

Mackenzie Alternative Enhanced Yield Fund



Series F | Monthly Commentary | February 2025

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

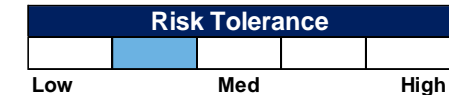
The Mackenzie Alternative Enhanced Yield Fund seeks to provide a high level of current income and the potential for long-term capital appreciation primarily through positions in yield-oriented fixed-income and equity securities of issuers anywhere in the world. With access to a full spectrum of asset classes, and a conservative approach to employing leverage, the Fund aims to generate a consistently attractive yield over time and aims to offer a stable cash flow through a 7% or greater annualized distribution, calculated and paid monthly. Distributions are intended to be composed primarily of income versus return of capital.

FUND SNAPSHOT

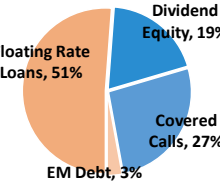
As of 2/28/2025	
Inception	11-Jun-20
	25% global high div. equity
	10% global infrastructure
Benchmark ¹	10% global real estate
	40% global broad mkt bond
	15% global high-yield bond
AUM	\$16,499,762
Management Fee (F/A)	0.75% / 1.85%
MER (F/A)	1.03% / 2.35%
Performance Fee	None
Min. Investment	\$500
Distribution Frequency	Monthly
NAVPU	\$13.01
Last Distribution	\$0.024
Annualized Fixed Distribution	7.0%
Leverage	1.1X
Fund Codes (F/A)	MFC 8095 / MFC 8094

Since Inception Statistics

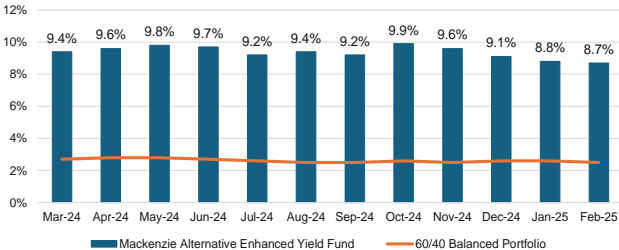
Return	4.6%
Standard Deviation	8.1%
Max Drawdown	-21.2%
Equity Beta	0.45
Equity Correlation	0.72



Asset Allocation



Annualized Gross Yield – MAEY vs. 60/40



Strategy Highlights:

- MAEY (Series F) generated a gross yield of 8.7% and paid an annualized distribution yield of 7.0% in February. The fund was flat, generating a 0.1% total return in a month when many stock markets were negative.
- The S&P 500 slid in February (-1.3%), as a barrage of executive orders from the new Trump administration amplified policy uncertainty and threatened to derail economic growth. Tech-adjacent stocks saw negative returns as earnings prospects weakened for many large-cap stocks amid a mediocre earnings season. On the other hand, defensive sectors yielded solid positive returns as investors positioned for a slowdown.
- Treasuries rallied in February — the 10-year yield fell from 4.5% to 4.2% — outperforming most other global government bonds. Weakish economic data combined with fears that government job cuts and tariff-related uncertainty could weigh on growth, contributed to the rally.
- While equities were down in February, the fund's dividend-paying portfolio was up. Although the S&P500 exposure was down, our covered calls on the SPY generated positive cash flow and will likely expire out of the money. Our floating rate loans position gained modestly and continued to deliver an attractive yield of 9.5%. The portfolio is running at a leverage ratio of 1.1x and is maintaining a gross yield of just under 9%.

Current Gross Yield Breakdown Table		Asset Class Yield ²	Cont. to MAEY Gross Yield ³	Cont. to Benchmark Yield	Cont. to 60/40 Global Bal. Portfolio Yield ⁴	Gross Yield Breakdown Chart	
	U.S. Bank Loans	9.5%	4.8%				
	Dividend Equity	5.9%	1.1%				
	S&P 500 + Covered Calls	9.4% ⁵	2.5%				
	EM Local-Currency Government Debt	5.6%	0.2%				
	High-Dividend Canadian Equity	4.0%	0.0%				
	Global High Dividend Equity	3.5%		0.9%			
	Global Infrastructure	3.8%		0.4%			
	Global Real Estate	3.9%		0.4%			
	Global High Yield	7.4%		1.1%			
	Global Investment Grade Bond	3.8%		1.5%	1.5%		
	Global Equity	1.7%			1.0%		
Total			8.7%	4.3%	2.5%		

1. Benchmark: 25% MSCI World High Dividend Yield + 10% MSCI World Infrastructure + 10% FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed REIT + 40% ICE BofA Global Broad Market (Hedged to CAD) + 15% ICE BofA Global High Yield (Hedged to CAD)

2. Yield is calculated based on month-end average yield to maturity for fixed income investments and indices and current dividend yield for equity investments and indices

3. Gross yield accounts for the effects of leverage including the cost of borrowing. This calculation is gross of the MER.

4. 60/40 Global Balanced Portfolio refers to 60% MSCI World Index and 40% ICE BofA Global Broad Market (Hedged to CAD) Index

5. The yield on the S&P 500 + Covered Call strategy is calculated by annualizing the trailing 12 months of option premiums received, converting them into CAD per the exchange rate as of last month's end, dividing those by the average CAD amount invested in the underlying SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust over the last 12 months, and adding the trailing twelve-month dividend yield of the S&P 500.

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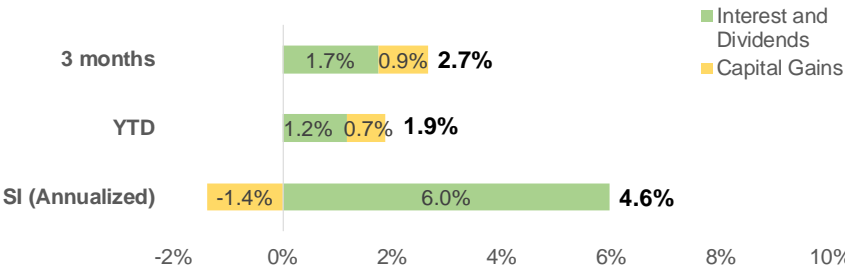
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Performance Data – Series F

Monthly Performance Net of Fees (Series F)														
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	SI
2025	1.8%	0.1%											1.9%	4.6%
2024	1.6%	1.2%	1.7%	-0.9%	1.4%	0.7%	2.0%	-0.5%	1.6%	1.6%	3.3%	0.8%	15.4%	-
2023	6.9%	-2.5%	-2.4%	1.3%	-3.2%	1.4%	1.8%	-0.1%	-1.7%	-1.4%	3.9%	1.7%	5.3%	-
2022	-1.7%	-2.3%	1.1%	-5.6%	0.1%	-6.8%	5.5%	-1.6%	-9.1%	3.5%	3.8%	-3.5%	-16.7%	-
2021	-0.8%	1.3%	1.4%	1.5%	0.3%	2.8%	1.1%	2.2%	-1.4%	1.0%	-0.2%	3.1%	13.0%	-
2020							0.6%	0.5%	-1.5%	-1.9%	7.6%	1.7%	6.9%	-

Total Return Decomposition



Unitholder return consists of interest, dividends, and capital gains. The graphic above shows capital gains in yellow and all other components in green.

Standard Performance Data Net of Fees (Series F)				
	3M	1yr	2yr	SI (06/11/20)
Mackenzie Alternative Enhanced Yield Fund F	2.7%	14.3%	9.0%	4.6%
*Benchmark	2.0%	13.5%	9.8%	5.1%

Source: Morningstar and Mackenzie

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