



News from our Columbia Region March 2019

Join the discussion: help update our Action Plans

The FWCP is seeking input from a broad range of perspectives to help inform updates to our Columbia Region Action Plans.

Our Action Plans guide FWCP investments in fish and wildlife projects and are referenced annually by our regional Boards to track progress toward implementation, set annual priorities and guide decision-making in setting out and approving the Annual Operating Plan for each region. Actions in our Action Plans are eligible for FWCP funding and align with our vision, mission and geographic scope.

Give us your feedback

We have prepared <u>draft priority actions</u> for five ecosystem types:

- 1. reservoirs and large lakes
- 2. small lakes
- 3. wetland and riparian areas
- 4. rivers and riparian areas
- 5. upland and dryland areas

We will be discussing these draft priority actions during our spring 2019 workshops, online information sessions, and evening open houses.

We're hosting <u>eight afternoon technical workshops</u>, <u>eight evening open houses</u>, <u>and two online information sessions</u> to discuss updates to our Columbia Region Action Plans. If you can't join us in person, please share your ideas by completing <u>our online feedback form</u> by May 3, 2019.



Technical workshops

All workshops start at 1 p.m. and adjourn by 4:30 p.m. Doors open at 12:30 and a light lunch will be provided. **RSVP to <u>fwcp@bchydro.com</u>** if you can join us at a technical workshop.

ValemountMonday, April 8Community HallGoldenWednesday, April 10Prestige HotelRevelstokeThursday, April 11Regent HotelNakuspTuesday, April 16Sports ComplexCastlegarWednesday, April 17Castlegar Forum

Kaslo Thursday, April 18 St. Andrews Church Hall

Fernie Wednesday, April 24 Best Western
Cranbrook Thursday, April 25 Prestige Hotel

Evening open houses

After each technical workshop, we're hosting an evening open house from 5:30 to 7 p.m. At 6 p.m. we'll talk about our projects, Action Plans and how you can apply for a grant. Light snacks provided.

Online information sessions

We're hosting two online information sessions:

- 1. Thursday April 4, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. PDT / 10 a.m. to 12 p.m MDT
- 2. Tuesday April 30, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. PDT / 2 p.m. to 4 p.m MDT

RSVP to <u>fwcp@bchydro.com</u> and and let us know which online information session you want to attend. Log-in instructions and a final slide deck will be provided to all confirmed participants.

Online feedback form

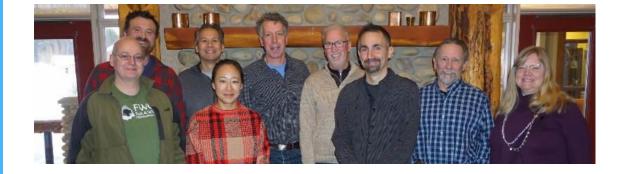
Complete our online feedback by May 3 2019. Online Action Plan Feedback Form



New public representative sought for Columbia Region Board

We're looking for a new public representative to join our Columbia Region Board. Interested candidates will need to bring a regional perspective to the table, represent a broad range of public interests, and make a three-year commitment. All applications must be submitted by Friday, April 26, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. Read more

Special thanks to outgoing public representative Rick Morley (below, second from right) for his commitment and dedication in helping fish and wildlife through the FWCP. Rick joined the Columbia Board in 2012 and has been instrumental in guiding the FWCP as it has evolved and changed over recent years. Thank you!



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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