

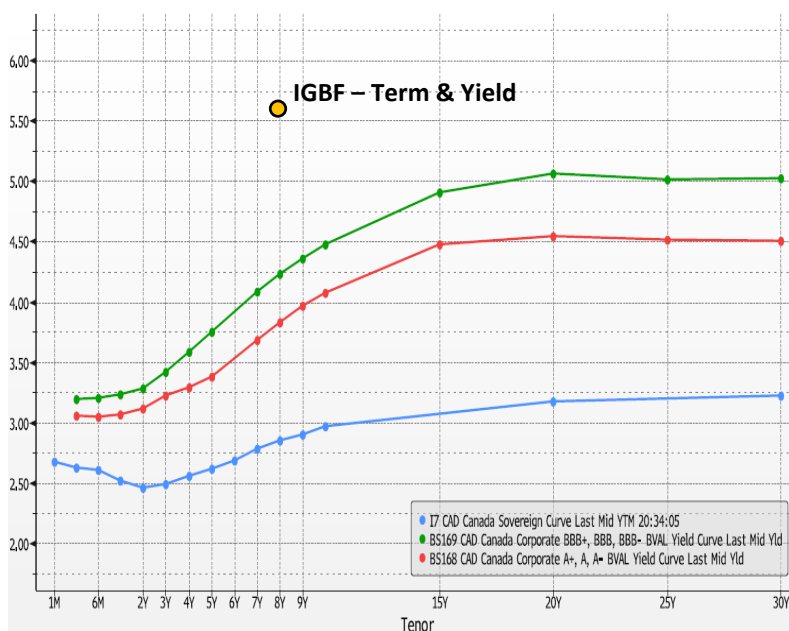
## RIDGEWOOD CANADIAN INVESTMENT GRADE BOND FUND

Fund Code: MWM900

### Bond Market Outlook

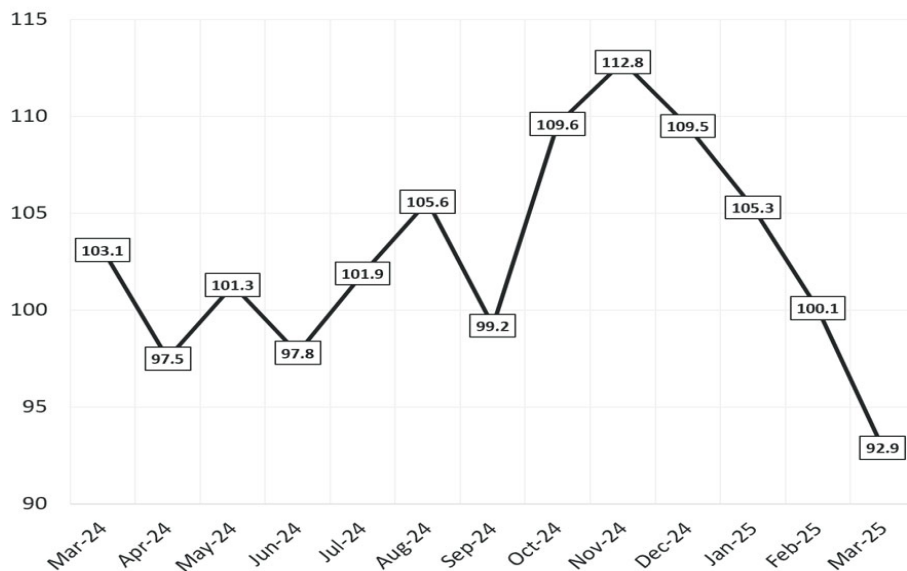
- The Canadian bond market declined .28% in March as investors took profits after a strong start to 2025
- The Bank of Canada cut the overnight lending rate by 25 basis points to 2.75% amid declining growth and inflation.
- Further unknowns await the fallout from the recent tariff announcements which should drive investors into bonds versus equities.
- Consumer confidence is at a one year low. Growth and employment concerns are the main drivers behind the decline.

### Canadian Yield Curves <sup>1</sup>



Source: Bloomberg

### Conference Board Consumer Confidence



NAV: \$14.18

Current Yield = 5.20%

Portfolio YTM = 5.68%

Term = 7.39 years

Leverage = 34%

## Portfolio Update

- The fund added 2 new issues in March. Transalta Utilities 5.625% 2032 and BCE 5.625% 2030.
- We took profits on longer term Ontario bonds to facilitate the trade.

