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## Minister's Accountability Statement



The *Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development 2021/22 – 2023/24 Service Plan* was prepared under my direction in accordance with the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*. I am accountable for the basis on which the plan has been prepared.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katrine Conroy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Honourable Katrine Conroy  
Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural  
Development  
April 6, 2021

## Minister of State's Accountability Statement



I am the Minister of State for the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development and under the *Balanced Budget and Ministerial Accountability Act*, I am accountable for achieving the results for 2021/22:

- (a) Produce a strategic approach to managing B.C.'s coast for its continued sustainability and economic potential, including engagement with local Indigenous nations, local government and other stakeholders;
- (b) Submit a plan with options and implementation considerations for how to create a new ministry focused on lands and natural resources, improving on the model that exists within the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development;
- (c) Bring forward changes to wildlife policy that reflect the foundational principles our government has committed to, as part of our [Together for Wildlife Strategy](#);
- (d) Continue to implement our government's partnership approach model to modernizing land use plans with Indigenous nations;
- (e) Provide a progress update on B.C.'s approach to reflecting Indigenous peoples' history and cultures in our provincial parks and wilderness areas;
- (f) Submit to Cabinet a report on the results referred to in paragraphs (a) through (e) on or before March 31, 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nathan Cullen". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Honourable Nathan Cullen  
Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development  
April 6, 2021

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## **Purpose of the Ministry**

The Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (the Ministry) is the Province's agency responsible for land and resource management in British Columbia, including the protection of the Province's archaeological and heritage resources. Operating on a provincial land base of over 94 million hectares, the Ministry ensures the sustainable management of forest, wildlife, water and other land-based resources, and works with Indigenous and rural communities to strengthen and diversify their economies. The Ministry is also responsible for wildfire management, and facilitates public access to a wide range of recreational activities such as hunting, fishing, and access to B.C.'s wilderness and backcountry. The Ministry is working to address climate change by enhancing the role of forests and forest products as carbon sinks, and by preparing and responding to the impacts of climate change already underway. By a commitment to sustainable natural resource management, and through the advancement of new transformational initiatives, the Ministry supports activities that provide economic, environmental, cultural and social benefits to all British Columbians. This work directly contributes to the achievement of the Province's goals of meaningful reconciliation, a strong, sustainable economy and a better future for all British Columbians.

The Ministry oversees policy development, operational management and implementation, and administers all or part of 59 statutes and associated regulations. The Ministry also supports the Minister in her governance responsibilities for associated Crown agencies including the [Columbia Power Corporation](#), [Columbia Basin Trust](#) and the [Forest Enhancement Society of British Columbia](#). A complete list of Crown Agencies associated with the Ministry can be found in Appendix A.

Over the course of 2021/2022 and 2022/2023, the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development may undergo organizational restructuring in order to more effectively support land use policy and objectives that enhance economic activity, environmental sustainability and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. The Lands and Natural Resource Operations Secretariat is charged with bringing forward restructuring options. In doing this work, one of the options that will be considered is the development of a plan to create a new Ministry for Lands and Natural Resource Operations.

## **Strategic Direction**

In 2021/22 British Columbians continue to face significant challenges as a result of the global COVID-19 pandemic. The Government of British Columbia is continually evolving to meet the changing needs of people in this province. Government has identified five foundational principles that will inform each ministry's work and contribute to COVID recovery: putting people first, lasting and meaningful reconciliation, equity and anti-racism, a better future through fighting climate change and meeting our greenhouse gas reduction commitments, and a strong, sustainable economy that works for everyone.

The COVID-19 pandemic significantly reduced economic activity in B.C. in 2020. The ongoing evolution and economic cost of the pandemic on B.C. and its trading partners remains highly uncertain. The Economic Forecast Council (EFC) estimates a 5.1 per cent decline in B.C. real

GDP in 2020 and expects growth of 4.9 per cent in 2021 and 4.3 per cent in 2022. Meanwhile for Canada, the EFC projects national real GDP growth of 4.7 per cent in 2021 and 4.2 per cent in 2022, following an estimated decline of 5.4 per cent in 2020. As such, B.C.'s economic growth is expected to outperform Canada's in the coming years. The pandemic has increased risks to B.C.'s economic outlook, such as the timing of the global vaccination rollout, extended travel restrictions, a weaker global recovery, and the continued impact of a slower recovery in some sectors of the B.C. economy. Further risks include ongoing uncertainty regarding global trade policies and lower commodity prices.

