# **Columbia Basin Trust**

# 2024/25 Annual Service Plan Report

August 2025



# For more information on Columbia Basin Trust, please contact us at:

# 300-445 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Castlegar, BC V1N 1G1 1.800.505.8998

Or visit our website at: <a href="mailto:ourtrust.org">ourtrust.org</a>

Published by Columbia Basin Trust



# **Board Chair's Accountability Statement**

The Columbia Basin Trust 2024/25 Annual Service Plan Report compares the organization's actual results to the expected results identified in the 2024/25 – 2026/27 Service Plan published in 2024. The Board is accountable for those results as reported.

Signed on behalf of the Board by:

Jocelyn Carver

Board Chair, Columbia Basin Trust

August 21, 2025

# **Table of Contents**

Board Chair's Accountability Statement	3
Letter from the Board Chair & CEO	
Purpose of the Annual Service Plan Report	6
Strategic Direction	
Purpose of the Organization	
Operating Environment	
Report on Performance: Goals, Objectives, and Results	
Financial Report	14
Appendix A: Progress on Mandate Letter Priorities	
Appendix B: Subsidiaries and Operating Segments	
Appendix C: Auditor's Report and Audited Financial Statements	

# Letter from the Board Chair & CEO

Columbia Basin Trust (the Trust) works together with the people, organizations and communities of the Columbia Basin (Basin) to create a legacy of social, economic and environmental well-being, now and for future generations. In 2024/25, the Trust advanced this mandate by supporting 2,670 projects through 56 active programs and initiatives.

Over the year, the Trust delivered \$76.1 million in direct benefits across the region. This included \$58.1 million in grants and initiatives, \$7.1 million in commercial real estate and investment activity, \$6.5 million in new business loans, and \$4.4 million in capital investments related to broadband infrastructure and economic initiatives.

Key achievements in 2024/25 included the launch of four new programs aligned with the renewed Columbia Basin Management Plan (2024-2034): the Seniors Housing Livability Program, Seniors Housing Emergency Readiness Program, Recreational Enhancements in Accessibility for Children Program, and the Active Transportation Initiative. These efforts reflect the Trust's ongoing commitment to supporting healthy, resilient communities.

The Trust also contributed to significant outcomes in conservation, energy efficiency and community infrastructure. Internally, enhancements to corporate operations—including a comprehensive review of human resource policies and continued automation of administrative processes—helped ensure cost-effective and efficient delivery.

Trust revenues exceeded \$100 million, surpassing budget expectations. In partnership with Columbia Power Corporation, the Trust co-owns four hydropower facilities: Arrow Lakes Generating Station, Brilliant Dam, Brilliant Expansion and Waneta Expansion. These facilities continue to provide a stable source of long-term revenue. In 2024/25, the Brilliant and Waneta facilities performed above expectations, while Arrow Lakes experienced reduced revenue due to an extended outage for Unit 2 for turbine repair. Insurance recoveries helped offset the financial impact of this outage.

The Trust maintained regular engagement with the Minister Responsible and met biweekly with senior staff of the Ministry of Energy and Climate Solutions to report on progress toward the priorities outlined in the 2021/22 Mandate Letter.

Johnny Strilaeff

Jocelyn Carver **Board Chair** 

President & CEO August 21, 2025 August 21, 2025

# **Purpose of the Annual Service Plan Report**

This annual service plan report has been developed to meet the requirements of the Budget Transparency and Accountability Act (BTAA), which sets out the legislative framework for planning, reporting and accountability for Government organizations. Under the BTAA, a Minister Responsible for a government organization is required to make public a report on the actual results of that organization's performance related to the forecasted targets stated in the service plan for the reported year.

# **Strategic Direction**

The strategic direction set by Government and reflected in the Board Chair's 2021/22 <u>Mandate Letter</u> from the Minister Responsible shaped the goals, objectives, performance measures and financial plan outlined in the <u>Columbia Basin Trust 2024/25 – 2026/27 Service Plan</u> and the actual results reported on in this annual report.

# **Purpose of the Organization**

The roles and responsibilities of the Government and the Trust are set out in legislation and foundational agreements, including the <u>Columbia Basin Trust Act</u>, the <u>1995 Financial Agreement</u> and a <u>Memorandum of Understanding</u>.

