



# COASTAL REGION NEWS September 2020

## Fish and wildlife grants available: apply now!

We're now accepting grant applications for fish and wildlife projects that align with our Coastal Region watershed-based <u>action plans</u>. We're encouraging First Nations, stewardship groups, consultants, agencies, and others to apply. <u>Learn more</u>. Grant applications are due by 5 p.m. PDT on Friday, October 30, 2020.

Read our <u>info kit</u>, funding <u>FAQs</u>, and <u>regional guidance</u> for grant applicants. We're here to help. Contact Coastal Region Manager <u>Julie Fournier</u> (604-528-7998) to talk about your grant application.

#### Research projects must inform conservation actions

Our Coastal Region board wants to strengthen the link between research projects and our conservation and sustainable use objectives. Read more. Grant applications for research projects then should inform future conservation actions.

## Two grants available: Large and Seed

We no longer offer Small Grants and invite grant applicants to apply for a Large Grant, regardless of total project cost. All Large Grant applications require a written proposal. We continue to offer a Seed Grant. Read more about other changes this year.

# Learn more about our grants and how to apply

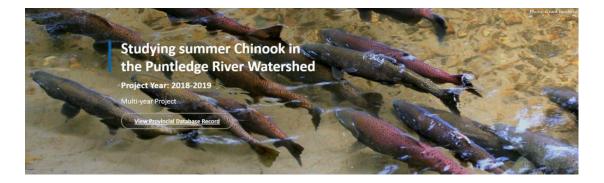
Join our online application info session: Thursday October 1, 1 p.m.-2.30 p.m. RSVP at <a href="mailto:fwcp@bchydro.com">fwcp@bchydro.com</a>.



This Whitebark pine project in the Bridge-Seton Watershed is one of 28 projects approved by our Coastal Region board for 2020-2021. Photo: R. Moody

Nearly 3,000 summer-run Chinook samples genotyped

The final report on migration timing and bacterial kidney disease impacts on Chinook is now available. The results of this project, led by K'omoks First Nation, will help improve Chinook productivity in hatcheries and in the wild. A total of 2,889 genetic samples were collected from summer-run Chinook in the Puntledge River Watershed. Read more.



#### Kingfisher Interpretive Centre is adapting to COVID-19

The Kingfisher Interpretive Centre near Enderby is adapting its approach to building awareness about Shuswap River salmon, and the habitats and ecosystems they require. Through a series of videos, they are bringing salmon education to everyone! Watch the videos.



The Kingfisher Interpretive Centre has produced seven educational videos, ranging from the anatomy of a salmon to Splatsin traditional fishing practices.

Apply for an FWCP Community Engagement Grant

If you are planning a small project, with safe physical distancing of course, to help fish and wildlife in our Coastal Region, then apply for up to \$1,000 through our Community Engagement Grant.



The Alouette River Management Society recently received a Community Engagement Grant for its annual rivers day event. This year you are invited to help clean up the riverbanks of the South Alouette River on Sunday, September 27, 2020. Read more.

### Toadfest hopped online: watch our videos

Thanks to our presenters and everyone in our Coastal Region who joined the Toadfest 2020 Online sessions. Watch our Toadfest videos about western toad migrations, the life cycle, and the research and mitigation work at Summit Lake. <a href="mailto:fwcp.ca/toadfest/">fwcp.ca/toadfest/</a>



Want a laugh? What do toads drink in winter? Get the answer to these and other toadally cool jokes at <a href="https://www.ca/toadfest.">fwcp.ca/toadfest.</a>







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