



# News from our Columbia Region October 2018

#### Deadline for grant applications - October 26

Fall is upon us and the deadline for submitting your online grant application is just a couple weeks away. If you're interested is submitting a grant for a fish or wildlife project that aligns with one of our Columbia Region <u>Action Plans</u>, then <u>read our info kit</u>. Your online application must be received by Friday, October 26, 2018, by 5 p.m., PDT. <u>Read more</u> and <u>contact us</u> if you have any questions.



### **Reminder of Columbia Region priorities**

Looking to receive additional points during the evaluation process? Our Board is encouraging grant applications for proposed projects that result in "on-the-ground" or "in-stream" restoration and enhancement. Priorities for 2019-2020 projects include: stream habitat restoration and enhancement activities; riparian and wetland restoration and conservation activities; and work being implemented in the North Columbia.

## 2.47 hectares of wetland habitat restored near Golden

For the last four years, our Board has identified "on-the-ground" riparian and wetland restoration projects, and projects in the North Columbia, as a priority. The recent restoration of nearly 2.5 hectares of wetland habitat at Spike Elk Farm, near Blaeberry, north of Golden, meets both. <u>Read more.</u>



#### Photos from Toadfest at Summit Lake

Check out <u>some of the photos</u> taken during Toadfest at Summit Lake Provincial Park on August 22 and 23. The toadlets only started moving through the Park less than 24 hours before the event started. While this was later than anticipated, they still emerged in good numbers. More than 500 people attended, learning all about Western Toads and other species in the local area, and helping to carry a total of 10,035 toadlets safely across the highway.



## 136 ha of restoration on the Akisqnuk First Nation Reserve

The FWCP has been supporting the Akisqnuk First Nation to undertake firemaintained ecosystem restoration on the Reserve since 2011. To-date, a total of 136 hectares have been successfully treated and, in <u>2018-2019</u>, the Akisqnuk First Nation once again received FWCP funding to implement further on-the-ground restoration work. <u>Read more.</u>



Message from the Columbia Region Manager, Crystal Klym



Fall greetings! We are well underway with our grant intake this year for projects starting after April 1, 2019. There is lots of help online, but I am here to help, so <u>please email</u>, or phone me at 250-365-4591, to discuss your project idea and grant application. We continue to improve our website and have a new <u>results page</u>, where our Columbia reports list is now located. Please <u>let us know</u> if you cannot find what you are looking for.

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