Update~ CWB Targets Review

Step 1: Revising Working Group Membership

OCTOBER 31, 2022



Purpose of Project

To re-ignite and engage the Working Groups and CWB

Governance Manual:

"The purpose of the CWB is to serve as a formal entity to improve collaborative management and decision-making to protect and enhance the health of the whole of the Cowichan and Koksilah watersheds.

This includes helping to guide the implementation of the Cowichan Basin Water Management Plan and the associated Targets adopted by the CWB."

Target Review Process

Step 1: Revise Working Group membership

Step 2: Reconvene WGs to: (Fall/winter 2022/23)

- Revise target, indicators
- Establish co-chairs
- Share project updates
- Begin to identify project opportunities

Step 3: Update CWB on "final" targets and indicators (Winter 2022/23)

Step 4: Second WG meeting (Spring 2023)

Step 5: Report to CWB (July 2023)

- Project work
- Any funding requirements

Four Active Working Groups:

- 1. Fish and Flows (2 targets)
- 2. Water Quality and Estuarine Health (2 targets)
- 3. Riparian Health
- 4. Watershed Connections
- 5. (Wise Water Use)

Responsibilities of WG members

- Ensure there is representation at each WG meeting (3 to 4 per year)
- Report back to the organization on WG decisions, project ideas, etc...

Approach for Step 1:

- 1. Identify key organizations involved in the work
- 2. Identify key representatives for each organization
- 3. Identify alternate representatives

Each WG will have:

8 to 10 members...

Representatives from:

- Cowichan Watershed Board
- Cowichan Tribes
- CWB staff

And lots of others...

Wealth of community knowledge...

Sh-hwuykwselu Streamkeepers

Cowichan Stewardship Roundtable

Cowichan Land Trust

Wildsafe BC

Xwulq'selu Connections

CVRD

Catalyst

Mosaic

Mun. North Cowichan

Nature Conservancy of Canada

BC gov't: MOF, MOE, LWRS, Parks

VI Recreational Paddling Assn

Quamichan Lake Assn

DFO

Cowichan lake and River Stewardship Society

BC Conservation Foundation

Friends of Cowichan River

City of Duncan

Coastal Invasive Species Committee

Cowichan Valley Naturalists

School District 79

Koksilah Working Group

Cowichan Estuary Nature Center

CERCA

Stewardship Center BC

Somenos Marsh Society

Nature Trust of BC

What we need from the Board

- Input on the process as outlined
- 4+ volunteers for the CWB positions

Questions?

Input?