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COASTAL REGION GRANT REQUIREMENTS & GUIDANCE

The FWCP funds projects in its Coastal, Columbia and Peace Regions that align with its regional Action Plans. Requirements and guidance for grant applicants vary by region. This document outlines the requirements and guidance for all Coastal Region grant applicants.

Contact us anytime to discuss your grant application

If you have any questions about your grant application for a proposed project, our Action Plans or regional requirements and guidance, please contact a regional manager. If you aren't sure who to talk to, contact our Business Coordinator, Lorraine Ens, at lorraine.ens@bchydro.com or 604-528-8136.

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Review our Coastal Region Action Plans

Action Plans for the 14 watersheds that make up our Coastal Region are [online](#). These Action Plans identify our conservation priorities and actions eligible for an FWCP grant.

2019 Coastal Region priorities

The Coastal Region Board is interested in funding priority actions in each of the 14 watersheds that make up our Coastal Region, especially actions identified as priority #1.

Follow the fish passage framework

If you are applying for a grant to evaluate opportunities to improve fish passage and restore fish production above BC Hydro facilities, you are required to work through the [Fish Passage Decision Framework](#). Grant applicants are encouraged to contact BC Hydro at Katy.Jay@bchydro.com for support in working through the [Fish Passage Decision Framework](#).

NEW Follow our Campbell River Gravel Restoration Strategy

The main stem Campbell River is important for spawning Chinook Salmon. In 2018, the FWCP funded a multi-stakeholder process to develop a strategy for salmon spawning habitat enhancement and monitoring in the Lower Campbell River. The [Campbell River Gravel Strategy](#) identifies priority spawning sites for restoration.

If you are proposing a project for gravel monitoring (priority action #23), or salmon spawning habitat restoration (priority action #13), in the Lower Campbell River it must align with this [strategy](#). [Contact our Coastal Region Manager](#) for more information.

NEW Research and information projects must inform conservation actions

The Coastal Region Board wants to strengthen the link between research and information gathering projects and the FWCP's conservation and sustainable use objectives:

Conservation:	Maintain productive and diverse ecosystems Maintain or improve the status of species of interest
Sustainable Use:	Maintain or improve opportunities for sustainable use

Grant applications that are forward looking and clearly demonstrate how results from the proposed research and information gathering project will benefit future conservation actions, or inform decisions to conserve and enhance the watershed, will receive a more favourable evaluation by reviewers than grant applications that do not.

Grant applications must describe how the proposed project will address data gaps to better understand limiting factors, inform a decision leading to a conservation action, or address a specific land use or recovery plan.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to correlate how the work will benefit fish, wildlife or ecosystems in the watershed. For example, proposals for inventories or assessments of a species of interest should:

1. correlate the data collected to a clearly identified resource management objective or conservation action (e.g. land use plan, recovery plan etc.);
2. describe how the data addresses knowledge gaps identified in 1) above; and
3. describe how the proposed project will inform next steps to improve, or clarify a management objective.

The grant application should confirm (via a support letter from the appropriate resource manager), that there is a need for and an interest in, the proposed research and in using the results to further conservation efforts.

NEW Review relevant projects reports and outcomes

Before developing your grant application, review our project report list for relevant work already completed. If there is a relevant project report, consider how, or if the work you propose in your grant application will build on past work. The FWCP has posted more than 500 final reports on provincial databases, making our project results and data available to anyone. A searchable spreadsheet for all Coastal Region final project reports is available at <http://fwcp.ca/results/>.

Contact us if you are proposing a project near select reservoirs

If you are proposing a project in the Ash, Campbell, Jordan, or Puntledge River watersheds, you **MUST** contact our Coastal Region Manager, Julie Fournier, at julie.fournier@bchydro.com or 604-528-7998, prior to submitting your grant application. There are large private land holdings in each of these watersheds, and as a result there is an additional project screening process.

Submit letters of support for Large Grants

Mandatory letters of support are required for all Large Grant applications (i.e., projects with a total cost of more than \$20,000). A letter of support is required from:

1. a government agency;
2. a First Nation; and
3. a stakeholder/community group.

Letters of support for seed or small grants are optional and may be used to strengthen your grant application.

Projects must be within our Coastal Region watersheds

We fund projects to be delivered within the boundaries of the [14 watersheds](#) that make up our Coastal Region.