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Highlights of SIPA's First 10 Years

- 1996 Committee organized and SIPA became a reality. We submitted an application under the innovation fund for sustainable agriculture program for education. Meeting and presentations with Highways minister
- 1997 Need for a written funded irrigation policy, met with Minister in charge of Sask Water, submitted application under the innovation fund for sustainable agriculture program for education. Meeting with new minister in charge of SWC, signed communications agreement with SWC
- 1998 Signed memorandum of understanding for management of SCIDC, Tour & Meeting with Federal Minister of Agriculture, meeting regarding integrated water management strategy, PAWBED meeting, meeting with Sask Water minister, reviewed 10 yr irrigation funded plan proposed, SIDC Strategic planning workshop
- 1999 Irrigation Act review, meeting with Sask Water Minister, Milk River Basin workshop, discussions re municipal assessment
- 2000 CWRA address promoting irrigation diversification and value added opportunities Sask Water Minister meeting, tour of irrigation projects with President of SWC
- 2001 Communications package including website, attended meridian dam meetings, participated in re-inventing agriculture conference, irrigation strategy workshops, Private irrigators as voting members
- 2002 Meeting with Minister of Agriculture, irrigation transferred to SAFRR, meridian dam meetings, website, news releases, and Crop insurance petition.
- 2003 SAFRR Minister and assistant deputy minister meetings, UMA national water strategy conference, meeting SSGA re power infrastructure, Agrivision conference participation, irrigation development questionnaire, meeting with crop insurance, appointment to SWA advisory board.
- 2004 Strategic planning sessions, changes to irrigation Act, 1006, SWA meeting – prov. Advisory, planning committees, management of Lake Dief, CANCID conference, Organized workshops re info for 50 year water strategy, submission IJC, CSWSEP applications

2005 CSWSEP applications re education & promotions & irrigation studies, irrigation alley at crop production show, meeting with SAFRR minister, hosted minister b-que, response to Saskatchewan Water conservation plan, website design & promotional materials, set up new governing body, participate in water forum - green strategy

Annual Conferences

1. 1996 Nov 18 -19 MJ Organizational mtg with Harvey Fjeld, Laurie Tollefson, Stan Klassen Speaking
2. 1997 Dec 1-2 MJ Irrigation makes Sk Grow: discussion on development of Irrigation over next 5 – 10 yrs, Lee Bellows, supper mtg with Hon. M. Sonntag, Kevin Hursh
3. 1998 Nov 30 Dec 1 M J Reception, Kevin Hursh, discussion on irrigation development, 99 -2000 SIPA activities, Bill Vavre - admin required by district under irrigation act
4. 1999 Nov 29 /30 S C Stan Klassen AIPA, Hon. Maynard Sonntag Chairperson for SWC, SAMA, municipal assessment, Bill Vavre irrigation act revisions, Crop insurance, Kevin Hursh
- 5.2000 Dec 4 5 SC Why aren't we feeding more cattle in SK –Red Williams, Bill Brown, Leighton Kolk, Marsh Cannon, Irrigation Act, Kevin Hursh
6. 2001 Dec 3-4 SC Irrigation website, Why isn't Irrigation Development part of Rural Revitalization in Sk? Rick Swenson, Gerry Gross, James Harvey, Crown lands, Alex Banga, Claire Kirklland. Bob Wetlaufer, Gord Nystuen, Kevin Hursh
- 7.2002 Dec 2 -3 Outlook Infrastructure: SK Hot Potatoe Al Schultz, Brad Wildeman, Gordon Kent, Kelvin Bagshaw, Bob Wettlaufer, Mary Ellen Carlson, Highways, Sk Power, Kevin Hursh SK Power resolution
- 8.2003 Dec 1 –2 Outlook Irrigation 2020 Carl Negggers, Scott Wright, Doug Smallwood Manitoba, Dave Hill AIPA, Roger Pederson, SW Irrigation Dan Runcie, PFRA, Doug Ball Westside
9. 2004 Dec 6 7 SC 50 yr plan Graham Parson, Hon. Mr. Clay Serby, ITC W Dybvig, Dave Hill, CSWSEP, Grant Pederson, Doug Ball, Irrigation Act
10. 2005 Dec 5 -6 SC Water Conservation and Water Development, Dave Hill, Red Williams, Kevin Hursh, Dale Hjertaas, CSWSEP, 10 year report card and the next 10 years