



PEACE REGION NEWS

August 2020

Grants available for fish and wildlife projects

We're now accepting grant applications for fish and wildlife projects that align with our updated 2020 Peace Region action plans. All grant applicants in our Peace Region must submit a [notice of intent](#) (NOI) by Friday, September 11, 5 p.m. PDT. The NOI helps inform First Nations about your proposed project and allows our Peace Region manager to provide you with additional guidance before submitting your grant application. Grant applications are due by 5 p.m. (PDT) on Friday, October 30, 2020.

[Learn more](#). Read our [info kit](#), [funding FAQs](#), and [regional guidance](#) for grant applicants. [Contact](#) our Peace Region manager anytime to discuss your grant application.

Join us online:

Notice of Intent info session

Thurs. Aug. 20, 11 a.m. to noon PDT

Grant info session

Thurs. Oct. 1, 1 to 2.30 p.m. PDT

RSVP to fwcp@bchydro.com to register.



This year, we completed funding a four-year lake trout project to better understand their life history and how they interact with bull trout. [Read more](#). Photo: Diversified Environmental Services

Final updated Peace Region action plans now available

Updated 2020 [Peace Region action plans](#) are now available. The ecosystem-based action plans have been updated to reflect emerging issues and ecological priorities. The action plans define priority actions eligible for funding to help conserve and enhance priority species, upland areas, wetland and riparian areas,

as well as rivers, lakes, and reservoirs. A new cross-ecosystem action plan includes several broad actions that apply to more than one ecosystem. A new overview document provides important context for our work in the region and serves as a guide to our action plans. Read our updated [Peace Region action plans](#) before submitting your grant application in fall 2020.

Thanks to everyone who joined an online workshop, completed a feedback form, participated in an interview or conference call, and contributed their knowledge and time to help update our action plans.



Our updated 2020 Peace Region action plans have been approved by our regional board and are now [available](#).

Implementing evaluation and audit recommendations

Our team is working to implement recommendations from our third-party evaluation and financial audit required by our Governance Manual. The recommendations, finalized in late 2019, will help us refine, support, and strengthen our approach to conserving and enhancing fish and wildlife in watersheds impacted by BC Hydro dams. Read about our progress to implement audit recommendations, and review the auditor's summary and final [reports](#).



More information about the evaluation and audit can be found on [our website](#).

Join our team: we're looking for a new manager

Trevor Oussoren is transitioning to a new role within BC Hydro, so we're looking for a new manager! The ideal candidate is a proven leader in the areas of relationship building, program management, development and implementation of collaborative agreements, opportunities, and action plans. [Follow the link](#) for more information. Apply by August 26, 2020. We can't wait to meet you!

Toadfest hops online: you're invited!

Our Columbia Region's Toadfest is hopping online and you're invited! Get an update on work to help western toads, check out some cool new videos and photos, and talk to our biologists. There will be two one-hour sessions via Zoom: one for kids on August 26, and one for adults on August 27, both starting at 12.30

p.m. PDT. [Read more](#) or register at fwcp@bchydro.com.



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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