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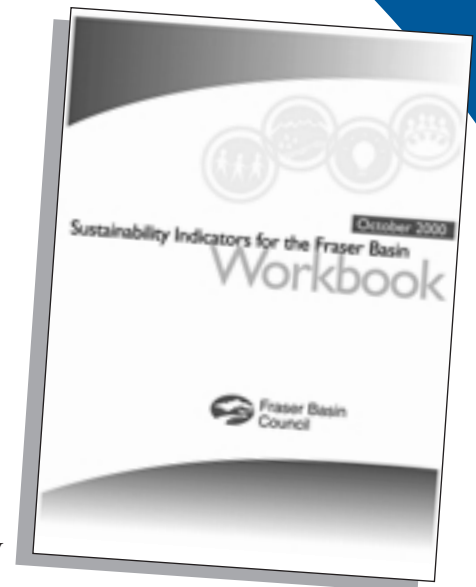
Sustainability Indicators Workbook Released

We want to hear from you!

Just as a thermometer can indicate the health of the human body, so too can indicators be used to help us determine the economic, social and environmental health of the Fraser Basin. The release of the Sustainability Indicators Workbook, sponsored by the Chawkers Foundation, was a key focus of the Council's State of the Fraser Basin

Conference (see page 3 for Conference Highlights). The Workbook presents a draft set of sustainability indicators for the Basin. Over the coming months the Council wants to hear your thoughts on the draft indicators and enlist your help in selecting a final set that reflect the issues, values and concerns of the diversity of Basin residents.

You can provide feedback on these draft indicators in many ways.



Conference Participants completing the On-Line Survey.

Participate via...

- on-line survey (see www.fraserbasin.bc.ca)
- mail in survey (found at the back of the Workbook)
- regional workshops (scheduled for Spring 2001)
- contact FBC staff (Call your Regional Coordinator or Malcolm Smith, Fraser Basin Council's Basinwide Coordinator at msmith@fraserbasin.bc.ca).

You can download the Sustainability Indicators Workbook on-line at (www.fraserbasin.bc.ca), by contacting your Regional Coordinator, or by emailing your request to (info@fraserbasin.bc.ca).

On-Line Survey

One of the key mechanisms that the FBC is using to obtain feedback on the draft Sustainability Indicators is an interactive on-line survey (www.fraserbasin.bc.ca). Survey participants can rate their support for indicators and suggest alternative sustainability indicators for consideration. The on-line survey represents a new and powerful tool for engaging FBC partners in dialogue in a quick, easy and interactive way.

Everyone who participates in the survey (on-line or workbook versions) will be eligible to win one of three copies of the recently published Encyclopedia of British Columbia (Estimated Retail Value \$100).



Some Feedback Already Received....

The State of the Fraser Basin Conference provided an excellent opportunity to introduce and obtain feedback on the Indicators Workbook and the Council's work in developing a set of sustainability indicators for the Basin. Some of the key themes explored and the comments of conference participants are summarized below.



Indicators Workshop at the State of the Fraser Basin Conference

General Comments

- Indicator development must include broad-based community involvement.
- Reporting on indicators must lead to action.
- Measure successes and failures.

How should the indicators be reported?

- Reports should be simple, accessible and short
- Present information graphically
- Report regularly on full set of indicators (i.e., 2-5 years)
- Report on specific indicators more frequently as required (i.e., significant change in specific indicator).

How should trends in Sustainability Indicators be evaluated?

- In a neutral way that acknowledges multiple perspectives.
- Clearly identify linkages among indicators.
- Measure progress in relation to clear targets.

Get Involved in Indicator Development!

Building on the feedback received at the State of the Fraser Basin Conference, the Council will be holding workshops around the Basin to inform new and existing FBC partners about the indicator work and invite comment on the draft set of indicators. **Regional workshops** will be held in all regions of the Basin through the spring (See schedule below). Please contact your FBC Regional Coordinator for more information.

