

AGLA 2024 RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2024-01

WHEREAS native grasslands are being lost to Woody Plant Encroachment, and

WHEREAS Woody Plant Encroachment has resulted in the decline of AUMs on Alberta's grazing leases,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that AGLA lobby government to develop policy whereby on leases that have declining AUM's due to Woody Plant Encroachment (WPE), the leaseholder will be allowed to pursue cost effective techniques, such as clearing and timber harvesting, to an extent that returns the lease to the highest prior grazing capacity.

RESOLUTION 2024-02

WHEREAS Grazing leases not being used for the disposed purposes which causes significant policy issues within the industry

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that AGLA lobby government to increase efforts to make sure Grazing Leases are used for their disposed purpose.

RESOLUTION 2024-03

WHEREAS Crown grazing leases are regularly sold to purchasers who are not able to meet the legislated requirements leaseholders are required to meet, and

WHEREAS underutilization of a grazing lease detrimentally affects the health of the range resource

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that AGLA pursue policy to enforce eligibility requirements to purchase Crown grazing leases.

RESOLUTION 2024 – 04

WHEREAS wolf predation is causing significant loss and hardship to beef producers in Alberta; and

WHEREAS current wolf control tools are not effective in appropriate control of the wolf population; and

WHEREAS this issue is a larger beef industry issue and other beef industry groups are currently working on this issue;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that AGLA work closely with other beef industry groups to address this problem including trying to build policy around responsible methods of control for wolf populations.

RESOLUTION 2024-05

WHEREAS reclamation efforts around wellsites include planting trees where grazing has been the land use for decades;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that AGLA make a request to Alberta Energy Regulator to remove reforestation conditions on reclaimed wellsites, access roads and pipelines on Grazing Leases and Forest Grazing Leases; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that AGLA lobby for policy to provide compensation for lost AUMs due to logging by Forest Management Area holders.

RESOLUTION 2024-06

WHEREAS at current standards on deciduous blocks, all grazing is lost for a minimum of 25-30 years after logging occurs; and

WHEREAS experience has shown us cattle grazing on cutblocks can create healthier stands of recovering tree stands;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that AGLA lobby Alberta Forestry and Parks to redefine reforestation standards on Grazing Leases and Forest Grazing Leases and also ensure that the Forest Management Area holder does not have a reduction in annual allowable cut when standards are relaxed.