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Watching the sunrise from atop Mount Benson.

Photo: Ambrose Knobel

Adapting to COVID-19

As all of us are doing, NALT is adapting to the world of COVID-19 spread. This has affected every aspect of how we operate. In this newsletter you'll read about how it has changed how we gather, how we work, how we fundraise, how we share our opinions and how we carry out our mission – *to support, promote and protect the natural values of land and water in our area.*

In the office we have reduced how many staff are there at any given time, changed how we organize our work and workspaces to maximize our physical distance, and although we are open and available for drop-in questions and resource sharing, the door remains locked to allow staff to determine how to safely address the needs of our members and supporters. As well, due to reduced in office staffing levels, sometimes we're out of the office during regular hours, so it is always a good idea to call or email ahead to ensure someone will be there for you. Reduced office hours doesn't mean reduced staff hours, we have not only managed to carry out our work working from home and in the field but have also welcomed a new staff member into the fold, Linda Brooymans, NALT's Stewardship Coordinator.

At the nursery, the volunteers and Nursery Coordinator Susan Fisher have a protocol in place to safely help you with your native plant questions and purchases.

In the field, we are developing protocol to allow us to safely carry-out stewardship activities such as streamside restoration and fundraisers such as our bottle drives. This protocol will be adaptive to the changing health authority requirements as well as those of any venue that may host a workshop or other activity.

Unfortunately, some things that have been NALT favourites for a number of years will be suspended for this year. At this time there will not be a NALT calendar produced for 2021 nor will there be a Wine & Cheese Soiree this fall. We hope we will be able to relaunch both of these NALT staples when we have made it through this pandemic.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the NALT office 250-714-1990 or email admin@nalt.bc.ca

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NALT's New Stewardship Coordinator

In late August, NALT welcomed Linda Brooymans, into the fold. Linda will be taking on the new role of Stewardship Coordinator. When we can safely gather again, you'll have a chance to meet Linda in-person at a stewardship activity, until then, here is a brief introduction.

I've been living on the island since 2013, raising my kids in this

beautiful landscape that allows me to foster in them a love and appreciation of forest, mountain, river and sea. This place has so much to offer, and I still marvel every day at my incredible luck in being able to experience it and share it with this next generation of stewards. I have been active in local conservation efforts as a founding member of Walley

Creek Streamkeepers, as a volunteer leader of Nanaimo NatureKids, and as a research coordinator with VIU's Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Reserve Research Institute (MABRRI). I look forward to carrying that passion forward in to my position as NALT Stewardship Coordinator, where I'll be responsible for managing stewardship projects headed by NALT, as well as supporting existing and fledgling stewardship groups in the wider community in achieving their goals.



**Stewardship Coordinator
Linda Brooymans.**

A bit about me: I am a trained anthropologist with research experience in how cultural practices and beliefs inform land use and resource management. I have done research in the NWT, Northern Quebec, Nova Scotia and the Netherlands. I am originally from Edmonton, Alberta, and I grew up with a love of the flat, open landscapes and big skies of the prairies.

NALT Native Plant Nursery News

It's nearly autumn, amazing how time flies!

Beginning July 1st, the nursery moved into COVID protocol 3, after starting with protocol 1 on March 16th, then protocol 2, and now 3. We were able to move on to this current protocol after volunteers and customers had opportunity to practice distancing and sanitation measures. It has gone well, although no shared food meant no traditional birthday cakes for spring or summer birthday volunteers. It also meant some changes in procedures, like adding mail order seed sales and a self-serve kiosk, which has proved successful.

Summer

This summer we put on a new greenhouse roof. It's the same poly with woven fabric that we used on the original roof 12 years ago. That's great longevity! We thank Deryck Cowling for organizing the project, and Norm Wagenaar, Denis Hughes, and Kevan Hudson who assisted. The wider volunteer crew also helped out where we could, while we enjoyed watching the progress. Thanks to David Cowling of Shining Knight Construction for loaning and delivering the scaffolding.

Another project every summer is washing pots for propagation; we call it adult water play. Summer is also the time to collect native seeds to clean and sort. We'll begin planting them for spring plants once the temperatures are lower, and volunteers also will be packaging the seeds for sale. Last year we had 45 varieties of seeds for sale. You can check out what's currently available on the website at [plants/nalt.bc.ca](https://plants.nalt.bc.ca). Summer also means plants need extra water, which we gather from rainwater collection and from the pond behind the house.



Volunteers move the new greenhouse roofing material to the job site.

Photo: Norm Wagenaar

Fall into Winter

A main task in fall and winter, in addition to planting seeds, is propagating shrubs and trees from cuttings. The nursery is supplying plants for 3 fairly large orders this fall: an Alder Environmental and RDN project in Chase River, the Lasqueti Island Nature Reserve, and a planting led by Colton Vandermollen for the Transit Beach in Ladysmith.

In November we are pleased to rent the greenhouse on non-volunteer days for use by Science Nanaimo, a group that supports home schooled children. The Oregon Ash plant sitting project should be coming to an end as the trees are collected to go to their new homes in Duncan. We are fortunate to be involved in interesting, ecologically useful projects.

Moving further into winter, the nursery will again offer potted native Christmas trees and native seeds. Did you know that last year, for the first time, we made more selling seeds than trees?!

Thank you for supporting the NALT nursery through your seed, plant, and pot donations, by shopping with us, and for spreading good words of reference.

The nursery is open year-round Wednesdays 10 – 3 and Saturdays 11 – 3, where we are happy to get our hands dirty.



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2020 Vancouver Island Water Stewardship Symposium

*By Kim Stephens, M.Eng., P.Eng, Executive Director
Partnership for Water Sustainability in BC*

Adapting to the COVID-19 Reality

In 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic has changed everything and created a new reality for everyone on Planet Earth. Until there is a vaccine, mass gatherings are not allowed. Thus, events such as the Third Annual Symposium must be delivered online rather than in-person.

We have chosen to be bold in how we leverage technology. We will not subject viewers to a day of staring at their computer screens!

Under our pandemic response plan, the three modules are being undertaken as a Video Trilogy Series. Each event is 90-minutes in duration, with delivery via YouTube on November 19, November 26 and December 3.

We are blending technology platforms to provide an experience that is equivalent to viewing an engaging TED Talk video, while allowing for live interaction with those who are leading by example in British Columbia.

Cascading Content, Visual and Engaging

Watershed Moments, the video trilogy series, focusses on the whole-system approach, connecting land and water, and restoring water balance in altered landscapes. The series will educate and create understanding.

The three videos, each 60 minutes in duration, are designed to be used as educational legacy resources that inspire action. Each is built around a “facilitated conversation” moderated by Richard Boase, District of North Vancouver. These conversations are much more than talking heads in a studio setting! Inter-weaving of outdoor footage creates an engaging narrative.

In embracing virtual delivery, our goal is to engage and inform our online audience. Our desired outcome is to enhance their understanding of what it means to see the world around them as an interconnected system. We hope to point the way for making a difference through collaborative leadership.

The Watershed Moments trilogy series will be a compelling virtual symposium. We are using the YouTube platform to create a viewing experience that captures the passion, knowledge and wisdom of our team members in conversation.



The presentation team and videography crew capture content for delivery of the November 26th natural assets module.

On the day of each event, a Zoom feed will enable team members to interact LIVE via YouTube with the audience! Our vision is that the series will take on a life of its own as a legacy resource to inform, educate and create understanding.

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ON NOVEMBER 19, BC's Climate Reality, Inter-Regional Collaboration & Actionable Visions

What happens on the land matters to water bodies!

A dynamic team of five women provide their insider insights into an array of water-centric initiatives and programs underway in four Vancouver Island regional districts.

Regional water management initiatives are now into a second decade and ramping up. Actionable visions for land and water are driven by leadership that mobilizes people and partnerships, a commitment to ongoing learning and innovation, and especially a budget to back it up.

ON NOVEMBER 26: Natural Assets Support the Delivery of Core Local Government Services, While Doing So Much More

Two programs - MNAI, the Municipal Natural Assets Initiative; and EAP, the Ecological Accounting Process – are facilitating the move from awareness to action that accounts for ecological systems and services. What do you know about the EAP and MNAI missions? Do you wonder whether they are the same, or different?

