



News from our Columbia Region August, 2019

Toadfest turns 10: You're invited to the party!

We're celebrating our 10th anniversary of Toadfest this year. The free event is held at Summit Lake Provincial Park near Nakusp on Wednesday, August 21, between 4 and 7 p.m., and on Thursday August 22, between 9-12 p.m. There are lots of interactive displays, kids' activities, cake, and if there are toadlets present, you can help collect and carry them across the road. Read more.



FWCP Columbia grant intake to open August 21

Final updated 2019 Columbia Region Action Plans will be available August 21. More information about our grant intake coming soon.



Meadow Creek Spawning Channel Open House, September 7

On Saturday September 7, The FWCP is co-hosting the annual open house at Meadow Creek Spawning Channel Open House at the north end of Kootenay Lake. Talk to biologists and learn more about spawning Kokanee, the Kootenay Lake

Nutrient Restoration Program, and how to co-exist with Grizzly Bears. Read more.



Wendy Booth joins Columbia Region Board

<u>Wendy Booth</u> has been selected as a new Public Representative on our Columbia Region Board. A resident of the Columbia Valley, Wendy was a director with the Regional District of East Kootenay, with extensive experience in board governance and strategic planning. There are ten seats on our <u>Columbia Region Board</u>: three for public representatives, three for First Nations, and two each for the provincial government, and BC Hydro.



Habitat conserved near Columbia Wetlands

The FWCP provided The Nature Trust of BC \$400,000 towards the purchase of 423 acres to help conserve the Columbia Wetlands near Edgewater, north of Radium Hot Springs. The FWCP is a proud funder of this conservation property that has outstanding habitat and connectivity for Grizzly Bears and American Badgers, winter range for Mule Deer, White-tailed Deer and Moose. Learn more.



The American Badger is one of many species to benefit from the Edgewater property purchase. Photo: R. Klafki

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