BACKGROUNDER

WILDFIRE MITIGATION GRANTS WINTER 2018:
LIST OF PROJECTS APPROVED FOR FUNDING

Community	Project Name	Project Description	Funding Amount
Ɂaq̓am	Ɂaq̓am Community Wildfire Protection Project	Mitigate the highest risk areas for wildfire within the wildland urban interface on Ɂaq̓am reserve lands through the prescription and treatment of hazardous forest fire fuels.	$248,000
Canyon Lister Fire Department	Canyon/Lister Fire Information Billboards	Purchase and install billboards at the three entrances to the communities to display the current fire ban status and other community safety notices.	$6,500
City of Castlegar	Castlegar 2018 Columbia Basin Trust FireSmart Grant	In partnership with the Selkirk College Forestry program, conduct FireSmart assessments for private property owners and complete fuel mitigation prescriptions and treatments on public lands.	$20,000
City of Fernie	Fernie Wildfire Mitigation Projects	1. Implement a municipal FireSmart demonstration forest, which will provide an example of how FireSmart guidelines can be applied to residential properties. 2. Organize FireSmart neighborhood fuel chipping, which will include FireSmart community events to facilitate the reduction and removal of built-up forest fire fuel hazards. 3. Conduct wildfire hazard assessments of critical infrastructure throughout the city. 4. Develop fuel management prescriptions to guide removal of built-up forest fire fuel hazards. 5. Create and communicate a development permit area throughout the city's interface area, which will include fuel management requirements for property owners when developing and redeveloping the land.	$54,576

City of Kimberley	Forest Crown Fuel Mitigation and Kimberley Nordic Area Thinning	1. Reduce forest fire fuels on over 100 hectares of land adjacent to housing and the Kimberley Nordic Area.	$13,859
City of Nelson	Nelson Wildfire Mitigation Projects	1. Deliver evacuation training and plans to improve the City's ability to respond to wildfires and other emergencies. 2. Implement emergency planning to support an evacuation or emergency response due to an interface wildfire. 3. Implement a community preparedness and emergency notification campaign, which will prepare Nelson residents for wildfire risks by promoting FireSmart principles and emergency preparedness. 4. Reduce wildfire risks by protecting critical infrastructure and identifying alternate water supplies for firefighting in the city.	$137,000
City of Revelstoke	Revelstoke and Area Wildfire Protection	Educate community members about local wildfire risks, support private landowners to apply FireSmart principles to their homes and develop a wildfire hazard development permit area to further protect the community from wildfires.	$81,400
City of Rossland	Rossland Wildfire Mitigation	Promote Wildfire Community Preparedness Day activities to help reduce wildfire hazards on private properties in the city and conduct maintenance fuel treatments on previously treated areas.	$40,000
District of Sparwood	Emergency Response and Evacuation Plans	Develop emergency response and evacuation plans to ensure the District is able to manage evacuations efficiently in the event of a wildfire or other disaster.	$10,000
District of Elkford	Wildfire Mitigation	Complete fuel management prescriptions and treatments of the at-risk areas identified in the District's Community Wildfire Protection Plan.	$25,315
District of Invermere	District of Invermere Wildfire Pre-plan	Assess the District's inventory of critical infrastructure and develop an emergency pre-plan to improve the readiness and effectiveness of emergency responders and community	$22,375

		residents in the event of a wildfire or other serious situation.	
Regional District of Central Kootenay	RDCK FireSmart Home Partners Program and Wildfire Pre-plans Evacuation Zone Planning	Implement the FireSmart Home Partners Program, which will help residents identify actions to reduce wildfire risks on their properties. Create wildfire pre-plans, which will help wildfire mitigation specialists collect data to inform the development of wildfire pre-plans and emergency planning zones throughout the RDCK.	$100,000
Regional District of East Kootenay	Fuel Management Prescription Development	Develop fuel management prescriptions for at-risk areas identified in the Regional District's Community Wildfire Protection Plan.	$8,200
Regional District of Fraser-Fort George	Community Wildfire Education and Preparedness Campaign	Conduct an education and preparedness campaign in the Valemount area to educate private property owners on wildfire hazards, FireSmart principles and how to protect their properties.	$8,646
Shuswap Indian Band	FireSmart, Emergency Planning and Wildfire Mitigation	Implement emergency training and certification, develop an emergency response plan and implement FireSmart education to reduce interface wildfire risks and enhance emergency response in the event of a wildfire.	$32,817
Tobacco Plains Indian Band	Tobacco Plains Indian Band Wildfire Mitigation Program Development	Support FireSmart home assessments and training activities for members of the Band, enhancing the community's capacity to respond to wildfires.	$15,000
Village of Canal Flats	Fuel Management Prescription	Develop fuel management prescriptions for at-risk areas identified in the Village's Community Wildfire Protection Plan.	$2,500
Village of Radium Hot Springs	Radium FireSmart Assessments and Education	Deliver communication and education initiatives, including door-to-door FireSmart assessments, to provide property owners with information about the steps they can take to reduce wildfire hazards on their properties.	$8,218

Village of Silverton	Silverton Landscape Level Protection Plan	Conduct fuel management treatments on 18.2 hectares of at-risk land identified in the 2016 Slocan Valley Landscape Level Strategic Fuel Management Plan.	$14,000
Village of Slocan	Slocan Wildfire Urban Interface Protection Plan	Conduct fuel management treatments on 10.9 hectares of at-risk land located in and around critical infrastructure.	$8,000
		Project Totals	**$856,406**