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Contacts and Resources

This appendix lists contact information for a variety of topics. References (*Pg 140*) and Resources (at the end of some chapters) also provide contact information and sources of help.

What?	Who?	Where?
Agricultural questions – livestock, fencing, waste management, crops	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries Farm Practices Guide BC Certified Organic Association	1-800-663-7867 www.agf.gov.bc.ca www.agf.gov.bc.ca/resmgmt/fppa/refguide www.certifiedorganic.bc.ca
Algal blooms	Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection (WLAP) Habitat Protection Officer Blue green algae info	Blue pages www.hlth.gov.bc.ca/hlthfile/hfile47.html
Aquifers – maps etc.	WLAP	wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/wat/aquifers/index.html
Bats	Bat Conservation International	www.batcon.org
Boating – safety – speed restrictions, regulations – green boating	Boating Safety Infoline Canadian Coast Guard – No Discharge Zones – Boating restriction regulations Georgia Strait Alliance Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons	1-800-267-6687 www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/obs-bsn/sbg-gsn/main_e.htm www.pacific.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/obs/index.htm www.pacific.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/obs/rias/ www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/obs-bsn/regs_e.htm www.georgiastrait.org 1-800-268-3579 or 1-800-808-BOAT www.cps-ecp.ca
Building regulations, bylaws	Municipal office	Blue pages
Burning licence - yard waste	Ministry of Forests Local municipality	1-888-797-1717 or www.for.gov.bc.ca/protect/burning Blue pages
Business reputation	Better Business Bureau Local Chamber of Commerce	www.canadiancouncilbbb.ca/ 604-682-2711 White pages
Cleaning products – analysis	Organization for the Assabet River	www.assabriver.org/nutrient/detergents.org
Conservation covenants	Land Trust Alliance of BC	www.landtrustalliance.bc.ca 250-538-0112
Cottage associations	BC Cottage Owners and Associations	www.bccottage.com 604-878 6876
Ditches – maintenance, installation	WLAP Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Agricultural Drainage Manual	1-800-663-7867 1-800-667-3355 1-800-282-7955 to order
Docks - licences, leases, easements, permits; boathouses, ramps etc.	Land and Water BC Inc. (LWBC) In some areas, contact for head lease	1-800-663-7867 or www.bc-land-assets.com/applying_for_land/ online_application.htm e.g. Vancouver Port Authority
EMERGENCY	Provincial Emergency Program – Emergency reporting flooding etc.	1-800-663-3456 ***only for emergency use***
Erosion problems	WLAP DFO Local municipality Specialized professional (<i>see Chapter 8</i>)	1-800-663-7867 or Blue pages for local contacts 1-800-667-3355 or Blue pages Blue pages Referral from local conservation group
Fire reporting - forest fires	Ministry of Forests	1-800-663-5555
First Nations lands – fisheries management – leasing	First Nations Fisheries Managers Aboriginal Fisheries Commission Individual band offices	Individual fisheries commissions (Okanagan Nation, Shuswap Nation, etc.) www.bcafc.org/ community directories
Fish habitat	DFO Local First Nations Fisheries Commission	1-800-667-3355 or www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/habitat/HADD/english/hadd_e_2.htm#Executive <i>See listing under First Nations</i>
Fishing regulations	Sport fishing regulations - freshwater /tidal	Fishing licence vendors
Flood protection	Municipal Office or Regional District Provincial Emergency Program Flood preparedness information Flood Hazard Management (WLAP)	Blue pages 1-800-663-3456 (emergencies only) regional offices: Blue pages www.pep.bc.ca/hazard_preparedness/floodproof/fludprf1.html or wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/wat/flood/