RSVP to the Regional Coordinator in your region to receive an Indicators Workbook and meeting agenda.

Region/Date	Location	Regional Coordinator
Fraser Valley		
Tuesday April 10	Chilliwack	Marion Robinson
Tuesday May 1	Abbotsford	
Thompson-Nicola		
Tuesday March 20	Merritt	Phil Hallinan
Wednesday March 21	Kamloops	
TBA	Salmon Arm	
Upper Fraser		
Wednesday April 11	Prince George	Joan Chess
Cariboo		
Wednesday May 9	Williams Lake	Gail Wallin
Greater Vancouver, Squamish, Pemberton		
Wednesday April 25	Vancouver	Bob Purdy

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State of the Fraser Basin Conference Attracts 300 Participants!

"Excellent complement of speakers...content – well thought out...very well organized...big picture focus...advanced the understanding of linkages between the elements of sustainability ... the Fraser Basin Council provides an inspiring model of collaboration"

- some of the positive comments the Fraser Basin Council received following its November 24th and 25th State of the Fraser Basin Conference 2000.

Held over two days at the Best Western Richmond Inn, the Conference drew nearly 300 delegates from the Fraser Basin and beyond to hear an array of speakers from all orders of government, First Nations, business and NGO's. Chair, Iona Campagnolo, delivered the first ever State-of-the-Basin Address, taking delegates on a virtual tour that highlighted sustainable and non-sustainable activities around the Basin.

Following its theme of "Doing and Measuring", the Council profiled its initial work on indicators that will eventually be used to measure progress toward sustainability in the Fraser Basin. Speakers such as Dr. Stuart Smith of the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy, Johanne Gelinas, the Environment and Sustainable Development Commissioner, Wayne Soper of Westcoast Energy, Mark Anielski of the Pembina Institute and Margaret Catley Carlson, Chair of the World Water Council, discussed the value of measurements and indicators in their own sustainability work.



*Fraser Basin Council Chair
Iona Campagnolo
Delivers State of the Basin
Address*



A particular highlight of the conference was the "Four Orders Breakfast" where key individuals from each order of government (First Nations, local, provincial and federal) outlined their government's approach to sustainability.

Conference proceedings are available at www.fraserbasin.bc.ca or call the Council office for a print version.

*"Four Orders" Breakfast – seated left to right (**Keith Draper**, Federal Department of Western Economic Diversification Canada; **Chief Stewart Phillip**, President, Union of BC Indian Chiefs; **Jim Abram**, President, Union of BC Municipalities; Honourable **Ian Waddell**, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks*



Sustainability Award Winners Announced



Mike Wallis accepts "Overall Sustainability" Award on behalf of Salmon River Watershed Round Table.

"The achievements of these award winners embody what sustainability is all about – and stand as inspiration to others to continue working toward a Basin where social, economic and environmental sustainability are all in balance,"

*— Iona Campagnolo,
Chair, Fraser Basin Council.*

Winning the 2000 **Overall Sustainability Award**, the **Salmon River Watershed Round Table** demonstrated significant contributions to each of the Four Directions in the Fraser Basin Council's Charter – Understanding Sustainability, Caring for Ecosystems, Strengthening Communities, and Improving Decision-Making. For the past five years, the Round Table has planted more than 20,000 trees per year along the Salmon River's 110 kilometres. Bringing together residents, industry and government agencies to build weirs, revetments and conduct extensive instream work, the Round Table serves as a model for stewardship in British Columbia.

Awards recognizing significant contributions by organizations to the Fraser Basin Council's Four Directions of sustainability were also announced during the Conference. Winners of these awards included:

Understanding Sustainability Award – Carney's Waste Systems

Caring for Ecosystems Award – Fraser Valley Regional Watersheds Coalition

Strengthening Communities Award – West Fraser Timber Company

Improving Decision-Making Award – Sun Rivers Development Corp.

The Fraser Basin Council thanks the following sponsoring organizations for their overwhelming support of the State of the Fraser Basin Conference.

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Fraser Basin Council Honours Doreen Wright

In September of 2000, the Fraser Basin Council lost its longest standing staff member with the passing of Doreen Wright.

Doreen was the first employee of the Council's predecessor organization, the Fraser Basin Management Board, and in 1997 became the indispensable Office Manager of the current Fraser Basin Council. Doreen cared greatly for the work of the Fraser Basin Council and contributed significantly, without fanfare and without asking for recognition. The Council conceived "The Doreen Wright Award" as a way to honour her and to recognize others who, like her, due to the nature of their work, function anonymously, but contribute significantly to a new, cooperative leadership paradigm.

At the Fraser Basin Council's State of the Fraser Basin Conference 2000, the first Doreen Wright Award was presented to Erik Karlsen of the British Columbia Ministry of Municipal Affairs. Erik was recognized for his sincere and passionate commitment to a sustainable world and for leading the way toward a new and sustainable leadership paradigm.

The Doreen Wright Award will be presented every two years at the Council's biennial conference. Nominations for this award can be made via the Council's web site: www.fraserbasin.bc.ca



Mr. & Mrs. Wright and Glenn Wright present the Doreen Wright Award to Erik Karlsen at the State of the Fraser Basin Conference 2000

Historic Joint Provincial/Federal Fraser Caucus Meeting

For the first time ever, representatives of federal government departments and provincial government ministries, with an interest in the work of the Council, met to discuss areas of mutual interest and potential collaboration. The meeting heralded a new era of federal and provincial government cooperation, a significant achievement in the eyes of the respective Chairs, Jon O'Riordan of the province's Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Brian Wilson of the Federal Department of the Environment.



Joint Provincial/Federal Fraser Caucus Meeting, November 24, 2000

Fraser Basin Council Welcome

"The Fraser Basin Council is an organization with extraordinary potential. I'm looking forward to the challenges, and to working with all of you."

– Dennis LaPierre

The end of Year 2000 and beginning of 2001, will also mean the end of some FBC Directors' terms and new beginnings for others. The Council is pleased to welcome four new Directors and extends heartfelt thanks and warm wishes to those who are moving on.

Departing Directors

Mr. Bill Kershaw, Thompson Nicola Regional District

Mr. Colin Mayes, Columbia Shuswap Regional District

Mr. Kurt Alberts, Greater Vancouver Regional District

Ms. Suzanne Veit, Ministry of Municipal Affairs

Incoming Directors

Mr. Dennis LaPierre

Dennis LaPierre was recently appointed to the Board of the Fraser Basin Council as the representative from the Columbia Shuswap Regional District. Dennis, wife Renee and their three young boys moved near Falkland, BC after his retirement from a satisfying 26 year career with the Calgary Police Service. In addition to raising sheep and operating a small value added wool enterprise, Dennis is an active participant in his community.

Since settling near Falkland, Dennis has volunteered with the Salmon River Watershed Round Table, serving as Chair for three years. He also represented his watershed community throughout the Okanagan-Shuswap LRMP process – first, on behalf of the Round Table, and then on behalf of the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (CSRD). Dennis currently serves as Chair of the steering committee of the Falkland and District Community Learning Centre, a community partnership which has resulted in enhanced learning, job search opportunities, and a bank of high tech computer facilities to Falkland and area. Dennis was elected to the position of rural area Director with the CSRD in 1999.

Mr. Joe Post

A resident of the Nicola Valley for fifty years, Joe Post has enjoyed 23 years in the lumber/logging industry as an owner/operator of a fleet of trucks and as a logging contractor. For 16 years, Joe operated a 200 head cow/calf ranching business, and served on the Executive of the Nicola Stock Breeders Association and as Director on the BC Livestock and BC Cattlemen's Associations.

An active participant in his community, Joe also served 20 years on the APC (Area Planning Commission) for Thompson Nicola Regional District (TNRD), was elected in 1996 as Director (Area M) for the TNRD, and has now been appointed as the TNRD representative to the Fraser Basin Council. Now semi-retired, Joe is a part time driver for Lower Nicola Back Hoe/Logging Co.



