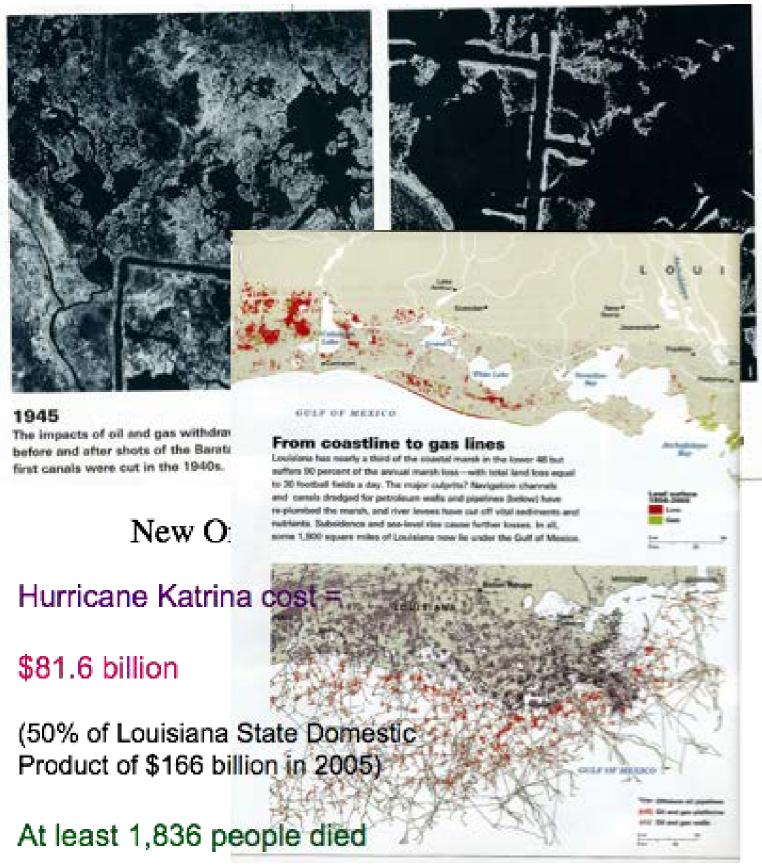


#### or pay for it's loss later.



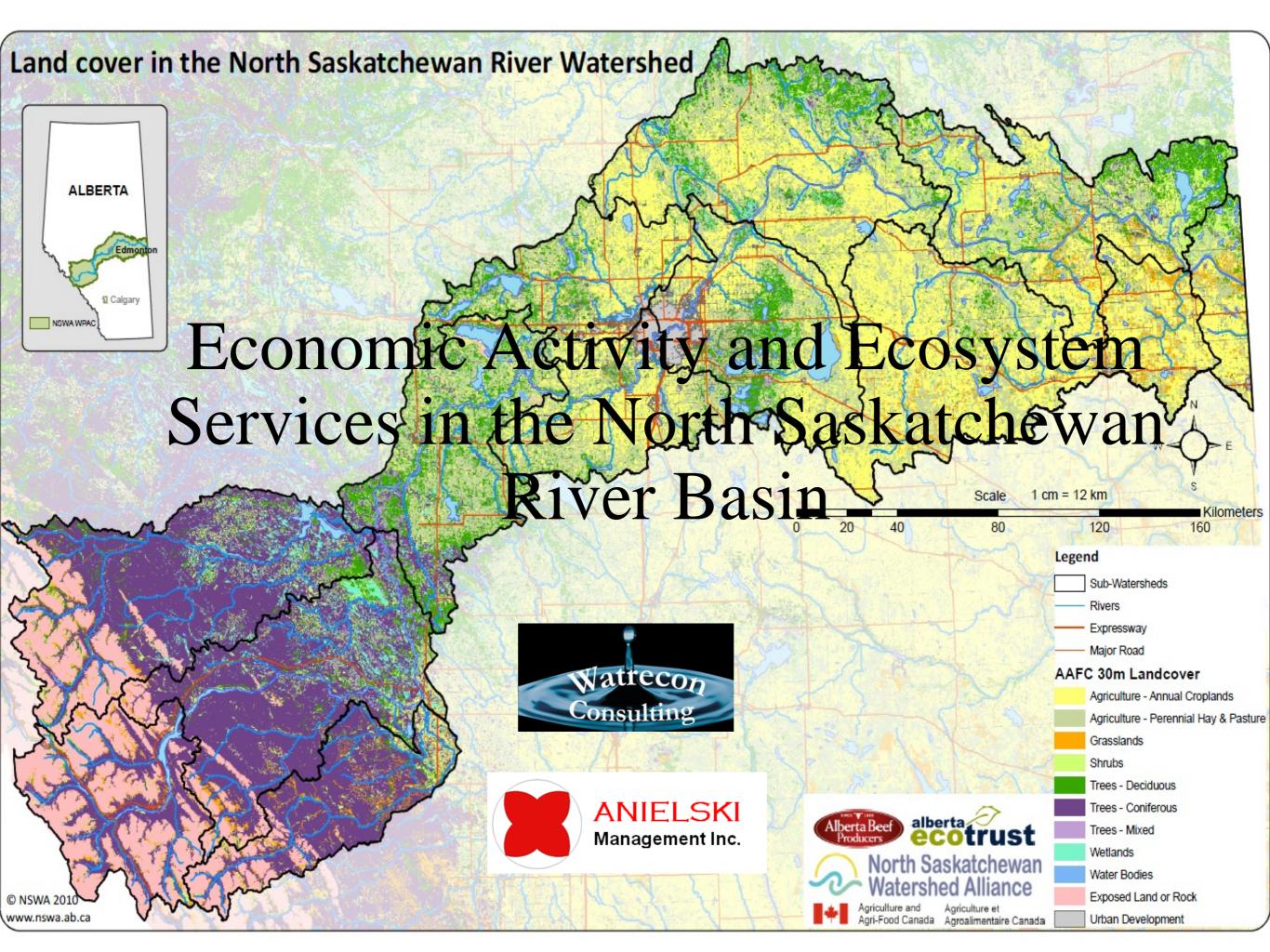
#### Realize the genuine value now,



#### Canadian boreal wetlands, 2006

"When you look at the broadest perspective, short-term advantages can be gained by exploiting the environment. But in the long term you're going to pay for it."

Joe Suhayda, LSU coastal engineer



#### **Natural Capital Account Balance Sheet**

**Assets** Liabilities

#### Land

Farm Land

Grassland

Forest Land

Wetlands

Other Lands

#### Water resources

#### **Energy**

Crude oil

Crude bitumen

Natural gas

Coal

Renewable energy capacity

Minerals (gold, copper, other minerals)

**Timber** 

**Ecological Goods and Services** 

Greenhouse gas emissions

Industrial, Household

Solid wastes

**Toxic wastes** 

**Loss of Ecological Integrity** 

**Cost of pollution** 

Unsustainable renewable resource use

Depreciation of non-renewable energy resources

#### Shareholder's Equity

Returns on natural capital economic rents

Distribution of natural capital (domestic/export)

#### **Natural Capital Account Income Statement**

#### **Income**

#### **Expenditures/Depreciation Costs**

#### **GDP** by resource sector

Mining (oil, gas, minerals)
Forestry
Agriculture
Electricity
Other resource sectors

Greenhouse gas emissions

Industrial, Household

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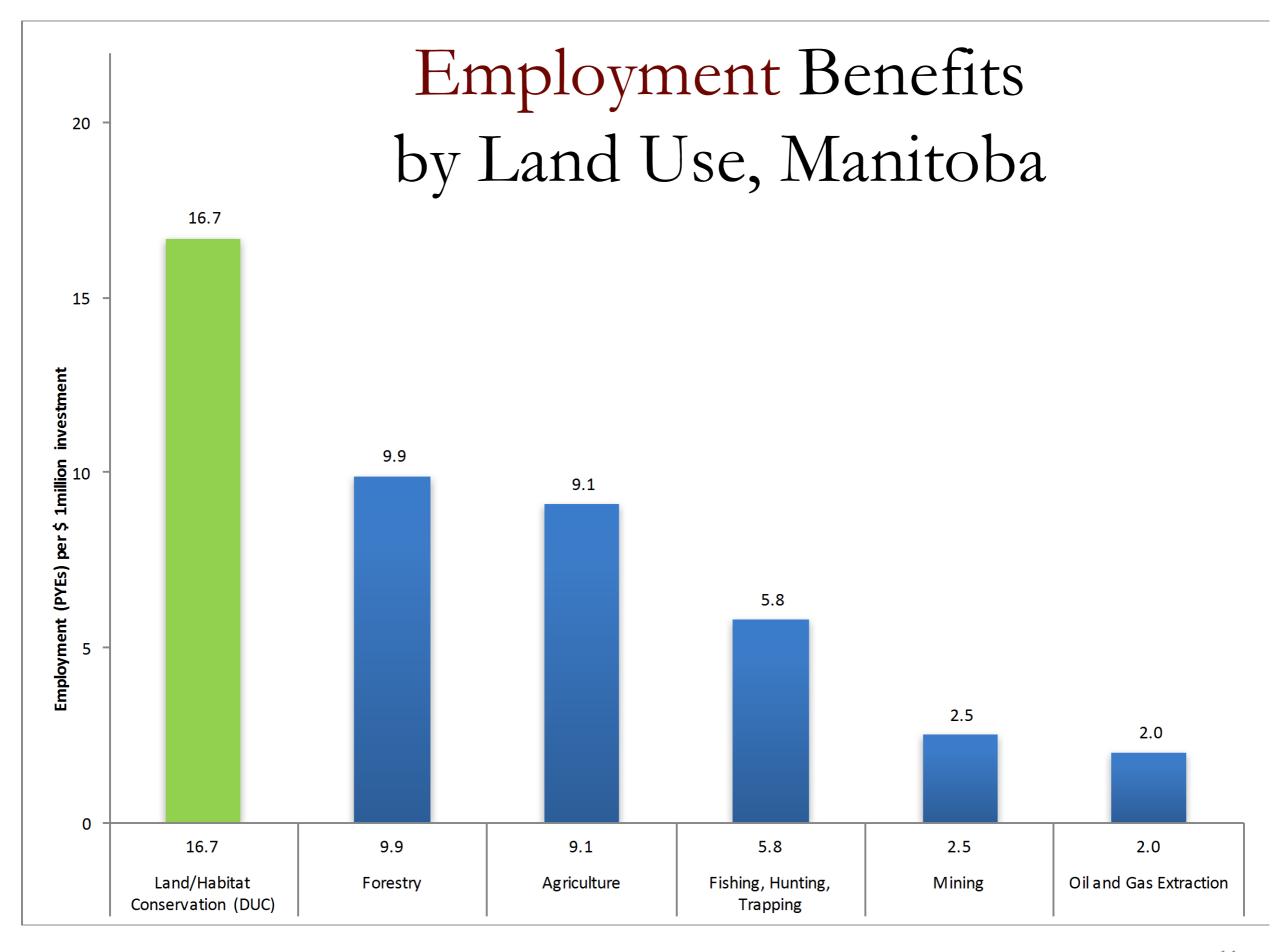


- Ducks Unlimited Canada had secured 231,064 hectares (570,79 acres of wetlands by end of 2012 in Manitoba + an additional 489,251 hectares (1,208,451 acres) of wetlands that were co-secured with others.
- Market value (purchase) of secured DUC wetlands = \$41.2 million
- Between 2008-2012 DUC secured 43,984 acres at an average purchase price \$178/hectare or \$72.30/acre.
- Average cost to restore an acre of wetland = \$89/ha or \$36/acre
- Average annual cost to maintain wetlands = \$7.06/ha/yr