The Trust is guided by two core functions:

- 1. **Investments** to prudently invest and manage the Trust's assets.
- 2. **Delivery of Benefits** to use the income generated from those investments to deliver social, economic and environmental benefits to the Basin.

These functions are supported by Corporate Operations, which includes finance and accounting, human resources, communications, information services, procurement and records management.

The Trust also provides hydropower asset management services to Columbia Power Corporation (Columbia Power) under the terms of Shared Services Agreements.

Decisions related to investments and delivery of benefits are made within the context of the Trust's enabling legislation and its Board-approved <u>Statement of Investment Policies and Procedures.</u>

Organizational priorities are determined through consultation with Basin residents. These inform the Columbia Basin Management Plan, which provides a high-level roadmap for the Trust's work.

# **Operating Environment**

The Trust's financial position in 2024/25 benefited from the return of Unit 1 at Arrow Lakes Generating Station to service in March 2024, following a major equipment failure and turbine rebuild. To proactively address potential future risk, Unit 2 was also rebuilt, with work beginning in February 2024 and completing in April 2025.

The Trust co-owns four hydropower facilities—Arrow Lakes Generating Station, Brilliant Dam, Brilliant Expansion, and Waneta Expansion—in partnership with Columbia Power. While the extended outage at Arrow Lakes impacted revenue, the other three facilities performed above expectations. Insurance coverage mitigated most of the financial impact associated with the outage.

Given the financial uncertainty during the year related to the Arrow Lakes outage and pending insurance coverage, the Trust applied additional oversight to Delivery of Benefits spending. This ensured prudent fiscal management while maintaining continuity in program delivery.

Internally, the Trust maintained strong delivery capacity while continuing to adapt systems and operations to support efficiency and responsiveness. Risk mitigation strategies—including insurance coverage, revenue diversification and diligent financial forecasting—helped protect the Trust's ability to maintain stable delivery throughout the year.

Recognizing the concentration of revenue from hydropower assets, the Trust continued to prioritize diversification of its investment portfolio and closely monitored financial performance and risk exposure.

In parallel, implementation of the renewed <u>Columbia Basin Management Plan 2024-2034</u> began. Four new programs were introduced to address regional priorities identified through engagement with Basin communities: the Seniors Housing Livability Program, Seniors Housing Emergency Readiness Program, Recreational Enhancements in Accessibility for Children Program, and Active Transportation Initiative.

# Report on Performance: Goals, Objectives, and Results

The following goals, objectives and performance measures are as set out in the 2024/25 – 2026/27 service plan. For forward-looking planning information, including current and future performance targets, please see the 2025/26 – 2027/28 service plan.

# Goal 1: Sound Investments for the benefit of Basin residents

Objective 1.1: A predictable, sustainable and appreciating income stream to fund Delivery of Benefits obligations and corporate operating expenses.

A growing portfolio of investments will help maintain a predictable, sustainable, and appreciating income stream and mitigate the risk associated with a reliance on power facilities.

## **Key results**

- Revenue and dividend income from hydropower investments increased year-over-year, supported by insurance recoveries and strong performance at the Brilliant and Waneta facilities.
- Nine new commercial loans were approved for Basin-based businesses, deploying \$6.5 million in capital to generate future returns and support regional economic development, with an additional \$1.3 million provided through Columbia Basin Development Corporation.
- \$7.1 million was strategically invested in commercial real estate and private placements, enhancing portfolio diversification and supporting long-term income generation.
- The market securities portfolio outperformed expectations, delivering strong returns across both fixed income and equity holdings.

# Summary of progress made in 2024/25

The Trust manages a diversified portfolio that includes jointly owned hydropower facilities, private placements (commercial loans and real estate), and market securities

While the planned rebuild of Unit 2 at Arrow Lakes Generating Station impacted returns from hydropower facilities, insurance proceeds and strong performance at other facilities helped maintain overall investment income.

Returns from private placements were lower than expected, primarily due to higher costs associated with maintaining and upgrading real estate holdings, including commercial and

seniors' housing properties. In 2024/25, nine new commercial loans were approved, supported by active engagement with financial professionals and referral networks across the Basin.

In contrast, the market securities portfolio outperformed expectations, with strong results across both fixed income and equity markets.

