

David F Hill [Bio]

Mr. Hill was appointed as the Program Director for the Alberta Water Research Institute in October of 2007. David has 35 years of experience in water management in Alberta. He has been involved in many projects related to water management. David has participated in leading-edge research projects, and in the review of provincial and federal policy, legislation and regulation. He has a keen interest in broadening participation and cooperation between diverse interests groups, with a view to achieving and implementing evidence-based pro-active water management solutions. He co-chaired a 5-year research initiative that developed highly advanced decision-support tools [computer models] for water management and on-farm irrigation practices.

David has been a member of the Alberta Water Council since its inception. He is the current President of the Canadian Committee of Irrigation and Drainage [CANCID] and sits on the Board of Trustees for Inside Education. He has also served on Alberta's Endangered Species Conservation Committee, the Alberta Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture Council and was a member of the Northwest Irrigation Operators Inc., headquartered in Boise, Idaho. Mr. Hill was a Canadian delegate to the Rosenberg International Forum on Water Policy held in 2004 in Ankara, Turkey, the Rosenberg Forum in Banff, Alberta in 2006 and the recent forum held in June 2008 in conjunction with Expo 2008 in Zaragoza, Spain. In 2005, David was part of the Alberta Research Mission to Israel, exploring opportunities for collaboration in water management and research between the two regions. He has presented and published technical papers on water management, sustainable development and integrated resource management in many Alberta, Canadian and North American venues.