Chief Harold Prince

Vice Tribal Chief Harold Prince from the Upper Fraser Region will replace Leonard Thomas as the Carrier Sekani Tribal Council's representative to the Fraser Basin Council. Previous to his election as Vice Tribal Chief of the Tribal Council in June 2000, Harold served two terms as Chief of the Nak'azdli Band between 1996 and 2000. Harold's career background includes a number of years of work with Native Court Workers, a community-based organization that supports and guides aboriginal people requiring legal counsel.

"I am interested in sitting on the Fraser Basin Council because of my people's relationship to the River. The River and its connection to the salmon are two factors why our existence has endured countless generations."

— Chief Harold Prince

Ms. Barbara Sharp

Barbara Sharp was recently appointed to the Fraser Basin Council as the representative from the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD).

Elected as Mayor of the City of North Vancouver just over a year ago, Barbara brings over 13 years experience in municipal government. A professional mediator, Barbara also has over 20 years of experience in labour relations, most recently with the B.C. Labour Relations Board as a mediator from 1992 until the end of 1999 after her election as Mayor.

In her capacity as Director with the GVRD, Barbara acts as Chair of the Planning and Environment Committee, and serves on the Water and Lower Seymour Conservation Reserve Committees. Barbara is also serving her second term as a Director at Large for the Union of BC Municipalities, where she is a member of the Community and Resources, Resolutions, and Arts, Culture, and Tourism Committees. Barbara's former involvement with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities included serving on the Environment and Community Energy Committees, as well as the sub committee for the proposed study of species at risk legislation.

"Through my past endeavors I've learned the importance of the relationship between man and the environment. I see a need for increased awareness of the benefits of stewardship of water systems to preserve, protect, and enjoy the benefits derived from the results." — Joe Post

"As a result of my varied experience I've developed a deep understanding of the issues surrounding the environment and the key role that balance plays in achieving consensus."

— Barbara Sharp



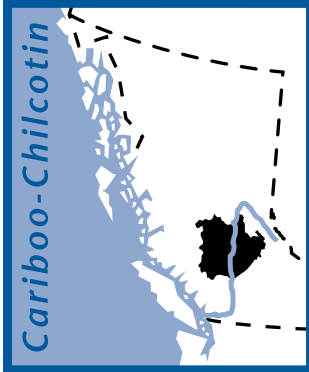
Regional Updates

Seeking New Directors...

The Fraser Basin Council is seeking nominations for new Directors for the Fraser Valley, Thompson, Cariboo, and Greater Vancouver, Squamish and Pemberton Regions. The Council is also seeking a Basinwide Director to bring an environmental perspective. If you are interested in serving as a Director or know someone who would be a strong candidate, please contact Maureen Young at the Fraser Basin Council - 604-605-3456 (Tel) or myoung@fraserbasin.bc.ca (email).

Selection Criteria includes but is not limited to:

- Personal commitment to advancing economic, social and environmental sustainability of the Fraser Basin
- Experienced and active in your community and/or in the region as a whole with respect to initiatives related to sustainability
- Available on average approximately one day per month for Council business
- Supportive of consensus-based decision-making
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills



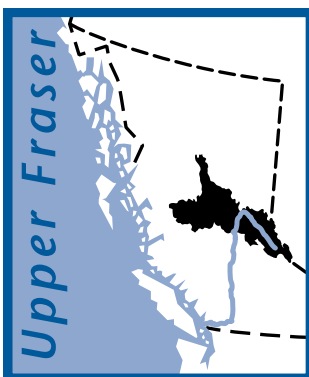
Cariboo Chilcotin Fish Enhancement Society

Building healthier watersheds has been an ongoing focus of the Council's activities in the Cariboo Chilcotin region over the last few months. Regional staff continue to provide support to the Lower Bridge Creek Watershed group (near 100 Mile House) and the Cariboo Chilcotin Fish Enhancement Society (CCFES). While the Council's facilitation of strategic planning sessions for the CCFES, resulted in accolades for helping to focus and strengthen this local planning and volunteer group, the Council's participation in the development of a newsletter for watershed groups and the co-hosting of the local Walk for the Watershed (Williams Lake area) have all had positive impacts toward sustainability in the region.

