

*DRAFT* Meeting Agenda  
 Date: Mon. Feb. 25, 2019  
 Time: 9:30-11:45 am  
 Location: CVRD Board Room



Co-Chair: Chief William Seymour  
 Participants, Ian Morrison (co-chair), Shannon Waters, Alison Nicholson, Tim McGonigle, Debra Toporowski, Darin George, Tim Kulchyski, Lori Iannidinardo, David Slade, David Anderson, David Froese, Tom Rutherford  
 Regrets: Laura Brown  
 Guests: Jon Lefebure, Klaus Kuhn, Ross Forrest  
 Minutes: Jill Thompson

1.	Welcome	9:30	Co-chair	Information
2.	Approve Agenda	9:32	Co-chair	Decision
3.	Review and approve Minutes of Jan. 28, 2019	9:34	Co-chair	Decision
4.	Correspondence and Announcements - see below*	9:36	Tom Rutherford	Information
5.	Opportunity for public comment.	9:45	Co-chair	Information
6.	Discussion of CWB membership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tabled from January meeting</li> </ul>	9:55	Co-chair	Discussion/ Decision
7.	Draft 2018 Annual Report/ Draft Five Year Strategic Business Plan	10:10	Tom Rutherford	Discussion/ Input. To be ratified next month.
8.	Weir / Flows Updates	10:40	Tom Rutherford, Co-Chairs	
9.	Other	10:55	Co-chair	
	Recognition of former CWB Members. Everyone is invited to join the Board for cake and coffee.	11:00	Co-chair	
10.	Adjourn. Next meeting – Mon. March 25 <sup>th</sup> , 9:30am	11:45	Co-chair	Information

## Announcements

- Speakers Night this Thursday (below)
- Quamichan /Somenos meeting this Thursday (below)
- Watershed Symposium (below)
- Movie event at UVIC
- Community Forests event (below)

## Correspondence:

- Letter from Craig Sutherland RE water license and weir.



## Killer Whales and Legal Tales

Ecojustice lawyer Devon Page explains what's needed to save BC's endangered species  
 Free Public Lecture

### MEDIA ADVISORY

<b>WHAT</b>	<p>Cowichan Watershed Board is pleased to welcome Vancouver-based Devon Page, environmental lawyer and Executive Director of Eco-Justice (formerly Sierra Legal Defense Fund) to deliver the first Speaker Series lecture of 2019. This event is co-sponsored by Cowichan Valley Naturalists and VIU Cowichan.</p> <p>Devon will focus on the endangered Southern Resident Killer Whale, and what legal tools can be leveraged to save them. These fish-eating whales spend much of their lives in the Salish Sea, including near Cowichan Bay. Currently only 75 individuals remain, with declines attributed in part to fewer Chinook salmon, their dominant prey.</p> <p>Some of the Chinook salmon needed to support killer whale survival originate in the Cowichan watershed, making this topic particularly relevant for Cowichan residents.</p>
<b>WHEN</b>	Thursday Feb. 28th 7:00-8:30 pm
<b>WHERE</b>	VIU Cowichan Campus, 2011 University Way, Duncan, BC. Lecture Hall – Rm 140
<b>COST</b>	Free. All welcome.



About the Speaker: Devon Page is the Executive Director of Ecojustice, Canada's largest environmental law charity. Devon spent his first seven years at Ecojustice channeling his love of wilderness into protecting Canada's endangered birds, wildlife and fish. Devon obtained the first injunction in Canada to stop logging in old-growth forests home to an endangered species — the northern spotted owl — and launched the first cases under federal species at risk legislation. Devon became Executive Director in 2008 and has focused on enhancing Ecojustice's effectiveness by emphasizing litigation around key environmental and legal priorities, and expanding Ecojustice's operations from British Columbia and Ontario to Alberta and the Maritimes. More info: <https://www.ecojustice.ca/>

