

Work Plan and Budget for 2024–25¹

REVENUE—Source	(\$)
2023–24 operational surplus (from March 31 st , 2024)	25,113
2023–24 funds allocated and carried forward to 2024–25 projects	59,961
<i>Per Contribution Agreement:</i>	
Columbia Shuswap Regional District	0
Thompson-Nicola Regional District	53,600
City of Salmon Arm	0
Adams Lake Indian Band	1300
<i>Grant Funding:</i>	
Canada Water Agency	170,000
<i>Operating Reserve:</i>	
Full SWC Operating Reserve (from March 31 st , 2024)	174,987
Total revenue	484,961

EXPENSES	Expenses (\$)		Sub-total (\$)
	Disbursements	Program mgmt	
Water Quality Monitoring	98,059	13,725	111,784
Water Quality Protection & Improvement	185,821	19,813	205,634
Zebra & Quagga Mussel Prevention	27,432	7425	34,857
Safe Recreation	9480	3713	13,193
Communications & Advocacy	2725	16,763	19,488
Council Meetings, Administration & Fund Development	8475	56,156	64,631
Sub-total Program Operations Expenses	331,992	117,594	449,586
Surplus / (Deficit)			35,375
Total expenses			484,961

¹ The fiscal year is April 1, 2024–March 31, 2025

Key Tasks and Deliverables for 2024–25

- Administer the **Water Quality Grant Program** to support farms and stewards to carry out projects and adopt new practices that protect and improve water quality
 - \$59,961 grant funds distributed in 2024 to five grant recipients
 - \$55,000 grant budget in 2024–25 (to be distributed in 2025)
- Continue developing a **Wetland Strategy** as an important new step to protect and improve water quality
- Implement the **Zebra & Quagga Mussel Prevention Program**
 - Deliver educational campaigns about prevention measures for aquatic invasive species
 - Partner with the Columbia Shuswap Invasive Species Society to monitor for invasive mussels
- Administer a **community water monitoring grant fund** to support community-based stewardship and water monitoring
- Facilitate bi-annual meetings of the **Shuswap Water Monitoring Group** to discuss water monitoring, collaborate and share information
- Provide financial support for **watershed research** by partnering with academic institutions and graduate students
- **Promote safe boating** and water-based recreation through educational campaigns
- **Advocate** for the Shuswap watershed by corresponding with senior government agencies about critical concerns and threats, and ask for more action to address these issues
- **Communicate and engage** with the public about the SWC's activities and achievements
 - Publish an Annual Highlights Report for 2023–2024
 - Publish media releases and newsletters
 - Maintain a website and social media
- **Hold four Council meetings** per year
- **Track and report** expenses
- **Apply for grant and foundation funding** to support the Shuswap Watershed Council in 2024 and beyond.

Who We Are

About the Shuswap Watershed Council

The SWC was established in 2014 as a watershed-based partnership of several organizations with an interest or responsibility for protecting water quality. There are up to 22 members that represent three regional districts, two municipalities, the Secwepemc Nation, three Provincial government agencies, and Shuswap communities. The SWC is a collaborative, non-regulatory group that focusses on strategic initiatives to protect, maintain, and enhance water quality and promote safe recreation in the Shuswap.

Staff

The Fraser Basin Council (FBC), a BC non-profit non-government organization established in 1997, provides staff services to the SWC. There are two staff in FBC's Kamloops office that lead all of the SWC's programs and initiatives.

Vision

Enhanced water quality that supports human and ecosystem health and the local economy in the Shuswap watershed.