

**AGENCIES, ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTING WETLAND CONSERVATION IN BC
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<p>1. A listing of all existing acts and regulations pertinent to wetland protection was done in 2001. It is called <i>Gap Analysis of Tools to Protect Wetlands</i>, and although it is slightly out of date, it does give an overview of tools that can be used in the province to protect wetlands.</p>	Provincial	<p>Ducks Unlimited Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection; Canadian Wildlife Service</p>	<p>Les Bogdan, Ducks Unlimited Ian Barnett Ted Pobran, WLAP Mike Dunn, CWS</p>	<p>P: 604.592.5000 P: 250 374.8307 P: 250.387.9784 P: 604.940.4649</p>
<p>1. <i>Federal Fisheries Act</i> - legislates protection of fish habitat that can include wetlands. Typically, a buffer is applied to those areas that are deemed essential for the survival of a fish species. Wetlands that would receive some protection are those that are connected to a water body that contains fish or is determined to be necessary for fish survival.</p> <p>A 1993 Fisheries and Oceans Canada and Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks jointly published document entitled "<i>Land Development Guidelines for the Protection of Aquatic Habitat</i>" attempts to provide guidance on development that could affect fish. The recommendations contained in these guidelines are generalized and as such, are applicable to a wide range of situations. In order to better define the requirements for protection of aquatic habitat, Fisheries Sensitive Zones (FSZ) were developed. They are defined as the in-stream aquatic habitats as well as the out-of stream habitat features such as side channels, wetlands and riparian areas.</p>	Provincial	<p>Department of Fisheries and Oceans http://www-heb.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/directory/offic_e_directory_e.htm</p>	<p>Carl Yong, Habitat Policy Advisor or any of the local Habitat and Enhancement Branch staff listed on the website.</p>	<p>P: 604.666.3282</p>
<p>1. Recently passed <i>Species at Risk Act</i> will apply to all species on federal lands; will prohibit the killing or harming of all species officially listed as threatened, endangered or extirpated, anywhere in Canada; and will prohibit the destruction of the residences of those species wherever they occur. Further protection of habitat is also possible if recovery efforts are ineffective and it has been found necessary to identify habitat critical to species survival or recovery</p>	Provincial	<p>Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region</p>	<p>Trish.Hayes@ec.gc.ca</p>	<p>P: 604.940.4658 F: 604 940 7022</p>

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1. With the assistance of Sierra Legal Defense Fund, successfully brought forward a lawsuit that opposed a residential development in the Pitt Polder area in the late nineties. The judge determined that the municipality did not conduct proper and thorough consultation before approving the proposed development. Pitt Polder is a large floodplain, dyked and farmed, and is now being encroached upon for residential development.	SW BC.	Pitt Polder Preservation Society http://www.geocities.com/pittpolder2000/index.html	Michael Sather, President 21837 Laurie Avenue Maple Ridge V2X 7V9	P: 604.453.1928 F: 604.453.1928
1. Actively involved in work to ensure a federal boating restriction on the Columbia Wetlands using the Canada Shipping Act. If successful, this will result in a restriction that will be precedent setting in scope and apply over the entire Columbia Wetlands.	Kootenays	East Kootenay Environmental Society	Ellen Zimmerman PO Box 1496, Golden V0A 1H0 ellenzim@rockies.net	P/F: 250.348.2225
1. In 1968, the <i>Creston Valley Wildlife Act</i> was passed for the purpose of "wildlife conservation, management and development, and in particular as a waterfowl management area". The CVWMA covers 17,000-acres (7,000 ha.) of provincial land, or an area that averages 20 km. (12.4) miles long by 3.4 km (2.1 miles) wide. It consists of one lake (1,500 ha. or 3,700 acres) and 17 marshes plus a major river and adjoining mountain slopes. The entire area is called a Wildlife Management Area and is managed by a three person board comprised of a representative of the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, Canadian Wildlife Service and a member of the general public. This Management Authority puts its management responsibility into effect through the Area Manager and staff.	Kootenays	Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area (CVWMA) www.crestonwildlife.ca	Anne deJager, Marketing and Fundraising Coordinator Box 640 Creston V0B 1G0 info@crestonwildlife.ca	P: 250.402.6900 F: 250.402.6910
1. Working with the Municipality of Campbell River on the creation of development permit areas for streams and wetlands. The land trust is asking for 30 metre buffers around all wetlands with various setback widths depending on wetland function. The municipality is conducting trials to determine if this kind of bylaw is feasible.	Vanc. Island	Greenways Land Trust www.greenwaystrust.ca	Lucy Reiss PO Box 291 Campbell River V9W 5B1 green.ways@crcn.net	P/Fax: 250.287.3785
1. Worked to try and get purple loosestrife (<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>) listed as a noxious weed with the provincial act but was unsuccessful, so instead worked with the City of Courtenay, City of Comox and Regional District of Strathcona to get it listed locally. This means that plant stores cannot sell it or people cannot cultivate it. Now working to add Yellow Flag Iris to the bylaws.	Vanc. Island	Comox Valley Naturalists Society www.comoxvalleynaturalists.bc.ca	Betty Lunam, Director, Box 3222 Courtenay V9N 5N4	P: 250.338.6055

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1. In Electoral District E, Nanoose Bay, of the Nanaimo Regional District, there is a requirement that all development in or near wetlands identified on the Official Community Plan have an approved development permit. DPA 3, which describes what is required in order to get a development permit, states that there will not be any development within 30 metres (with some exceptions) of a wetland.	Vanc. Island	Regional District of Nanaimo http://www.rdn.bc.ca/library/ocp.asp	Bridgette Reynolds, Planner 6300 Hammond Bay Road Nanaimo V9T 6N2	P: 250.390.4111 - or - 1-877-607-4111 (Toll Free) F: 250-390-7511
1. Working with Water, Land and Air Protection to transfer administration of the Zeballos estuary from a Section 17 area that is under the jurisdiction of Sustainable Resource Management to a S.106 so that WLAP would maintain the administration over it. This issue arose because the old Ministry was split into two with different responsibilities and priorities. Also working with the local council to change the zoning of the estuary from tourism to no development.	Vanc. Island	Zeballos Fish and Wildlife Association	Bill Heidrick, President Box 37 Zeballos VOP 2AO	P: 250 761.4277 F: 250.761.4169
1. City bylaws (<i>Watercourse Protection Zoning Bylaw 4000</i>) and guidelines (<i>Watercourse Development Permit Area Guidelines</i>) ask for a 15 metre buffer from the edge of all wetlands identified on official map. Wetlands have been fairly accurately defined through the Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory (SEI) and other mapping exercises and now there will also be a Sensitive Habitat Inventory and Mapping (SHIM) exercise done (both SHIM and SEI described in #3). For most new development, the 15 metre buffer is adhered to but with old development, because of the local government act that states that land cannot be sterilized, creative options need to be employed.	Vanc. Island	City of Nanaimo http://www.city.nanaimo.bc.ca/c_environmental/	Kevin Brydges, Environmental Co-ordinator kbrydges@city.nanaimo.bc.ca	P: 250.755.4460, 1, Loc. 386 F: 250.755.4403
1. Has "Environmentally Sensitive Area Development Permits" in place. This requires that landowners doing any work within 30-50m of watercourses (including wetlands linked to watercourses) and, in some areas, any wetland, must apply for and receive a DP before undertaking the work. This restriction however does not apply to forestry or agriculture activities. Location of ESA was determined using existing inventories including the Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory, Habitat Atlas etc.	Vanc. Island	Regional District of Comox-Strathcona	Alison Mewett, Supervisor Environmental Planning & Parks 350-17th Street, Courtenay V9N 1Y4	P: 250.334.6056 F: 250.334.8156

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<p>1. Environmental Protection Areas: zoning regulations, OCP policies and Development Permit Areas provide for the protection of Water and Riparian Areas, Sensitive Ecosystem Areas, and Steep Slope Areas. Specific guidelines are in place that must be addressed when any development and/or activities occur in these areas. Generally there is no development permitted within 30 meters of a watercourse, without the approval of a Development Permit by Council</p> <p>Under the subdivision scenario, there are also mechanisms in place in conjunction with the Zoning Bylaw, which provide for lot averaging and density-transfer within properties being subdivided. Through these mechanisms, sensitive areas may be dedicated and/or covenanted as parkland; the developer gains the benefit of the same lot yield but with smaller lot areas. E.g. Kingco 2000: current proposal under rezoning and preliminary subdivision review which employs clustered residential density (300m2 lot size), Conservation Covenants (through The Land Conservancy), and an Intensive Residential Development Permit Area.</p>	Vanc. Island	District of Highlands	Jay Bradley Planning Services, 1980 Millstream Road Victoria jbradley@district.highland s.bc.ca	P: 250.474.1773 F: 250.464- 3677
<p>1. Several bylaws can affect development in wetland areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • watercourse bylaw 7501 prohibits anyone to "foul" or "obstruct" or "impede" watercourses which includes wetlands; • development permit area of Todd Creek Watershed requires a 30m buffer around known wetlands from activities such as filling, dumping, veg removal, polluting; • all subdivision and rezoning applications subject to the Environmental and Social Review Process. Council or Approving Officer can make a requirement that important wetlands be covenanted prior to approval; • on site storm water management, normally constructed wetlands, is required for 10 lot subdivisions. Sometimes they are installed on adjacent park land. 	Vanc. Island	District of Satanic www.gov.saanich.bc.ca	Adriana Pollard, Mgr. Environmental Services Planning Department 770 Vernon Avenue Victoria V8X 2W7 pollarda@gov.saanich.bc. ca	P: 250.475.5494 ext. 3556 F: 250.475.5450

