



WILDLIFE HABITAT CANADA

2020-2021 ANNUAL REPORT



DJ Cleland-Hura

2020 Canadian Wildlife Habitat Conservation Stamp and Print image, "Come Spring- Northern Pintails" by DJ Cleland-Hura.

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"A Winding Wetland Habitat in Québec." Photo Credit: Ducks Unlimited Canada - QC

ABOUT WILDLIFE HABITAT CANADA

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VISION

Abundant and diverse wildlife populations and habitats in Canada




MISSION


Conserve wildlife habitat in Canada through wise conservation investments

OBJECTIVES

- Leverage funding available for Canadian wildlife habitat conservation
- Conserve, restore and enhance wildlife habitat in order to retain the diversity, distribution and abundance of wildlife
- Foster coordination and leadership in the conservation community across Canada (for wildlife habitat)

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*"New Blooms in Southern Québec."
Photo Credit: Ducks Unlimited Canada - QC*



"A Colourful Fall - Wetland in Southern Québec." | Photo Credit: Fondation de la faune du Québec - QC

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Fiscal 2020-2021 was a strange and demanding year for all of us. We entered the pandemic with confidence that it would be quickly brought under control, only to have it flare up and subside across our land, still keeping a hold as I write. Board meetings have been virtual, through Zoom meetings, and staff quickly moved to remote working arrangements. Pivot became the by-word of all organizations and the staff of WHC handled it admirably.



Our 29 grant recipients from our **Habitat Conservation Stamp Initiative Program** faced uncertainties as to how they could complete their projects while minding to stay in compliance of the many and varied health protocols in their areas of the country. I would like to congratulate our grant recipients for rising to the challenges that this year brought and completing their projects in these trying times. I am sure next year will have similar challenges but I have every confidence they will again find ways to meet their commitments. This year is the first year we have approved projects under our new small grants program, **The Community Conservation Action Program**. The projects approved were varied and I am looking forward to their completion.



The Natural Heritage Conservation Program we work on with community and regional land trusts across the country to secure and conserve habitat in key conservation areas had a very successful year. Nineteen land trusts were our partners this year completing thirty-four projects. These projects are expected to benefit more than 45 species at risk. They faced similar challenges to our restoration projects and had even better ability to more than match our assistance.





"A Colourful Fall - Wetland in Southern Québec." | Photo Credit: Fondation de la faune du Québec - QC


MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR CONT'D



In January 2021, Dean Smith joined our Board. Dean is an ardent conservationist and advocate for engaging people in natural resource management decisions. As the North American Waterfowl Management Plan (NAWMP) Director and Wildlife Liaison for Canada at the Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies (AFWA) in Washington, DC and President of WoodWater Consulting Inc. (Regina, SK), his advice to the Board will be helpful as we move forward.

The cost of the Conservation Stamp to people who purchase it has remained at \$8.50 since 1991. There has been broad support in the conservation community for an increase in that fee. Without an increase, our ability to support habitat conservation projects across Canada is diminished. For much of Canada's landscape, restoration is essential. I find it puzzling that Government hasn't moved to increase the Conservation Stamp fee with the track record WHC and our partners have had over our more than 35 year history. It is time to take the plunge. Work with us to increase our ability to restore wildlife habitat on landscapes across Canada.