This 2021/22 service plan outlines how the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development will support the government's priorities including the foundational principles listed above and selected action items identified in the November 2020 [Minister's Mandate Letter](#).

## Performance Planning

### Goal 1: Economic Benefits for all British Columbians, with Strong and Resilient Rural Communities

This goal addresses the Ministry’s role in creating conditions that support a vibrant and healthy provincial economy through the forest sector, and promoting community resilience to ensure support through economic disruption and natural hazard events. Progress towards this goal is supported by a Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Development, whose priorities include supporting community recovery and economic growth in rural communities.

#### Objective 1.1: Strengthen rural community economies, support recovery and build resilience to economic disruption

##### Key Strategies

- Support B.C. forestry workers, families and contractors impacted by economic disruption events such as mill closures and curtailments and the COVID-19 pandemic, through leading on-the-ground community transition services;
- Create short-term employment opportunities for contractors and their employees, and mitigate job losses caused by the COVID-19 pandemic through the implementation of the [Community Economic Recovery Infrastructure](#) and [Forest Employment Programs](#);
- Together with the three Regional Economic Trusts, implement the Rural Business and Community Recovery Initiative to assist rural businesses and communities in recovering from the economic impacts of COVID-19;
- Implement a targeted rural resident attraction pilot that will assist communities in building on their local or regional assets and economic opportunities in order to attract and retain residents in rural B.C.;
- Lead and strengthen cross-government programs, services, and investments to support rural worker and community resiliency, and realize new economic opportunities.

Performance Measure(s)	2019/20 Baseline	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Target	2022/23 Target	2023/24 Target
1.1 Cumulative percent of Forest Employment Program budget spent. <sup>1</sup>	20% (\$3 million)	89% (\$24 million cumulative)	100% (\$27 million cumulative)	n/a	n/a

Data source: Rural Opportunities, Tenures, and Engineering Division

<sup>1</sup> The Forest Employment Program is implemented over the fiscal years 2019/20, 2020/21, and 2021/22.

##### Linking Performance Measure to Objective

Government is committed to supporting forestry workers and contractors impacted by mill closures and curtailments in the Interior and Coastal regions of B.C. As part of this effort, the Ministry developed and is administering the three-year Forest Employment Program to create short-term employment opportunities for contractors and workers in B.C. who have been



affected. The Forest Employment Program ends in fiscal year 2021/22.

This performance measure reports on the amount spent using a cumulative percentage, tracking the dollars spent to ensure all funds are allocated. This performance measure demonstrates the Ministry’s commitment to ensuring that the allocated funds are spent in support of B.C.’s impacted workers and communities.

## Discussion

In September 2020, as part of the [StrongerBC: BC’s Economic Recovery Plan](#), government increased its supports through the Forest Employment Program for B.C. workers and families in the forest sector. The Forest Employment Program was expanded to include the Coast region and received an additional \$12 million to be spent by the end of fiscal 2020/21. This resulted in an increase to the overall three-year target to \$27 million, including an anticipated spend of \$24 million (or 89%) in 2020/21 with the residual \$3 million to be spent in fiscal 2021/22.

## Objective 1.2: Revitalize the B.C. forest economy and support an innovative, sustainable forest sector

### Key Strategies

- Implement the [Interior Forest Sector Renewal](#) through policy, regulatory and legislative changes that benefit communities and Indigenous peoples, maintain a competitive forest industry, and ensure excellence in stewardship;
- Continue with the delivery of [Coast Forest Sector Revitalization](#) through implementation of policy and program changes that will limit waste and drive fibre utilization and manufacturing in B.C.;
- Work with other ministries and Crown agencies to promote the use of B.C. wood and mass timber in domestic and international markets to diversify economic opportunities;
- Facilitate the growth of B.C.’s bio-economy through key partnerships that advance new and innovative forest product facilities such as engineered wood, supporting forest revitalization and the Province’s CleanBC plan;
- Support the federal government and represent B.C.’s interests in Canada-U.S. litigation on the softwood lumber dispute.

