



**WILLIAMS LAKE FIELD NATURALISTS**

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April 9, 2021

Cariboo Regional District Chair and Directors,  
Suite D, 180 N Third Avenue,  
Williams Lake, BC V2G 2A4

Dear Chair and Directors,

**Re: Request to add a second project for funding under the Grant for Assistance approved to the Williams Lake Field Naturalists**

On behalf of the Williams Lake Field Naturalists, I would like to sincerely thank you for your continued support of the work that we are undertaking at the Scout Island Nature Centre. The Grant for Assistance Application that was submitted in 2020 by the Williams Lake Field Naturalists requested funding to hire a facilitator to assist a volunteer committee with the preparation of a new Management Plan for the Scout Island Nature Centre. Because we were successful with funding applications to the Williams Lake Community Forest and BC Nature, we no longer require the total grant amount of \$5280 approved by the Board.

Therefore, we would like to request that we be allowed to use up to \$2000 (see attached budget) of the grant to fund another project that will be completed this spring and summer. This project will see the area disturbed by construction of the new bridge reclaimed and revegetated with native trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants. The project will re-establish important riparian and upland vegetation critical for bank stability and wildlife habitat and will discourage establishment of invasive species (such as knapweed) on soil exposed by construction activities.

For over 40 years, the Scout Island Nature Centre and surrounding trails have provided a natural space for enjoying and learning about nature, and we are grateful for your support to ensure the future of this important place. Thank you for your consideration of this request and we look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Nola Daintith  
Secretary, Williams Lake Field Naturalists  
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*Preliminary Budget for Revegetation of Bridge Construction Site*

<b>Item</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Quote from Beaver Valley Feeds for the purchase of native species planting stock; 32 trees and shrubs comprising a mix of saskatoon, dogwood, chokecherry, balsam poplar, Rocky Mountain maple, river birch, and wolf willow growing in 5 gallon pots	\$1435.00
Native grass seed mix (5lbs @ \$20/lb)	\$100.00
Stakes and fencing materials to protect newly planted stock from wildlife browsing and people.	\$400.00
<b>Total budget requested</b>	<b>\$1935.00</b>