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A Plan for Alberta's Oil Sands



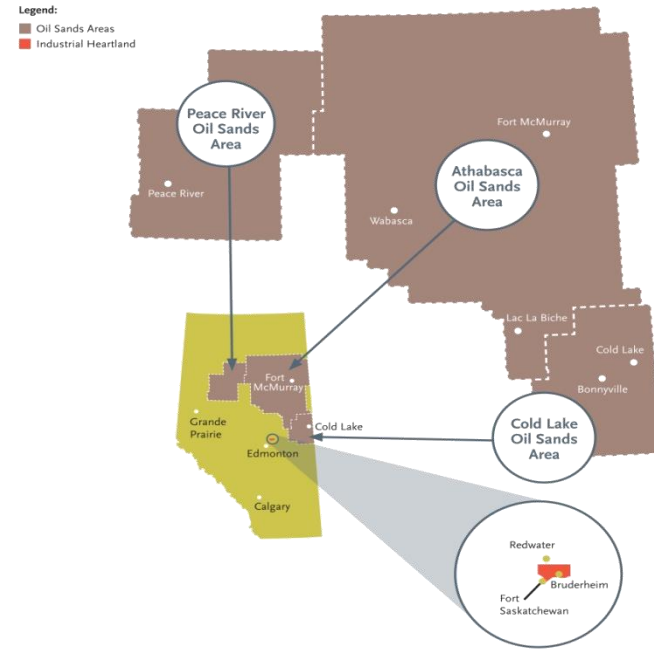
Transportation Innovation in Alberta's Oil Sands

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Oil Sands Sustainable Development Secretariat Objectives

- Lead and implement a short-term action plan and a long-term strategic plan for sustainable oil sands development
- Coordinate the implementation of the strategic plan for oil sands with ministries, municipalities, industry and stakeholders
- Ensure responsible environmental management and appropriate development of government services and infrastructure
- Ensure government response to needs for managing growth and development in oil sands
- Work with ministries, other governments, and stakeholders to ensure an integrated policy approach, information sharing and communication on an ongoing basis

FIGURE 2
Alberta's Oil Sands Regions and Industrial Heartland



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The foundation for the plan:

- Recommendations resulting from the following reports:
 - *Multi-stakeholder Committee Final Report*
 - *Aboriginal Consultation Final Report*
 - *Investing in our Future: Responding to the Rapid Growth of Oil Sands Development*
- Research and best practices
- Scenario planning
- Government input from 16 departments and over 100 staff

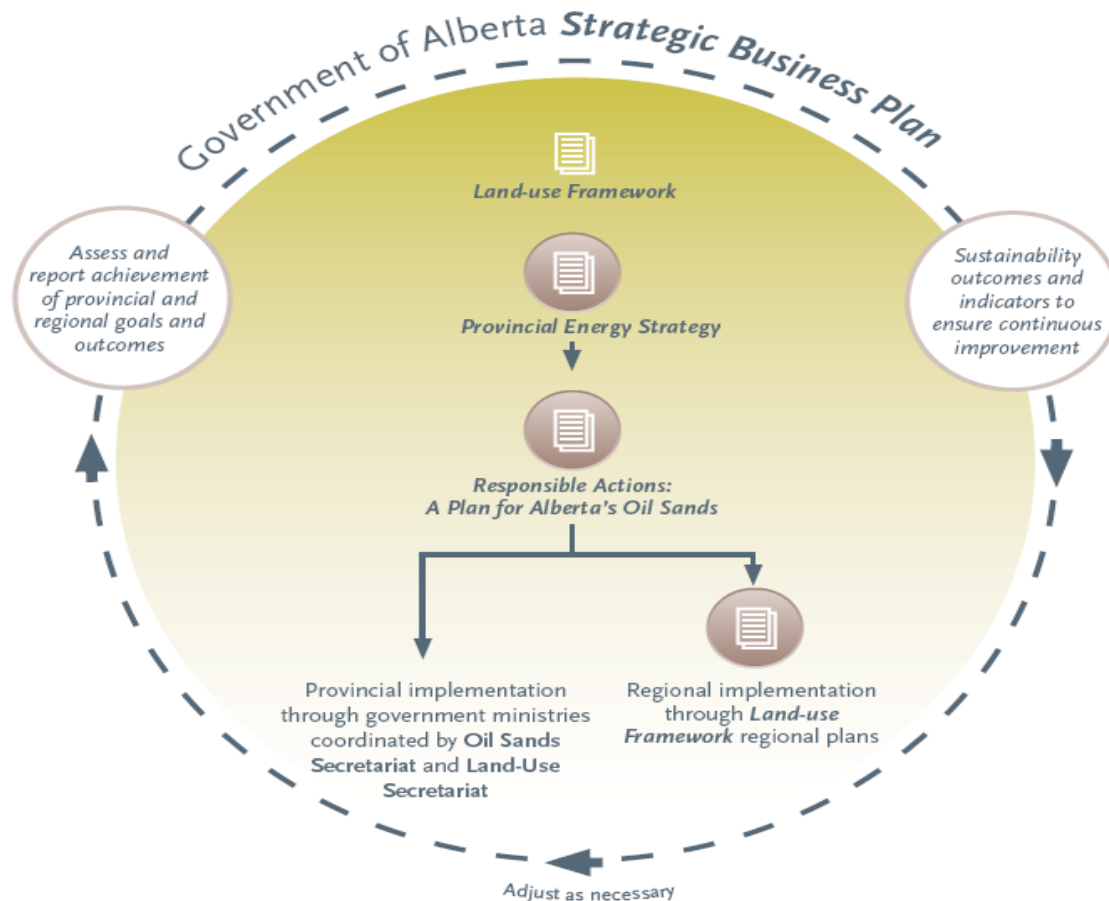
The plan is comprehensive and provincial in focus and will inform policy and planning processes at a regional level for the oil sands regions

