



Greenways Land Trust

ANNUAL REPORT 2001

PO Box 291 Campbell River, BC V9W 5B1
#208-991 Alder St

Phone / Fax: (250) 287-3785

green.ways@crcn.net

www.greenwaystrust.ca

TABLE OF CONTENTS

INTRODUCTION	1
ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE	1
PROJECTS	
New Projects	2
Continuing Projects	5
Additional Projects	6
TRAINING / WORKSHOPS	7
COMMUNITY PLANNING	8
GREENWAY LOOP	8
PUBLIC OUTREACH	8
LAND PROTECTION	9
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	9
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	Appendix 1

INTRODUCTION

The Greenways Land Trust is a charitable organisation that was established in 1996, largely as a result of the Official Community Plan creation and public consultation process that was underway at the time. Founding members included District of Campbell River staff, Ministry of Forests staff, Department of Fisheries and Oceans staff, businesspeople, Stream Stewardship groups, and concerned individuals.

The mission of the Greenways Land Trust is to enhance the community through the creation and management of greenways networks, based on principles of stream and land stewardship and development, within public and private property partnerships.

The goals of the organisation are:

- To work with the District of Campbell River, community stewardship groups, and landowners to plan and develop a Greenways Habitat Corridor System.
- To act as a community resource centre on issues of land and stream stewardship.
- To act as an agency to accept and manage environmentally sensitive land.

The area of interest covered by the Greenways Land Trust is from the Oyster River to Chatham Point, and from the height of land on Vancouver Island to the mainland coast.

The information contained in this annual report covers the twelve month period from January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

This report describes the profile of the organisation during this time, and summarizes the projects and activities completed. Further information is always available from our offices.

ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

The Greenways Land Trust is a non-profit society (S36048) with charitable status (888992534 RR0001). A volunteer board of directors is elected by the membership at the Annual General Meeting for a term of one year. The Board of Directors in January 2001 consisted of the following members:

President:	Ron Burrell, Operations Manager - Ministry of Forests
Vice President:	Jerry Fletcher, Aquaculture Technician - Semi-Retired
Secretary:	Bob Dice, Engineering Program Supervisor – Ministry of Forests
Treasurer:	Kent Moeller, Chartered Accountant – Moeller and Company
Director:	Irv Penner, Forestry Consultant
Director:	Chuck DeSorcy, Electronics Specialist - NavCanada
Director:	Rodger Roy, Consultant

With the exception of one Director, the entire Board was re-elected at the Annual General Meeting, held February 22, 2001. At that time, Barry Ross replaced Rodger Roy, who had moved to Nanaimo.

ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE – continued

The Greenways Land Trust employed three full time staff and two summer students during 2001. Staff consisted of the following employees:

Lucy Reiss, Projects Manager
 Kathy Campbell, Stewardship Coordinator
 Christine Kuta, Mapping Technician
 Ryan Hourston, Watershed Technician
 Iesha Adams, E-Team Intern

The GLT is a work sponsor for the Campbell River Katimavik program. Young people from across Canada volunteer with a variety of non-profit organisations throughout the course of their program. Katimavik participants in 2001 were:

Mathieu Lemay
 Kate Lennox
 Natalie Westfall

PROJECTS***New Projects***

The GLT initiated a number of new projects in 2001. Project names listed are the same as those on the application for funding, with the working name in brackets. Brief descriptions follow, in alphabetical order:

Project Name: *Community Environmental Stewardship Project 2001 (HRDC SCP 2001)*

Description: Ryan Hourston completed tasks including: water quality and temperature monitoring, flow monitoring, fish fence monitoring, GPS data collection, volunteer coordination, and wildlife habitat restoration.

Products: Data was compiled in the Water Quality Resource Book.

Funding approved: \$2,298

Funding agency: Human Resources Development Canada- Summer Career Placements Program

Duration / Status: Completed in August 2001.

Project Name: *Community Environmental Stewardship Project 2001 (E-Team 2001)*

Description: Iesha Adams was hired as an E-Team intern, and completed tasks including: creation and presentation of public education displays, fish and wildlife habitat restoration, presentation of River Kids program at Haig-Brown House, and providing support for stewardship.