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Forest regulations		
– Crown land	Riparian Management Area Guidebook, Forest Practices Code	www.for.gov.bc.ca/tasb/legsregs/fpc/fpcguide/riparian/Rip-toc.htm
– Private land	Private Forest Landowners Association	www.pfla.org
Gardening	Naturescape BC Organic Landscape Alliance Integrated Pest Management Manual for Home and Garden Pests in BC City Farmer - lawn care Local composting program Go for Green Elora Centre for Environmental Excellence	<i>See entry under Wildlife habitat protection</i> www.organiclandscape.org/factsheets.htm wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/epd/ipm/docs/enviowe/default.htm www.cityfarmer.org/grass.html or 604-736-2250 Municipal government (Blue pages) www.goforgreen.ca/gardening/Factsheets/ www.ecee.on.ca/pesticide_free.htm
Hazardous material disposal		
– paint, flammables, gasoline, pesticides	Paint and Product Care Recycling Hotline	www.productcare.org 1-800-667-4321
Health concerns (water quality, hot tubs, sewage)	Local Health Unit - Environ. Health Officer Ministry of Health Services website	Blue pages www.hlth.gov.bc.ca/hlthfile
Heritage Rivers	Canadian Heritage Rivers System BC Heritage Rivers System	www.chrs.ca/Main_e.htm www.bcheritagerivers.ca
High water mark - locating	Municipal office WLAP DFO Registered land surveyor	Blue pages 1-800-663-7867 1-800-667-3355 Yellow pages
Invasive species - removal	WLAP, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries DFO Weeds of BC Field Guide to Noxious and Other Selected Weeds of BC Ducks Unlimited	1-800-663-7867 1-800-667-3355 www.weedsbc.ca www.agf.gov.bc.ca/croplive/cropprot/weedguid/weedguid.htm www.ducks.ca/purple/faq/
Lake information	BC Lake Stewardship Society Lakekeepers	www.nalms.org/bclss or 250-225-2537 www.stewardshipcentre.bc.ca
Lighting	International Dark-Sky Association Sensible Shoreland Lighting (publ.)	www.darksky.org/ida/index.html www.uwsp.edu/cnr/uwexlakes/publications/lighting.pdf <i>See References</i>
Marine mammal sightings	Marine Mammal Research Group	1-800-665-5939
Mower exchange	Clean Air Foundation	www.cleanairfoundation.org/mow_down/index.htm
Native plants	Sources - BC Landscape Nursery Assoc - Native Plant Committee Plant hardiness zones Naturescape BC Native Plant Society of BC	www.canadanursery.com/bclna/native.shtml <i>Appendix 2</i> sis.agr.gc.ca/cansis/nsdb/climate/hardiness/intro.html <i>See listing under Wildlife Habitat</i> npsbc@hotmail.com
Naturalists clubs	Federation of BC Naturalists	604-737-3057 or www.naturalists.bc.ca
Nature Watch		
– ice, frogs, birds, plants	Canadian Nature Federation Feeder Watch Butterfly survey Loon Watch - Canadian Lakes Loon Survey - Bird Studies Canada	www.cnf.ca/watch.html www.cnf.ca/educate/edu_involv_feeder.html www.cwf-fcf.org/surveys/butter.htm www.bsc-eoc.org/cllsmain.htm

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Nest boxes	Ducks Unlimited Canada Local Naturalist clubs	www.ducks.ca/nestboxes/duckbox.pdf local contact information
Ocean information	Cowichan Community Land Trust – Caring for our Shores Coastal Shore Stewardship Guide Northwest Wildlife Preservation Society (estuaries) Puget Sound Shores Marine Guide series – Small Boat Moorage – Shoreline Erosion – Small Boat Launches Living Oceans Society	www.island.net/~cclt/interpro.htm available through www.stewardshipcentre.bc.ca 604-713-6686 www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/pugetsound/ www-heb.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/english/publications/PDF/moorage.pdf www-heb.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/english/publications/PDF/erosion.pdf www-heb.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/english/publications/PDF/launches.pdf www.livingoceans.org/
Permits – work above or below high water mark	Local municipal office DFO WLAP, LWBC	Blue pages 1-800-667-3665 1-800-663-7867
Pesticide-free gardening	Elora Centre for Environmental Excellence Organic Landscape Alliance Integrated Pest Management Manual for Home and Garden Pests in BC	www.ecee.on.ca/pesticide_free.htm www.organiclandscape.org/factsheets.htm wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/epd/ipm/docs/envirowe/default.htm
Poaching	Fisheries violations Conservation Officer RCMP	1-800-465-4336 or 604-666-3500 (Vancouver area) Blue pages or 1-800-663-7867 Local phone directory
Pollution	Spills on the water Pollution on land: WLAP General information - Pollution Watch	<i>See Spills</i> 1-800-663-7867 www.scorecard.org/pollutionwatch/
Recycling	BC Recycling Hotline Rechargeable Battery Recycling	1-800-667-4321 www.rcbc.bc.ca 1-800-8-BATTERY or www.rbrbc.org
Registering your group as a society	Ministry of Finance, Societies Unit	1-800-663-7867 or 250-356 8673 www.fin.gov.bc.ca/registries/corppg
Reservoirs and Dams General inquiries Reservoir levels Dam locations Dam safety	BC Hydro BC Hydro BC Hydro WLAP, LWBC	1-250-365-2450 1-877-924-2444 www.bchydro.com/powersupply/generating_sites/ www.bc-land-assets.com/water/dams/
Rivers Day (BC)	Outdoor Recreation Council	www.orcbc.ca/
Septic systems	Local Environmental Health Officer BC Ministry of Health Services Overview – sewage disposal U. of Minnesota - Septic System Owner's Guide	Blue pages www.hlth.gov.bc.ca/protect/sewage.html www.hlth.gov.bc.ca/protect/pdf/PHI053.PDF www.extension.umn.edu/distribution/naturalresources/DD6583.html
Shellfish harvesting	DFO Shellfish Info Line	1-800-667-3355 604-666-2828
Shoreline loans	VanCity Savings and Credit Union	www.vancity.com/link?menuId=52214
Shoreline monitoring and enhancement	DFO Reefkeepers Shorekeepers - marine Shorekeepers (junior) Streamkeepers - freshwater Wetlandkeepers	1-800-667-3355 www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sci/protocol/reefkeepers/ 604-666-7915 www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sci/protocol/shorekeepers www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/oceans/Outreach/education%20pilots.htm 1-800-723-7753 www.pskf.ca 604-533-2293 www.bcwf.bc.ca

