

QUALITY WATERS FUND - YEAR 1 PROJECT REPORT

Kootenay Region

HCTF Project Number: 4-444

Part 1: Summary

SUMMARY FUNDING TABLE

	2021-22 Approved budget	2021 -22 Spending	Variance
Kootenay (8 classified watersheds)	not specified	\$105,200	na
Kootenay Classified Waters	not specified	\$11,346	na
Kootenay Classified Waters	not specified	\$13,588	na
TOTAL	\$130,500	\$130,134.50	\$365

General Project Summary

The Kootenay River Guardian Program included angler education, angler compliance checks and angler (Creel) surveys on 8 classified waters as well as stream temperature monitoring during the peak summer heat dome. WCT inventory (density/abundance estimates) was conducted on 4 systems and BT inventory (primarily redd counts) were conducted on >25 indexes in 7 systems. Habitat evaluations were conducted in both WCT and BT systems where inventory projects were completed. AMP's and classified waters management actions were reviewed with angling guides and stakeholders during two virtual meetings in 2021. Finally, RG's presented data to stakeholder clubs/groups, peers, etc. to educate public and promote both the benefits of the program and long term management objectives for species viability and angler opportunity. All of these components played a vital part in informing proactive management decisions with the goal of balancing diverse and sustained quality angler opportunities with long term conservation of wild stock wct and bt fisheries.

Additional Supporting Information

n/a

Photos

n/a