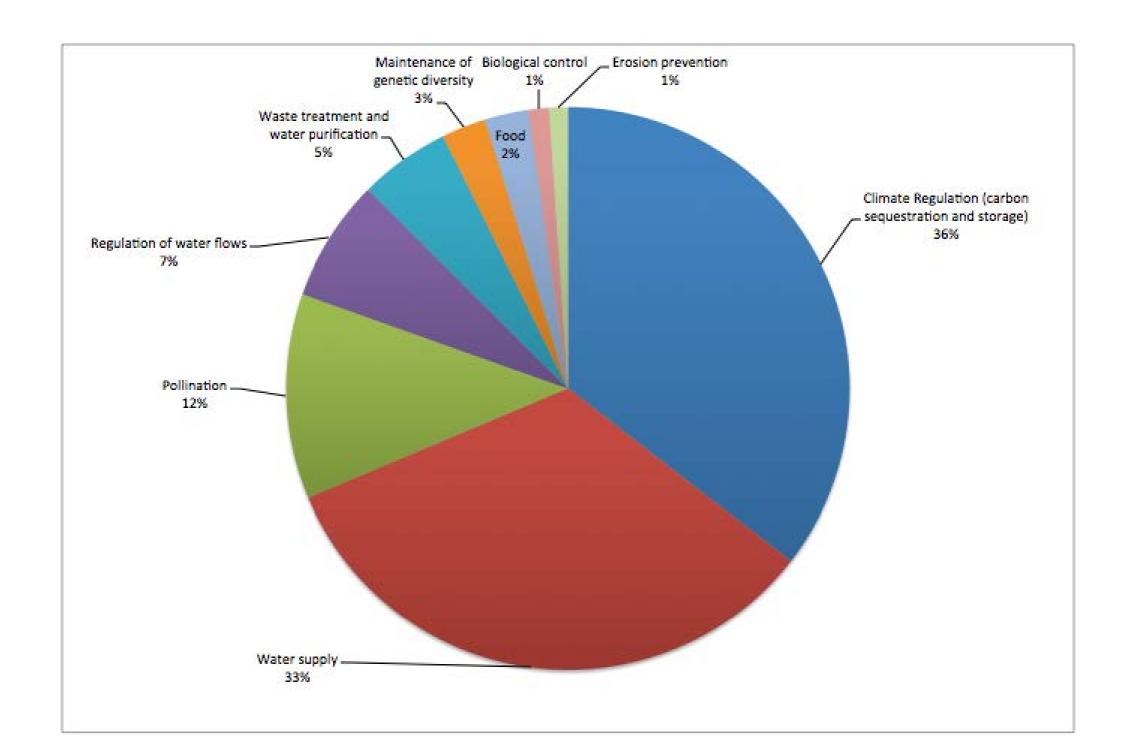
- Manitoba's DUC wetlands contribute
  - \$7.0 million in economic (GDP, employment) benefits per annum or \$30.38 per hectare per year.
  - \$18.9 million in recreation and tourism benefits
  - \$336 million per annum in ecosystem service benefits or \$1,445 per acre per year.
  - \$362 million in total economic and ecological value
- The Net Present Value of Manitoba's wetlands secured by DUC are estimated at over \$9 billion + value of influenced lands.
- The societal return on investment (GDP, employment, taxes, ecosystem services) of \$1.00 in wetland conservation in Manitoba is 31.2 to 1.





### Ecosystem Service Values

The total value of these ecosystem services (ES) associated with DUC's Manitoba wetlands (231,000 hectares) is estimated at \$335 million per annum (or \$1,445/ha/yr).