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2. Influencing Planning And Management Decisions				
2. <i>Federal Policy on Wetlands Conservation</i> —promotes the conservation of Canada's wetlands to sustain their ecological and socio-economic functions, now and in the future. One of the goals of this policy is to achieve no net loss of wetland functions on all federal lands and waters.	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Ken.Brock@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940-4690 F: 604.946.7022
2. <i>The Ecological Gifting Program</i> —provides landowners of Canada with tax incentives to donate lands and interest in lands, which are ecologically sensitive, to conservation agencies; To date, approximately 50% of the gifts have included wetlands.	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Blair.Hammond@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4647 F: 604.946.7022
2. <i>Interdepartmental Collaboration – Biodiversity on Federal Lands</i> . CWS works collaboratively with the regional offices of DIAND and DND, offering scientific advice and expertise to federal land managers on the conservation of biodiversity.	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Tom.Wood@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4643 F: 604.946.7022
2. <i>First Nations treaty policy and aboriginal program advice</i> —CWS works with First Nations to promote migratory bird, endangered species and other wildlife conservation objectives in a variety of ways	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Tom.Wood@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4643 F: 604.946.7022
2. <i>Environmental assessment</i> —through the referral process	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Andrew.Robinson@ec.gc.ca	F: 604.946.7022
2. Create monthly letter writing campaigns to protect the environment and enhance peace in the world. Have worked to save Burns Bog, the Tatshenshini River ecosystem, and Boundary Bay's migratory bird habitat.	Provincial	20/20 Vision www.2020vision.bc.ca	Pru Moore 103-2609 Westview Drive, North Vancouver V7N 4N2	T/F 604.983.2525
2. Currently facilitating a large organization, the <i>Seagrass Conservation Group</i> , which is a consortium of stewardship groups, scientists, government agencies and consultants who are keen to protect estuarine vegetation, eelgrass being one. The major focus is conservation of seagrasses.	Provincial	SeaChange Marine Conservation Society http://www.seachangelife.net/	Nikki Wright, Executive Director P.O. Box 23011 Victoria V8V 4Z8 seachange@axion.net	P: 250.383.7790 F: 250.383.5470

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<p>2. Watershed Based Fish Sustainability Planning – a planning process that takes a fish first approach. Planning participants consider all activities that occur in a watershed (from headwaters to river mouth) that either are or could negatively affect any fish species and develops a plan to try and address these activities. There are 4 stages to the process. Stage 1 is a biophysical and sociopolitical assessment of a provincial river basin, such as the N. Thompson, which is usually undertaken by the provincial or federal government. Stage 2, 3 and 4 are more in-depth studies done at the watershed planning level (less than 50,000 hectares) and are championed by groups with a local interest. It is expected that the internet site will eventually list the location of all the WFSP projects.</p>	Provincial	Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management Department of Fisheries and Oceans http://www-heb.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/publications/pdf/wfsp/wfsp_e.htm	Karen Rothe, Watershed Planner Karen.Rothe@gems9.gov.bc.ca Lidia Jaremovic, jaremovicl@pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca	P: 250.371.6242 F: 250.828.4000 P: 604.666.0017 F: 604-666-0417
<p>2. Provincial Parks and Protected Areas protect an estimated 500,000 hectares of wetland, bog and riparian habitats. Of the 152 Ecological Reserves established in British Columbia, 52 are dedicated to protection of aquatic habitats. Each park and ecological reserve typically has a management plan which sets out how these areas will be maintained. Sometimes this includes restoration to remove invasives or return the site to a natural condition or simply closing the site off to human use.</p>	Provincial	Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection Parks and Protected Areas Branch http://wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/index.htm	Doug Biffard, Aquatic Ecologist PO BOX 9339 STN PROV GOV V8W 9M9 doug.biffard@gems2.gov.bc.ca	P: 250.387.4598 F: 250.387.5757
<p>2. <i>Biodiversity Conservation Strategy within the Greater Vancouver Regional District</i>—coordination of local conservation initiatives. Relevant documents produced to date include a report that identifies regional biodiversity indicator species and habitats, of which wetlands are a priority ecosystems or land cover class.</p>	SW BC	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region Environmental Stewardship Division, Ministry of Water, Land & Air Protection Greater Vancouver Regional District, GVRD Policy & Planning	Coral.deSheild@ec.gc.ca Pamela Zevit, Project Manager Susan Haid, Senior Environmental Planner	P: 604.940.4697 F: 604.946.7022 P: 604.582.5353 F: 604.930.7119 P: 604.432.6349

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2. Represented society on the following committees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP) – currently being resurrected in the Squamish Forest District • Cheakamus Water Use Plan (CWUP) – which concluded their public involvement process in January 2002 • Squamish Estuary Management Committee (SEMC) 	SW BC	Squamish River Watershed Society	Edith B. Tobe, Squamish Stewardship Coordinator Box 1791 Squamish, V0N 3G0 e-mail: tobe@shaw.ca	P: 604.898.9171
2. Involved in several forest management issues on the Sunshine Coast: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have been successful in getting one licensee, Terminal Forest Products, to agree to restrict log dumps to deep water as well as getting them to exceed riparian guidelines which has provided some protection to all stream classes. • working to have Old Growth Management Area's applied over Triangle Lake freshwater marsh • through creative endeavors, have kept logging out of watershed for past 12 years. 	SW BC	The Sunshine Coast Conservation Association (Umbrella Organization for 22 groups on the Sunshine Coast) http://www.thescca.ca/index.html	Daniel Bouman, Ex. Dir. Box 1969 Sechelt V0N3A0 dan_bouman@hotmail.com	P: 604.886.8325
2. Comment, monitor and participate in all activities that affect wetlands in Cypress Provincial Park, an area of high wetland concentration in the headwaters of Cypress Creek. Participate on <i>Cypress W. Vancouver Liaison Committee</i> and have met with Provincial Olympic organizers to provide input into proposed Olympic development planned for park. Monitor actual work undertaken in park and report on work that adversely affects water bodies	SW BC	West Vancouver Streamkeeper Society	Hugh Hamilton, President. PO Box 91166 West Vancouver V7V 3N6.	P: 604.925.0507

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<p>2. Working with the District of Invermere and the Lake Windemere Stewardship Group to restrict motorized access in those parts of the lake that contain wetlands. Lake Windemere is attached to the Columbia wetlands and CKFRP is also supporting EKES in their motor restriction efforts in the Columbia wetlands.</p> <p>Organizing a "Watershed Council" comprised of all interests in the area between Invermere to Golden to conduct monitoring, education and planning programs.</p> <p>Assisting the residents of Anderson Road in the Town of Golden to change the zoning such that a slate plant could not be built on top of an existing wetlands.</p>	Kootenays	Columbia Kootenay Fisheries Renewal Partnership (CKFRP) www.ckfrp.com/index.htm	Chris Beers, Stewardship Coordinator, Upper Columbia 200 Campbell Ave, Suite C PO Box 2008 Revelstoke V0E 2S0 chris@ckfrp.com	P: 250.837.2124 F: 250.837.2190
2. <i>East Kootenay Land Conservation Program</i> (EKCP)—promotes habitat and ecosystem management for private and adjoining Crown land in the region	Kootenays	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Ken.Brock@ec.gc.ca	F: 604.946.7022
2. Partnership comprised of 30 member groups with four goals: set conservation targets for habitat, focus efforts on private land; create mechanisms for improved communication and accountability of partnership and promote landowner stewardship. The partnership is a multi year undertaking with representation from various environmental, social and economic; groups in the Kootenays. Wetlands will be an important component to creating a long term vision for the communities.	Kootenays	East Kootenay Conservation Program	Darrell Smith, Program Manager Box 2691 Invermere V0A 1K0 ekcp@cyberlink.bc.ca	P: 250.342.365 5 F: 250.342.398 6
2. Actively participates in planning concerning watersheds that feed into the Columbia Wetlands. EKES was a major stakeholder and consultant in the Columbia Wetlands WMA management plan.	Kootenays	East Kootenay Environmental Society	Ellen Zimmerman PO Box 1496, Golden V0A 1H0 ellenzim@rockies.net	P/F: 250.348.2225
2. <i>South Okanagan-Similkameen Conservation Program</i> (SOSCP)—the Program set goals and objectives initially for four priority habitats found in that landscape including wetland and riparian habitat. Implementation of recommendations that pertain to wetlands will be done through the S. Okanagan Puddle Project listed in #3 and #5.	Thompson/ Okanagan	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region http://www.soscp.org/	Trish.Hayes@ec.gc.ca	F: 604.946.7022

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<p>2. Working to have 100 metre buffer zones placed on all water bodies in their traditional territory, which is roughly 250,000 ha west of Kamloops. This position applies to all forest activities. Have been successful in getting enhanced riparian protection to FSC standards on a joint license held with Ainsworth Lumber.</p>	Thompson/ Okanagan	Skeetchestn Indian Band	Mike Anderson, Natural Resources Manager PO Box 178 Savona VOK 2JO amanderson69@hotmail.com	P: 250.373.2493 F: 250.373.2494
<p>2. The Society is taking the lead in implementing the first Watershed Based Fish Sustainability Plan (WFSP) for the coast. The WFSP began in October, 2001 and Stage 2, the watershed profile, is complete. Stage 3, the watershed plan, is currently underway with expected completion in the next year. Some mapping still needs to be completed and all of it will be posted at the Community Mapping Network website and referred to as the Central Coast Watershed Atlas: http://www.shim.bc.ca/maps2.html. The WFSP will include wetlands as important components to a healthy ecosystem.</p>	NW BC	Bella Coola Watershed Conservation Society	Nicola Koroluk, Coordinator Box 623 Hagensborg VOT 1HO nkoroluk@telus.net	P: 250.982.0045 F: 250.982.0090
<p>2. Participate in wetlands conservation in three ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through the <i>Wet'suwet'en Stewardship Plan</i> (conservation area plan soon to be on the internet); • Through referrals and with setting criteria and indicators; • Through treaty negotiations with provincial management team from Fish and Wildlife; and federal level for migratory birds, again, through Treaty talks. <p>The Draft Criteria and Indicators provide direction generally using words such as, use "best available science". There are no specific recommendations for buffer widths, but instead a requirement for local research to be done to determine appropriate widths for local use.</p>	NW BC	Office of the Wet'suwet'en	Russell Collier Smithers, Sub-Office 3873 First Avenue R.R.#1, Box 56, Site 15 Morictown V0J 2N0	T: 250.847.3630 F: 250.847.5381

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2. Participant on the Morice LRMP which may allow for the protection of regional wetlands	NW BC	Community Futures Development Corp. of Nadina www.cfdcnadina.ca	Greg Tamblyn, Watershed Stewardship Coordinator Box 236 Houston VOJ 1Z0	Houston 1-800-556-5539 or 250-845-2522. F: 250-845-2528 Smithers P: 250-847-1389 F: 250-847-1860
2. Have influenced Field's Sawmill, who is located next to the estuary on the Courtenay river, to clean up their operations by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lessening the amount of bark in the water; and • building a pond to process car oil from the parking lot Also prepared a report of past activities in the Estuary which helped secure funds from the Regional District to continue removing invasive plants and plant native plants	Vanc. Island	Comox Valley Naturalists Society www.comoxvalleynaturalists.bc.ca	Betty Lunam, Director, Box 3222 Courtenay V9N 5N4	1 250 338 6055
2. A management advisory group that advises Saanich Parks and Saanich Council on anything to do with the management, restoration or rehabilitation of Rithet's Bog, including: protection of rare species and plant communities, optimal water levels, trail placement, control of invasive species, water quality, development of an overall management plan etc. Successfully lobbied to have Rithet's Bog designated a 'dog on leash' area under the local dog control bylaw.	Vanc. Island	Rithet's Bog Conservation Society	Sharon Hartwell, President C/O BOX 250 4468A West Saanich Rd Victoria V8Z 3E9 rithetsbog@hotmail.com	P: 250.479.0491 F:

