

These board highlights provide a general overview of discussion items and major decisions made at the Board of Directors meeting on **January 29/30, 2021**, which was held virtually via videoconference. It excludes confidential information such as business negotiations, personnel issues and legal matters.

- The Board elected Jocelyn Carver as Chair of the Trust Board of Directors and David Raven as Vice-Chair. Codie Morigeau, a nominee of the Ktunaxa Nation Council, and Aimee Watson, a nominee of the Regional District of Central Kootenay, were also appointed to the Board effective January 1, 2021. Learn more about the Trust Board at ourtrust.org/board.
- The Board approved the budget for 2021/22 which included \$74.9 million for Delivery of Benefits activities. Our work is guided by the [Columbia Basin Management Plan Strategic Priorities 2020-2022](#) (CBMP) developed in consultation with Basin residents in 2020.

The Trust will develop programming in support of the six strategic priorities in the CBMP: community well-being, ecosystem enhancement, high-speed connectivity, housing, local food production and access, and support for business renewal. The Trust will also continue with many of its existing programs that support its mission to foster the social, economic and environmental well-being of the Basin. All of our work will consider how to integrate climate resilience and working with Indigenous peoples.

Learn more about Trust programs and initiatives at ourtrust.org/ourwork.

- The Board appointed Chelsea Nicholas to the Social Advisory Committee, a Ktunaxa Nation member from Cranbrook, for a three-year term to expire January 31, 2024. The Trust currently has several committees which provide advice on how the Trust delivers benefits in the region. Learn more about our advisory committees at ourtrust.org/advisorycommittees.
- The following is the 2021 meeting schedule for the Trust Board of Directors:
 - March 25/26
 - May 28/29
 - July 23/24
 - September 24/25
 - November 26/27

At this time, the meetings in the near-term will be held via videoconference. Locations for future meetings will be based on the assessment of the COVID-19 health risk.

- Board meeting minutes are posted to the Trust website after they have been approved by the Board at the following meeting. View minutes here: ourtrust.org/publications.