The two initiatives are outcomes flowing from the tireless determination of two pioneers, EAP Chair Tim Pringle and MNAI Chair Emanuel Machado, to transform how local governments view ecological systems and the services they provide. Development of both MNAI and EAP began around 2015.

Actually translating policy objectives into tangible outcomes requires that local governments have a methodology and metrics for valuing ecological assets and services in an asset management strategy.

Emanuel Machado changed the local government conversation in BC. His philosophy and local government credibility continues to generate momentum for replicating the 'Town of Gibson's Model' in other communities.

For three decades, Tim Pringle has worked hard to develop and evolve a guiding philosophy, pragmatic strategy and meaningful metrics for valuing the services provided by nature; and for establishing budgets for maintenance and management.

Once you have a number for better maintenance and management of ecological assets, what do you do with that number? Putting it into play requires an understanding of how local government processes work.

ON DECEMBER 3, International Year of the Salmon (IYS) – Will Lightning Strike Twice?

In British Columbia, the iconic salmon is the canary in the coal mine.

Did you know that the 'salmon crisis' of the 1990s galvanized federal-provincial action, cross-border collaboration, and pioneer research?

For the first time in decades, the stars are in alignment. Our federal and provincial governments have committed both money and time to the International Year of the Salmon. The program is multi-year and represents a 'once in a generation' moment.

TO LEARN MORE AND REGISTER, visit

<https://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2020/Third-Water-Stewardship-Symposium-Reimagined>

NALT Delegation to Nanaimo Council – June 15th 2020

NALT regularly presents about the importance of riparian (streamside) area protection whenever applications to vary riparian exclusion zones are made. The full video of this council meeting can be found here: <https://pub-nanaimo.escibemeetings.com/Players/ISISStandAlonePlayer.aspx?ClientId=nanaimo&FileName=Main%20Council%20Encoder%20Regular%20Council%20Meeting%202020-06-15-09-55.mp4> A shorter video of the presentation can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l84QV9esaW4&feature=youtu.be>

Hello, my name is Paul Chapman, I'm the Executive Director of the Nanaimo & Area Land Trust (aka NALT), I have the good fortune of being a resident of Nanaimo which is in the territory of the Snuneymuxw People.

Thank you for this opportunity to talk with you this evening.

Tonight, I'm not going to talk about the specifics of this particular property or proposed development, instead I'm going to speak about how and why we protect a system, like a watershed, like a creek, like Cottle Creek.

How.

I've heard the argument that these riparian setback regulations were decided by looking at a map and determining the setbacks from that rather than looking at the properties along the creek. This is true. When you look to protect a system, this is the scale you do it at, you consider the landscape, in this case the watershed. This was how the provincial regulations were determined, and then using a more detailed map and local knowledge this is how the City determined the size of the riparian areas. This is how it is done. This is how you create effective riparian regulations to protect the values of a creek.

Why? Which values are we protecting?

The environmental values are obvious. Riparian areas provide for the distribution of nutrients from the upper reaches to the lower reaches, from the creek banks to surrounding areas and vice versa. Riparian areas provide rich habitat and corridors of connection for a robust diversity of species that rely on this habitat and these corridors.

*These riparian areas support the towering trees and iconic animals that we think of when we think of our home landscape. These are an essential element of our sense of belonging, of our sense of place. **This is where culture joins with ecology.***

*Intact riparian areas also support the healthy functioning of the ecological assets that natural systems provide to our community. They provide for the percolation of rainwater into the ground contributing to interflow and aquifers. What does this mean? During intense rain events, healthy riparian areas slow down surface water and gradually introduce it into the ground and to the creek. This is flood control. During times of drought, this ground water contributes to sustain creek water flow and provide ground water for natural and community use. Our climate change models predict increasingly intense periods of rainfall interspersed with prolonged periods of dry and drought. **This is flood control; this is drought relief.***



Departure Creek Streamkeepers discuss habitat enhancement work in Woodstream Park.

See a video of Departure Creek stewardship here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wo5bfRIPCuM&t=141s>

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Fighting the negative effects of climate change is hard work. Our creeks are our frontline of climate change mitigation. Protecting our natural systems to preserve natural water balance is one of the most effective things we can do to be a **resilient community** in the face of climate change. Let's not make the hard work harder by degrading the systems we are going to need to increasingly rely on.