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<p>2. Are developing a comprehensive resource manual that provides information about tools and resources municipalities can use to protect natural areas. The manual includes relevant legislation, examples of stewardship options, information on voluntary stewardship agreements and conservation covenants, an update on changes to the federal Ecological Gifts program, Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory information, and other important information. The resource manual will be given to all twelve municipalities within the Capital Regional District and will also be available through HAT's website. Brief presentations (30-40 minutes) at existing meetings of all municipalities within the CRD will be done.</p>	Vanc. Island	Habitat Acquisition Trust www.hat.bc.ca www.ConservationConnection.bc.ca	Claudia Copley, Coordinator of Programs Mail Address: PO Box 8552 Victoria V8W 3S2 Office Location: 316 - 620 View Street	P: 250.995.2428 F: 250.920.7975
<p>2. Comments on development outside park boundaries that could negatively affect wetlands within parks</p>	Vanc. Island	Capital Regional District	Tracy Fleming, Environmental Protection Specialist tfleming@crd.bc.ca	P: 250 478-3344 F: 250 478-5416
<p>2. Prepared a document entitled "<i>Environmental objectives, best management practices and requirements for land developments</i>" – March 2001 that recommends a 30 m buffer on all wetlands, especially those that are considered a "sensitive ecosystem" on the Sensitive Ecosystem (SEI) Maps.</p> <p>The document was prepared in cooperation with and for local governments and has been in distribution since 2000. Some training modules were provided and follow ups with local planning staff have been done. The document is currently undergoing an extensive revision that will result in it being provincial in scope as well as having web based format more reflective of the changes and relevant mandate of the ministry.</p> <p>In addition, WLAP participates in partnership agreements with a number of local governments and DFO in the Vancouver Island Region to enable adoption of bylaws for the protection of wetlands and other sensitive habitats.</p>	Vanc. Island	Ministry of Water Land and Air Protection, Nanaimo Regional Office	Henigman, Margaret, Env. Impact Assessment Officer Margaret.Henigman@gems3.gov.bc.ca or Marlene Caskey, Ecosystem Officer Marlene.Caskey@gems7.gov.bc.ca	P: 250.751.3214 F: 250.751.3245 P: 250.751.3220 F: 250.751.3245

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2. <i>Sensitive Ecosystems Inventories</i> (SEI)—in addition to providing inventory information on wetlands and riparian ecosystems (see listing in #3); the program includes outreach materials and management guidelines plus one-on-one scientific support. Here is a sample of outreach materials:	Vanc. Island Lower Mainland, Okanagan	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region http://srmwww.gov.bc.ca/cdc/sei/	Peggy.Ward@ec.gc.ca ; Neil.Dawe@ec.gc.ca	P: 250.752-9611 F: 250.752.5714 P: 250.752.5714 F: 250.752.4971
2. <i>CWS SEI policy</i> —“CWS does not condone any further loss of sensitive ecosystems”	Vanc. Island	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Peggy.Ward@ec.gc.ca Andrew.Robinson@ec.gc.ca	P: 250.752.9611 F: 250.752.5714 P: 604.940.4685 F: 604.946.7022
2. <i>Nanaimo Estuary Management Plan</i> —will be used to guide sustainable resource development, human activity and habitat management, and lay a framework for ongoing co-ordinated management, giving high priority to the health of the estuary and its living resources.	Vanc Island	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Ken.Brock@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4690 F: 604.946.7022
2. Undertaking habitat restoration on the <i>Colquitz River</i> , which includes a wetland called <i>Quick's Bottom</i> , by participant in the first <i>Watershed Based Fish Sustainability Plan (WBFSP)</i> for Vancouver Island. It will be a real test of this new planning process as it is in a heavily urban environment and is a fairly degraded watershed.	Vanc. Island	Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association	Christopher J. Bos, 1st Vice President & Conservation Chairman # 156, 1581-H Hillside Ave. Victoria V8T 2C1 Governor@shaw.ca	P: 250.655.9287 F: 250.655.9300 Cell: 250.882.0719
2. Have used several MOU's with the City of Nanaimo and other groups, which outline how both parties will interact in terms of management, restoration and access to property. A recent MOU involves the Linley Valley, a 145 acre parcel within the City of Nanaimo	Vanc. Island	Nanaimo Area Land Trust www.nalt.bc.ca	Sarah Bonar #8-140 Wallace St. Nanaimo V9R 5B1. admin@nalt.bc.ca .	P: and F: 250.714.1990.

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2. Participate and chair committees that are developing management plans for Buttertubs marsh (to have as a no pet area), and Nanaimo River Estuary (to limit log booms). Working to protect Jungle Pot Marsh from further development.	Vanc. Island	Nanaimo Field Naturalists	Charles Thirkill, President 611 Shaughnessy Place Nanaimo V9T 4V1	P: 250.729.4928
2. Working with Municipality of Saanich to implement the <i>Prospect Lake/Tod Creek Action Plan</i> where a significant wetland is located. Often, things that affect local area affect entire municipality so work to change municipal bylaws such as tree cutting bylaw.	Vanc. Island	Friends of Tod Creek Watershed	Mary Haig Brown 237 Meadowbrook Rd. Saanich,	P: 250.479.8801 F: 250.479.8238
2. Participated on the <i>Durrell Creek Sustainable Management Committee</i> for three years to finalize a management plan to preserve and improve an area known as Courtland-Hastings Flats in Saanich. Have successfully: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stopped plans for developing a 20-30 lot parcel for housing; • Created a park called the <i>Strawberry Knoll Park</i>; • accommodated the agricultural community by improving drainage so that farming can occur in the summer and then remain flooded in the winter. Items remaining to be done: create a trail system on the road right of ways and erect a bird watching platform.	Vanc Island	S.W.A.N.S. (Strawberry Vale Wetlands and Agricultural Lands Nature Stewardship Society)	Louise Beinhauer, Director 1432 Courtland Avenue Saanich V9E 2C5	P: 250.727.3247 F: 250 727.3647
2. Prepared a multi year plan that focuses on all development that affects the watershed. 14% of watershed is comprised of riparian and wetland complexes which are key to water quality and quantity. Presently, the project is tied to providing incentives for development options that are ecologically sound (e.g. new age subdivisions allowing more groundwater recharge and less pavement) with BMP's and MOU's to clarify and streamline the process with the hope to change engineering design standards and liability concerns. The project will formulate recommendations to old and new policies and bylaws to be embedded into the Official Community Plan. An integral component is education of local people on their watershed and a video is being prepared that includes wetlands.	Vanc. Island	Willow Creek Watershed Society	Sam Wiedeman, Project Coordinator 4072 Macaulay Rd Black Creek V9J 1C8 paulsam@mars.ark.com	P: 250.337.5777 F: 250.337.5735

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<p>2. Islands Trust Natural Area Protection Tax Exemption Program - British Columbia has recently enacted the Islands Trust Natural Area Tax Exemption Regulation, which will apply to the islands of the Strait of Georgia and Howe Sound. In exchange for a voluntary conservation covenant on an eligible natural area, a property owner will receive provincial property tax relief of 65%. The Islands Trust will launch an initial pilot program in early 2003. The program is designed to support and encourage private stewardship of lands under the jurisdiction of the Islands Trust.</p>	<p>Vanc. Island and SW BC</p>	<p>Islands Trust</p>	<p>Linda Adams, Corporate Secretary Director - Trust Area Services #1206 - 115 Fulford-Ganges Road Salt Spring Island V8K 2T9 ladams@islandstrust.bc.ca</p>	<p>P: 250.537.9144 F: 250.537.9116</p>

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3. Producing Information To Inform Decision Makers				
3. The <i>Community Mapping Network (CMN) and Sensitive Habitat Inventory and Mapping (SHIM)</i> — community based approaches to mapping aquatic habitats and their riparian areas, primarily in settled areas of British Columbia. The main objective of the CMN is to promote planning sustainable communities. The CMN integrates data from many sources and makes it accessible through a user friendly mapping system. The SHIM method is a community-based approach to mapping aquatic habitats and their riparian areas. SHIM provides reliable, current, and spatially accurate information about fish and wildlife habitats. Watercourses are mapped at a 1:5,000 scale and builds on local and senior government information	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service Lower Mainland Region, Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection Habitat and Enhancement Branch, Department of Fisheries and Oceans http://www.shim.bc.ca	Kathleen.Moore@ec.gc.ca Gretchen.Harlow@ec.gc.ca a Rob Knight, Co-Leader - CMN Brad Mason, Project Coordinator	P: 604.940.4660 P: 604.940.4659 P: 604.582.5317 P: 604.666.7015
3. The <i>Wetland and Riparian Ecosystem Classification (WREC)</i> project began in 1995 as an initiative of the Ministry of Forests to classify the wetland, riparian, and estuarine ecosystems of British Columbia. In BC, the Biogeoclimatic Ecosystem Classification (BEC) system has been used extensively and successfully in forestry and land management applications. However, BEC is not entirely suitable for classifying wetland and riparian ecosystems. It is essential that a wetland and riparian classification fulfill the many objectives of land management laid out in current issues such as watershed restoration, riparian and biodiversity management. See internet site for listing of all publications.	Provincial	Ministry of Forests, Research Branch http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/research/becweb/subsite-wrec/index.htm	Will MacKenzie. Research Ecologist Bag 5000 Smithers Will.MacKenzie@gems1.gov.bc.ca	P: 250.847.7763 F: 250.847.7217
3. Offer training on covenant monitoring (including wetlands), and all other areas of land trust activity including stewardship programs. Are also involved in legislation recommendations as they relate to the activities of land trusts - which include stewardship on private lands, conservation covenants, and outright purchase of lands for either cultural or natural heritage values (including wetlands). The www.landtrustalliance.bc.ca/registry website is a provincial registry of areas protected in BC by land trusts (usually on private lands). This includes many types of ecosystems, including wetlands, and also lists the types of species, including red listed species, found on the site.	Provincial	LTA The Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia www.landtrustalliance.bc.ca	Sheila Harrington, Ex. Dir. 204-338 Lower Ganges Road Salt Spring Island V8K 2V3	P: 250.538.0112 F: 250.538.0172