Products: A variety of display materials were created and catalogued.

Funding approved: \$6,780

Funding agency: Ministry of Environment Lands and Parks -Environment Youth Team

Duration / Status: Completed in August 2001.

New Projects – Continued

Project Name: *Discovery Coast Greenways Land Trust Stewardship Coordinator Project (SC 2001)*

Description: Activities were carried out in the following areas: planning, partnership building and cooperation, coordination, developing a land / stewardship ethic, promotion and awareness of HCSP, creating and increasing community capacity, inventory, habitat restoration and protection, funding partnerships and funding strategy development, and training.

Products: For details on projects and products, see Campbell, K. 2002. Discovery Coast Stewardship Coordination 2001 / 2002 Final Report

Funding approved: \$68,500 – 90% received by September 2001

Funding agency: Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Habitat Conservation and Stewardship Program

Duration / Status: In progress. Complete in February 28, 2002.

Project Name: *Guide to Nature Walks of Strathcona Park, including Paradise Meadows*

Description: A trails guide for the twelve “light hikes” of Strathcona Park will be produced.

Products: Pending

Funding approved: \$2000 – received December 2001.

Funding agency: Public Conservation Assistance Fund

Duration / Status: In progress.

Project Name: *GIS Support for Community Stewardship 2001 (GIS 2001)*

Description: A community watershed atlas was created. Information on sensitive habitat, completed restoration projects, and other data is shown. The information is available to stream stewardship volunteers, government agencies, and others involved in stream project or land use planning. Mapping networks were established between other centres, and cooperative agreements were formed.

Products: Kuta, C. 2001. Discovery Coast Stewardship Atlas

Funding approved: \$39,228 – 90% received in 2001

Funding agency: Fisheries Renewal BC.

Duration / Status: In progress. Complete in March 2002.

Project Name: *GIS Support for Community Watershed Stewardship (Telus Printer)*

Description: A printer was purchased that allowed for the production of large format (11”x 17”) maps.

Products: The original copy of each map in the Discovery Coast Stewardship Atlas was printed on this printer. The funder is recognized on each map produced.

Funding approved: \$980 - received June 2001.

Funding agency: Telus Community Connections

Duration / Status: Completed June 2001.

New Projects – Continued

Project Name: *Habitat Restoration, Enhancement, and Stewardship along a Greenway Loop (EcoAction 2001)*

Description: Continued with the implementation of the Greenway Loop, including the creation of an implementation plan, construction of bat boxes, extensive conifer planting, invasive plant removal, garbage removal, and public education.

Products: Wiedeman, S. 2001. Campbell River's Greenway Loop Implementation Plan Phase 2
Brooks, B. and Brooks-Ingram, J. 2001. Dogwood Wetland – List of Flora and Fauna
Sellentin, E. Purple Loosestrife Removal from the Nunns Creek area, Campbell River

Funding approved: \$23,390 – 90% received in 2001

Funding agency: Environment Canada – EcoAction

Duration / Status: In progress. Complete September 2002.

Project Name: *Landowner Contact and Recreational Trails Assessment in Campbell River (USHP 2001)*

Description: In order to assist stewardship groups with volunteer recruitment, and improve the stewardship ethic of area landowners, a Landowner Contact Program was implemented in the Willow, Simms, and Nunns Creek watersheds. The creation of a stewardship group for the Simms Creek watershed was facilitated. Existing and proposed recreational trails were assessed to ensure that they conform to recommendations in the Stream Stewardship Series' *Access Near Aquatic Areas*.

Products: Manley, D. December 2001. Recreation Trail Assessment.

Funding approved: \$13,610 – 90% received in August 2001

Funding agency: Urban Salmon Habitat Program

Duration / Status: In progress. Complete in March 2002.

Project Name: *Production of a Greenways Educational Video (Greenway Video)*

Description: An 8-minute educational / promotional video was produced. The video was aired on local cable stations 10 and 62, and distributed to interested parties.

Products: Carnegie Street Productions. 2001. Greenways in Campbell River.

Funding approved: \$2,000 – received in 2000

Funding agency: Canada Trust Friends of the Environment Foundation and District of Campbell River

Duration / Status: Completed December 2001.

Project Name: *Public Participation Project (PIP Streamkeepers 2001)*

Description: Supplies such as water quality testing equipment and fish fence materials were purchased and made available to stewardship groups as a community resource.

Products: Increased inventory of streamkeepers supplies.

Funding approved: \$2750 – 90% received July 2001

Funding agency: Fisheries and Oceans Canada - Public Involvement Program

Duration / Status: In progress. Complete March 2002.

New Projects – Continued

Project Name: *Schools on Streams*

Description: Large maps were created for each school within the District Campbell River. Information shown on the maps included: orthophotos, cadastral information with the school highlighted, Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory information, and stream lines collected using the SHIM methodology.

Products: 21 poster sized maps

Funding approved: \$1100 – received December 2001

Funding agency: Campbell River Community Foundation

Duration / Status: In progress. Complete April 2002.

Project Name: Trails Guide for the Campbell River Area

Description: One thousand copies of a nature trail guidebook were produced and distributed at bookstores around town. Thirty-seven trails were described, with natural features and trail stewardship concerns highlighted.

Products: Scott, C. 2001. Nature Campbell River.

Funding approved: \$3000 – received in 2000

Funding agency: Public Conservation Assistance Fund

Duration / Status: Completed July 2001.

Continuing Projects

A number of projects were initiated in 2000, and carried over to 2001. Brief descriptions follow, in alphabetical order:

Project Name: *Calendar of Events for Volunteers Interested in the Natural Environment.*
(InVOLve)

Description: A total of 19 training workshops were offered to community volunteers in the following categories: Board Development, Financial Management, Communications Skills, Fundraising, and Project Management.

Products: 19 workshops were presented, with over 24 groups participating.

Funding approved: \$12,800

Funding agency: InVOLve BC

Duration / Status: Completed.

Project Name: *Community Stewardship in the Nunns Creek Watershed (USHP 2000)*

Description: The creation of the Nunns Creek Stewards was facilitated, watershed planning was carried out, a Landowner Contact Program was evaluated, and habitat restoration sites were monitored.

Products: Final USHP Report for the 2000/2001 Funding Years

Funding approved: \$19,750

Funding agency: Urban Salmon Habitat Program

Duration / Status: Complete. LWD Monitoring Procedures pending.

Continuing Projects – continued

Project Name: *Community Stewardship GIS Support for Watershed Planning (GIS 2000)*

Description: Stream data previously collected was quality assured and made available to local stream stewardship groups for their use. GIS based maps were produced, and training was provided.

Products: Usage agreements signed,

Funding approved: \$27,300 - received in 2000 / 2001

Funding agency: Fisheries Renewal BC

Duration / Status: Completed March 2001

Project Name: *Discovery Coast Greenways Land Trust Stewardship Coordinator Project 2000/2001 (SC 2000)*

Description: Watershed Inventory: Initiated GIS Support for Community Stewardship project, hosted Understanding Maps and Mapping Workshop, inventoried stewardship groups, projects, funding, and resources. Assisted with watershed planning, developed River City Kids program and watershed model, promoted and planned training opportunities, initiated Salmon Spotters program, provided stewardship coordination.

Products: For details on projects and products, see Campbell, K. 2001. Discovery Coast Stewardship Coordination 2000/2001 Final Report.

Funding approved: \$68,500 – 90% received by September 2001

Funding agency: Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Habitat Conservation and Stewardship Program

Duration / Status: Completed March 15, 2001.

Project Name: *Public Participation Project (Streamkeepers 2000)*

Description: Two Pacific Streamkeepers Federation courses were offered to local stewardship groups at a discounted rate.

Products: Twenty-four volunteers received Streamkeepers certification.

Funding approved: \$2,277

Funding agency: Fisheries and Oceans Canada - Public Involvement Program

Duration / Status: In progress. Complete March 2002.

Additional Projects

From time to time, the GLT will administer projects on behalf of other groups. Details follow:

Project Name: *Juvenile Downstreams – Simms, Willow, and Nunns Creeks (Juvenile Fences 2001)*

Description: The Campbell River Community Fisheries Committee received funding to conduct the stock assessment of juvenile salmonids on three streams. The project was completed by the Storie Creek Streamkeepers and administered by the GLT.

