



## The climate in BC is changing:

Wetter, warmer winters; longer, drier summers;  
What happens on the land does matter!

The Partnership is the secretariat for the *Georgia Basin Inter-Regional Education Initiative (IREI)*  
<http://waterbucket.ca/viw/category/inter-regional-education-initiative/>



Launched in 2012

Endorsed by 5 Regional Boards – Metro Vancouver, Capital Region, Nanaimo Region, Comox Valley and Cowichan Region

In April 2015, all recommitted through 2017

*A watershed is an infrastructure asset that provides municipal services at a lower life-cycle cost than do engineered assets.*

*Benefits of ‘water balance services’ accumulate over time.*

*By 2017, the IREI goal is that everyone involved in land use and drainage will understand how to achieve.....*

## “Sustainable Watershed Systems, through Asset Management”



*Applies to land uses that local government regulates and is founded on an understanding of how the **Water Balance Methodology** integrates the **Site** with the **Watershed, Stream and Groundwater Aquifer***