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3. A total of 13(~ 51,000 ha) of the 22 Wildlife Management Areas designated by the province under the Wildlife Act have significant wetland, estuary/foreshore or riparian components. As a very rough estimate, there are an additional 20 (~3,000 ha) fee simple properties, 25 (~16,000 ha) Crown land transfers of administration to WLAP, and 100 (~200,000 ha) or so other Crown reserves that include wetland, estuary or riparian components. WLAP also has about 130 site-specific wetland-related management agreements with Ducks Unlimited Canada. WLAP continues to be involved in key wetland acquisitions through the PECP and other joint venture initiatives involving the federal government and non-governmental organizations. For many such acquisitions, title is often held by the Nature Trust of British Columbia and leased to WLAP to manage under 99 year lease.	Provincial	Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection Parks and Protected Areas Branch http://wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/index.htm	Karen Wipond, Ecosystem Land Specialist PO BOX 9398 STN PROV GOV V8W9M9 karen.wipond@gems8.gov.bc.ca	P: 250.387.9742 F: 250.387.5757
3. BC Wetlands Atlas - provincial wetland atlas that allows people to enter information on wetlands. Intent is to add TRIM marsh coverage for the whole province.	Provincial	Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, Lower Mainland Region	Rob Knight, Co-Leader Community Mapping Network 10470 152 St. Surrey V2R OY3 Rob.Knight@gems9.gov.bc.ca	P: 604.582.5317 F: 604.930.7119 Cell: 604.454.8824
3. FROGWATCH – a volunteer driven initiative to track and monitor provincial amphibian populations	Provincial	Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection http://www.shim.bc.ca/fr og/main.htm	Laura Friis, Biodiversity Specialist Biodiversity Branch PO Box 9374 STN PROV GOV Victoria V8W 9M4	P: 250.387.9755
3. <i>Mapping and database support, CWS</i> —updating maps of areas of known or inferred importance to one or many bird species.	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Kathleen.Moore@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4660 F: 604.946.7022

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<p>3. Sensitive Ecosystem Inventories (SEI) - The purpose of SEI projects are to identify remnants of rare and fragile terrestrial ecosystems and to encourage land-use decisions that will ensure the continued integrity of these ecosystems. It is intended for use in a variety of land-use planning processes.</p>	Provincial	<p>Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management, Conservation Data Centre http://srmwww.gov.bc.ca/cdc/sei/index.htm</p>	<p>Peggy.Ward@ec.gc.ca Jan Kirkby, Conservation Science Ecologist Jan.Kirkby@gems9.gov.bc.ca</p>	<p>P 250.752.9611 F 250.752.5714 P: 250.387.0732</p>
<p>3. Fish habitat and wetland mapping for the entire Taku/Tlingit traditional territory (38,614 sq km) with a focus to adopt a Conservation Area Design that will identify these areas. Protection of important wetland complexes identified in the Conservation Area Design could be pursued through treaty negotiations.</p>	Northwest	Taku River Tlingit First Nation	<p>Mark Connor, Habitat Steward Box 132, Atlin V0W 1A0 trtwlife@gov.trtfn.com</p>	<p>P: 250.651-7929 F: 250.651-7909</p>
<p>3. Presently completing a Sensitive Habitat Inventory and Mapping (SHIM) project whereby all water bodies from crown land (which is usually found at mid elevation) down to the lake edge is mapped. This method ensures the collection and mapping of reliable, high quality, current and spatially accurate information about local habitats and watercourses. Roughly 20-25% of regional district is mapped with plans to complete rest of regional district. Areas not included in mapping exercise: some municipalities and crown land. Focused on mapping areas where development is occurring most rapidly. Information will be used in official community plans, storm water quality updates, etc.</p>	Thompson/ Okanagan	<p>Regional District of Central Okanagan www.regionaldistrict.com</p>	<p>Todd W. Cashin Central Okanagan Habitat Steward 1450 K.L.O. Road Kelowna V1Y 7M4 tcashin@cord.bc.ca</p>	<p>P: 250.868.5288 F: 250.762.7011</p>
<p>3. <i>Sensitive Ecosystems Inventory of Central Okanagan</i></p>	Thompson/ Okanagan	<p>Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region</p>	<p>Peggy.Ward@ec.gc.ca</p>	<p>P 250.752.9611 F 250.752.5714</p>

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3. <i>South Okanagan Puddle Project</i> - priority mapping exercise identified 180 out of 1600 wetlands that required protection or management. The priority exercise focused on wetlands that were smaller than 1 ha; within 500 m of another wetland; were on private land; and were alkaline in nature. Those that contain Spadefoots or Tiger Salamanders maybe an additional filter as the project continues.	Thompson/ Okanagan	Ducks Unlimited Lower Mainland Region, Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection	Wendy Schebel, Project Co-ordinator, Ducks Unlimited 201 3547 Skaha Lake Rd Penticton V2A 7K2 w_schebel@ducks.ca Rob Knight, Co-Leader Community Mapping Network Rob.Knight@gems9.gov.b c.ca	P: 250.490.8246 F: 250.492.1314 Cell 250.490.1603 P: 604.582.5317 F: 604.930.7119 Cell: 604454.8824
3. <i>Nesting Bird Surveys</i>	Cariboo/ Chilcotin	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Andre.Breault@ec.gc.ca	P 604.940.4662 F 604.940.4700
3. Commissioned 2 reports as part of consultation for the boating restriction application: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>1..Impacts of Recreational Boating on the Aquatic Environment.. And</i>• <i>2. Community Planning For Freshwater Recreation And Tourism In The Upper Columbia Valley.</i>	Kootenays	East Kootenay Environmental Society	Ellen Zimmerman PO Box 1496, Golden, V0A 1H0 ellenzim@rockies.net	P/F: 250.348.2225
3. Some inventory work has been done on Bowen Island but more in-depth work using GPS of creeks and wetlands is now underway.	SW BC	Bowen Island Forest & Water Management Society	Julian Dunster, Box 109, Bowen Island . V0N 1G0.	P: 604.947.0016
3. <i>Sensitive Ecosystems Inventory of Sunshine Coast 1999-2003</i>	SW BC	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Peggy.Ward@ec.gc.ca	P 250.752.9611 F 250.752.5714

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3. Have set up a database of the life histories of the 261 species of mammals, birds, amphibians and reptiles that occur in Langley - Will be setting up volunteer monitoring programs to help track the success of habitat conservation through bird counts, anecdotal wildlife spottings etc.- Are currently mapping land use for the Township of Langley from 1995 aerial photos to then compare with 2002 photos to get a baseline of data, this information will be corroborated by ground-truthing activities and satellite imagery - Are also researching recovery team efforts for the Pacific Water Shrew. Once this information is gathered, will develop wildlife friendly guidelines to hopefully be incorporated in town bylaws to lesson their environmental impact.	SW BC	Langley Environmental Partners Society	Caroline Astley, Wildlife Program Coordinator 4914 - 221 Street Langley V3A 3Z8 castley@tol.bc.ca	P: 04.533.6159 F: 604.533.6098
3. <i>Georgia Basin Ecosystem Initiative</i> (GBEI)—research and program evaluation for both wetland and non-wetland habitats in the Georgian Basin.	SW BC, Vanc. Island	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Ken.Brock@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4690 F: 604.946.7022
3. A <i>Whistler Fisheries Stewardship Group</i> comprised of staff and volunteers have established a Volunteer Wetland Monitoring Program and are currently restoring two sites, erecting a wetland interpretive platform, and this summer will be conducting a monitoring program on water quality and species inventory as well as mapping selected wetlands. Information from the Sensitive Habitat Inventory and Mapping (SHIM) - Sea to Sky habitat atlas (in prep) will be used. This atlas will be located at the Community Mapping Network website (www.shim.bc.ca).	SW BC	Municipality of Whistler	Heather Berresford, Stewardship Supervisor 4325 Blackcomb Way Whistler VON 1B0	P: 604.935.8322 F: 604.935.8299
3. Have a GPS/GIS section: under contract to various stewardship groups, the District of Campbell River, and through our own projects, have been mapping and inventorying wetlands throughout the District, but primarily in the Willow Creek watershed.	Vanc. Island	Greenways Land Trust www.greenwaystrust.ca	Lucy Reiss PO Box 291 Campbell River V9W 5B1 green.ways@crcn.net	P/F: 250.287.3785
3. Just completing an intensive survey of greater Victoria area using Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory (SEI) data and landowner visits. Now have a list of properties with important wetland components that need to be protected for the region.	Vanc. Island	Victoria Natural History Society – Green Spaces Project	Tony Embleton, Chair – Green Spaces Project 2643 Victor, Victoria V8R 4E3	P: 250.595.6812

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3. Monitoring of water levels and fish presence in wetlands around Cumberland	Vanc. Island	Cumberland Wetlandkeepers and Streamkeepers	Gwyn Sproule, gwynsproule@shaw.ca	P: 250.336.8165
3. <i>Sensitive Ecosystems Inventory of East Vancouver Island and Gulf Islands, 1993-1997</i>	Vanc. Island	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Peggy.Ward@ec.gc.ca	P: 250.752.9611 F: 250.752.5714
3. The <i>Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory (SEI)</i> is used as the basis to establish Development Permit Area 3 in the District of Highlands, called "Sensitive Vegetation".	Vanc. Island	District of Highlands	Jay Bradley Planning Services, 1980 Millstream Road Victoria jbradley@district.highlands.bc.ca	P: 250.474.1773 F: 250.464.3677
3. The <i>Natural Areas Atlas</i> for the Capital Region has wetlands mapped on it in the Contours and Water Features folder, Water Features map layer. Newsletter at the following location: http://www.crd.bc.ca/es/natatlas/news/jan2003.pdf	Vanc. Island	Capital Regional District www.naturalareasatlas.ca	Matthew Tutsch, Habitat Steward Environmental Programs mtutsch@crd.bc.ca	P: 250.360.3203 F: 250.360.3047
3. USHP assessments, covenant monitoring, "ground truthed" sites for Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory (SEI)	Vanc. Island	Nanaimo Area Land Trust www.nalt.bc.ca	Sarah Bonar #8-140 Wallace St. Nanaimo V9R 5B1 admin@nalt.bc.ca	P and F: 250.714.1990.
3. Geographic scope is Comox Valley from Mud Bay to Oyster Bay. Have recently conducted an in-depth accurate wetland mapping exercise for entire area, which provides detailed information on extent and location of wetlands. Data will be provided to community decision-makers: citizens, government agencies, industry, volunteers and stewardship groups in a user-friendly format.	Vanc. Island	Comox Valley Project Watershed www.projectwatershed.bc.ca	Joanne Ellefson, Watershed Inventory Technician Box 3007 Courtenay V9N 5N3 j.ellefson@shaw.ca	P: 250.339.1619 F: 250.339.1619

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3. Oversaw the production of a Sensitive Habitat Inventory and Mapping (SHIM) atlas for the Alberni Valley, which depicts all the rivers, streams and wetlands (that are part of the river system). This information is being used by the regional district for planning purposes although there is no minimum distance from which development is allowed to occur.	Vanc. Island	Alberni Valley Enhancement Soc. Cherry Creek Enhancement Soc. Beaver Creek Streamkeepers Sproat Creek Enhancement Soc.	Phil Edgell, Director B3019 4 th Avenue Port Alberni V9Y 2B8	P: 250 723.6192
3. Attempting to protect the Wildwood marsh (also referred to as Burns Marsh), a 50 acre wetland roughly 7 km from Courtenay. It is privately held and the only viable option is to purchase it s the owner is not motivated to protect it. The marsh is used mainly by waterfowl for roosting at night (as many as 700 trumpeter swans have been seen here) and as a staging area before most of the ducks head north. The nesting population is no more than 50 pairs of mallards plus a few other species.	Vanc. Island	Wildwood Watershed Society	Bryan Allen 5390 Wildwood Road Courtenay V9J 1P5 allenb@mars.ark.com	P: 250. 338.0091
3. Conduct inventories of butterflies, waterfowl and rare vascular plants; assist with vegetation mapping and monitoring of water levels, water quality, invasive plant species, fish fry etc. The information will be used to help guide future decisions on water level maintenance to protect the Rithets wetlands and enhance downstream water quality in the Colquitz watershed.	Vanc. Island	Rithet's Bog Conservation Society	Sharon Hartwell, President C/O BOX 250 4468A West Saanich Rd Victoria V8Z 3E9 rithetsbog@hotmail.com	P: 250.479.0491 F:
3. Participate in a Duck Box Nesting Program on several small wetlands outside of town. Conduct a monthly Coastal Waterbird Survey for the <i>Canadian Wildlife Service</i> on the Zeballos estuary	Vanc. Island	Zeballos Fish and Wildlife Association	Bill Heidrick, President Box 37 Zeballos VOP 2AO	P: 250 761.4277 F: 250.761.4169

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<p>3. There are two programs intended to provide information to inform decision makers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Regional Conservation Plan</i> - The plan is to identify conservation priorities in the context of large ecological systems and human use of the Islands Trust Area. The Plan includes the collection of known environmental information, air photo interpretation, the identification of conservation values and information needs. The end product will be a Geographic Information System product that will allow users to see current land use patterns combined with critical habitat areas It will allow Islands Trust planners and members of the public to easily consider conservation values during land use planning exercises. • <i>Measuring our Progress Program</i> - the program was initiated in 2001 to identify and track indicators of environmental, economic and social sustainability in the island communities of the Islands Trust Area. The program monitors a number of environmental indicators such as tree cover, protection of sensitive ecosystems and foreshore pollution. It also provides decision-makers with concrete suggestions for action consistent with local government authority. 	Vanc. Island and SW BC	Islands Trust	Linda Adams, Corporate Secretary Director - Trust Area Services #1206 - 115 Fulford-Ganges Road Salt Spring Island V8K 2T9 ladams@islandstrust.bc.ca	P: 250.537.9144 F: 250.537.9116
<p>3. Organization took streamkeepers course and is now conducting benthic monitoring of watershed. Have hired 2 university students to set up monitoring sites on all tributaries of Tod Creek.</p>	Vanc. Island	Friends of Tod Creek Watershed	Mary Haig Brown 237 Meadowbrook Rd. Saanich	P: 250.479.8801 F: 250.479.8238

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4. <i>Pacific Estuary Conservation Program</i> —coordinates the activities of conservation groups and agencies in their efforts to protect the highly productive estuaries along the BC coast. To date 28,000ha of wetland habitat has been secured.	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Michael.Dunn@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4649 F: 604.946.7022
4. <i>Federal lands management</i> —five National Wildlife Areas (NWA), seven Migratory Bird Sanctuaries (MBS) are predominantly wetland ecosystems	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Dave.Smith@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4656 F: 604.946.7022
4. Recently signed a 30-yr. lease with the <i>Cariboo Regional District</i> and the <i>City of Quesnel</i> for 125 acres at the North end of <i>Ten-Mile Lake</i> and surrounding area, for ecological education, and recreational activities. These 125 acres contain 3 distinctive Eco-systems. The first project is to restore the heavily damaged wetlands by first determining the original parameters of the wetlands through soil testing and water flow patterns. This area has established wildlife habitats, waterfowl nesting areas, a birding area, and native flora and fauna.	Cariboo Chilcotin	Parkland Community Association	Angie Yaffe, Secretary say@quesnelbc.com	P: 250.992.2480

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4. There is a major and possibly only wetland left; south of <i>Haynes Point Park</i> in Osoyoos. It is privately owned, roughly 7.9 acres in size, of which one third is developable. Society has been trying for years to get various levels of government involved to purchase it or trade it for land on the coast. As there is such a high degree of interest in protecting it, the owner may find it difficult to develop it.	Thompson/ Okanagan	Osoyoos Lake Water Quality Society	Lionel Dallas, President Box 251 Osoyoos Lake V0H 1V0 Dallas@vip.net	P: 250-495-3341 F: 250.495.3392
4. <i>Canadian Intermountain Joint Venture</i> —conservation of high-priority valley-bottom wetland habitat; future projects will focus on acquisition, enhancement and conservation covenants	BC interior	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Krista.DeGroot@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4684 F: 604.946-7022
4. Instrumental in the designation of the Columbia Wetlands as a Wildlife Management Area. EKES is now part of the <i>International Living lakes Network</i> which helps to raise the profile of the wetland internationally as will the current Ramsar application	Kootenays	East Kootenay Environmental Society	Ellen Zimmerman PO Box 1496, Golden V0A 1H0 ellenzim@rockies.net	P/F: 250.348.2225
4. Hold a covenant with School District #44 (North Vancouver) on its 165 ha (420 acre) property in partnership with the Nature Conservancy of Canada. This covenant includes 25% or 40 ha in wetland and designates the NVOS lands as a conservation area for Salmonid habitat, eagle conservation and environmental education. Federally the NVOS lands also have been designated, through the DFO and the Minister of Fisheries, as the <i>Dave Marshall Salmon reserve</i> .	SW BC	North Vancouver Outdoor School www.nvosas.ca	Victor "Sky" Elderton, Principal, Box 250 (Lot #2 Paradise Valley Rd. Brackendale V0N 1H0 // nvos@nvds44.bc.ca	P: 604.898.5422 F: 604.898.4370
4. Instrumental in getting a freshwater bog lake called <i>Ruby Lake</i> purchased. Will be working to apply a conservation covenant on the land. Involved in several forest management issues on the Sunshine Coast. Have been successful in getting one licensee, Terminal Forest Products, to agree to restrict log dumps to deep water as well as getting them to exceed riparian guidelines. This has provided some protection to all stream classes.	SW BC	The Sunshine Coast Conservation Association (Umbrella Organization for 22 groups on the Sunshine Coast) http://www.thescca.ca/index.html	Daniel Bouman, Ex. Dir. Box 1969 Sechelt V0N3A0 dan_bouman@hotmail.com	P: 604.886.8325

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4. In the final stage of a wetlands protection project aimed at acquiring and protecting 150 acres of wetlands. We have brought together several groups to support this project. BC Hydro, District of Mission, Ducks Unlimited, and Genstar Development Company.	SW BC	Stave Valley Salmonid Enhancement Society www.stavevalleysalmon.com	James Taylor 11744 Statim St. Mission V4S 1C2 jim@stavevalleysalmon.com	P: 604.462.7666 F: 604.826.3435
4. Working to protect the worlds only estuarine raised peat bog found in a Mediterranean climate (<i>Ecosystem Review 2000</i>) through purchase of land, protected areas or other designations.	SW BC	Burns Bog Conservation Society	Eliza Olson, President 202-11961-88 Avenue Delta V4C 3C9	P: 604.572.0373 F: 604.572.0374
4. Successfully negotiated the purchase of <i>Blaney Bog</i> , a 225 acre piece of land that is part of Pitt Polder in the municipality of Maple Ridge. Land was purchased with assistance from provincial govt and GVRD and is now a GVRD park. Society now focused on the purchase of Codd Island wetlands, ~225 acres, and is working with various levels of government and other ENGO's on this purchase. Both pieces of land are important components of Pitt Polder, a floodplain that was dyked and farmed and is now being considered for residential development.	SW BC.	Pitt Polder Preservation Society http://www.geocities.com/pittpolder2000/index.html	Michael Sather, President 21837 Laurie Avenue Maple Ridge V2X 7V9	P: 604.453.1928 F: 604.453.1928
4. Majority of time will be spent on conservation covenants with wetlands being an important component. The Trust was recently established so landowner contacts presently underway.	SW BC	Abbotsford Land Trust Society	Lisa Fox, Coordinator LO 4, 32310 S. Fraser Way Abbotsford V2T 1X1 lfox@city.abbotsford.bc.ca	P:.604.864.55 10 local 710 F: 604.853.4981
4. Burke Mtn. Naturalists - have identified 2 sites in Port Moody with red-legged frogs and have successfully protected one of them. Are presently working to protect land around <i>Deboville Slough</i> , a high recreational use area, either through conservation covenants or outright purchase as most of the land is privately held agriculture land. PRAWN – are concerned with the entire Pitt River Watershed and in particular are trying to get protection for <i>Red Slough</i> which is found at the northern tip of Pitt Lake. Land partly held in private hands and partly crown so will be working with both groups on conservation covenants, potential wildlife management area designation or outright purchase of land.	SW BC	Burke Mountain Naturalists and PRAWN (Pitt River and Area Watershed Network)	Elaine Golds, Past Pres. And Cons. Chair of Burke Mtn. Naturalists and Co-Chair of PRAWN PO Box 52540, RPO Coquitlam Centre, Coquitlam V3B 7J4 egolds@sfu.ca	P: and F: 604.937.3483

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4. After having conducted intensive inventory of greater Victoria area, will begin next phase of securing all land identified as environmentally sensitive including wetlands through whatever mechanism available.	Vanc. Island	Victoria Natural History Society – Green Spaces Project	Tony Embleton, Chair – Green Spaces Project 2643 Victor, Victoria V8R 4E3	P: 250.595.6812
4. Conservation land trust that protects land in the Gulf Islands and the islands of Howe Sound (BC). Currently has ~9 conservation covenants and owns 4 properties (as nature reserves or sanctuaries) that contain wetlands.	Vanc. Island	Islands Trust Fund	Carolyn Stewart, Manager cstewart@islandtrust.bc.ca	P: 250.405.5174 F: 250.405.5155
4. Purchases land, accepts donations, and enters into conservation covenants (~6 in place already), works in cooperation with local government and other land trust and conservancy organizations.	Vanc. Island	Cowichan Community Land Trust http://www.island.net/~cclt .	Jennifer Lewis cclt@island.net	P: 250.746.0227 F: 250.746.9608
4. <i>Vancouver Island Wetlands Management Program</i> - manages over 50 Conservation Areas (24 Nature Trust and the others are Crown Wildlife Reserves) on Vancouver Island, which are mostly wetland or estuary properties.	Vanc. Island	Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection	Tim Clermont Conservation Land Manager	
4. <i>Georgia Basin Ecosystem Conservation Partnership</i> (GBECP)—to acquire, covenant or otherwise secure key ecologically significant, non-estuarine lands in the Georgia Basin.	Vanc. Island and SW BC	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Michael.Dunn@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4649 F: 604.946.7022
4. The District facilitates acquisition / protection of sensitive areas through "clustering." The principle employed is that sensitive areas are reserved/protected either outright as parkland, or through Covenants (No-Build, No-Disturbance). The District works closely with Conservancy groups (TLC) to promote the registration of joint-conservation covenants through the subdivision process.	Vanc. Island	District of Highlands	Jay Bradley Planning Services, 1980 Millstream Road, Victoria jbradley@district.highlands.bc.ca	P: 250.474.1773 F: 250.464.3677
4. Working on a life estate agreement with a landowner that is in the process of donating their land and it has a substantial wetland on it.	Vanc. Island	Nanaimo Area Land Trust www.nalt.bc.ca	Sarah Bonar #8-140 Wallace St. Nanaimo V9R 5B1 admin@nalt.bc.ca .	P and F: 250.714.1990.

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4. Recently purchased wetlands in Sooke Hills (Serphim wetlands, Grassy Lake, Shield Lake etc.) More wetlands likely to be purchased	Vanc. Island	Capital Regional District	Tracy Fleming, Environment Protection Specialist email: tfleming@crd.bc.ca	P: 250.478.3344 F: 250.478.5416
4. Currently holds conservation covenants on the following properties (with a wetland component) <i>Ayum Creek, Sooke; Meredith property, Mill Bay; Medicine Beach, Pender Island; Bailin Property, North Saanich; Strand/Rankin Properties, Saturna Island</i>	Vanc. Island	Habitat Acquisition Trust www.hat.bc.ca www.ConservationConnection.bc.ca	Claudia Copley, Coordinator of Programs Mail Address: PO Box 8552 Victoria V8W 3S2 Office Location: 316 - 620 View Street	T: 250.995.2428 F: 250.920.7975
4. Privately held significant wetlands on the east side of Vancouver Island near Campbell river are available for purchase with discussions ongoing amongst many interested partners, however nothing definitive has occurred. Scientific studies showing the unique values of the biologically rich habitats have been completed by the Oyster Bay Park Association and the Oyster Bay Group. Ducks unlimited has also been involved in other studies of the wetlands. Championing the protection of the wetlands area is the Oyster Bay Group (an umbrella group of many organizations), Oyster Bay Streamkeepers, Oyster Bay Park Association and the Regional District of Comox Strathcona, which had made an offer to purchase part of the wetlands.	Vanc. Island	Oyster Bay Wetlands	Betty Brooks conducted biological surveys which are available for people to view however there is no official spokesperson for area	P: 250.337.8180

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5. Stewardship Activities And Restoration				
<p>5. The project has a goal of restoring and protecting 3,000 km of shorelines across Canada by 2005. This will be done through 2 main initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community-based Action Program for Shorelines (CAPS), which includes holding clinics with elected municipal representatives, planners and health officers to promote the value of healthy natural shorelines; and • "On the Living Edge - Your Handbook for Waterfront Living" is a user-friendly, 144 page book aimed at waterfront residents. 	Provincial	<p>The Living by Water Project www.livingbywater.ca</p>	<p>Sarah Kipp National Office PO Box 7, Salmon Arm V1E 4N2 shorelines@jetstream.net</p>	<p>P: 250.832.7405 F: 250.832.6874</p>
<p>5. Is both an administer of the <i>BC Coastal Eelgrass Stewardship Project</i>, as well completing five eelgrass transplants in <i>Saanich Inlet</i> in its restoration effort to restore shellfish, fish and invertebrate habitat.. The <i>Eelgrass Stewardship Project</i> is a coastal wide initiative involving twenty stewardship community groups in the mapping, monitoring and protection of eelgrass beds, from <i>Haida Gwaii</i> to <i>Semihamoo Bay</i>.</p>	Provincial	<p>SeaChange Marine Conservation Society http://www.seachangelife.net/</p>	<p>Nikki Wright, Executive Director P.O. Box 23011 Victoria 8V 4Z8 seachange@axion.net</p>	<p>P: 250.383.7790 F: 250.383.5470</p>
<p>5. Advisors are an essential and highly visible link between public stewardship groups and <i>Fisheries and Oceans Canada</i> Officials, supporting and helping to channel voluntary contributions of people across the provinces. There are 18 Community Advisors in the province who work with various volunteers groups ranging from those that have a focus on small hatcheries through to streamkeeper organizations.</p>	Provincial	<p>Department of Fisheries and Oceans – Community Advisors http://www-heb.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/community/director/advisor_e.htm</p>	<p>Jeff Jung, A/Regional Chief, Stewardship and Community Involvement Unit Habitat and Enhancement Branch DFO-Pacific region</p>	<p>P: 604.666.2948 F: 604.666.4844</p>
<p>5. <i>Small Wetlands Project</i>—part of CWS mandate to fund projects that establish community-based initiatives that contribute to the achievement of habitat, species, and conservation goals</p>	Provincial	<p>Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region</p>	<p>Gretchen.Harlow@ec.gc.ca</p>	<p>P: 604.940.4659 F: 604.946.7022</p>

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5. The program currently has three parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Wetlandkeepers</i> - A two and one-half day workshop introducing the general public to wetland stewardship; • <i>Wetlands Institute</i> – a six-day field course for people ready to start a wetland stewardship program; and • <i>Puddle Project</i> - Participants are shown how to target municipal planning processes and generate greater community awareness of the values that wetlands bring. 	Provincial	Wetland Education Program BC Wildlife Federation	Lisa Mose, Assistant Coordinator 1420 Falls St. Nelson V1L 1J4 email: wetlands@netidea.com	P: 250.354.1088 F: 250.354.1033
5. <i>Stewardship Centre for British Columbia</i> —provides online access to information and advice on conservation and stewardship	Provincial	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Gretchen.Harlow@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4659 F: 604.946.7022
5. Conducts restoration programs for fish that can often have a wetland component to them. Four offices in BC run restoration programs: Vancouver Island, Kamloops, Lower Mainland and Kootenays. Contact Sean for more information on programs and regional contact names.	Provincial	Department of Fisheries and Oceans	Sean Bennett, R.P.Bio. Restoration Biologist 1278 Dalhousie Drive Kamloops .V2C 6G3 bennettse@pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca	P: 250.851.4872 (cell) F: 250.319.0439
5. Participant in multi stakeholder initiatives whose focus is to work with local stewardship groups to maintain and restore wetland habitat. These initiatives include: <i>Pacific Coast Joint Venture, Canadian Intermountain Wetland Conservation Program, Prairie Habitat Joint Venture, South Okanagan Similkameen Conservation Program, and the Western Boreal Forest Initiative.</i>	Provincial	Ducks Unlimited www.ducks.ca	Les Bogdan, Mgr of Conservation Programs, BC Coastal Eco-Region Unit 511 Surrey V3W 0H6 Ian Barnett, Dir of Regional Operations, Pacific Region 954 A Laval Crescent Kamloops V2C 5P5	T: 604.592.0987 F: 604.592.0930 T: 250.374.8307 F: 250.374.6287

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5. The club has designed an excellent "in water" stand for Wood Duck nest boxes and maintains a couple of "nest box colonies" in the Elk Valley.	Kootenays	Elkford Rod & Gun Club	James Zimmerman Box 129 Elkford BC V0B 1H0 JimZim@Hot-Shot.Com	P: 250.865.4556
5. Conducts many educational/interpretation programs at the Wildlife Centre for all ages of people. Also receives roughly 11,000 visitors/tourists/year at the centre. The CVWMA has boardwalks and bridges by which to view the extensive wildlife that use the wetland.	Kootenays	Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area (CVWMA) www.crestonwildlife.ca	Anne de Jager, Marketing and Fundraising Coordinator Box 640 Creston VOB 1G0 info@crestonwildlife.ca	P: 250.402.6900 F: 250.402.6910
5. Administers the Magic Bus that provides naturalist interpreters for grades five through seven throughout the East Kootenay. The bus takes kids on guided and educational field trips often in the wetlands. EKES branches participate in annual wildlife festivals based in the wetlands and lead field trips and do school programs focusing on wetlands and bird identification.	Kootenays	East Kootenay Environmental Society	Ellen Zimmerman PO Box 1496, Golden V0A 1H0 ellenzim@rockies.net	P/F: 250.348.2225
5. Provides funding to community initiated and/or supported environmental projects that are linked to ecosystem restoration and conservation activities and for environmental education and awareness activities in schools and communities. Example of projects funded: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wetlands Institute • Columbia Wetlands Interpretive Panels; and • Magic Basin Field Trip - curriculum based field trip program and educational field trips for elementary age school children to four major ecosystems of the Columbia Basin: wetlands, grasslands, forests and old growth forests • Lower Sand Creek Restoration and/or Joseph Creek Restoration 	Kootenays	Columbia Basin Trust www.cbt.org	Sabrina Curtis Community Liaison, Environment Suite 300, 445 13th Ave Castlegar V1N 1G1 scurtis@cbt.org	P: 250.344.7872 Toll Free: 1 800 505 8998

