

These board highlights offer a general summary of discussion items and key decisions from the Board of Directors meeting held on **November 22-23, 2024**, in Creston, BC. Confidential topics, including business negotiations, personnel matters and legal issues, are not included.

- The Board approved the construction of a new Trust office in Nakusp, to be located on Trust-owned land at the corner of Broadway Street and Nelson Avenue. Staff are finalizing due diligence for awarding the construction contract, with an estimated timeline for completion in spring 2026.
- The Board approved two new initiatives under the Wildfire Resilience Support Program:
 - **Support for rural internet service providers** to assess and implement FireSmart measures, enhancing the protection of critical internet infrastructure that supports communication during local emergency response efforts.
 - **Support for mapping water resources** in remote communities. The resulting resource reports will be made available to local wildfire responders, providing an additional tool to assist with wildfire suppression and structure protection.
- The Board approved revisions to the Delivery of Benefits budget for the current fiscal year, including increased funding for existing programs and new initiatives to support activities aligned with the renewed [Columbia Basin Management Plan](#).
- The Board reviewed the draft consolidated budget for the 2025/26 fiscal year. The final budget, along with a detailed budget for 2025/26 Delivery of Benefits programs and initiatives, will be presented for approval at the January 2025 Board meeting.
- Here is the 2025 meeting schedule for the Trust Board of Directors:
 - January 24/25 Castlegar
 - April 4/5 Kimberley
 - May 23/24 Valemount
 - July 25/26 TBD
 - September 19/20 Radium (AGM)
 - November 28/29 Nelson
- Board meeting minutes are posted on the Trust website after approval at the subsequent meeting. View the minutes here: ourtrust.org/publications.