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Shoreland restoration information	Shoreland Restoration home page Minnesota Shoreland Management Resource Guide	www.uwex.edu/ces/shoreland www.shorelandmanagement.org
Soil surveys	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries	www.bcsoils.gov.bc.ca
Spills – fuel, oil	Canadian Coast Guard WLAP (on land)	1-800-889-8852 or VHF 16 1-800-663-7867
Streams – monitoring, restoration	Pacific Streamkeepers Federation	www.pskf.ca/
Swimming platforms – permits	Canadian Coast Guard - navigable waters	www.pacific.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/index.htm
Toxic alternatives	Georgia Strait Alliance Recycling Council of BC	www.georgiastrait.org www.rcbc.bc.ca
Volunteering – surface water testing – shoreline monitoring	BC Lake Stewardship Society Streamkeepers; Shorekeepers; Reefkeepers; Wetlandkeepers; Lakekeepers	250-225-2537 www.nalms.org/bclss <i>See entry under Shoreline monitoring</i>
Water – general site – conservation – rights, licences, diversion – quality (drinking water) – surface water licence – working in and around	Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection Canadian Water and Wastewater Association (toilet study) Environment Canada Water wiser Local municipality LWBC - Water Management Branch Local Health Unit – Environmental Health Officer LWBC Users Guide to Working in and around Water	wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/wat/ www.cwwa.ca/pdf%20files/Toilet%20report.PDF www.ec.gc.ca/water/en/manage/effic/e_weff.htm www.waterwiser.org/ Blue pages 1-800-663-7867 www.bc-land-assets.com/water/index.htm Blue pages or 1-800-663-7867 www.bc-land-assets.com/water/surface.html srmwww.gov.bc.ca/wat/wrs/brochures/user_guide.pdf
Watershed planning and restoration	Watershed Stewardship Alliance for referral to local groups	604-261-3554 www.scrn.org/bcwsa/
Wetlands information/ education	Wetlandkeepers Wetkit: tools for working with wetlands Ducks Unlimited	BC Wildlife Federation- Wetlandkeepers Handbook www.bcdf.bc.ca 604-533-2293 www.wetkit.net 1-800-665-DUCK or 250-374-8307 www.ducks.ca
Wildlife habitat protection and enhancement	Water, Land and Air Protection - Habitat DFO-Habitat and Enhancement Br. Naturescape BC <i>See also listings under Nature Watch, Nest boxes</i>	1-800-663-7867 1-800-667-3355 1-800-387-9853 or 250-387-9769 www.hctf.ca/nature.htm
Wildlife habitat monitoring – intertidal habitat – eelgrass	Shorekeepers SeaChange Marine Conservation Society	www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sci/protocol/shorekeepers/ www.seachangelife.net/ <i>See entry under Nature Watch</i>
Wildlife, injured	WLAP - Conservation Officer Wildlife Rescue Association of BC Canadian Wildlife Service (tagged)	Blue pages 604-526-7275 www.wildliferescue.ca 1-800-667-3665