



## Calling on all naturalists in Abbotsford and the Lower Mainland

Please explore this page created by the Fraser Valley Conservancy to lead you to development plans for McKee Peak and the action you can take to voice your concerns for the protection of nature. <https://fraservalleyconservancy.ca/mckee-peak-public-hearing/>

Go thru the entire page; view the video; and take a next step from the choices laid out for you at the end of the page. Share this link with everyone you know who may be concerned about preserving biodiversity, species at risk, wildlife, native and rare plants, healthy forests; climate change; and connecting people with nature.

The Public Hearing is Monday, July 25, at Abbotsford City Hall. You need to show up, speak up and/or send a comment by this date — this is our last opportunity.

***Thanks for caring and acting!***

On Behalf of the Abbotsford Mission Nature Club Executive

## A request for assistance from the Canadian Plant Health Council



To our Entomologists, researchers, and insect enthusiasts;

The Insect Surveillance Community of Practice, established under the Canadian Plant Health Council, is exploring the creation of a community science project that would connect enthusiasts from across the country that use black light attraction and other insect traps or techniques to collect or observe insects for a variety of purposes. Insect trapping or observation can provide valuable knowledge about the health of insect populations across Canada, contribute to the early detection of invasive species, and provide data on new and emerging species. We believe that if we can provide a network effect around insect observations then we will be in much better position to improve insect management or conservation decision-making to protect the health of plants across Canada

As a first step, we would like to gather information on how black light and other insect traps are being used across the country to potentially identify opportunities to create additional networks for insect monitoring, including for the detection of key insect species of concern. If you're willing to share information about your insect observational activities, please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire available here:

<https://arcg.is/1yjbW0>

Thank you on behalf of the Insect Surveillance Community of Practice!

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## FWCP - Apply now: Grants for Fish and Wildlife Projects



The [Fish & Wildlife Compensation Program](#) (FWCP) is encouraging grant applications for potential projects to conserve and enhance fish and wildlife impacted by BC Hydro dams in the [Peace Region](#).

The projects FWCP funds through its grants must align with FWCP's Peace Region [action plan](#) priorities for fish and wildlife.

If you're thinking of applying for a grant, be sure to submit the mandatory [Notice of Intent \(NOI\)](#) by the deadline below.

Talk to the FWCP: Contact acting [Peace Region manager](#) to talk about our priorities, your ideas for a grant application, and next steps: [Jennifer.Walker-Larsen@bchydro.com](mailto:Jennifer.Walker-Larsen@bchydro.com) 250-814-6645



[fwcp.ca/apply-for-funding/](http://fwcp.ca/apply-for-funding/)

### Key dates:

Peace Region (NOI) information session	Wednesday, August 24	<a href="#">Register now</a>
Mandatory Notice of Intent (NOI) due	Friday, Sept. 9	<a href="#">Learn more</a>
FWCP grants information session	Wednesday, August 24	<a href="#">Register now</a>
Grant applications due	Friday, October 28	<a href="#">Learn more</a>

Please share this opportunity for fish and wildlife grants with others.

Please follow the FWCP on [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#) to learn more about the work we do and the grants we offer. [Subscribe](#) to receive FWCP e-letters, annual reports, and project updates.

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## Interesting Video: “Snow Geese! Fraser and Skagit River deltas, Salish Sea”



**Bob Turner** made a number of trips to the Fraser River delta, and to the Skagit River delta south of Bellingham, to be among the vast white honking flocks of snow geese. Snow geese are such a force, such a spectacle, whether out on the marshes or in the farm fields. To be near a flock of snow geese lifting off, or landing, immersed in their overwhelming chorus of honks, is for me one of the great magical moments in nature. And unlike so many bird species, snow geese populations are thriving! [link to see](#)

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