Regional District of Central Kootenay

LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND COMMITTEE

Open Meeting Agenda

Date: Thursday, January 29, 2026

Time: 9:00 am

Location: RDCK Board Room, 202 Lakeside Dr., Nelson, BC

Directors will have the opportunity to participate in the meeting electronically. Proceedings are open to the public.

Pages

1. **ZOOM REMOTE MEETING INFO**

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Meeting Time:

1:00 PST
2:00 MST

Join by Video:

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Meeting ID: 929 2983 1362
Meeting Password: 511989

In-Person Location:
RDCK Boardroom

Nelson, BC

2. CALL TO ORDER

____ called the meeting to order at _____ a.m.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIR

CALL FOR NOMINATION (3 times)

Director _____ nominated Director _____.
Director _____ nominated Director _____.
Director _____ nominated Director _____.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CANDIDATES TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE

Each Committee member gives a two-minute address.

VOTE BY SECRET BALLOT

Planning Manager Nelson Wight distributes the secret ballots to the Directors.

DECLARATION OF ELECTED OR ACCLAIMED CHAIR

Director _____ was declared the Local Conservation Fund Committee Chair for 2026.

DESTROY BALLOTS

4. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We acknowledge and respect the Indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RECOMMENDATION:
The Agenda for the January 29, 2026 Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

6. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

5 - 8

The November 24, 2025, Local Conservation Fund Committee minutes, have been received.

7. DELEGATE

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Kendal Benesh, from Kootenay Conservation Program will present an overview of the 2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations to the Committee.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 FOR DISCUSSION: LCFC 2026 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

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The Technical Review Committee's Meeting notes dated November 21, 2025 and the RDCK Local Conservation Fund Committee's Funding

Recommendations for 2026 Proposals dated November 25, 2025 from Kendal Benesh, KCP Interim Program Director, were received.

8.2 FOR INFORMATION: NEW 5-YEAR AGREEMENT

The agreement with the Nature Trust of Canada was extended to March 31, 2026. On April 1, 2026 a new 5-year agreement with the Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association begins.

8.3 FOR INFORMATION: LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND COMMITEEE 2026 DRAFT FINANCIAL PLAN 74 - 75

The Local Conservation Fund Committee 2026 Draft Financial Plan from Sangita Sudan, General Manager Development and Community Sustainability, has been received.

9. OLD BUSINESS

9.1 FOR DISCUSSION: LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND COMMITTEE PROCEDURE DRAFT

Please refer to the annotated Content Mapping to Policy and Procedure in Attachment C of Item 9.2.

9.2 FOR DISCUSSION: LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND COMMITTEE POLICY MANUAL DRAFT 76 - 114

The Committee Report dated January 29, 2026 from Rishab Gaba, Planner 2, has been received.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board rescind the *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference* (approved January 17, 2019, as amended), and adopt Policy No. 400-02-200 *Local Conservation Fund Policy*, effective immediately.

9.3 FOR INFORMATION: LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND COMMITTEE COMMUNITY SURVEY - SUMMARY PRESENTATION 115 - 123

The Local Conservation Fund Community Survey - Summary presentation from Rishab Gaba, Planner 2, has been received.

9.4 FOR INFORMATION: RDCK LCF 10-YEAR COMMUNITY SURVEY SUMMARY REPORT 124 - 1831

The Local Conservation Fund Summary Report from Rishab Gaba, has been received.

10. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair will call for questions from the public and members of the media at _____ a.m./p.m.

11. NEXT MEETING

The next Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting is scheduled for _____, 2026 at ____.

12. ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDATION:
The Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting be adjourned at _____ p.m.

Regional District of Central Kootenay
LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND COMMITTEE
Open Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 24, 2025 at 10:00 am
RDCK Hybrid Meeting

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair T. Newell	Electoral Area F
Director G. Jackman	Electoral Area A
Director A. Watson	Electoral Area D
Director W. Popoff	Electoral Area H

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Director C. Graham	Electoral Area E

STAFF PRESENT

Sangita Sudan	General Manager of Development and Community Sustainability Services
N. Wight	Planning Manager
Rishab Gaba	Planner
S. Kindred	Administrative Assistant, Development and Community Sustainability Services

GUESTS

Juliet Craig	Kootenay Conservation Program
Kendal Benesh	Kootenay Conservation Program

1. ZOOM REMOTE MEETING INFO

To promote openness, transparency and provide accessibility to the public we provide the ability to attend all RDCK meetings in-person or remote (hybrid model).

Meeting Time:
10:00 a.m. PST
11:00 a.m. MST

Join by Video:
https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/91926225008?pwd=uhcwN16KsditkcgBbGBbf5MEc70AWW.1&from=addon

Join by Phone:
833 955 1088 Canada Toll-free

*6 to unmute or mute
*9 to raise or lower your hand

Meeting ID: 919 2622 5008
Meeting Password: 431988

In-Person Location:
Boardroom
202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Newell called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

3. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We acknowledge and respect the Indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

The Agenda for the November 24, 2025 Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The June 23, 2025 Local Conservation Fund Committee minutes, have been received.

6. STAFF REPORTS

6.1 FOR REFERENCE: FEBRUARY 20, 2025 BOARD REPORT AND KLLCF TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Board Report dated February 6, 2025 from Nelson Wight re: the Local Conservation Fund Committee Bylaw and the existing Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference, was received for information to support the discussion in items 7.1 and 7.2.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7.1 FOR DISCUSSION: LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND PROCEDURE DRAFT

The Local Conservation Fund Procedure Draft, was received.

Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

That Kendal Benesh and Juliet Craig have freedom of the floor.

Carried

7.2 FOR DISCUSSION: LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND POLICY MANUAL DRAFT

The Local Conservation Fund Policy Manual Draft, was received.

ACTION ITEMS:

- That Staff prepare a redline version of the RDCK Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference (last amended June 17, 2021) to show how elements were incorporated into the draft Local Conservation Fund Procedure and Local Conservation Fund Policy documents that would replace that original Terms of Reference document and provide that information for the next Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting.

- That Staff present a summary report of the results of the Local Conservation Fund 10-Year Community Survey at the next Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 FOR DISCUSSION: LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND COMMITTEE 2026 MEETING DATES

The Committee to decide on the frequency of meetings for 2026 and confirm the meeting date to discuss the Local Conservation Fund's 2026 Recommendations from the Technical Review Committee.

ACTION ITEM:

- That Staff send an online poll to schedule the next Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting for February 2026.

9. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:18 a.m.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting has yet to be determined.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

The Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting be adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Carried

_____

Name of Chair, Chair

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

Kendal Benesh
Interim Program Director,
Kootenay Conservation Program
January 2026

Photo: Kootenay Conservation Program, Crooked Horn Farm

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

- Overview of 2026 proposals
- TRC recommendations
- Available funding
- Other updates

Photo: Elk Root Conservation Farm,
Pollinator Highway Project – Phase 1

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

- RDCK LCF process and technical review
  - Request for proposals released August 2025
  - Closing date October 31, 2025
  - Nine (9) applications were received
  - Technical Review Committee (TRC) expert review and ranking
  - Meeting November 21, 2025 in Nelson

Photo: Valhalla Foundation for Ecology,
Snk'mip Marsh Sanctuary Habitat Enhancement

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

- Technical Review Committee
  - Marc-Andre Beaucher, M.Sc., R.P.Bio
  - John Cathro, M.Sc., M.A., R.P.F
  - Ryan Durand, M.Sc., R.P.Bio
  - Tyson Ehlers, B.S.F, R.P.Bio
  - Dr. Rachel Holt, Ph.D., R.P.Bio
  - Claire Peyton, P.Ag., B.Sc. (Alternate)

Photo: Valhalla Foundation for Ecology,
Snk'mip Marsh Sanctuary Habitat Enhancement

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

- KCP Report to the RDCK
  - Summary of projects
  - TRC conflicts of interest
  - General recommendations to Area Directors
  - Technical feedback to proponents
  - Recommendation for funding

Photo: Living Lake Canada
North Kootenay Lake Climate Resilience and Water Monitoring

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

- 9 proposals received

1. Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions (LVO LINKS)
2. Bat Roost Enhancement and Activity Monitoring in the West Kootenay (WCSC)
3. Kootenay Nature for Neighbourhoods Program (CKISS; NEW)
4. Harrop Wetlands Project (FOKLSS)
5. Slocan Valley Pollinator Highway Project: Phase 1 Year 3 (ERCFS)
6. Construction and Conservation of Artificial Bat Roosts in the West Kootenay (ONA)
7. Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK (LLC)
8. Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration in the Kootenays (BCWF)
9. Planning for the Future: Watershed Security in a Changing Climate (WKWCS; NEW)

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

- Total ‘ask’ for 2026 was **$168,774** for all 9 projects

- RDCK indicated that **~$140,000** would be available

2026 Proposals: Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions

- **Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS**
  - Areas A, D, E, F, H
  - 2026 Request $15,000
  - TRC Rec: $15,000

Photo: Jakob Dulisse

2026 Proposals: Bat Roost Enhancement and Activity Monitoring in the West Kootenay

- **Wildlife Conservation Society Canada**
  - Areas A, D, E, F, H
  - 2026 Request $24,955
  - TRC Rec: $24,955

Photo: Wildlife Conservation Society Canada

2026 Proposals: Kootenay Nature for Neighbourhoods Program

- Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society
  - NEW PROJECT
  - Areas A, D, E, F, H
  - 2026 Request $14,624
  - TRC Rec: $14,624

Photo: Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society

2026 Proposals: Harrop Wetlands Project

- **Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society**
  - Last funded in 2023
  - Area E
  - 2026 Request $13,000
  - TRC Rec: $13,000

Photo: Kootenay Conservation Program

2026 Proposals: Slocan Valley Pollinator Highway Project: Phase 1 Year 3

- **Elk Root Conservation Farm Society**
  - Area H
  - 2026 Request $18,393
  - TRC Rec: $18,393

Photo: Elk Root Conservation Farm Society

2026 Proposals: Construction and Conservation of Artificial Bat Roosts in the West Kootenay

- Okanagan Nation Alliance
  - Areas A, D, E, F, H
  - 2026 Request $15,196
  - TRC Rec: $15,000

Photo: Kootenay Conservation Program

2026 Proposals: Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK

- Living Lakes Canada
  - Areas D, E, H
  - 2026 Request $24,000
  - TRC Rec: $15,000

Photo: Living Lakes Canada

2026 Proposals: Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration in the Kootenays

- **BC Wildlife Federation**
  - Areas D, H
  - 2026 Request $22,605
  - TRC Rec: $14,000

Photo: BC Wildlife Federation

2026 Proposals: Planning for the Future: Watershed Security in a Changing Climate

- West Kootenay Watershed Collaborative
  - NEW PROJECT
  - Area E
  - 2026 Request $21,000
  - TRC Rec: $10,000

Photo: West Kootenay Watershed Collaborative

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

- 9 proposals received (ranked highest to lowest with scores)

1. Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions (LVO LINKS) – **48.63**
2. Bat Roost Enhancement and Activity Monitoring in the West Kootenay (WCSC) – **47.63**
3. Kootenay Nature for Neighbourhoods Program (CKISS; NEW) - **46.25**
4. Harrop Wetlands Project (FOKLSS) - **45.19**
5. Slocan Valley Pollinator Highway Project: Phase 1 Year 3 (ERCFS) – **44.88**
6. Construction and Conservation of Artificial Bat Roosts in the WK (ONA) – **44.50**
7. Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK (LLC) – **40.75**
8. Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration (BCWF) – **39.13**
9. Planning for the Future: Watershed Security in a Changing Climate (WKWCS; NEW) - **38.88**

2026 RDCK LCF Recommendations

- **TRC Recommendation to the RDCK:**
  - Funding for **nine (9)** of the **nine (9)** proposed projects for 2026
  - **Totalling $139,972** in funding, with reduced funding for four projects

RDCK LCF Communications

Curious About Previously Funded Projects?

A list of projects funded between 2016 to 2024 can be found here.

Learn more about previous projects by visiting their profiles: a snapshot into the what and why of each.

→ VIEW PROJECT PROFILES

www.kootenayconservation.ca

Questions?

www.kootenayconservation.ca

Photo: Tyson Ehlers

Kootenay Conservation Program
RDCK LCF Technical Review Committee (TRC) Meeting Notes

Friday, November 21, 2025 (9:00 am to 4:00 pm PT)
Nelson Chamber of Commerce, Nelson, BC

Present: Juliet Craig (KCP), Kendal Benesh (KCP), Marc-Andre Beaucher, Ryan Durand, Tyson Ehlers, Claire Peyton, Dr. Rachel Holt (from 12:30-1:30 only).

Meeting Notes:

1) Report from KCP Interim Program Director
   a) Overview of process:
      - KCP Interim Program Director provided background on the process of proposal intake for 2026.
   b) Conflict of Interest: KCP Interim Program Director provided a review of the conflict-of-interest policy and discussed conflicts with group (see below for declarations).
   a) Update on RDCK LCF 10-year review
      - RDCK has finalized and issued a questionnaire to households in Electoral Areas A, D, and E via mail and electronically.
      - Questionnaire will be open until December 15, 2026, with an aim of one response collected per household, and results will be summarized and discussed at the RDCK LCF Subcommittee.
      - RDCK has established a formal RDCK LCF Subcommittee.
   b) Update on RDCK LCF Terms of Reference and Policy Document
      - The RDCK has drafted an update to the RDCK LCF Terms of Reference Document (now called the "Procedure Document") and created a "Policy Document" that clearly outlines the purpose of the Fund and roles of the RDCK and RDCK LCF Subcommittee.
      - The new Procedure Document includes some of the suggested edits from the TRC that were made in the fall of 2023.
      - The RDCK has also approved the use of the updated, simplified version of the Priority Conservation Actions table (Table 5 in the KLLCF Guidance Document) that the TRC worked on in 2023; this will be utilized for the 2027 grant cycle.

- These documents are being reviewed by the RDCK LCF subcommittee on November 24th, and presumably will go to the RDCK Board for approval afterwards.

c) Existing project updates
   - Funding extension submitted to the RDCK for Lardeau Valley LINKS Society's 2024 *Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions* project to January 31, 2026.
   - A second funding extension request submitted to the RDCK for Ktunaxa Nation Council's 2023 *Protecting Indigenous Cultural Values and Fish & Wildlife Habitat on Kootenay Lake* project to January 31, 2026.

d) Brief overview of 2026 Proposed Projects (9 new proposals) – RDCK indicated that approx. $140,000 available for 2026 projects.
   - Reminder that the Report to the RDCK is a public document, and we present it to the RDCK LCF Subcommittee, and then the remainder of RDCK Directors also read it.

2) Declaration of Conflict of Interests – these TRC members did not participate in discussions and/or score proposals for projects with which they had a declared conflict of interest:
   a) Ryan Durand declared a partial conflict of interest with the BC Wildlife Federation's *Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration in the Kootenays* project since he is on the Board of Directors for Slocan River Streamkeepers Society and was involved in Phase 1 of the project. Ryan did not rank or participate in discussion for this project.
   b) Tyson Ehlers declared a potential conflict of interest with the BC Wildlife Federation's *Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration in the Kootenays* project since he is on the Board of Directors for Slocan River Streamkeepers Society. Tyson did not rank or participate in discussion for this project.
   c) Ryan Durand declared a conflict of interest with Living Lakes Canada's *Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK* project since he is on the Board of Directors for Slocan River Streamkeepers Society and they are involved in the project. Ryan did not rank or participate in discussion for this project.
   d) Tyson Ehlers declared a conflict of interest with Living Lakes Canada's *Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK* project since he is on the Board of Directors for Slocan River Streamkeepers Society and they are involved in the project. Tyson did not rank or participate in discussion for this project.
   e) Claire Peyton noted that she previously was on the Board of the Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society but has not been involved with the organization in about 10 years. The Technical Review Committee determined this was not a conflict of interest.
3) Review and ranking of 2026 RDCK LCF Project Proposals
   a) See below table of rankings and recommendations for funding.
4) Suggestions for improving 2027 process, applications, reporting, etc.

a) KCP to reach out to provincial government to inquire if they are able to have a representative on the TRC.
b) Application forms:
    - Include a check box on project applications on whether any permits are required, and if so, which permits are required (e.g., Water Sustainability Act, Wildlife Act, etc.).
    - Suggest adding more guidance for proponents regarding the budget table to help reduce errors and improve clarity.
    - In Section C, Q6, consider changing to a table to ensure relevant information on project team is acquired.
c) Partnerships
    - In Section C, Q7, suggest adding more guidance on how to describe partner roles and responsibilities to reduce confusion.

Project Name	**Proponent**	**POINTS / 50**	**Amount Requested**	**Amount Recommended**
Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions	Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS	**48.63**	$15,000.00	$15,000.00
Bat Roost Enhancement and Activity Monitoring in the West Kootenay	Wildlife Conservation Society Canada	**47.63**	$24,955.00	$24,955.00
Kootenay Nature for Neighbourhoods Program	Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society	**46.25**	$14,624.55	$14,624.00
Harrop Wetlands Project	Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society	**45.19**	$13,000.00	$13,000.00
Slocan Valley Pollinator Highway Project: Phase 1 Year 3	Elk Root Conservation Farm Society	**44.88**	$18,393.00	$18,393.00
Construction and Conservation of Artificial Bat Roosts in the West Kootenay	Okanagan Nation Alliance	**44.50**	$15,196.10	$15,000.00
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Planning for the Future: Watershed Security in a Changing Climate	West Kootenay Watershed Collaborative Society	**38.88**	$21,000.00	$10,000.00
	Total		**$168,774.16**	**$139,972.00**

CERTIFIED CORRECT

RDCK LCF TRC Chair
Marc-Andre Beaucher

KCP Interim Program Director
Kendal Benesh

Regional District of Central Kootenay Local Conservation Fund (RDCK LCF)

Funding Recommendations for 2026 Proposals

BC Wildlife Federation's Crooked Horn Farm Phase 2 Restoration Project
Photo: Kootenay Conservation Program

Report Submitted by:
Kendal Benesh, KCP Interim Program Director
Kootenay Conservation Program[1]
November 25, 2025

[1] Kootenay Conservation Program, www.kootenayconservation.ca, info@kootenayconservation.ca

Executive Summary

Following an annual call for proposals, Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) received nine (9) proposals seeking a combined total of **$168,774.16** in funding through the Regional District of Central Kootenay Local Conservation Fund (RDCK LCF) service for 2026. RDCK staff determined that **$140,000.00** would be available for allocation in 2026. KCP facilitated a meeting on November 21st, 2025, where the RDCK LCF Technical Review Committee (TRC) ranked and reviewed the proposals, and ultimately recommended that funding in the amount of **$139,972.00** be granted to support nine (9) of the nine (9) proposed projects. The following report details the project proposals, along with the TRC recommendations for funding, comments to project proponents, as well as comments to the RDCK Board of Directors.

The following projects were ranked by priority (highest to lowest score):

Project Name	Proponent	POINTS / 50	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions	Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS	**48.63**	$15,000.00	$15,000.00
Bat Roost Enhancement and Activity Monitoring in the West Kootenay	Wildlife Conservation Society Canada	**47.63**	$24,955.00	$24,955.00
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Planning for the Future: Watershed Security in a Changing Climate	West Kootenay Watershed Collaborative Society	**38.88**	$21,000.00	$10,000.00
	Total		**$168,774.16**	**$139,972.00**

The proposed projects occur in the following Electoral Areas:

Project Name	**Electoral Area A**	**Electoral Area D**	**Electoral Area E**	**Electoral Area F**	**Electoral Area H**
Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bat Roost Enhancement and Activity Monitoring in the West Kootenay	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kootenay Nature for Neighbourhoods Program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Harrop Wetlands Project			✓		
Slocan Valley Pollinator Highway Project: Phase 1 Year 3					✓
Construction and Conservation of Artificial Bat Roosts in the West Kootenay	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK		✓	✓		✓
Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration in the Kootenays		✓			✓
Planning for the Future: Watershed Security in a Changing Climate			✓		

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Background on the RDCK Local Conservation Fund

In 2014, Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) worked in partnership with the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) to establish a local conservation fund service in the Central Kootenay and continues to work in partnership to administer this service.

The RDCK established the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (RDCK LCF) service after a successful public assent vote in November 2014, which was held in conjunction with the local election in Electoral Areas A, D, and E. In 2022, residents of RDCK Electoral Area H voted by referendum to join the service, expanding the fund service area to the Slocan Valley, and in September 2023, the RDCK approved Electoral Area F to join the service after the Alternate Approval Process indicated public support. The financing mechanism is a parcel tax of $15 per parcel per year, which is applied to all parcels (residential, industrial, commercial) within the service area. The Local Conservation Fund's Terms of Reference reflects the priority themes of aquatic systems and conservation of water, wildlife, and habitat.

From 2016 to 2024, the RDCK approved 57 grants totalling $726,000. This local investment has leveraged over three times that amount in external grants and in-kind support, not including two conservation acquisitions, which if included, raises the leveraged funding to over 28 times additional funding.

The RDCK is responsible for maintaining the integrity of the RDCK LCF and retains the responsibility for final approval of all projects, grant payments, and financial audits of the fund. Under a formal, written agreement, KCP is responsible for administering the RDCK LCF, including updating application and reporting forms, advertising calls for proposals, responding to enquiries, facilitating a formal technical review of applications, project evaluation, and overall program evaluation.

More information can be found at https://kootenayconservation.ca/regional-district-of-central-kootenay/ and a summary of all RDCK LCF projects to date can be found at https://kootenayconservation.ca/rdck-local-conservation-fund-projects/.

Project Application Process

In August of 2025, a request for proposals was circulated for the submission of applications to KCP to access funding through the RDCK LCF. Advertisements were placed in local print (Valley Voice, Nelson Star, Eastshore Mainstreet, and Pennywise) and shared via KCP's monthly eNews (with over 1,900 subscribers), social media channels, and via email to a comprehensive list of previous project applicants, local stewardship organizations, First Nations, local governments, and others. The closing date was October 31, 2025, and a total of nine (9) applications were received by KCP. On November 21, 2025, the RDCK LCF Technical Review Committee (TRC) met in Nelson, BC, to collectively discuss the project proposals, score them based on clearly defined technical evaluation criteria, and make funding recommendations to the RDCK Board for consideration.

Technical Review Committee

The TRC is an independent, expert panel of local experts (e.g., biologists, foresters, etc.) who review and rank proposals according to pre-determined technical criteria and make recommendations on the perceived effectiveness of proposed projects. The TRC continues to operate effectively, and 2025 projects were reviewed and ranked by:

- Marc-Andre Beaucher, M.Sc., R.P.Bio
- Ryan Durand, M.Sc., R.P.Bio
- Tyson Ehlers, B.S.F., R.P.Bio
- Claire Peyton, P.Ag., B.Sc.

The TRC also operates under a strict conflict-of-interest protocol:

> *Committee members will inform the Consultant of any circumstances, be that an actual conflict of interest or an appearance of conflict, which may have a negative or harmful effect on their ability to perform the duties required of the appointment or the reputation of the Committee.*

This year, the following conflicts of interest were declared, and these TRC members did not participate in discussions and/or score proposals for projects with which they had a declared conflict of interest:

- Ryan Durand declared a partial conflict of interest with the BC Wildlife Federation's *Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration in the Kootenays* project since he is on the Board of Directors for Slocan River Streamkeepers Society and was involved in Phase 1 of the project. Ryan did not rank or participate in discussion for this project.
- Tyson Ehlers declared a potential conflict of interest with the BC Wildlife Federation's *Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration in the Kootenays* project since he is on the Board of Directors for Slocan River Streamkeepers Society. Tyson did not rank or participate in discussion for this project.
- Ryan Durand declared a conflict of interest with Living Lakes Canada's *Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK* project since he is on the Board of Directors for Slocan River Streamkeepers Society, and they are involved in the project. Ryan did not rank or participate in discussion for this project.
- Tyson Ehlers declared a conflict of interest with Living Lakes Canada's *Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK* project since he is on the Board of Directors for Slocan River Streamkeepers Society, and they are involved in the project. Tyson did not rank or participate in discussion for this project.
- Claire Peyton noted that she previously was on the Board of Directors of the Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society but has not been involved with the organization in about 10 years. The Technical Review Committee determined this was not a conflict of interest.

Project Suitability

To be considered, a project must first meet a series of mandatory requirements. The project must:

- Fall within the RDCK LCF service area – RDCK Electoral Areas A, D, E, F and H;
- Address at least one IUCN threat to biodiversity and one of the Fund's Guidance Document[2] Priority Conservation Actions; and
- Be an eligible activity under the Fund's Terms of Reference.

The proponent must:

- Be a registered non-profit organization, local government or First Nation; and
- Be prepared to make a presentation on the outcomes of their work and submit an interim and final written report.

If the project fulfills these requirements, they are scored out of a total of 50 points:

- Project Feasibility – Maximum 10 points;
- Cost Effectiveness – Maximum 5 points;
- Cost Sharing – Maximum 5 points;
- Project Effectiveness – Maximum 20 points; and
- The Fund's Guidance Document Priority Action – Maximum 10 points.

[2] Amec Foster Wheeler Environment and Infrastructure. 2018. Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Guidance Document. Prepared for Regional District of Central Kootenay, Nelson, BC.

2026 Proposals and Technical Review Committee Recommendations

1. Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions

Total: 48.63 Points

Funding Requested: $15,000.00

Recommended: $15,000.00

Submitted by: Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS – Chelsey Jones

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Electoral Area A, D, E, F, H

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$15,000	32%
Other Cash	$24,875	53%
In Kind	$7,000	15%
Total Project Budget	**$46,875**	

Project Description:
Bear/agriculture conflicts create real and tangible threats for Kootenay Lake and Slocan Valley residents, and for recovering grizzly bear populations. With semi-rural and urban residents interested in raising local food, more people are keeping backyard chickens, sheep, pigs, beehives, and growing crops in their backyards. Livestock kills or property/crop damage perpetuates intolerance to grizzly bear presence in human settled valleys and leaves the Conservation Officer Service (COS) with limited management options. Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions (GBCS) provides a 50% cost share with residents for electric fencing equipment to protect their livestock and/or crops from bears. This helps to share the social cost of living with grizzly bears on the landscape. Properly installed electric fencing is an excellent tool for farms, homesteads, orchards, and backyard food producers to prevent bear conflicts.

This project started in the Kootenay Region in 2013 and has been highly successful, with 547 electric fences installed to date. This project reaches beyond the RDCK service area, but RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF) funding will be used only in RDCK Electoral Areas A, D, E, F, and H. This project has strong support as it addresses residents' concerns and provides appropriate education, outreach, action, support, and tools to prevent and reduce grizzly and black bear conflicts. It also provides much needed safety education regarding interactions with grizzly bears.

Grizzly bear populations in the Kootenay Lake and Slocan Valley areas are recovering from near-threatened status (the South Selkirk population was recommended to be vulnerable under IUCN endangered species listing) and attractant management and safety information specific to grizzly bears is needed to prevent human-bear conflicts, both near homes and in the backcountry. These efforts are even more needed as the South Selkirk Grizzly Bear Population recovers and bears are expanding their range (M. Proctor, pers. comm. Oct 25, 2018). Project Coordinator Gillian Sanders is highly experienced with grizzly bear coexistence measures and

will assist Kootenay Lake residents in Electoral Areas A, D, and E to prevent conflicts and result in human and bear safety. In Electoral Areas F and H, GBCS is partnering with experienced biologist Cora Skein to deliver the cost share program and outreach. GBCS also has a strong collaboration with WildSafeBC throughout the region. Residents will learn knowledge and skills that result in changed human behaviours. The corresponding reduction in property damage and livestock kills will increase attitudes of tolerance and appreciation for grizzly bears while they access low elevation linkage habitats to move safely over the landscape. Residents will learn to become stewards of this iconic wildlife species that often symbolizes wilderness and wild places. This project addresses known causes of grizzly bear conflicts (and associated bear mortalities) by providing feasible and cost-effective solutions that benefit residents and local grizzly bear populations.

Project Goal & Objectives:
The goal of Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions is to improve human-grizzly bear coexistence through education, collaboration, and use of practical tools.

The project objectives are:

1) **To improve grizzly bear/human coexistence in low-elevation habitats resulting in reduced grizzly bear conflicts and mortalities:** GBCS has installed 41 electric fences to mitigate existing grizzly bear conflicts, and a total of 547 electric fences installed to date in the Kootenay Region.
2) **To reduce grizzly bear/agricultural conflicts by providing education and support for residents:** This will be achieved with education through site visits, outreach events, fencing workshops, and presentations to various groups.
3) **To share the cost of direct conservation action (electric fencing) by installing 15-20 electric fences in the RDCK LCF service area:** The cost share program shares the real social cost involved to coexist with bears and prevents livestock kills and property damage.
4) **To assist residents and increase tolerance towards grizzly bears as conflicts are reduced:** This is achieved by providing ongoing support and education, and tracking success of electric fences (defined by safe livestock or crops, no property damage, no ensuing conflicts, and resident satisfaction). A focus will be residents living on or near conservation properties purchased to maintain high value wildlife habitat and connectivity of landscapes.
5) **To assist BC Conservation Officer Service (COS) and BC Wildlife Branch in non-lethal management of grizzly bears:** This is achieved by providing needed education for effective fencing design and maintenance and enabling residents to install fencing through the cost share program. The outcome and benefit here is COS are able to recommend electric fences as an effective non-lethal management response to grizzly bear conflicts and provide residents and COS with a viable alternative to shooting bears.
6) **To provide safety information and bear spray training with inert practice spray to various groups and individuals where human activities and grizzly bear habitats overlap:** The outcome will be expert safety information shared on grizzly bear behaviour and how to safely respond when encountering grizzly bears to at least five groups each year of project delivery.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:

Year	LCF Funding Received
2024	$13,800
2023	$11,500
2022	$9,000
2021	$11,000
2020	$12,000
2019	$12,000
2018	$12,000
2017	$9,080
TOTAL	**$90,380**

*Note that GBSC did not apply for funding in 2025.

2024 Accomplishments:

- GBCS has fielded 21 emails and 12 phone calls from different residents from Area A, D, E, and H. Remote cameras have been deployed and images used in outreach events. GBCS has used social media to promote project events and to outreach to those experiencing grizzly bear conflicts, including the project's online learning videos.
- There have been 10 electric fences installed in RDCK LCF area so far in 2024 using cost share funds from RDCK LCF and partners: Area D - 3 fences; Area A - 1 fences; Area E - 4 fences; and Area H - 2 fences. Note that additional fences were installed in 2025.
- All fences installed through RDCK LCF funds have been successful in deterring bears and residents are satisfied with their fence.
- There was a grizzly bear safety workshop in Nelson that attracted people from Blewett and other Area E residents (May 30) and one planned in Meadow Creek (Oct 24). In Area H, this information was provided through project partners. GBCS provides ongoing grizzly bear safety outreach to bear viewers and photographers on the Lardeau River through September-October.
- Safety info has also been shared thru phone calls, emails, and social media throughout the season.

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Reduce mortality to listed, rare or sensitive species

Recommendation to Directors:

- Strong proposal that provides concise description of the conservation issue and an important project to address human-wildlife conflict in the region.
- Project has strong partnerships, a good track record with previous work, good leveraged funding, and broad community support.
- Effective, long-term project that provides benefits to landowners in the entire RDCK LCF service area.
- Appreciate the mentorship component of the project and expansion to Electoral Area H.
- Project is recommended for funding as proposed.

Feedback to Proponent:

- Strong proposal that provides concise description of the conservation issue and an important project to address human-wildlife conflict in the region.
- Project has strong partnerships, a good track record with previous work, good leveraged funding, and broad community support.
- Effective, long-term project that provides benefits to landowners in the entire RDCK LCF service area.
- Appreciate the mentorship component of the project and expansion to Electoral Area H.
- Appreciate that proponent will be providing summary results as part of final project reporting as previously recommended by the Technical Review Committee.

2. Enhancing Bat Habitat and Monitoring Populations in the West Kootenay

Total: 47.63 Points

Funding Requested: $24,955.00

Recommended: $24,955.00

Submitted by: Wildlife Conservation Society Canada — Dana Blouin

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Areas A, D, E, F and H

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$24,955	25%
Other Cash	$59,918	59%
In Kind	$16,879	16%
Total Project Budget	**$101,752**	

Project Description:
Bats are a critical component of the Columbia Basin's ecosystems, yet they face significant and growing threats. Just as "ungulates" describe an order of mammals with diverse ecological requirements, "bats" encompasses multiple unique species, each with distinct life-histories and habitat needs. Maintaining a diverse bat community is essential for ecosystem health and resilience. Despite their ecological importance, bats are highly vulnerable. Over half of the bat species in the Columbia Basin are "at risk", and five are listed or assessed as Endangered under the federal Species at Risk Act. Declines in bat populations have cascading effects: research has shown that reduced bat abundance leads to increased pesticide use, with broader human health consequences, including higher infant mortality rates (Frank 2024).

Economically, bats contribute billions of dollars annually in ecosystem services, supporting forestry and agriculture (Boyles et al. 2011), yet the very industries that rely on these services often reduce available roosting and foraging habitat. While structures such as bat condos have proven highly effective at providing habitat when anthropogenic roosts are removed (e.g., building evictions), relatively few bat species use these structures. Logging in the Kootenay region often leaves retention patches that vary widely in size and quality, and in some cases only single trees are protected under regional regulations (Wildlife Habitat Features, Ministerial Order # M213). These limited protections are insufficient to support the diverse roosting and reproductive needs of forest-dwelling bats, most of which rely on cavities under bark or within trunks—features typically found in older trees. While small stands of old-growth cedar remain in parts of West Kootenay, most forests are dominated by younger trees that offer few suitable roosting sites for raising pups. With ongoing landscape changes, the availability of high-quality roosts is declining, underscoring the importance of identifying and enhancing key roosting habitat in the West Kootenay.

Our project aims to enhance roosting habitat for bats in the West Kootenay, while continuing to monitor the effectiveness of these enhancements. We are compiling data on occupancy patterns, temporal use, and species-specific use to inform the development of guidance on creating roost tree structures in logged areas. In addition, we are expanding our efforts to better understand bat migration and winter habitat use using long-term passive acoustic recording stations. Strengthening bat populations through targeted conservation efforts ensures the continued provision of ecosystem services, maintains biodiversity, and builds resilience in the face of ongoing habitat loss and other pressures in the RDCK Local Conservation Fund service area.

Project Goal & Objectives:
Our goal is to restore habitat across the West Kootenay. As younger forests regenerate, we mitigate habitat loss by creating roost structures that offer interim habitat for bats across Electoral Areas A, D, E, F, and H (59 installed within this area and 215 across the Columbia Basin). Although we can only offset a small portion of lost old-growth habitat with our roost-tree structures, sites have been strategically selected for maximum ecological benefit. Monitoring has shown strong results—bats begin using our structures almost immediately, and at least nine species have been documented so far, compared to the two that typically use standard bat boxes in this region. Data from these and other roost installations across the Columbia Basin will inform bat-friendly forestry guidance to support enhancement of logged

areas using constructed tree-roosts. We are also investigating migratory corridors and overwintering habitats to better understand bat movement and winter habitat use.

Project objectives include:

1. **Create and assess artificial/modified trees for enhancement of bat roosting habitat:**
    - Create 3 roost structures (each with 3-4 mini-bark units installed per structure) within Smallwood (Beasley). Evaluate mini-bark use.
    - Install 3 BrandenBark poles at Hunter Siding (~Hills), in partnership with Slocan Lake Stewardship Society. Our 2025 capture inventory here identified this area as having limited natural roosts.
    - Continued monitoring (acoustics, guano, and/or microclimate) at mini-bark and previously constructed tree roost structures.
    - Assess design effectiveness, occupancy, and species diversity to refine recommendations.
    - Provide guidance on cost-effective roost options for landowners.
2. **Develop bat-friendly forestry guidance for anthropogenic roost creation:**
    - Synthesize all roost monitoring data and evaluate roost designs and placements.
    - Guidance detailing best practices for roost creation.
    - Produce bat-friendly forestry guidance with actionable recommendations for roost creation and forest management.
3. **Monitor Bat Condos in Collaboration with Kootenay Community Bat Program (KCBP):**
    - Collection of occupancy and activity data from acoustics, guano, and/or microclimate monitoring.
    - Assessment of the bat condo's effectiveness in supporting local bat populations.
    - Insights to guide future artificial roost design and placement.
4. **Fill knowledge gaps about bat migration and winter habitat use in West Kootenay:**
    - Continued acoustic monitoring with acoustic analysis will clarify routes and timing in the Slocan and Kootenay Lake valleys, with peak movements expected from mid-summer to late September.
    - Solar-powered detectors will provide long-term data on winter activity and potential hibernacula.
    - Integration with other datasets will strengthen understanding of migration patterns and winter habitats across Columbia Basin.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:

Year	LCF Funding Received
2025	$24,208
2024	$22,865
2023	$20,441
2022	$13,000
2021	$14,000
2020	$15,000
2019	$10,000
TOTAL	**$119,514**

2025 Accomplishments:

- Installed guano catchers at previously constructed roosts and guano has been collected throughout the spring and summer.
- Continued to collect guano through the end of October where possible and samples will be compiled and submitted to the lab by the end of the year.
- Created 9 new tree/tree-like roosts in Area H in 2025 including:
    - 3 BrandenBark poles at Crooked Horn Farm
    - 3 BrandenBark trees at Summit Lake Provincial Park
    - 3 Wildlife Trees at Summit Lake Provincial Park
- Monitored the Meadow Creek NABat grid cell in June, with four stationary detectors deployed, one per quadrant.
- Conducted two driving transects during the week that the detectors were recording. We also monitored the Snk'mip (Bonanza) and Summit Lake NABat grid cells with two stationary detectors per grid cell.
- Conducted two driving transects in the Snk'mip grid cell during the week that the detectors were recording; data have been submitted for analysis.
- Deployed an acoustic detector in the Slocan Valley in July 2024 and it continues to record for migration monitoring.
- Deployed additional migration detectors at Marsden Face (Area F) and Kuskanook in summer 2025.

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Protect identified critical, rare or sensitive habitats or features

Recommendation to Directors:

- Well-designed project that addresses multiple species conservation and habitat needs for bats while applying relevant research and innovative techniques.
- Thorough and well written proposal that builds on existing work and investments, strong team with demonstrated success through previous projects, and good partnerships and cost-sharing.
- Project is recommended for funding as proposed.

Feedback to Proponent:

- Well-designed project that addresses multiple species conservation and habitat needs for bats while applying relevant research and innovative techniques.
- Thorough and well written proposal that builds on existing work and investments, strong team with demonstrated success through previous projects, and good partnerships and cost-sharing.
- Appreciate the trial use of more cost-effective local sourcing of anthropogenic habitat structures.
- Appreciate the proponent addressing previous Technical Review Committee comments.
- Unclear if project activities will take place in Electoral Area E (unable to tell from map). Please clarify.
- Looking forward to a single comprehensive resource for understanding bat species diversity, conservation, and management in the region.

3. Kootenay Nature for Neighbourhoods Program

Total: 46.25 Points

Funding Requested: $14,624.55

Recommended: $14,624.00

Submitted by: Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society – Laurie Carr

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Electoral Areas A, D, E, F and H

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$14,624	41%
Other Cash	$19,380	54%
In Kind	$1,950	5%
Total Project Budget	**$35,954**	

Project Description:
The Kootenay Nature for Neighbourhoods Program mobilizes community action to address the spread of invasive plants on private lands across the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK). Invasive species are a major threat to ecosystem health, with the International Union for Conservation of Nature identifying them as one of the greatest global risks to biodiversity. Over the past two years, funding from the RDCK Local Conservation Fund has supported the successful community-based Broom Bashers program. Building on this momentum, this year's project expands to include *Cytisus scoparius* (Scotch broom), *Tanacetum vulgare* (common tansy), and *Centaurea stoebe* (spotted knapweed), while also incorporating the CKISS EcoGarden project. These species are widespread and easily recognizable, increasing landowner engagement and participation.

Targeting common species now will also pave the way for future management of higher-priority invasives. The EcoGarden project complements removal efforts by promoting backyard biodiversity, FireSmart, and climate-resilient planting, providing a holistic approach to invasive plant management. The program focuses on private landowner action through education, support, and cost incentives. Community pulling events and public engagement via the CrowdSorsa app will continue on crown lands through the Columbia Basin Trust Wildfire Resiliency Program.

Each target species poses unique ecological threats:

- Common tansy forms dense stands, outcompetes native vegetation, and is toxic to livestock.
- Spotted knapweed displaces native grasses, increases soil erosion, and alters soil chemistry.
- Scotch broom fixes nitrogen, shades out understory plants, is highly flammable, and threatens species at risk, appearing on the 2023 Provincial Public Land "Top 25" Invasive Plant Species List.

These species' prevalence on private lands makes them ideal targets for community-led removal, reducing seed sources and slowing spread into sensitive areas. Prevention and early intervention are cost-effective; every dollar invested in early control can save an estimated $50 in future damage.

By engaging landowners and volunteers, CKISS builds environmental literacy, fosters stewardship, and expands the capacity to manage invasive plants beyond agency limits. Equipping residents with knowledge, tools, and opportunities to participate allows the community to collectively reduce ecological and economic impacts, supporting healthy, resilient ecosystems across the RDCK.

Project Goals & Objectives:
The primary goal of this project is to reduce the spread and impact of invasive plants on private lands in RDCK Service Areas A, D, E, F and H by empowering landowners to take long-term, independent stewardship action.

