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# AquaHacking Challenge introduced to Okanagan

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workshops. “This hits a real sweet spot for us,” OBWB executive director Anna Warwick Sears said. “It brings together so many of our interests, like raising awareness around – and solving – water issues, expanding partnerships, with post-secondaries and the tech community, doing something bold and innovative and engaging the entire community.”

Founded by the De Gaspe Beaubien Foundation on the belief that innovation and entrepreneurship are necessary for sustainable environmental change, the program initially had a five-year focus on the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Basin (2015-19). Since then, it has received funding from the RBC Foundation to bring the program to coast to coast. Along with founding technology partner IBM, funding for the BC AquaHacking Challenge has also been

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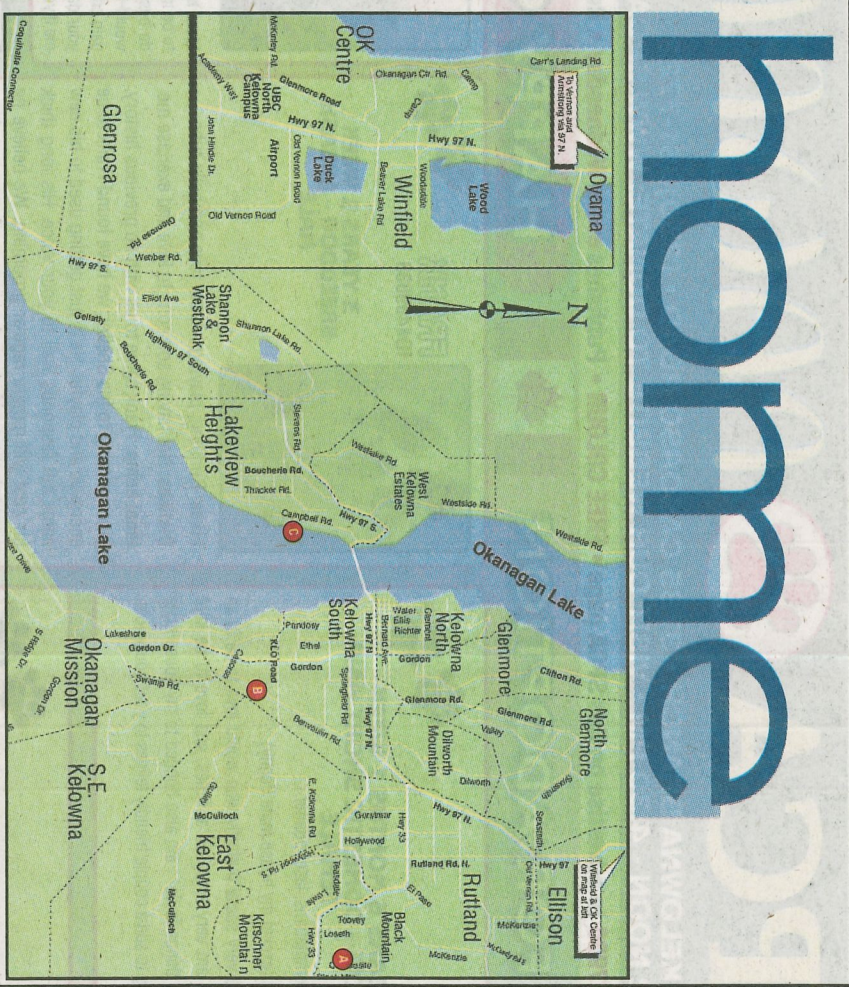
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