

Okanagan Water Stewardship Council

technical advisory committee



December 2016

Council Members:

(Term 7: November 2016 – April 2018)

Appointed representatives / alternates

- **AAFC, Research Branch**
Denise Neilsen / Scott Smith
- **APEGBC**
Don Dobson / Sue Lapp / Shawn Badasha
- **BC Agriculture Council**
Hans Buchler
- **BC Cattlemen's Association**
Lee Hesketh / Linda Allison
- **BC Fruit Growers Association**
Kevin Day / Richard McDonald
- **BC Ground Water Association**
Marta Green / Remi Alard
- **BC Ministry of Agriculture**
Andrew Petersen / Stephanie Tam
- **BC Water Supply Association**
Bob Hrasko / Patti Meger
- **BC Wildlife Federation – Region 8**
Doug Flintoff / Lorne Davies
- **Canadian Water Resources Association**
Brian Guy/ Rod MacLean/ Dwayne Meredith
- **City of Kelowna**
Andrew Reeder/ Jason Angus
- **City of Vernon**
Ed Stranks / Rob Miles
- **Environment Canada – Pacific & Yukon**
Kendall Woo / Ian Rogalski
- **Fisheries and Oceans Canada**
Doug Edwards
- **Interior Health**
Rob Birtles / Judi Ekkert
- **Irrigation Council of BC**
Ted Van der Gulik / Bruce Naka
- **Kelowna Chamber of Commerce**
Caroline Grover / Tom Dyas / Jeff Robinson
- **Ministry of FLNRO: Fish/Wildlife**
Grant Furness / Lora Nield
- **Ministry of FLNRO: Resource Mgmt**
Robert Warner / Ray Crampton
- **Okanagan Collaborative Conservation**
Scott Boswell / Tanis Gieselman
- **Okanagan College**
Allison MacMillan / Rob St Onge
- **Okanagan Mainline Real Estate Board** *David O'Keefe / Howard Newfeld*
- **Okanagan Nation Alliance**
Zoe Eyjolfson / Elinor McGrath / Natasha Lukey
- **RD of Central Okanagan**
Margaret Bakelaar / Chris Radford
- **RD of North Okanagan**
Renee Clark / Jennifer Miles
- **RD of Okanagan –Similkameen**
Zoe Kirk / Evelyn Riechert
- **Shuswap Okanagan Forestry Association**
Murray Wilson / Michael Bragg
- **UBC Okanagan**
Bernard Bauer / Carolina Restrepo-Tamayo

Council Report Highlights

- OBWB undertakes another round of communication with Federal/ Provincial governments pushing for a stronger protection from invasive mussels
- Term 7 work plan development – areas of focus (finalized):
 - Update the Okanagan Sustainable Water Strategy
 - Update the Phase 2 Okanagan Supply/Demand project
 - Policy
 - Communication, extension and outreach
 - Develop a decision-making framework for water licensing decisions using EFNs
 - Source water protection
 - Drought and flood planning
 - Irrigation Management
- Presentation by Stewart Cohen – Climate Impacts on water Availability in Canada – a need for collaborative adaptation
- Presentation by Linda Nowlan – Scaling up the Fisheries Act
- Zoning protocol to regulate development about large lakes pending approval
- FLNRO livestock watering regulation under development
- Drought status outreach project – two pilot projects with agricultural communities and water utilities
- RDCO and RDNO working on Regional Growth Strategy indicators and priorities; RDOS rewriting their water regulation by-laws
- BCWF conservation application has been launched for i-phone users
- WCQI grant application deadline: February 17 at 4pm
- CWRA annual national conference will take place in June 2017 in Lethbridge.

WSC Working Committees: 2016-18 term

Committee	Progress Status				
	None	Fair	Good	Excellent	Complete
Communication, extension and outreach	✓				
EFNs Phase III – decision making framework	✓				
Update Okanagan Supply and Demand Study	✓				
Irrigation Management	✓				
Update Okanagan Sustainable water Strategy 2.0	✓				
Source water protection	✓				
Drought and flood planning	✓				
Policy	✓				

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