Performance Measure(s)	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Target <sup>1</sup>	2022/23 Target <sup>1</sup>	2023/24 Target
1.2 Annual timber volume sold through BC Timber Sales.	10.1Mm <sup>3</sup>	10.9Mm <sup>3</sup>	10.8Mm <sup>3</sup>	10.8Mm <sup>3</sup>

Data source: BC Timber Sales Cengea Resources System

<sup>1</sup> Targets for 2021/22 and 2022/23 have been revised from the [2020/21-2022/23 Service Plan](#).

### Linking Performance Measure to Objective

This measure indicates that [BC Timber Sales](#) (BCTS) is effective in supporting the Province’s Market Pricing System, and meeting its objectives to sell its apportionment and generate net

revenue. In doing so, BCTS will be a key part of the Province’s economic recovery supporting thousands of well-paying jobs. BCTS also directly contributes to industry sustainability and thriving Indigenous and non-Indigenous rural communities.

## Discussion

Timber supply in the B.C. interior continues to be adversely impacted by recent and ongoing events, including forest health issues pine and spruce beetles, and species at risk such as caribou and goshawks. Due to these factors, annual timber volume sold targets have been revised. BCTS is still forecasting to sell 100% of its rationalized apportionment over the five-year business cycle ending March 31, 2024.

### Objective 1.3: Improve community resilience through proactive and collaborative natural hazard management

#### Key Strategies

- Reduce risk and increase community resiliency through implementation of the [Government’s Action Plan: Responding to Wildfire and Flood Risks](#) in response to [Addressing the New Normal: 21st Century Disaster Management in British Columbia](#);
- Deliver funding through the [Community Resiliency Investment \(CRI\) program](#) to support work in treating the wildland-urban interface through delivery of [FireSmart](#) activities, and strengthen capacity of local emergency authorities and Indigenous communities to prepare and respond to wildfire events;
- Develop a provincial risk reduction strategy to reduce wildfire risk through targeted wildfire management activities in high wildfire risk landscapes;
- Complete and begin to implement a B.C. Flood Strategy in collaboration with other ministries, Indigenous peoples, local governments, the federal government, and other external parties, to continually improve flood management and governance for a resilient B.C.;
- Develop drought management strategies in collaboration with other ministries, stakeholders, and Indigenous peoples that will help British Columbians better prepare for future drought and climate change impacts.

Performance Measure(s)	2019/20 Actuals	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Target	2022/23 Target	2023/24 Target
1.3 Number of higher risk Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities <sup>1</sup> actively engaged in wildfire risk reduction activities.	55%	40%	50%	60%	70%

Data source: BC Wildfire Service

<sup>1</sup> Higher risk communities include: First Nations reserve areas, treaty settlement lands, municipalities and unincorporated areas within regional districts that are located within a Wildland Urban Interface risk class 1 or 2 area or have a locally approved plan that has identified high or extreme threat areas.

## Linking Performance Measure to Objective

This measure tracks the number of higher risk Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities that are actively involved in wildfire risk reduction activities aligned with FireSmart disciplines, including vegetation management. These activities address wildfire risk near public and private infrastructure through preventative activities that reduce the negative impacts of wildfires to communities.

## Goal 2: Partnerships that Support Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples

Furthering Government’s commitment to work toward true and lasting reconciliation, the Ministry is taking action to increase opportunities for collaboration in the stewardship and economic development of B.C.’s land, natural and cultural resources.

### Objective 2.1: Strengthen partnerships and increase engagement with Indigenous peoples in the management of B.C.’s natural resources and land base

#### Key Strategies

- Contribute to implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples through application of the [Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act](#) in alignment with the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, and other Ministries;
- Advance opportunities to include Indigenous peoples as a full and active partner in the forest sector and support economic development of Indigenous communities;
- Explore greater opportunities to promote partnerships through program-level operations and government-to-government mandates;
- Continue to partner with Indigenous governments and engage stakeholders and communities to identify and set land-use objectives through modernized land-use planning, ensuring sustainable natural resource management reflects shared social, cultural, economic and environmental values.