By lowering barriers, building local capacity, and fostering collaboration between residents, CKISS, and community partners, the project aims to create healthier, more biodiverse, and

resilient neighbourhood landscapes. This community-driven approach strengthens environmental literacy, promotes local restoration efforts, and builds a culture of stewardship that continues beyond the project's duration. This model can be expanded to include other invasive plants and replicated in additional communities across the RDCK.

Objectives include:

1. **Empower landowners with the knowledge, skills, and tools to identify, manage, and prevent the spread of invasive plants through accessible training, community science, and hands-on learning opportunities:**
    a) 20 participants will download the Crowdsorsa app and register their private land for invasive species control.
    b) 2 private landowners who are unable to conduct invasive species management themselves will register their property into the program. They will get assistance from CKISS staff and/or Youth Climate corps for on the ground invasive removal.
    c) 90% of participants will report improved understanding of invasive species issues.
    d) 10 media posts or articles will be created to promote the program.
    e) 100 resources distributed (digital or print).
    f) 50 views of CKISS training videos on invasive species removal and the EcoGarden Project.
2. **Foster neighbourhood-based stewardship and social connection by engaging residents in collaborative restoration efforts that promote hope, community pride, and long-term care for local ecosystems:**
    a) 10 residents expressing interest in becoming active program participants.
    b) 15 residents using the Crowdsorsa app for invasive species removal.
    c) An increase in traffic to the *Kootenay Nature for Neighbourhoods Program* and EcoGarden webpages.
    d) Feedback surveys indicating that 90% participant satisfaction, with positive feedback on empowerment and action.
    e) 8 Youth Ambassadors trained.
3. **Reduce invasive plant cover on private lands to mitigate the spread across landscape, lower fire risk, restore habitat quality, support biodiversity, and strengthen ecosystem resilience across the Central Kootenays:**
    a) 10,000 m² of land cleared of Scotch broom, knapweed, and common tansy.
    b) 3 promotional and removal events hosted in strategic locations. CKISS have direct contact with 100 people at these events.
    c) 1 virtual workshop, 60 people registered.
    d) A library of before-and-after photographs submitted to the Crowdsorsa app to document on-the ground impact.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:

Year	LCF Funding Received
2025	$15,730
2024	$9,317
TOTAL	**$25,047**

2025 Accomplishments:

- Selected 3 sites for in person BroomBash events were in Balfour, Kokanee Creek Park and Annabel Rd on the North Shore of Kootenay Lake (Note that a Broom Bash event in Lemon Creek was attempted but we were unsuccessful in recruiting volunteers to attend the event).
- Secured a web designer and in process of developing a new website to support volunteer tools and secured adding Broombash mission to the Crowdsorsa app.
- Delivered 3 Hands on CKISS led Broombuster Events:
    - Area E - Balfour 4 volunteers
    - Area F - Kokanee Creek Provincial Park 6 volunteers
    - Area F - Annabel Rd 24 volunteers
    - And community volunteers organized 7 events
- Distributed 2 press releases and published 10 social media posts.
- Reporting and removal missions created and published on the Crowdsorsa mobile app.
- Form on current CKISS website continues to be used to gather reports and volunteer contact.
- Feedback form for the program has been developed and distributed to volunteers.

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Implement a long-term community-driven invasive species treatment program

Recommendation to Directors:

- Well written proposal with clear goals and measurable outcomes, with a good team and demonstrated past success; builds on previous project work and has a strong community engagement component.
- High value project that includes on the ground invasive plant management, community engagement, with the ability to make an impact in the region.
- Appreciate that the project addresses Local Conservation Fund priorities in all areas of the RDCK LCF service area.
- Project is recommended for funding as proposed.

Feedback to Proponent:

- Well written proposal with clear goals and measurable outcomes, with a good team and demonstrated past success; builds on previous project work and has a strong community engagement component.
- High value project that includes on the ground invasive plant management, community engagement, with the ability to make an impact in the region.
- Appreciate that the project addresses Local Conservation Fund priorities in all areas of the RDCK LCF service area.
- Appreciate that project proponent addresses pollinators and breeding birds during timing of invasive plant management activities.
- Appreciate that proponent has addressed previous Technical Review Committee comments in this proposal.
- Would like more information on how proponent will be matching project volunteers with private landowners that need invasive plant management assistance.
- Would like proponent to include more details on successes of using the Crowdsorsa app (e.g., how many people are involved, number and size of treatment sites, funding provided to volunteers, etc.) in final report for 2025.
- Would like to know if the project is re-visiting the same sites as in previous years, and if so, what monitoring results have been over time.

4. Harrop Wetlands Project 2026

Total: 45.19 Points

Funding Requested: $13,000.00

Recommended: $13,000.00

Submitted by: Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society – Melanie Mobbs

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Electoral Area E

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$13,000	30%
Other Cash	$23,954	55%
In Kind	$6,600	15%
Total Project Budget	**$43,554**	

Project Description:
The Harrop Wetland Restoration Project, located near Sunshine Bay in Harrop, BC, aims to restore vital ecological functions and enhance biodiversity in a historically degraded wetland system. Originally restored in 2014 following years of ATV damage and seasonal amphibian die-offs, the site has seen multiple phases of intervention to improve hydrology and habitat quality, particularly for species such as the western toad (*Anaxyrus boreas*). Despite substantial progress in earlier phases—such as deepening wetland ponds, improving water retention, and planting native vegetation—ongoing challenges persist. These include low water levels during drought years, invasive species pressure (especially reed canary grass and bull thistle), ungulate browsing of native plants, and limited community engagement. In 2025, Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society (FoKLSS) re-established momentum at the site, piloting effective invasive species suppression methods and launching a community stewardship program.

The proposed 2026 phase of the project builds directly on these efforts, focusing on expanding invasive species control, establishing resilient native plant communities, enhancing ecological monitoring, and deepening community and Indigenous engagement. With support from the RDCK Local Conservation Fund, FoKLSS will continue its evidence-based, community-rooted approach to ecological restoration. This work is highly relevant to conservation in the RDCK LCF service area. Wetlands like Harrop play a critical role in filtering water, storing carbon, providing wildlife habitat, and mitigating the impacts of climate change. The site supports a variety of species, including amphibians, pollinators, and migratory birds, and presents an opportunity for long-term community stewardship. By enhancing wetland resilience and biodiversity while integrating Indigenous knowledge systems and local participation, the 2026 project directly contributes to the ecological health and social sustainability of the RDCK LCF service area.

Project Goal & Objectives:
The primary goal of this project is to restore and sustain the ecological functions of the Harrop Wetland by improving biodiversity, hydrological resilience, and community stewardship, in alignment with Indigenous knowledge and science-based restoration practices.

Objectives are:

1. **Expand invasive species suppression:** ~400 m² additional reed canary grass and bull thistle removed or suppressed by using coverings (membrane/cardboard + mulch), and volunteer weed pulls.
2. **Establish resilient native plant communities:** At least 100 native shrubs & trees planted and overwintered live stakes planted successfully, by utilizing nursery stock planting, live staking, weed mat & grow tube installation, and a secure water station for watering.
3. **Improve site protection:** Fencing with sleeve protectors installed or relocated to protect treated areas.
4. **Enhance ecological monitoring capacity:** Monitoring kiosk actively used; camera installed, and volunteer program expanded by launching community training, updating forms and data collection tools, and promoting a social media campaign.
5. **Engage Indigenous and local communities:** Active partnerships and collaborative input on signage and planning through meeting with Yaqan Nuʔkiy and developing interpretive designs and workshops.
6. **Prepare for future habitat initiatives:** Consultation on Monarch Way Stations (MWS) with Wildsight and Kootenay Native Plant Society, including site visits, MWS planning meetings, and community presentations.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:

Year	LCF Funding Received
2023	$14,662
2022	$13,000
2021	$10,000
TOTAL	**$37,662**

*Note: FOKLSS did not apply for funding for work at Harrop Wetland in 2024 or 2025.

2023 Accomplishments:

- The pond area was increased by about 1100 m^2. Post construction, the two sub-pools in the basin both contained water. Further monitoring of water levels will take place.
- After a formal assessment by the contracted biology consultant, it was decided that creating two narrow ponds to an appropriate depth (which would retain 15 cm of water from May to October) would result in very deep slopes not well suited for western toad breeding habitat. Instead, one large pond with two sub-pools was created. The clay from the excavated portions of the pond was compacted along the bottom.
- Excavated soil was placed around the perimeter of the basin to create more natural topography, habitat for Columbia ground squirrels, and manage invasive canary reed grass and Canada thistle by burying the plants. Additionally, about 50m3 of woody debris was strategically installed to create refugia for western toads, loafing logs for waterfowl, perches for osprey, bald eagles and other birds.
- Native grass seed mix (~35 kg) was spread by volunteers and staff on the freshly overturned soil to encourage revegetation, reduce erosion, and to stabilize banks.

- Community members were updated on project progress and milestones through social media, newsletters, direct emails to adjacent landowners, and face-to-face conversations on site. Future community meetings are being discussed and planned for as well as a proposal to Redfish Elementary School to adopt the wetland site for maintenance, monitoring, and educational purposes.

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Restore or enhance ecosystem processes/functions

Recommendation to Directors:

- Strong application with clear objectives that build on previous work and provides rationale for continued stewardship activities at this site.
- Project recommended for funding as proposed.

Feedback to Proponent:

- Strong application with clear objectives that build on previous work and provides rationale for continued stewardship activities at this site.
- For future project years, consider revisiting the local ecology and the desired future condition of the site to ensure project goals and activities are appropriate. The Technical Review Committee recommends investigating the types of wetlands that naturally occur in these sites, for example, could be cottonwood floodplain and swamp ecosystems.
- Recommend taking advantage of previous volunteer amphibian monitoring program network, if possible, and encouraging involvement of local youth in stewardship activities.
- Would have appreciated background information on the project delivery team (specific individuals) to ensure that project leads have sufficient expertise to carry out activities.
- Appreciate the inclusion of Consultant Professionals in the proposal but did not see that cost accounted for in the project budget.
- Suggest reducing efforts to suppress reed canary grass as it is very difficult to manage. Consider shifting focus to establishing shade and healthy tree (such as cottonwood) and shrub populations in some areas of the project site to help manage invasive plants as a whole.
- Be prepared to address potential conflicts with recreation community as wildlife populations (e.g., western painted turtles, toads) increase.

5. Slocan Valley Pollinator Highway Project: Phase 1 Year 3

Total: 44.88 Points

Funding Requested: $18,393.00

Recommended: $18,393.00

Submitted by: Elk Root Conservation Farm Society – Kate Mizenka

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Electoral Area H

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$18,393	14%
Other Cash	$60,977	47%
In Kind	$50,100	39%
Total Project Budget	**$129,470**	

Project Description:

Elk Root Conservation Farm Society's (ERC) project to create a Pollinator Highway in the Slocan Valley will support pollinator habitat connectivity vital to environmental conservation. Phase 1 of the project is a 3-year, phased approach to restore and enhance pollinator habitat at the project site. The results from Phase 1 will inform the expansion of the Pollinator Highway Project (PHP) from its current Phase 1 project location, which is alongside Passmore Lower Road, adjacent to Elk Root Conservation. Future expansion aims to connect the Phase 1 project site south along Passmore Lower Road to Highway 6 and/or the Rail Trail south down the Slocan Valley as deemed appropriate based on Phase 1 results. Pollinators provide some of the most important and well-known ecosystem services. However, according to the Canadian Wildlife Federation, declines in native pollinator populations have become a significant concern for conservation due to habitat loss and lack of floral resources caused by climate change and other factors. Pollinator declines, including an 80% reduction of monarch butterflies over the last 20 years, put the health of natural ecosystems at risk. Pollinator highways, through the establishment of native plants, offer significant benefits to wild pollinators by providing food sources such as wildflowers for pollen and nectar, and breeding and nesting habitats. Most notably, pollinator highways encourage the movement of pollinators through the landscape by connecting otherwise fragmented habitats.

This project is crucial for the maintenance and distribution of wild pollinator populations in the Slocan Valley and provides an exceptional opportunity for addressing connectivity habitat, one of the RDCK LCF's biodiversity threat targets. This project is also important for the enhancement of wild pollinator habitat along roadsides and aids in reducing the International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) threat to biodiversity caused transportation and service corridors. Specifically, the use of native plants is shown to attract wild pollinators away from drivers on the road, thus reducing pollinator roadside mortality rates. Additionally, this project aligns with the RDCK LCF's direct conservation actions for enhancing ecosystem processes and functions through the implementation of management strategies to increase

wild pollinator habitat and native plant biodiversity in the Slocan Valley. Action strategies also encourage the removal and management of invasive species within the project area. This project also emphasizes learning, mentorship, and job opportunities for youth in the environmental sector in the RDCK. ERC has been recognized provincially for excellence in its Youth Internship Program, offering one-of-a-kind opportunities for youth in the Region to learn and grow into environmental leaders of tomorrow. Additionally, ERC believes in bringing community groups and organizations together to achieve common goals.

This project also builds on official community plans for protecting environmentally sensitive areas that impact ecological functioning and contribute to community 'greenway' corridors that link open space areas. This project lays the groundwork for the establishment of continuous pollinator habitat in the Slocan Valley. This will encourage healthy ecosystem functioning and distribution of pollinators and native biodiversity, while reducing concerns of invasive species, habitat fragmentation, and threats to biodiversity caused by transportation and service corridors.

Project Goal & Objectives:
The Pollinator Highway Project has five main goals:

1. To enhance the biodiversity of native plants and pollinator species to increase the distribution of pollinator species in the Slocan Valley.
2. To reduce the threats to biodiversity imposed by transportation and service corridors by creating habitat connectivity.
3. To manage and reduce the impacts of invasive plants on native plants and pollinator species.
4. To share up-to-date information about the project via signage and tours to inspire engagement of community members in stewardship activities for the restoration of wild pollinator habitat in the Slocan Valley.
5. To use Phase 1 of the PHP as proof of concept for its extension (Phase 2) through the Slocan Valley from its current Phase 1 site along Passmore Lower Road connecting to Highway 6 and/or the Rail Trail and south down the Slocan Valley as deemed appropriate based on Phase 1 results.

To successfully achieve the desired outcomes for the Pollinator Highway Project, we have developed the following objectives:

1. Monitor the successful establishment of native plants at the project site and their benefits to wild pollinators using specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and timely (SMART) goals which include:
    a. Achieve a 70% survival rate of emergent native plants within the five (3m x 6m) test plots by 2027.
    b. Decrease the re-establishment of invasive species by 25% each year within the five (3m x 6m) test plots until 2027.
2. Clearly present project findings and outcomes to the project partners and community members.

3. Use the results of Phase 1 to establish best practices for future expansion of the PHP in Phase 2 of this project, including the development of the ERC Pollinator Highway Stewardship Program.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:

Year	LCF Funding Received
2025	$18,865
2024	$18,000
TOTAL	**$36,865**

2025 Accomplishments:

- Developed an irrigation system using ERC's Electric SV Cart equipped with a water pump and hose attachment, irrigating Plots 1-5 once a week with approximately 50L of water throughout the hot growing season (with some exceptions).
- Recorded water use and climate data to track irrigation needs based on changing weather patterns; compared to the Control Plot, which has received no ongoing irrigation, the native plant species' success in Plots 1-5 is notable.
- Periodically manually removed invasive species, non-native species and wildlife attracting native shrubs not desired roadside by MOTT that were outcompeting seeded/planted species within Plots 1-5.
- Replaced transplants that did not survive in Plots 1 and 2, repaired Plot 4's damaged wildlife fence, modified Plot 3's wildlife fence for improved safety, and removed fire hazards such as dead branches from trees and deadfall from the site.
- Attended multiple community events, including Milkweed Monitoring for Monarchs (see Section E) and ToadFest 2025, to inform the public about ERC's various projects, highlighting the Pollinator Highway Project with brochure handouts and informational signage at our table to inspire community engagement and build relationships with other NGOs.
- Hosted an open house at ERC that featured free tours of the Pollinator Highway Project.
- Completed a Daubenmire frame survey and a survival survey of transplanted/seeded native species in all 6 plots.
- Currently developing a program called the Pollinator Highway Stewardship Program (PHSP), which will be a novel new community-focused environmental stewardship program initiative designed to support the long-term success and geographic expansion of ERC's Pollinator Highway Project in the Slocan Valley.

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Restore or enhance ecosystem processes/functions

Recommendation to Directors:

- Well written proposal with clearly defined objectives and activities, good cost sharing and concrete partnerships, good track record based on previous work.
- Good to see plans for expanding the pilot to outside of the original project area, increasing the benefits to the Slocan Valley and potentially beyond.
- Proponent has demonstrated previous success of the project and has successfully engaged public in communicating results during outreach events.
- Strong project delivery team and good to see continued inclusion of subject experts.
- Project is recommended for funding as proposed.

Feedback to Proponent:

- Well written proposal with clearly defined objectives and activities, good cost sharing and concrete partnerships, good track record based on previous work.
- Good to see plans for expanding the pilot to outside of the original project area, increasing the benefits to the Slocan Valley and potentially beyond.
- Proponent has demonstrated previous success of the project and has successfully engaged public in communicating results during outreach events.
- Strong project delivery team and good to see continued inclusion of subject experts.
- Would be nice to understand how this pilot program can be replicated and successful in other areas with landowner adoption so can be sustained without annual funding.
- In the future, consider creating an experimental design that evaluates what happens when maintenance stops (weeding, irrigation, fencing) at one of the study sites.
- Encourage Best Practices to be shared widely and made available for others.

6. Construction and Conservation of Artificial Bat Roosts in the West Kootenay

Total: 44.50 Points

Funding Requested: $15,196.10

Recommended: $15,000.00

Submitted by: Okanagan Nation Alliance – Pauline Terbasket

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Electoral Areas A, D, E, F and H

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$15,196	52%
Other Cash	$7,000	24%
In Kind	$6,950	24%
Total Project Budget	**$28,737**	

Project Description:
The West Kootenay region is home to a great diversity of bats — twelve different species, each with its own distinct roosting and feeding habits. This includes the Little Brown Myotis (*Myotis lucifugus*), a species listed as endangered at the federal and IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature) level, and the Yuma Myotis (*Myotis yumanensis*), which is considered vulnerable in British Columbia. These bats are facing serious threats, most notably from white-nose syndrome (WNS), a devastating fungal disease that continues to spread from nearby regions. Populations across Canada have already experienced alarming declines which highlight the need for proactive conservation action to protect our local population.

As WNS spreads closer to British Columbia, it's more important than ever to help our western bat species build resilience. When combined with growing impacts of climate change, habitat loss, and WNS, the loss of secure roosting sites, especially maternity roosts, can have lasting impacts on reproductive success. Because bats are long-lived (up to 40 years) and exhibit strong roost fidelity, the loss of a single roost can have population-level consequences.

Since 2023, the Okanagan Nation Alliance (ONA) and Kootenay Community Bat Program (KCBP) have worked together to expand roosting opportunities for building-dwelling bats through the construction of bat condos and other artificial roosts in the RDCK LCF service area. Building on this success, in 2026 we plan to broaden our outreach and strengthen community engagement by partnering directly with landowners.

Many landowners have expressed interest in coexisting with bats but often lack the time, tools, or materials to build their own bat boxes, and locally, good-quality boxes can be hard to find. As a result, some end up purchasing inexpensive models that are poorly designed or ineffective. To address this, we will purchase 20 high-quality bat boxes for installation at suitable properties and create educational videos demonstrating how to build, install, and maintain an effective bat box. This approach will ensure that landowners have access to proper roosting structures while also gaining the knowledge to support bat conservation independently.

To complement this hands-on approach, we will provide educational resources and guidance to help landowners understand the ecological importance of bats, responsible roost management, and the broader threats facing local bat populations. Through workshops, information sessions, and community outreach, we aim to increase awareness of the essential ecosystem services bats provide and the importance of protecting their habitats.

Project Goal & Objectives:
Our primary goal is to enhance bat habitat connectivity and resilience within the Syilx Nation Eastern Territory, including the West Kootenay and RDCK LCF service area, by restoring and protecting artificial roosting habitats, identifying and monitoring key roost sites, and engaging landowners as active partners in long-term bat conservation.

Project objectives are to:

1) **Improve access to quality bat boxes and support landowners:** by enhancing bat habitat connectivity in the RDCK, this project supports landowners interested in coexisting with bats but lacking access to quality roosting options.
    a. Purchase and distribute 20 bat boxes to 10 landowners (2 per site).

b. Share educational videos covering installation, maintenance, and monitoring.
c. Encourage landowner participation in annual bat emergence counts to track occupancy.

2) **Engage pest control professionals in safe and responsible bat management:** the project will promote Wildlife Conservation Society Alberta's online training program designed for pest control professionals and builders, providing eight hours of instruction on how to manage bats in buildings safely and effectively.
   a. Contact pest control companies in the RDCK to promote the training program.
   b. Facilitate access to the online training and support program completion.
   c. Provide follow-up guidance to ensure application of bat-friendly practices.
3) **Monitor the bat structures in Lemon Creek, Vallican and Crawford Bay:** monitor Lemon Creek structure (2025), Vallican Condo (2024), and Crawford Bay Condo (2023) that replaced former maternity roosts to assess occupancy, frequency of use, and suitability for different colony sizes, allowing comparison between bat boxes and larger condos.
   a. Conduct two seasonal site visits (spring and fall) to assess occupancy and maintenance needs.
   b. Monitor guano accumulation and maintain monitoring equipment (e.g., temperature loggers).
   c. Once occupation is confirmed, conduct emergence counts (up to four per season) as part of the BC Annual Bat Count.
   d. Collect guano samples for DNA analysis to confirm species present.
4) **Strengthen participation in the annual BC Bat count initiative:** recruit volunteers for the annual BC Bat Count to monitor populations of building-roosting bats, including the endangered little brown myotis and establish baseline data that is critical for assessing impacts of white-nose syndrome (WNS) and identifying priority mitigation sites.
   a. Recruit and train volunteers through workshops.
   b. Engage new and returning volunteers to ensure coverage of all sentinel sites.
   c. Conduct emergence counts at each roost, ideally two to four times per summer.
5) **Support and educate RDCK landowners to protect and enhance bat habitat:** provide guidance on humane exclusion, habitat protection, and enhancement, following Wildlife Act protocols.
   a. Respond to landowner inquiries via phone, email, or site visits (including virtual).
   b. Conduct outreach through social media, website updates, educational videos, and guidance documents tailored to local conditions.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:

Year	LCF Funding Received
2025	$18,497
2024	$18,095
2018	$12,923
2017	$16,025
2016	$15,000
TOTAL	**$109,033**

2025 Accomplishments:

- Designed, built, and installed new bat box structure in Lemon Creek.
- Completed guano checks at three bat condo sites.
- Installed temperature loggers in 2 condos; Vallican missed due to miscommunication, to be installed in spring 2026.
- Bat detectors installed at Kuskanook; not installed at Crawford Bay or Vallican as no guano has been found yet.
- Planning for monitoring at new Bat box structure at Lemon Creek (to start in the spring of 2026).
- The interpretive signs have been designed and will be printed and installed this fall.
- Completed a total of 9 site visits to private landowners.
- Education and outreach has included answering 39 emails and phone calls, participating in 5 public events (bat booth/presentations), delivering 2 bat count workshops, and creating 3 press releases, 12 Facebook posts and 2 Newsletters.
- Genetic and acoustic analyzing is ongoing and will take place over the winter.

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Protect critical or high habitat; establish covenant/ landowner agreement

Recommendation to Directors:

- Project objectives are clear, project is being executed by a qualified team with a proven track record, and appreciate the partnerships developed through previous project work.
- Project is recommended for funding at a reduced amount.

Feedback to Proponent:

- Project objectives are clear, project is being executed by a qualified team with a proven track record, and appreciate the partnerships developed through previous project work.
- Appreciate inclusion of partnering with pest control industry.
- Proponent did not adequately address previous Technical Review Committee comments regarding the long-term maintenance plan for bat condos (e.g., maintenance, cleaning, etc.) and what the use/occupancy of existing bat condos are.
- Would also like to see more specific information on project results including species benefitting, outcomes of landowner visits, success of exclusions, etc.
- Would like to know more about how project results will be communicated to community members.
- Project application and budget mentions both the Columbia Valley and Columbia Valley Local Conservation Fund (CVLCF). CVLCF funding cannot be used outside of the Columbia Valley and should not be included as part of project revenue. Please submit an updated budget, and workplan if necessary, without CVLCF funding.

7. Water Monitoring for Climate Resilience in the RDCK

Total: 40.75

Funding Requested: $24,000.00

Recommended: $13,000.00

Submitted by: Living Lakes Canada — Shevon Wilson

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Electoral Area D, E, H

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$24,000	32%
Other Cash	$44,568	59%
In Kind	$7,549	9%
Total Project Budget	**$76,117**	

Project Description:

Living Lakes Canada's (LLC) Columbia Basin Water Monitoring Framework (CBWMF) operations in the RDCK are fundamentally important for conservation within Electoral Areas D, E, and H, as they directly address the region's greatest emerging threat: climate-driven water scarcity and insecurity. Utilizing the CBWMF network of stations, the project closes critical water availability data gaps by continuing and re-establishing long-term hydrometric, lake, and climate monitoring. This foundational, high-quality data is necessary for future-proofing local governance and ecosystem health against accelerating environmental changes.

The RDCK region faces increasing climate pressures, including intense droughts, altered precipitation patterns, and shifts in snowpack dynamics. Concurrently, the number of government-run hydrometric stations has significantly decreased across the Columbia Basin, while resource demand continues to grow. This poses a pervasive data deficit, especially in smaller watersheds, where available government data fails to capture rapid environmental changes at the local level. Consequently, critical local decisions — including land-use planning, water management, aquatic habitat protection, and emergency preparedness—are being made without the necessary data, leaving communities and ecosystems vulnerable.

To remedy this deficit, LLC's comprehensive monitoring scope covers key watersheds across the three electoral areas (D, E, and H), focusing on three long-term data types: hydrometric data, climate data, and snow survey data. Hydrometric and climate data will help improve the watershed modelling tool that has been developed using the datasets produced from the previously-funded phases of this project. The snow survey data contributes directly to the BC Provincial Flood Forecasting Centre, enhancing regional early warning and community safety.

A high-priority element of this project is the collaboration with the Slocan Integral Forestry Cooperative to re-install robust hydrometric stations at Trozzo and Winlaw Creeks. This monitoring is vital because these streams feed the Slocan River, provide essential drinking water, and hold significant ecological value. The monitoring will assess post-wildfire impacts of the 2021 Trozzo Creek event on both watersheds. It will establish critical data on water quality

(monitoring turbidity and coliforms) and quantity (flow rates during fresh and low-flow periods) to determine the streams' current health, guide future conservation, and mitigate future impacts.

The ultimate benefit of this project lies in its commitment to transparency. All hydrometric, lake, and climate data collected by LLC is publicly shared via the Columbia Basin Water Hub. This centralized and accessible database ensures unparalleled data transparency, serving a wide range of RDCK stakeholders, including First Nations, conservation groups, local governments, and researchers. This accessibility facilitates evidence-based decision making across all levels, directly supporting both immediate conservation actions and long-term climate adaptation planning while empowering local authorities to integrate relevant water parameters into their operational frameworks.

Project Goal & Objectives:

The primary goal of this project is to enhance climate resilience and water security in Electoral Areas D, E, and H by closing critical water availability data gaps through the CBWMF. Specifically, LLC is committed to continuing long-term hydrometric and climate monitoring in the Kootenay Lake area, and re-establishing robust hydrometric monitoring sites within the Slocan Lake area. Additionally, a key component of the project is community outreach and education. We aim to engage local youth in hands-on learning experiences that promote water stewardship and climate literacy. This essential, high-quality, long-term data collection and community engagement and training are foundational for local climate change adaptation, drought preparedness, and informed land-use decisions.

The comprehensive monitoring scope covers key watersheds across the three electoral areas. Hydrometric monitoring includes streams relevant to the Kootenay Lake area: Ben Hur, Bjerkness, Carlyle, Davis, Gar, Glacier, Kootenay Joe, and MacDonald Creeks (outside of municipal boundaries, within RDCK Area D), plus Apex and Sandy Creeks (Area E). This is supplemented by climate monitoring at Johnson's Landing, Lost Ledge, and Kootenay Joe (Area D), and dedicated snow survey sites at Kootenay Joe Ridge and Lost Ledge (Area D). Living Lakes is collaborating with the Slocan Integral Forestry Cooperative to re-install hydrometric stations at Trozzo and Winlaw Creeks (Area H).

The project's primary objectives are to maintain the operation of 12 long-term hydrometric and climate monitoring sites across Electoral Areas D, E, and H, and to successfully re-establish a water monitoring program for Winlaw and Trozzo Creeks (Area H). Achieving the latter involves the following concrete, measurable steps:

1. Installing permanent flow monitoring stations with new sensors;
2. Conducting benchmark surveys for data verification; taking five stream flow measurements per creek annually to capture peak and low flow periods; and
3. Collecting 24 water quality samples per creek annually to measure indicators like turbidity and coliforms.

Outcomes include:

1. 12 high-quality annual datasets (hydrometric, lake, and climate) for 2026, publicly available via the Columbia Basin Water Hub.

2. Two snow survey datasets shared directly with the BC government to enhance provincial flood and drought forecasting.
3. One comprehensive annual report compiled with detailed data findings and recommended stream health measures for the Winlaw and Trozzo Creek watersheds.
4. Through collaboration with Selkirk College, host a field lab, providing opportunities for students to learn about and participate in water monitoring activities.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:

Year	LCF Funding Received
2025	$12,000
2023	$7,773
2022	$8,000
2021	$7,500
2020	$12,000
2019	$20,000
2018	$20,000
2017	$20,000
TOTAL	**$107,273**

2025 Accomplishments:

- Successfully completed field site visits at each project site, strengthening the dataset for each individual site and stream: Bjerkness Creek (5/5 measurements completed), Gar Creek (5/5), Kootenay Joe Creek (4 /5).
- Preliminary data are collected, cleaned, and reviewed to capture seasonality and extent of stream flow dynamics.
- Site visits include both data collection and station maintenance to provide accountable long-term datasets and the stations will be winterized to ensure sensor accuracy and longevity for years to come.
- Starting December 2025 will carry out monthly snow surveys throughout the winter season to generate an additional year of continuous meteorological monitoring at two sites. Data will be shared via the Columbia Basin Water Hub, and snow data is also shared with the BC Ministry of Environment to support the development of the provincial “Snow Conditions and Water Supply Bulletin.”
- Data from Spring and Summer 2025 is being processed, reviewed for quality and accuracy, and will soon be shared via the Columbia Basin Water Hub database where it is accessible to decision makers, professionals, and the public.
- Planning on conducting a field lab for Selkirk College students in spring 2026, offering practical experience in hydrometric monitoring techniques; field data collection protocols will be demonstrated and practiced with lab participants. Students will be provided tools and skills that can help them drive their careers in environmental science and advocacy.
- Insights from data analysis of small watersheds flowing into Kootenay lake (Carlyle, Davis, Dumont, Kootenay Joe, Harrop, Proctor, Upper Glacier) were published following

an in-depth assessment of climate impacts on the diverse landscape within the West Kootenay. Insights into how different landscapes support water sources of varying viability into the future were shared with decision makers from the Province of BC and the Regional District of Central Kootenay.

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Climate change monitoring that enhances understanding of habitat changes and/or risk to survival

Recommendation to Directors:

- Proponent has a good track record of water quality monitoring in the region and appreciate the data sharing component and ensuring data is made publicly available.
- Sound proposal to gather more hydrometric data from watersheds and continue building on baseline data.
- Funding should be conditional based on acquiring appropriate permits, if needed.
- Project recommended for funding at a reduced amount.

Feedback to Proponent:

- Proponent has a good track record of water quality monitoring in the region and appreciate the data sharing component and ensuring data is made publicly available.
- Sound proposal to gather more hydrometric data from watersheds and continue building on baseline data.
- Would like more clarity on budget allocation by organization.
- Would have liked more details on proposed techniques and methods that will be applied to achieve project objectives and how project success will be measured to lead to on the ground conservation actions given that local government does not have authority over water use in the region.
- Would like to know if project requires permits for in stream works under the Water Sustainability Act, and if so, if those have been applied for.
- On the ground conservation benefits are low relevant to the amount of funding requested.

8. Advancing Wetland Stewardship & Restoration in the Kootenays

Total: 39.13 Points

Funding Requested: $22,605.51

Recommended: $14,000.00

Submitted by: BC Wildlife Federation — Neil Fletcher

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Electoral Areas D and H

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$22,605	75%
Other Cash	$7,535	25%
In Kind	$0	0%
Total Project Budget	**$ 30,140**	

Project Description:

The Crooked Horn and Halleran wetland projects are critical for restoring and enhancing aquatic and riparian habitats within the RDCK Local Conservation Fund service area. Both wetlands provide essential breeding, foraging, and overwintering habitat for native wildlife, including at-risk species such as western painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta bellii*), western toad (*Anaxyrus boreas*), common camas (*Camassia quamash*), and great blue heron (*Ardea herodias*). These habitats also contribute to broader watershed health by improving water quality, regulating hydrology, and supporting floodplain function.

The Crooked Horn Wetland is a privately owned site with previous restoration completed in 2024. This project component focuses on post-restoration maintenance and adaptive management to sustain habitat quality. Key activities include invasive species control, planting and maintaining native vegetation, monitoring water levels, and supporting wetland function. A unique component is the establishment of a common camas patch, a culturally significant and ecologically important wetland plant at risk in the West Kootenays. Over 200 camas plants have already been established, and ongoing support is essential to expand and maintain this habitat. The project also offers meaningful opportunities for Streamkeepers and volunteers to engage directly in hands-on restoration work, strengthening community stewardship and fostering public awareness about wetland conservation. By investing in this post-construction phase, funders will help ensure the lasting success of the restoration project, promote education and community involvement, and support Indigenous cultural values tied to the land.

The Halleran Wetland component, located in Meadow Creek, will focus on constructing nesting areas for western painted turtles, monitoring turtle populations, and maintaining wetland connectivity and hydrological function. Landowners are highly engaged, and the project provides opportunities to collaborate with local biologists and volunteers. These efforts will enhance species-at-risk habitat, strengthen ecological resilience, and support long-term stewardship within the RDCK. Both projects align with regional conservation priorities by

enhancing critical habitat for species at risk, improving ecosystem function, and supporting collaborative land management.

By integrating restoration, monitoring, and community engagement, these initiatives will deliver measurable conservation outcomes, including maintained and expanded wetland habitat, monitored populations of key species, and improved hydrological stability. Furthermore, these projects foster capacity-building through volunteer and partner involvement, ensuring the local community is equipped to support long-term wetland management and conservation. Through these combined efforts, the Crooked Horn and Halleran wetlands will provide ecological, cultural, and community benefits, protecting and enhancing wildlife habitat, supporting Indigenous stewardship, and promoting resilient landscapes that serve both nature and local communities.

Project Goal & Objectives:

The primary goal of this project is to sustain and enhance wetland and riparian habitats at Crooked Horn and Halleran wetlands to support biodiversity, species-at-risk recovery, and watershed health within the RDCK service area. This goal encompasses maintaining the ecological function of restored wetlands, promoting the recovery of western painted turtles, western toads, common camas, and other native species, and supporting resilient ecosystems that provide benefits to both wildlife and local communities.

Objectives include:

1. **Post-Construction Habitat Management at Crooked Horn Wetland:** maintain and enhance restored wetland habitats through invasive species control, native vegetation planting, and wetland function management.
    a. Seasonal site visits to remove invasive plant species and manage regrowth.
    b. Plant and maintain native vegetation, including culturally significant common camas, to promote biodiversity and habitat complexity.
    c. Monitor and manage water levels using staff gauges and trail cameras to ensure appropriate hydroperiods and open water areas.
    d. Adaptive management to maintain habitat quality, including management of riparian zones and monitoring invasive species.
2. **Species-at-Risk Support and Habitat Enhancement:** support western painted turtle, western toad, and other species-at-risk through targeted habitat enhancements:
    a. Establish and maintain a common camas patch as food and habitat for pollinators and amphibians at Crooked Horn Farm.
    b. Maintain pond and wetland features to provide breeding and foraging habitat at Crooked Horn Farm.
    c. Construct new nesting areas for western painted turtles at Halleran wetland.
    d. Monitor turtle populations using field surveys, trail cameras, and wildlife observations at Halleran wetland.
    e. Maintain wetland connectivity and hydrological function to support aquatic and riparian species at Halleran wetland.
3. **Monitoring and Adaptive Management:** ensure restored wetlands maintain ecological function through regular monitoring and adaptive management.

a. Use wildlife trail cameras and drone imagery at Crooked Horn, and Halleran to monitor wildlife activity, water levels, and habitat use.
b. Conduct seasonal inspections of riparian areas and wetland features.
c. Collaborate with landowners and partners, including Slocan River Streamkeepers and to implement adaptive management actions as required.

4. **Community Engagement and Stewardship:** foster community stewardship and environmental awareness through volunteer and partner engagement.
    a. Engage Streamkeepers, volunteers, and landowners in hands-on restoration work at Crooked Horn and Halleran.
    b. Conduct educational sessions on wetland ecology, species-at-risk, and cultural significance of common camas.
    c. Share monitoring results and restoration successes with local communities and Indigenous Nations.
5. **Long-Term Conservation Outcomes:** ensure sustainable, resilient wetland ecosystems that provide ongoing ecological and cultural benefits.
    a. Implement long-term stewardship agreements with landowners to secure habitat protection.
    b. Monitor ecological indicators of success, including vegetation survival, wildlife use, and wetland hydrology.
    c. Evaluate effectiveness of restoration interventions to guide future projects.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:

Year	LCF Funding Received
2025	$16,000
2024	$20,000
TOTAL	**$36,000**

2025 Accomplishments:

- The 2024 plantings have been monitored for survival, with invasive species actively removed and managed.
- 2025 seeding and planting event was completed in May. Potential erosion areas identified in April were treated with rock armouring in May, with support from Slocan River Streamkeepers.
- Ongoing monitoring tracks plant regrowth, wildlife presence, and hydrology to assess post-restoration conditions. Monitoring and maintenance are planned to continue until November 2025.
- Heavy equipment contract was secured, plants and seed were purchased, and all heavy equipment work as well as planting and seeding was completed throughout the fall.
- Field visits have been conducted to collect pre-restoration data, including hydrology, soil, vegetation, and wildlife.
- A conceptual design is underway, alongside continued monitoring of hydrological conditions at the site.

- Version 1 of the project report has been completed, detailing the project overview, goals and objectives, site map, potential impacts and mitigation measures, and an effectiveness monitoring plan.
- Field visits have been conducted to collect data for the water license. A restoration design and mitigation report to accompany the permit is underway and is expected to be completed by December 2025.

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Restore or enhance ecosystem processes/functions

Recommendation to Directors:

- Good support form landowners and builds on existing work with previously demonstrated success.
- Appreciate inclusion of maintenance and monitoring at project sites which is an important element of project success.
- Project lacks details (such as which invasive plants will be managed, which wildlife species will benefit, what project targets are).
- Project is recommended for funding at a reduced amount.

Feedback to Proponent:

- Good support form landowners and builds on existing work with previously demonstrated success.
- Appreciate inclusion of maintenance and monitoring at project sites which is an important element of project success.
- Project lacks details (such as which invasive plants will be managed, which wildlife species will benefit, what project targets are).
- Proponent did not adequately address previous Technical Review Comments regarding more detailed hydrological metrics.
- Unsure if project proposes to manage water levels at Crooked Horn Farm site. Please clarify.
- Note that Common camas (*Camassia quamash*) is not an at-risk species.
- Encourage increased involvement of local experts and contractors for future project work in this region.

9. Planning for the Future: Watershed Security in a Changing Climate

Total: 38.88 Points

Funding Requested: $21,000.00

Recommended: $10,000.00

Submitted by: West Kootenay Watershed Collaborative Society – Ramona Faust

Project Location: RDCK LCF — Electoral Area E

2026 Project Budget:

Funding	Amount	Percent
RDCK LCF Requested	$21,000	9%
Other Cash	$173,339	74%
In Kind	$41,260	17%
Total Project Budget	**$ 235,599**	

Project Description: Communities depending on forest ecosystems for vital services, from drinking water and agriculture to wildlife habitat and climate mitigation, need comprehensive data. While informed citizens drive policy change, critically impacted communities currently lack the technical tools and knowledge to voice concerns. This is compounded by the fact that BC's regulatory framework offers no intervenor process for water licenses and mandates little meaningful public participation. Through this project, we aim to change this paradigm. Our goal is to empower communities by translating complex science into clear, actionable solutions and support their demands for systemic change.