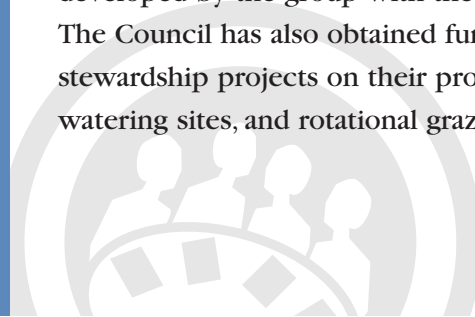
Quesnel Benchmarks of Progress

Cariboo Chilcotin Regional staff are currently working on a new regional initiative: the Quesnel Community Benchmarks of Progress Project. The Quesnel Benchmarks of Progress project is an exciting initiative sponsored by the Ministry of Community Development, Cooperatives and Volunteers. The Quesnel Community Benchmarks of Progress Project will enable the community of Quesnel, together with three other communities in the province, to assess its progress toward sustainability. The Council will draw on its extensive experience developing sustainability indicators as it works with the community to assess sustainability and develop action plans to achieve community-set targets.

Contact: Cariboo Regional Coordinator; Gail Wallin (see page 2)



Chilako Watershed Council. The Chilako Watershed Council, with assistance from the Fraser Basin Council, has accomplished much in its first year with a number of projects underway. Last summer, a fluvial geomorphology study was initiated in cooperation with Dan Hogan of UBC and Martin Geertsma from the Prince George Region, Ministry of Forests. Using air photos and field investigations, the study team is identifying and mapping changes in the river over the last 20, 50 and 100 years and will provide recommendations on which areas would offer the most success for restoration work. The results (expected this spring) will be incorporated in a watershed management strategy, being developed by the group with the assistance of FBC Regional Coordinator Joan Chess. The Council has also obtained funds to assist landowners, on a cost shared basis, with stewardship projects on their properties such as bank stabilization, alternate stock watering sites, and rotational grazing.



Nechako Watershed Council . In early December 2000, the Nechako Watershed Council presented its recommendations to the Nechako Environmental Enhancement Fund Management Committee. Drawing upon its work over the past two years, the NWC has recommended that the Enhancement Fund be used to construct a water release facility at Kenney Dam, thus allowing many of the long standing issues to be resolved. For example, two of the many benefits of a release facility would be the ability to:

- restore the Murray Cheslatta system, and
- better manage the timing, volume and temperature of water released into the Nechako River to meet both ecosystem and human needs.

Members of the NWC have also been working on developing a new flow regime for both the Murray Cheslatta and the Nechako Rivers. This would enable the release facility to mimic the seasonal patterns found in natural rivers, while still enabling Alcan to meet its obligations under the 1987 and 1997 Agreements regarding chinook and sockeye salmon, and exercise the rights granted in its water license to generate electricity at Kemano for the smelter operations in Kitimat. The FBC continues to assist in facilitating the search for sustainable solutions for the Nechako.

Contact: Upper Fraser Regional Coordinator, Joan Chess (see page 2)



The Thompson Region Welcomes New Staff.

Jennifer Lansing and Natalie Bandringa are the newest members of the Council's staff. Hired under a joint program of Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the British Columbia Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, the two will assist both the Columbia Shuswap and Thompson Nicola Regional Districts in identifying opportunities for stewardship activities.

Natalie has been assigned to the Thompson Nicola Regional District (TNRD), with one of her first tasks to assist the planning department with the South Thompson Growth Management plan. Natalie will be building on the original recommendations from the Fraser Basin Management Program's South Thompson Watershed Management plan completed in 1996.

