

Beyond the Guidebook: The New Business As Usual

Change the Way We Develop Land to Create Liveable Communities & Protect Stream Health

| Learning Lunch Seminar #3 – Nature Knows No Boundaries Lesson Plan & Storyline for November 21 | |
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| <p>Building on the common understanding developed in the first two seminars, a framework for ‘bringing it all together’ will be introduced. Seminar participants will explore a regional team approach that ensures consistency in <i>doing business differently</i> to achieve a shared vision.</p> <p>The focus will be on a performance target approach to land development that makes sense, meets multiple objectives, is affordable, and results in net environmental benefits at a watershed and/or regional scale.</p> <p>A desired outcome is that participants will understand how they can champion a Design with Nature approach to rainwater management; and make <i>green choices</i> that create liveable communities and protect stream health.</p> | |
| Before Lunch 1100 - 1230 | Establishing Expectations – This is what we want our region to look like! |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nature Knows No Boundaries: Context for Thinking-and-Acting Like a Region <i>(Derek Richmond) (10 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TELL A STORY TO BRIDGE-IN AND CAPTURE AUDIENCE ATTENTION – Introduce the vision for a regional team approach and integrated planning – Cascade from the high level to the ground level – Present simplified map of Vancouver Island to provide a mind-map – Present sediment & erosion control photo collage illustrating practices yesterday, today and tomorrow – DESIRED OUTCOME: The audience will understand the expectations for the day 2. Beyond the Guidebook: Create Liveable Communities & Protect Stream Health <i>(Kim Stephens) (15minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TELL A STORY TO BRIDGE-IN AND CAPTURE AUDIENCE ATTENTION – Re-cap first two seminars – Reinforce provincial context – Elaborate on learning outcomes for November 21 – Introduce the “Commentary” and emphasize the importance/relevance – DESIRED OUTCOME: The audience will be primed 3. Nature without Borders: Vision for Comox Valley Regional Conservation Strategy <i>(Jack Minard) (25 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TELL A STORY TO BRIDGE-IN AND CAPTURE AUDIENCE ATTENTION – Present a synopsis of the strategy document developed by the Comox Valley Land Trust – Connect the dots to what is written in the Commentary – Connect the dots to Living Water Smart, in particular policy statement on page 51 – Connect the dots to the Watershed Governance Councils Workshop – DESIRED OUTCOME: The audience will have a picture of a “desired future” for doing business differently in the Comox Valley 4. Grounding Exercise: Actions at the site scale add up to achieve the vision <i>(Kim Stephens) (15 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Provide a change of pace from talking heads – Interact with the audience – DESIRED OUTCOME: The audience will be energized 5. Nature Knows No Boundaries: Living Water Smart <i>(Ron Neufeld) (25 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TELL A STORY TO BRIDGE-IN AND CAPTURE AUDIENCE ATTENTION – Connect the dots to Living Water Smart – Translate the policy statements on pages 51 and 75 into a local regional context – Provide a regional district perspective on establishing and meeting targets – DESIRED OUTCOME: The audience will have an appreciation for Living Water Smart |
| Lunch | Take a break and start a conversation! |

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| <p>After Lunch</p> <p>1300 - 1500</p> | <p>Delivering on Expectations – This is how we can/will get there!</p> |
| | <p>6. Nature Knows No Boundaries: Brooklyn Creek exemplifies inter-municipal collaboration (<i>Derek Richmond & Glen Westendorp</i>) (15 minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TELL A STORY TO BRIDGE-IN AND CAPTURE AUDIENCE ATTENTION – In 1999, this joint drainage study established a precedent for working together to mitigate drainage impacts – Connect the dots between upstream actions and downstream impacts – DESIRED OUTCOME: The audience will be primed for Topic #10 below <p>7. Nature Knows No Boundaries: A DFO Perspective on Cooperation and Communication (<i>Bryce Gillard, DFO Enforcement Officer</i>) (5 minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Reinforce the collaboration theme <p>8. Implementing the New Business As Usual: A Guide to Green Choices (<i>Laura Tate</i>) (15 minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – BRIDGE-IN BY LINKING TO PREVIOUS MINISTRY PRESENTATIONS – Introduce and explain purpose of new provincial document – Keep it high level and reinforce what Catriona Weidman said in Seminar #1 – DESIRED OUTCOME: The audience will be informed about provincial policy <p>9. Table Topic: Tell us what you have learned from this series that will now help you do what you could not have done before (40 minutes = 15 table discussion + 25 reporting out)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Focus the discussion on practical outcomes – One person per table will report out – DESIRED OUTCOME: The audience will be inspired/motivated to make the move from talk to action on the ground <p>10. Convening for action to do business differently in the Comox Valley – Now What? (30 minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TELL A STORY TO BRIDGE-IN AND CAPTURE AUDIENCE ATTENTION – A number of individuals will be called on to reflect on what they heard in the reporting out for Topic #9, and identify specific actions vis-à-vis regional collaboration and implementing a <i>regional team approach</i> – These individuals will represent the Town of Comox (i.e. planning, public works, building inspection, parks), City of Courtenay (i.e. all the departments), Village of Cumberland, and the Comox Valley Regional District (e.g. Tom Knight) – DESIRED OUTCOME: The Comox Valley members of the audience will commit to specific actions as part of a regional team approach <p>11. Bridging to the Comox Valley Sustainable Development Strategy (<i>Andrea Tower</i>) (5 minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TELL A STORY TO BRIDGE-IN AND CAPTURE AUDIENCE ATTENTION – There appears to be a bit of a disconnect between this top-down initiative and what is happening operationally on the ground – Thus, the Learning Lunch Series would seem to provides a timely opportunity to inform the ‘big picture’ – DESIRED OUTCOME: Provide the Sustainable Development Strategy with a reality-check on how to move beyond rhetoric <p>12. Final Comments and Wrap-up (<i>Derek Richmond & Kim Stephens</i>)</p> |