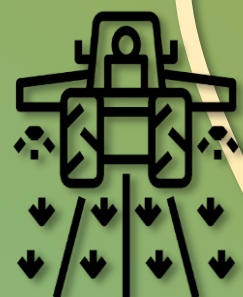
Education over Legislation

Conduct ~ 48,000
weed inspections
annually



Identify, monitor and address
concerns that could impact
market access

Weed control on
> 119,577 km
municipal roadways
annually to ensure
public safety and pest
management.



Assist with surveillance and monitoring for diseases and pests in

> 16600 fields surveyed annually:

- 11505 fields – clubroot
- 1869 fields – virulent blackleg
- 504 fields – *Fusarium*
- 228 fields – pea diseases
- 2503 surveys – insects

(e.g. grasshopper, wheat midge, bertha
armyworm, diamond back moth)

Assurance Partners

Agriculture Service Boards (ASB)

Market Access Impact POLICIES SUPPORT COMPLIANCE

Agricultural Fieldmen create and implement policies to support legislation and address concerns that potentially impact market access



Ag Service Boards support the creation and implementation of policies that support compliance to legislation

ASB's are the Delegated Authority For:

- Ag Service Board Act (ASB)
- Agricultural Pest Act (APA)
- Weed Control Act (WCA)
- Soil Conservation Act (SCA)
- Animal Health Act (AHA)

69 ASB's have > 575 Ag policies



APA

66 counties/M.D.'s have 138 policies, procedures and/or bylaws for **APA**

In 2020 66 counties/M.D.'s assisted with disease and insect pest surveys in > 16600 fields

- 13757 – disease pests surveys
- 2680 – insect pests surveys



~2300 pest issues investigated and resolved



10 counties/M.D.'s reported wild boar sightings



SCA

38 policies for **SCA**



6 counties/M.D.'s receive Rat Control program funding



WCA

69 counties/M.D.'s have 153 policies, procedures and/or bylaws for **WCA**

~ 48,000 weed inspections are conducted annually



Weed control is provided on > 119,577 km of municipal roadways annually

4592 prohibited noxious weed infestations destroyed in 2020

21,823 noxious weed sites controlled in 2020

39 counties/M.D.'s are also controlling non regulated weeds



91 stationary and mobile seed cleaning plants in AB were inspected and licensed in 2020



Assurance Partners

Agriculture Service Boards (ASB)

Market Access Impact

COMPLIANCE SUPPORTS MARKET ACCESS

108 Agricultural Fieldmen

identify, monitor and address concerns through **awareness, education, notices** and **enforcement** that could **impact market access**



As the delegated authority for:

- *Agricultural Pest Act (APA)*
- *Weed Control Act (WCA)*
- *Soil Conservation Act (SCA)*
- *Animal Health Act (AHA)*

Ag Fieldmen enable **compliance**



Weed Control Compliance



352 weed inspectors appointed
48840 weed issues investigated and resolved
97% controlled through education programming
3% controlled through notices and enforcement

Soil Conservation Compliance



123 soil conservation officers appointed
193 soil inspections
87% soil issues resolved through 1:1 landowner education
13% soil issues resolved through enforcement



Animal Health Support



99% of Counties & M.D.'s are prepared to assist with animal health issues which includes emergency preparedness plans for livestock emergencies



Ag Service Boards support delivery of awareness and education programming for legislation

Pest Control Compliance



326 pest inspectors appointed
2297 pest issues investigated and resolved
95% controlled through education programming
5% controlled through notices and enforcement

Awareness and education of landowners by Ag Fieldmen achieves **> compliance** than notices and enforcement