Performance Measure(s)	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Target	2022/23 Target	2023/24 Target
2.1 Delivery of planning commitments and reporting obligations related to the <i>Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act</i> <sup>1</sup>	N/A <sup>1</sup>	1	1	TBD

Data source: Indigenous Relations Branch

<sup>1</sup> This measure will begin tracking in the 2021/22 reporting period.

## **Linking Performance Measure to Objective**

This new measure highlights the Ministry's commitment to work towards true and lasting reconciliation and towards strengthening partnerships, collaboration and engagement with Indigenous peoples in the management of B.C.'s natural resources and land base.

The *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act* requires the development of an action plan to achieve alignment over time. The Ministry must provide transparency and accountability on progress made toward implementing measures to ensure the laws of British Columbia are consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and toward achieving the goals of the action plan to implement the Act.

## **Discussion**

This measure replaces the previous performance measures 2.1a and 2.1b in the 2020/21-2022/23 Service Plan, which reported the number of policies that have been reviewed in cooperation and consultation with Indigenous communities, and number of programs or policies modified in response to cooperation and consultation with Indigenous communities.

## **Goal 3: Sustainable Natural Resource Management**

The Ministry is committed to delivering its stewardship responsibilities in the best interest of the citizens of British Columbia.

### **Objective 3.1: Improve wildlife management, protect wildlife habitat, and support the recovery of species at risk**

#### **Key Strategies**

- With the advice of the Minister's Wildlife Advisory Council, work with Indigenous peoples, rural communities, wildlife organizations, natural resource development industry stakeholders and the public, to implement the Together for Wildlife Strategy to improve wildlife management and habitat conservation in B.C.;
- Together with Indigenous communities and other ministries, develop a provincial strategy to protect coastal marine habitat while growing community economies on the B.C. Coast;
- Apply new and existing tools to recover priority species at risk that reflect Indigenous values and provide certainty to affected natural resource users;
- Together with Indigenous peoples, stakeholders, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy and other B.C. ministries, plan and deliver key management actions to stabilize, recover and/or maintain identified woodland caribou herds in British Columbia through delivery of a comprehensive [Provincial Caribou Recovery Program](#).

Performance Measure(s)	2020/21 Baseline <sup>1</sup>	2021/22 Target	2022/23 Target	2023/24 Target
3.1 Wildlife habitat conserved, restored or enhanced through Ministry management activities	TBD	5% increase from 2020/21 Baseline	10% increase from 2020/21 Baseline	15% increase from 2020/21 Baseline

Data source: Resource Stewardship Division

<sup>1</sup> A baseline will be established in 2021/22, informing future targets for this performance measure.

## Linking Performance Measure to Objective

Furthering its commitment to improve wildlife management and habitat conservation, this performance measure demonstrates the result of Ministry efforts to support wildlife populations and help recover species at risk. The Ministry identifies opportunities to manage and protect Crown land to improve the health of the provincial land base. These efforts result in improved habitat for wildlife and fish, while also realizing additional co-benefits including the restoration of forests impacted by wildfire and pests, and increased carbon sequestration. This measure highlights the effectiveness of Ministry management activity to enhance, conserve and restore wildlife habitat.

## Discussion

The timeframe for identification of a baseline for this performance measure has changed from the 2020/21 Service Plan. In the coming year, the Ministry will work to finalize the methodology and data system to accurately and reliably measure the area in British Columbia that is currently conserved, restored, or enhanced for the benefit of wildlife habitat. A baseline is expected to be finalized in 2021/22, and will serve as a benchmark for future improvements.

## Objective 3.2: Revitalize and protect B.C.'s forests, and strengthen climate change mitigation and adaptation activities to benefit all British Columbians

### Key Strategies

- Develop and implement an effective approach to engage with Indigenous leaders and organizations as a foundation for implementing the Old Growth Strategic Review panel report: [A New Future for Old Forests](#);
- Invest in reforestation activities that rehabilitate and restore forests by improving utilization, increasing density, and expanding fertilization;
- Continue to modernize B.C.'s forest stewardship planning framework through the transformation of the [Forests and Range Practices Act](#) to advance reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and help address local issues;
- Demonstrate the potential of forests as a natural climate solution by investing in a portfolio of forest management activities that reduce emissions, enhance and increase carbon sequestration and increase resilience;
- Collaborate with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy to develop

and implement the [Climate Preparedness and Adaptation](#) strategy, and coordinate with government’s CleanBC plan;

- Generate new scientific knowledge on forest carbon and climate change to support decision-making and support changes in behaviour and practices through education, outreach and the development of decision support tools.