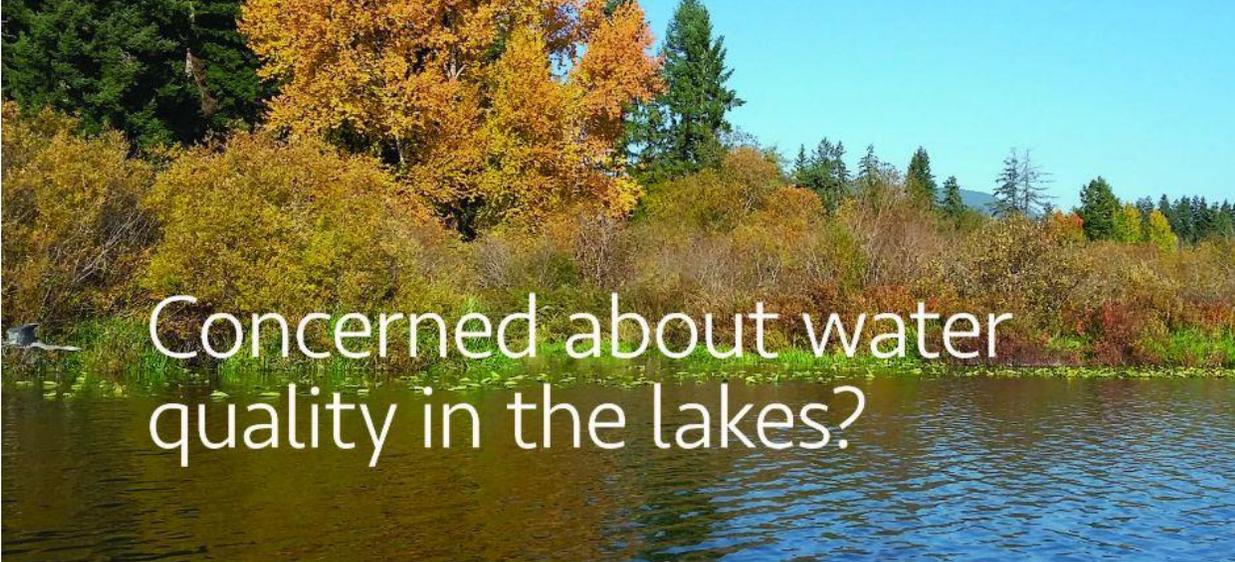
### Media Contacts:

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Tom Rutherford, Executive Director, Cowichan Watershed Board, 250-815-5930 (cell)

Cowichan Watershed Board – [cowichanwatershedboard.ca](http://cowichanwatershedboard.ca) or Find us on Facebook

*This monthly Speakers Series is made possible with financial assistance of the Real Estate Foundation of BC and venue donation by VIU – Cowichan Campus.*



# Concerned about water quality in the lakes?

## Come learn about the Kw'amutsun and S-amuna' Quamichan and Somenos Lakes Clean Water Action project

**COMMUNITY MEETING | 6:00 PM | FEB 28TH | COWICHAN VALLEY INN (ARBUTUS ROOM)**

*Refreshments and networking from 6:00pm to 6:30pm, Meeting from 6:30pm to 8:00pm*

We are hosting a community meeting to launch the S-amuna' | Somenos and Kw'amutsun | Quamichan Lakes Clean Water Action project on February 28th at the Cowichan Valley Inn. Guest speakers will include Tim Kulchyski from Cowichan Tribes, Dr. Dave Preikshot, RPBio, Stephanie Cottell (CCLT) and Elizabeth Aitken (SMWS).

### At the meeting you will learn:

- Indigenous Cultural and Ecological Knowledge about S-amuna' and Kw'amutsun Lakes
- Insights on recent water quality studies
- More about the Clean Water Action project and how you can be involved



## Please fill out our Survey

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/SQCleanWaterSurvey1](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SQCleanWaterSurvey1)

We are gathering information about resident's water quality experiences and common practices around the lakes. Please visit our survey link to contribute important information for this project. We are looking forward to taking action with you towards Cleaner Water in S-amuna' | Somenos and Kw'amutsun | Quamichan Lakes!



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Parksville 2019: Second Annual Vancouver Island  
Symposium on Water Stewardship in a Changing Climate

## Parksville 2019: Program at a Glance

**Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

*“In the Field”*

**OPTION 1 (FREE)**

Join us on a tour of the soon to be commissioned Englishman River Water Service treatment plant serving Parksville and Nanoose Bay Peninsula.

**OPTION 2**

*(40 registrants maximum)*

Learn from Dave Derrick. First, a classroom session. Then, an in-stream lecture at Shelly Creek, which is an emerging demonstration application for *sustainable stream stabilization*.

**Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Theme: *“Sustainable Stream Restoration”*

**Reconnect hydrology and ecology – what happens on the land in the creekshed matters to streams!**

In the 1990s, Dr. Chris May’s seminal research defined the relationship between land use change and stream impacts. To protect stream ecology, communities must address the root causes of *‘changes in hydrology’* (water quantity).

**FREE PUBLIC LECTURE:**

An evening lecture on April 3<sup>rd</sup> by Storm Cunningham is the bridge between the two days.

**Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

Theme: *“Restorative Land Development”*

**Yes, we can decrease our *destructive footprint* while at the same time increasing our *restorative footprint*!**

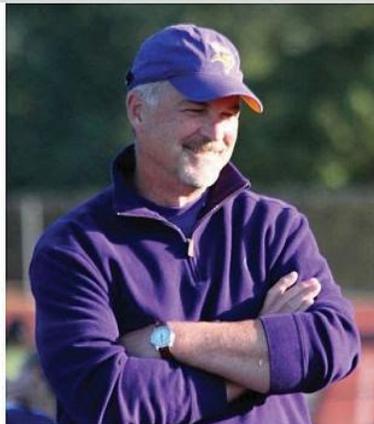
Storm Cunningham is a global thought leader. In **The Restoration Economy**, 2002, he showed how “restorative development” would drive economies in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Sustainable is attainable. Make where we live better. Create an “actionable vision”. Chart a new course to a sustainable water future. Celebrate Vancouver Island success stories. ***Follow the leaders!***

Cross-border collaboration expands our horizons and connects us with a larger body of experience!



**Dave Derrick**  
Stream Restoration Innovator  
*(Alabama)*



**Dr. Chris May**  
Environmental Scientist-Engineer  
*(Washington State)*



**Storm Cunningham**  
Author – Motivator – Publisher  
*(Virginia)*

# The Secrets of the Six Mountains: TZOUHALEM, PREVOST, RICHARDS, MAPLE, STONEY HILL, SICKER

A Public Assembly For Our Community Forests  
And Their Future, Now And Forever

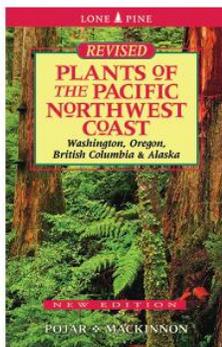


**TUESDAY**  
**March 5 • 7 PM**

**6:30 PM Pre-Show Chat** with  
Forest Expert and Researcher  
Erik Piikkila

**Guy Dauncey MC**

*Eco-Futurist and Author of  
Journey to the Future: A  
Better World Is Possible*



**FEATURING**

**Andy MacKinnon MSc, DSc**

*Author of six books on native plants on fungi, retired  
Professional Forester and Professional Biologist, BC Ministry  
of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources  
"The Rock Star of Botanists", Ancient Forest Alliance*

**Plus SPECIAL GUESTS & MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT**

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**A Fundraising Event for [WhereDoWeStand.ca](http://WhereDoWeStand.ca)**

**Cowichan Performing Arts Centre, 2687 James St, Duncan  
[www.cowichanpac.ca](http://www.cowichanpac.ca) | 250.748.7529 (748.PLAY)**

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