### NAV Performance (net of fees) <sup>1</sup>

	IGBF	FTSE Universe	Value Added
One Month	-0.8%	-0.3%	-0.5%
YTD 2025	2.3%	2.0%	0.3%
2024	14.6%	4.2%	10.4%
2023	7.0%	6.7%	0.3%
10 yr to Dec 2024	5.1%	2.0%	3.1%

## Long Term NAV Performance

Annual to Dec 31	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
RIB Fund, Net Performance	15.3	-1.6	18.8	9.0	15.1	3.0	5.5	8.8	2.2	14.3	12.0	2.4	-15.2	7.0	14.6
FTSE TMX Canada Universe Index	6.7	9.7	3.6	-1.2	8.8	3.5	1.7	2.5	1.4	6.9	8.7	-2.5	-11.7	6.7	4.2
Value-Added	6.5	-8.7	15.3	10.2	6.3	-0.4	3.8	6.3	0.8	7.4	3.3	4.9	-3.5	0.3	10.3

Annualized to Dec 31	15 yrs	14 yrs	13 yrs	12 yrs	11 yrs	10 yrs	9 yrs	8 yrs	7yrs	6yrs	5 yrs	4 yrs	3 yrs	2 yrs	1 yr
RIB Fund, Net Performance	7.1	6.5	7.2	6.2	6.0	5.1	5.4	5.3	4.8	5.3	3.6	1.6	1.3	10.7	14.6
FTSE TMX Canada Universe Index	3.1	2.9	2.4	2.3	2.6	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.8	0.8	-1.1	-0.6	5.4	4.2
Value-Added	3.9	3.6	4.8	4.0	3.4	3.1	3.5	3.5	3.1	3.5	2.8	2.7	1.9	5.3	10.3

## Fund Portfolio Snapshot as at Feb 28, 2025

DBRS Credit Rating	%	Top 10 Holdings	%	Sectors	%
A	9.11	CAN 2.75% 2055	4.85	Banks	29.87
A H	1.44	TD 5.909% 2030/85	4.37	CMBS	15.98
A L	14.11	SAGICOR FINCL 6.359% 2029	3.69	Energy	5.95
AA	5.83	TRANSALTA 7.30% 2029	3.25	Government of Canada	6.47
AA H	3.04	IA FINANCIAL 6.921% 2029/84	3.24	Industrials	0.89
AAA	4.85	REALT 2024-RONA B	3.03	Insurance	14.59
BBB	19.81	MCAP COMM 4.816	2.99	REIT	2.44
BBB H	11.65	PEMBINA 4.80% 2030/81	2.58	Specialty Finance	4.82
BBBL	28.54	RY PERP 6.698	2.44	Tech, Media & Telecom	5.85
		REALT 2016-2 D	2.33	Transport Operations & Services	0.60
				Utilities	12.54

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## Ridgewood Investment Grade Bond Fund – Conversion to Alternative Mutual Fund

Ridgewood is pleased to advise that we received approval on March 20, 2024 from unitholders to convert the Investment Grade Bond Fund from a closed end fund to an alternative mutual fund; as an alternative mutual fund, we will be using the daily NAV for pricing in the future and will continue to be allowed to use leverage in the fund.

The fund (RIB.UN) has been delisted from the TSX at end of business March 22, 2024. The Investment Grade Bond Fund is available to transact as an alternative mutual fund, using the daily NAV, on Fundserv. The fund code is MWM900.

### Fund Facts

- A unique opportunity for retail investors to access the **investment grade bond** market
- Focus on **Canadian issuers**, with up to 25% in non-Canadian investment grade bonds
- **Actively managed** with prudent use of leverage, up to 35% of the total assets of the fund may be borrowed
- **Attractive monthly distribution** yielding 4.48%<sup>1</sup>
- **Experienced portfolio manager** with over 20 years of fixed income experience, Mark J. Carpani, CFA has been responsible for managing the fund since its inception in 2009

### Ridgewood Capital Asset Management

- Ridgewood was founded in 2008 and manages \$1.90 billion for high net worth individuals and institutional clients
- A top quartile fixed income manager specializing in corporate bonds; fixed income assets represent 83% of total AUM
- The inception date of the Ridgewood Canadian Investment Grade Bond Fund (RIB.UN) was December 18, 2009