

## WE LOVE OUR LAKES

### "Why is the Minister of Environment Not Listening?"



This year, we (SAWS) have made the following direct attempts to meet with our government and find a solution to the high-water levels of the Quill Lakes in an effort to protect our water:

- **March 13, 2018:** Sent a letter to the Minister of Environment (MoE) asking that a forum be established where all parties could discuss solutions.
- **April 13, 2018:** Upon the request from the MoE, we invited Quill Lake Watershed Association to meet with SAWS. Our request was declined.
- **June 1, 2018:** Upon the request from the MoE, we met with the Water Security Agency (WSA) and suggested solutions. They would not commit to a second meeting.
- **June 11, 2018:** Asked WSA for a second meeting. No response.
- **June 22, 2018:** Asked WSA for a second meeting. No response.
- **July 4, 2018:** Asked WSA for a second meeting. No response.
- **July 13, 2018:** Sent a second letter to Honourable Dustin Duncan asking that he meet with SAWS. No response.

- **June - July 2018:** SAWS circulated seven communication articles to MoE and WSA asking for a Round Table discussion. No response.

Why is our minister not listening?

Why is our minister not open to discussion?

Why is our minister not willing to meet with the downstream stakeholders?

We have the benefit of knowledge from and connection to scholars, scientists and Knowledge Keepers.

We have a kindness to ask of you. We need to flood our government's inboxes. Please copy and paste the email script below and send it to our Minister of Environment. Cc us at: [saskaws@gmail.com](mailto:saskaws@gmail.com)

Dear Honorable Dustin Duncan Minister of Environment and Sam Ferris Acting Vice President of WSA. What date in September have you selected to host the Round Table discussion to collaboratively solve the Quill Lakes flooding issue. SAWS have held public meetings throughout the Qu'Appelle Valley informing residents of the implications of Quill Lakes rising waters. Residents have shown strong support for a Round Table discussion. I would like to see the Department of Environment organize this forum to ensure a solution is found for all of Saskatchewan.  
Sincerely \_\_\_\_\_.

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