

# Nature's Voice

THE PERIODICAL NEWSLETTER FROM BCnature

TO KNOW NATURE AND TO KEEP IT WORTH KNOWING

## Upcoming Events

### Last day of donations to receive your 2025 Charitable Tax Receipts

See details below on our Fundraising for 2025

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### Giving Tuesday

We are participating in Giving Tuesday again, please donate if at all possible.  
[DONATE](#)

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### BC Naturalists' Foundation and BC Nature Club Support Grants

On December 1, 2025 - new online applications for your club/organization to request your Club Support Grant. [LINK](#)

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### BC Nature Resolutions Submissions

Do you and/or your club/organization have an issue that would require a resolution to be submitted by BC Nature? Here is the link to organize and submit your resolution. [LINK](#)

# Annual Appeal and Giving Tuesday

We are please to announce that this year, we are able to receive some matching funds for every dollar raised during our annual appeal and on Giving Tuesday here are the details:

In recognition of our work on implementing Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs) in B.C., the BC Conservation Fund, through the BC Parks Foundation, has awarded BC Nature a two-year grant (2026-2028). These funds will go towards supporting BC Nature clubs and caretakers as we identify and steward the most critical places for wildlife in this province.



**Here is the best news: with your help, you can make even more of an impact. Until December 31st, 2025, all donations received by BC Nature are matched by the BC Conservation Fund, up to \$70,000! Having this match will make a considerable difference to the funds we receive for our KBA project.**

Wildlife needs us now more than ever. By helping to establish KBAs, we help to support local communities, naturalist clubs, and Indigenous partners have their voices heard. Our Caretakers, clubs, and volunteers work tirelessly to identify and steward these places, putting in thousands of hours of volunteer time a year to make this work possible. [LINK](#) here to donate

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## Tell Your Member of Parliament That Nature Funding Matters

### [Tell Your Member of Parliament That Nature Funding Matters](#)

Ask your MP to support:

- Full, stable funding for the 2030 Nature Strategy
- Investments in habitat protection, species recovery, and Indigenous-led conservation
- Maintaining—not reducing—federal conservation capacity



A short email or phone call makes a meaningful difference.

We've provided an email template you can use if you'd like—or feel free to write your own message in your own words. It's completely up to you!

Your voice matters. By taking these steps, you help strengthen the call for a federal budget that truly protects nature—for British Columbia, and for Canada.

[LINK](#) for further information and also how your can send an email based on the template supplied

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## Municipal Protected Areas Project (M.P.A.P.) - THE TEAM MADE THE NEWS!

Congratulations Andrew Banks and team of the BC Nature MPAP BC Nature! Excellent article/sound byte on CBC.



Listen or read the article [HERE](#)

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## Summer Naturalist Positions: The BC Biodiversity Program



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What a great opportunity to get paid to do what you love to do. You have the skills, you have the knowledge - put them to good use by reviewing this wonder job posting by the partnership of BC Parks, the Sitka Foundation, Brian Starzomski of University of Victoria, and John Reynolds of Simon Fraser University. They are looking to hire up to 5 summer naturalists to build on seven years of success with

this program. See the full job posting at this [LINK](#)

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## Frank Shannon Junior Conservation Award Nominations now being accepted



#### From the BC Wildlife Federation in BC:

We would like to invite your organization to nominate any youth, either an individual or as a group, up to Grade 12 or equivalent, for the Frank Shannon Junior Conservation Award.

This award honours an individual or group that has demonstrated innovation, initiative, or leadership in a project involving the conservation of natural resources. This could include an educational initiative, field work that protects or enhances habitat, or wildlife research.

You can find more information about the Frank Shannon Junior Conservation Award, as well as a nomination form, here: <https://bcwf.bc.ca/awards/>

The deadline for nominations is **February 15, 2026**.

The B.C. Wildlife Federation is British Columbia's leading conservation organization, made up of volunteers who aim to protect, enhance, and promote the wise use of our environment for the benefit of present and future generations. Awards will be presented at our Annual General Meeting and Convention, May 1 & 2, 2026, in Salmon Arm.

If you know anyone who you think would be a deserving recipient, please take a moment to nominate them now. Also, please feel free to distribute this email to others in your organization or like-minded organizations in B.C.

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## Nature Canada's Partner in Conservation Award: NatureKids BC



NatureKids BC's contribution to conservation in Canada is the result of a powerful blend of community engagement, environmental education, and promoting inclusive access to nature. As a partner in Nature

Canada's [NatureHood](#) program, the organization has demonstrated lasting impact through a legacy of connecting children and families to the natural world. Over the past year, [NatureKids BC](#) expanded its in-person programming across British Columbia, engaging more than a thousand families in meaningful outdoor experiences. This milestone reflects both the strength of its mission and the growing importance of nature connection in building resilient communities. Read all about this great award [HERE](#)

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# BC Nature Merch!

Back in September, BC Nature entered into an agreement with a local "Logo'd clothing" merchant, Wild & Free Design. We are actively taking orders for Hoodies, hats, t-shirts (Adult/Kids), water bottles, and a gift card.

Wild & Free Design gives back to BC Nature a portion of the sales as a donation. Great looking designs and colours and you will be the smartest dressed person on the trail! [Order Today](#) and you should receive your order in time for the holiday season!



## Interesting Reads as Sent to BC Nature

### [West Coast Trail - with wetsuit, face mask and hiking boots - Pacific Rim National Park](#)

Another great video by Bob Turner

### [Charting the Course - Thoughts on energizing your club](#)

A series of pointers to help your club/organization grow and thrive.

