

SKEENA SALMON HABITAT CONFERENCE

PROGRAM FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

- 7:30** **REGISTRATION**
- 8:30** **WELCOMING REMARKS**
Brian Riddell, Conference Chair; and President and CEO, Pacific Salmon Foundation, Vancouver, B.C.
Brian Fuhr, Board Member, Bulkley Valley Research Centre; and Land and Resource Team Leader, Client Services Planning, Integrated Land Management Bureau (ILMB), Smithers, B.C.
Roy Morris, Chief Woos, Cas'Yex House, Wet'suwet'en Hereditary Chief
Cress Farrow, Mayor, Town of Smithers
Nathan Cullen, MP Skeena-Bulkley Valley
Doug Donaldson, MLA Stikine, Represented by Shelly Worthington
- THEME 1** **INSTITUTIONAL REFORM TOWARDS COLLABORATIVE MANAGEMENT**
- 9:00** **Pacific Salmon Forum recommendations on ecosystem-based wild salmon management**
Hon. John Fraser, P.C., O.C., O.B.C., C.D., Q.C., LL.D. (Hon.), Chairman, B.C. Pacific Salmon Forum, Vancouver, B.C.
Jon O'Riordan, Director of Research for the BC Pacific Salmon Forum 2005-2009
- 9:30** **ILMB/First Nations land-use initiatives/processes**
Geoff Recknell, First Nations Initiatives Manager, ILMB, Smithers, B.C.
- 10:00** **BREAK**
- 10:30** **Wild Salmon Policy habitat requirements**
Mark Saunders, Division Manager, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Pacific Biological Station, Nanaimo, B.C.
- 11:00** **Oceans Strategy**
Pacific North Coast Integrated Management Area (Oceans Act implementation)
Mel Kotyk, Regional Manager, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Oceans Division, Vancouver, B.C.
Bruce Watkinson, North Coast Skeena First Nations Stewardship Society, Prince Rupert, B.C.
- 12:00** **LUNCH AND POSTER VIEWING**
- THEME 2** **COLLABORATIVE EXPERIENCES IN THE SKEENA/NORTH COAST**
- 1:30** **Gitanyow land-use plan**
Glen Williams, Hereditary Chief, Gitanyow First Nation
Jane Lloyd-Smith, District Manager, B.C. Ministry of Forests, Skeena-Stikine Forest District, Smithers, B.C.
Bobby Love, Manager, Client Services, Smithers Service Centre, B.C. Ministry Of Forests and ILMB
- 2:15** **Morice River water quality**
Walter Joseph, Fisheries Manager, Office of the Wet'suwet'en, Smithers, B.C.
Ian Sharpe, Skeena Region Manager, Environmental Protection Division, B.C. Ministry of Environment, Smithers, B.C.

Shauna Bennett, Aquatic Impact Assessment Biologist, Bio Logic Consulting, Terrace, B.C.

3:00 BREAK

3:30 The Great Bear Rain Forest experience

Jody Holmes, Rain Forest Solutions

4:00 Conclusions after Day 1

Brian Riddell, Conference Chair

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5:15 Bus leaves for Smithers Archery Grounds

5:30 BBQ dinner

7:30 Slide Show Presentation

Ali Howard, Smithers, B.C.

9:00 Bus returns to Hudson Bay Lodge

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THEME 2 COLLABORATIVE EXPERIENCES IN THE SKEENA/NORTH COAST (CON'T)

8:30 Ramping it up: Sharing our Lakelse Lake experience

Sandra Sulyma, Ecosystem Biologist, Omineca Region, MOE

9:00 Making EBM Work

Dave Daust, Consultant, Smithers, B.C.

THEME 3 CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES FOR SKEENA SALMON HABITAT

9:30 How protecting salmon diversity promotes healthy returns

Michael Webster, Moore Foundation

10:00 BREAK

10:30 Ecosystem services through salmon nutrient cycling

John Reynolds, Professor, Tom Buell BC Leadership Chair in Salmon Conservation, Department of Biological Sciences, SFU, Burnaby, BC.

11:00 FREP riparian/stream/fish habitat assessments

Kerri Brownie, Resource Monitoring Specialist, MOF, Victoria, B.C.

11:30 Lunch and posters

1:00 Climate Change effects on Skeena stream temperatures

Jack Stanford, Director, Flathead Lake Biological Station, University of Montana

1:30 Climate Change effects on autumn low-flows in the Skeena

Jeff Anderson, Consultant, Smithers, B.C.

2:00 Five Minute Forums

2:45 Break

3:15 Conclusions after Day 2 and Closing Remarks

Brian Riddell, Conference Chair

Five Minute Forums: During this time period conference participants may present 5 minute comments on what they have heard in the two days, talk about related projects, or propose an action item. To take part, sign up on the white board provided in the conference room. The chair will call for presentations in the order listed on the board, as time permits. Please state your name, affiliation, and topic, and keep your comments to 5 minutes. The projector will be available if needed.