Products: Fence data is available digitally and in hard copy.

Funding approved: \$17,500

Funding agency: Fisheries Renewal BC

Duration / Status: Completed.

Additional Projects- continued

Project Name: *Oyster Bay Wetlands*

Description: The Oyster Bay Group requested that the GLT administer the funds collected by the group for the purposes of the acquisition of 640 acres of land currently owned by Weyerhaeuser.

Products: n/a

Funding received: \$335

Funding agency: Private donors

Duration / Status: In progress

TRAINING/ WORKSHOPS

The GLT coordinated, hosted, and attended a number of workshops throughout 2001. They are listed below in chronological order.

Event: *Land Trust Alliance of BC Seminar Series*

Date: March 30- April 1, 2001

Details: One GLT staff member and one board member attended three days of training workshops in Nanaimo. Workshops included: conservation covenants, fundraising, acquisitions, baseline monitoring, and capacity building.

Event: *GPS Field Operators Course*

Date: June 28-29, 2001

Details: The GLT coordinated the delivery of the training course, which was offered through the Forestry Continuing Studies Network. Ten local participants were certified to RIC standard.

Event: *Linking Science and Coastal Knowledge*

Date: August 16-17, 2001

Details: The GLT partnered with Simon Fraser University's Centre for Coastal Studies to bring a 100-participant conference to Campbell River. Our "Linking Science and Coastal Knowledge" session was called "Community Resource Stewardship Capacity Building- Data Collection and GIS Mapping Methodologies." Information may be found at <http://www.sfu.ca/coastalstudies/capacity/stewardship.htm>

Event: *Fish Habitat Assessment Course*

Date: August 30 – 31, 2001

Details: A two-day USHP Assessment Procedures / inventory course at Quinsam Hatchery was coordinated by the Greenways Land Trust.

Event: *Swiftwater Safety Operations (SSO) Course*

Date: September 12 –14, 2001

Details: The GLT coordinated the presentation of a three-day certification course offered by Rescue Canada. Volunteers, DFO staff, and contractors all participated in the course.

COMMUNITY PLANNING

The Greenways Land Trust actively participated in the District of Campbell River's Nunns Creek Local Area Review (later Bylaw 2888), and commented or made presentations on a variety of other proposed developments around Campbell River, including the Tyee Spit Plan, the Comprehensive Development Plan for Jubilee Heights, the Campbell River Community Watershed Plan, and the Campbell River Estuary plan.

The GLT coordinated the "Our Fish, Our Future" community forum on December 1st, 2001, in conjunction with the District of Campbell River, at which local stream stewards and business people agreed to cooperate on funding stream stewardship projects.

GREENWAY LOOP

The GLT provided an update to District of Campbell River mayor and council at their November 20th Committee of the Whole meeting regarding the implementation plan (Wiedeman 2001) for the 25 km Greenway Loop. Council directed DCR staff to continue working with the GLT on the implementation plan. Prior to this, and following the approval of Bylaw 2888, the ERT Road was closed to vehicle traffic on October 5, 2001, thus completing an essential link in the Greenway Loop plan.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

The Greenways Land Trust promoted the work of our organisation and others at a variety of public events, which are listed below in chronological order.

Event: *Campbell River Volunteer Fair*

Date: April 27, 2001

Details: The GLT participated in the celebration of volunteering event. GLT staff prepared a display and met with interested community members during the two day fair. Connections were made with other volunteer based groups in the area.

Event: *Family Fishing Weekend*

Date: June 16, 2001

Details: The Greenways Land Trust partnered with DFO and members of the sportsfishing community at this day-long event held at Campbell River's fishing pier. The River City watershed model and material related to stream stewardship and salmon habitat restoration was displayed.

Event: *"Transformations on the Shore" Driftwood Carving Contest – sponsored by Campbell River Shoreline Arts*

Date: June 27 – July 1, 2001

Details: The GLT and the Discovery Coast Stewards set up an informative display about fish habitat and wetlands in the Willow Creek watershed. Members of the public visited the booth during the weekend festivities.