Yours in conservation,

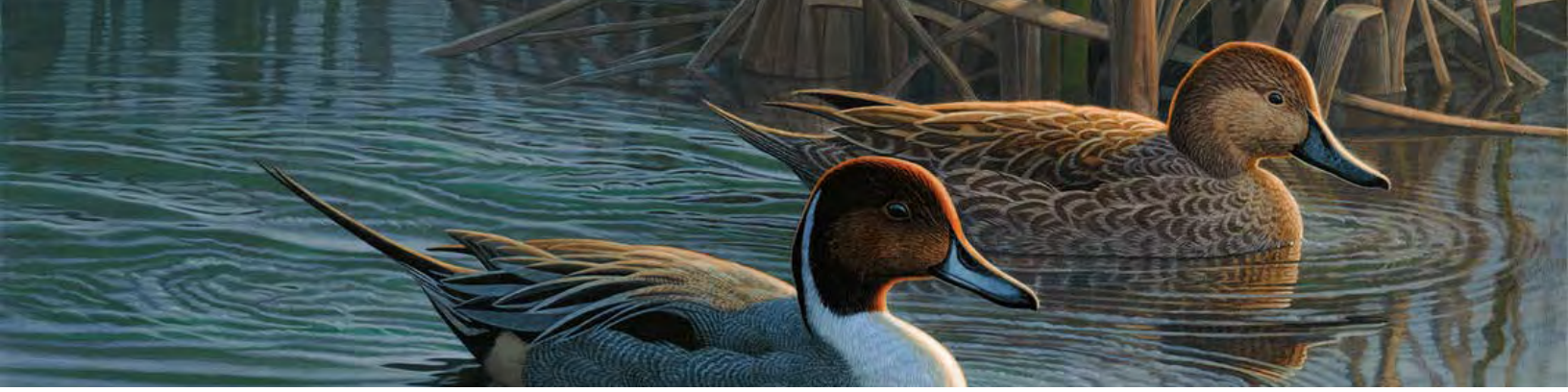


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David Lee Harris
Chair, Board of Directors



STAMP AND PRINT PROGRAM

2020 ARTIST: DJ CLELAND-HURA



The 36th Canadian Conservation Stamp features the stunning Northern Pintail duck, which last graced our Stamp in 1988. The original art piece "Come Spring - Northern Pintail" by DJ Cleland-Hura was the selected art piece for the 2020 Conservation Stamp image.

DJ is an accomplished artist and teacher. He's worked on different projects, including work with Pixar as well as designing artwork for the card game "Magic the Gathering". He's an illustrator, having created political cartoons and won numerous wildlife competitions that have raised funds for habitat conservation.



For DJ, it was easy to paint the Pintail, as the species is his favourite duck. In our recent interviews and collaborations for our Meet the Artist video series, available on our YouTube channel, he told us: "*To me, Pintails are the most elegant ducks, to me they always feel like they are dressed up, they feel like they are in evening wear.*"

Influenced at an early age by Robert Bateman, DJ has been immersed in wildlife art for nearly his entire life. Combining his love of Pintails and his early influences in wildlife art, made this painting a stunningly beautiful accomplishment.

To learn more about DJ - [Visit our YouTube Page!](#)

To see more of DJ's work, please visit his website:
www.griffonworks.com





STAMP AND PRINT PROGRAM

2021 ARTIST: RIC SLUITER

The 2021 Canadian Conservation Stamp is centered around the Common Goldeneye duck species. This year's winner is Ric Sluiter, with his original piece "On Golden Pond - Common Goldeneye", pictured above. The piece will be featured on the Conservation Stamp as part of WHC's Stamp and Print Program.

Born and raised in the Toronto area, Ric took an early interest in nature and art, spending much time studying the intricacies of wildlife. He studied at Sheridan College in Ontario, learning about Animation and graduating to work at Atkinson Film Arts in Ottawa. He moved to Florida in 1989 to work at Disney Feature Animation where he contributed to films such as: "Beauty and the Beast", "Aladdin", "Bolt", and was an Art Director on "Mulan", and "Lilo and Stitch"

Ric has since retired from the animation industry and he now spends his time living on Pigeon Lake in Ontario where he paints wildlife full time.

"I am continuously amazed at nature's confounding wisdom; a Dragonfly can seemingly disappear and reappear 20 feet away in a blink of an eye; an Osprey can time and articulate a dive to catch a fish; or a 700 lb Grizzly can tear across the tundra at 56 kph. Nature provides unlimited inspiration!" - Ric Sluiter

To learn more about Ric - [Visit our YouTube Page!](#)

To see more of Ric's work, please visit his website: <https://www.ricsluiter.com>



#WHCSTAMPMEANS

To many, hunters, conservationists and otherwise, the Canadian Conservation Stamp is much more than just a picture. While it is attached to the Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit, it is also a symbol of conservation and a relic of memorable hunting seasons passed. We at WHC love to hear what the #WHCStampMeans to our supporters. Whether it's a stamp collection, an old permit or a conservation edition print, let us know what the stamp means to you using #WHCStampMeans on social media.



Image: 2020 Canadian Wildlife Habitat Conservation Stamp Pane
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as represented by the Minister of Environment, 2020.

