



## **BAILS Summer 2018 Newsletter**

### **BAILS Board of Directors:**

Dennis Irving – President  
Morris Nesdole – Vice President  
Lori Barr – Treasurer  
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Kendra Gilbert  
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### **BAILS Technical Committee:**

Wendy Appleby \* Dave Beecroft \* Linda Cargill \*  
Rick Cargill \* Paula Evans \* Kendra Gilbert \*  
Robert Holmberg \* Dennis Irving \* Darlene Marling \*  
Morris Nesdole \* Gord Shopland \* Karen Sliwkanich  
\* Ken Stashko \* David Trew \* Ron Wasel \*

## Technical Committee Update

The technical committee has had several sessions since 2014 and has done some remarkable work in providing information on the following topics:

Shoreline pollution \* Nutrient budget and water quality assessment \* In-Lake Chemical treatment feasibility \* Solar Bee and algae harvesting \* Riparian health assessment \* Fisheries overview \* Agricultural land use \* Residential Land use \* Domestic waste water management \* Water balance and lake level management\*



## Public Meeting June 9, 2018

BAILS held the final public consultation meeting on June 9 at Grosmont Hall where approximately 35 people attended. Petra Rowell has been engaged by BAILS to write our Watershed Management Plan (WMP) report. Information has been gathered from the Technical committees research and then at the June 9 meeting, it was presented in a power point which received some great feedback from the attendees.

A summary of the engagement session can be viewed at [www.bails.ca](http://www.bails.ca)

### **Lake & Stream Testing**

Between 2017 and 2018 BAILS has obtained sampling of the inflow streams for both Island and Baptiste Lakes. BAILS has also completed sampling of both lakes looking for human fecal, primarily to identify faulty sewage systems. We will be doing one more stream test and one more lake sampling in the late summer. BAILS has an arrangement with a testing lab at the U of A and we are expecting all results by early to late fall. There are 6 inflow streams for Baptiste and 1 inflow stream for Island Lake. We have established 17 test sites on Island Lake and 31 test sites on Baptiste.

### **BAILS County Reinstatement**

As you may have read in the news, the County of Athabasca temporarily suspended their support of BAILS until a valid election was held. BAILS held an election at the April 14 Board meeting and elected Dennis Irving as President and Morris Nesdole as Vice President. Our relationship with the County has since been reinstated.

### **BAILS Bylaws**

As there is a need to update our bylaws, the Board has been working diligently in an attempt to do so. The draft of the revised bylaws will be presented at the next AGM which will likely be held Fall of 2018. A date will be confirmed shortly.