

## Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2021

Paul Demenok, CSRD Director for Area 'C', South Shuswap, was acclaimed as Chair, and Jay Simpson, CSRD Director for Area 'F', North Shuswap, was acclaimed as Vice Chair.

## Update from Program Managers

Erin Vieira provided an update on program operations since the last meeting:

- The 2021 Water Quality Grant Program launched in late February. Proponents can find information about eligibility and an application package online at [www.shuswapwater.ca](http://www.shuswapwater.ca). The application period closes April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Staff reviewed a recommendation from the Shuswap Water Monitoring Group that the SWC lead the development of a collaborative regional algal response plan with several water quality monitoring partners, including the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy and Interior Health Authority
- Staff are preparing media campaigns for the prevention of Zebra and Quagga Mussels to the Shuswap. Campaign messaging focuses on Clean-Drain-Dry practices and watercraft inspection.
- Staff reviewed the results of a series of presentations to community groups through late Fall and Winter 2020
- Staff have submitted two grant applications for funding to support the SWC's work; both applications are to federal granting programs

Expenses to the end of the third quarter (April 1<sup>st</sup> - December 30<sup>th</sup> 2020) total \$215,802 against the annual operating budget of \$323,450.

## Budget and workplan for 2021-22 approved

Staff presented the proposed workplan and budget for 2021-22. The operational expenses total \$390,250 with a projected operative reserve of \$113,645. The budget reflects two unconfirmed grant applications to federal funding programs. The budget will be adjusted according to the outcomes of the applications. The workplan and budget were approved, and take effect April 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.

## Guest presentation on Upper Adams River Salmon Restoration project

Mr. Don Holmes, R.P. Bio, Lakeshore Environmental, gave a presentation about a three-year salmon restoration project taking place in the Adams Lake watershed, led by Adams Lake Indian Band and the Secwepemc Fisheries Commission. The project proposes to fertilize parts of Adams Lake to boost the plankton communities and improve juvenile salmon growth and survival; the project also includes a comprehensive monitoring program.

*A full meeting summary is available on the SWC website.*

## SWC MEMBERS:

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