Each year, WHC donates a variety of prints featuring the stamp image and other artwork by Canadian wildlife artists to various causes and organizations across the country to support the fundraising efforts of our partners. Although the COVID-19 pandemic did impair many fundraising events in the past year, we are always looking for new opportunities to lend our support to conservation. If your organization is interested in receiving a conservation edition print for a fundraising dinner or other fundraising event, please email us at admin@whc.org.

KEEPING HUNTING HERITAGE ALIVE



"A Great Shot!"
Photo Credit: Delta Waterfowl

Canadian migratory game bird hunters are among the most active conservationists in Canada. In addition to license fees to support wildlife management, many also participate in conservation fundraising dinners and activities, dedicating countless hours to volunteer work, committees and projects that benefit wildlife. Over the past few years, WHC has been continuously supporting "Paying it Forward", a charity that raises money to help pay for underprivileged youth to take their hunter education course. This allows WHC to support hunters who support conservation by bringing the two together in partnership.



"New Growth - A Tree-planting Excursion." | Photo Credit: Nashwaak Watershed Association - NB

HABITAT CONSERVATION STAMP INITIATIVE

Through a legislative arrangement with Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), WHC receives the revenues from the sale of the Canadian Wildlife Habitat Conservation Stamp, purchased primarily by waterfowl hunters to validate their Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permits. The funds are transferred to WHC through a contribution agreement, supporting ECCC's responsibility for the protection and conservation of habitat, particularly for the conservation of waterfowl pursuant to the Migratory Birds Convention Act.

In 2020...



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NUMBER OF PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE STAMP



23,467

ACRES OF HABITAT CONSERVED OR RESTORED



26,012+

CANADIANS ENGAGED IN CONSERVATION AND STEWARDSHIP ACTIVITIES



\$1.13 million* in grant funding provided

*Of which \$1,116,581 contributed directly to priorities under the North American Waterfowl Management Plan (NAWMP).



\$4.76 million in additional partner funds raised for conservation

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"Overhead View of a Vast Quebec Wetland." | Photo Credit: Ducks Unlimited Canada - QC

CANADIAN HABITAT JOINT VENTURES



Habitat Joint Ventures integrate planning, science, governance, partnerships, and management to achieve NAWMP (North American Waterfowl Management Plan) goals in Canada through a programmatic approach.

Joint Venture partners actively research, monitor and evaluate waterfowl populations and deliver habitat conservation programs at a regional level.



WHC projects funded under the Habitat Conservation Stamp Initiative support the North American Waterfowl Management Plan (NAWMP) conservation priorities outlined in Habitat Joint Venture implementation plans. The following pages highlight overall project achievements in each of the Habitat Joint Ventures.

For detailed summaries of funded projects, please visit: whc.org/grants ("Current Projects")



WHC PROJECTS

Pacific Birds Habitat Joint Venture

WHC Project Funding: \$160,000

Includes portions of British Columbia, Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California and Hawaii. The British Columbia coastline is a complex of inlets, bays, islands, straits and fjords rising to a diversity of near-shore, inter-tidal and forested habitats. There are over 440 estuaries with tidal wetlands and adjacent floodplains habitats. Over 1 million waterfowl nest along B.C.'s coastline and another 400,000 in its estuaries. Agricultural areas in the region also provide significant habitat and food supply for migrating and wintering waterfowl.

In 2020-2021 :

4

Funded Projects

3,619

Acres:

Conserved, restored and/or enhanced

7,020

People:

Engaged in conservation



Upland Restoration of Farmland for Waterfowl on the Fraser River Delta



2020-2021 BCWF Youth Program: Cultivating BC's Next Generation of Conservationists



Wetlands on Wheels 2020-2021: Expanding Conservation & Restoration Capacity in BC



Wetland Habitat Creation, Restoration, and Enhancement on BC's Sunshine Coast

WHC PROJECTS

Canadian Intermountain
Joint Venture

WHC Project Funding: \$28,000

An area of 123.5 million acres (50 million hectares) in the central/southern interior of British Columbia and the eastern Rocky Mountains in Alberta. The CIJV encompasses a diverse landscape of valleys and mountains with grasslands, dry and moist coniferous forests, riparian areas and wetlands, alpine tundra, and pocket desert. Twenty-four waterfowl species breed in the CIJV with an estimated populations of 1.45 million birds. This represents 70% of B.C's and roughly 4% of Canada's breeding waterfowl population.



In 2020-2021 :

1

**Funded
Project**

0.2

Acres:

Conserved,
restored and/or
enhanced

102

People:

Engaged in
conservation



*Canadian
Intermountain
Joint Venture*



Enabling Wetland Stewardship
and Habitat Conservation
through Technology Transfer
Workshops

*"Invasive Alien Species - Prior to Treatment."
Photo Credit: Agrowest Consulting Scientists*



WHC PROJECTS

Prairie Habitat Joint Venture

WHC Project Funding: \$210,000

Encompasses 158.4 million acres (64.1 million hectares) in the prairie and aspen parklands of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and the Peace-Parkland Region of British Columbia. The Western Boreal Forest program also falls under the PHJV including parts of British Columbia, the Prairie Provinces, and the Yukon and Northwest Territories. The PHJV covers one of the most productive areas for waterfowl in the world. Over half of North America's mid-continent ducks breed within this region.

In 2020-2021 :

7 Funded Projects

1,949

Acres:
Conserved, restored and/or enhanced

14,079

People:
Engaged in conservation



The Manitoba Waterfowl Population Enhancement Project



Taking Action for Prairie



Webinar Presentations for Native Prairie Speaker Series and Prairie's Got the Goods Week



Hunter Education and Hunting Recruitment Program Development



"As Far As The Eye Can See - A Lively Prairie Landscape." | Photo Credit: Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation - MB



Elevating awareness of the UNESCO Beaver Hills Biosphere through digital story-telling



Conservation Education Programs for Youth and Women



Saskatchewan Breeding Bird Atlas: A Public-Private Partnership for Conservation



"Breeding Bird Atlas - Searching for a Lifer!"
Photo Credit: Birds Canada



WHC PROJECTS

Eastern Habitat Joint Venture

WHC Project Funding: \$472,000

Contains 780 million acres (315 million hectares) in Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland and Labrador. The EHJV supports 30% of Canada's wetlands, including coastal bays and salt marshes, lakeshore marshes, floodplain wetlands and boreal forest wetlands. The EHJV supports a significant portion of the continental populations of American Black Duck, Mallard, Ring-necked Duck, Common Golden-eye, Common Eider (3 subspecies), Green-winged Teal, and Canada Goose (5 populations).

In 2020-2021 :

13

Funded Projects

12,112

Acres:
Conserved,
restored and/or
enhanced

2,629

People:
Engaged in
conservation



NL Municipal Wetland Retention and Invasive Species Impact Assessment



Detailed mapping of wetlands in the Lac-St-Jean plain - Phase 2



Conservation and restoration of wetlands and coastal areas in Eastern Quebec



Restoration of Wood Duck Habitat and Hen House Installation on Private Lands in Southern New Brunswick



Wetland Restoration Program



Advancing Ontario Eastern Habitat Joint Venture All-bird Conservation



Protection and restoration of wetlands in southern Quebec (2020-2021)



Watershed Restoration and Landowner Outreach in New Brunswick



Oliphant and the Fishing Islands Invasive Phragmites Project 2020



Waterfowl nest box stewardship program and cavity availability evaluation along the lower St. John River, NB



Nova Scotia Eastern Habitat Joint Venture (NS-EHJV) Wetland Stewardship Program



Initiation to the 2020 waterfowl hunt



Developing a Model of Shared Stewardship for Ecologically Significant Land In New Brunswick

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WHC PROJECTS

National and Regional
WHC Project Funding: \$242,410

Every year, WHC funds projects that are national and/or regional in scope, that are not necessarily associated with any one Habitat Joint Venture. These projects often include activities or programs in multiple locations throughout Canada on a national level (more than 3 provinces/territories) or at a regional level (2-3 provinces or territories).

In 2020-2021 :

3

**Funded
Projects**

5,787

Acres:
Conserved,
restored and/or
enhanced

2,180

People:
Engaged in
conservation



Supporting Excellence in
Action-Oriented Wetland
Education



Maximizing the efficiency of
active nest structures in key
breeding areas of Canada



Creating and maintaining waterfowl
hunter conservationists through tested
recruitment efforts and enhancing
opportunities across Canada



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"Island Monitoring - Common Eider Nests." | Photo Credit: Intervale Associates - NL

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR MURRE CONSERVATION FUND

WHC Project Funding: \$17,250

Murre hunting is a traditional activity and a part of the cultural heritage of Newfoundland and Labrador. The regulations permit only hunters from Newfoundland and Labrador to harvest Murre in Canada and only within the provincial boundaries. Since 2001, Murre hunters have been required to purchase a Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit, which includes the Canadian Wildlife Habitat Conservation Stamp. It was agreed that an associated portion of Stamp funds from Murre hunters be directed to support Murre conservation activities.

The priorities of the NL Murre Conservation Fund are to fund projects that support the conservation and management of Murre populations and their habitat, and to provide funding for projects that involve the people of Newfoundland and Labrador in the conservation, management, and the sustainable harvest of Murre.

In 2020-2021 :

1

Funded Project

6

People:

Engaged in Murre conservation activities



To measure fine-scale locations of murre year-round using combined GPS and geolocator deployments



"Common Murre Colony."

Photo Credit: Doug Noblet - McGill University - NL



"All Hands on Deck - Volunteer Habitat Restoration Activity in British Columbia." | Photo Credit: British Columbia Wildlife Foundation - BC

NATIONAL SUPPORT FOR HABITAT CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Environment and Climate Change Canada also provided Wildlife Habitat Canada funding for two projects for over \$125,000 in project operational costs from Intervale Associates in Newfoundland and Rural Lambton Stewardship Network in Ontario. These projects were able to be completed successfully and contribute another 160 acres to habitat conservation and engage over 315 participants in conservation.



Restoring Habitat and Reducing Disturbance of Sea Ducks and Shorebirds of the Strait of Belle Isle and Northern Peninsula of Newfoundland

- Restoration of Common Eider habitat on 6 islands through nest shelter assessment and removal.
- Outreach and bird identification training directly to 98 youth, youth instructors, and other supervisors.



Photo Credit: Intervale Associates

72 ACRES
Conserved, Enhanced or Restored

43 PARTICIPANTS
Engaged in Conservation



St. Clair/Erie/Sydenham River Waterfowl Habitat Improvement Initiative

- 9 new landowners now have 12 acres of waterfowl breeding/feeding/nesting habitat on the landscape.
- 12 landowners now have 40 acres of newly created native prairie on the landscape increasing biodiversity.



Photo Credit: Rural Lambton Stewardship Network

88 ACRES
Conserved, Enhanced or Restored

272 PARTICIPANTS
Engaged in Conservation

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COMMUNITY CONSERVATION ACTION PROGRAM

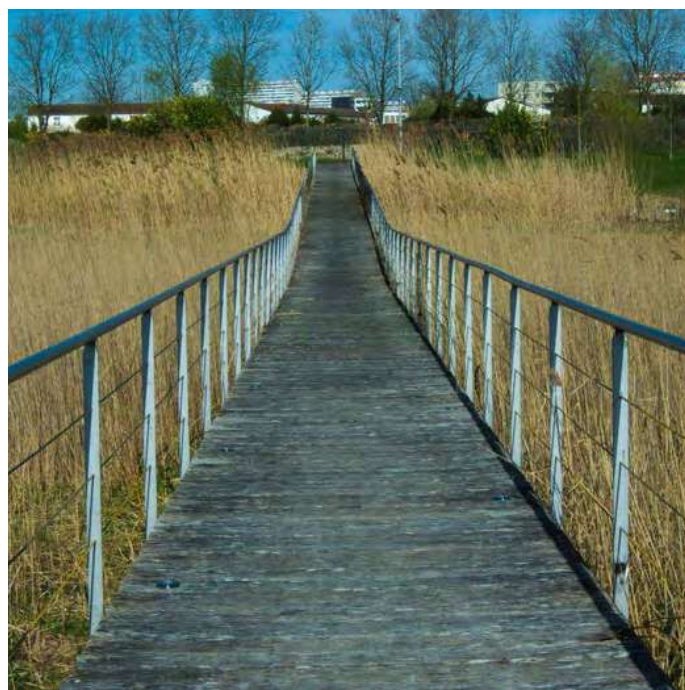
With the demand for conservation dollars becoming more and more competitive, WHC has been looking for a way to help smaller organizations access the funding that they need to make a difference in conservation within their local or regional community. WHC is pleased to introduce this 3-year pilot program, which will invest up to \$50K/year in grassroots efforts to connect Canadians with nature and deliver conservation achievements on-the-ground.



The CCAP is aimed at small(er) organizations with funding requests between \$1K to \$10K. The goal is to support them in making conservation achievements in their communities. The specific focuses of this program are:

- Connecting Canadians with nature
- Engaging youth in conservation
- Providing educational conservation programming

Since its launch, the project has received an overwhelming response with more than 50 applications drafted and \$260k in grant requests. This program is expected to deliver successful conservation results by assisting community organizations in connecting people to nature.





Blue Mountain Project | Photo Credit: Nova Scotia Nature Trust

NATURAL HERITAGE CONSERVATION PROGRAM



In April 2019, the Government of Canada announced an investment of \$100 million over four years in the Natural Heritage Conservation Program (NHCP), as part of Budget 2018’s Nature Legacy initiative.

The NHCP is a public-private partnership which aims to assist and support the securement of key conservation areas across Canada, protect habitat for species at risk, enhance connections and corridors and stem the loss of biodiversity.

The Nature Conservancy of Canada, Ducks Unlimited Canada, Wildlife Habitat Canada and a variety of regional and local land trusts represented by the Canadian Land Trusts Working Group are working together under the NHCP, with a commitment to

protect 200,000 hectares (494,210 acres) of habitat for species at risk that contributes to the goals of Pathway to Canada Target 1.



Princeton Grasslands II
Photo Credit: The Nature Trust of British Columbia

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Fortune Bridge Project | Photo Credit: Island Nature Trust

LAND TRUSTS CONSERVATION FUND

Under the NHCP, WHC is providing grant administration services for the Land Trusts Conservation Fund (LTCF), which is providing up to \$4.5 million annually over four years to support Canadian community and regional land trusts in securing private lands and private interests in lands.

The work of Canada's land trusts on private land coincides directly with those landscapes at greatest risk of further development and fragmentation and significantly contributes to the protection of habitat and species at risk.

In 2020, the second year of the program, the LTCF:

- supported 19 individual land trusts.
- funded 34 projects across Canada that are expected to benefit more than 45 species at risk.
- helped protect more than 2,850 hectares of habitat in key conservation areas.
- was matched with more than \$18.7M in other non-federal funds.



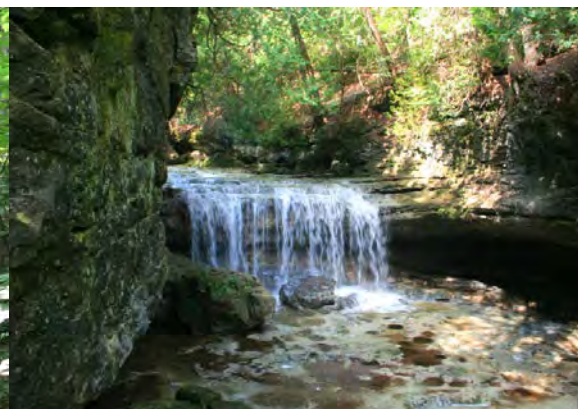
Boulangier Project.

Photo Credit: Fiducie de conservation des écosystèmes de Lanaudière



Reiner Project.

Photo Credit: rare Charitable Research Reserve



Cannings Falls Nature Reserve.

Photo Credit: Bruce Trail Conservancy

For individual project highlights, please visit: whc.org/ltcf ("Awardees")




Millstream Project | Photo Credit: The Land Conservancy of British Columbia


LAND TRUSTS CONSERVATION FUND

It is hard to believe, but we have already reached the halfway point of the Land Trusts Conservation Fund. The program is on track to exceed its target of securing 10,000 hectares of important habitat by the end of 2023, which will help protect a variety of species at risk across Canada.


Accomplishments of Canada's community and regional land trusts in the first two years of the
Land Trusts Conservation Fund:



Over **6K hectares** of habitat protected



benefitting more than **60 species** at risk




with the help of more than **450 volunteers**

ALMOST

\$10 million


IN LTCF FUNDS




HAS BEEN MATCHED WITH MORE THAN

\$33.9 million

IN OTHER NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTIONS





... that's more than a **\$43 million** investment in protecting private land!

28

land trusts

65

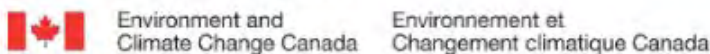
projects

7

provinces

*The Land Trusts Conservation Fund is a component of the **Natural Heritage Conservation Program**, which is a \$100 million investment by the Government of Canada as part of Budget 2018's Nature Legacy initiative.*

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Rose Island | Photo Credit: Georgian Bay Land Trust

LAND TRUSTS CONSERVATION FUND

Congratulations to members of Canada's land trust community who received funding in the second year of the Land Trusts Conservation Fund program:

RECIPIENTS

- BC Parks Foundation
- Bruce Trail Conservancy
- Corridor Appalachien
- Escarpment Biosphere Conservancy
- Fiducie de conservation des écosystèmes de Lanaudière
- Georgian Bay Land Trust
- Habitat Acquisition Trust
- Island Nature Trust
- Nature-Action Québec
- Nova Scotia Nature Trust
- Ontario Farmland Trust
- rare Charitable Research Reserve
- Southern Alberta Land Trust Society
- Southern Interior Land Trust Society
- Thames Talbot Land Trust Society
- The Land Conservancy of British Columbia
- The Nature Trust of British Columbia
- The Nature Trust of New Brunswick
- Thunder Bay Field Naturalist Club

The Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia, the Ontario Land Trust Alliance and the Réseau de milieux naturels protégés worked collectively under the Land Trusts Conservation Fund to provide capacity building support to land trusts in adhering to the Canadian Land Trusts Standards and Practices (2019), and technical support for conservation planning, Pathway to Target 1, and land management.





"Bright and Beautiful - Wetland Retention Site in Newfoundland." | Photo Credit: Stewardship Association of Municipalities Inc.

CONSERVATION COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

WHC maintains active membership and involvement on a variety of councils, boards, steering committees and teams that contribute to the development of policies, legislation for habitat and wildlife. This supports WHC's objective to foster coordination and leadership in the conservation community across Canada.

North American Waterfowl Management Plan



North American Wetlands Conservation Council (Canada)



CANADIAN WETLANDS ROUNDTABLE



Invasive Species Centre



PACIFIC BIRDS HABITAT JOINT VENTURE



Canadian Intermountain Joint Venture

30 PCHE Le plan conjoint des habitats de l'est
EHJV Eastern Habitat Joint Venture

prairie habitat joint venture

SUPPORTERS AND PARTNERS

- Agrowest Consulting
- Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association
- BC Wildlife Federation
- Beaver Hills Biosphere Reserve Association
- Birds Canada
- Canadian Land Trusts Working Group
- Delta Farmland & Wildlife Trust
- Delta Waterfowl Foundation
- Ducks Unlimited Canada
- Fondation de la faune du Québec
- Grey Sauble Conservation Authority
- Héritage Faune
- Intervale Associates
- Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia
- Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority
- Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation
- Manitoba Wildlife Federation
- McGill University
- Nashwaak Watershed Association Inc.
- Nature Conservancy Canada
- Nova Scotia Department of Lands and Forestry
- Oliphant Fishing Islands Phragmites Community Group
- Ontario Land Trust Alliance
- Réseau de milieux naturels protégés
- Rousseau Collections
- Rural Lambton Stewardship Network
- Saskatchewan Prairie Conservation Action Plan
- SNB Wood Co-operative Ltd.
- Stewardship Association of Municipalities Inc.
- Sunshine Coast Wildlife Project
- The British Columbia Wildlife Federation
- The Nature Trust of New Brunswick



"In the Spotlight - A Wilson's Snipe from Quebec." | Photo Credit: Nature Conservancy of Canada- QC

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

To the Members of Wildlife Habitat Canada

Opinion

The accompanying summary financial statements, which comprise the summary statement of financial position as at March 31, 2021, the summary statement of operations and changes in net assets for the year then ended, and the related note, are derived from the audited financial statements of Wildlife Habitat Canada for the year ended March 31, 2021. We issued a qualified audit opinion on these financial statements in our report dated June 14, 2021.

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of Wildlife Habitat Canada for the year ended March 31, 2021 are a fair summary of those financial statements, in accordance with criteria described in Note 1 to the financial statements. However, the summary financial statements contain a misstatement equivalent to that presented in Wildlife Habitat Canada's audited financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021.

Summary Financial Statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations applied in the preparation of the audited financial statements of Wildlife Habitat Canada. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of Wildlife Habitat Canada and the auditor's report thereon.

The Audited Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon

We expressed a qualified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated June 14, 2021. Our qualified opinion was based on the fact that we were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the carrying amount of the investment in a joint venture accounted for using the equity method in the amount of \$721,299 as at March 31, 2021. Accordingly, we were unable to determine whether any adjustments to this investment were necessary as at March 31, 2021.

Management's Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements in accordance with criteria described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standard (CAS) 810, "Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements."

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"In the Spotlight - A Wilson's Snipe from Quebec." | Photo Credit: Nature Conservancy of Canada- QC

WILDLIFE HABITAT CANADA

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2021

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	2021	2020
REVENUES		
Canadian Government Funding - Conservation Stamp Program	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 1,700,000
Service Contract – Nature Conservancy Canada	500,000	500,000
Philatelic stamps	19,240	12,296
Stamp and prints	15,702	14,302
Other	14,811	30,254
	2,149,753	2,256,852
EXPENSES		
Funds Habitat Conservation	1,252,860	1,280,000
Salaries and benefits	529,900	499,028
General and administration	73,603	101,587
Rent	58,461	53,050
Hospitality, travel and board	262	50,788
Professional and contractual fees	128,887	82,480
Amortization of capital assets	942	2,854
	2,044,915	2,069,787
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES BEFORE OTHER INCOME	104,838	187,065
OTHER INCOME		
Gain on investment in a joint venture	50,771	66,252
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	155,609	253,317
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,194,540	941,223
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,350,149	\$ 1,194,540



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WILDLIFE HABITAT CANADA

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

MARCH 31, 2021

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	2021	2020
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 749,726	\$ 718,894
Accounts receivable	186,596	219,801
Prepaid expenses	19,216	28,290
Unrestricted investment	-	11,112
	955,538	978,097
RESTRICTED CASH AND INVESTMENT	147,971	128,357
INVESTMENT IN A JOINT VENTURE	721,299	670,528
CAPITAL ASSETS	6,210	7,152
	875,480	806,037
	\$ 1,831,018	\$ 1,784,134
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ 332,898	\$ 461,237
DUE TO EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS	147,971	128,357
	480,869	589,594
NET ASSETS		
Internal restrictions		
Joint Venture Fund	721,299	-
Contingency Dissolution Fund	150,000	-
Memorial Fund	75,000	-
Community Conservation Action Program Fund	150,000	-
Invested in capital assets	6,210	7,152
Unrestricted	247,640	516,860
	1,350,149	1,194,540
	\$ 1,831,018	\$ 1,784,134

The Joint Venture (Joint Venture Fund) refers to WHC's share of investment in the Antelope Creek Ranch. WHC restated its prior years' financial statements to recognize its investment in the Antelope Creek Habitat Development Area, made in 1988, using the equity method.



"Look, Over There! - A Pair of Caribou Grazing on the Coast." | Photo Credit: Intervale Associates - NL

WILDLIFE HABITAT CANADA

NOTE TO THE SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2021

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1. SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements are derived from the complete audited financial statements, prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organization, as at and for the year ended March 31, 2021.

The preparation of these summary financial statements requires management to determine the information that needs to be reflected in the summary financial statements so that they are consistent, in all material respects, with or represent a fair summary of the audited financial statements.

These summarized financial statements have been prepared by management using the following criteria:

- (a) whether information in the summarized financial statements is in agreement with the related information in the complete audited financial statements; and
- (b) whether, in all material respects, the summarized financial statements contain the information necessary to avoid distorting or obscuring matters disclosed in the related complete audited financial statements, including the note thereto.

Management has determined that the statement of cash flows and notes to complete financial statements do not provide useful additional information and, as such, has not included it as part of the summary financial statements.

The complete audited financial statements of Wildlife Habitat Canada are available upon request by contacting the Organization.

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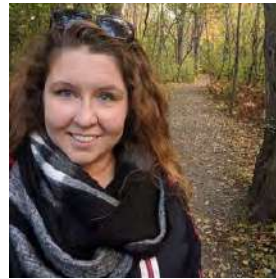
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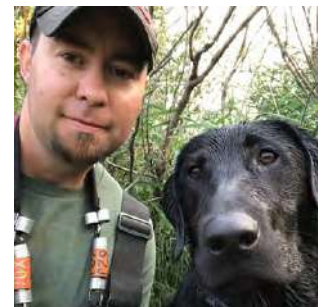
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