Performance Measure(s)	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Target	2022/23 Target <sup>3</sup>	2023/24 Target <sup>3</sup>
3.1 Greenhouse gas emissions reduced or sequestered through FCI activities <sup>1,2</sup>	3.2	2.6	1.0	TBD

Data source: Climate Change and Integrated Planning Branch

<sup>1</sup> Emission reductions and sequestration resulting from FCI activities delivered in the current fiscal year are measured in units of MtCO<sub>2</sub>e (Millions Tonnes Carbon Dioxide Equivalent) and the cumulative benefits of each year’s activities are modeled up to the year 2050.

<sup>2</sup> The Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund funding currently ends March 31, 2024.

<sup>3</sup> Targets for 2022/23 and 2023/24 are based on approved funding commitments, and may be adjusted in future plans if additional funding is received.

## Linking Performance Measure to Objective

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change recognizes that land management, including forest management, is critical to addressing climate change and its impacts. With that in mind, the Province launched the Forest Carbon Initiative (FCI) in 2017, supported by the federal Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund (LCELF). The FCI is investing in fertilization, reforestation, tree improvement, and road rehabilitation to increase carbon sequestration, and is encouraging better use of wood fibre to reduce the burning of woody biomass in slash piles. This performance measure projects the cumulative greenhouse gas emissions reduced or sequestered by 2050 for each year of the FCI. Projections are updated annually to reflect changes in program delivery as well as methodological improvements.

## Discussion

In February 2020, a two-year extension to the LCELF and FCI program was announced to more efficiently capitalize on FCI investments and optimize program outcomes. Additionally, the Government of Canada’s announcement of a two billion tree program will affect the magnitude of future program transition and outcomes. The Province is currently working with the federal government to determine the investment parameters of the two billion tree program and the targets for 2022/23 and 2023/24 will be updated when an agreement is in place.

Climate change adaptation remains an important priority to the Ministry. Through research, education, policy, and decision support tools, the Ministry works to ensure that climate change information is incorporated into natural resource assessment, planning and development initiatives with the goal of creating resilient communities and ecosystems. In particular, key actions of the Ministry’s updated climate change strategy will be achieved through LCELF/FCI investments.

## Financial Summary

Core Business Area	2020/21 Restated Estimates <sup>1</sup>	2021/22 Estimates	2022/23 Plan	2023/24 Plan
<b>Operating Expenses (\$000)</b>				
Integrated Resource Operations	34,791	35,340	35,348	35,348
Resource Stewardship	100,735	102,338	102,576	102,576
Office of the Chief Forester	28,616	30,829	30,964	30,964
Rural Opportunities, Tenures and Engineering	63,902	64,712	64,284	64,284
Forest Policy and Indigenous Relations	9,087	10,473	10,477	10,477
Fire Preparedness	42,806	43,343	43,348	43,348
Regional Operations	150,086	157,471	157,508	157,508
Executive and Support Services	59,103	73,209	73,329	73,347
Fire Management	136,310	136,310	136,310	136,310
BC Timber Sales Account	218,512	233,816	203,871	199,835
Crown Land Special Account	20	20	20	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>843,968</b>	<b>887,861</b>	<b>858,035</b>	<b>854,017</b>
<b>Ministry Capital Expenditures (Consolidated Revenue Fund) (\$000)</b>				
Executive and Support Services	37,343	29,808	23,826	23,826
Fire Management	525	525	525	525
BC Timber Sales Account	50,629	49,851	49,026	46,686
<b>Total</b>	<b>88,497</b>	<b>80,184</b>	<b>73,377</b>	<b>71,037</b>
<b>Other Financing Transactions (\$000)</b>				
BC Timber Sales Account Disbursements	104,302	105,816	99,909	98,667
Crown Land Administration Disbursements	6,382	6,382	6,382	6,382
Tourism Development Disbursements	600	600	600	600
Habitat Conservation Trust Disbursements	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500

