

## SMALL-SCALE ECOSYSTEM GRANTS LIST OF PROJECTS APPROVED FOR FUNDING, FEBRUARY 2024

These grants support small-scale ecosystem enhancement projects that help improve ecological health and native biodiversity in the Basin through on-the-ground action.

Community	Organization	Project Title	Description	Amount
Fairmont	The Nature Trust of British Columbia	Hoodoos Conservation Area Forest Thinning	Restore 30 hectares of terrestrial habitat by thinning forest that has encroached onto critical native grassland habitat and subsequently re-seeding the treated area with native grasses to increase habitat values for wildlife and mimic historic fire events.	\$80,000
Hills	Valhalla Foundation for Ecology	Snk'mip Marsh Sanctuary Habitat Enhancement	Restore and enhance habitat for at-risk Coeur d'Alene salamander and Western painted turtle at the Snk'mip Marsh located at the north end of Slocan Lake.	\$32,000
Spillimacheen	Columbia Wetlands Stewardship Partners	Columbia Wetlands Turtle Habitat Enhancement	Install a nesting site and create basking habitat for Western painted turtles in the Columbia Wetlands.	\$25,000
Wasa	The Nature Trust of British Columbia	Wasa Slough Habitat Enhancement	Enhance 20 hectares of a wildlife corridor and reduce the wildfire risk to the wildlife habitat and adjacent community of Wasa.	\$120,000
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$257,000</b>

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