Provides a common approach to address impacts while working towards resource optimization

Includes a vision, strategic goals, objectives, action plans, and performance measures to define success

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Linkages to other GOA Initiatives



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We will develop Alberta's oil sands in an environmentally responsible way.



We will promote healthy communities and a quality of life that attracts and retains individuals, families, and businesses.



We will maximize long-term value for all Albertans through economic growth, stability, and resource optimization.



We will strengthen our proactive approach to Aboriginal consultation with a view to reconciling interests.



We will maximize research and innovation to support sustainable development and unlock the potential of Alberta's oil sands.



We will increase available information, develop measurement systems, and enhance accountability in the management of the oil sands.

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Goals and Objectives

2.1.1 Identify social and infrastructure needs associated with oil sands development

2.1.3 Consider the shadow population in planning and funding allocations for physical and social infrastructure

2.1.5 Explore financial models to help coordinate and address immediate infrastructure needs and cyclical growth variances in communities

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Goals and Objectives

2.2.1 Increase emergency preparedness in the oil sands regions through enhancing opportunities for industry and community involvement and providing additional transportation routes.

2.3.1 Work with industry in the oil sands regions to develop contribution strategies for public infrastructure

2.3.2 Support communities in managing immediate growth pressures through expediting the release of Crown lands, promoting affordable housing options and utilizing alternative financing approaches where appropriate

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Goals and Objectives

3.4.1 Expedite development of integrated transportation and utility corridor plans for the oil sands regions and Alberta's Industrial Heartland to appropriately facilitate growth and minimize the environmental impact

3.4.3 Establish innovative partnerships with industry, the federal government, and municipalities to facilitate timely investment in infrastructure

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- Implementation will be coordinated by the Oil Sands Sustainable Development Secretariat and will link to province wide initiatives such as the Provincial Energy Strategy and Land Use Framework regional plans where applicable
- Development of implementation plan is underway that recognizes priority items have broken the objectives into short, medium and long term
- Many of the priority actions are underway; those that haven't been initiated will be within the next two years.
- Key stakeholders will be engaged in appropriate implementation projects as they progress.
- Regular reporting on government action towards achieving the provinces new vision will be provided through many mechanisms.

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Comprehensive Regional Infrastructure Sustainability Plan (CRISP)

- Will be a forward looking vision to address incremental infrastructure requirements
- Will have the inherent flexibility to be implemented at a pace that will match oil sands development
- Regional infrastructure capacity (transportation, utilities, pipelines)
- Local infrastructure capacity (transportation, schools, water & sewer etc.)
- Each of the three OSAs and the Industrial Heartland will have a CRISP (Athabasca OSA to be the first)

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Comprehensive Regional Infrastructure Sustainability Plan (CRISP)

- Location and scale of infrastructure based on resource delineation
- Scenario planning will help to identify indicators that will trigger when the next incremental infrastructure investment decisions will be initiated
- Will build on other studies, strategies and initiatives both at the provincial and municipal level
- Close coordination with the Lower Athabasca Regional Plan is critical
- Oil Sands Secretariat will lead and coordinate this initiative working with both levels of government and industry

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