PUBLIC OUTREACH – continued

Event: *Children's Festival*

Date: July 1, 2001

Details: The Greenways Land Trust partnered with the Education Coordinator from Quinsam Hatchery for this event. Over 1,200 parents and children viewed the River City watershed model. Trees donated by Interfor and gift prizes from DFO were given to every child who could spot 10 things on the watershed model that could adversely affect water quality or fish habitat in "River City". Children also painted hundreds of paper fish that they could take home or leave to decorate the Stewardship tent.

Event: *Millennium Trail Opening – Elk Falls Provincial Park*

Date: July 22, 2001

Details: In celebration of the opening of a new trail connecting Elk Falls to the Canyon View Trail, Greenways Land Trust volunteers set up a display to greet racers and participants in a nature walk led by Christine Scott.

Event: *Salmon Festival 2001*

Date: August 10-12, 2001

Details: The GLT and the Discovery Coast Stewards set up an informative display. Members of the public visited the booth during the weekend festivities.

Event: *Rivers Day*

Date: September 30, 2001 (last Sunday in September)

Details: The GLT and Discovery Coast Stewards hosted a photo contest, Stream of Dreams fish painting, and display boards, with support from local businesses and industry. The River Views photo contest had over 75 entries, and Interfor provided \$500 in prizes.

LAND PROTECTION

The GLT adopted the Land Trust Alliance of BC's "Land Trust Standards and Practices," which can be viewed at <http://landtrustalliance.bc.ca/public/product.htm#Standards>.

The Board of Directors received information regarding potential conservation covenants in Oyster Bay, Menzies Bay, and Read Island. Deliberations regarding the level of involvement of the GLT are continuing.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Greenways Land Trust wishes to thank our sponsors in 2001, as listed under their respective projects. In addition, we wish to acknowledge the substantial support of the BC Gaming Commission, now the BC Lottery Corporation. Gaming funds provide support for all of our programs. Significant in-kind contributions were made by Adobe and ESRI.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS - continued

We are extremely grateful to the organisations and individuals who have made our work possible, by providing volunteers, technical assistance, or in-kind support:

A-Tlegay Fisheries Society	Millard Piercy Watershed Stewards
Bat Conservation International	Ministry of Forests
BC Hydro Wildlife Tree Stewardship Initiative	Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management
Beaver Lodge Trust Committee	Ministry of Water, Land, and Air Protection
Campbell River and District Public Art Gallery	Moeller and Company
Campbell River Community Network	Mountaineer Avian Rescue Society
Campbell River Environmental Council	Museum at Campbell River
Campbell River Fish and Wildlife Club	Nanaimo Area Land Trust
Campbell River Indian Band	Nature Conservancy of Canada
Campbell River Mirror	Noonhour Rotary Club
Campbell River Tourism	North Island College
Campbellton BIA	North Island Employment Foundations Society
Canadian Forest Products	Nunns Creek Stewards
Carihi Secondary	Opportunities Career Centre
CBC Radio	Oyster Bay Park Association
Central Elementary	Oyster Bay Streamkeepers
Chamber of Commerce	Pacific GIS Consulting
Comox Valley Land Trust	Phil's Hyab Service
Comox Valley Project Watershed Society	Pioneer Home Hardware
Cortez Island Conservancy	Quadra Island Conservancy
Courier Islander	Quadra Island Salmon Enhancement Society
Campbell River TV	Qu-West Consulting
Carnegie Street Productions	Re-Max Check Realty
Daybreak Rotary Club	Regional District of Comox-Strathcona
District of Campbell River	Sayward Fish and Game Club
Eagle 97.3 FM	Sayward Futures
Evergreen Elementary	School District # 72
Fisheries and Oceans Canada	Storie Creek Streamkeepers
General Paint	The Land Conservancy of BC
Haig-Brown Kingfisher Creek Society	Timberline Secondary
International Forest Products	Tourism NCI
Interpretive Biological Services- Sam Wiedeman	Vancouver Island Butterfly Enthusiasts
John Howard Society	Weyerhaeuser
Land Trust Alliance of BC	Wilderness West Productions -Christine Scott
Leslie's Gazette	Willow Creek Watershed Society
Magic 98.9 FM	Windsor Plywood
McElhanney Consulting	