FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012
AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### To the Members of Edmonton and Area Land Trust:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Edmonton and Area Land Trust (the "Trust") which consist of the statement of financial position at December 31, 2012, the statements of changes in net assets, operations and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

#### Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many charitable organizations, the Trust derives revenue from donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of this revenue was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Trust and we were not able to determine whether any adjustment might be necessary to revenue, excess of revenue, assets and net assets.

#### **Qualified Opinion**

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Edmonton and Area Land Trust as at December 31, 2012, and its results of operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

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Chartered Accountants

Edmonton, Alberta May 30, 2013

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2012

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash	169,496 17,758	1,542
Total current assets	383,742	262,217
ECOLOGICALLY VALUABLE LAND	4,337,925	3,614,025
EQUIPMENT (Note 3)	18,806	8,518
TOTAL	. \$ <u>4,740,473</u>	\$ <u>3,884,760</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>S</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred revenue (Note 4)	\$ 8,205	\$ 16,704 
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Approved on behalf of the Board:

<sub>-</sub> Director

Director

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Invested in Ecologically Valuable <u>Land</u>	Invested in Equipment	<u>Unrestricte</u>	<b>2012</b> d <u>Total</u>	2011 <u>Total</u>
Balance at beginning of the year	\$3,614,025	\$ 262	\$245,514	\$3,859,801	\$3,565,291
Excess of revenue (expenses) for the year.	#) -	(103)	47,892	47,789	(490)
Ecologically valuable land donated	723,900	<del></del>	·	723,900	295,000
Balance at end of the year	\$ <u>4,337,925</u>	\$ <u>159</u>	\$ <u>293,406</u>	\$ <u>4,631,490</u>	\$ <u>3,859,801</u>

# STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	2012	<u>2011</u>
UNRESTRICTED REVENUE: Grants - Edmonton Community Foundation - other  Donations Fundraising interest and other	\$101,214 28,403 55,850 3,145	\$100,575 20,158 155,881 321
Total unrestricted revenue	<u>188,612</u>	<u>276,935</u>
RESTRICTED REVENUE: Grants (Note 4)	104,316 2,059	3,995 1,187
Total restricted revenue	106,375	5,182
Total revenue	<u>294,987</u>	<u>282,117</u>
EXPENSES: Advertising and promotion Appraisal fees and surveying Amortization Board meetings Communication Conference fees Consulting fees Endowment contribution Fundraising Goods and services tax Insurance Interest and bank charges Office Professional fees Property taxes Salary and benefits Subcontract Travel	1,147 10,226 2,162 184 3,478 - 1,538 59,250 1,790 1,147 4,211 52 6,174 12,804 797 119,958 17,454 4,826	240 5,376 1,393 637 2,409 200 3,254 100,000 15,550 1,518 3,018 40 3,220 14,712 672 107,754 20,349 2,265
Total expenses	247,198	282,607
EXCESS OF REVENUE (EXPENSES) FOR THE YEAR	\$ <u>47,789</u>	\$ <u>(490</u> )

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Cash from operations:		
Excess of revenue (expenses) for the year  Item not involving cash for operations - amortization	\$ 47,789 <u>2,162</u>	\$ (490) <u>1,393</u>
Increase (decrease) in non-cash working capital balances related to operations:	49,951	903
Accounts receivable  Prepaid expenses  Accounts payable and accrued liabilities  Deferred revenue	(16,216) (158) (8,499) <u>92,523</u>	675 (1,141) (9,208) (4,182)
Net cash from (used in) operating activities	117,601	(12,953)
INVESTING ACTIVITY - purchase of land and equipment	(12,450)	(6,898)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH FOR THE YEAR	105,151	(19,851)
CASH AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	<u>257,556</u>	277,407
CASH AT END OF THE YEAR	\$ <u>362,707</u>	\$ <u>257,556</u>
CASH REPRESENTED BY: Cash	\$193,211 169,496	\$ 58,556 199,000
	\$ <u>362,707</u>	\$ <u>257,556</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012

#### 1. PURPOSE OF THE TRUST:

The Edmonton and Area Land Trust was incorporated on March 13, 2007 as a non-profit organization under the Alberta Companies Act.

The Edmonton and Area Land Trust is established for the charitable purposes of conserving and protecting Canada's environmental heritage by undertaking activities that conserve the natural ecosystems and cultural heritage landscapes in the lands comprising the City of Edmonton and the several counties that directly border on the City which activities shall focus on maintaining the bio-diversity and ecological integrity of those lands for the public benefit.

