

## ENVIRONMENT GRANTS PROGRAM

Examples of projects approved for funding under the spring 2014 intake for applications up to \$10,000.

Organization	Project	Project Description	Funding Amount
<b>NORTHWEST BASIN</b>			
The British Columbia Conservation Foundation	Meadow Creek Bear Education and Management Project	Integrate improved attractant management with less-lethal management techniques to improve grizzly bear/human co-existence in the Meadow Creek Area.	\$9,900
<b>NORTHEAST BASIN</b>			
Wildsight Golden	Columbia Wetlands Water Bird Survey	Use citizen science to establish Important Bird Area status for the Columbia Wetlands. The project will establish water bird viewing sites and will remove invasive plants to preserve and enhance the native biodiversity of the wetlands.	\$9,378
<b>SOUTHEAST BASIN</b>			
Elk River Watershed Alliance	Elk Watershed Discovery Camp	Host a day camp to engage and educate youth aged 11 to 14 about the environment. Camp attendees will utilize math and science skills learned in school and apply them to real-world situations such as completing surveys and mapping environmental features.	\$5,000
Isabel Ohanjanian	Invasive Fish Removal	Remove invasive sunfish from endangered northern leopard frog habitat to reduce sunfish predation on tadpoles and improve juvenile survival.	\$10,000
Rocky Mountain Trench Natural Resources Society	Lakit-Brewery Ridge Bighorn Sheep Corridor	Create an improved travel corridor for blue-listed Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep. This connectivity corridor will link two important bighorn sheep habitats, enabling the sheep to access critical winter range and providing them with necessary escape terrain.	\$10,000
Vast Resource Solutions	Nesting Enhancement for Western Painted Turtles	Build protected nesting sites that will help reduce mortality of nesting female western painted turtles. This will assist in increasing the overall western painted turtle population in the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area.	\$10,000

<b>SOUTHWEST BASIN</b>			
Kootenay Native Plant Society	Castlegar Camas Relocation	Salvage and relocate a threatened camas population from an area under development near Castlegar, and provide educational opportunities for the public to learn more about this ecologically and culturally important plant.	\$9,600
West Arm Outdoors Club	Kokanee Salmon School Program	Offer an educational “hands-on” and “minds-on” school-based program that brings Basin youth and adults, as well as interested visitors, to the Kokanee Creek spawning channel. This program provides education and information about the importance of stewardship, healthy habitat requirements, life cycles and fisheries management of kokanee salmon, as well as offering youth a sense of place in their own backyards.	\$7,000
Pass Creek Neighbourhood Association	Pass Creek Predator Co-Existence	Increase community understanding and knowledge about predator fence building and effective and proactive stewardship as it relates to predator management.	\$4,200