The solution is healthy functioning watersheds, the problem is riparian development coupled with the effects of climate change and the ever-increasing cost and invasiveness of engineered solutions seeking to mimic natural function. When you make a decision about development in a riparian area, **you are making a climate change decision.**

Our watersheds and creeksheds and the riparian protections that preserve their function are a common good.

So that's the how and why of protecting our riparian areas. So that leaves us with how do we lose the values and services offered by healthy functioning creeks?

We protect our creeks and streams at the landscape scale, **we undo those protections address by address.**

Each time we **choose** to allow a riparian setback variance, we degrade the system we are meant to protect, we devalue a common asset and transfer that common good to private hands.

You can be certain that preserving the values this creek provides is much easier than trying to restore function to a damaged creek. Preserving the services of this creek is much easier and more efficient than trying to reproduce them with built infrastructure.

So again, we protect our creeks and streams at the landscape scale with riparian setback regulations, we degrade them by **decisions** made address by address.

This decision is a **climate change decision.**

Thank you for your time and I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have.

The last word in ignorance is the man who says of an animal or plant,
"What good is it?" If the land mechanism as a whole is good,
then every part is good, whether we understand it or not.
If the biota, in the course of aeons, has built something we like but do not
understand, then who but a fool would discard seemingly useless parts?
To keep every cog and wheel is the first precaution of intelligent tinkering.
— Aldo Leopold

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General Meetings

On June 3rd, NALT held its 25th Annual General Meeting but this time it was virtual. As with everything else, COVID-19 caused us to rethink how we gather together, for the AGM we met online in a virtual meeting space. Thirty-one members gathered via phone lines or internet connection to hear about the NALT's financial position in 2019 and the various milestones of the year such as, in 2019 NALT recorded 3,040 hours of volunteer time.

On July 22nd, Members gathered again to vote on a resolution to allow NALT to apply for a federal loan program. The Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA) is a federal government COVID-19 relief program available to Canadian businesses and not-for-profit agencies. This program allows an entity like NALT to borrow up to \$40,000 interest free, and, if the loan is repaid by the end of December 2022, 25% of the loan is forgiven. This would amount to \$10,000. Seventeen members gathered (virtually again) to ask questions about CEBA and NALT's participation in the program. The purpose of this funding is to off set financial setbacks caused by COVID-19. The resolution was carried and NALT successfully applied for the funds which are now being held in an allocated account until the Board determines how best to use them.


Although we all will be happier when we can gather in-person again to share information and Ideas, our meetings of members, the Board and committees will remain online for the duration of the public health emergency.

Bottles for NALT

July's bottle drive was one of our most successful to date. While we missed April's bottle drive to ensure volunteer and our supporters' safety, it made for a busy day in July. NALT volunteers did an outstanding job working together while physically distancing and following our COVID 19 protocols. The day was made enjoyable by our enthusiastic and hardworking volunteers and the weather was just as sweet. A nice change from the usual rains that greet us on the day. For our efforts we raised \$2600. Well done all!

As the fall months approach and NALT's fundraising efforts continue, we hope to carry out our next bottle drive on Saturday October 17th at the Lucky's Liquor Store parking lot at the Country Club Centre. Tentatively planned, as we will monitor guidelines from health authorities closer to the day. Keep a watch for updates on our [website](#) and email.

We would like to express our gratitude for all who support NALT through these fundraising events and those that donate directly to the Regional Recycling Depots year-round at 2375 Hayes Road and 839 Old Victoria Road in Nanaimo. We encourage you to utilize these recycling locations when possible. Simply tell the cashiers to "put it on the NALT account". We thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you at the next bottle drive.



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Reimagine Nanaimo An Opportunity to Voice Your Concerns

Once a decade, an opportunity arises to re-examine the Official Community Plan and to let City staff and council know what our community priorities are. The City is seeking our input through the Reimagine Nanaimo process. This includes virtual meetings, in-person pop up outreach and an online survey about topics such as climate change and the quantity and quality of our City parks. Whether it is securing more sensitive habitat for parks and preservation, strengthening our riparian area protections for fish habitat, wildlife corridors and restoring the water balance, or other issues and initiatives that are important to you, this is your chance to add your input to the OCP review. Please consider following the links or phoning and sign up to take part in the surveys and other elements of this process.