The Edmonton and Area Land Trust is exempt from income taxes under the Income Tax Act as a registered charitable organization.

#### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. The significant accounting policies are as follows:

#### Revenue recognition:

The Trust follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Amounts received from grants and donations which must be expended for specific purposes are recognized as revenue to the extent of the related expenses incurred. Unexpended funds are deferred to subsequent years and are either expended or refunded at that time.

#### Donated services:

The work of the Trust is dependent on the voluntary service of many individuals. Since these services are not normally purchased by the Trust and because of the difficulty of determining their fair value donated services are not recognized in these financial statements.

#### Term deposits:

Term deposits bear interest at rates of 1.2% to 1.25% per annum. Term deposits are stated at cost. Term deposits in the amount of \$119,000 have been designated to fund potential future costs of stewarding ecologically valuable land.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012

#### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):

#### Ecologically valuable land:

Ecologically valuable land that has been donated is stated at fair market value at the time of the donation. Ecologically valuable land that has been purchased is stated at cost. Ecologically valuable land cannot be sold.

#### Equipment:

Equipment is stated at cost. Amortization is provided using the declining-balance method at the following annual rates:

Computer	55%
Fencing	20%
Furniture and equipment	20%
Website	7%

#### Financial instruments:

The Land Trust initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value.

The Land Trust subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost.

The Land Trust's financial instruments measured at amortized cost consists of cash, term deposits, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. The amount of the write-down is recognized in excess of revenue for the year. Any previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, directly or by adjusting the allowance account, provided it is no greater than the amount of impairment recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in excess of revenue for the year.

#### Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents consist of balances with banks and short-term investments that can be converted readily to cash.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012

### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):

#### Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates are reviewed annually and adjustments are made to excess of revenue for the year as appropriate in the year they become known.

#### 3. EQUIPMENT:

The major categories of equipment and related accumulated amortization are as follows:

		Accumulated	Net Bo	ok Value
	Cost	<u>Amortization</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Computer		\$3,398	\$ 287	\$ 637
Fencing	12,450	1,245	11,205	-
Furniture and equipment	258	163	95	119
Website	<u>10,000</u>	<u>2,781</u>	7,219	<u>7,762</u>
Total	\$ <u>26,393</u>	\$ <u>7,587</u>	\$ <u>18,806</u>	\$ <u>8,518</u>

#### 4. DEFERRED REVENUE:

Deferred revenue consists of the following:

	Operations	Capital	2012 Total	2011 <u>Total</u>
Balance at beginning of the year	\$ -	\$ 8,255	8,255	\$12,437
Grants received	184,098	14,800	198,898	1,000
Expenses incurred	(104,316)	(2,059)	<u>(106,375</u> )	(5,182)
Balance at end of the year	\$ <u>79,782</u>	\$ <u>20,996</u>	<u> 100,778</u>	\$ <u>8,255</u>

Deferred revenue - capital is recognized as revenue on the same basis as the related equipment is amortized.

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#### 5. EXTERNALLY RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS:

The Edmonton and Area Land Trust is to be supported by income from endowment funds held by the Edmonton Community Foundation. The establishment of the endowment funds provides for the Edmonton Community Foundation to invest and administer the funds contributed on behalf of the Edmonton and Area Land Trust. The Edmonton and Area Land Trust may receive payment annually of the net income from the endowment fund to support its mission. The Edmonton Community Foundation holds three endowment funds as follows:

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Conservation Fund
Balance at December 31, 2011.	\$2,791,993	\$17,179	\$ 99,825
Endowment fund donations		-	8,900
Investment gains	250,915	1,578	9,301
Grants provided	(97,720)	-	(3,494)
Fund expenses	(35,846)	(225)	<u>(1,349</u> )
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$ <u>2,909,342</u>	\$ <u>18,532</u>	\$ <u>113,183</u>

#### 6. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS:

The Land Trust is exposed to risk on certain financial instruments as follows:

#### Market risk:

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk is comprised of three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. The Land Trust is mainly exposed to interest rate risk.

#### Interest rate risk:

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Land Trust is exposed to interest rate risk on term deposits. The fixed-rate instruments subject the Land Trust to a fair value risk.

# 7. ADOPTION OF CANADIAN ACCOUNTING STANDARDS FOR NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS:

The Edmonton and Area Land Trust has chosen to adopt the Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations effective January 1, 2011. The adoption of these standards does not result in any changes to the prior year's figures.