

## News from our Coastal Region

### August 2019

### Apply now: grants available for fish and wildlife projects

We're now accepting grant applications for fish and wildlife projects in our [Coastal Region](#). We fund research, monitoring, stewardship, land securement and on-the-ground habitat- and species-based projects that align with priorities in our Coastal Region [Action Plans](#).

[Learn more](#) about the projects we fund, how we evaluate grant applications, and how to apply. Read our [information kit](#) for grant applicants. [Start your grant application now](#). All grant applications are due on Friday, October 25, 2019.

### Join our free online grant information session, October 2

New for this year, we're hosting a provincial online information session on Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2019 at 10 a.m. PDT. Learn more about our grants, Action Plans, and how to align your project idea with our priorities. Meet our three Regional Managers and the rest of the FWCP team. RSVP to [fwcp@bchydro.com](mailto:fwcp@bchydro.com).



FWCP Manager, Trevor Oussoren, carried one of two captive-reared [Vancouver Island Marmots](#) up to sub-alpine habitat on Mount Washington for release into the wild in June.

### It's easy to apply for an FWCP grant!

1. Review our Coastal Region [Action Plans](#);
2. Develop a project idea to fulfill an action in any Action Plan(s);
3. Login to our online grant management system at [fwcp.ca/apply-for-funding](http://fwcp.ca/apply-for-funding); and
4. Start your online grant application, and submit by Friday, October 25, 2019 by 5 p.m. PDT.

### Who can apply?

Any group, government agency, First Nation, business, or individual that can meet our mandatory requirements (e.g. WorkSafeBC and commercial general liability insurance) is eligible to receive an FWCP grant. In the past, First Nations, municipal, provincial, or federal agencies, stewardship groups, consultants, and educational institutions have been approved for FWCP grants.



Using heavy equipment, Fraser Valley Watersheds Coalition's restoration work in the Stave River improved spawning and rearing habitat. Photo: N. Cox

### FWCP projects underway now

The FWCP's Coastal Region Board approved \$1.9 million for 33 projects in 2019-2020. Across the province, the FWCP approved approximately \$9.2 million for fish and wildlife projects in alignment with FWCP Action Plans. [Learn more](#) about these FWCP funded projects.

### Northern Spotted Owl update and fundraiser

We hope you enjoyed watching the development of the Northern Spotted Owl chick on our webcam this spring. The [Northern Spotted Owl Breeding Program](#), funded [in part by FWCP](#), had four chicks hatch and successfully fledge this spring - its most to-date. The previous highest number of chicks fledged was two in 2017. It also received one wild-caught juvenile from the Fraser Canyon.

If you're keen on learning more, and supporting the NSO Breeding Program, its summer fundraiser is on August 24 - deadline for tickets is August 15. [Read more](#).



One of the four chicks (right) that fledged at the Northern Spotted Owl Breeding Program this year.

### Community Engagement Grants available

Don't forget that we have funds available through our [Community Engagement Grants](#). If you have an idea, or a project in the works, that will benefit fish and wildlife, especially if it involves volunteers, then [contact us](#). You could be eligible for up to \$1,000.



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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