



News From Our Columbia Region

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Apply now for fish or wildlife grants

We're now [accepting grant applications](#) for projects to conserve, restore and enhance fish and wildlife and their habitats in the Columbia Region. Projects must align with the priority actions outlined in our [Action Plans](#). For more information on our application process including project eligibility and regional priorities and/or requirements, please read our [grant information kit](#). All grant applications are due Friday, October 27, 2017. We're here to help so please contact our Columbia Region Manager, [Crystal Klym](#), if you have questions or wish to discuss your project idea.

UKEEP: year five of five so apply now!

Projects funded in 2018 under the Upper Kootenay Ecosystem Enhancement Plan (UKEEP) mark the fifth year of a five-year agreement between the Columbia Basin Trust and the FWCP. If you have project ideas for the coming year, be sure you submit your application by October 27, 2017. Projects must align with priority actions outlined in the [UKEEP Action Plan](#). Special consideration will be given to those actions that are ranked as priority one. As with the regular FWCP applications, make sure you read our [grant information kit](#).



Photo: Ben Meunier

Toadfest ahead, August 29 and 30

Back to school? No not yet, first its back to Toadfest! This free, fun family event happens on August 29 and 30 at Summit Lake Provincial Park, just south of Nakusp. Come and learn more about Western Toads and see the aquatic insects, amphibians, and reptiles on display. [Read more for times and details](#).



Meadow Creek Spawning Channel Open House, Sept. 9

On Saturday, September 9, 2017, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., you're invited to drop by Meadow Creek Spawning Channel at the north end of Kootenay Lake. View thousands of spawning kokanee, talk to biologists, and learn more about our Kootenay Lake Nutrient Restoration Program. [Read more.](#)



New Public Representative on Board

[Rob Neil](#) has been selected as the new Public Representative on our Columbia Region Board. He is a conservation biologist, having had more than four decades of experience working with fish, wildlife and habitat-related issues. He joins current Public Representatives Rick Morley and Dave White on our [10-member Board](#). Let [us know](#) if you have any Board-related questions.

Read our project reports

We post and share all final project reports so the results and lessons learned are available to everyone. We're updating our [report list](#) often as new reports are finalized. [Contact us](#) if you can't find what you're looking for.

Message from our Columbia Region Manager

Well, it's that time of year again! We're now accepting grant applications for fish and wildlife projects to be delivered in the Columbia Region in 2018-2019. If you have project ideas, or want to just know more about our Seed, Small or Large Grants, then please don't hesitate to [email](#), or call me, Crystal Klym, at 250-365-4591.



The FWCP is a partnership between BC Hydro, the Province of B.C., Fisheries and Oceans Canada, First Nations and Public Stakeholders to conserve and enhance fish & wildlife impacted by BC Hydro dams.

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