Cowichan Watershed Board Meeting	DRAFT Agenda Mon. Oct 31, 2016 / 9:15-11:30 am Location: CVRD Boardroom, 2 nd Floor, 175 Ingram, Duncan, BC		Cowichan Watershed Board
Participants: Cowichan Watershed Board members, Technical Advisory Committee, and guests Co-Chair: Mayor Jon Lefebure			
 Welcome; Introductions, opening remarks. 	9:15	Co-chair	Information
2) Approval of Agenda	9:30	Board	Decision
 Approval of Minutes of Sept 12 2016 Business arising from Minutes. 	9:32	Board	Decision
4) Correspondence and announcements*	9:35	Co-chair	Information
5) CWB Governance Manual changes	9:40		
 Additional Cowichan Tribes appointment 		Tom Rutherford	Decision
Clarifying Decision-Making Process		Tom Rutherford	Information
6) Weir/Water Storage update		Brian Carruthers, Graham Kissack, Chief Seymour	Information
7) Fish/Flows WG – Fish update; Optimal Flows process update		Tim Kulchyski / Tom Rutherford Cheri Ayers	Information
8) Watershed Governance Pilot Proposal update		Tom Rutherford	Information
9) Sustainable Funding for Watershed Governance Initiative		David Slade	Decision
10) Communications –new brochure! Comms Team to meet RE Comms Protocol and Strategy		Jill Thompson	Information
11) Other			
Next meeting – Mon. Nov 28 th 9:15- 11:30am		Co-chair	Information
Adjourn		Co-chair	

FREE WORKSHOP: GROUNDWATER LICENSING IN BC

A Q&A session for waterworks operators, planners, hydrogeologists, well drillers

9:00 am – 12 noon | November 8th, 2016

VIU – Cowichan Campus – Lecture Theatre (room 140), 2011 University Way

Questions about the session? Call 250-746-2643

This workshop is brought to you by: Ministry of Forests Lands and Natural Resource Operations & the Cowichan Valley Regional District.

From: DM Office / Bureau SM (DFO/MPO)
Sent: 2016–October-20 9:46 AM
Subject: Launch of Fisheries Act Public Consultation/Lancement de la consultation publique sur la Loi sur les pêches

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Dear colleagues,

This week, our Minister, the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, announced the launch of an online public consultation to seek Canadians' views on changes that were made to the *Fisheries Act* in 2012-2013 and how best to restore lost protections and incorporate modern safeguards. This initiative is part of an overall review of Canada's environmental and regulatory processes, in accordance with goals set out in our ministerial mandate letter.

We are encouraging all Canadians to take part in the consultation by visiting <u>letstalkfishhabitat.ca</u>, providing their input by answering questions in our eWorkbooks and joining in the conversation on our Ideas Forum.

The current review of changes to the *Fisheries Act* is being led by the House of Commons Parliamentary Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans, who will give careful consideration to feedback received through this e-consultation.

We recognize that you have unique insights into the 2012-2013 amendments and informed opinions about safeguards to improve the work that we do. To encourage you to share your ideas, we have set up an online tool that is only available to DFO and CCG staff. When you register with your departmental email address at <u>letstalkfishhabitat.ca</u>, you will gain access to an additional eWorkbook that is exclusive to staff and includes questions seeking your views and recommendations, which will remain anonymous.

We encourage all staff to participate in the online consultation before it closes on November 16, 2016.

For further updates and information on the work being done by the Parliamentary Committee, as well as ongoing consultations on the *Fisheries Act*, please visit our <u>Fish Habitat Protection</u> webpage.

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