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Grant Deadline Ahead

Remember to submit your online grant application by 5:00 p.m., Friday, October 28, 2016. We offer seed grants to help get project ideas started, small grants for projects under \$20,000, and large grants for projects valued at more than \$20,000. Projects must align with our Columbia Action Plans (see our [Grant Application Information Kit](#)).

Our Columbia Region Board has also identified three regional priorities: stream habitat restoration and enhancement; riparian and wetland restoration and conservation; and fish and wildlife work in the North Columbia.

Don't forget we've made it easy for you to copy from your last grant application. Ask us to copy in the "Notes/ Questions" tab once you have started an application, and refer to the "Help" tab.



White Nose Syndrome Action Plan

Bat experts from across B.C. recently came together in Chase to draft an Action Plan in Response to the Threat of White Nose Syndrome. They volunteered their time, stayed in donated accommodation, and undertook their brainstorming work with funding help from our [Community Engagement Grant](#). Once completed, the Plan will be on the [BC Bats website](#).



Thank You Joe!

After more than two decades Joe Nicholas is stepping down as the Ktunaxa Nation Council (KNC) representative on our Columbia Board.

Thank you Joe for all the support you have given to us over the years and, more importantly, the help that you've given to fish and wildlife. We look forward to working with the new KNC representative, Nevada Nicholas.

Help Fish and Have Fun in Fernie! October 19th

The Elk River Alliance is offering a great opportunity to help the environment near Fernie. The Lizard Creek Enhancement Project will help stabilize the stream bank, reduce future erosion, improve fish habitat, and help threatened Westslope Cutthroat Trout and Bull Trout. And they are looking for your help to join in the fun work! Volunteers have already collected cuttings that are now ready for planting. [Read the details](#). The event is supported by our [Community Engagement Grant](#).



Kootenay Lake Summit, October 22

There are only a few seats left at the upcoming 4th Annual Kootenay Lake Summit at the Yashodara Ashram near Crawford Bay. The free event will include guest speakers and workshops covering local ecology and sustainable management of Kootenay Lake. Last year the Summit was full, so act now! For more information contact [Avery Deboer-Smith](#) or visit the [Friends of Kootenay Lake Society website](#). The Summit is supported by our [Community Engagement Grant](#).



See Our FWCP Project Reports

We have recently loaded more FWCP-funded project reports on the Ministry of Environment databases (Ecocat and SPI). These include the latest from the Hoodoo Ecosystem Restoration Project, Habitat restoration on the Akisqnuq First Nation, and Phase I of the Deer Creek Drawdown Zone Fish Habitat Enhancement, among many others. Check out links to project reports on our website at fwcp.ca.



Manager's Note

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who joined us in Nakusp on September 28. It was great to see the large turnout and we appreciate you sharing your thoughts with us. Similar "Meet the Board" sessions have been held in Kaslo and Revelstoke - we may be in your community soon, stay tuned! Also, a reminder that it is grant application time. I am available by



[email](#) or phone (250-365-4591) if you have any questions or wish to discuss your project idea.
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