City of Nanaimo Press Release (edited)

The City of Nanaimo is kicking off REIMAGINE NANAIMO, a comprehensive engagement process to reimagine Nanaimo's next 20 years. REIMAGINE NANAIMO is an integrated process that will support the creation of several guiding plans through one streamlined engagement process. The process is intended to understand what matters most to the Nanaimo community and use these insights to set a future destination.

The City will engage the public on a wide range of connected topics including land use and neighbourhoods, climate change, the economy, active transportation, parks, recreation, and culture and more. Input will be used to inform an update of the Official Community Plan; an update of the Parks, Recreation, and Culture Plan; and creation of an Economic Development Plan, Climate Action Plan, Active Transportation Plan and Water Supply Strategic Plan.

From now through October, the City will be engaging with the public through fun and interactive online activities including questionnaires, videos, social media, weekly topic discussions, kids activities, online workshops and a Creative Community Contest with prizes. Project representatives will also be in select locations around town with community pop-ups and input stations, following physical distancing guidelines. The City will be reaching out to stakeholders and community leaders to help spread the word and connect with people who may not have participated in a process like this before.

Interested participants can visit www.getinvolvednanaimo.ca to learn more about the process and to complete a questionnaire about what matters most to them for Nanaimo's future. Questions or comments can be submitted at any time by emailing reimagine@nanaimo.ca or by contacting the City at 250-755-4464.



Director David Mackenzie lines up with Kim Stephens (Partnership for Water Sustainability BC), Emanuel Machado (Municipal Natural Assets Initiative), Richard Boase (Moderator), Tim Pringle (Ecological Accounting Process) and Paul Chapman (NALT) to produce a video component of the virtual Water Stewardship Symposium. See story page 4.



reimagine NANAIMO

Our City, Our Voices.

What kind of city will Nanaimo be in 20+ years?

REIMAGINE NANAIMO is our opportunity to create a common road map for positive change and our City's future.

The plans that we create together through this process will shape:



How We
Live & Care

+



How We
Work

+



How We
Move

+



How We
Connect
& Play

+



How We
Adapt &
Stay Green

Let's reimagine our future – together. Get involved now!



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NALT Wine & Cheese Soiree Fundraiser Cancelled

Submitted by Jenny Webb, Wine & Cheese Fundraiser Committee Chair.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Staff and Volunteers of the Nanaimo & Area Land Trust (NALT) we hope you and your family are well and safe during this unprecedented and challenging time of COVID-19. We understand that many local businesses are facing uncertainty and struggling in our community and we know this is not a good time to be requesting donations. To that end, the NALT Wine & Cheese Committee has regretfully decided to cancel the 2020 Annual Wine & Cheese Soiree fundraiser event. We would ask our members to consider supporting local by patronizing the businesses that have supported us. Thank you for your generous support of NALT and we look forward to hosting another Wine & Cheese Soiree fundraiser event as our community recovers and when it is safe to do so.

****Please consider donating the cost of a Wine & Cheese ticket (\$25) to support our stewardship programs, keep the Stewardship Centre operating five days a week, and assist with the costs of other services NALT provides to the community that are not funded through specific grants or other funding sources.**

Here is a list of the 2019 Wine & Cheese community sponsors which will also be posted on our NALT facebook page.