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5. <i>Canadian Intermountain Joint Venture</i> —large-scale wetland restoration project; future projects will focus on stewardship, outreach and educational activities.	BC interior	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Krista.DeGroot@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4684 F: 604.946.7022
5. <i>South Okanagan Puddle Project</i> - priority mapping exercise (discussed in 3) was undertaken to identify the highest priority wetlands on private land to be managed and/or protected. The goal of the program is to encourage, through landowner contacts, stewardship of these wetlands through activities such as landowner contacts, Frogwatch, and a special event during <i>International Wetland Day</i> .	Thompson/ Okanagan	Ducks Unlimited Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, Lower Mainland Region	Wendy Schebel, Project Coordinator, Ducks Unlimited 201 3547 Skaha Lake Rd Penticton V2A 7K2 w_schebel@ducks.ca Rob Knight, Co-Leader Community Mapping Network Rob.Knight@gems9.gov.bc.ca	P: 250.490.8246 F: 250.492.1314 Cell: 250.490.1603 P: 603.582.5317 F: 604.930.7119 Cell: 604.454.8824
5. Majority of time spent on stewardship and restoration work and education on the values of water quality, of which wetlands play an integral role. E.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participated in the creation of wetland habitat in the <i>Senn Tillart Oxbow</i> on the <i>Eagle River</i> east of <i>Sicamous</i> by removing a beaver dam and rebuilding a low elevation dam, which backed up a wetland in an oxbow of the Eagle River. The wetland provides excellent rearing habitat for juvenile Coho, in addition to habitat for waterfowl species such as mallard, bufflehead and mergansers. • project at <i>McArthur Island Slough</i> involved the Norkam Secondary Natural Resources Class. The kids built and installed nesting islands for waterfowl, which also acted as overwater cover for juvenile salmonids. A substantive riparian planting program complimented the existing vegetation. 	Thompson/ Okanagan	Thompson Basin Fisheries Council http://www.tbfc.ca/	Shawn Clough, Fish Habitat Specialist 274 A Halston Connector Road Kamloops V2H 1J9	P: 250.828.2178 F: 250.828.2756

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5. Conducting habitat restoration, duck boxes, knapweed removal, bird and plant inventory for <i>Swan Lake, Separation Lake and August Lake</i> .	Thompson/ Okanagan	Vermillion Forks Field Naturalists	Madelon Schouten, Chair	P: 250.295.7078 F: 250.295.7078 (5**)
5. Partners with other municipalities (Environmental Education for the Central Okanagan – EECO Hero's) to deliver many interpretation programs including Pond Study; Kokanee Salmon; Nature Walk; Endangered Species & Spaces; and more. Exhibits environmental displays in the EECO Centre within Mission Creek Regional Park. Visitors to the centre are about 20,000 yearly as well as an additional 10,000+ participants in public or group programs, special events and projects.	Thompson/ Okanagan	Regional District of Central Okanagan - Parks & Recreation	Alison Campbell Urness, Park Interpreter EECO Centre 2363A Springfield Road Kelowna BC V1X 7N7 eeeco_centre@telus.net	P: 250.868.2768 F: 250.868.0148
5. Significant 6 ha lake/wetland called Max Lake 10 minutes west of Penticton, recently protected through a conservation covenant held on private land by TLC The Land Conservancy of BC and the Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen (RDOS). TLC, working through its project group, the Friends of Max Lake, and the RDOS invite the community to help with restoration work and in future development of educational and interpretive programs	Thompson/ Okanagan	Friends of Max Lake, a project group of TLC The Land Conservancy of BC	Shawn Black, Stewardship Coordinator TLC The Land Conservancy of BC 27A Front St. Penticton V2A 1H2 shawn@conservancy.bc.ca	P: 250.492.0173
5. Offered a program to increase neighborhood and community awareness around the habitat values of a seasonal pond in an urban park. Motorbikes and ATVs, and other destructive human behaviour were impacting the park. Organized neighborhood contact programs, displays and school programs at the nature centre, park clean-up and fencing. Plan to deliver "Living by Water" and other watershed stewardship initiatives in the North Okanagan.	Thompson/ Okanagan	Allan Brooks Nature Centre in Vernon http://www.abnc.ca/	Debbie Clarke, Volunteer and Stewardship Project Coordinator 265 Cypress Dr. Coldstream V1B 2Y1 forecon@shaw.ca	P: 250.545.4406
5. <i>Eelgrass Stewardship Project</i> – monitoring distribution of eelgrass beds on BC Coast	Coastal BC	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Gretchen.Harlow@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4659 F: 604.946.7022

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5. Since 1969, stewardship activities are conducted with over 5300 students annually. Students range in age from primary school to college. Wetland areas students study and help maintain include 10 kms of Salmonid enhancement channels and 3 ha (7 acres) of naturalized pond wetland areas. These areas were enhanced for spawning, rearing and habitat values principally for Salmonid species and associated waterfowl.	SW BC	North Vancouver Outdoor School www.nvosas.ca	Victor "Sky" Elderton, Principal, Box 250 (Lot #2 Paradise Valley Rd. Brackendale, V0N 1H0 // nvos@nvsd44.bc.ca	P: 604.898.5422 F: 604.898.4370
5. Develop educational material devoted to teaching people about the value of peatlands, give tours of the Delta Nature Reserve on the "lagg" or edge of <i>Burns Bog</i> , and carry out special events that raise awareness about peatlands especially Burns Bog.	SW BC	Burns Bog Conservation Society	Eliza Olson. President 202-11961-88 Avenue Delta V4C 3C9	P: 604.572.0373 F: 604.572.0374
5. Restored two wetlands in the Como Watershed, which encompasses approximately 8.7 km ² in south Coquitlam. It includes Como Lake (headwaters of Como Creek) and four main tributaries.	SW BC	The Como Watershed Group http://www.FFW.vcn.bc.ca/cwg	Pamela Zevit, Exec. Director POB 47531 #1-1020 Austin Ave. Coquitlam V3K 6T3	P: 604.939.0523 F: 604.939.0571
5. Actively involved, for six years, in watershed restoration activities that have a wetland component to them. The following is an annotated listing of some of these activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salmon Recovery Plan for the Squamish River • Eel Grass Monitoring Program for Howe Sound • Development of a Strategic Plan for Restoration and Enhancement Opportunities in the Squamish River Watershed • Squamish River Culvert Installation, Habitat Restoration and Salmon Enhancement Program • Forest Renewal BC Watershed Restoration Project - Cheakamus, Mamquam, and Squamish Watersheds, • Stream Survey of Fish Bearing Streams within the District of Squamish 	SW BC	Squamish River Watershed Society www.squamishstreams.com	Edith Tobe, Squamish Stewardship Coordinator Box 1791, Squamish V0N 3G0 tobe@shaw.ca	P: 604.898.9171

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5. Park was established in 1990 and the wetland was a mess as the previous owner dredged a channel through the beach berm and into the wetland to create a marina. This allowed the tides to enter the area freely, causing logging debris to enter and soil to erode. During low tides the water-saturated soil compacted. After much restoration, the wetland is functioning again and there have been some salmon returns but through the actions of beaver, the channel for salmon to access the river continues to be dammed.	SW BC	Sargeant Bay Society http://www.sargbay.ca/index.html	Tony Greenfield, President P.O. Box 1486 Sechelt V0N 3A0 greenfieldtony@hotmail.com	P: 604.885.5539
5. On a regular basis hosts or assists in the presentation of major workshops including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"The Big Picture"</i> – Workshop on related Watershed Restoration Opportunities in the Squamish and Lillooet River Watersheds. Pemberton, February 21, 2001. • <i>"State of the Environment 2000 in the Sea to Sky Corridor"</i> – Conference; Squamish, March 10/11, 2000. • <i>"Balancing Watershed Management with Community Growth"</i> – a Workshop for Agency and Municipal staff of Squamish, Whistler and Pemberton; April 16, 1998. 	SW BC	Squamish River Watershed Society	Edith B. Tobe, Squamish Stewardship Coordinator Box 1791, Squamish V0N 3G0 e-mail: tobe@shaw.ca	P: 604.898.9171
5. Main project is rehabilitating the once inter-connected slough system in the Agassiz area. Scientists at UBC are currently investigating current and historic water flow levels in the area and as soon as this is completed, work on the slough can begin.	SW BC	Cheam Livable Communities Network	Detmar Schwichtenberg 454 E30th, Vancouver V5V 2V4. detmar@telus.net	P: 604.875.6222
5. Organization manages Sechelt Marsh, a 1 ha marsh within the Sechelt municipal boundaries, by installing park benches, repairing the bridge and trying to keep vandals out.	SW BC	Sunshine Coast Natural History Society	Tony Greenfield, President P.O. Box 543 Sechelt V0N 3A0 greenfieldtony@hotmail.com	P: 604.885.5539 F: 604.885.2904

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5. Have worked at transferring red listed tadpoles from sites to be developed; are concerned with protecting forested wetlands in Coquitlam which are slated for development; and want to work with others to form a <i>DeBoville Slough Wetlandkeepers</i> in NE Coquitlam.	SW BC	Burke Mountain Naturalists	Elaine Golds, Past Pres. And Cons. Chair PO Box 52540, RPO Coquitlam Centre, Coquitlam V3B 7J4 egolds@sfu.ca	P: and F: 604.937.3483
5. Built two Coho rearing ponds with stepped edges for wetland plants and are in the process of planning a permanent wetland/bio-filtration pond for storm water. One has now been fenced off by the City of Port Coquitlam to protect the spring feeding it, the other one is threatened by one of the new proposed crossing of the Coquitlam River.	SW BC	Maple Creek Streamkeepers Web site available at end of month, http://www.citysoup.ca/yahoo then go to Streamkeepers and Stewards	Dianne Ramage 2714 Goldstream Crescent Coquitlam V3C 5G5	P: 604.464.1099 F: same
5. Formed a partnership with Ducks Unlimited, DFO and the Municipality of Saanich to undertake a major restoration project at Rithet's Bog. The project has included installing a weir to raise water levels and limit their fluctuation, blocking agricultural ditches to divert inflowing water to wetland areas, cutting invasive willows, mapping vegetation communities and producing interpretive signs. Ongoing monitoring will include water level, water quality, extent of bog and other wetland plant communities, rare plant populations, waterfowl numbers and diversity and fish trapping. Tree planting and invasive weed control are ongoing activities in Garry Oak upland areas. An educational pamphlet with a trail and vegetation map has been produced, and an interpretive display installed.	Vanc. Island	Rithet's Bog Conservation Society	Sharon Hartwell, President C/O BOX 250 4468A West Saanich Rd Victoria V8Z 3E9 rithetsbog@hotmail.com	P: 250.479.0491 F:
5. Conducting restoration project on the <i>Somass estuary</i> , a ~100 ha area that is across the water from Port Alberni. Types of restoration projects already undertaken: opened 2 flood channels and put in bridges to allow for water flow; removed invasives and in particular broom with some loosestrife removed; and considering planting appropriate plants for the estuary. A management plan is soon to be developed which will guide future activities in the estuary.	Vanc. Island	Alberni Valley Enhancement Soc. Cherry Creek Enhancement Soc. Beaver Creek Streamkeepers Sproat Creek Enhancement Soc.	Phil Edgell, Director B3019 4 th Avenue Port Alberni V9Y 2B8	P: 250 723.6192

