



Public Conservation Assistance Fund

APPROVED PROJECT LIST

2013-2014

Project Name	Project #	Project Description	Sponsor	Location
Swan Lake Wildlife Viewing & Habitat Restoration	683	Upgrades to the Swan Lake wildlife viewing & habitat restoration project including small information kiosk, information signage, self guided walking tour signage & improvements to fencing.	Vermillion Forks Field Naturalists	Princeton
Bring Back the Bluebirds	866	Re-introduction of the Western Bluebird to Garry Oak ecosystems in Canada, where bluebirds were once abundant.	GOERT, Garry Oak Ecosystems Recovery Team Society	Southern Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands
Bat Roost Habitat Enhancement Workshop Series	966	The Bat Roost Enhancement Workshop Series will bring together community support to build bat roosting boxes for installation and monitoring in high quality bat habitat. The bat roosting boxes will significantly enhance habitat in areas with limited natural roost sites and will provide safe locations for breeding bats to rear their young. Through developing relationships with several volunteer groups this workshop series will provide valuable outreach and education on the importance of bat conservation, supported by the expertise of the South Coast Bat Action Team (SCBAT), while creating research opportunities for post-secondary students.	South Coast Bat Action Team	Lower Mainland and greater south coast region of BC.
Cobble Hill Northern Saw-whet Owl Migration Monitoring	992	This project will establish and operate a banding station at Cobble Hill to monitor the nocturnal autumn migration of Northern Saw-whet Owls (<i>Aegolius acadicus</i>) along the southeast coast of Vancouver Island. This project would follow protocols developed by Project OwlNet. Presently, over 200 saw-whet monitoring stations belong to this network across NA.	Andrew C. Stewart	Cobble Hill, Vancouver Island

Fishing Forever - Surrey	993	Region 2 of the BCWF sponsors a two day fishing event that is designed to provide the opportunity for physically and mentally challenged people to catch a fish. In 2013 the sponsors have enough demand to host four hundred people for this event but can only effectively look after 250. Caregivers transport the people to the Green Timbers fish pond in Surrey where the BCWF volunteers assist with setting up fishing rods on fishing rod holders and assist with casting fishing lures, assist landing a trout and most often untangling fishing lines.	BCWF Region 2	Green Timbers fishing pond Surrey, BC June 8 & 9th.
Fishing Forever - Nelson	996	The Nelson District Rod & Gun Club & Conservation Society of the BC Wildlife Federation sponsors a one-day fishing event that is designed to provide the opportunity for physically and mentally challenged people to catch a fish. Caregivers transport the participants to the fishing pond near Nelson where the Nelson District Rod & Gun Club & Conservation Society Club. Volunteers provide guided boats and assistance with setting up fishing rods and assist with casting fishing lures, landing a trout, and often untangling fishing lines. Additionally, volunteers provide lunch, beverages, t-shirts and hats for all participants. The capacity for our annual event is 100 participants.	Nelson District Rod & Gun Club & Conservation Society	Cottonwood Lake, near Nelson, BC
Fishing Forever – Comox Valley	997	The Courtenay and District Fish and Game Protective Association of the BC Wildlife Federation sponsors an eight-day fishing event that is designed to provide the opportunity for physically and mentally challenged people to catch a fish and have some quality time in the outdoors. Caregivers transport the participants to the fishing pond in at the Club property on Comox Lake where the volunteers provide assistance with setting up fishing rods, baiting hooks and assist with casting fishing lures, landing a trout, and often untangling fishing lines. The participants' catch is then cleaned and iced down. With some groups, they set up a barbeque on our Club picnic grounds and have a "Shore Lunch" of freshly-caught trout. The capacity for our annual event is 200 participants. This year, the Courtenay and District Fish and Game Protective Association will be installing a second float and ramp to increase the capacity for events such as Fishing Forever.	Courtenay and District Fish and Game Protective Association	Courtenay Fish and Game pond adjacent to Comox Lake, Courtenay
Fishing Forever - Smithers	998	The Bulkley Valley Club of the BC Wildlife Federation sponsors a one-day fishing event that is designed to provide the opportunity for physically and mentally challenged people to catch a fish. Caregivers transport the participants to Babine Lake in Smithers Landing where the Bulkley Valley Club volunteers provide assistance with setting up fishing rods with rod	Bulkley Valley Rod & Gun Club	Tukii Lodge, Babine Lake, Smithers Landing

		holders and assist with casting fishing lures, landing a trout, and often untangling fishing lines. The capacity for our annual event is 20 participants.		
Fishing Forever – Lumby	999	The Lumby and District Wildlife Association of the BC Wildlife Federation sponsors a one-day fishing event that is designed to provide the opportunity for physically and mentally challenged people to catch a fish. Caregivers transport the participants to Mable Lake Provincial Park where the Lumby and District Wildlife Association volunteers provide assistance with setting up fishing rods with rod holders and assist with casting fishing lures, landing a trout, and often untangling fishing lines. The capacity for our annual event is 73 participants.	Lumby and District Wildlife Association	Mable Lake Provincial Park
Fishing Forever – Peachland	1000	The Peachland Sportsmen’s Association of the BC Wildlife Federation sponsors a one-day fishing event that is designed to provide the opportunity for physically and mentally challenged people to catch a fish. Caregivers transport the participants to the fishing pond in Peachland where the Peachland Sportsmen’s Association volunteers provide assistance with setting up fishing rods with rod holders and assist with casting fishing lures, landing a trout, and often untangling fishing lines. The capacity for our annual event is 50 participants.	Peachland Sportsmen’s Association	Okanagan Lake, Peachland
Fishing Forever - Vernon	1002	The Vernon Fish & Game Club of the BC Wildlife Federation sponsors a one-day fishing event that is designed to provide the opportunity for physically and mentally challenged people to catch a fish. Caregivers transport the participants to Mable Lake near Lumby where the Vernon Fish & Game Club volunteers provide assistance with setting up fishing rods with rod holders and assist with casting fishing lures, landing a trout, and often untangling fishing lines. The capacity for our annual event is 50 participants.	Vernon Fish & Game Club	Mable Lake Provincial Park
Hansard Creek: Stream and Riparian Restoration, and Fish Passage Improvement	1003	This project will restore in-stream habitat and fish passage, and adjacent riparian and floodplain habitats on a historically-degraded 300+ -metre reach of Hansard Creek, which has high rainbow trout and Chinook salmon habitat values. Historically the stream reach in question was degraded by an old forestry camp development in the early 20th century, including channel straightening and in-fill, riparian forest removal, and restriction of fish passage.	Aleza Lake Research Forest Society	5 km S/SW of the community of Aleza Lake.
Hammond Adopt-A-Park	1004	The Hammond Adopt-A-Park project will bring together community and school groups to adopt Hammond Park by removing a large stand of Himalayan blackberry and replacing it with native	Alouette River Management Society	Hammond Stadium, 20601 Westfield

		plants specifically chosen to benefit wildlife. Activities will include blackberry removal, planting, bird box building and placement, mulching, and planning a future rain garden.		Avenue, Maple Ridge, BC
WildResearch Nightjar Survey	1005	The WildResearch Nightjar Survey is a citizen science based project aimed at documenting the population, distribution and trends of Common Poorwills and Common Nighthawks across BC. The goal of this project is to create a long-term monitoring project of nightjars in BC with the aim of identifying conservation concerns and advising management of these understudied and possibly threatened species. Additional benefits of this program include raising awareness of conservation issues within the general public, providing a platform from which interested individuals can become directly involved with these issues, and providing valuable experience to young biologists and naturalists entering the workforce.	WildResearch Society	Southern British Columbia
Urban Watershed Restoration Initiative: An Uncover Your Creeks Project	1008	The Urban Watershed Restoration Initiative is a multi-year, multi-site program designed to educate the public about the importance of urban watersheds in the city of North Vancouver and to directly engage volunteers in the restoration of these sensitive riparian habitats. Evergreen has partnered with the City of North Vancouver for over a decade in similar programs, including last year's PCAF-funded North Vancouver City Parks Rehabilitation Project; this year, for the first time, Evergreen and the city will be focusing this volunteer environmental stewardship work on the streams and creeks of North Vancouver and the riparian areas immediately adjacent.	Evergreen Society	North Vancouver