The urgency of this policy gap is magnified by the reality that these sensitive watersheds are currently impacted by historic and ongoing planned forest disturbances. Given the current economic climate, we expect these demands to be intensified, hence the critical need to understand the consequences of these disturbances on flood events, biodiversity and habitat loss, and community risk. To restructure this dynamic and ensure watershed security, this application requests funding for year one of this 3-year project. Our dual strategy is organized into two interdependent work packages:

Work Package 1: Establishing a Scientific Foundation. This package utilizes advanced hydrological modeling to illustrate the effects of various forest harvesting treatments on flood risk, focusing on identifying alternative, eco-friendly forest management practices beyond conventional clear-cutting. We will develop Equivalent Clearcut Area (ECA) sensitivity thresholds to guide future forest development plans, using the probabilistic framework as the main analytical tool. This analysis will focus on Laird Creek (West Arm of Kootenay Lake), creating a natural pairing with the ongoing research in Redfish Creek (RFC), in partnership with the Mother Tree Project. Expanding this paired analysis enhances the transferability of our outcomes across diverse watershed characteristics in British Columbia, while fully integrating the impacts of climate change and subsequent disturbances. (Note: Laird Creek has experienced small natural landslides, and a large human-caused slide in 2011).

Work Package 2: Driving Policy and Community Action. This package ensures the research results drive policy change and community action. This centers on strategic dissemination to inform and encourage policy adoption. Activities include publishing articles in scientific journals and professional magazines, presenting at conferences, organizing specialized training workshops, and creating highly accessible content (infographics, videos, newsletters) for social media platforms. The target audience includes professionals, government employees, decision-makers, non-governmental agencies, and the broader public throughout BC.

Planning for the Future is a proactive conservation effort that delivers robust scientific modeling and actionable data to fundamentally restructure the community-government dynamic. It addresses multiple International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Direct Threats, including Climate Change, Resource Use, and Natural System Modification (affecting water quality, quantity, and flow), which impacts hydro-riparian systems and wetlands. Critically, this work aligns directly with local objectives and directly supports the Electoral Area 'E' most recent Official Community Plan (OCP) to "maintain high water quality of surface and groundwater sources", "conserve sensitive and significant natural features from negative impacts of development", and to "encourage the maintenance of biodiversity in the Plan area" (RDCK, 2013, p. 28).

Project Goal & Objectives:

Using innovative science, the project will demonstrate how climate change and forest disturbance will affect watershed stability and health, thereby reducing risk to human and wildlife populations. The study area contains pockets of instability on steep slopes within and above densely populated residential areas. Historically, timber harvesting metrics have been used exclusively to assess risk, measuring tolerance by the amount removed from the forest rather than what should remain to sustain ecological processes. Previous work by the Community in Nature project, hosted by Neighbours United, has identified species of concern in the watershed, including the Northern Goshawk and Whitebark Pine. As we assess hydrological risk to forest values, these habitat areas will be integrated into resultant models. The work we propose at these two watersheds is highly original and has never been done before. We are investigating using these two experimental watersheds to identify how forestry should be planned in the future using practices such as selective tree logging, small patch cutting, shelterwood practices, and retention of different rates, under a changing climate.

The project will compile and utilize this new data to complete Nature Directed Stewardship Plans (NDSP) for community negotiations in both Laird and Redfish Creeks. The NDSP is an evidence-based, community-led alternative to conventional forest stewardship, translating scientific needs (like hydrological sensitivity) into practical prescriptions that maintain ecological integrity rather than maximizing timber yield (Neighbours United, 2022). These plans serve as a direct solution to the systemic problem: communities currently lack effective templates for communicating with government and industry, leaving them to participate in reactive and antagonistic processes. Through the development of informed data and maps, these NDSPs will document the current state of the forest and empower communities to share their evidence-based concerns and advocate for improved forest practices effectively, using scientifically backed research and an established methodology that is widely used amongst climate scientists.

Project objectives are:

1) **Data Acquisition:** collect and analyze all necessary and existing hydrologic data from original sources for modeling at Laird.
2) **Quality Control:** conduct quality checks for all datasets to ensure reliability in subsequent hydrologic modeling (2026). Maintain links to all relevant activities and guarantee data quality for model use.
3) **Field Data Collection:** examine forest roads in the Laird Creek watershed, verify the network of roads, bridges, and GPS pipelines, and confirm connections with the stream network. In 2026, document all activities and conduct field checks to validate model robustness.
4) **Historical Forest Cover Reconstruction:** reconstruct the last 50 years of forest cover history using the VRI database and appropriate growth models.
5) **Meta-analysis Literature Review:** compile stand-level mass and energy balance data for testing and calibrating hydrologic models at Laird.
6) **Model Development and Validation:** develop and test the Distributed Hydrology Soil Vegetation Model (DHSVM) hydrology model for Laird Creek and continue to update and recalibrate the Redfish Creek model to reflect new roads and logging activities since 2000.
7) **Climate Scenario Modeling:** develop long-term climate data to represent various future scenarios, and design management scenarios for future land use and forest cover.
8) **Flow Simulation:** run hydrologic models to simulate flow regimes under historic and projected climate conditions, cross-compare management scenarios, and analyze impacts.
9) **Scenario Evaluation:** evaluate future land use and cover management options for environmental protection, community livelihood, flood risk mitigation, and carbon sequestration.

Outcomes will include:

1) **Scientific Dissemination and Peer Validation:** publish at least two articles in high-impact, peer-reviewed scientific journals detailing the application of the probabilistic framework in the Laird and Redfish Creek watersheds.
2) **Institutionalized Policy Dialogue and Implementation**: organize a minimum of six specialized workshops (2026–2029) targeted specifically at regulators, policy makers, land managers, and industry representatives. The outcome is the establishment of a formal policy dialogue that results in the written integration of the probabilistic framework and the project's recommended ECA sensitivity thresholds into regional planning documents and regulatory guidance for the West Arm of Kootenay Lake.
3) **Watershed Sustainability Plan Development:** collaborate with stakeholders to create and manage a working committee with clear governance structures. The outcome is the establishment of an enduring institutional body focused on long-term watershed sustainability, using the Laird and Redfish Creek projects as a template for extending the probabilistic risk assessment framework to other high-priority watersheds within the Kootenay Lake service area, enabling meaningful, multi-jurisdictional government participation.

4) **Measurable Capacity Building and Community Education:** host a minimum of six accessible workshops, events, and panels for community members across the Kootenay Lake service area over (2026–2029). The outcome is a demonstrable increase in community members' technical literacy regarding hydrological risk, the NDFSP framework, and effective policy advocacy (to be measured by post-event surveys). This builds sustained community capacity, shifting participation from reactive protest to informed, evidence-based negotiation.

Previous RDCK LCF Funding:
N/A

2025 Accomplishments:
N/A

Primary Guidance Document Conservation Action Addressed:

- Species or habitat research to help identify threats and mitigation measures

Recommendation to Directors:

- An important analysis that is worth undertaking to support best practices in forestry and ensure long term watershed security in the region.
- Strong project team that includes the leading experts on this subject.
- Project has the ability to improve current models used for planning forest harvest in local watersheds. If successful, can be used as a demonstration and move conversation forward for better forest management in the region and beyond.
- Project recommended for funding at a reduced amount.

Feedback to Proponent:

- An important analysis that is worth undertaking to support best practices in forestry and ensure long term watershed security in the region.
- Strong project team that includes the leading experts on this subject.
- Project has the ability to improve current models used for planning forest harvest in local watersheds. If successful, can be used as a demonstration and move conversation forward for better forest management in the region and beyond.
- Recommend investigating synergies with Ktunaxa Nation Council's forest stewardship planning.
- Request that project proponent confirms that RDCK LCF funding will not be used for advocacy as advocacy is not an eligible activity under the Fund's Terms of Reference.

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INCOME

Account	Description	2025 To Date	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Note
41015	Parcel Taxes	174,510	174,540	174,540	
41020	Grants in lieu of Taxes	0	0	0	
49100	Prior Year Surplus	79,134	79,134	106,463	SLSS grant returned $10,800; Carry forwrd $4760; cover cost for mail out
Total Income		253,644	253,674	281,003	

EXPENSES

Account	Description	2025 To Date	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Note
51010	Salaries	5,649	5,950	8,836	Salaries and GA fees should not total more that 6% as per board direction; If more join service this number increases but remains at 6%.
51020	Overtime	0	0	0	
51030	Benefits	1,384	1,726	2,563	Benefits are not counted in the 6% admin fee.
51060	Employee Recognition	0	0	0	
53020	Admin, Office Supplies & Postage	0	303	306	
54030	Contracted Services	15,709	15,709	15,709	Contractor KCP receives 9% annually; This may increase if service expands
57010	Grants	121,549	2,760	0	
57010	Grants	0	20,535	27,954	20% from 2025 added to 2026 budget; 20% in 2026 added to 2027 budget and so on.
57010	Grants	0	111,814	111,978	80% in 2026-2030
57010	Grants	0	0	4,760	carry fwd for 2025 - KNC $2k plus LINKS $2,760;
59100	Accumulated Operating Surplus	0	91,987	87,105	
59500	Transfer to Other Service	0	0	18,833	Staff time and stamps for mailout Area A, D, E
59510	Transfer to Other Service - General Admin. Fee	2,890	2,890	2,959	Revised Nov/25 - Finance - Need direction from EA on keeping GA fee flat unless more join service
Total Expenses		147,181	253,674	281,003	

Total Service	106,463	0	0

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51060	Employee Recognition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
53020	Admin, Office Supplies & Postage	0	303	306	313	320	328	335
54030	Contracted Services	15,709	15,709	15,709	15,709	15,709	15,709	15,709
57010	Grants	121,549	2,760	0	0	0	0	0
57010	Grants	0	20,535	27,954	27,994	28,697	28,626	28,554
57010	Grants	0	111,814	111,978	116,166	115,456	115,519	115,584
57010	Grants	0	0	4,760	0	0	0	0
59100	Accumulated Operating Surplus	0	91,987	87,105	0	0	0	0
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Total Service	106,463	0	0	0	0	0	0

Committee Report

29th January, 2026

Local Conservation Fund Policy

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Electoral Area/Municipality: A, D, E, F, H
Services Impacted Local Conservation Fund

1.0 STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board rescind the *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference* (approved January 17, 2019, as amended), and adopt Policy No. 400-02-200 *Local Conservation Fund Policy*, effective immediately.

2.0 BACKGROUND/HISTORY

The LCF is operating under a Terms of Reference document titled *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference* that combined governance, policy direction, and administrative procedures into a single framework.

Over time, the LCF service area has expanded. Electoral Areas A, D, and E originally participated in the service, with Electoral Area H joining following a referendum and Electoral Area F joining after an alternative approval process.

January, 2024 – Changes Recommended to LCF Terms of Reference

Changes to the terms of reference were discussed at the RDCK Local Conservation Fund Working Group meeting on January 9, 2024.

Note: "RDCK Local Conservation Fund Working Group" is the name previously used for the Local Conservation Fund Committee.

July, 2024 – Resolution to Establish LCF Committee

At the July 3, 2024 Board meeting, staff brought forward changes to the existing Terms of Reference for the LCF. At that meeting, the Board passed the following motion:

> That the following motion **BE REFERRED** until after the Local Conservation Fund Committee has been established and has had the opportunity to consider the Terms of Reference for the service:

That the Board direct staff to amend the Regional District of Central Kootenay Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference, as described in the July 3, 2024 Board report "Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference".

A phased approach to modernize and clarifying the governance framework for the LCF was taken following the advice of the Corporate Officer, Mike Morrison. The first step in this process was the establishment of a formal Local Conservation Fund Committee (LCFC) through bylaw, replacing the previously informal "LCF Working Group".

Further direction identified the need to restructure the existing Terms of Reference by separating its content into distinct governance instruments, policy and procedure.

In accordance with this direction, draft Local Conservation Fund Policy is provided here to the Local Conservation Fund Committee for review and discussion. It formalizes the policy-level direction previously embedded within the Terms of Reference.

A companion Local Conservation Fund Procedure addresses administrative and operational matters and will be implemented by staff following adoption of the Policy. Together, these documents replace the existing Terms of Reference.

3.0 PROBLEM OR OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

The LCF has historically been administered under a single Terms of Reference document that consolidates governance direction, administrative process, and technical review guidance. As it has matured, this consolidated approach creates avoidable ambiguity between policy direction and operational steps.

This lack of separation increases the risk of inconsistent interpretation and complicates routine administrative updates, because operational refinements may require revisiting a document that also functions as the primary governance reference.

The opportunity is to establish a clearer and more durable governance framework by transitioning from the existing Terms of Reference to a dedicated Local Conservation Fund Policy, supported by a staff-administered Procedure. This approach clarifies decision-making authority and accountability while enabling staff to implement and maintain operational requirements through an administrative procedure.

Rescinding the existing Terms of Reference upon approval of the Policy will eliminate duplicative guidance and ensure that the Policy is the governing reference document.

3.1 Alignment to Board Strategic Plan

The proposed transition from a consolidated Terms of Reference to a stand-alone LCF Policy supported by a staff-implemented LCF Procedure aligns directly with the Strategic Priority Organizational Excellence, particularly :

- Ensure our Board decisions are informed and policy focused and we are disciplined in undertaking new initiatives.

- Continue to update our policies and processes to be responsive and adaptable.

- Review our governance structures to ensure we have the appropriate balance of input and accountability

3.2 Legislative Considerations

The LCF operates within the legislative authority provided to regional districts under the *Local Government Act*. The Act also provides authority for the RDCK Board to establish committees and to adopt policies that guide decision-making related to service delivery.

Within this framework, the LCF is further governed by RDCK-specific bylaws, including the *Regional District of Central Kootenay Local Conservation Fund Service Establishment Bylaw no. 2420, 2014* and the *Local Conservation Fund Committee Bylaw* no. 2975, 2025, which are mandatory instruments establishing the service and committee structure.

The proposed LCF Policy is a governance document that provides strategic direction for how the service is applied in practice, while associated procedures guide administrative implementation.

3.3 What Are the Risks

The current Terms of Reference combine policy direction, committee governance, and day-to-day administrative processes in one document. This structure can create uncertainty regarding decision-making authority, limit flexibility to update operational practices, and require RDCK Board involvement in matters that are administrative in nature. Over time, this increases the risk of inefficiencies, inconsistent application of the LCF, and misalignment with RDCK's Strategic Plan.

The proposed approach of rescinding the Terms of Reference and replacing it with a Board-approved Policy and a staff-administered Procedure mitigates these risks by clearly distinguishing strategic direction from operational implementation. A potential transitional risk is confusion during the shift from a single document to multiple governance instruments; however, this risk is minimized by carrying forward the substantive content of the existing Terms of Reference into the new documents without altering the intent of the program. The Policy preserves the established conservation themes, priorities, and governance roles, while the Procedure consolidates administrative and operational requirements, supporting continuity, clarity, and adaptability in the ongoing delivery of the LCF.

4.0 PROPOSED SOLUTION

The proposed solution is to replace the existing *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference* (approved January 17, 2019, as amended) with a structured governance framework consisting of a Board-approved LCF Policy and a staff-administered LCF Procedure. This approach addresses the current overlap between governance, decision-making, and administration by clearly separating strategic direction from operational implementation, while maintaining continuity with the established intent and functioning of the LCF.

Under this model, the LCF Policy consolidates and formalizes the policy-level direction previously embedded within the Terms of Reference. This includes the conservation themes and priorities, biodiversity targets, and the roles of the RDCK Board, Local Conservation Fund Committee, and Technical Review Committee in the project review and approval process.

The companion LCF Procedure consolidates the administrative and operational components of the existing Terms of Reference, including project intake, technical review processes, evaluation criteria, timelines, reporting

requirements, and conflict-of-interest management. Placing these elements in a procedure allows staff to manage and update operational details as needed to reflect evolving best practices, resourcing considerations, or program improvements, without requiring Board approval for routine administrative changes.

Together, the Policy and Procedure fully replace the existing Terms of Reference, preserving the substance of the current program while modernizing its governance documents.

4.1 Financial Considerations of the Proposed Solution

The proposed adoption of the LCF Policy does not introduce any new financial commitments for the RDCK. No additional funding is being requested as part of this report, and no changes are proposed to the current funding model, service requisition, or Financial Plan.

4.2 Risks with the Proposed Solution

The primary risk associated with the proposed solution is implementation related, particularly during the transition from a single Terms of Reference document to a Policy and Procedure framework. If not clearly communicated, there is a risk that committee members, applicants, or partner organizations may be uncertain about which document governs specific aspects of the LCF. This could result in temporary confusion regarding roles, decision-making processes, or administrative requirements.

These risks are mitigated by the fact that the proposed Policy and Procedure are directly derived from the existing Terms of Reference, with no substantive change to the intent, funding model, or governance structure of the LCF. The Policy preserves established conservation themes, priorities, and approval authorities, while the Procedure consolidates operational practices already in use. Clear cross-referencing between documents will reduce transition risks.

4.3 Resource Allocation and Workplan Impact

Work to develop and finalize the LCF governance update is being led by Development and Community Sustainability Services, with project coordination and report preparation supported by Planning staff. Ongoing implementation will continue to involve staff time, with Corporate Services' support as needed for governance documentation and record management. No new positions or additional resources are required as part of this report; work will be undertaken within existing roles.

The core work to prepare the Policy and Procedure has been completed, and remaining work is limited to Committee/Board consideration, adoption of the Policy, and implementing the Procedure as an administrative document.

4.4 Public Benefit and Stakeholder Engagement of Proposed Solution

There is no legislated public consultation requirement under the *Local Government Act* for the adoption of an Board policy or administrative procedure related to the governance of an existing service. The proposed solution does not establish or expand a service, amend taxation authority, or change elector-approved funding arrangements. As such, formal public engagement or elector approval is not required as part of this process.

4.5 Leveraging Technology

The proposed Policy - Procedure framework supports more effective use of technology by clearly separating Board-approved Governance direction from administrative processes that can evolve over time. By placing operational requirements within a Procedure rather than a Terms of Reference, staff are better positioned to adopt or refine digital tools. This enables greater flexibility to modernize workflows as technology and service needs change.

4.5 Measuring Success

Success will be measured through the effective and consistent application of the LCF Policy and Procedure without disruption to the existing grant cycle, funding approvals, or committee operations. Indicators of success include clear understanding of roles and responsibilities among the Local Conservation Fund Committee, Technical Review Committee, and staff; timely completion of project intake and review processes; and continued alignment of funded projects with the conservation themes and priorities set out in the Policy.

5.0 ALTERNATIVE SOLUTION(S)

Alternative 1 – Retain the existing Terms of Reference.

Under this option, the LCF would continue to be governed and administered using the existing Terms of Reference, without transitioning to a separate Policy and Procedure. While feasible, this option does not address the identified gap between governance direction and administrative implementation. The Terms of Reference would continue to function as a hybrid document.

Alternative 2 – Update or amend the existing Terms of Reference.

Another feasible option would be to revise the current Terms of Reference to clarify roles, update processes, and reflect current practice. While this could address some immediate issues, it would retain a single multi-purpose document that combines policy direction and administrative detail. This approach would provide less long-term benefit than the proposed solution, as future operational changes would still require amendments to a governance document, limiting adaptability and increasing administrative burden.

6.0 OPTIONS CONSIDERED BUT NOT PRESENTED

In developing the proposed Policy - Procedure governance framework, staff considered several alternatives that were not advanced because they would not adequately address the governance and administrative clarity issues identified with the existing Terms of Reference.

One option would be to maintain the current Terms of Reference and make incremental edits; however, this would continue to blend Board-level direction with operational detail, limiting flexibility and perpetuating ambiguity about roles, responsibilities, and update authority.

Staff also considered maintaining the status quo (no change) and continuing to administer the service through the existing Terms of Reference. While this option is technically feasible, it does not resolve the underlying governance gap and would continue to require periodic Board involvement for administrative adjustments.

A further option would be to undertake a broader governance redesign involving additional structures or more extensive consultation; however, given the goal of preserving the program's intent and improving clarity without changing service scope or funding, this approach was not considered proportionate to the issue being addressed at this time.

7.0 OPTIONS SUMMARY

Option 1: Staff Recommendation (Policy Adoption)
That the Board rescind the *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference* (approved January 17, 2019, as amended), and adopt Policy No. 400-02-200 *Local Conservation Fund Policy*, effective immediately.

Option 2: No Further Action
That the Board take no further action with respect to rescinding the *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference* and adopting Policy No. 400-02-200 *Local Conservation Fund Policy*.

Option 3: Be Referred
That further consideration of rescinding the *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference* and adopting Policy No. 400-02-200 *Local Conservation Fund Policy* BE REFERRED to the next Local Conservation Fund Committee meeting.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION

That the Board rescind the *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference* (approved January 17, 2019, as amended), and adopt Policy No. 400-02-200 *Local Conservation Fund Policy*, effective immediately.

Respectfully submitted,
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ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment A – Local Conservation Fund Policy
Attachment B – Local Conservation Fund Procedure
Attachment C – Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Terms of Reference – Annotated Content Mapping to Policy and Procedure

Number: 400-02-200

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

Local Conservation Fund Policy Manual

Chapter:	Development and Community Sustainability Services				
Section:	Local Conservation Fund Service				
Subject:	Local Conservation Fund Policy				
Board Resolution:	[Board resolution number]	**Established Date:**	[Date of policy]	**Revised Date:**	[Revised date of policy]

POLICY:

1. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Policy is to provide direction for how the Regional District of Central Kootenay Local Conservation Fund (LCF) is applied in practice. This Policy guides staff, the Technical Review Committee (TRC), the Local Conservation Fund Committee (LCFC), and the RDCK Board in identifying, considering, and recommending conservation projects by setting out the conservation themes, priorities, and focus areas that inform funding decisions under the LCF.

This Policy is intended to support consistent and transparent application of the LCF across the Service Area.

2. SCOPE:

This Policy applies to all projects considered, recommended, or approved for funding through the LCF.

3. DEFINITIONS:

For the purposes of this Policy:

- **Local Conservation Fund (LCF)** means the service and associated funding program, established by the Regional District of Central Kootenay Local Conservation Fund Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2420, 2014.
- **Service Area** means the Local Conservation Fund Service Area.
- **Technical Review Committee (TRC)** means an advisory body comprised of individuals with expertise in conservation-related fields appointed by the Board for the specific purpose of evaluating the technical merits of grant applications and recommending projects for funding.
- **Local Conservation Fund Committee (LCFC)** means the standing committee of the RDCK Board, established under Local Conservation Fund Committee Bylaw No. 2975, responsible for reviewing proposed projects put forward by the Technical Review Committee (TRC) and making recommendations to the RDCK Board.

4. POLICY STATEMENT:

This section establishes the policy direction used to guide the selection of projects for funding through the LCF. The themes, targets, and classification framework set out below provide the basis on which project proposals are reviewed and assessed by staff, the TRC, and the LCFC, and inform recommendations made to the RDCK Board.

4.1 Themes

The LCF supports conservation projects that align with one or more of the following themes. These themes establish the primary conservation focus areas used to guide the selection of projects for funding through the LCF.

- **Aquatic systems,** including the protection and enhancement of water-based ecosystems;
- **Water conservation**, including sustainable management and use of water resources;
- **Wildlife and habitat conservation**, including the protection, restoration, and connectivity of terrestrial and aquatic habitats.

These themes provide direction for identifying and assessing projects considered for funding through the LCF.

4.2 Targets

Within the Themes set out above, the LCF prioritizes projects that contribute to the conservation, protection, or enhancement of the biodiversity targets listed below. These targets form part of the criteria used to assess and select projects for funding through the LCF.

Conservation priorities for the LCF are informed by *the RDCK Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Guidance Document*, recognizing that conservation priorities and ecological conditions may vary across participating Electoral Areas.

The biodiversity targets are:

- **Habitat connectivity**, including the maintenance and restoration of ecological linkages;
- **Hydro-riparian systems**, including large, medium, and small watercourses;
- **Wetlands**;
- **Fish habitat**;
- **Old-growth Moist Interior Cedar–Hemlock (ICHmw) forests**;
- **Dry Interior Cedar–Hemlock forests**, including ICHxw and ICHdw variants;
- **Cottonwood-dominated floodplain ecosystems**;

- **Brushlands and grasslands**;
- **Shrub- and herb-dominated floodplain ecosystems**;
- **Species at Risk;** and
- **Karst features**, including hot and cold springs.

4.3 Classification Scheme

The LCF applies a classification framework to identify and address key pressures affecting biodiversity within the Service Area. This framework provides a consistent basis for considering how proposed projects respond to recognized conservation challenges and supports informed selection of projects for funding.

For the purposes of the LCF, conservation challenges are considered using the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) classification of direct threats, adapted for local application. The classification framework is used to support alignment between proposed projects, the Themes and Targets set out in this Policy and identified conservation priorities.

The following threat categories are of particular relevance within the LCF Service Area and may be considered when assessing projects:

- **Residential and Commercial Development**

Development activities that result in the conversion and fragmentation of natural habitats, loss of timber and agricultural lands, and increased demands on water resources.

- **Climate Change**

Changes in climate conditions, including increased temperatures, altered precipitation patterns, reduced snowpack, extended dry periods, and extreme weather events, resulting in impacts to wildfire regimes, flooding and geohazards, hydrological systems, water availability, vegetation patterns, and wildlife populations.

- **Terrestrial and Aquatic Invasive Species**

Invasive terrestrial and aquatic species that disrupt ecological processes, degrade fish and wildlife habitat, affect timber and food systems, and contribute to soil degradation and reduced water quality through the displacement of native vegetation.

- **Natural System Modifications (Dams and Water Management and Use)**

Modifications to natural systems, including dams, diversions, and water management activities, that alter natural flow regimes and result in ecological degradation, loss of biological diversity, and impacts to the functioning of aquatic and riparian ecosystems.

- **Transportation and Service Corridors**

Road, rail, and other service corridors that contribute to wildlife mortality, habitat fragmentation, and degradation of habitat quality, including impacts to aquatic ecosystems.

- **Human Intrusions and Disturbance (Recreational Activity)**

Recreational activities, including off-road use, that result in soil compaction, erosion, spread of invasive species, and disturbance to wildlife and habitats.

4.4 Governance

The governance of the Fund is structured to support clear accountability and informed decision-making.

- The RDCK Board is responsible for approving projects funded through the LCF.
- The LCFC reviews project proposals and provides recommendations to the RDCK Board in accordance with this Policy.
- The TRC provides technical advice in an advisory capacity to inform the review of project proposals.
- Administrative roles and procedural requirements related to the implementation of the LCF, including project intake, review processes, and reporting, are addressed through separate procedures and applicable bylaws, including the *Local Conservation Fund Committee Bylaw No. 2420, 2014*.

5. RELATED LEGISLATION:

- *Local Government Act (LGA)*
- *Regional District of Central Kootenay Local Conservation Fund Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2420, 2014*
- *Local Conservation Fund Committee Bylaw No. 2975, 2025*

6. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

- Regional District of Central Kootenay. (2018). *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Guidance Document.* Nelson, BC.
- Regional District of Central Kootenay. *Local Conservation Fund Procedure.* Nelson, BC

Local Conservation Fund Procedure

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1. Introduction

The Local Conservation Fund (LCF) Procedure supports the implementation of the Local Conservation Fund (LCF) by providing clear operational steps for project intake, review, evaluation, and reporting.

This Procedure works in conjunction with the Local Conservation Fund (LCF) Policy, the Regional District of Central Kootenay *Local Conservation Fund Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2420, 2014*, and the *Local Conservation Fund Committee Bylaw No. 2975, 2025*.

This Procedure provides operational guidance for administering the LCF and does not replace or supersede the LCF Policy.

The LCF Procedure:

- Defines roles and responsibilities of the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK), the Local Conservation Fund Committee (LCFC), the Technical Review Committee (TRC), and the Consultant.
- Sets out the process for project submission, technical review, committee review, and Board approval.
- Ensures transparency and consistency in how the Fund is administered, including conflict-of-interest management and project reporting.

1.1 Key Roles

The following roles are described for the purposes of administering the LCF and are to be read in conjunction with the *LCF Policy*.

(a) Proponent: an eligible organization that submits a project proposal to the LCF.

(b) Consultant: the organization contracted by the RDCK to administer the LCF on its behalf. The Consultant is responsible for coordinating project intake, supporting the Technical Review Committee (TRC), and preparing recommendations for the Local Conservation Fund Committee (LCFC).

(c) Technical Review Committee (TRC): an advisory body comprised of individuals with expertise in conservation-related fields appointed by the RDCK Board for the specific purpose of reviewing the technical merits of grant applications and recommending projects for funding.

(d) Local Conservation Fund Committee (LCFC): means the standing committee of the RDCK Board, established under *Local Conservation Fund Committee Bylaw No. 2975*, responsible for reviewing proposed projects put forward by the Consultant funded by the Local Conservation Fund Service and making recommendations to the Board.

2. Governance

The LCF is administered by the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) in partnership with a Consultant, the LCFC, and the TRC.

2.1 RDCK Responsibility

The RDCK is responsible for maintaining the integrity of the Fund and retains the responsibility for final approval of all matters related thereto. The RDCK is responsible for the final approval of all projects, grant payments, and financial audits of the Fund.

The RDCK will engage a consultant to assist with the direct administration of the Fund and will appoint a TRC based on the recommendation of the Consultant. The LCFC, established by Bylaw No. 2975, reviews the recommendations of the TRC and makes formal recommendations to the RDCK Board for project approvals.

2.2 Local Conservation Fund Committee (LCFC)

The LCFC is a standing committee of the RDCK Board, established under *Local Conservation Fund Committee Bylaw No. 2975*. It is composed of the Directors representing the participating Service Area. The LCFC reviews TRC recommendations and makes formal recommendations to the RDCK Board for project approvals, conditions, or deferrals. It receives annual reporting on funded projects and may recommend program improvements to the Board.

2.3 Technical Review Committee (TRC)

The TRC is an advisory body appointed by the RDCK Board to provide a technical evaluation of project proposals. It reviews proposals for technical merit, feasibility, and conservation effectiveness. It also provides a ranked list of recommended projects to the LCFC. It operates in accordance with its Terms of Reference, which are detailed later in this Procedure, including membership, evaluation criteria, and conflict-of-interest requirements.

2.4 Consultant Responsibility

Under formal written agreement, the Consultant is responsible for all aspects of Fund management, other than the direct financial management. This management includes:

- **(a)** Preparing the Fund design documents.
- **(b)** Advertising and managing the call for proposals.
- **(c)** Responding to inquiries.
- **(d)** Vetting TRC applicants.
- **(e)** Facilitating the technical review of applications and projects.
- **(f)** Coordinating project evaluation and overall program evaluation.

The RDCK remains the final approving authority for all Fund matters.

2.5 Governance Principles

The governance model for the LCF is based on the following guiding principles:

(a) This is a tax-based Fund; therefore, in the decision-making process, taxpayers will be represented through their elected officials.
(b) The LCF was created to provide a conservation service. Technical merit is of utmost importance to determine which projects are supported.
(c) There is a relatively small amount of annual funding available, and it is important to design a simple, cost-effective decision-making structure.

2.6 Governance Model

The governance model may be modified as necessary to accommodate the goals of the LCF.

A two-tiered process will be employed, with the TRC (see Section 2.3 and Section 6) making recommendations through the technical review process, and the LCFC (see Section 2.2) reviewing those recommendations and making recommendations to the RDCK Board for final approval.

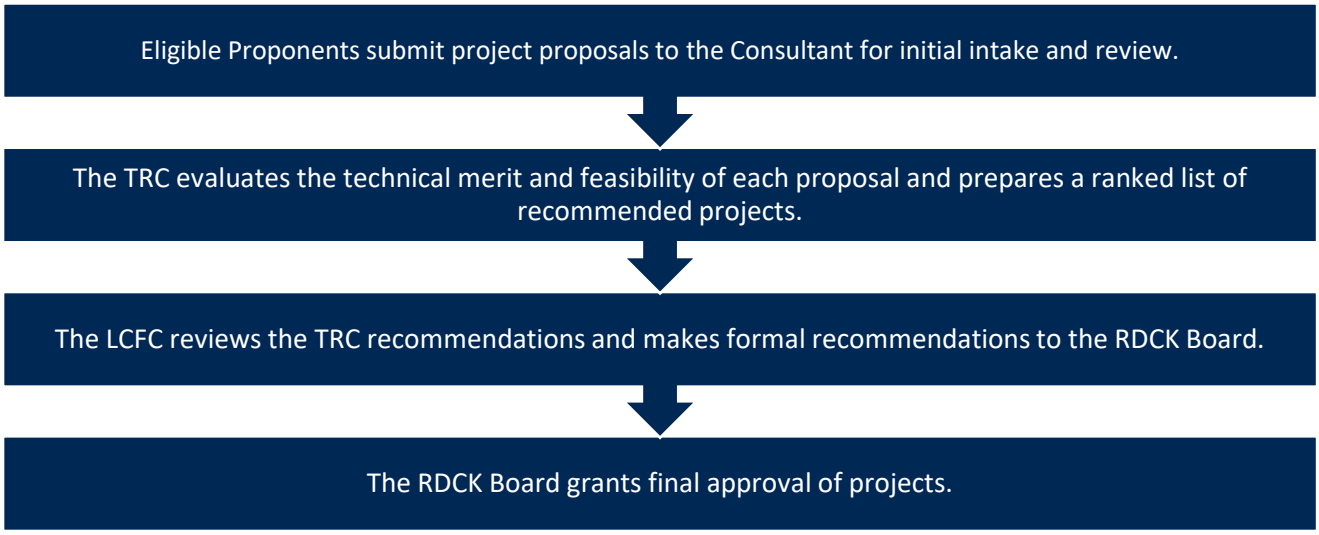

Figure 1 Governance Flow

2.7 Technical Review Committee (TRC) Appointments and Terms

The TRC will be selected based on nominations submitted to the Consultant or in response to an open call to fill a vacancy. TRC members are appointed by the RDCK Board based on recommendations brought forward through the administration process.

The TRC is comprised of five members, and may be expanded up to seven members where needed to ensure appropriate expertise coverage (see Section 6.2 Composition). TRC members will be selected with a maximum term of three (3) years. Some members may be asked to serve for only one- or two-year terms to ensure membership continuity across years.

Given the small geographic area and high level of engagement in conservation projects, it may be difficult to find TRC members who will not, at some point, have an actual, potential, or perceived conflict of interest by virtue of the fact that they may also be interested in submitting proposals or working on successful projects. In such cases, the Conflict of Interest Guidelines set out in Section 6.5 will be followed.

2.8 Board Review and Approval

The RDCK is responsible for reviewing the recommendations of the TRC and for granting final approval. The RDCK will determine whether a project meets eligibility criteria, including that it is not an existing responsibility of any level of government.

The RDCK Directors representing the participating Service Area may, at their discretion, have the opportunity to review the proposals with the Electoral Area advisory Commissions.

Final approval of projects will be granted at a regular meeting of the RDCK Board. Only the Directors representing the participating Service Area will be entitled to vote on project approvals, using the weighted voting system.

In the case of acquisition/securement proposals, the RDCK may be required to maintain confidentiality; in such cases, proposal review and approval will take place at a closed meeting of the Board.

3. Guiding Principles

To best support the most effective projects, the guiding principles of the *Conservation Framework for British Columbia* will be followed:

- **Acting sooner** – before species and ecosystems are at risk.
- **Acting smarter** – priority setting is science-based; the results move us from reactive conservation to prevention using appropriate management actions.
- **Acting together** – coordinated and inclusive action.
- **Investing more wisely** – align conservation investments, priorities, and actions among conservation partners and stakeholders.

The following additional guiding principles will also be used in administering and evaluating projects under the Fund:

- Projects that fall into the existing responsibilities of federal, provincial or local governments will not be eligible for funding.
- Projects with strong funding partnerships will be given preference.
- The review process will be as simple as possible, particularly with the recognition that a relatively small Fund is being administered.
- Projects will be ranked on feasibility, cost-effectiveness, outside participation / cost sharing, project effectiveness and priority conservation action.

- Projects will initially be ranked based on technical merit, regardless of where they occur within the Fund Service Area. Subsequently, regional equity may be considered in decision-making.
- Only highly ranked projects will be funded. If there are not enough high-quality projects in any given year, funds will be carried forward to future years.
- Changes to program design will be considered as more is learned about the needs of the areas, provided always that the goals of the Fund are still met.

4. Fund Design and Timelines

The LCF is designed to support projects that conserve and enhance the natural environment in the Service Area through an annual project intake and review process.

4.1 General Projects

The annual project cycle for general conservation projects is as follows:

(a) Call for Proposals – September/October
(b) TRC Review Completed – November/December
(c) LCFC Review and Recommendation to RDCK Board – January
(d) RDCK Board of Directors Final Approval – February
(e) Successful Applicants Notified – March
(f) Contribution Agreements Finalized – March/April

4.2 Land Securement Projects

Land acquisition or covenant proposals may be submitted at any time during the year, at the discretion of the Consultant, provided there is sufficient time for the TRC and RDCK to review the proposals. All securement proposals will be treated as confidential unless other specific arrangements have been approved by all parties.

4.3 Fund Design

(a) A call for project proposals will be issued annually (September/October) and will be advertised based on criteria set by the Consultant and approved by the RDCK Chief Administrative Officer or their designate.
(b) Funds will be dispersed annually, based on responses to calls for proposals. Any funds not dispersed can be carried forward to the next fiscal year.
(c) Projects must be in the Fund Service Area.
(d) Projects should address IUCN threats to biodiversity targets and be informed by priority conservation actions identified in the Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund (KLLCF) Guidance Document and fall into at least one theme area.
(e) Proponents must be a registered non-profit society, First Nation, or must partner with an eligible organization.

(f) Project evaluation by the TRC includes consideration of conservation value for money.
(g) Proposals should reflect relationship to the RDCK Official Community Plans, where applicable.
(h) Proponents must be prepared to make a 10-minute presentation on the outcomes of their work on an annual basis, in addition to submitting written interim and final reports.
(i) Proponents will receive 80% of the grant upon signing a contribution agreement and 20% upon completion of the approved final report.
(j) For minor changes to projects, or where the RDCK has awarded less than the proposed amount under the recommendation of the TRC, the Consultant has authority to allow proponents to change aspects of their work plan. For substantive changes to the workplan, proponents must receive the support of the TRC. For a major change in the goals of the project, approval must be given by the RDCK.

5. Project Eligibility

Projects funded through the LCF must align with the purpose, themes, and targets set out in the LCF Policy and be informed by the KLLCF Guidance Document.[1]

5.1 Ineligible Activities

The following types of projects will not be considered for funding:

(a) Existing federal, provincial or local government responsibilities.
(b) Capacity building or operating expenses for organizations.
(c) Projects with recreational benefits only.
(d) Community infrastructure services.
(e) Lobbying or advocacy initiatives.
(f) Wildlife feeding programs.
(g) Non-applied research (research not related to a conservation action goal).
(h) Training costs for contractors.
(i) Enforcement activities.
(j) Fish rearing, farming, stocking or hatchery projects.
(k) *Rehabilitation, captive breeding or control of wildlife species.
(l) *Mapping only projects.
(m) *Inventory only projects.
(n) *Planning only projects.
(o) Education only projects.
(p) Fishing and hunting tour or curriculum guides.
(q) Information projects on regulations or stocking.
(r) Conferences.

[1]Regional District of Central Kootenay. (2018). *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Guidance Document.* Nelson, BC.

(s) Production or sponsorship of commercial programs.

(t) *Interpretive services.

(u) *Creation or management of electronic databases, websites or file systems.

*These activities will be considered if they are part of an eligible project that will lead to 'on-the-ground' implementation or if they provide knowledge which is vital to achieving the overall objectives of the Fund.

6. Technical Review Committee (TRC) – Terms of Reference

The TRC is the technical advisory body of the LCF. Its role is to ensure that all project proposals receive an independent, expert review for technical merit, feasibility, and conservation effectiveness.

6.1 Purpose

The purpose of the TRC is to:

(a) Ensure all proposals to the Fund receive a sound technical review based on a fair assessment of proposal merit and project effectiveness;
(b) Maintain a high level of accountability and transparency in the review process; and
(c) Provide the LCFC and RDCK Board with a ranked list of technically appropriate proposals for funding consideration.

6.2 Composition

(a) The TRC is comprised of five to seven members, with at least one member having expertise in each of the following areas:
  i. Water conservation
  ii. Climate change
  iii. Forestry and ecosystem management
  iv. Fish and wildlife conservation
(b) Members are appointed by the RDCK Board, based on recommendations from the Consultant.
(c) Membership is structured to ensure continuity across funding years, with some members serving consecutive terms.

6.3 Proposal Ranking Guidelines

(a) Each proposal will be independently reviewed by each Committee member and be ranked on what is submitted by the proponent.
(b) The Committee will only review proposals on their technical merit and effectiveness.
(c) Experts in fields related to the activities within proposals may be consulted as necessary.
(d) The Consultant may reach out to proponents to clarify information prior to facilitating the technical review.
(e) Each proposal will be discussed collectively, and Committee members will have an opportunity to change their scores based on input from other members.
(f) Scores from each Committee member will be used to determine the final evaluation score for the proposal. The proposals will be ranked from highest to lowest score.
(g) For projects that have received funding in previous years, the TRC may consider progress to date and outcomes achieved when evaluating a new application. All applications are

reviewed and ranked on an annual basis, and funding approval is not guaranteed from one year to the next.

(h) The RDCK acknowledges information in reports produced through this fund will become part of the public scientific database and the information will be used in a professional and respectful manner as opposed to supporting a specific lobbying effort. The TRC will make an assessment of each application and where concerns around lobbying are raised, they will not recommend the project for funding.

(i) The Committee chair will sign the ranked list and the Committee's comments will then be forwarded to the RDCK by the Consultant in a summary report.

(j) The Consultant will participate in the technical review process but will not rank proposals; will provide additional file information as requested by the Committee members before and at review meetings; and will be available to answer questions from the RDCK on behalf of the Committee.

