



SEHAB Roundtable Template (May 2015)

Our Vision: Pacific Region communities living sustainably within the natural limitations of healthy ecosystems supporting abundant and biologically diverse Pacific salmonids.

Our Mission: SEHAB C.A.R.E.S. SEHAB is the voice of the volunteer community dedicated to:

- Communicating
- Advocating
- Representing
- Educating, and
- Supporting its endeavours

SEHAB and the community have a shared commitment of ensuring functioning ecosystems supporting viable, genetically diverse and abundant indigenous fish populations.

SEHAB Member: Ian Bruce

Area: Southern Vancouver Island

Community Advisor: Shawn Kerr

Date: November 2015

Key Issues:

What top three points can you distill from community input to take to DFO RHQ?

1. Lack of enforcement on Fishery issues-illegal fishing, FN and non-FN - no C & P in sight... no returning phone calls or emails
2. FPP perceived as lax on developments; Asking about efforts to address lost habitat protection from Harper changes to fisheries act – i.e. only fishery fish....
3. Drought - water storage opportunities - DFO could take a bigger role

Stories:

Bob Cox...RIP ..ex prov biologist, both feet in with Peninsula Streams.. headed up awarding Friends of Swan Creek Watershed

Concerns :

New CA...but only for 6 months; concern that the right people get into the position-not regulatory;

SVI: coho small or late lots of jacks;

RFCPP for us working well ...two projects delivered - TCF and Swan Creek;

Approval for Section 9 expedited; but fish collection permit 2 months late...

Fishway over Tod Creek (Butchart Gardens Dam) - success story.....

Issues Specific to SEHAB's Work Plan:

SEHAB Work Plan	Local Issue, Specific Examples	Actions by Community or DFO	SEHAB Opportunity
Wild Salmon Policy (Stock Assessment, Habitat)	Disconnect, spills, EC, Shorelines	Encourage public Report Add shoreline issues as a specific subject area for FPP to deal with.. Green Shores psh - outreach to coastal municipalities; attend UBCM to educate/connect	Guide DFO
Aquaculture			
Capacity & Core Funding	RRU & RFCPP support,	Plan/push for Resources now or after the election for staffing	Push DFO to reallocate resources to SEP/PIP

Submissions, Comments from Groups: