



HABITAT
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CHRF Eligible Activities List for 2021-22 Granting Cycle

All expenditures must be for activities directly related to the **restoration of habitat** for caribou in BC as a means of supporting caribou population recovery.

Pre-treatment inventory and planning

- Pre-treatment inventory and development of treatment prescriptions for sites that have been identified as high priority for caribou habitat restoration.
- Completion of documentation necessary to support permitting requirements
- Purchasing plant stock (trees and shrubs)

Operations

- Functional restoration treatments designed to reduce the use of linear features by caribou predators and people. Activities can include:
 - Mounding/berming
 - Ripping/scarification
 - Roll back and placement of coarse woody material
 - Tree felling
 - Winter planting
 - Sowing of native shrub and tree seed
 - Tree bending
 - Line blocking
 - Bar mounding
 - Angle slicing
 - Constructing and installing fences
- Public education signage to explain access control measures (not regulatory signage)
- Ecological restoration treatments designed to return disturbed ecosystems back to their pre-disturbed state. Activities can include:

- Winter planting
- Sowing of native shrub and tree seed
- Lichen transplants
- Control of herbaceous or other competing plant species
- Fertilization to increase rate of re-establishment of target vegetation
- Site preparation activities and earthworks deemed necessary for successful revegetation of target species prior to planting. May include soil inversion, ripping, scarification, re-contouring, etc.
- Operational oversight of restoration activities

Monitoring:

- Field verification to ensure treatments are delivered as planned.
- Monitoring vegetation response to treatment:
 - Vegetation surveys
 - Lichen surveys
- Monitoring wildlife response to treatment
 - Natural sign and track surveys
 - Remote cameras
- Monitoring human response to treatments reducing access:
 - Questionnaire surveys
 - Track surveys
 - Remote cameras

Reporting:

- Conducting analysis and reporting on results of operational treatment
- Production of extension material to highlight project specific results and to garner general support for habitat restoration activities

Ineligible Activities:

Ineligible activities include, but are not limited to:

- High-level landscape or range plans, including planning strategic coordination and prioritization of restoration efforts (development of restoration plans/site prescriptions for areas identified as being high priority for caribou habitat restoration by the Province are eligible)
- Consultation or engagement with Indigenous communities

- Archeological assessments
- Rehabilitation, captive breeding, feeding or control of wildlife species
- Maternal penning
- Law enforcement activities and general patrols
- Regulatory signage or information projects on regulations
- Training costs for contractors
- Mapping projects that are not essential to site-specific caribou habitat restoration activities
- Salaries for regular government employees
- Development or production of hunting, tour, or curriculum guidebooks or publication materials
- Conferences, lecture series, or conventions
- Production or sponsorship of commercial programs
- Organizational fundraising
- Creation or management of electronic databases, websites or file systems
- Insurance costs
- Legal fees
- Capital Assets (item per unit over \$1000)
- Activities to fulfil statutory or legal requirements