

Update from the FWCP's Columbia Region

May 2015 fwcp.ca

FWCP-Columbia 2015-16 Projects Announced

The FWCP-Columbia Region Board approved more than \$5.6 million in local fish and wildlife projects in 2015-16. In total, 53 projects will be delivered across the region including 11 projects in the Upper Kootenay River watershed as part of the Upper Kootenay Ecosystem Enhancement Plan (UKEEP), which is funded by Columbia Basin Trust and delivered by the FWCP. Read more and see the full list of projects in the 2015-2016 Project Summary.



Funding Conservation Projects Across B.C.

Across it three regions - Coastal, Columbia and Peace - the FWCP will support 124 fish and wildlife conservation projects this year for a total investment of approximately \$8.9 million in 2015-16. See Investment Map.

We Couldn't Do it Without You. Thanks Partners!

More than 151 grant applications were received and 98 - or 65% of all grant applications - were approved for 2015 funding by the FWCP's regional boards. These projects will be led by First Nations, stewardship groups, agencies and consultants with financial support from the FWCP. Thanks to all of our past and present partners.

Sturgeon Releases This Week!

Everyone is invited to learn about, and release their own, White Sturgeon at the following events organized by the FWCP:

- May 5, Trail (Gyro Park), 3 to 5:30pm
- May 6, Creston (Old Ferry Landing), 2 to 4 pm
- May 7, Revelstoke (Shelter Bay Prov. Park), 11:30am to 1:30pm.

For more information, email or call 250-352-1300





Turtle Day Next Week, May 12

Drop by Elizabeth Lake, Cranbrook, on Tuesday May 12, between 3:00 and 5:00pm to get up close and personal with these incredible creatures. Read more. Also check out Shell-e-brate, May 29/30, happening at the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area.

Contacting the New FWCP-Columbia Manager

Crystal Klym started her new role as FWCP-Columbia Manager at the end February. She can be reached <u>via email</u> or calling 250-365-4591.





Meet the Board, Wednesday May 6

Have questions for the FWCP-Columbia Board? Ask them in person on Wednesday May 6, between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. at the Kaslo Hotel. If you can't be there in person, email us.

FWCP-Columbia Quick Facts

- FWCP funding (from BC Hydro) for fish and wildlife in the Columbia Basin has been in place since 1995 and is indexed for inflation each year.
- This year FWCP-Columbia will be investing approximately \$5.6 million on fish and wildlife projects in the region.
- In 2013, the FWCP entered into a long-term agreement with the Province of B.C. to deliver specific fish and wildlife projects across the Columbia Region. These projects are delivered with support from local biologists and include the Nutrient Restoration Program and operation of Hill Creek and Meadow Creek Spawning Channels.
- FWCP reports and data are available online at fwcp.ca

Join Our Mailing List!

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 impacted by BC Hydro dams.

Visit fwcp.ca

Copyright © 2015. All Rights Reserved.