[Arrowsmith Bikes](#), [Art Knapp Plantland](#), [Backyard Wild Bird & Nature Store](#), Barbara Waine, [Butchart Gardens](#), [Canadian Tire](#), [Carlos O'Bryans](#), Wolfgang Carosfeld, [Central Drugs](#), [City of Nanaimo](#), [Coal City Cycles](#), [Coastal Community Credit Union](#), [Cob's Bread](#), [Cutting Room](#), CWM Wealth Management, [Departure Bay Yoga](#), Diana Dugas, [Eddie Bauer](#), Carys Evans, [Galaxy Cinemas](#), [Gina's Mexican Cafe](#), [Gold Automotive](#), [Great Canadian Oil Change](#), [Greenstore](#), [Green Thumb Garden Centre](#), [Greenrock Liquor Store](#), [Harbour City Mowing](#), [Home Hardware \(Brooks Landing\)](#), [Jamie's Whale Watching](#), [Kelly's Kitchen Café](#), [Lee's Carpet Cleaning](#), [Little Tree Garden Centre](#), [London Drugs](#), [Lucky's Liquor Store](#), [Mambo Pizza](#), [McLean's Specialty Foods](#), [Mid Island Co-op](#), [Nanaimo Wine Shoppe](#), [Natural Abundance Native Plant Nursery](#), [Nanaimo Yoga Sanctuary](#), [Nesvog Meats](#), [NYLA](#), [ONO Work & Safety](#), [Paradise Island Foods](#), [Pomme Natural Market](#), [Port Theatre](#), [Pryde Vista Golf Club](#), [Quality Foods](#), [Quarterway Pub](#), [Real Canadian Superstore](#), [Robert Haist Piano Tuning](#), [Romper Room](#), Ron LePage, [Royal Scot Hotel & Suites](#), [Running Room](#), [Seriously West Coast Art](#), [Sink or Swim Scuba](#), [St. Jean's Cannery](#), [Starbucks](#), [The Bay](#), [The Body Shop](#), [Theatre One](#), [Tofino Botanical Gardens](#), Trish Jennings, [Vancouver Island Symphony](#), and Jenny Webb.



~ THANK YOU ALL ~

Many thanks to all the individuals, organizations and businesses who have donated their time and skills as volunteers, contributed items or services, made financial donations, renewed or started a membership, or begun a monthly pre-authorized contribution (PAC).

March 10, 2020 to September 1, 2020:

Individual Donations & New Memberships – NALT: Anonymous: 3, Bertha Abma, David Baker, Diane Bestwick, Nancy Dickinson, David Drakeford, Norah Forrest, Inge Fleet, Ross Fraser, Gina Gall, Thomas Grauman & Wendy Neander, Louise Hamilton, Barbara Hourston, Cheryl Headey, Clive Hetherington, James Hudson, Marilyn & Phil Huffman, Timothy Huntsman, Magda & Tibor Jando, Barbara Kerfoot, Dorothee Kieser, Anne & Joe Kraskin, Karin Maley, Carol Milo, Roger Northwood, Dennis & Gail Otto, Jeanie Paterson, Toulia & Chris Spencer-Johnson, Peter Roddick, Hally Swift & Eric Strandberg, Don & Dorothy Wallace, Norman Wagenaar, Erik & Bobbie Warners, Don White, Annette Whiteley, Brian Woodruff, Marina Wright

Donations - Westwood Ridges - Mt Benson Acquisition Phase II: Anonymous: 3, Mia Jongkind

Donations – Departure Creek Project: Green Rock Liquor Store

Donations – In honour of: Mia Jongkind from Evelyne St-Arnaud & Ecole Pauline Haarer Elementary

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David Baker, Ruth Caspell, Madeline Clarke, David Cowling, Deryck Cowling, David Fisher, Susan Fisher, Dean Gaudry, Lindsey Haist, Elise Hoy, Denis Hughes, Peter Jeremy, Muriel Matte, Ellis Richer, Colleen Rohde, Harriet Rueggeberg, Shining Knight Construction, Margie Schwartz, Chris Scoriah, Nikki Toxopeus, Coco van Zyl, City of Nanaimo – Parks Department, Joan & Bruce Wagner, Norm Wagenaar

Business & Organization Donations – NALT: Green Rock Liquor Store, Hocken Charitable Account, Habitat Conservation Trust Fund – Martha Warde Property, The Mollie and Don Walls Charitable Gift Fund, WorkSafeBC Nanaimo – Stream Stewardship

New Pre-authorized Contributions: Diane Bestwick, David Drakeford, Clive Hetherington, James Hudson, Timothy Huntsman, Marina Wright, Annette Whiteley

