



Provincially Blue-listed (vulnerable) bull trout is a focal species in our Columbia Region. Priority actions eligible for FWCP funding are outlined in our [habitat-based](#) and species-based [action plans](#). Photo: ML Haring

Apply now: grants available for fish and wildlife projects

Our annual grant intake is now open, and we're looking for projects to help conserve and enhance fish and wildlife in our Columbia Region. Projects eligible for a grant must align with priority actions in our Columbia Region's [action plans](#) at [fwcp.ca](#). Read our [information kit](#) and [regional grant guidance](#). Apply by 5 p.m. PT / 6 p.m. MT on Friday, October 29.

Join First Nations, non-government organizations, stewardship groups, agencies, academic institutions, consultants, and others who have used FWCP grants to do important projects that benefit the region's ecosystems, its diverse and at-risk species, and its vital habitats. This year our Columbia Region board approved ~\$5.7 million for 11 fish and 32 wildlife projects. Check out our [2021-2022 project list](#).

Columbia Region priorities

Our Columbia Region board has identified priorities this year and is encouraging grant applications that:

- Consider ecosystem and climate resilience
- Identify, maintain, and restore old-growth stands or ecosystems
- Explore the feasibility of on-the-ground fish and stream restoration
- Focus on the [North Columbia sub-region](#), which is bordered by Revelstoke and Golden in the south and Valemount in the north. See our Columbia Region [guidance](#) document for more information

Early engagement with First Nations

We are encouraging early engagement with First Nations. Your initial contact with First Nations must be

Resources for grant applicants

- Start your grant application [here](#)
- [Information kit](#) for all FWCP grant applicants
- Columbia Region [guidance](#) for grant applicants
- Columbia Region [action plans](#)
- Columbia Region [2021-2022 project list](#)
- Searchable excel report list on our [results page](#)
- [Contact](#) the FWCP Columbia Region manager



Learn more about our grants! Join an information session

Find out what grants we offer and how to align your project idea with our regional action plans. Talk with our Coastal, Columbia, and Peace region managers and meet our program manager. Get answers to your questions and tips on developing your grant application.

Overview of our grants and action plans

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

1-2:30 p.m. PT / 2-3:30 p.m. MT

[Register now](#)



Contact me if you have questions about applying

“The projects we fund through our annual grant intake are integral to conserving and enhancing fish and wildlife in our Columbia Region,” says Crystal Klym, the FWCP’s Columbia Region manager. “We hope grant applicants will develop projects that align with our action plans and the priorities set by our board this year. I’m here to answer any questions.” [Contact](#) Crystal.



Coexisting with grizzly bears: watch the videos!

It’s bear season and we’re funding a [project](#) to promote coexistence between grizzlies and humans. Watch a bear safety video and a recording of a bear safety workshop in Nelson led by Sanders Environmental Services.

- [Staying Safe in Bear Country, Safety in Bear Country Society](#)
- [Recording of June 2021 workshop, Nelson Rod & Gun Club](#)



Elk habitat restoration project near Golden

The Golden and District Rod & Gun Club’s elk habitat restoration project in Kicking Horse Canyon is underway with FWCP funding. Watch the video to learn more about the project.

- [Vacation Creek Elk Habitat Restoration Project](#)



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COMPENSATION PROGRAM

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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