



**Public Conservation  
Assistance Fund  
APPROVED PROJECT LIST  
2014-2015**

Project Name	Project #	Project Description	Project Leader/ Organization
Tread Protection for Ancient Forest Loop	1018	The Caledonia Ramblers plan to take measures that will prevent degradation of the trail tread on the Ancient Forest Loop.	<a href="#">Caledonia Ramblers</a>
Quamichan Creek Restoration	1019	Restore Quamichan Creek to improve spawning and rearing capacity for cutthroat trout, and raise community awareness regarding the fisheries value of this creek.	<a href="#">Quamichan Watershed Stewardship</a>
Miners Bay Nearshore Enhancement	1020	Enhance the nearshore ecosystem of Miners Bay, Mayne Island by installing artificial herring spawning substrate.	<a href="#">Mayne Island Conservancy</a>
Lake Keepers Training and Support	1023	Undertake a program called LakeKeepers Training and Support, which will provide enhanced training and support to volunteers throughout British Columbia.	<a href="#">BC Lake Stewardship Society</a>
Bird conservation on East Limestone Island, Haida Gwaii	1024	This project focuses on involving the community in an island restoration program in order to protect and enhance the native biodiversity in Laskeek Bay.	<a href="#">Laskeek Bay Conservation Society</a>
Vaseux Lake IBA Bird Blind Reconstruction	1025	In partnership with other conservation and government organizations, the South Okanagan Naturalists' Club will rebuild the existing bird blind at Vaseux Lake National Wildlife Area	<a href="#">The Nature Trust</a>
Bring Back the Bluebirds	866	This is Year 3 of this 5-year phase of the project which involves translocation of bluebirds.	<a href="#">GOERT</a>
Bird Migration Monitoring and Community Education Project	978	This project is for start-up funds to support the new banding station and establish the educational component. A key feature of this site is that it is publicly accessible and will be used for community education about bird conservation, as well as gathering valuable data	<a href="#">Rocky Point Bird Observatory</a>

		on the composition of western bird populations.	
Algal Bloom Monitoring on Cortes Island	1030	Community members have approached Friends of Cortes Island (FOCI) to help coordinate a strategic response to this harmful algal bloom, which poses a threat to the health of these freshwater ecosystems. Consulted experts have suggested that the first phase of response is the collection of baseline data through regular testing for phosphate, nitrate, and fecal coliform levels. Ongoing monitoring will allow us to measure the effect of planned remediation efforts that aim to reduce effluent inputs and improve nutrient uptake in the watershed.	<a href="#">Friends of Cortes Island</a>
Garnet Valley Habitat Protection Project	1032	Degradation of wildlife habitat and direct impacts to wildlife (disturbance) in Garnet Valley will be reduced by managing off-road vehicle access. This includes appropriate seasonal closures, signage, scarification and seeding, and outreach to key stakeholders.	<a href="#">Summerland Sportsmen's Association</a>
Gorge Waterway	1033	World Fisheries Trust's "Care of the Gorge" program builds community stewardship through participative environmental monitoring, as well as building a baseline of environmental data to help with restoration and management of the unique values of this waterway.	<a href="#">World Fisheries Trust</a>
East Kootenay Cougar Inventory	1027	This project will estimate cougar population size and density in Management Unit 4-22 (southeast of Cranbrook), which has the second highest number of cougar hunters in the Kootenay Region.	East Kootenay Trail Hounds Association
Pre-winter elk recruitment in E. Kootenay	1029	Groups will collect data pertaining to calf elk survival. This data will allow managers to understand mortality factors in the predator rich ecosystem we now have in the East Kootenay.	East Kootenay Hunters Assoc.
Radies Wetland Enhancement	1034	This project includes excavation of an ephemeral watercourse in order to prolong the time it contains water (for amphibian breeding), transplant wetland vegetation to the new edges, and plant riparian trees and shrubs in the surrounding area.	Alison Haney
Urban Watershed Restoration Initiative	1008	The Urban Watershed Restoration Initiative connects watershed education and water quality with the invasive plant removal and native planting activities	<a href="#">Evergreen</a>

Urban biodiversity education and demonstration project	1035	The primary aim of this project is to create and restore a Garry Oak meadow and wetland area to serve as a premier educational and demonstration site for urban biodiversity enhancement	<a href="#">Haliburton Community Organic Farm</a>
Peace Bat Conservation Project	1015	Citizens will build, install and monitor bat houses on their properties to test bat house designs, effective locations and gain information on bat population trends over the long-term.	<a href="#">Charlie Lake Conservation Society</a>
Fishing Forever - Abbotsford	1036	Fishing forever program	<a href="#">BCWF Reg. 2</a>
Fishing Forever - Bulkley Valley	998	This project sponsors a one-day fishing event that is designed to provide the opportunity for physically and mentally challenged people to catch a fish.	Bulkley Valley Rod & Gun
Fishing Forever - Vernon	1002	Fishing forever program	Vernon Fish & Game
Fishing Forever - Osoyoos	1021	Fishing forever program	Osoyoos Wildlife Federation
Fishing Forever - Nanaimo	1017	Fishing forever program	Nanaimo & District Fish and Game Protective Association