

# Alberta's Boreal Forest

\$22,000,000

ALBERTA'S BOREAL FOREST IS A WETLAND-RICH REGION THAT PROVIDES CRITICAL HABITAT FOR A DIVERSITY OF WATERFOWL, WATERBIRDS AND WILDLIFE. THIS UNIQUE LANDSCAPE IS DOMINATED BY WATER AND WETLANDS THAT ALL CANADIANS RELY ON ECONOMICALLY, ENVIRONMENTALLY AND SOCIALLY.



The boreal forest of Alberta is predominantly coniferous with black spruce towering over thousands of wetlands, rivers and lakes. This wetland-rich region provides one of the most productive habitats for birds, mammals and plant species.

Over 3.2 million waterfowl depend on Alberta's boreal forest annually. Many species of concern including whooping cranes, woodland caribou and lesser scaup also depend on this region.

Habitat loss in the boreal forest will drastically affect the future of these species.

Increased industrial development continues to threaten this pristine landscape. As vital habitat is lost, our environment, water resources and the many wildlife species that depend on the boreal forest will be endangered. **Help DUC conserve the boreal forest today - while we still can.**



Alberta's boreal forest is part of Canada's Boreal Forest - a key habitat conservation priority of Ducks Unlimited Canada.





### Boreal Forest - Costs

Over the next five years, \$22,000,000 will be required to fund the conservation objectives of this landscape. It is our hope that you will consider a major sponsorship to help us conserve Alberta's boreal forest now and for future generations.

### Sponsorship Levels

DUC offers a number of major sponsorship levels from \$5,000 and up. DUC will tailor a sponsorship package to match your desired contribution. Major sponsorships may be pledged over time with a number of payment plan options available. Call us today to find out more information about your sponsorship options.

### Recognition

Recognition will vary with the sponsorship level, however all levels include:

- Sponsorship award (lapel pin and decoy/plaque)
- Recognition in DUC's Annual Report
- DUC membership and subscription to DUC's Conservator magazine
- Charitable tax receipt

### Critical Landscapes

The boreal forest has been classified by DUC as a critical landscape in need of immediate action to conserve, restore and enhance its highly productive waterfowl habitat. DUC's efforts will also benefit other wildlife and people.

Determining how wetlands interact with the landscape and are affected by industrial development is vital to guide better land use decisions in Alberta's boreal forest. Research is fundamental and must continue to advance conservation planning in this region.

Where possible, large wetland-rich areas will be identified and protected through special agreements with government and industry. Other sensitive sites will be conserved through specific operating criteria developed by DUC and accepted by industry. Where industrial development is ongoing, industry will be encouraged to adopt sustainable development practices that will ensure the conservation of these productive habitats.

**We need your help to fund this conservation work.**

### For More Information

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

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