

Critical Habitat Screening Workshop

November 19, 2019

Kimberley Conference Centre, Kimberley BC

8:30 am	Registration
9:00 am	Welcome and Introductions (CMI)
9:15 am	<p>BC Conservation Data Centre (CDC) Lead by: Katrina Stipek, BC Conservation Data Centre BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDC: who we are, what we do • Ranking methodology • Mapping methodology & what the heck is an element occurrence? • CDC secured data – why we do it, and how you can access it • Best workflow to access CDC information
10:15 am	Refreshment and Networking Break
10:30 am	<p>Demo of online critical habitat/BC species and ecosystem screening applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BC Species and Ecosystems Explorer • CDC iMap
11:30 am	<p>BC Provincial Species at Risk Legislation Update Presented by: Lynn Campbell, Species at Risk Biologist BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (via remote presentation)</p> <p><i>An update on Species and Ecosystems at Risk in BC.</i></p>
12:00 pm	Lunch Break and Networking
1:00 pm	<p>Migratory Birds Convention Act & Incidental Take Lead by: Chloe Boynton, Migratory Bird Management Biologist Environment and Climate Change Canada</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Migratory birds and CWS's role in their protection • MBCA and MBR- main prohibitions and what they mean • What is incidental take? • Avoidance guidelines for incidental take • Damage or danger permits
1:30 pm	<p>Critical Habitat Screening Process Lead by: Celina Willis, Conservation Project Development Officer Environment and Climate Change Canada</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the SAR rules – where/when do the laws apply? • SAR, CH, and CH data – getting updated information, interpreting the data • Species specific case examples (e.g., Lewis's Woodpecker, Tiger Salamander, Badger, Southern Mountain Caribou) • When do you need to apply for a SARA permit? • Options/tools for screening projects for CH
2:15 pm	Refreshment and Networking Break
2:30 pm	<p>Round-table group work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work through two project scenarios with species at risk and migratory birds to determine when a permit is required under the MBR or SARA
3:45 pm	Wrap up

