



ALBERTA MINISTER'S SPECIAL LICENCE 2013 to 2018 Contract

December 3, 2012 Update

Background:

From 2007 to 2012, the Minister's Special Licence program was jointly administered by the **Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association, the Conservation Education W.I.S.E. Foundation and Hunting For Tomorrow** known as Alberta's Conservation Collaboration.

During that period of time, nearly \$2 million was raised for the betterment of wildlife through the raffle and auction sales of three Special Licences for: Elk, Bighorn Sheep and Mule Deer.

Eligible Alberta organizations made application to the fund for financial support of projects or materials for the betterment of Alberta's wildlife or habitat. Each year a Program Advisory Committee (PAC) met to review the applications and allocate funding. To date, 175 applications were received and over 105 applicants received funding. (Note: The deadline is December 31, 2012 for applications for funds raised in 2012.)

Next Contract Term:

In September, Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development posted a Request For Quotes to deliver this program for the period 2013 to 2018.

Two applicants bid for this contract, one being our Conservation Collaboration and the other being the Alberta Fish and Game Association. On December 3, 2012 it was announced that the contract had been awarded to the Alberta Fish and Game Association. For information about the Minister's Special Licence program for 2013 to 2018, please contact the Alberta Fish and Game Association at 780.437.2342 or visit their website at www.afga.org

Our Appreciation:

On behalf of the Alberta Conservation Collaboration; the Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association, the Conservation Education WISE Foundation and Hunting For Tomorrow, we wish to extend our appreciation to all those people who supported the program by assisting with the sale of the auction items and the raffle tickets, those who purchased raffle tickets and bid on the permits at auction and the Wild Sheep Foundation, National and the Alberta chapters, who worked diligently to maximize the value of these permits.

Many thanks to the organizations and individuals who received funding from this program and did their part to contribute to Alberta's wildlife and wild places.

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