6.4 Technical Evaluation Criteria for Projects

(a) Feasibility (i.e., is the project doable – Yes or No)

i. Is the overall proposal well written?

ii. Are the objectives clearly defined?

iii. Are the techniques and methods proposed the most appropriate ones to address the threat?

iv. Does the proponent clearly understand the challenges they may face in completing the project?

v. Has the proponent demonstrated that the project will be able to overcome these challenges?

vi. Are the proposed timelines reasonable?

vii. Do the proponents have the capacity to deliver the project?

viii. If applicable, are plans in place to get required permits or authorizations?

ix. Have any possible negative implications or effects on other targets been identified and minimized?

Based on the answers to the above questions, rank the feasibility of the project from 0-10 with 10 being the highest ranking.

(b) Cost Effectiveness (Yes or No)

i. Is there value for the funding being requested?

ii. Are the benefits as described in the proposal in line with the cost of the project?

iii. Are the project budget and in-kind rates realistic?

Based on the answers to the above questions, rank the cost effectiveness of the project from 0-5 with 5 being the highest ranking.

(c) Outside Participation / Cost Sharing (Yes or No)

i. Do the proposed activities involve other agencies and organizations?
ii. Does the project leverage funds from other sources?

Based on the answers to the above questions, rank the leverage potential of the project from 0-5 with 5 being the highest ranking.

(d) Project Effectiveness (i.e., is the project worth doing?)

i. Is there a clearly demonstrated ability for the results of this project to address an identified IUCN listed threat to a biodiversity target and be informed by a priority conservation action identified in the KLLCF Guidance Document?
ii. Is the project outside of the realm of regular government responsibilities?
iii. Is the project rationale science-based and do the results move us from reactive conservation to prevention using appropriate management actions?
iv. Does the project build on conservation measures from relevant Official Community Plans?
v. Does the project align conservation investments, priorities, and actions among conservation partners and stakeholders?
vi. Is there an evaluation of project benefit or other measurables or indicators identified in the proposal?
vii. Is there a clearly described extension component of the project (e.g., communicating results to the community, resource managers, workshops, reports, presentations, etc.)?

Based on the answers to the above questions, rank the effectiveness of the project from 0-20 with 20 being the highest ranking.

(e) KLLCF Guidance Document Priority

i. Does this project address one of the priority conservation actions as outlined in the KLLCF Guidance Document(Table 5: Conservation Actions Summary).

Based on the Conservation Action and Habitat Target, allocate points from 0 to 10 (based on Table 5) with 10 being the highest ranking

(f) Other Comments

i. Are there any other technical concerns?
ii. Are there any technical conditions to funding?
iii. Are there any other general comments from reviewers?

6.5 Conflict of Interest Guidelines

(a) General Guidelines

i. TRC ("Committee") members will act at all times with due diligence, honesty, and in good faith, for the public interest.
ii. The conduct and language of Committee members will be free from any discrimination or harassment prohibited by the *Human Rights Code of Canada*.
iii. The conduct of Committee members will reflect social standards of courtesy, respect, and dignity.

(b) Confidential Information

i. Committee members will not reveal or divulge confidential information (defined as that which cannot be obtained from other sources) received in the course of Committee duties.
ii. Confidential information must not be used for any purposes outside that of undertaking the work of the Committee.

(c) Duty to Inform

i. Committee members will inform the Consultant of any circumstances, be that an actual conflict of interest or an appearance of conflict, which may have a negative or harmful effect on their ability to perform the duties required of the appointment or the reputation of the Committee. The member will advise all other members and staff, in writing (email accepted), well in advance of the Committee meeting: (a) that there is a potential conflict; (b) the nature and scope of the conflict; and (c) the specific project to which the conflict may apply.
ii. For some proposals, Committee members may have a direct involvement in the project. In this case, the Committee member will be asked to leave the meeting during the discussion of such proposals.

(d) Statement of Intent

i. Participation in Committee work should not result in any personal or private financial or other substantive gain. Private gain does not include honoraria for Committee work.
ii. Members of the Committee will avoid any conflict of interest that may impair or impugn the independence, integrity or impartiality of the Fund, the Regional District of Central Kootenay or the Consultant.
iii. There shall be no apprehension of bias based on what a reasonably knowledgeable and informed observer might perceive of the actions of the Committee or the actions of an individual member of the Committee.

(e) Practical Consideration in Determining Conflict

i. Activities undertaken as a citizen must be kept separate and distinct from any responsibilities held as a member of the Committee.
ii. Activities undertaken as a committee member must be kept separate and distinct from other activities as a citizen.
iii. Other memberships, directorships, voluntary or paid positions, or affiliations remain distinct from work undertaken in the course of Committee work.
iv. Committee members must not participate in, influence, or assist with the preparation, submission, review, or discussion of any project where they have an actual or perceived conflict of interest, including situations that could reasonably be perceived as resulting in preferential treatment.
v. Actions taken in the course of Committee duties can neither cause nor suggest to a reasonably knowledgeable and informed observer that members' ability to exercise those duties has or could be affected by private gain or interest.
vi. All personal financial interests, assets, and holdings must be kept distinct from and independent of any decision, information or other matter that may be heard by or acted upon by the Committee.
vii. Personal employment shall not be dependent on any decision, information or other matter that may be heard by or acted upon by the Committee. If such a situation arises, Committee members must disclose to the Committee and the Consultant any involvement in a proposal or issue before the proposal or issue is discussed by the Committee. Members will be excused from discussion of the project at the discretion of the Committee.

Declaration

I acknowledge that I have read and understood the Technical Review Committee - Terms of Reference for the Local Conservation Fund and the Conflict of Interest Guidelines contained herein. I agree to conduct myself in accordance with these guidelines and to disclose any real or perceived conflicts of interest.

Name of Committee Member (print): _____

Signature of Committee Member: _____

Date Signed: _____

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

KOOTENAY LAKE LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND

Terms of Reference

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KOOTENAY LAKE LOCAL CONSERVATION FUND

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1. BACKGROUND

In November 2015, electors from Regional District of Central Kootenay ("RDCK") Electoral Areas A, D and E, (collectively referred to as "the participating areas") voted to establish the Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund ("the Fund"). The Service Establishment Bylaw was subsequently adopted by the RDCK Board of Directors. Under this Bylaw, from 2015 to 2024, property owners in the participating areas will pay a parcel tax of $15 per parcel per year towards a dedicated fund for conservation projects in the service area.

2. FUND PURPOSE

Natural lands in both rural and urban areas filter our water, supply open spaces for wildlife and people, and provide quality of life to communities. Unfortunately, these systems are under stress. The current generation must take action now to ensure a healthy physical environment for future generations.

The purpose of the Fund is to provide local financial support for relevant projects that will contribute to the conservation of our valuable natural areas; one step towards restoring and preserving a healthy environment. The intent is to provide funding for conservation projects that are not the existing responsibility of the federal, provincial or local governments with a focus on integrating the variety of projects into a cohesive approach that will have greater impact.

3. FUND ADMINISTRATION

3.1 RDCK Responsibility

Added to LCF Procedure - 2.1

The RDCK is responsible for maintaining the integrity of the Fund and retains the responsibility for final approval of all matters related thereto. The RDCK will be responsible for final approval of all projects, grant payments, and financial audits of the Fund. The RDCK will engage a Consultant to assist with direct administration of the Fund as described below and will appoint a Technical Review Committee based on the recommendation of the Consultant. The RDCK will engage the Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) to fulfill the role of Consultant for an initial four-year term.

3.2 Consultant Responsibility

Added to LCF Procedure - 2.4

Under formal written agreement, the Consultant will be responsible for all aspects of Fund management, other than the direct financial management. This management includes drafting the Fund design documents, preparing and advertising the call for proposals, responding to enquiries, vetting Technical Review Committee applicants, technical review of applications and projects, project evaluation and overall program evaluation. As noted in Section 3.1, the RDCK will be the final approving authority for all documents relating to the Fund.

4. CONSERVATION THEMES AND GOALS

4.1 Themes

Added to LCF Policy - 4.1

The themes for the Fund are aquatic systems, water conservation, wildlife and habitat conservation. These themes are based on polling done by the Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) in 2013 and 2014 to identify what people value in the Central Kootenay region.

4.2 Targets

Added to LCF Policy - 4.2

Projects that can demonstrate a reduction of a known threat to a biodiversity target will be given priority (see Appendix 1 for a list of ineligible projects). The focus is on private land, but projects on both Crown and private land will be considered. Conservation priorities for the KLLCF are outlined in the KLLCF Guidance Document[1]. This fund supports an ecosystem-based approach to conservation (an environmental management approach that recognizes the full array of interactions within an ecosystem, including humans, rather than considering single issues, species, or ecosystem services in isolation). The biodiversity targets are:

- Connectivity habitat
- Hydro-riparian systems (Large, Medium, Small)
- Wetlands
- Fish habitat
- Old-growth Moist Interior Cedar-Hemlock forests (ICHmw)
- Dry Interior Cedar Hemlock forests (ICHxw and ICHdw)
- Cottonwood-dominated floodplain
- Brushlands/grasslands
- Shrub and herb-dominated floodplain
- Species at Risk
- Karst (Hot and cold springs)

4.3 Classification Scheme

Added to LCF Policy - 4.3

The aim is to "think globally; act locally." The framework for Technical Review (see Appendix 2) will be based on the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) classification of direct threats. The value of this classification scheme is to provide nomenclature for practitioners world-wide to describe the common problems they are facing and solutions they are using in a mutually intelligible way. The issues outlined below are those that currently have the highest relevance to the area around Kootenay Lake in the Central Kootenay Region. This is only a partial list and other IUCN threats will be considered in evaluating proposals:

(a) Residential and Commercial Development
Development activity continues to lead to conversion and fragmentation of habitats, loss of productive timber and agricultural lands, and greater demands on water.

(b) Climate Change
Climate change will have a dramatic influence on Kootenay ecosystems over the next 20 years. Higher summer and winter temperatures, declining mountain snowpack,

[1] Amec Foster Wheeler and Pandion Ecological Research. 2018. *Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund Guidance Document*. Report prepared for Regional District of Central Kootenay, Nelson, BC. 15 May 2018. 63 pp + 43App. AFW Report No. VE52678-2017.

reduced snowfall, long dry summers, and sudden heavy rains are just some of the changes we are already observing. These changes will have a dramatic impact on fire regimes, geo-hazards and flooding, river flow, water availability, plant distribution, and wildlife populations.

(c) Terrestrial and Aquatic Invasive Species

When natural areas are disturbed there is often an opportunity for invasive species to flourish. Invasive species, both terrestrial and aquatic, can disrupt natural ecological processes as there are often no natural agents present to keep these species in check. Invasive species can affect fish and wildlife habitat, food security, and timberland. The loss of native vegetation can result in soil degradation and thus negatively impact water quality as invasive plants frequently do not have deep roots to bind soil.

(d) Natural System Modifications (Dams and Water Management and Use)

When natural systems are modified and flow regimes are altered, the ecological degradation and loss of biological diversity can we widespread. Alterations for water supply, flood control, agriculture, and power generation all result in ecological impacts. Current management approaches often fail to recognize the fundamental scientific principle that the integrity of flowing water systems depends largely on their natural dynamic character.

(e) Transportation and Service Corridors

Wildlife mortality and habitat fragmentation are direct consequences of road and rail corridors. These corridors are concentrated in valley bottoms and traffic volumes are increasing over time thereby increasing the risk. Habitat quality for aquatic species can also be degraded by transportation corridors.

(f) Human Intrusions and Disturbance (Recreational Activity)

Recreational activity, particularly increasing off-road activity, can lead to a range of impacts including soil compaction, erosion, spread of invasive plants, and disturbance to wildlife.

5. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Added to LCF Procedure - 3

To best support the most effective projects, the guiding principles of the *Conservation Framework for British Columbia* will be followed:

- **Acting sooner** – before species and ecosystems are at risk.
- **Acting smarter** – priority setting is science-based; the results move us from reactive conservation to prevention using appropriate management actions.
- **Acting together** – coordinated and inclusive action.
- **Investing more wisely** – align conservation investments, priorities, and actions among conservation partners and stakeholders.

The following guiding principles will also be used:

- Projects that fall into the **existing responsibilities of federal, provincial or local governments will not be eligible** for funding.

- Projects with **multiple funding partners** will be given preference.
- The review process will be as **simple** as possible, particularly with the recognition that a relatively small Fund is being administered.
- Projects will be ranked on **technical soundness, technical effectiveness, priority of conservation action, and value for money**.
- Projects will initially be ranked based on technical merit, regardless of where they occur within the Fund Service Area. Subsequently, regional equity may be considered in decision-making
- Only **highly ranked projects** will be funded. If there are not enough high quality projects in any given year, funds will be carried forward to future years.
- **Changes to program design** will be considered as more is learned about the needs of the areas, provided always that the goals of the Fund are still met.

6. TIME LINES

6.1 General Projects

Added to LCF Procedure - 4.1

- Call for proposals – October
- Technical review completed – November/December
- RDCK review completed – January
- RDCK Board of Directors final approval – February
- Successful applicants notified – March
- Contribution Agreements between the RDCK and applicants are finalized – March/April

6.2 Land Securement Projects

Added to LCF Procedure - 4.2

Land acquisition or covenant proposals may be submitted at any time during the year provided there is sufficient time for the Technical Review Committee and RDCK to review the proposals. All securement proposals will be treated as confidential unless other specific arrangements have been approved by all parties.

7. GOVERNANCE

Added to LCF Procedure - 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, & 2.8

The governance model is based on three guiding principles:

1. This is a tax-based Fund; therefore, in the decision-making process, taxpayers will be represented through their elected officials.
2. The Fund was created to provide a conservation service. Technical merit is of utmost importance to determine which projects are supported.
3. There is a relatively small amount of annual funding available and it is important to design a simple, cost effective decision-making structure.

The governance model may be modified as necessary to accommodate the goals of the Fund. A two-tiered process will be employed, with a Technical Review Committee (see Appendix 2) making recommendations to the RDCK.

The Technical Review Committee will be selected based on nominations submitted to the Consultant or in response to an open call to fill a vacancy. Five committee members will be selected

with a maximum term of three years. Some members will be asked to serve for only one or two year terms to ensure membership continuity in each year. Once selected and recommended to the RDCK, the RDCK Board will officially appoint them to the Technical Review Committee based on qualification criteria found in Appendix 2. Given the small geographic area and high level of engagement in conservation projects, it may be difficult to find Technical Review Committee members who will not, at some point, have a conflict of interest by virtue of the fact that they may also be interested in submitting proposals, or working on successful projects. In such cases, the Conflict of Interest Guidelines (see Appendix 4) will be followed.

The RDCK will be responsible for reviewing the recommendations of the Technical Review Committee and for granting final approval. The RDCK will determine if the project meets the eligibility criteria of not being an existing responsibility of any level of government. The RDCK Directors representing the participating areas will, at their discretion, have the opportunity to review the proposals with the Electoral Area Advisory Commissions. Final approval of projects will be granted at a regular meeting of the RDCK Board of Directors. Only the Directors representing the participating areas will be entitled to vote on the projects using the weighted vote system. In the case of acquisition proposals, the RDCK may be required to maintain confidentiality in which case, proposal review and approval will take place at a closed meeting of the Board.

8. FUND DESIGN

Added to LCF Procedure - 4.3

(1) A call for project proposals will be issued annually (September/October) and will be advertised based on criteria set by the Consultant and approved by the RDCK Chief Administrative Officer or her designate.

(2) Funds will be dispersed annually, based on responses to calls for proposals. Any funds not dispersed can be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

(3) Projects must be in the Fund Service Area.

(4) Multi-year projects are acceptable to a maximum of three years. Such projects will receive annual funding approval, and will be subject to annual review by the Technical Review Committee to ensure they are on track.

(5) Projects should address IUCN threats to biodiversity targets and priority KLLCF Conservation Actions and fall into at least one theme area (see Section 4).

(6) Proponents must be non-profit, have registered society status or must partner with an organization that has registered society status.

(7) Project evaluation by the Technical Review Committee includes consideration of conservation value for money.

(8) Proposals should reflect relationship to the RDCK Official Community Plans.

(9) Proponents must be prepared to make a 10-minute presentation on the outcomes of their work on an annual basis, in addition to submitting written interim and final reports.

(10) Proponents will receive 80% of the grant upon signing a contribution agreement and 20% upon completion of the approved final report.

(11) For minor changes to projects, or where the RDCK has awarded less than the proposed amount under the recommendation of the Technical Review Committee, the Consultant has authority to allow proponents to change aspects of their work plan. For substantive changes to the workplan, proponents must receive the support of the Technical Review

Committee. For a major change in the goals of the project, approval must be given by the RDCK.

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APPENDIX 1
INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Added to LCF Procedure - 5.1

The following types of projects will not be considered for funding:

(a) Existing federal, provincial or local government responsibilities;

(b) Capacity building or operating expenses for organizations;

(c) Projects with recreational benefits only;

(d) Community infrastructure services;

(e) Lobbying or advocacy initiatives;

(f) Wildlife feeding programs;

(g) Non-applied research (research not related to a conservation action goal);

(h) Training costs for contractors;

(i) Enforcement activities;

(j) Fish rearing, farming, stocking or hatchery projects;

(k) *Rehabilitation, captive breeding or control of wildlife species;

(l) *Mapping only projects;

(m) *Inventory only projects;

(n) *Planning only projects;

(o) Education only projects;

(p) Fishing and hunting tour or curriculum guides;

(q) Information projects on regulations or stocking;

(r) Conferences;

(s) Production or sponsorship of commercial programs;

(t) *Interpretive services;

(u) *Creation or management of electronic databases, websites or file systems.

*These activities will be considered if they are part of an eligible project that will lead to 'on-the-ground' implementation or if they provide knowledge which is vital to achieving the overall objectives of the Fund.

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APPENDIX 2
TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

1. PURPOSE

Added to LCF Procedure - 6.1

The purpose of the Technical Review Committee ("the Committee") is to ensure that:

(a) All proposals to the Fund receive a sound technical review based on a fair assessment of proposal merit and project effectiveness;
(b) There is a high level of accountability in the review process; and
(c) Recommended lists of technically appropriate proposals are provided to the RDCK.

2. COMPOSITION

Added to LCF Procedure - 6.2

The Committee will be comprised of five members with at least one member having expertise in each theme area of water conservation, climate change, forestry and fish and wildlife conservation. To ensure consistency and continuity, some members may be asked to serve on the Committee in consecutive years.

3. PROPOSAL RANKING GUIDELINES

Added to LCF Procedure - 6.3

(a) Each proposal will be independently reviewed by each Committee member and be rated on what is submitted by the proponent.
(b) The Committee will only review proposals on their technical merit and effectiveness.
(c) Experts in fields related to the activities within proposals may be consulted as necessary.
(d) Each proposal will be discussed collectively and Committee members will have an opportunity to change their scores based on input from other members.
(e) Scores from each Committee member will be used to determine the final evaluation score for the proposal. The proposals will be ranked from highest to lowest score.
(f) New funding proposals will be rated on whether they are meeting the Fund criteria and if the project should be considered for funding. For continuing projects, ratings will be based on whether the project should be continued.
(g) The RDCK acknowledges information in reports produced through this fund will become part of the public scientific database and the information will be used in a professional and respectful manner as opposed to supporting a specific lobbying effort. The Technical Review Committee will make an assessment of each application and where concerns around lobbying are raised they will not recommend the project for funding; AND FURTHER, that staff prepare a letter to the Kootenay Conservation Program outlining the RDCK's explanation that the amendment (addition) to the Terms of Reference is noted within the individual contracts for projects.
(h) The Committee chair will sign the ranked list and the Committee's comments will then be forwarded to the RDCK by the Consultant in a summary report.
(i) The Consultant will participate in the technical review process, but will not rank proposals; will provide additional file information as requested by the Committee members before and at

review meetings; and will be available to answer questions from the RDCK on behalf of the Committee.

4. TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

Added to LCF Procedure - 6.4

4.1 New Projects

(a) Feasibility (i.e., is the project doable – Yes or No)

- Is the overall proposal well written?
- Are the objectives clearly defined?
- Are the techniques and methods proposed the most appropriate ones to address the threat?
- Does the proponent clearly understand the challenges they may face in completing the project?
- Has the proponent demonstrated that the project will be able to overcome these challenges?
- Are the proposed timelines reasonable?
- Do the proponents have the capacity to deliver the project?
- If applicable, are plans in place to get required permits or authorizations?
- Have any possible negative implications or effects on other targets been identified and minimized?

Based on the answers to the above questions, rank the feasibility of the project from 0-10 with 10 being the highest ranking.

(b) Cost Effectiveness (Yes or No)

- Is there value for the funding being requested?
- Are the benefits as described in the proposal in line with the cost of the project?
- Are the project budget and in-kind rates realistic?

Based on the answers to the above questions, rank the cost effectiveness of the project from 0-5 with 5 being the highest ranking.

(c) Outside Participation / Cost Sharing (Yes or No)

- Do the proposed activities involve other agencies and organizations?
- Does the project leverage funds from other sources?

Based on the answers to the above questions, rank the leverage potential of the project from 0-5 with 5 being the highest ranking.

(d) Project Effectiveness (i.e., is the project worth doing?)

- Is there a clearly demonstrated ability for the results of this project to reduce an identified threat (IUCN) to a biodiversity target and address a KLLCF Guidance Document priority action?
- Is the project outside of the realm of regular government responsibilities?

- Is the project rationale science-based and do the results move us from reactive conservation to prevention using appropriate management actions?
- Does the project build on conservation measures from relevant official community plans?
- Does the project align conservation investments, priorities, and actions among conservation partners and stakeholders?
- Is there an evaluation of project benefit or other measurables or indicators identified in the proposal?
- Is there a clearly described extension component of the project (e.g., communicating results to the community, resource managers, workshops, reports, presentations, etc.)?

Based on the answers to the above questions, rank the effectiveness of the project from 0-20 with 20 being the highest ranking.

(e) KLLCF Guidance Document Priority

- Does this project address one of the priority conservation actions as outlined in the KLLCF Guidance Document (Table 5: Conservation Actions Summary).

Based on the Conservation Action and Habitat Target, allocate points from 0 to 10 (based on Table 5) with 10 being the highest ranking.

(f) Other Comments

- Are there any other technical concerns?
- Are there any technical conditions to funding?
- Are there any other general comments from reviewers?

4.2 Continuing Projects

Not added in LCF Procedure and Policy documents

Each Committee member answers Yes or No to the following criteria and on whether the project should continue to be funded. Continuing projects have undergone an extensive review to receive original approval; therefore, no evaluation score is needed.

(a) Progress to Date

- Has there been satisfactory progress to date in terms of the project's scheduled activities?
- Does the proposal build on past accomplishments?
- If difficulties arose in the previous or current year, will they affect proposal activities?
- Should the proposal be modified to address any problems arising from the previous year?
- Are any budget changes justified?

(b) Overall Evaluation

- Should the project continue to be funded?

- Are there any conditions to continued funding?

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APPENDIX 3
TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE
CONFLICT OF INTEREST GUIDELINES

Added to LCF Procedure - 6.5

1. GENERAL GUIDELINES

(a) Technical Review Committee ("Committee") members will act at all times with due diligence, honesty, and in good faith, for the public interest.
(b) The conduct and language of Committee members will be free from any discrimination or harassment prohibited by the *Human Rights Code of Canada*.
(c) The conduct of Committee members will reflect social standards of courtesy, respect, and dignity.

2. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Committee members will not reveal or divulge confidential information (defined as that which cannot be obtained from other sources) received in the course of Committee duties.
(b) Confidential information must not be used for any purposes outside that of undertaking the work of the Committee.

3. DUTY TO INFORM

(a) Committee members will inform the Consultant of any circumstances, be that an actual conflict of interest or an appearance of conflict, which may have a negative or harmful effect on their ability to perform the duties required of the appointment or the reputation of the Committee. The member will advise all other members and staff, in writing (email accepted), well in advance of Committee meeting: (a) that there is a potential conflict; (b) the nature and scope of the conflict; and (c) the specific project to which the conflict may apply.
(b) For some proposals, Committee members may have a direct involvement in the project. In this case, the Committee member will be asked to leave the meeting during the discussion of such proposals.

4. STATEMENT OF INTENT

(a) Participation in Committee work should not result in any personal or private financial or other substantive gain. Private gain does not include honoraria for Committee work.
(b) Members of the Committee will avoid any conflict of interest that may impair or impugn the independence, integrity or impartiality of the Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund, the Regional District of Central Kootenay or the Consultant.
(c) There shall be no apprehension of bias based on what a reasonably knowledgeable and informed observer might perceive of the actions of the Committee or the actions of an individual member of the Committee.

5. PRACTICAL CONSIDERATION IN DETERMINING CONFLICT

(a) Activities undertaken as a citizen must be kept separate and distinct from any responsibilities held as a member of the Committee.
(b) Activities undertaken as a Committee member must be kept separate and distinct from other activities as a citizen.
(c) Other memberships, directorships, voluntary or paid positions, or affiliations remain distinct from work undertaken in the course of Committee work.
(d) Committee members will not assist anyone in their dealings with the Committee if this may result in advantageous treatment or the perception of advantageous treatment by a reasonably knowledgeable and informed observer.
(e) Actions taken in the course of Committee duties can neither cause nor suggest to a reasonably knowledgeable and informed observer that members' ability to exercise those duties has or could be affected by private gain or interest.
(f) All personal financial interests, assets, and holdings must be kept distinct from and independent of any decision, information or other matter that may be heard by or acted upon by the Committee.
(g) Personal employment shall not be dependent on any decision, information or other matter that may be heard by or acted upon by the Committee. If such a situation arises, Committee members must disclose to the Committee and the Consultant, any involvement in a proposal or issue before the proposal or issue is discussed by the Committee. Members will be excused from discussion of the project at the discretion of the Committee.
(h) The Committee will determine whether or not a Committee member can submit a project proposal or assist a proponent in the preparation and submission of a proposal that does not result in financial or other direct or indirect gain to the member.

DECLARATION

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and considered the conflict of interest guidelines for Technical Review Committee member of the Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund and agree to conduct myself in accordance with these guidelines.

Name of Committee Member (print): _____

Signature of Committee Member: _____

Date Signed: _____

Local Conservation Fund

Community Survey – Summary

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Engagement Snapshot

5,178

Mail-out

2

(Ways To Respond: Online + Mail)

63 Days

(Oct 14–dec 15)

1

(Response Per Household)

How to Read These Results

Report Composition	• Section **2** summarizes results from Structured Questions and identifies themes from written comments. • Section **4** provides the individual survey responses (as received), which are included for transparency and reference.
How the Results Were Calculated	• Results are based on 374 total survey responses • Percentages shown reflect: The number of respondents who answered each question, not all recipients. Some questions had slightly different response totals due to skipped questions • Percentages are calculated as: Number of responses to an option ÷ total responses to that question • Open-ended questions were reviewed and grouped into recurring themes, rather than counted or ranked
What the Results Represent	• The survey identifies patterns, themes, and ranges of perspectives • Results are descriptive, not statistically representative of the full population

What We Heard: Key Findings

56%

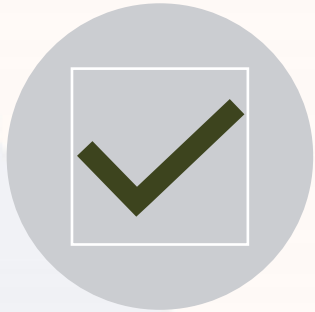
say the fund provides value

48%

say the $15 parcel tax provides good value for money

60%

say themes and project are aligned



72%

support continuation

Key Themes from Written Comments

Strong Interest in Water and Watershed Health

Importance of Wildlife Habitat and Biodiversity

Ongoing Concern around Invasive Species Management

Need for Clearer Communication and Visibility of Funded Projects and Outcomes

Survey Cost Summary – Staff Time & Administration

Total cost associated with staff support for survey preparation, mail-out coordination, and payment processing:

Total Staff Costs: $11,089.38

Includes:

- Data cleaning, management, and report preparation
- Mail-out package preparation, printing, folding, stuffing, and stamping
- Payment coordination

Survey Cost Summary – Mailing & Postage Costs

Costs associated with distributing survey materials via mail:

Standard Mail: $7,375.00

US Mail: $332.50

International Mail: $35.80

Total Mailing Costs: $7,743.30

Overall Program Cost: $18,832.68

Thank You!

Local Conservation Fund Survey – 2025

What We Heard Report

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Executive Summary

The RDCK conducted the **Local Conservation Fund - Community Survey 2025** to gather feedback from property owners on awareness of the Local Conservation Fund (LCF), perceptions of value and outcomes, and views on the $15-per-parcel annual tax that funds local conservation initiatives.

What We Did

- **5,178** addressed survey invitation letters were mailed to **property owners** in Electoral Areas **A, D, and E**.
- The survey was available through **two response methods**: an **online form (Microsoft Forms)** and a **paper questionnaire** returned by mail.
- Feedback was collected from **October 14 to December 15, 2025**.
- A total of **374** survey responses were received.

What We Heard

Survey responses show a range of perspectives, with many respondents expressing support for local conservation outcomes and others expressing uncertainty or concerns about cost, visibility, and local relevance.

Key survey findings include:

- **56.4%** said the Fund **provides value** *(n=211/374)*.
- **48.4%** said the **$15 per parcel annual tax provides good value for money** *(n=181/374)*.
- **60.1%** said LCF projects **reflect the themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation** *(n=224/373)*.
- **72.2%** favoured **continuing the $15 per parcel annual tax** *(as-is or with improvements) (n=270/374)*.

Written comments across open-ended questions most commonly emphasized priorities related to **water and watershed health**, **wildlife habitat and biodiversity**, and **invasive species management**. Many comments also highlighted the importance of **clearer communication and visibility of funded projects and outcomes**, including where projects occur and how results are reported.

How to Use This Report

Section **2** summarizes results from Structured Questions and identifies themes from written comments. Section **4** provides the individual survey responses (as received), which are included for transparency and reference.

Section 1: What We Did- Engagement Process

The Regional District of Central Kootenay undertook the Local Conservation Fund (LCF) 10-Year Community Survey. When the LCF was established, a commitment was made to seek feedback from participating areas after approximately ten years of implementation. This engagement was intended to gather input on the LCF's value, outcomes, and future direction, and to inform ongoing understanding of the service.

1.1 Legislative Context and Engagement Scope

The Local Conservation Fund was established in 2014 through *Local Conservation Fund Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2420, 2014*, following approval by assent of the electors. At the time of establishment, the service applied to Electoral Areas A, D, and E, with funding collected through an annual parcel tax as authorized under the *Local Government Act*.

Since that time, participation in the LCF has expanded. Electoral Area H was added as a participating area through an amendment adopted in 2022, and Electoral Area F was added in 2023. While these areas now participate in the Local Conservation Fund service, the engagement undertaken as part of this community survey was limited to Electoral Areas A, D, and E, where the service has been in place for approximately ten years and where the original commitment applies

1.2 Engagement Method and Audience

Public engagement was conducted through direct mail to property owners in Electoral Areas A, D, and E. Survey invitations were addressed and mailed to property owners, rather than distributed as unaddressed or general mail, to ensure that those contributing to the LCF through the parcel tax received a direct opportunity to provide feedback.

A total of 5,178 letters were mailed to property owners within the engagement area. Each mailing package included:

- A cover letter outlining the purpose of the 10-Year community survey and inviting participation
- Background information on the LCF

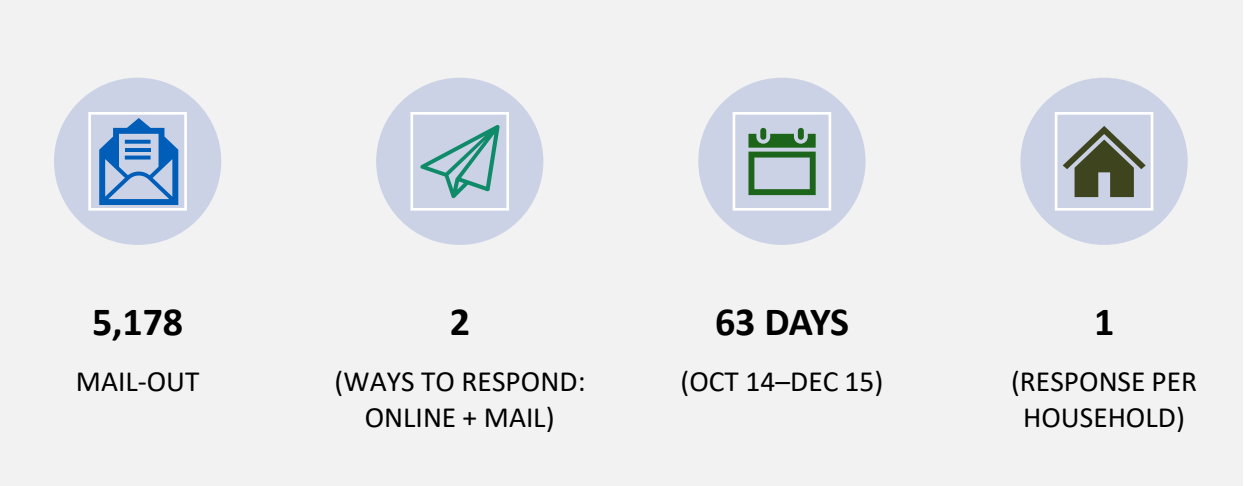
- A paper survey questionnaire
- A QR code and web link to complete the survey online

To support consistency and fairness in responses, participants were asked to submit one response per household. This requirement was clearly stated in the mailed letter, the paper questionnaire, and the online survey.

1.3 Survey Access and Participation Period

The survey was made available in both paper and online formats to support accessibility for property owners with varying access to digital tools. The online survey was hosted using Microsoft Forms, while completed paper questionnaires could be returned by mail.

The engagement period ran from October 14, 2025 to December 15, 2025. Participation in the survey was entirely voluntary, and non-participation did not affect the Local Conservation Fund service or the application of the parcel tax.



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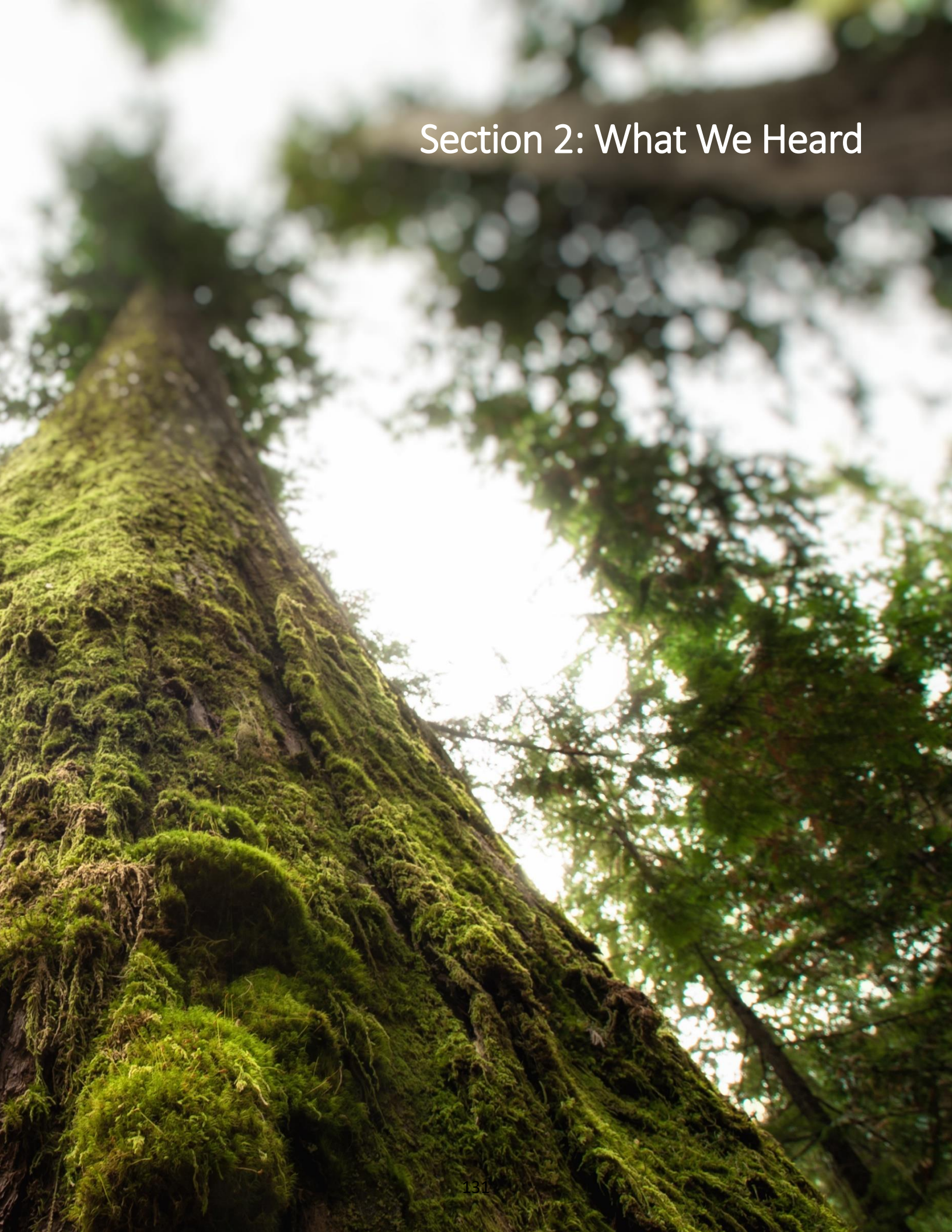


This section summarizes feedback received through the Local Conservation Fund 10-Year community survey. Results are presented in two parts. First, responses are summarized by survey questions to reflect how respondents answered the structured questions. This is followed by a thematic summary of open-ended comments, which highlights recurring topics and issues raised across written responses.

The purpose of this section is to reflect the range of views expressed by respondents, including supportive, critical, and conditional perspectives. Individual survey responses are provided separately in Section 4 of this report. A total of **374 survey responses were received** and are summarized below.

2.1 Results from Structured Questions

2.1.1 Respondent location (community/neighbourhood)

Question: What community or neighborhood do you live in?

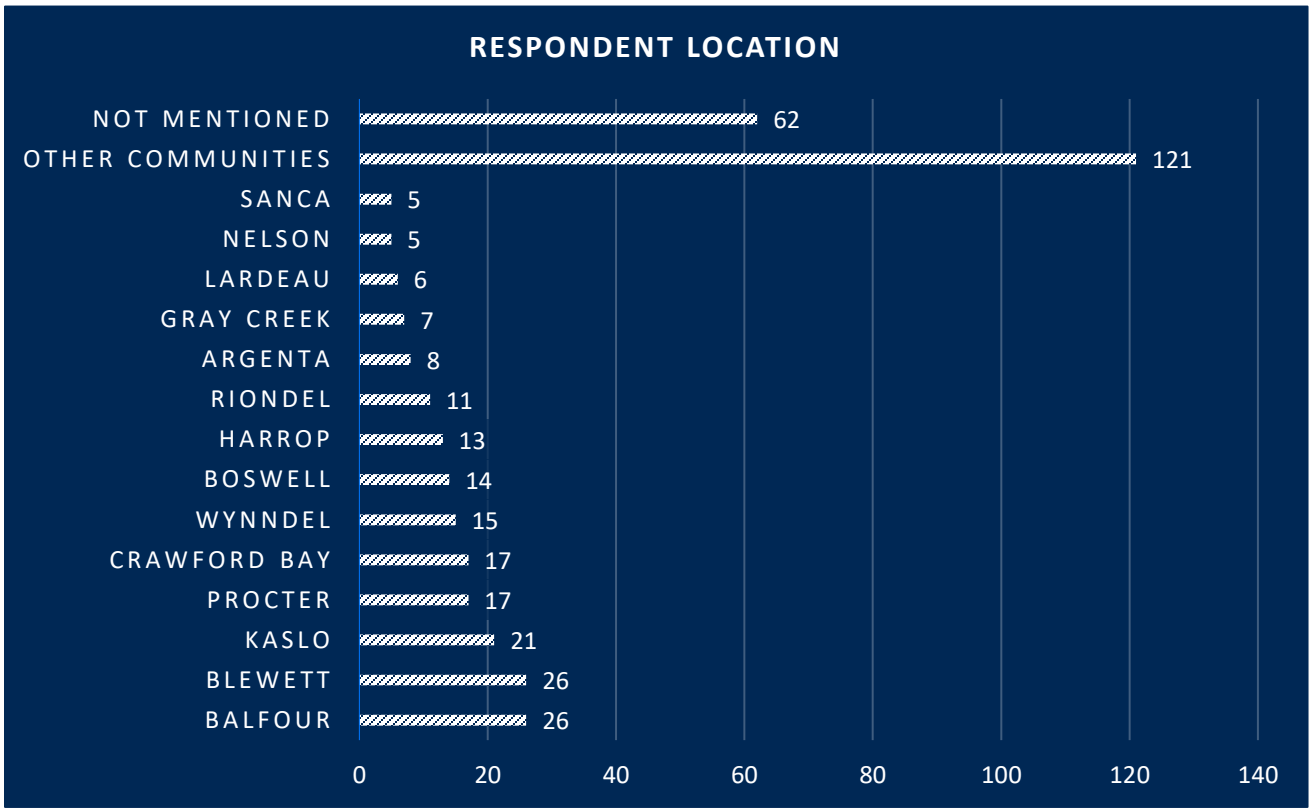


Figure 1 Respondent location

Respondents identified a wide range of communities and neighbourhoods across the survey area. The most frequently cited communities included Blewett, Balfour, Kaslo, Procter, Crawford Bay, Wynndel, Boswell, Harrop, and Riondel, alongside many smaller communities. A portion of respondents did not specify a community or neighbourhood.