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5. Focuses on a watershed-based approach, and initiates habitat restoration projects, stream cleanups, environmental education programs and public outreach activities within the geographic boundaries of the Capital Regional District	Vanc. Island	Veins of Life Watershed Society http://www.islandnet.com/~volws http://salishsea.bc.ca/m3/M3home.html	Peter Dixon RPO Box 36057 1153 Esquimalt Road Victoria V9A 7J5 volws@shaw.ca	P/F: 250.383.2086
5. Have conducted landowner contact programs from 1998 to 2001, recognized greenway stewards, and participated in many public events. Give presentations to high schools and North Island College, and ran the "River Kids" educational summer program for ages 8-12 this year. The emphasis is not only on streams, but watersheds as a whole, including wetlands.	Vanc. Island	Greenways Land Trust www.greenwaystrust.ca	Lucy Reiss PO Box 291 Campbell River, V9W 5B1 green.ways@crcn.net	P/Fax: 250.287.3785
5. Preparing restoration plan for <i>Mill Stream Creek</i> in Mill Hill Regional Park.	Vanc. Island	Capital Regional District	Tracy Fleming, Environmental Protection Specialist tfleming@crd.bc.ca	P: 250.478.3344 F: 250.478.5416
5. Encourages community and private landowner stewardship through public education (public displays, workshops, streamkeeper courses, septic socials, etc.), landowner contact programs, stewardship agreements, facilitation of local stewardship groups, publications, and some habitat restoration work.	Vanc. Island	Cowichan Community Land Trust http://www.island.net/~cclt .	Jennifer Lewis cclt@island.net	P: 250.746.0227 F: 250.746.9608
5. Landowner partnerships and model projects with farmers in the Comox/Courtenay area and Black Creek watershed. Encourages farmers to retain wetlands, to enhance natural water storages for the farm benefits (irrigation) and for wildlife/fisheries values.	Vanc. Island	Island Farmers Alliance	Odete Pinho c/o Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Fisheries 2500 Cliffe Avenue Courtenay V9N 5M6 odete.pinho@gems3.gov.bc.ca	P: 250.897.7517 F: 250.334.1410

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5. <i>Vancouver Island Wetlands Management Program</i> —assists with various habitat management, restoration, and public awareness projects for wetlands secured on Vancouver Island by the PECP and other programs; volunteer property warden program and the MWLAP Stewards program	Vanc Island	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Blair.Hammond@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4647 F: 604.946.7022
5. <i>Nanaimo Estuary Management Plan</i> —will also lead the process to restore degraded habitat	Vanc Island	Habitat Conservation Section, Canadian Wildlife Service, Pacific and Yukon Region	Ken.Brock@ec.gc.ca	P: 604.940.4690 F: 604.946.7022
5. Conducts many education programs most notably an upcoming Septic System Education Event that will involve a trade show featuring latest technology. The education event is meant to be duplicated in other municipalities. Beginning work on a plan to possibly purchase or conduct a model project on wetlands that have also been farmed. The hope is to combine farming (organic) with wetland preservation.	Vanc. Island	Friends of Tod Creek Watershed	Mary Haig Brown 237 Meadowbrook Rd. Saanich	P: 250.479.8801 F: 250.479.8238
5. In trying to restore water flow levels for fish in Beach Creek, the streamkeepers are encouraging practices and undertaking modifications that will maintain water levels within an upstream wetland. In order to do this, they are working with the local golf course that is using the water and the owners of the property, which is Weyerhaeuser.	Vanc. Island	Qualicum Beach Streamkeepers and Mid-Vancouver Island Habitat Enhancement Society	Faye Smith 221 Elizabeth Ave. Qualicum Beach V9K 1G8 fsmith@telus.net	P: 250.752.9297 F: 250.752.0531
5. The team is implementing the education and stewardship components of the <i>Englishmen River Watershed Recovery Plan</i> . There are many private landowners who are undertaking modifications to their land, which result in the loss of wetlands. The team conducts education programs and works with local landowners to minimize their impact.	Vanc. Island	Arrowsmith Watershed Stewardship Team and Mid-Vancouver Island Habitat Enhancement Society	Faye Smith 221 Elizabeth Ave. Qualicum Beach V9K 1G8 fsmith@telus.net	P: 250.752.9297 F: 250.752.0531

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5. Geographic scope is Comox Valley from Mud Bay to Oyster Bay. Conducting a Landholder Stewardship Project providing information about habitat and stewardship options to landowners. This project creates an appreciation of the significance of habitats on private land, and wherever possible, to establish voluntary stewardship agreements, in which the landowner agrees to protect, restore and/or monitor the habitats found on their property.	Vanc. Island	Comox Valley Project Watershed	Joanne Ellefson, Watershed Inventory Technician Box 3007 Courtenay V9N 5N3 j.ellefson@shaw.ca	P: 250.339.1619
5. The <i>Good Neighbours</i> project is undertaking direct landowner contact programs around three protected areas, one of which contains wetland ecosystems: <i>Esquimalt Lagoon</i> . HAT is a member of a broad coalition of stakeholder groups that are working to improve the environmental health of the area. HAT developed a prioritized list of areas in the Capital Region that would benefit from protective buffers on adjoining private land. It was intended that HAT and other agencies could use this list and work with the landowners to foster good land stewardship practices.	Vanc. Island	Habitat Acquisition Trust www.hat.bc.ca www.ConservationConnection.bc.ca	Claudia Copley, Coordinator of Programs Mail Address: PO Box 8552 Victoria V8W 3S2 Office Location: 316 - 620 View Street	T: 250.995.2428 F: 250.920.7975
5. Offered courses in <i>Wetlandkeepers and Streamkeepers</i> and worked with school groups of all ages teaching water quality and urban pollution of watercourses; fish habitat and life cycles.	Vanc. Island	Nanaimo Area Land Trust www.nalt.bc.ca	Sarah Bonar #8-140 Wallace St. Nanaimo V9R 5B1 Tel. admin@nalt.bc.ca .	P/F: 250.714.1990.
5. Through the efforts of the society, the marsh was protected (~100 acres) and a management plan was written. All of the partners concerned with the marsh were given a task with the societies task being to conduct education and information programs for the general public and the lake front landowners that own land next to the wetland. Details of what activities will actually be undertaken are still being determined.	Vanc. Island	Somenos Marsh Society	Paul Fletcher, President Box 711 Duncan V9L 3Y1	P: 250.746.4341

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<p>5. Undertaking habitat restoration on the <i>Colquitz River</i>, which includes a wetland called <i>Quick's Bottom</i>, by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> riparian planting and channeling on Colquitz River (Quicks Bottom) to return marsh and pond area to historical capacity and restore habitat for nesting birds, Coho over wintering and wildlife. Further to reduce, and eventually stop, the Canary Reed Grass from choking Quick's Ponds. Fish Enumeration Fence for adult and juvenile Coho and Cutthroat – on Colquitz in Cuthbert Holmes Park 	Vanc. Island	Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association	Christopher J. Bos, 1st Vice President & Conservation Chairman # 156, 1581-H Hillside Ave. Victoria V8T 2C1 Governor@shaw.ca	P: 250.655.9287 F: 250.655.9300 Cell: 250.882.0719
<p>5. Working with local landowners and the District of Saanich to restore a seasonal pond called Jenkins Pond which sits next to a more permanent pond called Kings Pond. The size of the pond is roughly 1 acre and is connected by a tributary to the Colquitz river, in a highly urbanized environment. The Colquitz is also the location of the first urban Watershed based Fish Sustainability Plan so restoration of this area may have a regional impact.</p>	Vanc. Island	Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association	Ken Whitcroft, Environment Director 3326 Richmond Road Victoria V8P 4P1 vicki_sanders@telus.net	P: 250.383.7567
<p>5. Have been actively restoring all fish bearing streams and watersheds on Saltspring island for twenty years. Focus has been on very small creeks, and several wetland areas as well as monitoring beaver dams to ensure they continue to store water for the creeks without upsetting the farmers, property owners etc. Since the project started, no beavers have been killed or "removed" of the 12 beaver dams that are being monitored. The three largest streams involved are Fulford Creek, Cusheon Creek and Duck Creek but have also helped to protect a tiny urban stream that runs through Ganges Village.</p>	Vanc. Island	Island Stream and Salmon Enhancement Society	Kathy Reimer Box 330 Ganges P.O. Salt Spring Island, V8K 2V9 thesalmonladies@saltspring.com	P: 250.537,8983 F: 250.537.4531

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<p>5. Dudley Marsh is roughly 32 ha in size and is part of the Vancouver Island Wetlands Management Program administered by the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, with significant volunteer support from the Parksville Qualicum Fish & Game Assn. The marsh is important for the wildlife species that depend on it as well as the Coho fish the club rears in it. In the 80's, a lot of work was undertaken by the club to keep the marsh from in-filling including the building of dams and drainage ditches for the fish to use to return to spawn. Wood Duck boxes were added as well as an observation tower. 15 years later, the marsh is in need of more work to keep the vegetation from completely filling it in and so the club is looking to speak to other organizations that have undertaken a similar exercise.</p>	Vanc. Island	Parksville Qualicum Fish and Game Association	Herman Vanderbyl or Len Fong, President Box 988 Parksville V2P 2H1	P: 250.248.3908 P: 250.468.1551

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1. Legislation/regulation – lists efforts to make amendments to legislation/regulations or create new regulations
2. Influencing planning and management decisions –lists projects that affect policies/guidelines, incentives, Impact Assessments (IA), Best Management Practices (BMP), Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs)
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