

## ENVIRONMENT GRANTS

List of projects approved for funding in the spring 2016 intake (up to \$10,000).

Community/Area	Organization	Project	Description	Funding Amount
Alexander Creek	Sparwood and District Fish and Wildlife Association	Alexander Creek Stream-side Restoration	Turn a 30 meter section of Alexander Creek's deteriorated riparian zone into a functioning riparian ecosystem using bioengineering techniques and native plant vegetation. Construct an interpretive sign and kiosks.	\$9,950
Kootenay Lake	Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society	Kootenay Lake Osprey Monitoring Project	Improve information on the status of breeding ospreys on Kootenay Lake by developing and delivering a citizen-science monitoring project to help inform on-the-ground action for future years.	\$5,439
Elk Valley	Elk River Alliance	Elk Watershed Discovery Camp	Host an experiential summer day camp for youth aged 10-14 to teach a range of topics including water quality monitoring, assessing aquatic and riparian health, fish biology and conservation, and the skills required to become watershed stewards.	\$8,500
Regional District of East Kootenay	Community Energy Association	Engaging Communities in Organic Diversion	Deliver an education and outreach program that will inform East Kootenay residents on the greenhouse gas impact of solid waste and encourage residents to participate in the Regional District of East Kootenay's organics waste pilot program.	\$9,968
Slocan Valley, Castlegar, Trail and Waneta	Federation of BC Naturalists	Kootenay Bank Swallow Survey	Develop a citizen science monitoring and education program to gather baseline abundance estimates for the bank swallow, train volunteers to monitor bank swallow colonies, raise	\$2,339

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			awareness of declining insect-eating birds, and provide stewardship information to landowners with bank swallows nesting on their properties.	
ʔaqam, ʔAkisq'nuk First Nation, Tobacco Plains and Lower Kootenay)	Ktunaxa Nation Council Society	Ktunaxa Environmental Education Project	Engage with four communities to plan a series of workshops on topics such as water and water quality, invasive species, environmental monitoring, species at risk, ecosystem restoration, forest health and wildlife management.	\$10,000
Elk Valley	Whitebark Pine Ecosystem Foundation of Canada	Limber Pine Ecosystem Foundation of Canada	Enhance the population of the red-listed limber pine in the Mount Broadwood region near Elko to restore limber pine populations and raise public awareness of the conservation issues surrounding whitebark and limber pine.	\$8,150
Argenta	Argenta Community Association	Little Mountain Chickadee Outdoor Program	Develop and deliver an environmental education project that offers inquiry-based learning field trips to families in the North Kootenay Lake region.	\$2,620
Creston Valley	Birchdale Ecological	Creston Valley Bear Fair	Coordinate a day-long event to educate residents (including farmers, ranchers, and recreationists) on how to safely coexist with grizzly bears in the Creston Valley. The event will include electric-fencing workshops, bear behaviour and safety presentations, and bear spray demonstrations.	\$4,750

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Kimberley / McGinty Lake	Meadowbrook Community Association	McGinty Lake Environmental Education Program	Develop and deliver a curriculum-based environmental education program for elementary students to learn about McGinty Lake's ecosystem.	\$7,270
Rossland	Rossland Society for Environmental Action	North Jubilee Wetland Footbridge and Signs	Build a footbridge over the North Jubilee Wetland to improve public viewing of the wetland and protect the riparian zone. Construct an interpretive sign that will educate visitors about wetland ecosystems.	\$5,800
Slocan Valley	Slocan Solutions Society	Slocan Valley Rare Species Inventory	Inventory and map the occurrences of species-at-risk and threatened ecosystems located in the Slocan Valley to guide future conservation and stewardship opportunities.	\$9,950
Invermere	District of Invermere	Storm Water Capture Pilot Project	Construct a capture area to retain storm water and enhance water quality through bio-filtration thereby reducing the amount of roadway run-off that is directed into Lake Windermere.	\$10,000
Lake Windermere	Lake Windermere Ambassadors	The Ambassadors Video Engagement Project	Create a short educational video to promote lake and watershed stewardship and raise public awareness on the effects of upland and stream activities on Lake Windermere.	\$7,000