## Value to Government Investment

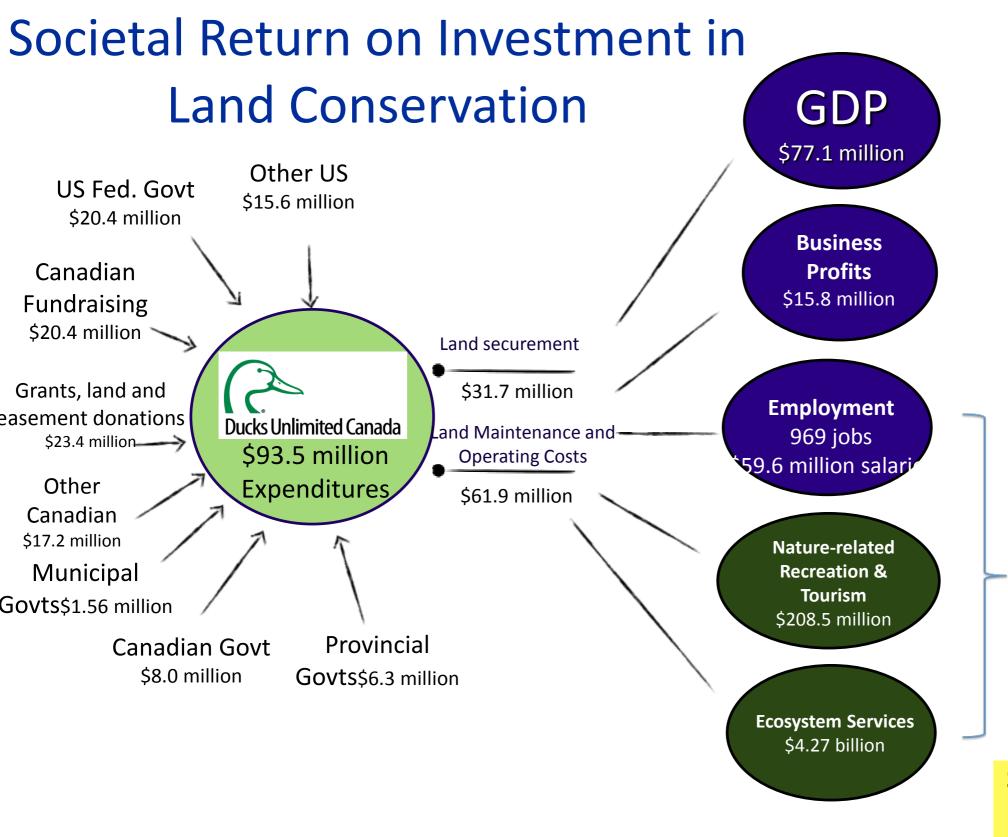
For every \$1.00 of federal and provincial government investment in wetland conservation by DUC pays for itself 100% in about 6.5 months.

# Societal Well-being Returns on Investment

The total societal value (TSV) related to DUC's efforts in securing and maintaining 231,000 hectares of wetlands and natural areas in Manitoba is the sum of:

- a) economic benefits to GDP and employment(\$7.0 million),
- b) recreation and tourism benefits (\$18.96 million)
- c) ecosystem services (\$336.3 million).

The Societal Net Present Value (asset value) of Manitoba's wetlands secured by DUC = \$9.0 billion.



Total Societal Value \$4.48 billion/yr

#### Societal Wellbeing-Return on Investment

For every \$1 invested in land conservation by DUC, society enjoys \$28.17 in well-being benefits.

# Societal Well-being Return on Investment in Manitoba Wetlands

A SW-ROI of 31.2 to 1.

For every \$1 invested in the securement, restoration and regular maintenance of a hectare of wetland and natural conserved by DUC in Manitoba, society receives a \$31.20 benefit in terms of economic, ecological and societal well-being.



- Manitoba had 7,287,449 hectares of farmland of which 4,331,984 (59%) was cropland
- 1.2 million cattle and 2.9 million pigs
- Gross farm receipts = \$5.3 billion (2011)
- Farm receipts per hectare of farm land = \$727.28/ha
- Agricultural GDP per hectare of farmed land = \$635/ha/yr

- By contrast Manitoba Hydro has \$22.3 billion (2016) in assets covering a service area of 65 million hectares (the entire provincial land and water base)
- Average asset value per acre of land service area is \$139 per acre in 2016.
- Manitoba Hydro's total debt in 2016 was \$16.4 billion.
- Manitoba Hydro 2016 revenues of \$2.37 billion on a per hectare of service area = \$35.89/hectare
- Net Income of \$4.0 million per hectare of service area = \$0.06/hectare.



#### Societal Cost of Floods

Costs of Manitoba Floods	Payouts for property damages (\$ millions)	Public works investments (\$ millions)	People Impacted	Homes Impacted
1950	800	100	100,000	10,000
1966				
1979	\$2,645 (est.)	7	100,000	10,000
1997	\$4,000	130		?
2011	\$1,275		?	?
Totals	\$8,720	\$237	200,000	20,000
Per Manitoban	\$6,555.74	\$185.39		

## Manitoba's Natural Capital Insurance Policy?

Cost of Restoring an additional 100,000 acres of Manitoba Wetlands?

- \$3.6 million (purchase and restoration costs)
- NPV asset value of \$4.85 billion
- Societal benefits per annum = \$58.9 million
- Investment cost per Manitoban = \$2.81
- Annual maintenance costs = \$285,830