2.1.2 Awareness and communication channels

Questions:

- Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)?
- If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund?
- If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects?

Responses were closely split. Slightly more respondents indicated they had heard of the Local Conservation Fund, while a substantial portion indicated they had not. To keep the survey clear and reduce respondent effort, the questionnaire was designed so that respondents were directed to a follow-up question that matched their answer. Respondents who answered "Yes" were asked Question 2(a) about how they first learned about the Fund. Respondents who answered "No" were asked Question 2(b) about how they would prefer to receive information about local conservation projects.

Table 1 Awareness

Option	Responses	Share of responses (%)
Yes	196	52.4
No	178	47.6

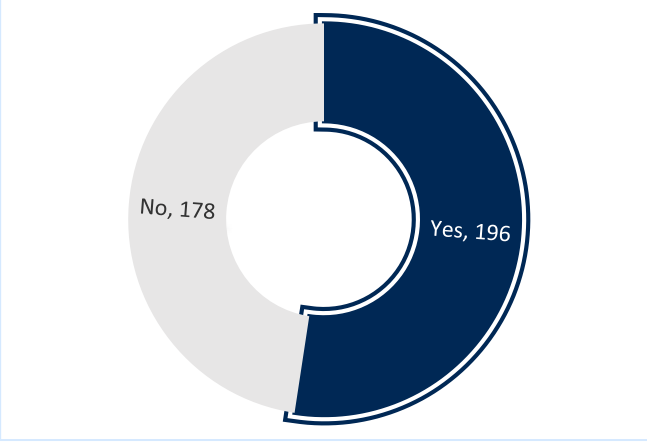


Figure 2 Awareness

Among respondents who indicated they were aware of the Fund (Response number = 196), the most common ways of first learning about it were word of mouth and local newspaper/media, followed by the RDCK website and community meetings/events. Some respondents also selected "Other" and provided written-in responses.

Some respondents also wrote in other ways they learned about the Fund, most commonly referencing property tax notices/tax bills, receiving information by mail, involvement through local stewardship/conservation groups, or awareness connected to the 2014 vote/referendum period.

Table 2 First learning about the Fund

How respondents first learned about the Fund	Selections	% of "Yes" respondents (196)
Word of mouth	64	32.7
Local newspaper or media	54	27.6
RDCK website	45	23.0
Community meeting or event	31	15.8
Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website	28	14.3
Social media	23	11.7
Other	45	23.0

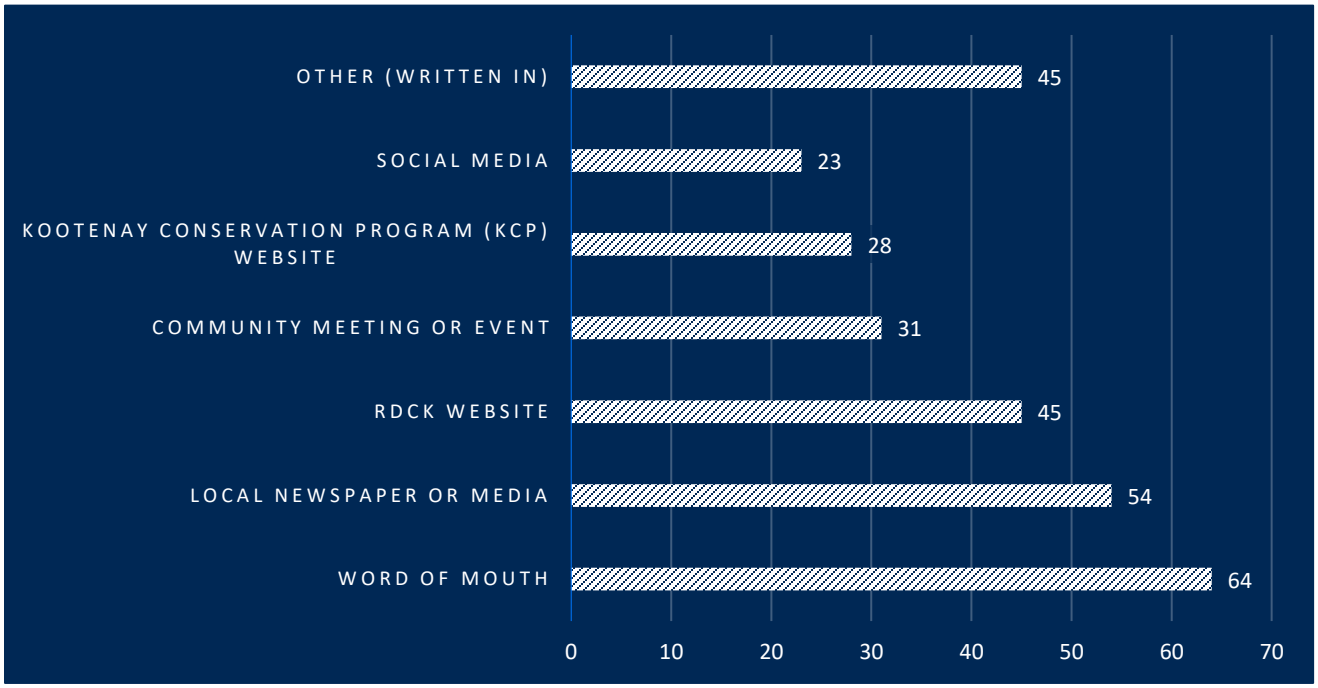


Figure 3 First learning about the Fund

Among respondents who indicated they were not aware of the Fund and provided preferences (Response number = 172), the most selected option was email newsletters, followed by direct mail, then social media, community bulletin boards, and local events/open houses. Some respondents also provided written-in preferences.

A small number wrote in other preferences or comments rather than selecting from the provided options. Written-in preferences included local newspapers, regional director newsletters, and text messages, among others.

Table 3 Preferred ways to receive information

Preferred ways to receive information	Selections	% of respondents who answered (172)
Email newsletter	100	58.1
Direct mail	51	29.7
Social media	43	25.0
Community bulletin boards	34	19.8
Local events or open houses	27	15.7
Other (written in)	13	7.6

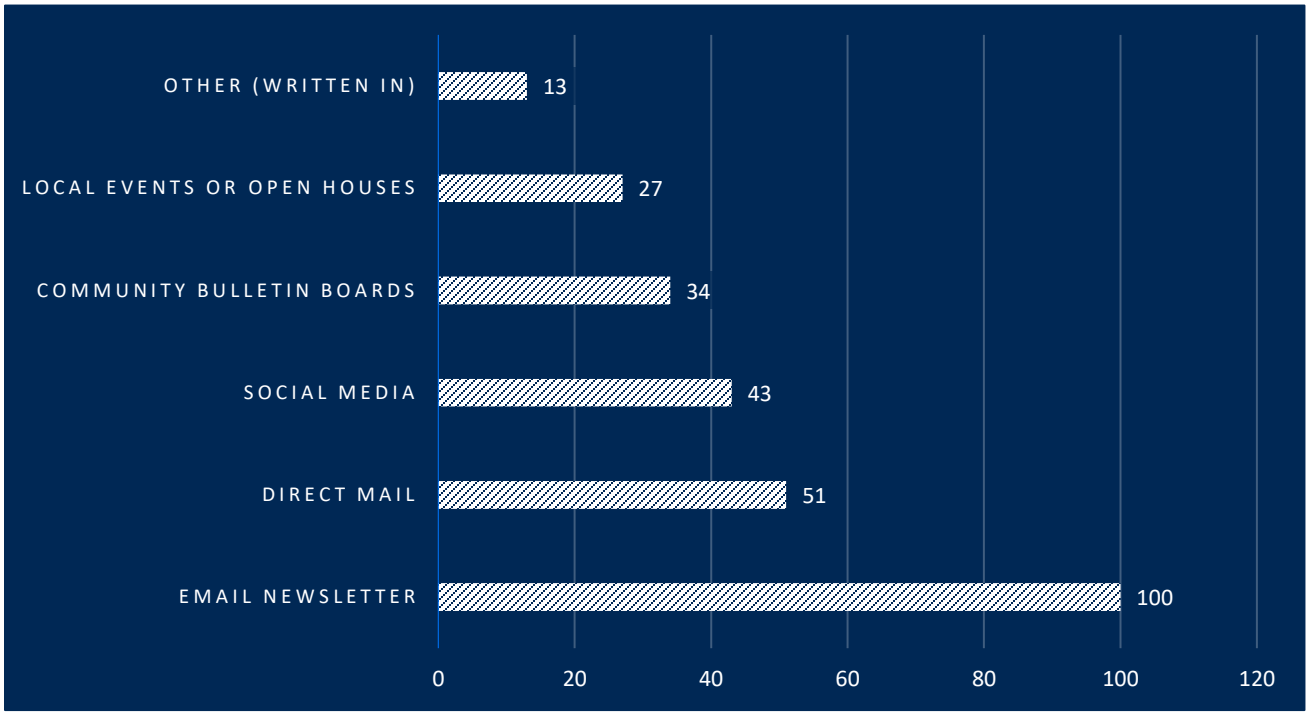


Figure 4 Preferred ways to receive information

2.1.3 Perceived value of the Fund

Questions:

- Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts?
- If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF?
- If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value?

A majority of respondents indicated that the LCF provides value to their community where funds are used for local conservation efforts. A portion of respondents were not sure, and a smaller share indicated the Fund does not provide value. Written comments across the survey reflected both broad support for local conservation outcomes (particularly related to water, wildlife, and habitat) and concerns about whether benefits are visible, measurable, or aligned with local priorities.

To keep the survey clear and reduce respondent effort, respondents who answered "Yes" were directed to Question 3(a) (benefits), and respondents who answered "No" were directed to Question 3(b) (reasons).

Table 4 Perceived value

Option	Responses	Share of responses (%)
Yes	211	56.4
Not sure	101	27.0
No	62	16.6
Total	**374**	**100.0**

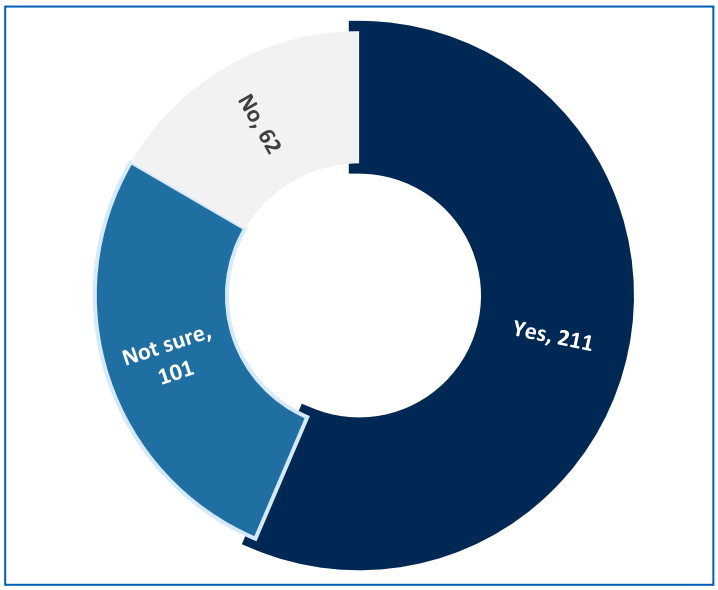


Figure 5 Perceived value

Among respondents who identified benefits (Response number = 209), the most commonly selected benefits related to protecting local wildlife and habitat, supporting healthy water systems, and encouraging pollinators and native plants. Many respondents also selected benefits related to invasive species management, conserving ecologically significant lands, and reducing human–wildlife conflict. In written-in responses, respondents additionally referenced benefits such as watershed protection, public awareness/education, salmon monitoring, and climate adaptation, as well as the importance of maintaining natural areas for recreation and community enjoyment.

Table 5 Benefits identified

Benefits identified	Selections	% of respondents who answered (209)
Helps protect local wildlife and habitat	192	91.9
Supports healthy water systems	185	88.5
Encourages pollinators and native plants	168	80.4
Reduces invasive species	163	78.0
Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community	160	76.6
Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict	137	65.6
Supports local conservation groups and jobs	130	62.2
Written-in benefits (varied)	19	9.1

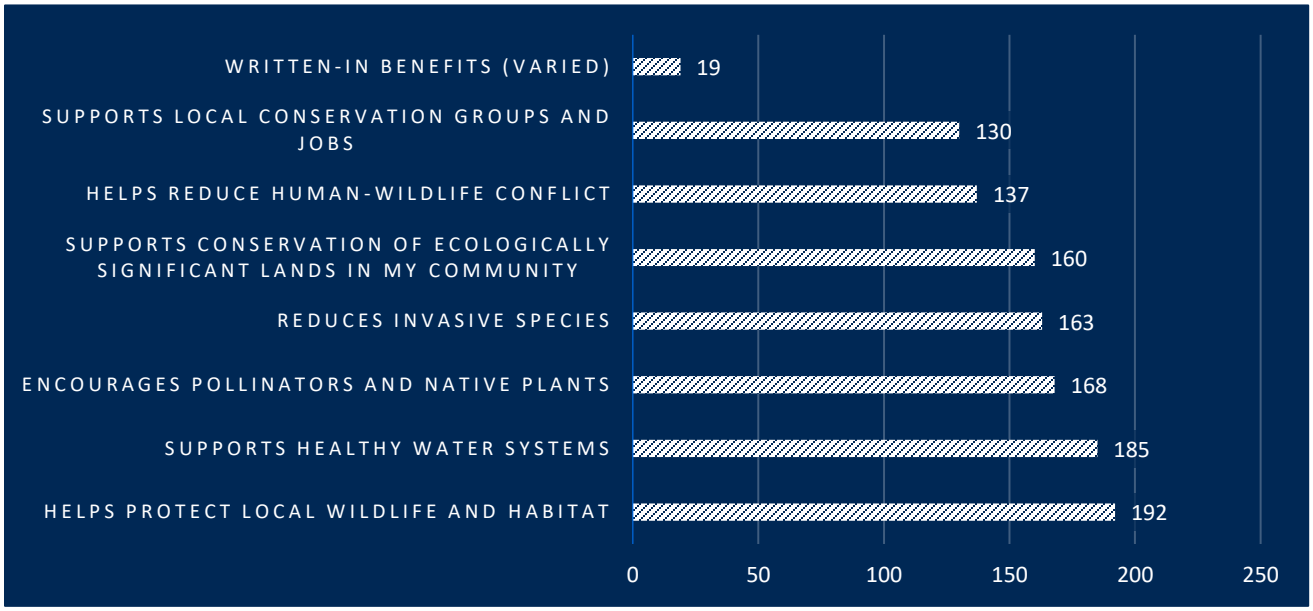


Figure 6 Benefits identified

Among respondents who identified reasons for not seeing value (Response number = 61), the most commonly selected reason was that other issues should take precedence, followed by concerns that projects are not visible or present in their area, and that projects don't reflect local priorities. Some respondents also indicated they do not know how funding decisions are made. Written-in responses reflected additional themes, including concerns about the role of local government versus provincial responsibility, perceptions of duplication with other initiatives, and requests for greater oversight and measurable outcomes.

Table 6 Reasons identified

Reasons identified	Selections	% of respondents who answered (61)
I believe other issues should take precedence	34	55.7
Projects are not visible or present in my area	20	32.8
Projects don't reflect local priorities	17	27.9
I don't know how funding decisions are made	13	21.3
Written-in reasons (varied)	26	42.6

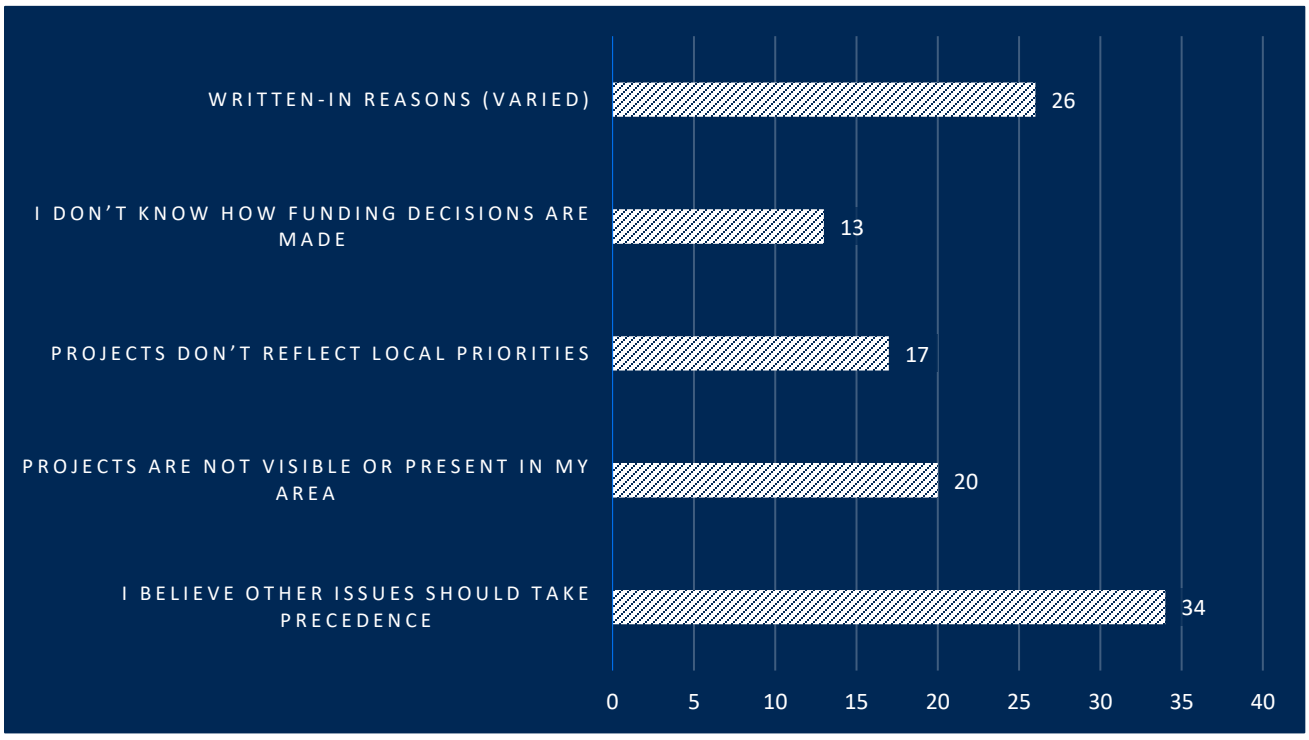


Figure 7 Reasons identified

2.1.4 Value for money

Question:

- Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent?

Just under half of respondents indicated that the $15/parcel/year parcel tax has provided good value for the funding spent. About one-third of respondents were not sure, and a smaller share indicated it has not provided good value.

Table 7 Value for money

Option	Responses	Share of responses (%)
Yes	181	48.4
Not sure	125	33.4
No	68	18.2
Total	374	100.0

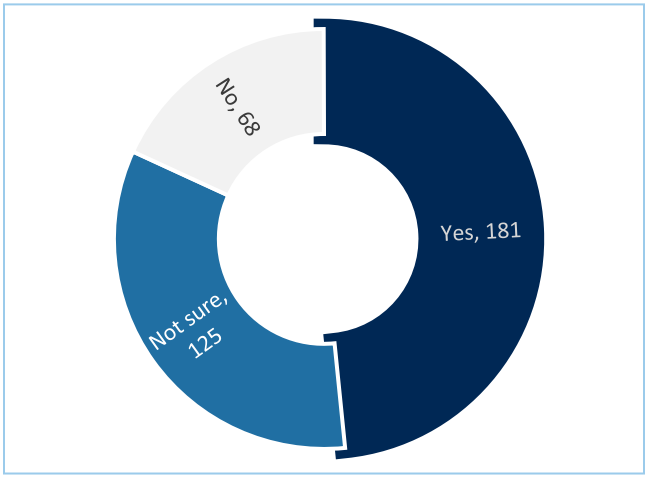


Figure 8 Value for money

2.1.5 Alignment with LCF themes

- **Question:**

  In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

Most respondents indicated that projects supported by the Local Conservation Fund reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation. A portion of respondents were not sure, and a smaller share indicated no.

Table 8 Alignment with LCF themes

Option	Responses	Share of responses (%)
Yes	224	60.1
Not sure	109	29.2
No	40	10.7
Total	373	100.0

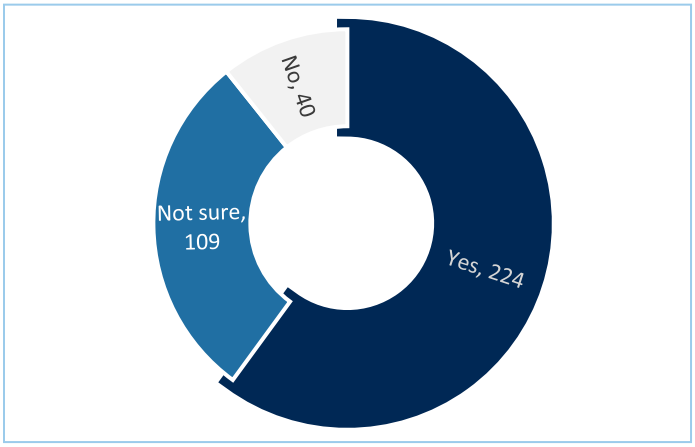


Figure 9 Alignment with LCF themes

2.1.6 Land use and environmental needs

Questions:

- Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs?
- If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs?
- If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund?

Responses were mixed. The largest share of respondents indicated they were not sure whether the Fund supports their area's land use and environmental needs. A substantial portion indicated yes, and a smaller share indicated no.

Table 9 Supports Land use and environmental needs

Option	Responses	Share of responses (%)
Not sure	157	42.0
Yes	143	38.2
No	74	19.8
Total	374	100.0

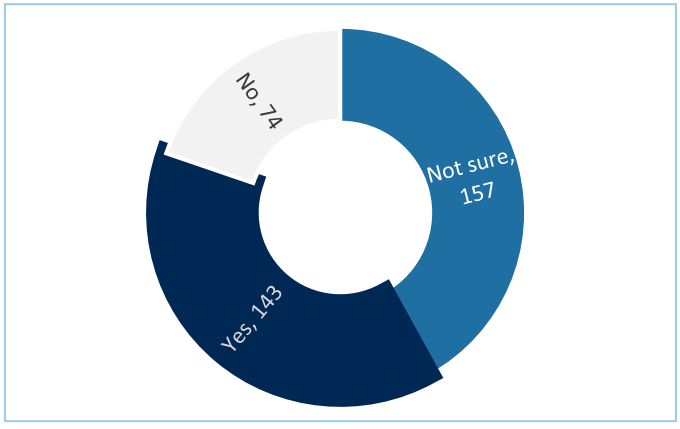


Figure 10 Supports Land use and environmental needs

Among respondents who selected ways the Fund supports their area (Response number = 140), the most commonly selected items related to water protection and wildlife/habitat conservation. Many respondents also identified benefits related to reducing environmental degradation or invasive species, stewardship and education, and supporting climate adaptation/resilience. A small number provided written-in responses, including references to recreation values, FireSmart-type priorities, and preferences for non-digital communications.

Table 10 Ways the Fund supports these needs

Ways the Fund supports these needs	Selections	% of respondents who answered (140)
Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources	126	90.0
Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity	126	90.0
Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species	100	71.4
Promoting stewardship and education	98	70.0
Supporting climate adaptation or resilience	77	55.0
Written-in (varied)	5	3.6

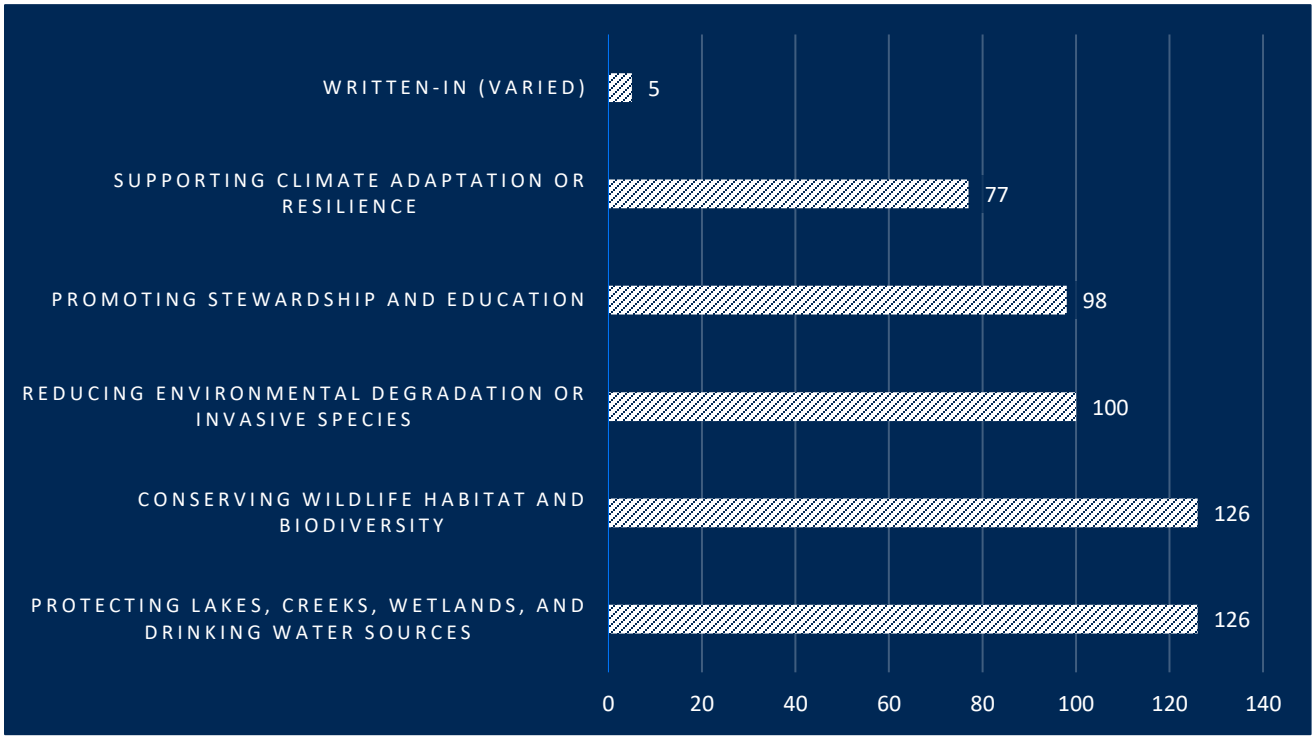


Figure 11 Ways the Fund supports these needs

Among respondents who identified needs or priorities not being addressed (Response number = 68), the most commonly selected items were local community needs or priorities and water quality/watershed protection, followed by wildlife/habitat conservation and climate change/resilience. A number of respondents also used the written-in option to raise concerns that did not fit within the listed categories. These included comments about affordability and taxation, perceptions that other agencies should be responsible, concerns related to forestry/logging impacts and watershed health, and statements that projects are not visible in their area.

Table 11 Needs/priorities not addressed

Needs/priorities not addressed	Selections	% of respondents who answered (68)
Local community needs or priorities	20	29.4
Water quality or watershed protection	19	27.9
Wildlife or habitat conservation	12	17.6
Climate change and resilience	9	13.2
I'm not sure what the goals are	8	11.8
Written-in (varied)	31	45.6

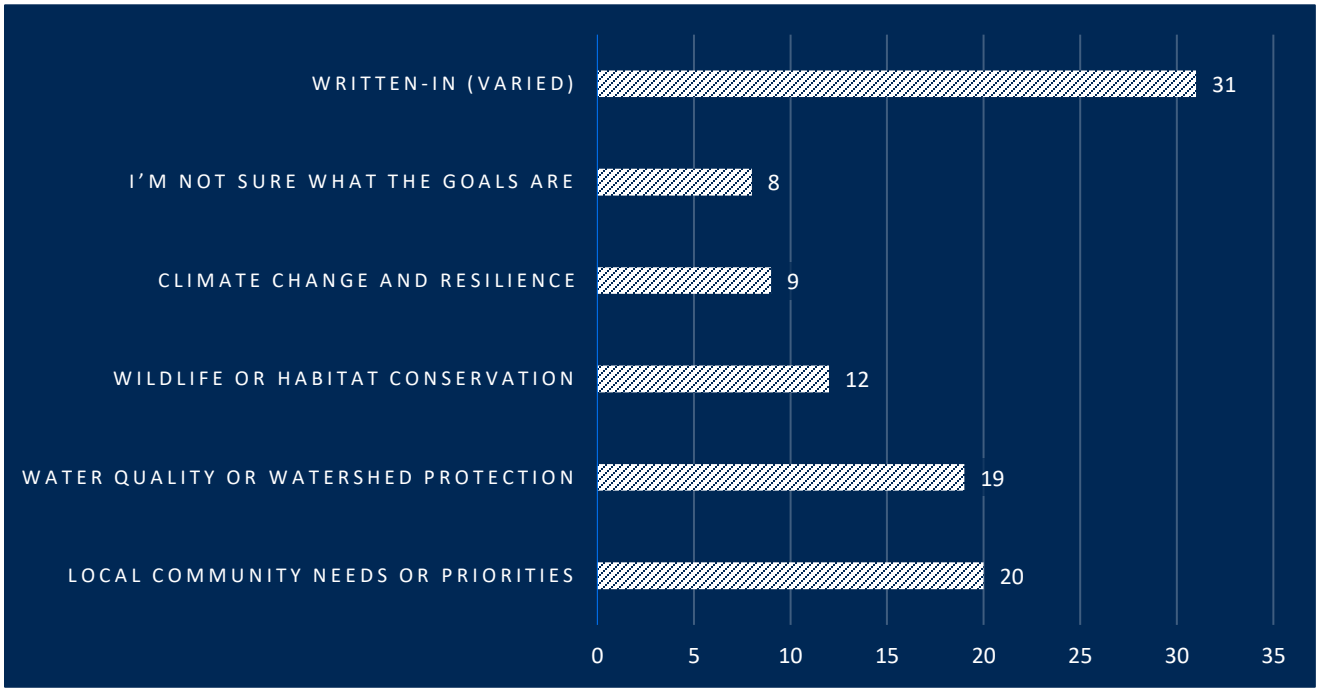


Figure 12 Needs/priorities not addressed

2.1.7 Continuation of the $15 per parcel annual tax

Question:

- Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative?

About half of respondents indicated that the $15 per parcel annual tax should continue as is. A further portion supported continuing the tax with improvements, while a smaller share indicated no, and some respondents were not sure.

Table 12 Continuation of the $15 per parcel annual tax

Option	Responses	Share of responses (%)
Yes, continue as is	186	49.7
Yes, but with improvements	84	22.5
No	70	18.7
Not sure	34	9.1
Total	374	100.0

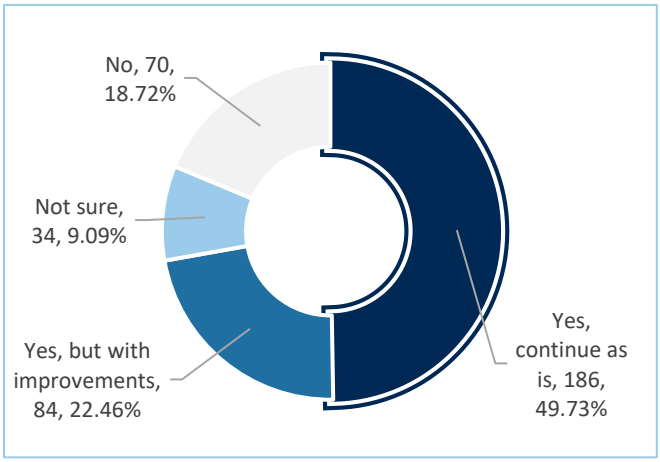


Figure 13 Continuation of the $15 per parcel annual tax

2.2 Themes from Written Comments

2.2.1 Under-represented themes

Question:

- What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

28 respondents provided a written comment to this question. Where respondents identified under-represented priorities, the most common theme related to water and aquatic ecosystem health

(including water safety, flooding issues, and fish habitat). Several respondents also used this question to raise broader concerns about the funding model and fairness of the $15 per parcel annual tax, including value-for-money, who should pay, and whether conservation should be funded through other means. A smaller number of comments pointed to specific areas such as access, invasive species management, and land protection, as well as concerns outside the LCF's stated scope (e.g., air/chemical pollution).

Theme emerging from written comments	What respondents raised (plain-language summary)	Responses mentioning theme
Water, watershed, flooding and aquatic habitat	Water safety, flooding issues, watershed impacts, fish habitat/hatchery, aquatic health	7
Funding model, value-for-money and taxation concerns	Opposition to the tax, "waste of money," calls for tax relief, fairness concerns about who pays, view that conservation should be funded differently	10
Property rights and impacts on private landowners	Private property rights, "quiet enjoyment," preference for less government involvement	4
Access and recreation	Access and/or access removal as a local issue	2
Invasive species management	Invasive weed management as a priority	1
Land protection	Interest in using funds to protect land	1
Air quality / pollution concerns	Comments relating to chemical/pollution concerns	1
Other / unclear	Responses that did not identify an under-represented theme or were unclear	4

2.2.2 Project types respondents would like to see more of

Question:

- What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

A total of 273 respondents provided a written comment to this question. Comments most frequently pointed to water/watershed protection and wildlife/habitat conservation as priority areas for

additional work. Many respondents also emphasized the importance of invasive species management, and a number of comments highlighted wetland/riparian restoration and on-the-ground monitoring/research. Some comments focused less on project types and more on broader concerns such as the funding model, perceived value, and where projects should occur.

Table 13 Project types respondents would like to see more of

Theme emerging from written comments	What respondents asked for (plain-language summary)	Mentions	% of comments (273)
Water & watershed protection	Watershed protection, lake/creek/river health, drinking water sources, erosion/flooding-related concerns	100	36.6%
Wildlife habitat & biodiversity	Habitat protection/restoration, fish habitat, pollinators/native plants, species and biodiversity protection	70	25.6%
Invasive species management	More invasive plant control / weed management and prevention	34	12.5%
Wetlands & riparian restoration	Wetland restoration, creek/stream restoration, riparian protection and rehabilitation	24	8.8%
Monitoring / research / mapping	Monitoring (e.g., lakeshore, water quality), data collection, inventories, mapping and assessment work	21	7.7%
Education / stewardship / outreach	Public education, stewardship programming, awareness-building and community involvement	19	7.0%
Forest management / logging-related concerns	Forest protection/management priorities; concerns raised about logging/clearcutting and watershed impacts	17	6.2%
Funding model / tax concerns (not project-specific)	Comments focused on the parcel tax, value-for-money, and governance/decision-making rather than project types	15	5.5%
Access / trails / recreation management	Access issues, trails/recreation interface, and how conservation actions affect access	13	4.8%
Pollution / sewage / contamination	Concerns about pollution sources (e.g., sewage/contamination impacts on wetlands/creeks/wells)	9	3.3%

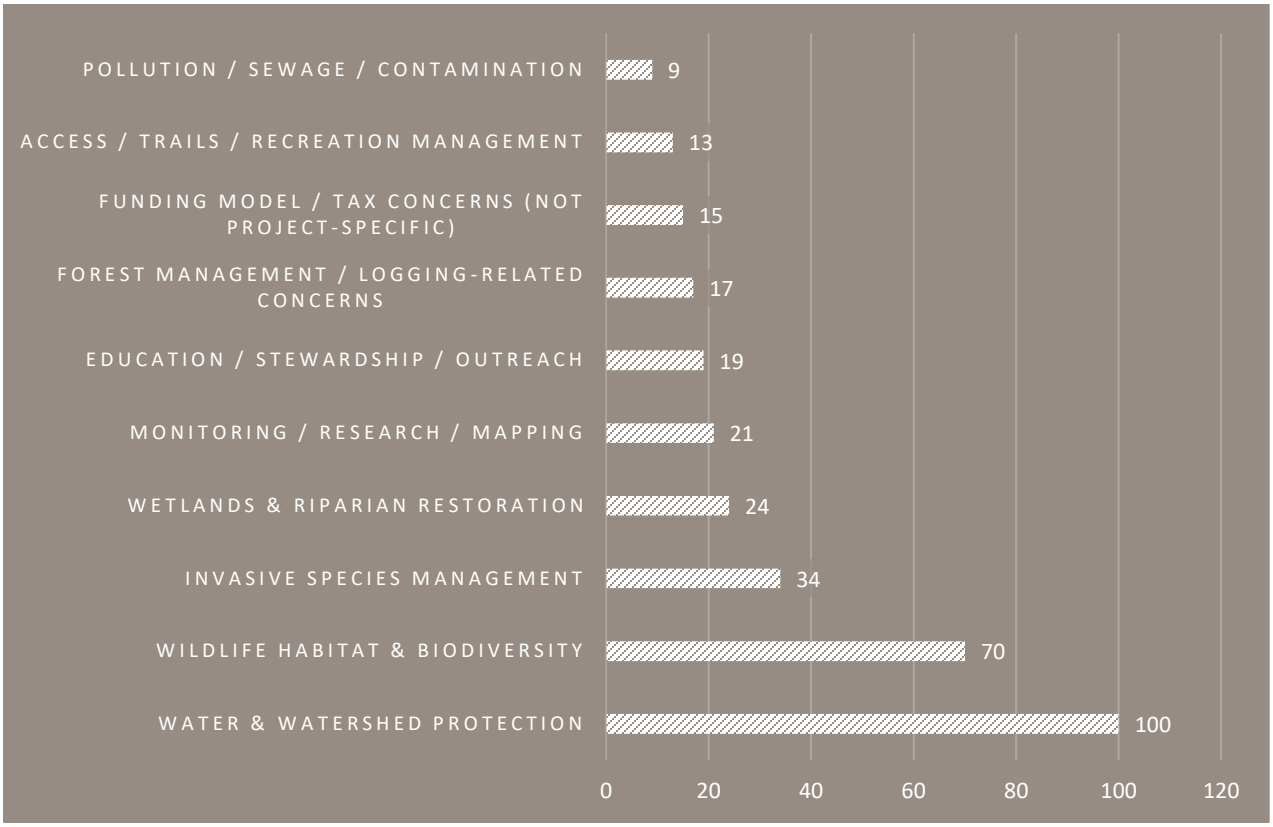


Figure 14 Project types respondents would like to see more of

2.2.3 Explanations for continuing (or not continuing) the $15 per parcel annual tax

Question:

- Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

A total of 179 respondents provided a written explanation to this question. Written explanations generally aligned with the four response options in Question 8 (continue as is / continue with improvements / no / not sure, Refer Section 2.1.7). Across comments, respondents most often emphasized support for local conservation outcomes, interest in continuing the initiative with clearer communication and visibility of funded work, and concerns about affordability, taxation, and value for money. A smaller number of respondents indicated they were not aware of the Fund or did not feel informed enough to judge.

Table 14 Explanations for continuing (or not continuing) the $15 per parcel annual tax

Theme	What respondents raised (plain-language summary)	Mentions	% of comments (179)
Affordability / taxation / value for money	Cost pressures, taxes/affordability, whether $15 is justified, "waste/value" framing	43	24.0%
Local relevance / distribution of benefits	Desire to see benefits locally; visibility / "in my area"; where projects occur	25	14.0%
Preferred project priorities	Suggestions on what the Fund should focus on (commonly water/watersheds, invasive species, habitat/wildlife)	24	13.4%
Communication / awareness / visibility	Requests for clearer updates, information on projects, signage, better awareness	22	12.3%
Accountability / transparency / decision-making	Interest in clearer reporting, how decisions are made, measurable outcomes	9	5.0%
Not sure / insufficient information	Unfamiliarity with the Fund; not enough info to judge; new to area	8	4.5%
Role/responsibility of government / other agencies	Views that conservation should be funded/handled by other levels/agencies	4	2.2%

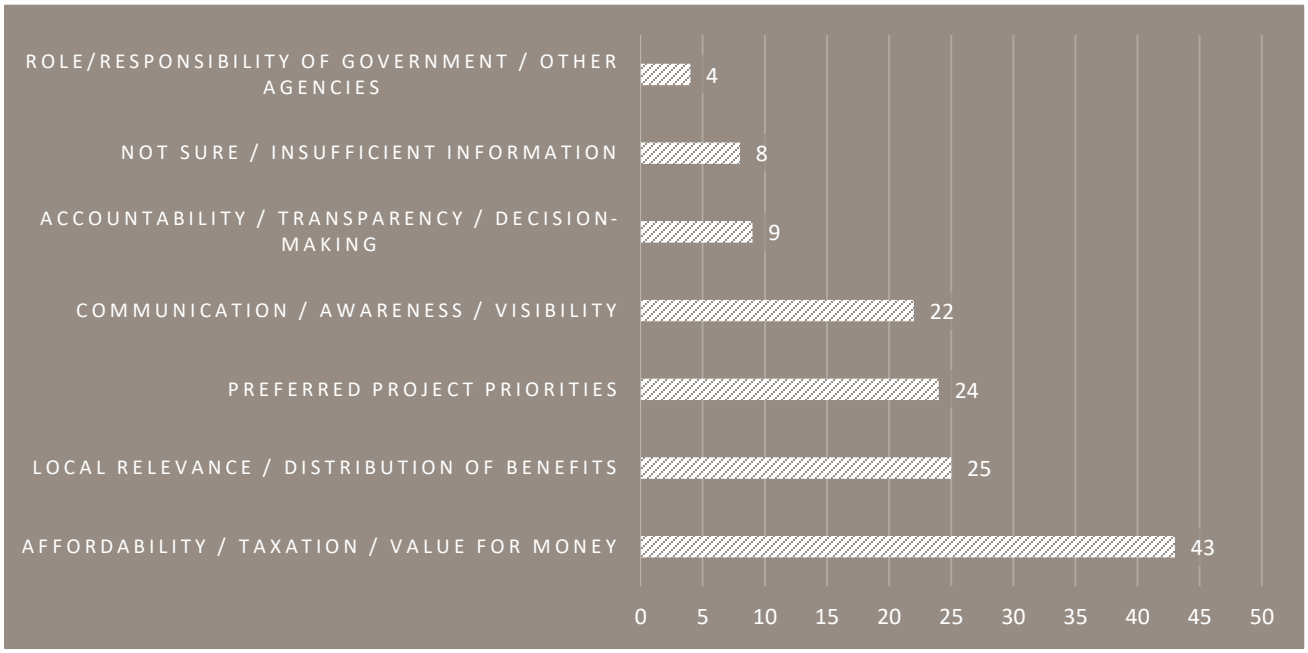


Figure 15 Explanations for continuing (or not continuing) the $15 per parcel annual tax

Note: Section 2.1.7 reports the overall results for Question 8 based on all survey responses received. The theme counts in this section (2.2.3) are based only on respondents who chose to provide a written explanation to Question 8(a) (Response number = 179). Because providing a written explanation was optional, not all respondents completed Question 8(a), and the number of responses summarized here is therefore smaller than the total number of survey responses. In addition, a single written explanation may mention more than one theme; as a result, theme "mentions" may total more than 179 and should not be interpreted as a count of selections.

