



News from our Columbia Region April 2019

Columbia Region approves 38 projects for 2019 - 2020

Our Columbia Region Board approved approximately \$5.8 million for 38 projects. The 10 fish and 28 wildlife projects will be delivered by First Nations, agencies, stewardship groups, consultants and others. Together the projects will help build the science-based understanding of species, improve and restore spawning, riparian, grassland and upland habitats, monitor populations, conserve wildlife corridors, assess amphibians, restore wetlands, secure lands for conservation and fill gaps in science and understanding. The projects will benefit Bull Trout, Kokanee, sturgeon, elk, caribou, birds, amphibians, bats and more. [Read our 2019 - 2020 Columbia Region project list](#). Visit our interactive [project map](#).



\$9.2 million approved for 97 projects in our three regions

Ninety-seven projects are being funded this year by the FWCP to conserve and enhance fish & wildlife in watersheds impacted by BC Hydro dams. The hands-on species and habitat-based projects, along with research and monitoring projects approved for funding, will be delivered across the FWCP's [Coastal](#), [Columbia](#) and [Peace](#) regions. The projects are being delivered through grants, long-term partnerships and contracts. [Learn more at fwcp.ca](#)



Evaluation & audit: Take the survey by Friday April 19

Take part in the [evaluation & audit](#). Complete the [online survey](#) by Friday, April

19. The independent, third-party evaluation & audit is required by our Governance Manual and is being implemented by [FERENCE and Co.](#)



Wanted: new public representative, apply by April 26

We're accepting applications for a new public representative on our Columbia Region. Interested candidates will need to bring a regional perspective to the table, represent a broad range of public interests, and make a three-year commitment. All applications must be submitted by Friday, April 26, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. [Read more.](#)



Help update our Action Plans: give us your feedback

We've prepared draft priority actions and want your feedback. Comment on the proposed updates to our Columbia Region Action Plans by attending an afternoon workshop, evening open house, online discussion, or submit our online feedback form by May 3, 2019. [Read more.](#) We're half-way through 16 in-person discussions. Join us at one of the remaining sessions:

Castlegar	Wednesday April 17	Castlegar Forum
Kaslo	Thursday April 18	St Andrew's Church Hall
Fernie	Wednesday April 24	Best Western
Cranbrook	Thursday April 25	Prestige Hotel
Online session	Tuesday April 30 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. PDT / 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. MDT	

All afternoon workshops start at 1 p.m. and adjourn by 4:30 p.m. Doors open at 12:30 and a light lunch will be provided. RSVP to fwcp@bchydro.com. Evening open houses are at the same locations, from 5.30 to 7.00 p.m. with a presentation at 6.00 p.m. Please share this information.

Join the discussion

Columbia Region Action Plan update

Come to a technical workshop or evening open house

Join an online info session or submit a feedback form

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Turtle Day in Cranbrook on May 2

This year, the Rocky Mountain Naturalists, with support from the FWCP, are organizing Turtle Day. The event is on May 2, between 2.00 and 5.00 p.m. at Elizabeth Lake. It's a great opportunity to learn about the turtle's life-cycle, talk to biologists, and see some hatchlings just hours out of their nests. Check out the Rocky Mountain Naturalist's [website](#) closer to the date for more information



Read our reports and results

Final reports for FWCP projects are on provincial databases. Use our searchable report lists to find final reports. If you can't find what you're looking for, [contact us](#). Check out our [results page](#).

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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 and wildlife in watersheds impacted by BC Hydro dams.

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