

Council meeting higlights: December 13th 2017

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Presentation from Adams River Salmon Society

Carmen Massey presented on behalf of a partnership between Adams River Salmon Society (ARSS) and Little Shuswap Lake Indian Band (LSLIB) to request support, participation, and a financial contribution from the SWC for a Salmon Symposium proposed to take place next fall coinciding with the dominant return of salmon.

Report from Program Managers

Erin Vieira and Mike Simpson gave an update on recent program operations:

- The Water Protection Advisory Committee met in early November to receive updates and discuss recent projects
- The Water Quality Monitoring Group met in mid November to review 2017 water quality monitoring activities, and discuss and provide input to the 2016 Water Quality Summary
- A special water quality monitoring project for nonylphenols has wrapped up, with good results. Nonylphenols – a synthetic compound found in some consumer products, and known to be toxic and persistent in aquatic environments – were not detected in lake water quality samples.

Water Quality Objectives for Shuswap Lake

Dennis Einarson provided an update on the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy led initiative to develop water quality objectives for Shuswap Lake. Once established, objectives can be incorporated into permits and plans and used as a regulatory tool for maintaining lake water quality. It's anticipated the objectives will be completed in 2018.

2018 Workplan Discussion

SWC members participated in a discussion to provide input for the 2018 work plan. Several motions were passed, including:

- The SWC will provide a letter of support for the 2018 Salmon Symposium being organized and hosted by ARSS and LSLIB
- Staff be directed to develop and deliver education, outreach and advocacy work for the prevention of zebra and quagga mussels to the Shuswap, supplementing the work done by other organizations.

In addition, staff were directed to prepare a letter for the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change summarizing its comments on the proposed revisions to the *Agriculture Waste Control Regulation*.

The next meeting of the SWC is on March 14th 2018 at the CSRD

SWC Members:

Paul Demenok – Chair CSRD Area 'C'

Larry Morgan – Vice Chair CSRD Area 'F'

> Rene Talbot CSRD Area 'D'

> Rhona Martin CSRD Area 'E'

Nancy Cooper City of Salmon Arm

Ken Christian TNRD, City of Kamloops

Rick Berrigan TNRD, Village of Chase

Todd Kyllo CSRD, District of Sicamous

Greg Witzky Secwepemc Nation, Adams Lake Indian Band

Dave Nordquist Secwepemc Nation, Adams Lake Indian Band

> Herman Halvorson RDNO, Area 'F'

Tundra Baird RDNO, City of Enderby

Dennis Einarson BC Ministry of Environment

Laura Code BC Ministry of Agriculture

Lorne Hunter Community representative

Ray Nadeau Community representative

Randy Wood Community representative