2.2.4 Greatest perceived benefit of the Local Conservation Fund

Question: What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

A total of 249 respondents provided a written comment to this question. Across written responses, respondents most often described the Fund's greatest benefit as supporting local environmental protection, with frequent emphasis on water and watershed health (e.g., lakes, creeks, wetlands, riparian areas and drinking water sources). Many respondents also highlighted benefits related to community awareness, stewardship and education, and wildlife habitat and biodiversity. A smaller number referenced invasive species management, land protection, and supporting local organizations and capacity. Some respondents indicated they were not sure of the benefit or did not identify a benefit in their response.

Table 15 Greatest perceived benefit

Theme	Mentions	% of comments (249)
General environmental protection (e.g., conservation/protection of nature/environment)	102	41.0
Water / watershed / aquatic health	53	21.3
Not sure / no benefit identified	50	20.1
Education / awareness / stewardship	46	18.5
Wildlife / habitat / biodiversity	31	12.4
Land protection / conservation of natural areas	24	9.6
Support for local groups / capacity / jobs	9	3.6
Invasive species management	7	2.8

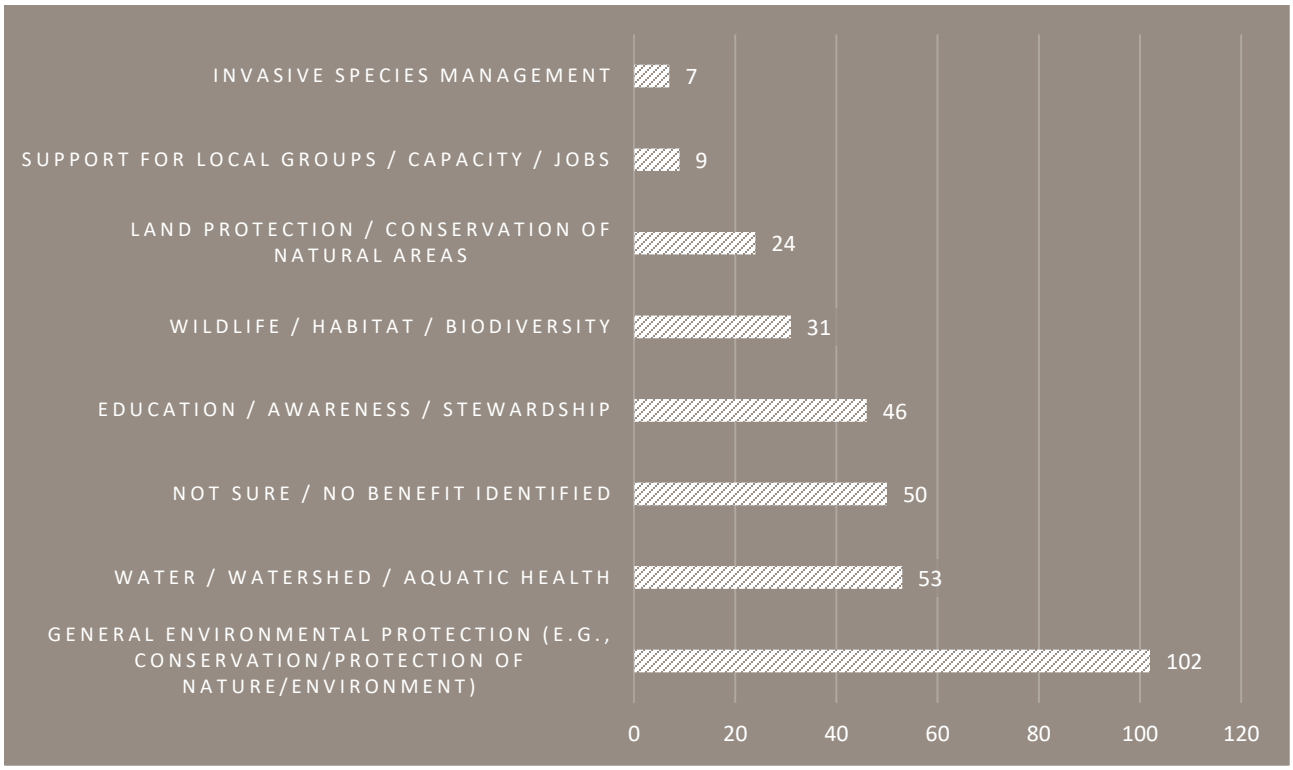


Figure 16 Greatest perceived benefit

2.2.5 Additional comments, suggestions, or concerns

Question:

- Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

A total of 204 respondents provided a written comment to this question. Respondents used this open-ended question to add context to earlier answers and to share additional perspectives. Comments included general support for continuing local conservation funding, requests for clearer information and visibility of projects and results, and suggestions for priority focus areas (particularly water/watersheds, wildlife/habitat, and invasive species management). Some comments raised concerns about affordability, taxation, and value for money, and a smaller number raised broader concerns not directly tied to conservation project types.

Table 16 Additional comments, suggestions, or concerns

Theme	Mentions	% of comments (204)
Support for continuing conservation funding	51	25.0%
Requests for more information, updates, or project visibility	34	16.7%
Water / watershed / aquatic health priorities	31	15.2%
Wildlife / habitat / biodiversity priorities	26	12.7%
Affordability, taxation, or value-for-money concerns	22	10.8%
Not enough information / not sure	20	9.8%
Local relevance / desire to see projects visible in the area	20	9.8%
Invasive species management priorities	16	7.8%
Alternative views on who should fund/do this work (e.g., other agencies/levels)	8	3.9%
Climate/political concerns	8	3.9%

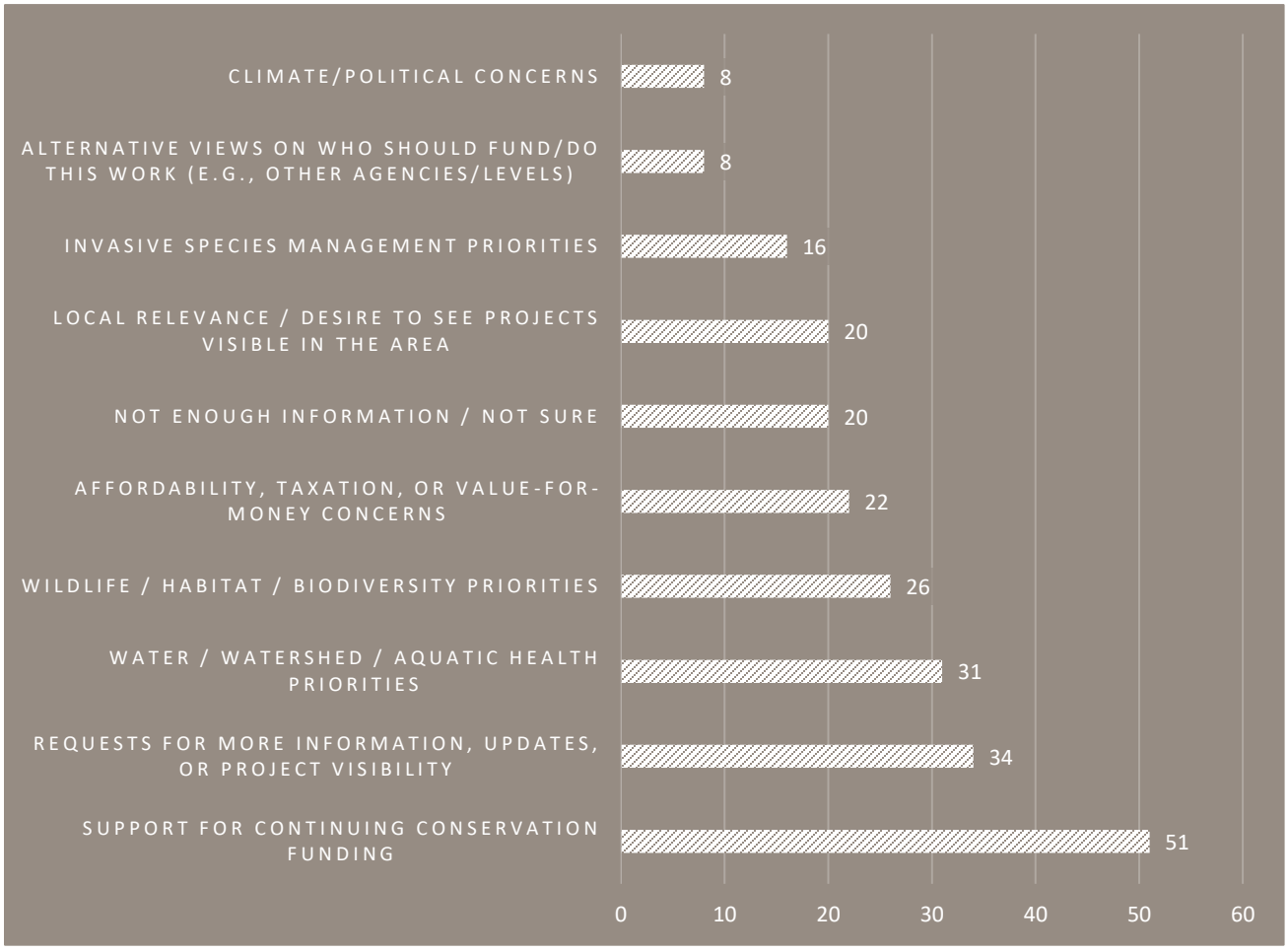


Figure 17 Additional comments, suggestions, or concerns

56%

say the fund provides value

48%

say the $15 parcel tax provides good value for money

60%

say themes and project are aligned

72%

support continuation

Section 3: What We Understood

This section summarizes key observations based on the survey results and written comments, considered in aggregate. Observations are descriptive and intended to support understanding of the feedback received. They do not represent decisions or recommendations.

3.1 Awareness

Statement: Awareness and "not sure" responses suggest information gaps influence confidence

Fact (from results):

- Awareness was closely split: Yes 52.4% (n=196/374) and No 47.6% (n=178/374).
- "Not sure" responses were also consistently present across multiple questions:
    - Fund provides value: Not sure 27.0% (n=101/374)
    - $15 provides good value for money: Not sure 33.4% (n=125/374)
    - Projects reflect water/wildlife/habitat themes: Not sure 29.2% (n=109/373)
    - Fund supports land use and environmental needs: Not sure 42.0% (n=157/374)

What this may indicate:

Across the survey, uncertainty appears alongside mixed awareness. Taken together, this pattern may suggest that for some respondents, confidence in the Fund's value or relevance is shaped by how clearly they understand what projects are funded, where projects occur, and what outcomes are achieved.

Direction to consider:

A practical direction could be improving how project information is shared (e.g., regular plain-language updates on funded projects and outcomes). This aligns with communication preferences expressed by respondents who were not aware of the Fund (for example, email newsletters: 58.1% (n=100/172) and direct mail: 29.7% (n=51/172) among those who answered Q2(b)).

3.2 Conservation Purpose

Statement: Many respondents support the conservation purpose, while views on value-for-money are more mixed

Fact (from results):

- A majority indicated the Fund provides value: Yes 56.4% (n=211/374).
- A majority indicated projects reflect the Fund's themes: Yes 60.1% (n=224/373).
- Views on value-for-money were less strong: Yes 48.4% (n=181/374), with 18.2% No (n=68/374) and 33.4% Not sure (n=125/374).

What this may indicate:

These results may suggest that respondents can be broadly supportive of local conservation goals (and see alignment with water/wildlife/habitat themes), while still expressing uncertainty about whether the $15 contribution is producing visible or measurable outcomes. In written comments, this often appeared as a request for clearer information about where funds go and what results are achieved, alongside affordability and taxation concerns.

Direction to consider:

A practical direction could be strengthening "value-for-money" visibility by showing, in simple terms, what the annual contribution enables (examples of funded project types, locations at an appropriate scale, and outcomes). This could help bridge the gap between general support for conservation and mixed views on value-for-money, without implying any change to the LCF structure.

3.3 Support

Statement: Support for continuation is strong, with a clear signal for refinement rather than an "all-or-nothing" view

Fact (from results):

- Most respondents favoured continuing the $15 per parcel annual tax:
    - Continue as is: 49.7% (n=186/374)
    - Continue with improvements: 22.5% (n=84/374)
    - Combined continuation: 72.2% (n=270/374)
- A smaller portion preferred not to continue: 18.7% (n=70/374), and 9.1% Not sure (n=34/374).

What this may indicate:

A combined continuation response of 72.2% suggests many respondents are open to the initiative continuing. At the same time, the "continue with improvements" share, alongside written explanations (Q8(a), n=179) referencing communication, transparency, local relevance, and affordability, may indicate that for some respondents, support is conditional on clearer information, visibility, and accountability.

Direction to consider:

A practical direction could be to treat "improvements" as primarily communication and accountability-oriented (e.g., clearer reporting, easier access to project information, and clearer description of outcomes), since these are refinements that respond to expressed concerns without assuming a change in program scope or funding approach.

3.4 Priorities

Statement: Respondents' priorities are relatively consistent across open-ended questions

Fact (from written comments):

Across open-ended questions, respondents repeatedly referenced a consistent set of priority areas, notably water/watershed health, wildlife/habitat, and invasive species management.

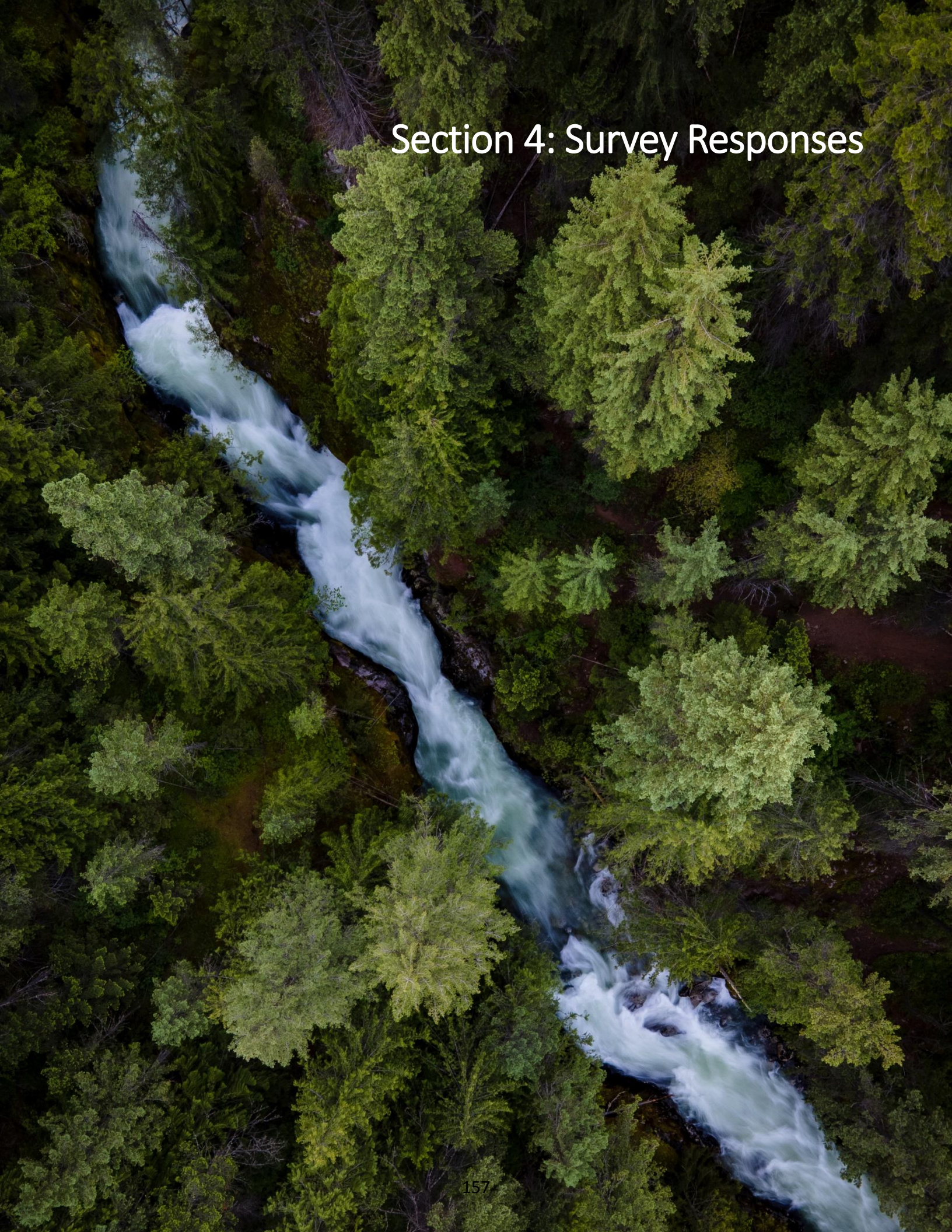
What this may indicate:

Recurring priorities across different open-ended questions may suggest that respondents tend to connect “local conservation” with a fairly consistent set of practical, place-based concerns (particularly water-related impacts and habitat), even where their overall level of awareness or certainty about the Fund differs.

Direction to consider:

A practical direction could be to continue framing funded work through these commonly referenced priorities, using local examples and plain language to connect the Fund’s stated themes with on-the-ground outcomes.

Section 4: Survey Responses



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RDCK Local Conservation Fund Background

The RDCK Local Conservation Fund is a local government service that creates dedicated funding to support local high-priority conservation projects.

- Market research polling in the West Kootenays in 2014 offered insight into RDCK residents' values, priorities, and willingness to pay for a dedicated fund for conservation.
- The RDCK Local Conservation Fund was established after a successful referendum in November 2014 in Electoral Areas A, D and E (held in conjunction with the local election). The Service Establishment Bylaw was subsequently adopted by the RDCK Board in December 2014.
- In 2022, the bylaw was amended to include Electoral Area H as a participating area. In 2023, Electoral Area F was also added as a participant.
- Landowners in these areas pay $15 per parcel per year towards this fund for local projects that support the conservation themes of water, wildlife, and habitat.
- The first year of taxation for the Local Conservation Fund was collected in 2015, with the first round of projects being funded and delivered in 2016.
- The Fund is open to local non-profit organizations and First Nations to apply for funding during the annual call for proposals in early fall. An independent Technical Review Committee of local conservation experts reviews project proposals and makes recommendations to the RDCK Board for final funding approval.
- Kootenay Conservation Program has been contracted by the RDCK with a fee-for-service agreement to assist with Fund delivery. They do not make any recommendations or decisions on which projects are funded. This decision rests with the Regional District Board of Directors.

RDCK Local Conservation Fund Accomplishments

From 2016-2024, the RDCK approved 57 grants that address high local conservation priorities.

- Of the approved projects, 13 projects have taken place in Electoral Area A, 15 in Electoral Area D, 13 in Electoral Area E, and 9 in Electoral Area H (only in 2024). Note that some projects have been approved for funding in more than one year.
- Approved projects have included: wetland and creek restoration; improvement of fish and wildlife habitat; water monitoring to understand local water supply; creation of native plant pollinator meadows; reduced human-wildlife conflict projects like cost-share electric fencing; monitoring for early detection of aquatic invasive species; and acquisition of ecologically significant properties.
- For a full list of projects, visit: https://kootenayconservation.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/RDCK-LCF-Approved-Projects-2016-2024.pdf

When the local conservation fund was established in 2014 for Electoral Areas A, D and E, a 10-year review was specified in order for the RDCK to seek feedback from landowners.

- The RDCK is now seeking feedback from residents on the value of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund and its accomplishments over the last decade.
- Because the Local Conservation Fund was originally established in RDCK Electoral Areas A, D and E, public engagement is taking place in those areas only.
- The RDCK is collecting feedback from residents until **December 15, 2025**. Residents can submit their feedback online or by returning the household mailer.

One response per household is appreciated.

For More Information

Please visit the following links for more information:

- More information on the RDCK Local Conservation Fund: https://kootenayconservation.ca/regional-district-of-central-kootenay/
- A full list of Approved RDCK LCF projects: https://kootenayconservation.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/RDCK-LCF-Approved-Projects-2016-2024.pdf
- Individual RDCK LCF project summaries: https://kootenayconservation.ca/rdck-local-conservation-fund-projects/
- Series of short Project Videos: https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLTqe5UPdpg-LCTI2f9JyMJUdTUvNrKZzo&si=UjZC9iBXJ1ExpBMP

Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☑ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☑ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Kootenay water conservation and lakeshore monitoring.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Help ensure water and habitat protection from human land development specifically protection of lakeshore and riparian zone.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

There is minimal monitoring to protect the lakeshore and riparian zone on the east shore of Kootenay Lake with the increased in development of lands. RDCK should require all transfer of publuc and private lands to require a land survey completed by landowner to ensure any development works does not negatively impact lakeshore.

View results

Respondent

7 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Freedom of choice

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Ones that are not requiring a levy to fund minority interests. Things can be voted on

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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Nelson and the rdck are out of control with their spending and the people who actually pay for it can't afford these grabs of money

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

It doesnt

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

8 Anonymous

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St Mary Lake

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- ◉ No

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- ☐ Community bulletin boards
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- ☑ Thru the RDEK, thru SMVRRA

Value and Outcomes

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More of same seems fine even though I am not aware of project details

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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I was not aware of this fund. More notification to residents and signs where projects occur would be beneficial

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Done well it's a plus for the environment

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

More information. I received the mail-in survey and this is the first time I hear about the fund

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Respondent

9 Anonymous

05:53
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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Under represented projects: Sewage disposal, contamination of wetlands, creeks and wells

Like to see more: protection of great blue heron habitat, restoration of wetland on beach st.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Education

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

7 (a) supporting climate adaption or resilience
Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
Promoting stewardship and education

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10 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Kaslo

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Alternative forestry concepts, land and water conservation

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Providing an avenue for all residents to play a role in preserving the natural spaces/ things that makes our part of the world special.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Please continue all the great work!

View results

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11 Anonymous

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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

12 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

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- (●) Yes
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

River diversity and dyke remediation. Sturgeon habitat

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Wetland conservation

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

13 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Invasive species eliminated

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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I am new to the area and have not been aware of LCF

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure as I am new to the area.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Explain exactly what LCF does for our community and what types of projects have been initiated or completed.

View results

Respondent

14 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Lakeview, Placsko Road

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

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- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] Watershed protection

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- ( ) Not sure

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

End clearcut logging even on private lands, thoroughly protect watersheds

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☑ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☑ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

in Lakeview, we need watershed protection and an end to clearcut logging.

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Respondent

15 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

creek restoration, water supply, ecologically significant properties.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

water monitoring and water supply

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Not at this time

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16 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More of everything! Especially watershed protection, forest protection and management...

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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I would support a higher tax.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Helping to protect our environment fro human degradation.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Thank you, keep up the good work.

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Respondent

17 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area D

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Invasive species management

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

18 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour, BC (E)

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

1. The removal or replacement of old wharfs that contain Styrofoam.
We know Styrofoam is a problem but, Could more be done to enforce the removal of old, derelict, foam filled wharfs?
2. I would like to see the removal of old cement structures that are NOT natural to the rivers environment. Such as old boat launches.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Environmental awareness

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

19 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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- ( ) Yes
- (•) No

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Value and Outcomes

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

So many trees with organic fruits going to waste. These could be picked and used to feed local families in need. Also to reduce animals close to highways and homes where they could be injured. Maybe We already have a group collecting these fruits? If so more awareness projects or ways to inform the public better to participate.
More support financially for public to remove knotweed from there property safely.

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Final Thoughts

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Attention to local issues individual to our area of BC.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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20 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Castlegar and Crawford Bay (seasonal)

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] visiting wetland park project in Crawford Bay

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

fish spawning channels and stream restoration projects

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The wetlands development in Crawford Bay was an excellent use of RDCK funds. Well done.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Public access to wetlands. Public access to beach. Excellent hiking trails and bird watching opportunities. Protection of sensitive habitat area.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Could a spawning channel be added to Crawford Creek or ways to enhance spawning for Kokanee?

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21 Anonymous

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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water shed

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Environmental protection

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

22 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

It'd be nice to what the fund is doing. Area A is big.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- (●) Yes, continue as is
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- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I hope the fund is productive

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No idea, I hope the money isn't wasted.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Who is in control of the fund?

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Respondent

23 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Longbeach Road

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

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No answer provided.

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Respondent

24 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
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- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

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No answer provided.

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Respondent

25 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Mirror Lake

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
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- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] Property tax notice

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
- (●) No
- ( ) Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Keeping our water safe should be the first priority

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Protecting drinking water

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Monitoring the creek which provides drinking water to my community of Mirror Lake

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

There could be more effort to host community gatherings to raise awareness as to local community issues and encourage citizen led initiatives.

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26 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Blewett

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

All of the current projects, perhaps increase bee habitat along power lines and decrease spraying, more public education.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Reducing animal conflict, invasive species reduction

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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27 Anonymous

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Balfour

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- ◉ Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

One thing I have noticed since being a user of the lake for over 60 years especially in the last 10 years is crayfish and fresh water clams, not sure if there are any studies underway to inventory or identify populations and habitats for protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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Improvements don't necessarily mean increases in taxes but maybe realignments of priorities or looking at ways to maximize $$$ with other agency $$$

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

working with other agencies to maximize low available funding opportunities

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No

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Respondent

28 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Salmo

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☑ Social media
- ☑ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Maintain, repair dykes.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

29 Anonymous

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Watershed protection from logging to prevent erosion, accelerated evaporation, landslides, contamination, etc.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Bringing awareness to our lands and waters to protect them for future generations.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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30 Anonymous

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Twin Bays

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) No
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No answer provided.

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What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

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Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [x] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [ ] Other

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- ○ Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☑ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Our taxation is high enough without this added expense no matter how small it seems to be.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I cannot think of any and the invasive plant thing is a to me a joke and the signs are much more invasive than the plants.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

If this is so important then use the resources the RDCK already has instead of spending so much on administration and other lesser projects.

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Respondent

32 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

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- ○ Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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33 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford bay

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More public interaction with wetland areas to promote what is being conserved and protected

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Simply put —- more of the same

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

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Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

34 Anonymous

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Backroad Kaslo

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water supply management

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- ( ) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

conservation education

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35 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Procter

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No answer provided.

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Not in position to judge efficacy of specific projects but annual $ for fencing for Lardeau private land owners seems questionable. It seems these 'grants' should've run their course by now.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Wetland restoration, pollinator corridors, some monitoring programs.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I am curious how many funding applications are received each year. Curious about Board decision making process.

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Respondent

36 Anonymous

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Ainsworth

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Public awareness

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

37 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour - Harrop area

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I am not educated enough to know what is needed for our area. I am putting my trust in the hands of the people who are making the decisions for disbursement.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

We need to continue to protect and help our local environment.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

38 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford Bay

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Scotch Broom is invasive and a real problem on Cedar Rd. Perhaps other areas as well. There is a forest of Broom on the recently clear cut private land on Cedar rd. I remove broom on my property every year but it's getting harder either way the huge amount on this clear cut . Broom is invasive and very dangerous in a wildfire situation . This forest of broom is below all of our properties . There are also large slash piles that have not been burnt. Is there anything the RDCK can do about this broom? Please take a look for yourselves . It is also a hinderance for wildlife and natural plants are being choked out.

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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More broom needs to be removed

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

The wetland park

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Broom control super invasive and super flammable ... it needs to be removed for wildfire prevention particularly where people's homes are affected and they can't afford fire insurance

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39 Anonymous

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Balfour, bc

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Creston

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☐ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☐ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☑ It appears another group is trying to deal with watershed issues so duplications

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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Please see my duplication comment above

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Area A

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ See previous responses

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
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Supra

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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42 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

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- ○ Yes
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- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- (●) Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Keep waterways open and clean

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Looking after our waterways which protects the fisheries

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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45 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [ ] Local newspaper or media
- [ ] Social media
- [x] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] Seems to fund self interest groups

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- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Lakeshore owners Grants

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Overtaxation of lakeshore landowners

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

We are overtaxed now and this money is going to Self interest groups to further their agendas

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No benefit

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Should not be funding groups that take away landowners rights

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Respondent

46 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Lardeau (Summer Only)

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Anything to help boost populations of Kokanee.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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No answer provided.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

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- ○ Yes
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Great ideas, $15 easily manageable, unaware of results

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Communication certainly somehow needed (without great expense!)

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48 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

E

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

49 Anonymous

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More would be ideal, but the 15 per property allows access to more funding…and I don't think my neighbors would approve more tax

Final Thoughts

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I'm just going off everything you have informed me of here. I didn't know about it before today, so can't really comment more

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

The huge herd of elk in the Thrums area. When they cross the road to get down to the water; they could get hit by vehicles. Is there a chance of a culvert being placed under the road so they would have a safe crossing to the water?

Has there been updated information on why we have a depleting fish population in Kootenay lake?

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

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Improvements like the one suggested in the previous question.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I think the greatest benefit the Local Conservation Fund brings to my area is that it gives us; the homeowners a sense of pride of ownership in this wonderful community. We have a chance to say and do things that we feel are right for the water, wildlife and natural habitats across the area.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I plan on getting more involved.

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51 Anonymous

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

All, nobody is doing anything right for the wildlife, biologists, government, it's all crap, we had the most wildlife and fisheries going years ago but they don't have a clue now

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None, it's to late and waist of our money

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
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- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Nothing

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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52 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Mountain Station

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
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If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

None

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None. I pay too much tax for nothing already

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
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- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
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- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ None needs to be addressed

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
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The fund is for special interest groups that do not benefit the community

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None. It's taxes for nothing

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

53 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Awareness and Communication

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Boswell- Armstrong Bay

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Road safety along the east side road of Kootenay Lake

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Wetlands preservation, watershed work

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Enables locally driven modest scale preservation and restoration work

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep it going

View results

Respondent

58 Anonymous

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Time to complete

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No answer provided.

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Protecting waterways

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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I had no idea i was paying into this tax and what projects are being funded

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Didnt know it existed

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Clearly information should be distributed more efficiently

View results

Respondent

59 Anonymous

11:32
Time to complete

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

With an increase in homelessness encampments and the dumping of debris in our areas I would like to see funding for prevention, policing and clean up of these abandoned homeless encampments and debris.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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As I mentioned above, improvements into education and prevention of illegal backcountry encampments & debris.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

A very well managed forest and ALR that helps keep our area flourishing.

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Not at this time.

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Respondent

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Awareness and Communication

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Nelson

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Eco-diversity. Fire risk reduction

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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Priority and recognition

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No

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Respondent

61 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Kaslo, Area D

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I would like a study to show Kootenay Lake is a managed lake not a natural lake and cause the Land Survey rules to change the definition of high water mark to protect the foreshore and prevent the wide variance and abuse currently occurring

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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Climate change is making this increasingly important

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

A focus on the whole ecosystem with humans aligning their activities with this

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I think it should be increased

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Destiny Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Native species and water protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Awareness and positive act

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

View results

Respondent

63 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Fruitvale

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
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- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☐ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☐ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☑ Anything government touches turns to shit leave. Wildlife alone

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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Anything you touch

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ You let logging destroy wildlife and watersheds

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
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- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Spend your looking at what logging has done to are wildlife and watersheds

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Nothing

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Don’t do anything you will just fuck it up

View results

Respondent

64 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Control of effluent into Kootenay River to protect rare species, wetlands in Taghum.

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Kootenay lake and river biodiversity, water quality and wetlands

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Respondent

65 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [ ] Local newspaper or media
- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] signs on hwy

Value and Outcomes

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

feed the lake- to feed the fish- its too clean
educate people to stop drowning skunks

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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

any conservation is a great thing these days!!!

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

keep it up
how can I volunteer?

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Bealby Point (Area E)

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

- Effects of logging on downhill ecology, and on water & soil quality
- Ecological effects of (perceived) inadequate reforestation on privately-owned logged land

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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I was not aware of the existence of the LCF, so more awareness of the LCF among local population is recommended.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Local funding provided by local donors (i.e. the local population) for very relevant local research. Perfect.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It is perhaps a good idea to involve the local schools more, to increase awareness & possible participation.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water management

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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- ( ) Not sure

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Good value

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Awareness of conservation issues and prioritizes actions.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

68 Anonymous

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lardeau

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

conservation of burned forests so one of the most biodiverse ecosystems can continue; otherwise current practice that burned forest must be 'salvaged' is removing the important habitat for vital species such as bats, insects, birds, cavity dwellers which supports successive species and forest regeneration.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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greater public awareness of the importance of local habitat areas and those which need to be conserved

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Great job!

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Respondent

69 Anonymous

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Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [ ] Other

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- ○ Yes
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- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

The lack of fish in our lake

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Stocking of fish in Kootenay lake

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Falling fish numbers

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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Waste of resources

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Zero benefit other then making a few people think they are making a difference when in reality they are not

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Stop the waste of tax payers dollar on frivolous make work projects

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70 Anonymous

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Creston

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water seems to be an ongoing issue

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Don't know

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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71 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Redfish Creek, Longbeach Rd

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

hydrology studies to mitigate the impact of extraction on watersheds, support pollinator / apiaries for sustainability

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes, continue as is
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see 'more of' reply

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Delivery of important habitat/ sustainability projects; consciousness raising about sustainability and conservation issues; supports local expertise via job creation

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Thanks to all involved in this important initiative

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Respondent

72 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [ ] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [ ] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [ ] Other

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Old growth and watershed protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Preservation of wildlife and marine habitat

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

73 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☑ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☑ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☑ I don't know how funding decisions are made
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- ☑ Most environmentalists promote fear of climate change that fuel unnecessary new regulations in rules that benefit nobody just drives the cost of living

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- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

No answer provided.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Clean up Imasco off property drainage into Duck lake

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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74 Anonymous

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Harrop

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Selection of conservation work needs to be long-sighted to reduce investments in nice sounding projects that aren't sustainable or fail to achieve critical outcomes over time.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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How does this funding support other work being done through other funding sources or government? Need to ensure linkages and leveraging are maximized.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Hopefully increased public awareness and doesn't just speak to those who already know

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Need to ensure connectivity of projects with provincial specialists and programs and to be additive to governments responsibilities.

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Respondent

75 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Creston

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- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I would like to see A project in area C or B...the southern end of Kootenay Lake. Projects have been primarily in the East Kootenay region with the exception of area E.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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If I'm paying for this excellent idea, I'd like to see benefits in area C or B.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Please enlighten me as to what has been done with these funds in the Creston area?

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It's an excellent idea. I love it. I want to be so happy and positive about it...but I can't see much happening around here....

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Respondent

76 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

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- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Far too much funding for far too little projects.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Excess taxation

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77 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Twin Bays

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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- ☑ Social media
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- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Supports healthy water systems
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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Reduce wildlife/human conflict

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Cannot comment as I haven't participated in any meetings or information sessions

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Cannot comment as I haven't seen or participated in any such discussions

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

7 (b) wildlife or habitat conservation
I'm not sure what the needs are

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Respondent

78 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] RDCK wastes our money foolishly

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Fish habitat and the need for a fish hatchery

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Fish hatchery

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☑ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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Kokanee fish hatchery is needed. Climate change remidtation is wastial our tax dollars

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None. 726, 216 on electric fences is ridiculous

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Stop taxial us so much. Downsize the RDCK

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Respondent

79 Anonymous

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Riondel, BC

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Eradication/ removal of broom from lands

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Conservation awareness and protection of sensitive environment areas

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2(b) local events or open spaces
3 (b) I don't know how funding decisions are made
5(a) eradication of invasive species
7(b) removal of broom

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80 Anonymous

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Ainsworth

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- ◉ No

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Unknown

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

3(b) I believe other issues should take precedence
5(a) unknown
7(b) I'm not sure what needs are

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81 Anonymous

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Kaslo / Fletcher Creek

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Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ No
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This program is just a big boondoggle. I have no way of knowing what is being done with my money

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Tried to complete response online. Click not work!!
Would like email notice of all investments in area D b[redacted]
Where could find financial info (for area D only)
Where money was spent and how much was brought in?

2(b) Email newsletter

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82 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☑ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Invasive weed removal, fencing for wild life protection.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [x] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [x] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Glad to see what projects have been done with the money

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Awareness,

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

More projects in our area would be nice

View results

Respondent

83 Anonymous

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Wynndel

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- ○ Yes
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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Access

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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84 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Harrop

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

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- [x] Pave subdivisions in Harrop

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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Pave the subdivision roads and stop the polluting dust

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
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- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are

☑ Dust control by paving subdivision roads

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

If you won't pave subdivision roads then stop taking money

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Nothing so far

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

85 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Gray Creek

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

We have noticed trees that are suffering from various ailments; pines turning red, tamaracks getting broom, cedars failing. Would education to help identify tree ailments and administer treatments fall under the habitat description?

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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It is a very small price to pay to have these kinds of initiatives in place.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

As we are not fully cognizant of all of what the conservation fund is doing, we would need more time and information to answer this question. We are pretty sure, however, that the area is better off with these projects than without them.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Do you conduct bird counts and other such citizen lead research in the area?

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Respondent

86 Anonymous

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Murphy Creek

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Final Thoughts

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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- (●) Yes
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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- ( ) No
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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water is most important given climate change

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Awareness

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

88 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Kootenay Bay

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Watershed protection, lake shoreline protection and monitoring to maintain current expectations

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I would be happy to see the amount increased. This is an important contribution to the region

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

The projects supported, in cooperation with other groups, increases awareness of these important conservation actions and demonstrates that local governments are responding ethically and with support to these areas of need.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Just to support its continuation.

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Respondent

89 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Replanting of trees/clear cut parcels. More support to private land owners to also support conservation , not just NGO's.

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- ○ Yes
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More information/education surrounding the projects to further support. More opportunities for private land owners to also support the causes.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Bat/invasive species supports.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep it going - curious if there are other ways to increase funding to further support more conseration efforts in the area?

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Riondel

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Riondel experiences water restrictions every year , every summer, it would be nice if some projects helped out areas like our to get out water supply back to normal.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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- ( ) No
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I already feel that Im being heavily taxed to have water restrictions every summer. It is difficult to accept more taxes that may only benefit other areas that mine.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I hear the stocking of fish goes over very well.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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91 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Sanca

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- ◉ No

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- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☐ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☐ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☐ Other

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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

The forest at about 3 km up Sanca Creek FSR have been decimated by squatters cutting and selling firewood all summer. Police and the Conservation officer were both there and said nothing could be done. How were they allowed to cut so much forest and where did there human waste go as they had 3 campers there all summer, right above Sanca Creek!

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Sensible forest management. The Akokli creek FSR was decommisioned which will now severly limit forest fighting efforts when the next fire happens. I guess you will just spend more money to rebuild the access roads. ALso Kootenay lake fish are not coming back after years of efforts. Lake Ponderay is back to plentiful large fish after they suffered the same fate as Kootenay lake at the same time.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☑ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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RDCK should become a helpful entity rather than a punitive one. Services are waning or outright removed, but fines and threats are plentiful. All this with ever increasing property taxation. Manage yourselves better. Seems like a lot of management sitting in meetings but no one out doing much good for the constiuents.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Haven't seen anything tangible.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Just another tax that we have no choice in.

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Blewett

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water monitoring

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

93 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
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- ☐ Community bulletin boards
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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Wild fire prevention - cleaning up all the brush and dead trees along the rural roads more education offerings on wild fire prevention - and water direct protection - ensuring mining and other projects don't impact the conservation of our area

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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Ensure priorities are set ahead of time and projects approved fall within priories

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

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Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep an eye on potential threats from development, zoning changes, or land-use changes (which could affect habitat connectivity or water quality).

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Respondent

94 Anonymous

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What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Improved biodiversity

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Respondent

95 Anonymous

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

96 Anonymous

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☑ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☐ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☑ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☑ There are controversial projects that should not be funded without more oversight to the money spent

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Basic conservation efforts that are not controversial in nature or or catering to a group where it is questionable where and how the funds are spent.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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I think the scope is to broad and not enough based on science of conservation.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Projects to do with scientifically backed conservation efforts.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I think this government body has no business giving money to "Protect Indigenous Cultural Values….". Not because this is not important, but because this is not the purpose of the body and there are other funding mechanisms for this purpose.

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97 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Sanca / twin bays area

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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- ☑ Email newsletter
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- ( ) Not sure

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

There should be some focus on restoration of clear cut areas especially those that effect watersheds and Kootenay lake.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Overall protection of Kootenay lake eco system

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

98 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

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- ◉ No

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Perhaps more awareness that power boaters can have on natural habitats and fish spawning etc by going fast close to shore. Also refuelling and the importance not to spill fuel in the lake.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Knowledge and awareness

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

99 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Osprey heights taghum

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [x] Local newspaper or media
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Awareness and assistance for people to tackle invasive species - especially on newly disturbed soils

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100 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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- ○ No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

South of Riondel

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I would like to see a stronger fish population in Kootenay Lake.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I would like to continue as is and create a more informed opinion.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Greater awareness of local conservation issues.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Increase local awareness of projects.

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Respondent

102 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

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Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I believed the money collected would be spent in the respective area from this fund, ie. funds from Area E to be spent in Area E

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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Funding should stay for conservation programs within the Area collected

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

103 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Argenta, Bulmers Point

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Support the painted turtle conservation project

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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$15 a year is a very small amount of money for such an important aspect of our lives in this community

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

An overall culture of conservation in the face of broad provincial resource management

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I would like to know more.

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104 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Fairview

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105 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Argenta

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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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106 Anonymous

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Proctor

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Watershed monitoring and protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Water quality or watershed protection
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- [x] Climate change and resilience
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Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

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Final Thoughts

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Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2 (b) Direct mail

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Respondent

107 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Queen's bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No return envelope?

3(b) Projects are not visible or present in my area
I don't know how funding decisions are made

7(b) Don't know

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Respondent

108 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
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- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☐ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☑ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☐ Other

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☑ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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If I have not heard of this program in 10 years what value is it to me.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None that I can see

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Could we put part of these funds toward fixing the ongoing pot holes at the scale at the Balfour dump

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Respondent

109 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Armstrong bay, east shore, Kootenay lake

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Value and Outcomes

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- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Preservation of land

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

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Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

110 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Argenta

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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- [x] Word of mouth
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
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- [ ] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

more watershed work

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

more connection to the landscape outside our communities

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

111 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Nelson

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Wetland construction and conservation, biodiversity protection and improvement, Western Toad and other species protection and support.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Enhancing protection of Kootenay Lake and its environs and supporting a culture of protection of this amazing natural resource and threats that exist.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

There is so much to do, I wish the Local Conservation Fund were double.

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Respondent

112 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Harrop

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Work with Fortis or Nelson Hydro to keep lake levels high enough to facilitate Kokanee spawning. Investigate if logging and tree removal on private property is harming the community.
Ensure that the licensed Mill Creek water users all have equal access and that during dry times water use is reduced.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I have never heard of the LCF so I can't comment. It might help if RDCK made its spending habits known to the people that pay their exorbitant property taxes!!

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I have no idea as RDCK keeps it a big secret

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I have no comment as I have no knowledge of the LCF

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Respondent

113 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Harrop

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] Paying taxes

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
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No answer provided.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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- ◉ No
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I grew up in [redacted]se, was incredibly wild. Large populations of fowl and western toad came to reproduce during the seasonal run off in May and June. High population years were always in conjunction with high water. The artificial pond that has been dug twice on the eastern border of the wetland is a colossal waste of money. It still does not hold water, as it was never meant to. Walk a couple hundred feet west, and you have a natural bay that almost never dries up and is ample habitat. Please do not promote these wetlands outside our community. I have seen way less wildlife now that foot traffic has increased double fold.

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Respondent

114 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Riondel

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Habitat enhancement.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ No
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It is a small price to pay if positive results are achieved.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Anything that brings positive results in water quality, habitat enhancement etc would be a benefit.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I do not know where the funds came from, but a local group built Bat Boxes for our area but never heard where they were located nor was there any report of results.

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Respondent

115 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

osprey heights

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- ( ) No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

116 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Woodbury

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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117 Anonymous

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area E

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fish habitat

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local initiatives are nice but why not use CBT funds? These ar all too small to be material

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

no idea.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

disband it and combine it with other local initiatvies

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Respondent

118 Anonymous

04:26
Time to complete

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

It would be great to see some projects that promote connectivity of private lands, improvement of wildlife values on private lands and connecting private land owners to conservation measures, targets and incentives.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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More! I think you can ask for more funds- double it and I don't believe people will blink and eye, and the conservation effort can be greater

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I think the underlying benefit will be in ecosystem services- particularly when it comes to drinking water.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep up the amazing work.

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Respondent

119 Anonymous

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Rossland

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- (•) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water and wetlands

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Increase local and regional awareness for conservation projects

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

120 Anonymous

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Balfour

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None

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not really any benefit

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

This information brought first time awareness of applying for one $15 fee if parcels are adjacent to each other. We have been paying $15 on six parcels which are all part of a farm since 2015.

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Respondent

121 Anonymous

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Blewett

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- ○ Yes
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- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Gross waste of money

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Ones I support, not a waste of useless RDCK administration

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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Cut half the RDCK administration

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Absolutely nothing

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Shove it up your ass

View results

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122 Anonymous

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Kaslo

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Climate impact mitigation and adaptation

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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Seems like a few projects have been supported on a continuing basis - toads, bears, bats. That is fine but there should be a long-term plan for whether and why to continue long-term support to projects vs diversifying

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Conservation benefits for specific at-risk wildlife species

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

More visibility of the Fund and its successes would be great

View results

Respondent

123 Anonymous

30:10
Time to complete

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

E

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Bat conservation along Kootenay lake shoreline

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [ ] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [x] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [ ] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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Bear/human funding(electrified fencing eg.) over the life of the fund has reached over $90,000. That is absurd !

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Bat conservation!

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It seems the slocan valley receives a disproportionate amount of funding considering the population of the valley.

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Respondent

124 Anonymous

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [x] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [x] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [ ] Other

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

No answer provided.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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This tax is not evenly distributed. Some areas pay, others don't. For example, we pay in this part of area A, but the wildlife center is in an area that doesn't pay it! Not fair!

Final Thoughts

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No value to my area

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

125 Anonymous

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Wynndel

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Changing laws so there can be no more private clear cutting. Or at least replanting in its place.

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Any funds toward wildlife conservatism have to continue. Just because we don't clearly see the change made doesn't mean it's not there. We need more environmental protections not less.

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Wildlife preservation

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126 Anonymous

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Purchasing large parcels of crown land to reduce logging near communities

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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Crawford Bay

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Wildlife, fish, less logging

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Taxes are already to high

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Maybe fish will cone back to lake in great amounts

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Need to educate locals and stop their environmental destruction.

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128 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- ☐ Direct mail
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- ☑ Area E director

Value and Outcomes

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Dealing with the encampments which cause human waste biohazards and environmental waste in general on our FSR's.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

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Respondent

129 Anonymous

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Preventing the spread of invasive species. I would like to see the program work from the outside edges of infestations to prevent further spread. I would like to be able to report an infestation and know that someone will look at, assess and most importantly act on it. I see big changes year over year that are too much for me to hand pull.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
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As above. The longer problems are left the bigger they become.

Final Thoughts

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Respondent

130 Anonymous

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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131 Anonymous

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Electoral Area A, just north of Kuskannok

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Knapweed control.
LCF should try to spread the word throughout the communities on what projects are being proposed and which have been completed in each community - a challenge. This Survey Questionnaire with links provided is a good introduction.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

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Knapweed control, if feasible. Improve your priorities of climate action and maintain clean water sources on your 2019 Next Cr. property acquisition. A 2023 lightning strike left unabated by your partnership with Nature Conservancy of Canada left 3 mountains overlooking Kootenay Lake with snags, and VERY visible to all.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Was pleased in your summary that $72,6216 "in funding" has generated $2.45 M additional funding. Also, agree with the Fund as it gives priority to partnership projects (generally encourages broader acceptance) - other than the single-minded decision not to protect the Next Cr. area from the forest fire.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Our obvious concern about LCF is ignoring your own priorities to support climate action and to maintain clean water sources through not taking any action on your acquisition of Next Cr. lands when it experienced a vast forest fire. That forest fire created extensive smoke in the valley for the majority of the summer and into the fall. In our opinion, that non-action did not support climate action nor any maintenance of clean water sources. Those 3 burned mountains are very visible every day, and will remain negatively visible for a good many years in the future to all those travelling along Highway 3A.
As a result of your conservation non-action on the Next Cr. land acquisition when being burned, we are now contemplating to request a parcel combination of our adjacent lots. Prior to that, we agreed in principle with the tax and had no concerns on paying the Conservation Fund parcel tax on both properties.

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Wynndel

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

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Relocation of problem bears

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
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- [ ] Promoting stewardship and education
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Wetlands management

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

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- ( ) Yes
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- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I would like to see better fiscal management where an extra conservation tax doesn't need to be levied.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I have seen a few seniors have to give up their family homes as they could no longer afford the tax increases and many more struggling with basic needs. I feel the increased taxes every land owner in the RDCK has had to pay should eliminate the need for this $15 parcel tax.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I really do not agree with it, sorry.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

My concern lies with it's existence.

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Respondent

134 Anonymous

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- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

We have a failing community hall with a garbage falling down school next door.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
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The environment is a great way to spend some cash and I feel my property taxes are not the way to get that cash.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I have not directly witnessed a project locally.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I would like it funded from the locally sold hunting and fishing licenses rather than my property taxes

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135 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

12 mile north shore

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Reduce invasive species, improve fish habitat

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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Ensure the program stays project focus. Do not move into political lobbying. Projects are where real differences are made.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Community involvement in the projects is critical for ongoing success.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It would be interesting to have a map and very brief description of the project. People who are interested could then tour the sites which are not on private land.

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More wetland preservation along creeks

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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I would support an increase to better cover costs and expand projects

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Wetland preservation

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Mirror Lake

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Fire control

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- ◉ Yes
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Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- [ ] Other

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Existing focus is sufficient but awareness is not widespread

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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More awareness. Involved groups should be required to advertise their actions and programs.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Preservation of our habitat.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

139 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Shutty Bench

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

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- (•) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Wildlife, view protection,

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ Not sure

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Not in favour of taxing landowners to support non-profit and native projects

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Unknown

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I'd like to see this initiative funded by a different model

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Respondent

140 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

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- ◉ No

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- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] I don't know of any particular projects that have been done. However, all of the projects outlined in the mail I received would be great!

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- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water monitoring and wetland and creek restoration

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Not sure

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I don't really know specifically what projects have been completed. However, $15 a year is a small amount and if there is success with it, I think that's great.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure yet!

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

141 Anonymous

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Proctor Point

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Decrease invasive species. Continue to protect water quality.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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Final Thoughts

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Informed stewardship of the environment

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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142 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Rosemont Electoral Area E

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

protecting watersheds and wildlife

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

protecting the environment and wildlife

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

143 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Kaslo

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Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
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- (•) Not sure

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- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water monitoring

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Environmental awareness

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It may be something that has to be sacrificed in this time of fiscal over extension.

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144 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [ ] Other

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Healthy water systems,wild life protection, pollinators protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

The bat houses close to the lake front areas

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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145 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Pollination is very important. With Nelson Hydros planned spraying using chemicals is a very big concern for all of us. This fund needs a spokes person to educate other businesses and government departments of their repercussions. A wholistic approach is needed to preserve our land, water, air and food sources.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
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- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Voice to protect our needs through this fund. See comment above.

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- ○ No
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I would be fine being charged more than $15 to preserve and care for our land.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

A conscience of the land and needs to preserve all living things for generations to come.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Thank you for the very substantial work to date.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Riondel Rd half the way between Riondel and Kootenay Bay

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Community owned forests

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Anything in that direction can help our gem of a community

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Just the idea of "conservation" is a win

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Discourage shooting bears.

7(a) Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources.
Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
Supporting climate adaption or resilience

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

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- ◉ No

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- ☑ I do not

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☐ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☑ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☐ Other

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

We don't need more building of government complexes. It is a death by a thousand cuts with increasing taxes.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
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You cannot continue to grow yourselves off the taxpayers back, it is unsustainable.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

5(a) we already have ducks unlimited and the nature conservancy of Canada as well as the provincial governments environmental protection and sustainability department.

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148 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Proctor

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- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Basically what I said in (5). I'm in Proctor so keep helping the local groups and HPCC who are trying to do everything you are promoting. Thanks

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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I thank that is a very reasonable amount that you have done much with.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Great source of funds to boost local conservationist groups to help them achieve worthwhile projects.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Seems to be working.

2(b) email newsletter

5(a) Support more of the groups monitoring creeks and improving there health as it benefits wildlife, us and lakes.

View results

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149 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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RDCK, Electoral Area D, Fletcher Creek area south of Kaslo

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

- Conserving ecological significant lands
- Protection of local wildlife and their habitat
- encouraging pollinators and native plants
- supporting healthy water systems

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Focus on the protection and restoration of the natural world around us for the benefit of all living things.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No

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Respondent

150 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Crawford bay

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Eradicate scotch broom / purple invasive plant
Can we get volunteers to dig or otherwise help education

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protection of wetlands

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2 (b) direct mail
Community bulletin boards
Social media

7 need more - reducing environmental degradation or invasive species

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Awareness and Communication

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Boswell - Area A

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [ ] Other

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In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Water - flooding issues

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Improvements in ministry of transport to fix drainage problems along roads in communities that experienced flooding from roads where ministry of transport has not maintained roads.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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Water/ roads. In the mountain shores community of Boswell the road and drainage issues caused by the ministry of transport not maintaining roads + causing flooding of properties. You may email me [redacted]

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2(b) email newsletter

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Lakeshore preservation
Liaison with province to increase enforcement of encroachments , illegal excavating. Fencing below high water mark etc.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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Tell us what is being done with our money. No or scanty information about what is being done.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

A healthier natural world

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I would like to see a breakdown between what amounts are being spent on projects and how the money is spent. How much is going to support the RDCK beurocracy. Which is excessive.

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153 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Gray Creek, BC

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Direct mail
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- [ ] Local events or open houses
- [x] Mail from RDCK

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Not sure but would like to see habitat restored.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

As before, we haven't seen any conservation program in our location.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I believe this area needs more forestry plants on significant lands that have been lossed. Other than that no concerns

2(b) direct mail
Community bulletin boards

3(b) projects are not visible or present in my area

5(a) invasive species removal
habitat in creek replantation

7(b) I am not sure what the needs are

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Respondent

154 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E near Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

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- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- [ ] Other

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Improving and increasing pollinator-friendly patches and nesting habitat for all birds. Also continued support for the DL and Creston areas.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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Local outreach to describe specific opportunities for conservation efforts in Area E along west arm.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Work being done in the DL and Creston areas

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

155 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Queen's Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Habitat protection
Watershed protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Glad the Fund is alive
Hope it continues

2(a) word of mouth

5(a) watershed protection
Housing

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Respondent

156 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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- (●) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Healthy water supply

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

7(b) climate change and resilience
Local community needs or priorities

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area D

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] Conservation is not a matter for my RDCK tax dollar

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] Conservation is not a matter for my RDCK tax dollar

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- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Conservation is not a matter for my RDCK tax dollar

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Conservation is not a matter for my RDCK tax dollar

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Conservation is not a matter for my RDCK tax dollar

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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Conservation is not a matter for my RDCK tax dollar

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Conservation is not a matter for my RDCK tax dollar

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

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- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

watershed protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
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without reliable feedback on use and effectiveness of funds spent, hard to justify continuing to support if not used intelligently or effectively

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

local support, as provincial is atrocious and federal worse

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

159 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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E Blewett

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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This 25$ is ok but program spending overall RDCk is obscene

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

5(a) wildlife corridors

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Respondent

160 Anonymous

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Howser, Area D kootenay LK North

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Pollinator meadows we have beekeepers in Houser. Spraying by Regional District not appreciated. We need to be recognized as a NO pesticide community

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- [ ] Other

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Do not increase funding beyond $15.00 annually

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I do not know what projects were done in Area D. Can we access a list please via email or do we have to go online?

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Where in Area D are you monitoring water quality? What projects have been done in the Kootenay Lake North area? How does on acquire the seed for a wildflower meadow (as a resident)

2(b) direct mail
Email newsletter

3(b) projects are not visible or present in my area
Removal of knapweed at houser beach.
No pesticide please!!

5(a) Pollinator meadows

View results

Respondent

161 Anonymous

03:16
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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Nelson

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Tree planting, water quality

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Increase your funding

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Employment, encourages interest and involvement

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Not that much time left, our area is prime

5(a) preserving watershed timber
7(b) climate change and resilience
Over logging

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Respondent

162 Anonymous

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Grandview Properties

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Control of invasive species

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I would be willing to pay more if needed

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What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Providing awareness and solutions to environmental situations and problems in our area.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E

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Final Thoughts

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164 Anonymous

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [x] Projects don't reflect local priorities
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- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

private property rights

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

private property rights

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ private property rights

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

It gives lazy woke activists a paycheque and, undoubtedly, the Church-Burners take a big cut.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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165 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
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If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Just some thoughts:
water testing on all streams and wells being used for water consumption by rural properties should be added, on request, if not currently available.
I think introduction of fish into the lake might help, as well as adding salmon access upstream past the dams (that was not done when the dams were constructed).
Finding where the toads, tree frogs, etc. are currently living and working with the public to enhance their chances of survival.
Monitoring and cleaning up the water around Nelson docks and regular inspections of any dwellings or houseboats on the water that people are living on, full or part time.
Keeping track of where homeless camps are being set up to ensure water is not being contaminated with human waste and garbage. Support clean up efforts.
Supply free bat houses and consultation for appropriate set up. Scout some prime areas where bat houses would be most beneficial and discuss with the home owner. More bat houses in public areas.

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We have been paying for 2 parcels since the fund started and just now, because of this survey, we discovered that we could have been paying 1/2 that amount. The application to pay the same as other people is very obscure. There is nowhere to know about this without searching the RDCK website and stumbling upon this page. Rural properties are being overcharged on so many fronts!

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I believe in some of the conservation efforts (like Cottonwood Lake). I think more information for and consultation with the public is important. Is their a board who makes decisions? Who is on the board? How are they appointed? Is their rural input?

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Blewett

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Riondel

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
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LCF is helping to bring community members together for a number of good causes.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent		
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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford Bay

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Habitat restoration, pollinator meadows, invasive species removal

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- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Respondent

170 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] Recognizes the value of maintaining the natural flora and fauna of our unique environment and undertakes programs and activities

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

That is a difficult question for me because my knowledge of what needs to be done is based on what I read and hear. I have not done my homework. I just hope you are guided by 2 principles 1. To preserve the natural environment 2. To eliminate challengers or threats to that environment. Based on my reading, programs like the one in Slocan Valley that is presently restoring pollinator environments along existing roadways are a worthwhile projects.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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Shortfalls in funding always have negative impacts on outcomes. Great care and accountability must be practised to insure maximum bang for the buck.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

It is reassuring to me that knowledgeable people are being funded to preserve and protect our most VALUABLE resource.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Awareness and Communication

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Kaslo

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

fire and erosion protection and prevention

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- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Not sure

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erosion from the mountain above upper Kaslo caused damage had the area been investigated and secured it would have helped those effected

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

awareness

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

perhaps more information about effects of water damage or erosion on the mountains above us and how we can be aware of potential problems before they become emergencies

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Respondent

172 Anonymous

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RDCK. Area E

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Electoral Area E Longbeach

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Direct mail
- [x] Email newsletter
- [ ] Social media
- [x] Community bulletin boards
- [x] Local events or open houses
- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More projects vis-a-vis the watershed. What are the effects of climate change, wildfire, logging etc on the health of our watershed?
Definitely more study is needed on the health of native species such as our native bees. I have definitely noticed wild fluctuations in the number and type on and around our property.
We should continue to work on protecting/restoring the lakefront.
Keep fighting the good fight against invasive species like Japanese knotwood.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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I prefer if the money goes to hands on projects which involve on site research and data collection.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Just raising the general awareness of the importance of conservation for the long term health of the community.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Maybe build "citizen scientist" components into more projects. That way you get bigger data sets, more community involvement and free labour!

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Respondent

174 Anonymous

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Blewett

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All of it.

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No answer provided.

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All conservation efforts are important. I've seen the wetland restoration at crooked horn and it's great.

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Thanks for all the efforts! Continue!

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Respondent

175 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Lardeau

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

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176 Anonymous

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Meadow Creek

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Conservation of habitat, without any human management/disturbance

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- (●) Yes
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The concept of "invasive species" is totally misleading, and spending funds on utterly hopeless attempts to deter populations of these species from expanding into habitat that industry creates for them is entirely wasteful.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I'd like to see more coordination with The Nature Trust.

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Balfour

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All are covered

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No answer provided.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

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- ( ) Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water quality and supply

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I have not seen enough information about the project

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Provide a regular update, however brief, via email.

View results

Respondent

179 Anonymous

05:27
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Area E

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- ( ) No

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Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
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- ( ) Not sure

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes
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Too much government intervention.

Final Thoughts

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None

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Use tax payer money to provide "needs" services and law enforcement (example banning fireworks).

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Respondent

180 Anonymous

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

3(b) I, in future have to be more aware. Thank you for info and letter

7(b) I am not sure what the needs are

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Johnsons Landing

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [x] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [ ] Other

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Habitat protection/ restoration, water monitoring

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [x] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [ ] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Could increase the parcel tax to $20 to create more funding

Final Thoughts

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Directly funds local conservation initiatives

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

This is an excellent program!

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Respondent

182 Anonymous

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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

No answer provided.

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None for now

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- ○ Yes
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I do not trust these types of programs

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Not much

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Not sure

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- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protecting the environment

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

More public information of the projects funded and their benefit to the environment. Not just on the website but in local newspapers and other media.

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184 Anonymous

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Crawford Bay

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- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] Keeping land available to the public

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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$15 is a bargain for the future of public access to lands

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Crawford Creek Regional Park is well used by many different groups and individuals.
Keeps direct public access to Kootenay Lake

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Great opportunity to acquire lands and access points and to enable the public and greater community to use this

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Woodbury Village, near Kaslo

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Direct mail
- [x] Email newsletter
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Trout Habitat

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Woodbury enjoys participation in several RDCK Conservation initiatives -- especially w/r/t Forest Fires

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Yet to be demonstrated

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Any specific act of Public Taxation carries with it an obligation of financial accountability to the Tax Payers. Demonstrable spending achievements beat Work Creation.

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Respondent

186 Anonymous

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Implementation of wildlife friendly farming practises , barbed and page wire removal, invasive species removal, stewardship training for residents, restore lost habitat, improve habitat so less conflict between wildlife and residents, improve watersheds' health

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The annual cost is NOT a hardship for most residents. I feel we need other areas of the Creston Valley to join the fund as nature knows no boundaries. Thus fund is also to help future generations respond to environmental issues as they arise.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

The greatest benefit of the fund is for locals to have the means and resources to respond to conservation needs through their qualifying groups. It enables residents to become active stewards of the land where they live.
I appreciate the valuable support received with grant application submissions.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I would like for Area B, C and Town of Creston to join in the fund.
Also, this fund requires more PR.

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Education and information on the value and protection of riparian areas.

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What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protection of water and riparian areas. Helping to support and maintain populations of birds, insects and animals.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Direct mail
- [x] Email newsletter
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- [x] Community bulletin boards
- [x] Local events or open houses
- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- [ ] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
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- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More protected public lands

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ( ) Yes, continue as is
- (●) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I have no idea as this is the first time hearing about the LCF

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

189 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Nelson

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

190 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Sunshine Bay- West Arm

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Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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All these programs sound good but I am not sure if taxpayers are getting good value for their taxation. The RDCK is an inefficient bureaucracy and this is a problem when taxes are high.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

191 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Lardeau

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Province of BC responsibility Not RDCK

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Province of BC responsibility Not RDCK!

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Province of BC responsibility

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Bealby Point

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- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

All residents should pay not just waterfront owners.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Pay owners to do their own projects to improve the environment.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Fishing is terrible and not much is being done to improve the problem that has been going on for 40 years. BC Hydro and Fortis are causing water leve

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ◉ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Better shoreline health and reduced erosion.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Blewett

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- ( ) Not sure

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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- [x] public awareness

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

land acquisition, fish and wildlife habitat restoration

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

public awareness, land acquisition for conservation

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

appreciate the good work that you folks do

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Respondent

194 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Direct mail
- [ ] Email newsletter
- [x] Social media
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- [ ] Local events or open houses
- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
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- (•) Not sure

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- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
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- ( ) Yes, continue as is
- (●) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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I don't think fighting Broom is really possible without private landowner by in, and funds could be better spent elsewhere.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

195 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Rosemont

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

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- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Pollinators

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ◉ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

196 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Direct mail
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Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
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- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Conserving then environment. For future generations

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

197 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Area E

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- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [ ] Other

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- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Conservation of our limited money! It is being stretched in too many directions with not enough left over for low income seniors, and most likely others also.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Water quality or watershed protection
- [ ] Wildlife or habitat conservation
- [ ] Climate change and resilience
- [ ] Local community needs or priorities
- [x] I'm not sure what the goals are

- [x] These are changing times, all of these are covered by other agencies.

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- ( ) Yes, continue as is
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We are paying too much out of our limited income. Other agencies already cover all of these issues.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I don't believe we need it.

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Respondent

198 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Boswell

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

A focus on Osprey and Heron habitat and nesting

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
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- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Public awareness for and the protection of our natural habitat.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

199 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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Fund more invasive species management. Continue the collaboration and information sharing that is currently occurring. Overall it's a great program

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Bringing people together

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep it going!

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Respondent

200 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Nelson

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Direct mail
- [x] Email newsletter
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- [ ] Community bulletin boards
- [ ] Local events or open houses
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Value and Outcomes

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- (●) Yes
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- ○ No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Water protection

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

201 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] Not the RDCK business

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- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Tax relief

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Less RDCK buracuracy

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ The RDCK should focus on less buracuracy

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ( ) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

The RDCK should let the province do conservation and focus on smaller government

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Zero benefit to much bureaucracy at the RDCK

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

End the fund give the money back to the taxpayers lay off the people that created the fund and administer the fund less RDCK is better

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Respondent

202 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] Very important for raising public awareness and introduces people to habitats they might not have known about.

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More local watershed health monitoring.

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

It helps to increase awareness of the complexity and precarity of local ecosystems at a time when humanity often thoughtlessly attempts to increase its footprint.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

A modest increase in funding (perhaps even one that was voluntary?) from the present low level would seem like a good investment.

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203 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

No answer provided.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None! Do not support funding this with my tax $

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Do not support funding this with my tax $

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Do not support funding this with my tax $

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None!

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

204 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Grandview Properties

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☐ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☐ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☐ Other

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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205 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

No answer provided.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Less of all of it

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

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Respondent

206 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Riondel Road

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Protecting wildlife habitat and ecological education

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Environmental protection/enhancement and education.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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207 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Gray Creek

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Identifying and taking real action on issues of invasive species.
Ensuring Kootenay Lake isn't a dumping ground for industry.
Habitat protection including establishing wildlife corridors where needed.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ No
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I think you should be telling respondents how much money the RDCK is using for administrative purposes and other relevant information that would allow respondents to know if the communities are getting value for the money contributed.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I don't know as I've never hear about this project prior to receiving this survey, but I'm certainly hoping that the projects being delivered are managed well and are making a positive impact.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It would have been helpful if there was some explanation for why the RDCK is contracting out the work to another organization to assist with fund delivery. Will this save money or add to administrative costs ? Will it make for better project results?

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208 Anonymous

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Cooper Creek

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Encourage native pollinator plants

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

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- ( ) No
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Small ask for potential reward

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Awareness of environmental needs

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Kaslo

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Protecting Old Growth Forests
Protecting watersheds for small communities
protecting waterfront on Kootenay Lake
Protecting sensitive Wildlife areas from invasive developments, (Zincton, South Beach)
Climate action

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ◉ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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I like the projects it LCF supports but I wish it could also be projects of greater significance like the ones I suggest in future direction question above

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

A way for local initiatives to gain funds for their projects

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I feel the government should direct more funds and emphasis on Conservation, the environment, and curtailing development in sensitive areas, (such as Zincton,) without needing to tax small communities to support these intiatives.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Sanca

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Direct mail
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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) No
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- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

community bat project, project to remove invasive weed/plant species in our community

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I was familiar with the LCF fund and purpose but now that I am, yes I support but would like to see projects in our community (Sanca).

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I'm not aware of projects specific to Sanca but I do see the value a couple of projects (bat, removal of invasive weeds) would bring to our community.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Has there been any previous submissions of projects for the Sanca community?

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Respondent

211 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Vancouver --renting to tenent

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

fire protection with habitat restoration

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

awareness

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Electoral Area A

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Your presentation indicates many projects that seem worthy and relevant to conservation efforts but your structure and position in the government and tax process is terribly confusing.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

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- ◉ Not sure

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Lots of projects, but what real successes? Your approach is to list grants and efforts but how does one know if this tax has achieved its goal if you do not assess and report success/failure? Failure happens.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Absolutely no idea.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I do! Your mailer and this survey assumes a pre-existing knowledge. May I suggest an approach that better describes the mandate, areas and real successes achieved. In researching your links all I found was a confusing daisy-chain of who's-who-in-the-zoo. A rabbit hole of page after page to link after link. Lot's of stuff done but if the real goal is to achieve support, just touting investment is only half the equation. Commenting on what could be better or improved instills a sense of active management rather than simple apportionment which you apparently pay someone to carry out. In addition, "leveraged funding" is shown as a major achievement without definition or clarity. What? How quantified? Real?
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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Schroeder Creek

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Rondel BC

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
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Value and Outcomes

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- (•) Yes
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Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ○ Yes
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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Fisheries and water protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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We live near Tam O'Shanter creek. A local property owner decided to log right along the watershed making the creek susceptible to stuffing and landslide. As this creek is a spawning ground for Kokanee, it is abhorrent that this was allowed to happen. Unfortunately we only live there 6 months of the the and the damage was done by the time we arrived this last spring. It is a worry and this land owner should be held accountable. Maybe the LCF can help.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Fisheries and wildlife conservation

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Help wildlife

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Blewett

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No answer provided.

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It seems like it would offer community and caring for our local echo systems, but I am not certain that is a fact.

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Nelson Rural

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Highly support all environmental and edification action.

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Surveillance at boat launches and at strategic sites for invasive mussels.

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Final Thoughts

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Too often we are led to believe that the “environment” is here for is to do whatever we “dam well please”. People need both education and some basic guidance.

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- [x] At the beginning when we had to pay taxes

Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) Yes
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- ( ) Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More spawning channels

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

View results

Respondent

220 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E Longbeach

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Stay the same if possible as times are getting very expensive.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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One must realize that ALL things go UP. Look at Rural Hydro rates. Nothing goes down. Get a grip on my pension. It sure is getting that some things I can't buy.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I do what I can. Do not see what FUND accomplishes unless told. I don't think it is a cash COW as in Urban and Rural utility rates.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Try and keep the price low.

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Respondent

221 Anonymous

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No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Water quality or watershed protection
- [x] Wildlife or habitat conservation
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- [ ] Local community needs or priorities
- [ ] I'm not sure what the goals are
- [x] Logging off, clear cutting huge private properties

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Don't know

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2(b) Community bulletin boards
Email newsletter
Local events or open houses

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222 Anonymous

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Queensbay green rd, summer visitor

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Creston

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Direct mail
- [ ] Email newsletter
- [ ] Social media
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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Reforestation in max scale

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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See big problems with the climate hysteria. Doing to much contra productive

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

In general water protection is essential and keeping our forests healthy is no question at all

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Do not follow agenda 2030 WEF keep democratic processes in the forefront. Do not line up with NGOs because they basically follow agenda 2030
5(a) Do not know about any specific project. Don't have online connection
7(b) other, avoid clear-cuts, promote selective cutting like on goat mountain on the dor.

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Respondent

224 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E

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- ( ) No

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- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☑ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ◉ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

It should stay in my area.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2(b) community bulletin boards
Social media
3(a) supports local conservation groups and jobs
3(b) Projects are not visible or present in my area

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Respondent

225 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Direct mail
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- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Redfish creek: continue protection of spawning channel

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protection of Redfish creek spawning channel and trails
Bean fencing
Operational hours of Balfour transfer station

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

3(b) projects are not visible or present in my area.
Other, more public information needed to highlight projects
7(b) I'm not sure what the needs are

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226 Anonymous

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Lakefront riparian area protection

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- (•) Not sure

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$15 per year is minimal and I assume they are doing beneficial work

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Don't know

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

More specific info on their work is needed.
2(b) Community bulletin boards

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Awareness and Communication

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Riondel

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- ◉ No

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- [x] We personally have not seen any

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- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Having not seen in person any of the projects it is hard to comment but all projects listed as funded are important to our environment

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Reducing invasive species

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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Very valuable work, more funding preferable but very hard to get community buy in

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Water quality monitoring

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

5(a) salmon spawning along the Lakeshore
7(b) I am not sure what the needs are
Other, as above invasive species

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford bay

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [ ] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [x] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [ ] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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I would pay more

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protecting kootenay lake as our water source is most important. I don't honestly know if the LCF is doing the max it can right now or not

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

You could take it up more! We need to know and understand the why, how and how much is spent

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

N/A

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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Our costs have gone up too much. Electricity is going up 15% where were it end? It is time to cut back on some things we can do without.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

If the local conservation fund needs more money, they should not be going after our property taxes. They should be doing fundraises. Then people who want to contribute can. People do not want to contribute, should not have to be forced through property taxes.

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Blewett

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Marsh land protection
Wild pollinators education/protection
Invasive plants

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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Money well spent

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Invasive plants
Would like to see (visually) more happening

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Money towards conservation is important. Thank you
2(b) direct mail
Email Newsletter
Social media
3(b) projects are not visible or present in my area
7(a) All points

7(b) wildlife or habitat conservation
Climate change and resilience
I'm not sure what the needs are
Other, education re public schools

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Duhamel creek

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Permaculture education
Work with ancient indigenous land practices. Keep the diverse species and the medicine plants. Let trees decompose and create fungal networks.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Allow nature to prosper. Return the species and safe healing. Environment for humanity

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Stop logging especially our watersheds. Leave something for humanity for our children's children 7 generations.

5(a) watch for water, gas, oil leaking from boats and jet skis

7(a) protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources

7(b) water quality or watershed protection
Wildlife or habitat conservation
Other:
Stop spraying chemicals for logging including aerially - glyphosate
Roundup for mono species and hydro companies spraying chemicals that are carcinogenic for people and pets.
Spraying kills habitat for animal species, their food supply, berries etc

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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

None

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
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Our Taxes are high enough. If the government wants this than they can pay for it

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

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- ○ Yes
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [x] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [ ] Other

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- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

-how private land owners can stop hunters from hunting and killing animals on their property (trespassing).

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Water quality or watershed protection
- [ ] Wildlife or habitat conservation
- [ ] Climate change and resilience
- [ ] Local community needs or priorities
- [x] I'm not sure what the goals are
- [ ] Other

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- ( ) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- (●) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

N/A - no benefit

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Taxes are already too high

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Respondent

235 Anonymous

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Building trails.

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

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236 Anonymous

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- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Nothing elaborate that encourages cynicism. Just wildlife protection.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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See above.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

See above

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No but thank you for this concern.

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Respondent

237 Anonymous

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More work on invasive species reduction.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
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I think that $15.00 per parcel is achieving a lot of good results. There is more to be done so keep working on the environmental issues especially invasive species.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

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238 Anonymous

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Forest cleaning to reduce fire hazards would be awesome.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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Unsure if money's are being used correctly. Don't want to give money to another poorly run government position.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Unsure as of yet

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

North Shore Balfour area E/F

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] RDCK website
- [x] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [x] Local newspaper or media
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- [ ] Word of mouth
- [x] Community meeting or event
- [x] Area E/F Director's newsletter

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [ ] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] Salmon population monitoring

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Signage for boat speed reduction in narrows and sensitive nesting areas
Continue salmon population monitoring and population maintenance efforts

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [ ] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [x] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Diverse wildlife and aquatic life, better water quality, salmon population monitoring and population growth, biome protection

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Great program and initiatives for healthy lake biomes. Keep up the efforts!

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Respondent

240 Anonymous

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Eastshore Kootenay Bay

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- ◉ No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ( ) Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

242 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Mountain Shores

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Direct mail
- [ ] Email newsletter
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- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] No measurable return, monies could be better spent by the taxpayer rather than funding low/no value initiatives.

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Unsure of the question, they reflect a theme, but I am unsure how reflecting a theme adds value? Perhaps the question should be do I feel the outcomes were congruent to the the money spent and add value to visitors and residents of RDCK.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
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- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No measurable return from dollars spent. Poor use of RDCK resources and funds. Additional tax burden for qualitative results.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

243 Anonymous

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Balfour

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Water conservation

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Kaslo

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [ ] Local newspaper or media
- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] Tax bill

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Wetland

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

It is added to every single parcel I own rather than the group of parcels. I I consolidated my land it would only apply to one piece. Maybe it should be a percent to better reflect

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

245 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Direct mail
- [ ] Email newsletter
- [x] Social media
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

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No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☑ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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Keep the $ in area

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

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3(b) Projects are not visible or present in my area
I don't know how funding decisions are made

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Respondent

246 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Taxation should stay in area it came from

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

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247 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

I am a property owner but it is raw land. I do not live there. However, I support the fund.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

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Habitat protection - without habitat, species cannot survive

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Land stewardship is crucial. Glad to see a local government stepping up to the plate.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

3(a) Help protect local wildlife and habitat
Tailed frog. Note: I have done work under BC Hydro compensation fund, so I support this kind of thing
Reduces invasive species
My son works on this
5(a) get machines out of the back country - motorbikes, snow mobiles etc
7(a) Other, All good causes
7(b) wildlife or habitat conservation
Mt caribou are going down the drain

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248 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Ainsworth (Woodbury)

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Mailed bulletins would be helpful to inform residents

2(a) other, receiving questionnaire
3(a) supports healthy water systems
Reduces invasive species
Supports local conservation groups and jobs
3(b) Projects are not visible or present in my area

7(b) I'm not sure what the needs are

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Kaslo, we own property in Area D

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

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If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [x] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
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Light Pollution, effluent discharge (sewer treatment), watershed protection (in conjunction w Ministry of Forests)

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Awareness of conservation projects happening in our area

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

We have been aware of the work of the LCF but not of the funding sources and processes.

7(a) Promoting stewardship and education.
7(b) water quality or watershed protection

View results

Respondent

250 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

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watershed monitoring and protection

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I'd be happy to contribute $25 per year.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Emphasis on environmental protection and enhancement. It's good for the local population to think about these things.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep up the good work!

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Respondent

251 Anonymous

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Non toxic Scotch Broom eradication and control.

Water conservation/protection > private land logging bordering or spanning licensed creeks and streams should be monitored for riparian protection.

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- ○ Yes
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The $15.00 per parcel should be based on how much if any LCF funding it's home district has received.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure, as I did not see any specific LCF projects done in my area looking at the completed projects list .

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

252 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

South of Kaslo on Dave, North of Pine ridge ard

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Reduce invasive species, encourage pollinators + native plants, healthy water systems, checking for sewer water in lake close to homes along lake

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Reduce invasive species, help pollinator species + native plants, help wildlife co exist

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

5(a) Stop the spraying of Glyconate (? Spelling) in forests + no weed spraying. The wild flowers + bugs are disappearing even where there are no people.

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Respondent

253 Anonymous

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RDEK Area

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Fish & wildlife conservation in Joseph creek. Beaver conservation Joseph creek+ Idlewild park

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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I think an annual document describing the work done in each area with description + type of construction work completed for local areas to review

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Potential

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Show more involvement in community

3(b) Projects are not visible or present in my area
I don't know how funding decisions are made

5(a) Hunting, animal/fish conservation in Joseph creek

7(b) wildlife or habitat conservation
Local community needs or priorities

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Making people aware of needed care!

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) No
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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Gray Creek

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- (●) Yes
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [x] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [ ] Other

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- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Access removal

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Continued access and use of FSR roads, no maintenance needed, user uses at own risk...

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ FSR not blocked by government efforts

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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257 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Salmo, B.C.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Direct mail
- [ ] Email newsletter
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Improvement of fish and wildlife habitat, wetland and creek restoration

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I don't know if they benefit Salmo and area

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Don't know much about this Fund

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Respondent

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford Bay

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reduce logging

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Preserving the wetlands in Crawford Bay

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Meadowbrook just NE of Kimberley, east kootenay (RDEK)

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Ground water study
How a growing human population is affecting the ecology of the region

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

We need to explore ways to move away from our current economy based on continued growth

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

It has the potential to stimulate & promote ideas & discussion by all residents.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep it happening

3(b) projects are not visible or present in my area
Other, I am not part of the RDCK

5(a) Not sure as I live in the RDEK

7(b) water quality or watershed protection
Wildlife or habitat conservation
Climate change and resilience

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260 Anonymous

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water Monitoring, protection of ecologically significant lands

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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Index the $15 fee to inflation

Final Thoughts

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Can't answer

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep doing it!

