

# Holding the Reins 2008



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On January 22, 2008, the Rural Team hosted their 2nd annual Holding the Reins:

Landowners Summit for the Oldman Watershed. This year's workshop was held at the Fort Macleod and District Community Hall.

Highlights of the day include having Shawn Patience, the Mayor of Fort Macleod welcome us, followed by presentations on: Recreation and Sustainability, Forest Management Plans after the Lost Creek and Pole Haven Fires, Innovative Watering and the Importance of Water Quality, Gas Industry's Perspective on Industry Best Management Practices, Chief Mountain Cumulative Effects Study Results, Nutrient Beneficial Management Practice Evaluation Project, Landowner and Watershed Stewardship Group Updates, The Blackfoot Challenge: Partnerships Building our Future.

The day ended off with an excellent dinner and a presentation from our keynote speaker, Dr. Stewart Rood, University of Lethbridge.

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