

Coquitlam River Watershed Assets

Governance Assets:

Three local jurisdictions (bodies of locally elected officials), namely Coquitlam, Kwikwetlem and Port Coquitlam who have an agreement in place to support CRW Strategy;

A registered non-profit society (Coquitlam River Watershed Society);

Coquitlam River Aggregate Task Force (now a formal Committee of the City of Coquitlam) which combines Provincial and Municipal interests with respect to the Aggregate industry;

BCHydro's Coquitlam-Buntzen Water Use Plan (WUP)'s Monitoring Committee. This is a very technical committee which oversees BCHydro's monitoring of the flow regimes on the Coquitlam River which were approved by the Water Controller;

BCHydro's Salmon Restoration Program which, in conjunction with Metro Vancouver, is looking at the likelihood of the Sockeye re-establishing themselves in Coquitlam Lake as well as the impacts of that on water quality;

BCHydro & MetroVancouver regularly strike advisory committees for major projects they undertake in the watershed. For example, there was a very involved consultation process with respect to the construction of the new Coquitlam Dam.

'Boots-in-the-Stream' Assets directly related to the Watershed:

Streamkeeper Groups (Maple Creek, River Springs, Scott/Hoy, PC&DH&FC);
Hatcheries (3);

River Monitoring (Riverwatch);

Other Stewards (Colony Farm Park Association, Colony Farm Community Gardens, Riverview Horticultural Society, Burke Mountain Naturalists)

Many restoration projects in the lower watershed (to count them, look in the Atlas and add Sheep Paddock 1&2!).

Annual Festivals directly supported by the Municipalities (yes, these are Assets!)

Rivers & Trails (Port Coquitlam), Treefest (Coquitlam), Salmon Leave Home & Come Home (Coquitlam);