Jennifer will be working with the Columbia Shuswap Regional District assisting the residents of Shuswap and Mara Lakes with identifying sensitive areas along shorelines to assist in future development decisions.

Both Natalie and Jennifer will also serve as members of the team of Habitat Stewards working to assist the public in making decisions that will result in long-term sustainability of fish, wildlife and their habitats throughout the Thompson Region.

Contact: Thompson Regional Coordinator, Phil Hallinan (see page 2)



Natalie Bandringa



Jennifer Lansing

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Other Upcoming Events

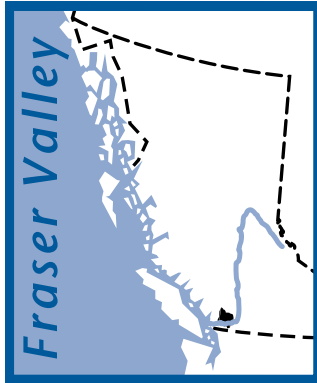
Leadership and Innovation for Urban Sustainability Conference

March 15-16, 2001

The Fraser Basin Council is one of many partners involved in the development of this bi-national conference on urban sustainability. Through keynote speakers, workshops and audience involvement, the Conference will showcase innovative approaches to urban sustainability in the Georgia Basin-Puget Sound region.

The Conference will be of interest to everyone who influences urban sustainability decisions in the Georgia Basin-Puget Sound region and beyond, including local governments, First Nations, community organizations, business and social interests, federal and provincial government agencies, academics and the media.

For more information go to www.marh.gov.bc.ca/GROWTH/CONFERENCE, or call Candice Velasco c/o Devon Knight Events Phone: (604) 983-3173 Fax: (604) 983-3183 e-mail: candice@devonknight.com



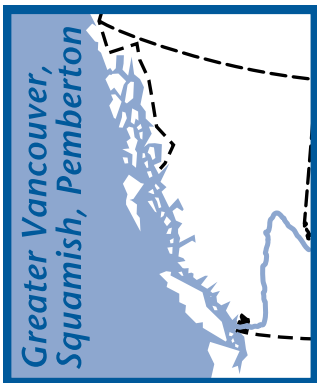
Sumas Energy 2 Inc. Proposal (Thermal Energy Facility)

One project that is currently attracting the attention of many residents in the Fraser Valley and beyond is the proposed Sumas Energy 2 proposal to build a thermal energy facility at Sumas, Washington.

The FBC has received intervenor status from the National Energy Board (NEB) to present at the hearings in February and April of this year and will support an expanded NEB review of the project. Currently, only the transmission line - supplying power to the BC power grid from the proposed facility - is subject to the NEB review.

Given the trans-boundary nature of the proposed project, the Council supports that many community interests are unfamiliar with the range of relevant governance and decision-making process - on both sides of the border. As such, the Council is working to assist communities in navigating the maze of institutions and to help build community capacity that supports good decision-making.

Contact: Fraser Valley Coordinator, Marion Robinson (see page 2)



BIEAP Consolidated Environmental Management Plan.

Development of a Consolidated Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) for Burrard Inlet is well underway under the leadership of the Burrard Inlet Environmental Action Program (BIEAP). As a member of the CEMP Plan Development Committee, the Fraser Basin Council is using the Charter for Sustainability to provide input to the Plan. Council staff also moderated the first round of regional public consultation meetings. Fraser Basin Council participation

in this process exemplifies the collaborative and cooperative efforts envisaged by the Memorandum of Understanding between the Fraser Basin Council and Fraser River Estuary Management Program (FREMP) and BIEAP.

Britannia Mine Remediation. In recent months the Fraser Basin Council's federal and provincial government partners have been negotiating with past and current owners of the Britannia Mine to seek a solution to the long-standing Acid Rock Drainage (ARD) pollution problem. While not directly involved in these negotiations, the Council continues to encourage all parties, including residents, local government and non-government organizations to work co-operatively to find an environmentally, economically and socially sustainable solution to this challenging problem. Timely construction and ongoing operation of an ARD treatment plant will help restore marine life in the adjacent waters of Howe Sound and improve the prospects for economic and social development of the community of Britannia Beach and surrounding areas.