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262 Anonymous

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263 Anonymous

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- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [x] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [x] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
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No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
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I did multiple attempts at calling the bat number on the pamphlet with no response and most of the stuff that you guys are covering, is also covered by the bc ministry?

Final Thoughts

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This is the first time I've heard from you. By mail.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

In 10 years, this is the first time I've heard of your initiatives maybe a little bit more communication is required.

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264 Anonymous

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More wildlife corridors andf habitat connectivity projects to provide options for wildlife movements.

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The fund should be adjusted for inflation, ie increasing costs of delivering any projects. Make it $2-$25/yr

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Awareness of the importance of functioning ecosystems and concrete on the ground projects being delivered.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It needs to be expanded to all areas of the RDCK to be fully effective, i.e. Creston areas B, and C are currently excluded and could benefit of such a program.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Erickson

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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266 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Riondel

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Direct mail
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] this is based on reading about projects funded so far

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- (●) Yes
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- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I would consider continued wetland restoration project especially useful, but there are so many potential projects that would be helpful to creating a better balance between humans and wildlife/wildlands.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Since awareness of this fund is new to me, I have only had time to get a small sense of the projects that have been funded so far, but I am sure there is always room for improvement and ensuring successful outcomes

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure that there have been any immediate benefits to Riondel, but any conservation projects in the greater Kootenay region are likely to have longterm benefits for all of us.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Glad to learn about this fund and hope that it continues to be supported by local residents.

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267 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

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- ◉ No

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Kootenay Lake water quality and aquatic health assessments

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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I think with the rising cost of everything you should move to $20 per parcel and use the extra $ to send out a quarterly update newsletter to land owners

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Keeping and eye on critical environmental and wildlife issues. I feel that governments across the country are having less presence in this regard

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep up the good work, and keep us updated. As an employee of Parks Canada Resource Conservation Program for almost 25 years I know how important and often underappreciated this work can be.

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Awareness and Communication

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Mirror Lake / Kaslo

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Protecting wildlife and watersheds

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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Water, wildlife and environmental protection

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Queens Bay (Area E)

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [ ] Local newspaper or media
- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] I am RDCK staff

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Watershed related as well as continuing current types of conservation projects.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ Not sure

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I'd increase to $25 per parcel to factor inflation since inception.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Responding to needs that otherwise would not necessarily receive local government funding.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

That fiscal conservatism choose to stop the fund and deprioritize the important work it accomplishes

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Respondent

270 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

This fund was supposed to be only for Kootenay Lake

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ( ) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- (•) No
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Money from this fund was supposed to stay in the area where it was collected and only be for Kootenay Lake so this was not done as promised

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

271 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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- (●) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

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Respondent

272 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

none

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- ○ Yes
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Goverment institution are not know to provide good service

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure as I did not know about the project

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Projects that employ youth and come with a strong community engagement component.

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Connects land ownership to conservation. Supports local employment.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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275 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

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- ○ Yes
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- ( ) Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Not sure

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

276 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Invasive plants removal.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Cleaning the environment.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No

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Respondent

277 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Watershed protection and distribution

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Watershed protection

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep up the good work!

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Respondent

278 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

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kaslo

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes
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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Back woods access for ALL

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

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No answer provided.

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281 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [ ] Local newspaper or media
- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [ ] Other

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Water retention due to less snowfall. Here's an idea: to conserve water in the alpine due to less snow accumulation, construct small creek dams to retain water (basically, lets make a bunch of really small lakes up in the alpine)....or something along those lines to create wee lil' reservoirs up there.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [x] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
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Tax payers trust the RDCK staff to spend our tax dollars wisely.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

The name says it all; conservation

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Wildfire mitigation blended with conservation needs to be common practice, if it isn't already.

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282 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [ ] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [ ] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Conserve sandy beaches for public access

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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Final Thoughts

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It is important to preserve public spaces that are accessible to a wide range and ability access - public beaches and waterfront shore not be privatized

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Fishing and recreation be lake need to be enhanced. And mean along the share to be developed into small pockets of wilderness parks or "manne parks" for kayaking, swimming, sailing.

3(b) projects are not visible or present in my area

5(a) Not sure

Provision of protection barriers along the highway between Nelson and Balfour Kaslo - somehow - deer/el control

At night that highway is very dark and the Lexes enter and shoulder are not visible - no cat eyes either

Deer tend to cross highway

Car impact and damage to both car and pan angers

7(b) water quality or watershed protection
Wildlife or habitat conservation
I'm not sure what the needs are

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283 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Queens Bay

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I appreciate the ideas behind the LCF, but this is the first I have heard of them despite living in the area for my whole life. I would love to see/hear more about their initiatives, who they are, and what they have done. Water use, land use, and animal conservation projects would be what I am most curious about.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

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- ◉ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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I like the idea, but would like more information on what the program is and what it is actually doing

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

no idea

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Like I said, it's a great idea, but both my husband and I are born and raised here, if neither of us have heard of this organization I wonder if they are doing enough to get their message out there?
Thank you for bringing my attention to this matter

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Cooper creek / meadow Creek

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- (•) No

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- [x] Hand deliver please

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [x] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [ ] Other

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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Leave nature alone stop the chemical and slow down air traffic trails

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Interesting how the guy you gave grant money to make his property wet lands is the lazy mosquito control guy and how many extra people did you hire because he was not doing his job. Oh! And he still has his job!

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
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- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ There is no climate change why don't you stop the chem trails

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When you start giving more money to pensioners but just keep taking from the oppressed area's people

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

There is not any

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Hog wash

2(a) other what people talk about
3(a) you only help who you want can never get hold of people when we need

4 start being transparent stop the lies

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Vancouver. I have a tenant

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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- [ ] Email newsletter
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- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

View results

Respondent

286 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Woodbury village, Area D

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
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- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
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- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [x] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
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- [ ] Other

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Any projects that contribute to climate change mitigation

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Climate change mitigation and adaptation

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

5(a) climate mitigation cannot be over represented

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Respondent

287 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

[redacted]d, Boswell

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2(b) Direct mail

3(a) supports healthy water systems
Help protect local wildlife and habitat
Reduces invasive species
Encourages pollinators and native plants
Helps reduce human -wildlife conflict
Supports conservation of ecological significant lands in my community
Supports local conservation groups and jobs

3(b) I don't know how funding decisions are made

7(a) ALL

7(b) water quality or watershed protection
Wildlife or habitat conservation

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Respondent

288 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Argenta

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
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- ☐ Other

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Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Wildlife prevention/ resiliency of community
A la sifco type approach

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

You could increase amount to $20

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

A return envelope with your address would have been helpful. Would probably get you more returns.

7(b) water quality or watershed protection
Wildlife or habitat conservation
Local community needs or priorities
I'm not sure what the needs are
Other, wildfire issues see above

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289 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour/ Proctor

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [x] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] Anything to provide for the environment!

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- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Helping us the people providing a proper mail service so people without vehicles don't have to walk orcatal rides to the Balfour post office to mail parcels! A lot of extra fuel for nothing

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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Also yes, but with improvements. As previously stated

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not visible here but where it is being done that's good.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2(b) direct mail

5(a) forest conservation, water conservation, global warming

7(b) climate change and resilience
Other, lack of tree planting
More water catchment
People's wells are going dry

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290 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Gray Creek, Area A

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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Kootenay Lake sustainability via septic pumpouts and overall boater awareness...NOT boater restriction. Example...awareness of wave action close to shore. BTW the hard copy question 6(a) is missing here online...i.e What themes or types of conservation projects to dyou believe are under-represented.

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- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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I do not have a list of the projects, their cost, nor the deliverables. Need more local community input of needs and priorities

Final Thoughts

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This is an additional fund that hopefully augments, rather than duplicates, other funding.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

The $15/parcel is sustainable. However, public awareness of the projects and the Conservation fund sponsorship is limited. Areas with large parcels benefit from the program (if the more urban areas are in fact taxed for this.)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

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Old Growth conservation

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Increased capacity to deliver conservation programs

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Projects that encourage beavers to thrive

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

293 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Kaslo

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☑ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Waterways restoration, conservation as needed determined by experts

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No answer provided.

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Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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294 Anonymous

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stock kokanee in local streams and rivers (other than meadow creek) Stop the cull of Gerrard rainbows and Bull trout

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money being spent on culling fish stocks is being wasted , not sure how much RDCK $$ is being used on this

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Most of the projects are a benefit , we live in one of the cleanest water source area's left in BC

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Use the weight of the RDCK to fight against the continuation of the fish cull and throw support towards a kokanee stocking program

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Awareness and Communication

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Kaslo

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

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Invasive species control

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Well Done!

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Conservation awareness in the local population and conservation action in the local community.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Focus on Invasive species, and human disturbance of the littoral zone of Kootenay Lake.

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Respondent

296 Anonymous

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Advocate against the use of herbicides and pesticides in region, ie. Fortis proposed use of gylphosate along power line right of way. Reduce distance of transfer stations from populated areas to eliminate approximately 100000km of annual travel and reduce roadside dumping. Lower/reduce dump fees to reduce roadside dumping.

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

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Perhaps I'd have a ready answer to the previous question re: the greatest benefit of LCF if it's work was better promoted and not come to attention for this survey after a decade without any information.

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
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- ☑ I believe other issues should take precedence
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No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Respondent

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I value the work local non-profits provide to educate and repair habitat.

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I value the projects that have been funded to help repair and promote good habitat, and educate land owners on the choses they make on their land. I do not like that funds from the LCF were used to help create government guidance documents and then promote those documents. This very much feels like land owners are funding a group with one motivation to create policy. Policy (bylaws) and guidance documents should be created by elected officials with input from their constituents and experts in the applicable specialties. I do not believe groups should receive funds or be given a voice on policy when their rational can be shrouded in the terms 'confidential and proprietary'.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

non-profits providing work to restore habitat and educate landowners

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It should not be used to fund groups or projects that will lobby government with the motivation of that group.

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I think it should be increased given how much taxes have gone up

Final Thoughts

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some protection for our precious eco sysems

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300 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Mountain Station near Nelson

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

All that I checked! I juat moved here last year and am so happy to hear about the fund.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Increase it to 30 per household

View results

Respondent

301 Anonymous

03:58
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More lawns converted to pollinator garden/habitat

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Bear aware funding for electric fences for those who cant afford it

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

302 Anonymous

10:08
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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

The Middle Road community/Heddle Road Bench

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- ○ Yes
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Protect drinking water and increase/encourage pollinators and native plants

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Enhance biodiversity and promote local stewardship of our ecology

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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303 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Riondel Rd

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- ( ) No

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No answer provided.

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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep on going

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Respondent

304 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Educational outreach that would enable community members to connect with volunteers/biologists/ wildlife techs/Ktunaxa involved with these projects so that community members can develop an understanding of the vital importance of healthy ecosystems and how they can steward the lands in a good way.

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Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protection and promotion of healthy ecosystem

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Thank you for the ongoing committment to the health and wellbeing of all human and non-human relations that reside here

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Respondent

305 Anonymous

18:17
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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] Increased taxes

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] Because only those who are paying higher taxes should be able to vote and have their opinions heard.

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Anything not funded by taxpayers
Volunteer efforts only.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☑ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Taxpayers rights as opposed to " residents "

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Only the taxpayers should have a voice in taxation.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Nothing, if it's important volunteer funding should not be an issue. If funding was voluntary I could choose whether or not to participate. My money, my choice. Less government equals less taxes. Enough already. Cancel the program now. Ten years of involuntary taxation should be over.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I never asked for it, neither was I given a choice to fund it. Not your money to play with.

View results

Respondent

306 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Restoration, native planting, invasive species control

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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It could be more $$ - it's a worthy cause

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Ability to do things at a local level

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I'd like to learn more and how to help or volunteer on projects

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Respondent

307 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Meadow Creek

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Native plant installations/pollinator gardens, bird specific habitat, interpretive centre type community education to encourage rural landowners to appreciate habitat on their land. Also indigenous-led food plantings?

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I'm happy to pay whatever amount, I'm tremendously in support of all efforts, especially locally managed efforts, to improve habitat, biodiversity, and support climate resilience

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not actually sure what projects are near me but am aware of the litany of benefits of conservation. Biodiversity, drought mitigation, flood mitigation, etc etc

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

As Robin Kimmerer points out, part of conservation is reigniting our (humans) connection with the land. Rural folks have tremendous capacity to support and improve wild spaces; but only if we understand and appreciate them. Education and community connection to the bounty and beauty of wild spaces can have an exponential effect

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Argenta

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Continuation of mentioned conservation's. While researching how to opening doors for new younger family's to grow and live in the are while finding balance in the impact

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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Paying or contributing has local value however inpact of the ecology should be view on a more industrial level and it coast to the RDCK, understanding there is human value with in the parameters of employment.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Helping us understand our human impact in the area while we continue to find a balance to coexist in this region.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I see this area has great value in many ways based on the wealth of the land. Finding balance with the human interaction is trickier now than perhaps ever. Education and thinking outside of the box is whats needed while we can take steps then find a balance. Looking to the past while travelling forward requires a huge commitment in communication about our relationship to this land and our human needs for a economy with in the understanding that we all hold many strong and divers view points. I feel we can all come together as we really all share the same fundamental needs as humans and are dependency of the world around us.

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Awareness and Communication

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Crawford Bay

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Wetlands restoration

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protection of waterways

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

310 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour BC [redacted]

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☑ The only thing I know is we pay towards a party beach area lucky it has a outhouse facility which is Ok

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [x] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I don't see any bear fencing anywhere in any Balfour areas

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [x] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [x] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [x] Needs more fire smart areas in the area

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- (●) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Keep up the good work on our water system, put up bear fences in the lower Balfour area such as busk road and the street areas that are close to the area near all the streets in lower Balfour area

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Good drinking water and reliable source and a good water system

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep up the good work and hope fully keep the parcel tax as is at $15 per year which is ok with me. Tks

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Respondent

311 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

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- ◉ No

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- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Specific allocation and designation of tax $ to environmental and conservation initiatives.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2(a) this survey

7(a) promoting stewardship and education

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Respondent

312 Anonymous

05:11
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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Anderson bay community, Area A

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Can anything be done about "Mosquito" populations in the Kushanook/Armstrong bay area?

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Not sure

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I am sure there are new projects that need to be taken on, I really support monitoring of invasive weeds / plants

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Bat Conservation + housing + education. I am not sure otherwise.
Oh - next creek addition to conservation area

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Keep up the good work.

7 somewhat

7(a) conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
Promoting stewardship and education

7(b) other, monitoring of shoreline modifications done by landowners and "Dock" installations

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313 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

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Balfour

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- ◉ No

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Policing of our water and the people cutting trees on the govt land and setting up a sale for fire wood.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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Is there no one we can call when we have problems with the open roads left by loggers?

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

We have called forestry and RCMP to report the damage and homeless but neither will come to help!!

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

The road loggers made next to the dump and behind out lands need to be monitored or something. People helping themselves to govt forests and falling trees. Did damage to our water line this fall.

3(b) Projects are not visible or present in my area
I believe other issues should take precedence
Other, Homeless living up by our water sources.

5(a) protection of water systems, everyone going up the road to cut govt trees hence damaging water lines etc. there should be someone aware of the problems whom we could contact.

7(a) protecting lakes creeks wetlands and drinking water sources
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7(b) water quality or watershed protection
Local community needs or priorities

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314 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area H

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [ ] Local newspaper or media
- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [x] My tax bill

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [x] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] Didn't even ask just take

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- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Leave my money alone. Corporate greed. Watershed destruction

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No more logging
No more logging
No more logging

All things govt can control but just doesn't

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☑ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Some other guy gets a new fence! Leave my money alone to spend on my own concerns.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

This is all just another RDCK scheme

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Respondent

315 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Kaslo

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

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No answer provided.

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Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

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316 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Balfour

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [x] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [ ] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [ ] Other

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

More wildlife vs vehicular traffic prevention.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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Final Thoughts

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Conservation.

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Respondent

317 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E. Sunshine Bay

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- ( ) No

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- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (•) Not sure

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- ( ) No
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Fire smart implementation on large scale, less focus on aquatic resources

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Not sure

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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318 Anonymous

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Argenta

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- ◉ No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

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Final Thoughts

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Woodbury

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Respondent

320 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Johnson's Landing

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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- ○ Yes
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- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
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- ( ) Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

321 Anonymous

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Morning Mountain, Nelson

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322 Anonymous

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Boswell

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

The monitoring of water craft for the presence of invasive water species needs to be implemented more strongly at boat launches.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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Water crafts should be monitored specifically at the north and south ends of the lake to ensure they are free of invasive species.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

We are only learning of the benefits of the fund. We need to become more familiar with how it is being used.

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Respondent

323 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] No tangible benefit to the taxpayers of the RDCK. Proponents are largely activists who do not pay the tax but want to spend the money.

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- ( ) Yes
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- ( ) Yes
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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Quiet enjoyment of privately owned property

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Safe and serviced public lake access (sanitary and garbage containers/service, etc.).

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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An unnecessary, non-productive assessment on property taxes

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Please repeal the tax and dissolve the LCF

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324 Anonymous

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Blewett

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Old growth and other sensitive ecosystems
Conservation in tandem with nonmotorized recreation 0

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Final Thoughts

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Leveraging other funding
Pooling resources for environmental and social good
Results orientated projects

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

This is an incredible program... keep it up!

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325 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
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If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Bike lane in Blewett

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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Stop the chemical spraying on hydro power lines .

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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326 Anonymous

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Kaslo BC

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes
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- [x] To allocate our tax dollars better!

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

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See no benefit for us.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No

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327 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Harrop, BC

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Cleaning up encampments and rubbish left in the wilderness

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [x] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [x] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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Consider supporting. West kootenay back country wilderness watch!

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Boots on the ground. Done great work.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Great fund. Make sure you don't get caught up in too much bureaucracy

2(b) local events or open houses

5(a) addressing waste and trash dumped in the back country

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Fernie Alpine Resort

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Projects are not visible or present in my area
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Keep walking paths in the shade in woods and paths for us and wildlife

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Show progress

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

At the moment we don't know what you are spending the money on.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Should wet wood be lit and allowed to be burnt and be smoking for months? Who is in charge of changing waterways and creeks? We can show examples. Show us something that is being protected.

5(a) waterways, creek, walking paths in the woods with shade

7(b) ALL

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Blewett Area E

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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

The point is there are other means of supporting conservation projects by govt resources.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

You are assuming this LCF should keep going. But no, it should not

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
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- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ You are duplicating other provincial programs. Not a good thing and not necessary.

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There are many other sources of funding available through the Columbia Basin Trust, Fish and wildlife compensation fund, BCWF provincial and federal govt etc. Taxpayers are overtaxed on their properties.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I have no idea

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

The RDCK should stick to their core mandate. People can't afford to support extra programs that have other funding available. Even if programs are of value the funding should not be on people's properties and homes as there are other sources of funding.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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- [x] RDCK website
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Value and Outcomes

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- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

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- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- (●) Yes, continue as is
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- ( ) No
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

331 Anonymous

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Rural

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☑ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☑ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☑ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☑ Nature is incredibly resilient and if you don't think so why not go after the corporations that CREATE plastic

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Going after land owners and raising their tax base is theft, why aren't you going after BIG TECH? Multi million/billion dollar corporate businesses. Stop picking on the consumer/small holder. Why aren't you people promoting monetary reform; then you will have all the debt free money for conservation you want. (Bill still the money masters bank of North Dakota. The purpose of money is to serve humanity not enslave it)

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Hypocrisy NONE !!!

Stop using toxic sprays, pesticides to kill invasive species, this is what the province does.
Stop allowing developers to clear out swaths of land.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ None, most have been addressed. It's hot air at this point otherwise the province wouldn't allow for clear cuts especially around our watersheds ,, where to

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Ignorant Jerks. Rip off!!! Really?! FOR REAL ?! Never. Most residences are very ecological and environmentally sound. Water conservation, planting indigenous plants that attract pollinators etc, + garbage pickup every other work. Recycling compost what more do you want from your local residents?

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None,, just fridge magnet platitudes.. enough already. Go after the corporations, big business. The amount of swaths of land bought up only to be clear cut and for developers to come in and build more ugliness

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Non stop logging wynndel canyon creston are
LCF virtue signaling

To much governance where the local consumer is being penalized and blow beaten. Just stop it,,and relinquish the LCF (it's just a front).
When folks look at their taxes they literally see RED. Stop contributing to our enslavement.

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332 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Armstrong Bay (Improvement District)

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Enhancing Kootenay Lake fisheries

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- ○ Yes
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No answer provided.

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What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Unknown. I don 't know what projects have been funded by the LCF.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Would need more information before commenting.

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333 Anonymous

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- ◉ No

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Support for pollinators and native plants vs invasive species.

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Sustaining local ecological systems.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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334 Anonymous

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Balfour

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Final Thoughts

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Not sure.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Highlighting successful interventions and outcomes in newsletter would help inform me

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [ ] Local newspaper or media
- [ ] Social media
- [x] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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- ( ) Yes
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- (●) Not sure

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Tangible monitoring and prevention of invasive aquatic organisms. Would like to see support for a 'boat' inspection facility east of Creston to check boats/watercraft coming from outside the area

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☑ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Not aware of any projects in Boswell area

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I question ongoing year to year funding of bear fencing for one specific region. $80k and counting is way too much for a project that should be funded once - not year after year!

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Actually it's awareness the fund even exists!

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Like the concept and $15/yr fee - if $ are well spent.
Include total revenue collected and area allocations - may be available but don't see it.

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Respondent

336 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Mountain Shores

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
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- ☐ Other

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Still relatively new to the area but anything that protects the wildlife and water systems around Kootenay Lake.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- [x] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protection of the environment for generations to come including education about the benefits of the program.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

337 Anonymous

08:20
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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell

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- ◉ No

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

If the fund protects wildlife, environment, etc then I am all for it.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Sorry, that I didn't explore the current and past projects.

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Respondent

338 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☐ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☑ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☐ Other

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

No answer provided.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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The fund was established many years ago. The cost of living has increased dramatically since then. All forms of taxes, fees, utilities, groceries, etc., etc. have increased at an unprecedented rate since then making it very difficult for those of us seniors living on a fixed income. I feel that this program is a nice to do program rather than a need to do program. In my opinion the RDCK needs to go back to delivering only basic services and quit trying to extract these types of fees from us at this time. I feel the RDCK needs to reduce it's bureaucracy in these tough economic times.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No tangible benefits come to mind. None that i feel have made my basic existence any better since 2014.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

I strongly feel that this fund in not a priority at this time and I would prefer not to be funding such a program at this time.

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Respondent

339 Anonymous

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Gray Creek

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- [x] ?Possibly helped establish the Crawford Bay regional park and wetland area?

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

-Eradication of invasive species such as Scotch Broom. There is so much of this on the East Shore. Also knapweed.
-More public education about the very special wildlife we have in the area such as the Rubber boa, blue tailed skink, Western Leopard frog, alligator lizards, painted turtles and so on.
-Continued action to save the southern mountain caribou, increased conservation of the Kootenay mountain goats.
-More action regarding aquatic "hitchhikers". Addressing the demise of the Kokanee, Dolly Varden and Lingcod that were once plentiful in Kootenay Lake. Education and control of crayfish harvesting from Kootenay Lake. More education about the whirling disease that has now infested the lake.
-STOPPING increased disposal of effluent into Kootenay Lake - the development of more and more stratas and permanent RV parks in the area is adding to this.
-More constraints on these developments themselves, both on commercial and private land is critical to the conservation of nature in the Kootenays.
-Ditto the unconstrained logging of private land. This has reached epic proportions in the past five years or so. Stricter regulations need to be put in place - and the use of public road sides as landings needs to be stopped. (This occurred on Wilmot Road this Aug/Sept which was reported but to zero effect.)
-Protection of Kootenay Lake wildlife and residents from being subjected to noisy, disruptive polluting and unnecessary motorized recreational "toys" such as jet skis.
-Educating the public about the possible downsides of the geothermal research being enthusiastically conducted and promoted on the East Shore. GeoThermal Electric Plants are massive and will have a major impact on the area. Those promoting it stand to make personal profit and are NOT presenting the entire picture of the potential repercussions to our community.
-Putting developmental restrictions on commercial development in the area to uphold the maintenance of the natural ambience of the Kootenays - for example not being allowed to put up kitschy tourist attractions in high visibility areas along the highway (eg miniature golf) turning the East Shore into a playground for seasonal tourists.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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I am not sure whether the Fund supports the needs listed but I certainly hope they do. Two needs I did not see addressed that are issues in the area are educating people about NOT burning garbage. This still happens way more than it should. Also the use of fireworks needs to be reviewed if not outright banned. People leave the garbage generated behind, fireworks are ALWAYS a fire hazard, and they terrify the wildlife. Again - unnecessary and disruptive.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

I think the local conservation initiative is very well worth supporting. I would be willing to pay twice the amount, if not more, as well as to volunteer with local initiatives. The protection of nature and the stewardship of same is paramount to living in the Kootenays. That's why we're all here isn't it?

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Thank you for having this survey and giving us the opportunity to provide feedback and offer suggestions. Much appreciated.

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Respondent

340 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☑ None, it should be defunded.

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Projects are not visible or present in my area
- ☐ I don't know how funding decisions are made
- ☑ Projects don't reflect local priorities
- ☑ I believe other issues should take precedence
- ☑ It's not the municipal governments job

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

It's a big scam that we are forced to pay for

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

I want to see full time jobs and careers from the private sector, not feel good projects funded by the government stealing money from hard working people.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Water quality or watershed protection
- [ ] Wildlife or habitat conservation
- [ ] Climate change and resilience
- [ ] Local community needs or priorities
- [ ] I'm not sure what the goals are
- [x] If people want this they can fund it from their own bank accounts.

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ( ) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Stop stealing people's hard earned money during a time where people are struggling to put food on the table. The people that want this can pay for it.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No benefits, it's just a scam that we are forced to pay for.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

It should be defunded along with the many other feel good projects that have nothing to do with the operation of the city, stick to the municipal basics. It's no wonder why our taxes are so high. Stop stealing people's money when they can't afford to put food on the table, stop growing the government.

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Respondent

341 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Wynndel

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- [x] Sourcing applicable grants

Value and Outcomes

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Community watershed protection from industrial overuse. Educating affected communities on the importance of undisturbed watersheds. Fish reintroduction into small previously productive streams.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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Ensure the money is well spent on projects, not on administration.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Bettering the environment and ecosystems

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Great idea, needs to be impelemented in other jurisdictions as well.

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342 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Argenta

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No answer provided.

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i am totally in favour of conservation - we have this one very finite planet and we MUST take action, personally and through all levels of government, to protect it.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Heritage Hills, Okanagan Falls

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- ( ) Not sure

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I have only lived in the area for a few months so I'm not aware of specific areas that need to be addressed. I'm sure a continued focus on bat habitat and conservation can benefit not only for bats but for the local ecosystem as well.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Again, I'm not familiar enough to respond intelligently. However, by this time next year I'll be able to do so.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Crawford Bay

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If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

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- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Removal of Scotch Broom, continued support of the Crawford Bay wetlands

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

345 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- ☐ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

wildlife conservation, water quality

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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I don't know what they've done in this area.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

346 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area A

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

For us knowing that something exists to look out for the Kootenays area, a source to contact

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Respondent

347 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Kootenay Lake conservation projects ...

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

348 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Nelson area

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

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Value and Outcomes

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Land conservation

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- [ ] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [ ] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [x] Not sure. This is the first I've heard of it, do not have personal experience with the project list but it seems good.

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- (•) Yes, continue as is
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I support this kind of effort but had no idea I was paying into it. Would have appreciated more knowledge before getting this survey.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

349 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

area E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
- [ ] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [x] Local newspaper or media
- [x] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [x] Community meeting or event
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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Fisheries

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☑ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ◉ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

The projects seem to be run by a small ecological group and not really community directed.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Boswell, east shore of Kootenay lake, Area A

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
- ☑ Email newsletter
- ☑ Social media
- ☑ Community bulletin boards
- ☑ Local events or open houses
- ☑ Text message

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Elimination / reduction in invasive species ie Scottish broom. Increased pollination areas

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ( ) Yes, continue as is
- (•) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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Increase community awareness

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Invasive species reduction

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

More input provided from area directors towards land parcel owners prior to project decisions being made.

3(A) ALL
3(B) projects are not visible or present in my area
I don't know how funding decisions are made

5(a) monitoring of logging practices near watercourses ie creeks, streams, springs and other drinking water sources or riparian economics

7(a) protecting lakes creeks wetlands and drinking water sources
Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species

7(b) water quality or watershed protection

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Sanca area

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Logging should not off the highway. Sell cheap land and you let them log it off

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
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You're likely doing what best

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Healthy lake

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Visual logging in an easily seen valley is the worst

3(b) I don't know how funding decisions are made

5(a) lake problems
Logging

7(b) water quality or watershed protection
Climate change and resilience

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Respondent

352 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

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- ◉ No

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- ☑ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☑ Newspapers (locally)

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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We never heard of it. We tried to get out of the mosquito control and was impossible. Need more transparency at large with RDCK ex: knowing when we can vote for our representatives

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

More transparency

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Redfish creek

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Getting rid of more noxious and invasive species. Japanese knot weed for one.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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People take water for granted and I would like to see more on water conservation.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure if anything has been done in our area

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Who decides where the money goes and for what. More information on what the money is actually spent on.

2(b) email newsletter

3(b) I don't know how funding decisions are made

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354 Anonymous

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Long Beach Nelson - Balfour - Harrop - Proctor

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Value and Outcomes

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- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [ ] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [ ] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [ ] Other

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Greater protection of the lakefront ie disallow wharfs, piers, rock moving etc
Greater surveillance and restrictions on new lakefront development

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ No
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Every little bit helps; even charge $20 /yr

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

That there's someone (group) paying attention to the well being of kootenay lake

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

5(a) awareness of invasive plants and assistance in removal of them. Especially on private land.
7(b) water quality or watershed protection

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- ○ Yes
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No answer provided.

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

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7(a) Protecting lakes creeks wetlands and drinking water sources

7(b) local community needs or priorities

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Respondent

356 Anonymous

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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

No answer provided.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

None

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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Final Thoughts

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None

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Respondent

357 Anonymous

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Protect old growth forest and primary forest wherever and whenever possible.

Clean up beach front property, especially decaying docks and boat houses that are shedding styrofoam.

Establish a waterway for fish hatchlings to reach the lake from Narrows Creek below the tracks. Currently they get trapped in a pond and die. It would just take a simple pipe or a bit of excavation to create a route to the lake.

Educate the locals about spreading their compost and yard waste on the side of the road especially Lewis Road. It causes a hazard for dogs being walked when they eat it or roll in it. I've also found abandoned glowing embers on the side of the road.

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- (●) Yes
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- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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358 Anonymous

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Building in local residents to long-term wildlife an habitat stewardship

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- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Opportunities to steward and protect local ecosystems beyond volunteer effort

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

None are under represented.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Quit spending money on pet projects that are merely boondoggles for local unemployables

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
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If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Water quality or watershed protection
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RDCK SHOULD TAKE ON LESS - REDUCE EXPANSION - REDUCE TAXATION - STAY OUT OF OUR LIVES

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Little Benefit if any

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Do away with it.

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360 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
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- [x] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Always more wild life and land conservation and also the Harrison Memorial Church in Crawford Bay. Its a heritage site, and a well used cultural events center for our community . Is there any way the RDCK can add it to its conservation efforts?

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Protection of our wetlands

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

-Protection of natural areas that still have some natural vegetation left
-restriction of use of gasoline powered recreation vehicles in local forest areas

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Since I only recently learned of the LCF and there has been only 1 project around my home, I can say that it was an area in need of help and it was wonderful to see that people cared enough to try to help keep the area healthy to the local wildlife. The greatest benefit you bring is to give us hope that the area is not going to be eventually destroyed by developers.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Perhaps you do not publicize your work enough. In over 10 years of living here I have not heard anything about your work that I recall. At any rate, it is good to have heard of you and from you. Good luck with all you do! Thank you.

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Respondent

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Awareness and Communication

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Area E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- ☐ Direct mail
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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I'm very glad it exists and am looking forward to learning more about it over the years

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

We received this letter to our in-laws home in NY state. My husband and I are the ones who live on the property, and are most likely to be involved. If there was a way to keep in touch via email that would be best.

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Ainsworth Hot Springs

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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- [x] It appears on my annual property tax notice under "Parcel Tax."

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [x] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [ ] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] In your brochure it states that the RDCK / LCF funds are used for projects such as "wetland and creek restoration" and "protection of ecologically significant

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What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Protection of the foreshore and shoreline -- please see 3 (b) "Other" (above).

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☑ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☐ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☑ Please see 3b "Other" (above).

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ◉ No
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Unfortunately, your efforts are being undermined by a failure to enforce bylaws and government regulations in the area.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Awareness and Communication

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Harrop-Procter

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We would like to know how it is that organizations like FKLSS run on shoestring budgets and do much for the wetland and riparian areas in Harrop while the RDCK has this LCF that could seemingly work in partnership or even support what FKLSS does already.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
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- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Currently, many residents along the treatment corridor of Nelson Hydro's proposed Pest Management Plan are concerned about the potential use of pesticides for vegetation mitigation. We are starting to know more about what these chemicals are doing to our land, pollinators and our overall health. As it states on the RDCK website, the priorities of the LCF are to protect clean water sources, conserve and restore natural environments for flora and fauna. How can these funds be used and how can the RDCK act on our behalf to do just that so that pesticide usage does not finds its way into our water, soil and foods. How can the RDCK's efforts in local conservation be seen as effective if pesticide usage by local utilities in this region is still allowed to occur.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

We would like to see greater collaboration between organizations (FKLSS, CKISS) that try to improve the quality of our ecosystems. We need more funding/support for ecologically sound methods of treatment for invasive species so that the default method isn't pesticide based.
According to a current study conducted out of the University of Cambridge UK - there is not one ecosystem in the world unaffected by chemical use. If this is truly a conservation fund, then shouldn't we be seeing this in action by lobbying to ban pesticide use?

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Respondent

365 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Mountain station

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Protect old growth trees

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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Water protectors

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Respondent

366 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Gray Creek

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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- [x] Local newspaper or media
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- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

- Better monitoring/protection of the foreshore, esp. in view of increasing private lakeshore properties
- More effective messaging to boaters re invasive species, and to property owners to eradicate broom & knapweed. How to reach absentee owners & summer residents
- Need controlled burns to protect Hwy 3A as the only evacuation route between Riondel/Ashram & Creston, and to remove dead & dying roadside trees in danger of falling on vehicles, cyclists, walkers
- Need effective messaging to prevent spread of rats into Area A from Creston & North Shore on hay & firewood transport trucks
- Set up & fund community radon testing workshops

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- (●) Yes
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

367 Anonymous

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What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Woodbury Village (vacation home)

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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No answer provided.

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I am a new home owner in the area and am not very familiar with the program.

Final Thoughts

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368 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Pilot Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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Emphasis on kootenay lake conservation
Re introduction of Kokanee and Trout

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Harrop

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- [x] Tax forms

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Projects are not visible or present in my area
- [ ] I don't know how funding decisions are made
- [ ] Projects don't reflect local priorities
- [x] I believe other issues should take precedence
- [x] It is a way to manipulate funding sources

Do you think the LCF parcel tax of $15/parcel/year has provided good value for the funding spent? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

In your opinion, do the projects supported by the LCF reflect the Fund's themes of water, wildlife, and habitat conservation?

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Preservation by using all funds to purchase properties

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Land purchases

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ( ) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

The relationships are too incestuis between the RDCk, contractors, every level requires real independence the current model is a joke friends feeding each other

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Employment by those who agree and are willing to do the RDCK managers bidding if you are not in the group you won't get funding

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Remove it ASAP!!!

2(b) stop the tax and no info required

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Respondent

370 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

No answer provided.

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☑ Not a fan of more bloated bureaucracy/empire building for academics to line their pockets

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

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- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Quit pushing us all toward your unsubstantiated green crift "climate crisis" agenda (Allbeedly)

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] Water quality or watershed protection
- [ ] Wildlife or habitat conservation
- [ ] Climate change and resilience
- [ ] Local community needs or priorities
- [ ] I'm not sure what the goals are
- [x] Quit creating false projects to get us to fund with we don't see any results from any level of government. Such a great way to take just a little bit or $$$ fror

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No because we don't need more Bwated bureaucracy nickel diming us to virtue signal and line their own pockets

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None - it's more virtue signaling and green grift scams to steal from the taxpayer

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Until you and your cohorts in on the climate change hoax / grift can put a complete stop to the spraying of our skies. Spraying of our food and outright poisoning of we the people..then I see absolutely no good reason for RDCk existence
(Ps your not the only useless bureaucratic grifisrs)

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371 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area E

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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Value and Outcomes

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Not sure

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
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- ◉ Not sure

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- ( ) Not sure

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Final Thoughts

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Not sure

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No

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Respondent

372 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area e

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☑ Community bulletin boards
- ☐ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Not sure

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Not sure

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No

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Respondent

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Area A

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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

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- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

Invasive Weed Management

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Human Ecology / Mosquito control

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

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- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ◉ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

Improved pest management for human environmental improvements including mosquito control, and wildlife terrestrial aquatic and invasive weed control.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No, but please clean up the roadside rest areas, and beaches they are overrun with degrading infrastructure, garbage and invasive weeds.

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Respondent

374 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Riondel - Crawford Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, how did you first learn about the Local Conservation Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- [ ] RDCK website
- [x] Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) website
- [ ] Local newspaper or media
- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Word of mouth
- [ ] Community meeting or event
- [ ] Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [x] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [x] generates awareness & provides education

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- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

habitat and water protection as well as alternatives to spraying for invasive plant species

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, in what ways do you feel the Fund supports these needs? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Protecting lakes, creeks, wetlands, and drinking water sources
- [x] Conserving wildlife habitat and biodiversity
- [ ] Supporting climate adaptation or resilience
- [ ] Reducing environmental degradation or invasive species
- [x] Promoting stewardship and education
- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes, continue as is
- ( ) Yes, but with improvements
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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engaging public and trained people to work together

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

more exposure and education via local media

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Respondent

375 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Crawford Bay

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

No answer provided.

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

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No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

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Respondent

376 Anonymous

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Rosemont, Nelson

Have you heard of the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF)? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If you are not aware of the Fund, how would you prefer to receive information about local conservation projects? (Tick all that apply)

- ☑ Direct mail
- ☐ Email newsletter
- ☐ Social media
- ☑ Community bulletin boards
- ☑ Local events or open houses
- ☐ Other

Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

If yes, what benefits do you see from the LCF? (Tick all that apply)

- [x] Supports healthy water systems
- [x] Helps protect local wildlife and habitat
- [x] Reduces invasive species
- [x] Encourages pollinators and native plants
- [x] Helps reduce human-wildlife conflict
- [x] Supports conservation of ecologically significant lands in my community
- [x] Supports local conservation groups and jobs
- [ ] Other

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not sure

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Pollinator gardens, wildlife coexistence strategies, water protection, at risk species protection

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not sure

Should the RDCK continue to tax $15 per parcel annually to fund the local conservation initiative? *

- ◉ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
- ○ No
- ○ Not sure

Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

I fully appreciate the efforts of the fund and the impressive list of projects it supports, however I am not particularly familiar with the success rate of projects that have been implemented so cannot reasonably comment on whether environmental needs are being met.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Supporting third party individuals (land owners biologists/scientists, community groups in projects that they feel specifically benefit their unique and specific ecosystems, rather than forwarding a particular agenda.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

No answer provided.

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Respondent

377 Anonymous

03:35
Time to complete

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Awareness and Communication

What community or neighborhood do you live in?

Blewett

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Value and Outcomes

Do you believe the LCF provides value to your community where funds are used for local conservation efforts? *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Not sure

If no, what are your reasons for feeling the Local Conservation Fund does not provide value? (Tick all that apply)

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Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Any that don't take taxes to fund

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
- ○ Yes, but with improvements
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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

This is govt. Outreach. We are paying too much already in taxation

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

None

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Stop funding stuff outside of necessary infrastructure.

2(b) Don't want it to continue
3(a) should be funded by those supporting, not a tax
5(a) again, these projects should be managed and funded through volunteers and those who are interested

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378 Anonymous

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Blewett

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- ◉ No
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- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

What themes or types of conservation projects do you believe are under-represented?

No answer provided.

Community Priorities and Future Direction

What types of conservation projects would you like to see more of in your area?

Want to left alone. Can't afford more taxes for ridicous

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

No answer provided.

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- ○ Yes, continue as is
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No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

No answer provided.

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

2(b) Do not wish
3(a) Tax grab from people who can't afford it

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Respondent

379 Anonymous

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None

Do you feel the Fund supports your area's land use and environmental needs? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not sure

If no, what needs or priorities do you feel are not being addressed by the Fund? (Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Water quality or watershed protection
- ☐ Wildlife or habitat conservation
- ☐ Climate change and resilience
- ☑ Local community needs or priorities
- ☐ I'm not sure what the goals are
- ☐ Other

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Please use the space below to explain your answer from above if you wish to do so.

No answer provided.

Final Thoughts

What is the greatest benefit you feel the Local Conservation Fund brings to your area?

Don't

Do you have any other comments, suggestions, or concerns about the Local Conservation Fund?

Do not want a fund.