

The New Business As Usual: Create Liveable Communities & Protect Stream Health



“The Cowichan Valley is a pilot for a collaborative and inclusive approach to developing a shared commitment”

Today's Program

- Recap the first two seminars;
Reflect on what we have learned
- Elaborate on performance targets &
the Water Balance Model
- Go on the Busy Place Creek walkabout

Where and how land is developed determines....

- **How water is used**

 - *sustainability of supply*

- **How water runs off the land**

 - *sustainability of aquatic habitat*

When 'convening for action', we build capacity by creating a picture of the future:

1. **Vision:** What we want the Cowichan Valley to look like in 50 years ~**WHAT**~
2. **Goal:** Implement the New Business As Usual ~**SO WHAT**~
3. **Strategy:** What we are going to do better or differently to get from here to there ~**NOW WHAT**~

June 6 – Today's Expectations are Tomorrow's Standards

The defining message from Seminar #1 was...

***“The future has already arrived.
It's just not evenly distributed yet.”***

William Gibson

In Seminar #1, you learned that:

- 1. *Stormwater Planning: A Guidebook for BC* is science-based and outcome-oriented**
- 2. To get to the big picture, start with the smallest pieces**
- 3. From single purpose Stormwater Management to multiple objective RAINwater Management**



**Inland Kenworth Case Study
in Nanaimo:**

**Where *Designing with Nature*
meets *Green Value***

**June 20 – Legal and Policy Strategies
to Support Green Infrastructure**

The defining message from Seminar #2 was...

***“The risk is in carrying on with the
Old Business As Usual”***

Susan Rutherford

In Seminar #2, you learned that:

- 1. *The Green Infrastructure Guide & Develop with Care* illustrate the extensive and very specific tools available to local government**
- 2. If it is a dirty construction site, there will be no building inspection!**
- 3. Accept the risks when choosing a new path and look for the benefits that will result**

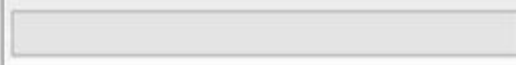
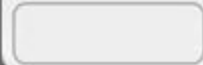


Erosion & Sediment Control

- PROCESS - How do we get there?



Learning Lunch
Seminar Series



July 11 – Establish Watershed Performance Targets

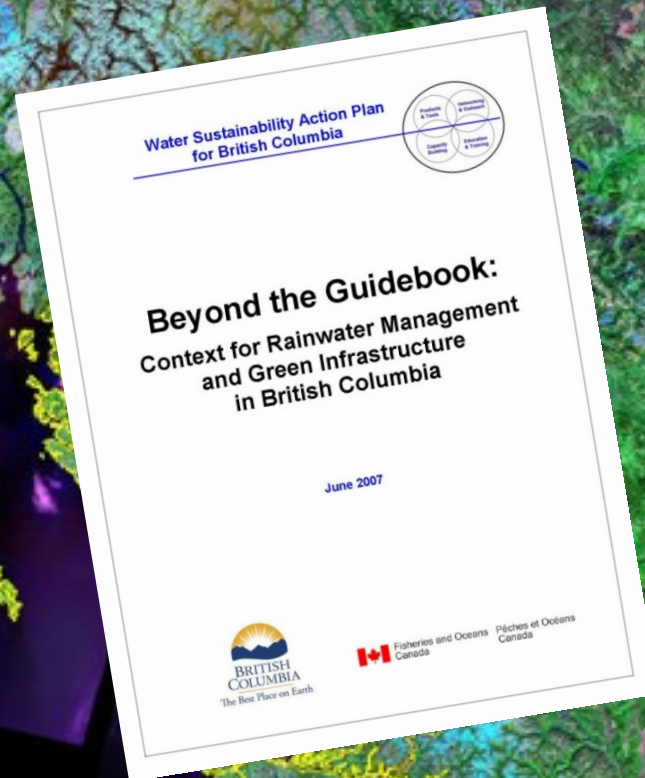
The defining message for Seminar #3 will be...

“Design with nature to adapt to climate change”

For Seminar #3, the learning outcomes are:

- 1. Beyond the Guidebook integrates the site with the watershed and the stream**
- 2. The Water Balance Model is a tool to support land development decision-making that achieves a 'light hydrologic footprint'**
- 3. The next step in developing a regional team approach is a Water Balance Model Forum**

‘Beyond the Guidebook’ is about changing the way we develop land:



**We call this *Designing with Nature*
To create livable communities & protect stream health**



Next we will move outside for a group discussion