Contact: Greater Vancouver/Squamish/Pemberton Regional Coordinator, Bob Purdy (see page 2)

Basin Wide and Interregional Projects

Fraser River Management Plan: Hope to Mission

The Fraser Basin Council's work to facilitate the development of the Fraser River Management Plan: Hope to Mission will reach an important stage of development this spring. The Management Plan - when complete - will represent an important tool for guiding decisions regarding in-river activities such as dredging, gravel removal and dike construction.

As of January 2001, an Interim Management Plan has been completed and made available to all interested parties. During the Spring of 2001 the Interim Plan will be "tested" by regulatory agencies responsible for making decisions about proposed in-river activities. In April of 2001 the members of the Stakeholder Assembly Meeting will meet to review the "testing phase" (i.e. plan implementation). This review will provide an opportunity for the Stakeholder Assembly to provide feedback on whether the implementation of the Interim Management Plan has been effective in meeting management objectives related to First Nations interests, flood protection, transportation, and recreation values.

The role of the Council in the development of the Plan has been to facilitate dialogue between and among government agencies, First Nations, community groups and businesses with an interest in the long term sustainability of the river. To learn more about the Fraser River Management Plan: Hope to Mission, contact Jim Vanderwal (604) 605-3461 / email: jvanderwal@fraserbasin.bc.ca

Regional Debris Management

The Fraser Basin Council is providing facilitation and secretariat support to the Debris Management Group (DMG), a new organization dedicating to enhancing waterborne debris management in the Lower Fraser River and adjacent waters of the Strait of Georgia. While the DMG prepares for operation of the Fraser River Debris Trap in spring of this year, the Fraser Basin Council is encouraging federal and provincial governments and coastal forest industry partners to assure a sustainable, administratively efficient long-term funding mechanism for this critical facility. With such assurances in place, it is expected that funding from other partners such as local governments and transportation interests will be sought to fund other debris management initiatives in the region. Meanwhile, strategic research and partnership building continues toward more effective capture and utilization of woody debris.

Contact: Greater Vancouver/Squamish/Pemberton Regional Coordinator, Bob Purdy (see page 2)



Celebrating Community Successes Conference

March 16-18, 2001

The Coastal Community Network is holding its 9th annual conference of coastal communities on the theme "Celebrating Community Successes".

The event will be held at the Best Western Richmond Inn, Richmond, BC.

*For more information call Cheryl Wilson
Coastal Community Network*

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Friends of the Fraser Basin

Yes! I believe in the Council's vision of sustainability of the Fraser Basin!

The Basin gives us fresh water, wildlife and wealth. If you live in the Fraser Basin, the area drained by the Fraser River and its tributaries, you may know that it accounts for 80% of the provincial economy and some of the largest salmon runs in the world. The Basin's forests give wood to the world, its mines offer metals for manufacturing, and its rivers produce a reliable source of water for farms, fisheries and recreation.

If you live here, the Basin means life itself. However, the growing population of the Fraser Basin is placing ever-increasing pressures on the precarious balance between the many different elements of a sustainable tomorrow.

This is why the Fraser Basin Council needs your support. You can help sustain all life in the Basin with a donation to the Fraser Basin Council, a non-governmental, non-profit, charitable society. The Fraser Basin Council has a vision of civil society that works to achieve sustainability of the Basin. We do this by facilitating cooperation and decision-making among environmental, economic and social interests.

Donations to the Fraser Basin Council are fully tax-deductible. Annual donations to registered charities of \$200 or more garner a 29% tax credit.

*Yes! I want to help the Fraser Basin Council realize its vision of a sustainable Basin! Count me in as a **Friend of the Fraser Basin Council.***

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