Volunteers since March 10, 2020: Holly Blackburn, Nick Blanco, Debora Bowser, Ava Breakwell, Ruth Caspell, Paul Chapman, Sara Chrystal, Madeline Clarke, Dalton Corbett, Deryck Cowling, Alyssa Crockett, Dave Cutts, David Drakeford, Nina Evans-Locke, Susan Fisher, Dean Gaudry, Jeff Hawker, Pat Hogue, Kevan Hudson, Denis Hughes, Peter Jeremy, Trish Jennings, David Mackenzie, Wayne Morgan, Linda Nichol, Cyndi Pitvor, Colleen Rohde, Harriet Rueggeberg, Chris Scoriah, Louise Shuker, Gary Smart, Beth Stanley, James Taylor, Jack Tieleman, Nikki Toxopeus, Colton Vandermolen, Coco VanZyl, Norm Wagenaar, Jenny Webb, John Wells, Wally Wells, Fraser Wilson, Inger Wyatt

The protection of the Earth's vitality, diversity and beauty is a sacred trust.

— Thomas Berry



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Actionable Visions for “Reconnecting Hydrology and Ecology” in an Altered Landscape

*Reimagining the 3rd Annual Symposium on Water Stewardship
in a Changing Climate as a “Video Trilogy Series”*

THE CHALLENGE: In the age of COVID, provide participants with a unique and interactive experience. Engage and inform them. Enhance their understanding of what it means to see the world around them as an interconnected system. Point the way to make a difference through collaborative leadership. **INSPIRE THEM TO ACTION.**

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- BC’s Climate Reality, Inter-Regional Collaboration & Actionable Visions
- Natural Assets as Ecological Systems and Services
- International Year of the Salmon – Will Lightning Strike Twice?

THE SCHEDULE: Weekly, for 90 minutes, on November 19, 26 and December 3

THE COST: \$30 plus GST for students, stewardship groups and First Nations
\$50 plus GST for all others

TO LEARN MORE AND REGISTER, visit

<https://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2020/Third-Water-Stewardship-Symposium-Reimagined>

On November 19

BC's Climate Reality, Inter-Regional Collaboration & Actionable Visions

To open the series, five program managers and doers representing four Vancouver Island regional districts will reflect on their successes, challenges and lessons learned over the past decade, and longer, in their regions.

THE TEAM: Julie Pisani, Jody Watson, Kate Miller, Darry Monteith & Zoe Norcross-Nu'u

Water-centric programs in the Nanaimo, Cowichan Valley, Comox Valley, and Capital regions are foundation pieces for restoring the water balance in an altered landscape. Sharing and learning from each other is helping program managers adapt concepts and approaches to the local context.

Are you aware of program scope, scale and interplay? Do you wonder whether and how each is making a difference?

Would it have occurred to you that an **actionable vision** for land and water is driven by leadership that mobilizes people and partnerships, a commitment to ongoing learning and innovation, and a budget to back it up?

On November 26

Natural Assets as Ecological Systems and Services

In the second installment of the series, Tim Pringle, EAP Chair, and Emanuel Machado, MNAI Chair, will display their passion when they have a conversation about what it means to lead by example in order to transform how local governments view, value and manage ecological systems and the services they provide.

Natural assets support the delivery of core local government services, while doing so much more. Two programs - **MNAI, the Municipal Natural Assets Initiative**; and **EAP, the Ecological Accounting Process** – are facilitating the move from awareness to action that accounts for ecological systems and services.

What do you know about the EAP and MNAI missions? Do you wonder whether EAP and MNAI are the same, or different?

Actually translating policy objectives into tangible outcomes requires that local governments have a methodology and metrics for valuing ecological assets and services in an asset management strategy.

On December 3

International Year of the Salmon (IYS) – Will Lightning Strike Twice?

To conclude the series, the federal-provincial team of Dr. Kim Hyatt, Nick Leone, Dr. Peter Tschaplinski and Neil Goeller will provide a balance of strategic and regulatory perspectives on how communities can apply lessons learned over four decades. Their module will serve as a springboard to action in 2021.

For the first time in decades, the stars are in alignment. Our federal and provincial governments have committed both money and time to IYS. The program has grown into an effort to ensure the resilience of both **salmon and people**.

With IYS as a guiding vision, communities could build on what some have known since the 1980s and, in so doing, offset the neglect of past decades.

We can follow through with an effective response this time, and truly reconnect hydrology and ecology. Success depends on application of science-based understanding (what we know) harnessed to political will (to make it happen).

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