<b>Habitat Conservation Trust Receipts</b>	(6,500)	(6,500)	(6,500)	(6,500)
<b>Net Cash Requirements (Source)</b>	<b>111,284</b>	<b>112,798</b>	<b>106,891</b>	<b>105,649</b>
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>(6,500)</b>	<b>(6,500)</b>	<b>(6,500)</b>	<b>(6,500)</b>
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>117,784</b>	<b>119,298</b>	<b>113,391</b>	<b>112,149</b>
<b>Total Net Cash Requirements (Source)</b>	<b>111,284</b>	<b>112,798</b>	<b>106,891</b>	<b>105,649</b>

<sup>1</sup> For comparative purposes, amounts shown for 2020/21 have been restated to be consistent with the presentation of the *2021/22 Estimates*.

\* Further information on program funding and vote recoveries is available in the [Estimates and Supplement to the Estimates](#).



## Forest Practices Board Resource Summary

The Forest Practices Board independently monitors and reviews forest and range practices in B.C.'s public forests and rangelands. The Board audits both tenure holders and government ministries for compliance with forest and range practices legislation, carries out special investigations and issues reports as appropriate, investigates concerns and complaints from the public, and participates in appeals to the [Forest Appeals Commission](#). It informs both the B.C. public and the international marketplace of forest and range licensees' performance in carrying out sound practices and complying with legal requirements.

The Board's mandate is provided by the *Forest and Range Practices Act* and the *Wildfire Act*. While the Board operates independently from the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, its budget vote is the responsibility of the Minister. The Board reports its accomplishments and priorities through an annual report found at: [www.bcfpb.ca](http://www.bcfpb.ca).

Forest Practices Board	2020/21 Restated Estimates <sup>1</sup>	2021/22 Estimates	2022/23 Plan	2023/24 Plan
<b>Operating Expenses (\$000)</b>				
<b>Total</b> .....	3,861	3,861	3,861	3,861

<sup>1</sup>For comparative purposes, amounts shown for 2020/21 have been restated to be consistent with the presentation of the 2021/22 Estimates.

\*Further information on program funding and vote recoveries is available in the [Estimates and Supplement to the Estimates](#).

## Appendix A: Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Tribunals

As of April 2021, the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development is responsible and accountable for the following organizations which fall within the Province of British Columbia's government reporting entity:

### [Columbia Basin Trust](#)

The Columbia Basin Trust (the Trust) is mandated under the [Columbia Basin Trust Act](#) to manage Columbia Basin Trust's assets for the ongoing economic, environmental and social benefit of the region, without relieving governments of any obligations in the region. The Trust is also mandated under the Columbia Basin Management Plan to include the people of the Basin in planning for the management of the assets and to work with others to coordinate activities related to the purpose of the Trust.

### [Columbia Power Corporation](#)

The Columbia Power Corporation mission is to efficiently develop and operate commercially viable, environmentally sound and safe power project investments for the benefit of the province and the residents of the Columbia Basin. In making power project investments, Columbia Power Corporation's goal is to support the employment, economic development and resource management objectives of the province and Columbia Basin Trust, within the constraints of a commercial enterprise.

### [Creston Valley Wildlife Management Authority](#)

The Creston Valley Wildlife Management Authority manages the conservation of wildlife, particularly waterfowl, in the Creston Valley.

### [Forest Appeals Commission](#)

The Forest Appeals Commission is an independent tribunal granted authority under the *Forest and Range Practices Act* to hear appeals from decisions made under a variety of statutes administered by the Ministry.

### [Forest Enhancement Society of British Columbia](#)

The Forest Enhancement Society of British Columbia (FESBC) supports the Ministry by identifying, funding, advocating for and advancing environmental and resource stewardship of B.C.'s forests.

### [Forest Practices Board](#)

British Columbia's Forest Practices Board provides independent oversight of compliance with the *Forest and Range Practices Act* and the *Wildfire Act*.

### [Muskwa-Kechika Advisory Board](#)

The Muskwa-Kechika Advisory Board advises government on natural resource management in the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area.