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FWCP-Columbia Priorities for November 2014 Funding Applications

The Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program – Columbia has developed six Action Plans that outline the Program’s priority actions for:

1. large lakes;
2. small lakes;
3. streams;
4. species of interest;
5. upland / dryland areas; and
6. wetland and riparian areas.

In each Action Plan, every action has been assigned a priority of ‘1’ (highest), ‘2’ or ‘3’. During the evaluation of funding applications a proposed project that aligns with a priority ‘1’ action will be awarded more points, and a proposed project for a priority ‘2’ or ‘3’ action will receive fewer points.

Note: additional points will also be awarded during the evaluation process to applications that address one or more of the three FWCP-Columbia priorities below.

The FWCP-Columbia Board is encouraging applicants applying in fall 2014 to FWCP to submit funding applications that result in ‘on the ground’ or ‘in-stream’ restoration and enhancement work, specifically:

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1. **Implementation of stream habitat restoration and enhancement projects.** Refer to FWCP-Columbia Streams Action Plan. Restoration and enhancement projects with adequate technical background are preferred over inventory, research and planning. Applicants are encouraged to make use of any existing stream restoration plans (e.g., Forest/Fisheries Renewal BC; see <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/ecocat/>).
2. **Implementation of riparian and wetland restoration and conservation projects** as identified in the FWCP-Columbia Wetland and Riparian Action Plan at www.fwcp.ca.
3. **Undertake fish and wildlife projects to be delivered within the northern portion of the FWCP-Columbia area** which is bordered by Revelstoke and Golden in the south, and Valemount in the north. Proposed projects must be in alignment with any one or more of the six Action Plans. Please see FWCP-Columbia Program Area Map for details of program boundaries.