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SLIPP 4th Quarter Report to March 31st, 2014

Overview

The focus of SLIPP's efforts in this quarter (January 1st – March 31st) has been to wrap up water quality monitoring and reporting, finalize the Recreation Management Plan document, complete a fisheries habitat use report, prepare the 3-year SLIPP Summary Report, and distribute communications materials such as media releases and website updates.

This report includes three main sections: 1) a progress summary of SLIPP activities completed in the fourth quarter, 2) a budget update for the fourth quarter, and 3) a summary of SLIPP activities that will carry forward past March 31st 2014. The SLIPP activities described in the first section are supported by all funding sources, including the annual \$335,000 pilot project funds, in-kind local, provincial and federal government funding, partner contributions, Habitat Conservation Trust Fund, and project grants.

This is the final quarterly report for SLIPP, as the SLIPP pilot project came to an end on March 31st 2014. This report does not include activities or expenses related to the proposed Shuswap Watershed Water Quality Program, which is currently in its 'developmental year'.

1. Progress Summary

This progress summary describes the major SLIPP activities that took place from January through March 2014. Activities are organized according to the six budget categories identified in the Contribution Agreement.

Administration, Meetings, Reporting and Expenses

- Preparation, coordination, facilitation and summarizing of the January 29th Shuswap Watershed Council (i.e. steering committee) meeting held in Salmon Arm
- Completion of the 3rd Quarterly Report
- Regular communication with Steering Committee membership and/or Chair and Vice Chair, providing information and presentation material
- Ongoing financial tracking of the six budget categories

Sustainable Shoreline Development

- Completion of Abandoned Vessels Informational Paper, and distribution to Shuswap Watershed Council members
- Completion of Nearshore Habitat Use by Rainbow Trout and Lake Char Report

Water Quality

- Further distribution of the [2011-12 SLIPP Water Quality Report Synopsis](#)
- Completion of [2012 and 2013 Water Quality Reports](#)
- Completion of [Sources of Nutrients Report](#)
- Regular communication with technical team members and contractors



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Recreation Management

- Facilitate Recreation Public Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting, held on February 26th
- Revise and [finalize draft RMP](#) to include input from PAC
- Liaise with RMP contractors

Compliance and Enforcement

- No further activity in this quarter by SLIPP; it was determined earlier in 2013 that the individual government agencies will self-coordinate

Stakeholder Communication and Education

- Ongoing maintenance of contacts database (over 700), periodic emails to contacts
- Responsive communication with the public (telephone and e-mail)
- Preparation of 3-year SLIPP summary report (to be released after March 31st)
- Ongoing additions of new content to SLIPP website, www.slippbc.com
- Management of SLIPP Twitter account, [@SLIPPBC](https://twitter.com/SLIPPBC)

The expenses incurred by the delivery of the majority of activities described above are captured in the SLIPP budget report in the following section.

2. Budget Report

The Budget Report provides a financial update on the spending-to-date of the SLIPP pilot funds compared to the budget. These funds are in addition to an estimated \$500,000 in contributions by local, provincial and federal government partners through in-kind and project funding.

2013/14 Expense Summary

| Summary of expenses | 2013/14 budget | Expenses in Q1 | Expenses in Q2 | Expenses in Q3 | Expenses in Q4 | Budget remaining |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Shoreline Development | \$49,000 | \$4,972 | \$10,627 | \$11,746 | \$15,693 | \$5,961 |
| Water Quality | \$185,220 | \$49,518 | \$6,537 | \$44,447 | \$65,206 | \$19,512 |
| Recreation Management | \$35,000 | \$0 | \$7,374 | \$6,570 | \$5,514 | \$15,542 |
| Compliance and Enforcement | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Stakeholder Communication and Engagement | \$41,000 | \$0 | \$18,943 | \$2,662 | \$3,813 | \$15,582 |
| Administration, Meetings, and Reporting | \$49,000 | \$6,845 | \$13,125 | \$17,620 | \$29,986 | \$(18,576) |
| TOTAL | \$359,220 | \$61,334 | \$56,606 | \$83,045 | \$120,212 | \$38,021 |



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3. Summary of Activities that carry forward past March 31st

- Preparation of SLIPP Q4 report (this report)
- Completion and distribution of the 3-year SLIPP Summary Report
- Completion and distribution of the 2011-2014 SLIPP Water Quality Summary
- Maintenance and archiving of the SLIPP website, www.slippbc.com

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- SLIPP Steering Committee Meeting, April 23rd 2014 at the Chase Community Hall (Basement Room A), 547 Shuswap Avenue, Chase BC, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM