



# HCTF & FESBC IN FRASER VALLEY



# Who We Are:

- Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation
  - HCTF funds conservation projects and provides education about BC's freshwater fish and wildlife
  - Chief Executive Officer : Dan Buffett
- Forest Enhancement Society of BC
  - FESBC advances environmental and resource stewardship of B.C.'s forests
  - Executive Director: Steve Kozuki



# HCTF Background



- A non-profit charitable Foundation
- Founded in 1981 by anglers, hunters, trappers and guide outfitters willing to pay a surcharge on licenses to improve conservation outcomes in BC
- More than **\$189 million** in grants for over **2980 projects**





# HCTF Projects & Education



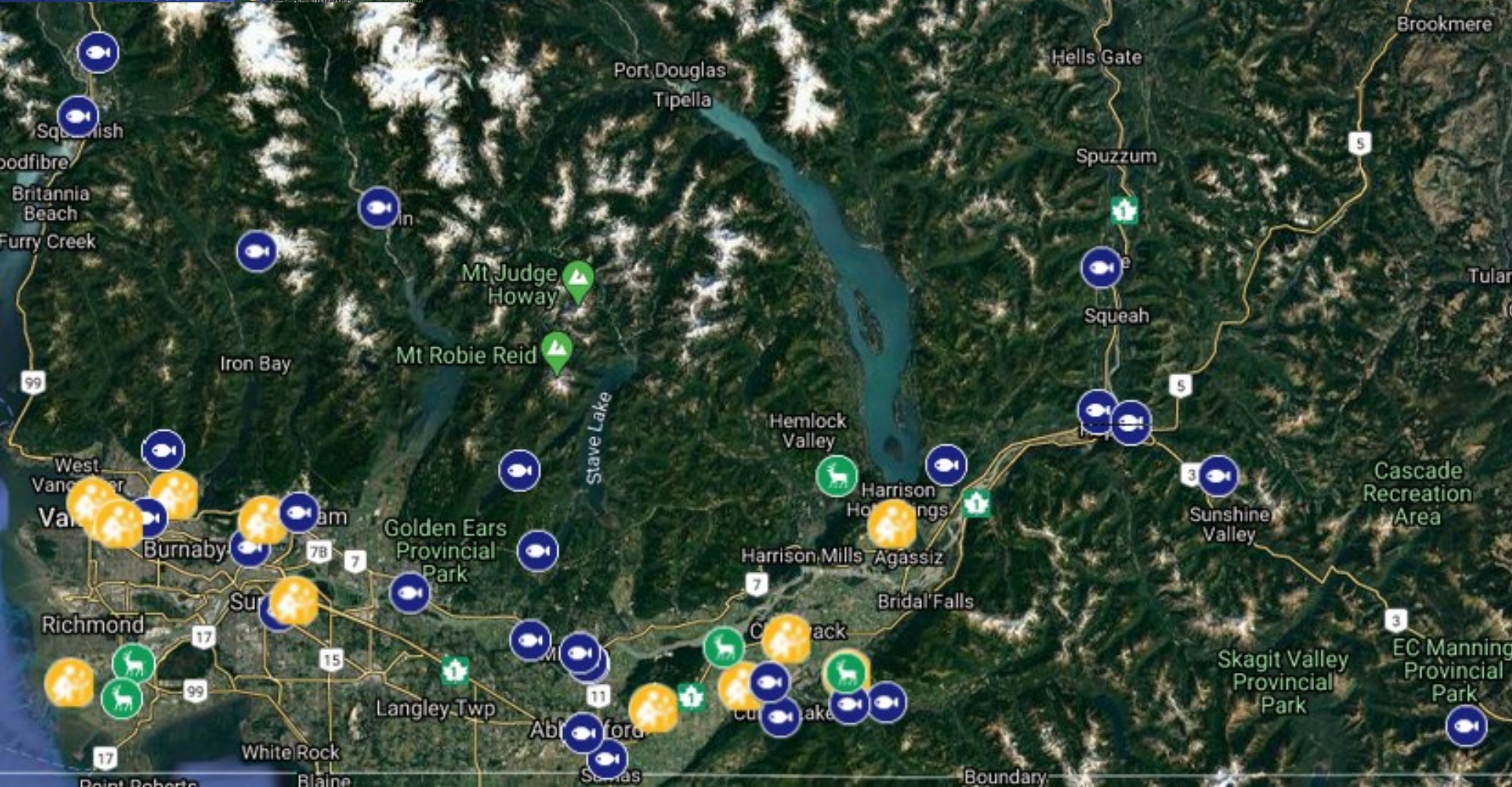
- \$9.2M in funding for 180 projects across BC in 2020-21
  - FV: 31 projects, \$764,000
- Feature Projects in Fraser Valley:
  - White Sturgeon Monitoring
  - Ryder Lake Amphibian Project
  - 3 Wildschools
  - 3 HCTF Education Facilitators
  - 67 Go Grants (since 2015)







# HCTF Fish & Wildlife Projects 2020-21





# FESBC Funding & Priorities



FESBC Purpose	Approved (\$ millions)	Number of Projects
Wildfire risk reduction	\$58	123
Stand rehabilitation	\$25	30
Wildlife habitat improvement	\$8	15
Fibre recovery	\$4	10
Forest carbon management	\$138	72
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$233</b>	<b>250</b>

# FESBC Projects



- Most have multiple benefits: social, economic, environmental.
- Significant focus on climate change mitigation and wildfire risk reduction.

Fraser Valley Projects	
Skyline Forestry Consultants Ltd	A study to promote biodiversity, carbon storage, and First Nations collaboration in forestry.
University of British Columbia	Updates to provincial climate-based reforestation models and new research.
Ledcor Forest Products Partnership	Transporting uneconomic wood to Ledcor's cant mill to avoid pile burning emissions.
Office Of the Chief Forester	Planning, mapping, surveying, and planting trees in areas impacted by 2017 wildfires where there are no pre-existing requirements to reforest.

# FESBC / HCTF Partnership

- Partners since 2016
- Both organizations have a mandate to improve wildlife habitat
- Utilizes HCTF's well respected grant application and technical review process
- FESBC committed \$3 million for shared conservation objectives





# Co-Funded Projects

- Sustaining mesocarnivore populations and habitat in the Lower Mainland watersheds
- Restoring and reconnecting floodplain forest in the Heart of the Fraser
- Got Bats? B.C. Community Outreach, Conservation and Citizen Science Project





*QUESTIONS?*



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