

July 2017

Call for Technical Representatives/Committee Members

The Alberta Upstream Petroleum Research Fund (AUPRF) is a unique collaborative platform between the Government of Alberta, the Alberta Energy Regulator, and industry and is led by the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP), the Explorers and Producers Association of Canada (EPAC), and managed by PTAC. AUPRF was launched with the idea that through innovation and collaborative research and development, we can reduce the environmental impact of our industry. In addition to improving environmental performance, AUPRF projects have improved operational practices resulting in significant cost savings for industry. As additional information, a recent list of the over 400 AUPRF funding members can be found [here](#).

There are currently five committees which set research priorities and then select the research projects that will be funded each year.

[Air Research Planning Committee](#) (ARPC)

[Ecological Research Planning Committee](#) (ERPC)

[Soil and Groundwater Research Committee](#) (SGRC)

[Water Innovation Planning Committee](#) (WIPC)

[Well Abandonment Research Initiative](#) (WARI)

Each of these committees is comprised of representatives from oil and gas operators, Alberta Environment and Parks, and the Alberta Energy Regulator. This unique stakeholder approach ensures that the selected projects and their corresponding results have the best opportunity for use and uptake by both government and operators. If your company is a funding member of the AUPRF program, you are entitled to a seat on one of these committees to directly participate in the identification of the research priority areas and project selections.

Exciting and innovative research takes place through these committees, and by participating, your organization receives access to preliminary results and has the ability to provide valuable and informative oversight. AUPRF projects address many high priority areas including: methane, gas migration, grizzly bears, caribou, groundwater quality and quantity, just to mention a few. Future innovation in the oil and gas industry will be driven by collaboration -You can view program highlights using this link: <http://auprf.ptac.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/AUPRF-2017-Presentationv2.pdf> or go to www.auprf.ptag.org to learn more.

Contact Tannis Such at tsuch@ptac.org if you have any questions or would like to learn more about AUPRF and the various committees.