#### Performance measures and related discussion

Performance Measure	2023/24 Actual	2024/25 Target	2024/25 Actual
1.1 (a) Return on Power Facilities (calculated as a cash-based return on investment) <sup>3</sup>	8.25%	10%	9.28%
1.1 (b) Return on Private Placements (calculated as a cash-based return on investment) <sup>1,4</sup>	5.34%	6%	4.44%
1.1 (c) Return on Market Securities <sup>2, 5</sup>	10.0%	6%	10.5%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data Source: Returns are calculated based on audited year-end financial statements, which are approved by both external auditors and the Board of the Trust.

The Trust's return on hydropower facilities was 9.28%, an increase over the prior year (8.25%) but short of the 10% target. The primary driver was the extended outage at Arrow Lakes Generating Station for a planned turbine rebuild. Although this impacted income, insurance proceeds and above-target performance from the Brilliant and Waneta facilities mitigated the financial effect.

Private placements returned 4.44%, below the 6% target. This shortfall was due to increased costs related to capital improvements and maintenance across commercial and seniors' housing properties. While higher interest rates early in the year supported the lending portfolio, later Bank of Canada rate reductions tempered gains on variable loans.

Market securities delivered a 10.5% return, well above the 6% target. The strong performance reflects gains across both fixed income and public equity portfolios, driven by favourable market conditions and the continued application of the Trust's investment policy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data Source: Returns are calculated by British Columbia Investment Management Corporation in accordance with Global Investment Performance Standards.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> PM 1.1 (a) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 10% and 10%, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> PM 1.1 (b) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 6% and 6%, respectively.

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$  PM 1.1 (c) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 6% and 6%, respectively.

# Goal 2: Effective delivery of benefits for Basin residents

Objective 2.1: Benefits that serve to strengthen the social, economic and environmental well-being of the Basin and its residents and communities.

The Trust supports efforts by the people of the Basin to create a legacy of social, economic, and environmental well-being and to achieve greater self-sufficiency for present and future generations.

## **Key results**

- Committed \$58.1 million for grants and initiatives, plus \$4.4 million in related capital investments, to support 2,670 projects through 56 active programs and initiatives in 2024/25.
- Exceeded targets for increasing the area of aquatic habitat restored (in square metres) through the Ecosystem Enhancement Program and achieving greater energy savings through non-profit retrofit grants.
- Launched four new programs aligned with the Columbia Basin Management Plan (2024-2034): Seniors Housing Livability, Seniors Housing Emergency Readiness, Recreational Enhancements in Accessibility for Children, and the Active Transportation Initiative.

# Summary of progress made in 2024/25

The Trust committed \$58.1 million in grants and initiatives, along with \$4.4 million in capital investments, which resulted in 2,670 projects being supported through 56 active programs and initiatives.

The Trust advanced work in all priority areas outlined in the Columbia Basin Management Plan, ensuring that programs and initiatives continue to align with the region's long-term vision for well-being. Notable progress included the launch of four new programs. The Trust also exceeded performance targets in several areas, including expanding the area of aquatic habitat enhanced (in square metres), delivering energy efficiency retrofits for non-profits, and supporting improvements to community infrastructure.

While performance in areas such as affordable housing and business lending fell below target due to broader external factors, the Trust maintained strong overall delivery. Resident perception data confirmed a high level of public support.

### Performance measures and related discussion

Performance Measure	2023/24 Actual	2024/25 Target	2024/25 Actual
2.1 (a) Percent of Basin residents perceiving the Trust's impact as positive <sup>1,3</sup>	N/A	85	85
2.1 (b) Percent of partners perceiving the Trust's impact as positive <sup>1,4</sup>	N/A	90	N/A
2.1 (c) Affordable Housing <sup>2, 5</sup> # of new affordable housing units funded	93	90	65
2.1 (d) Broadband # rural households with access to 50/10 Megabits pre second (Mbps) service (cumulative) <sup>6</sup>	7,800	8,080	8,080
2.1 (e) Broadband # Kilometers (km) of fibre backbone in place (cumulative) <sup>7</sup>	1,255 1,285		1,285
2.1 (f) Business Loans <sup>2,8</sup> Value of new business loans provided (\$Millions)	12.9	7.5	6.5
2.1 (g) Community Assets <sup>2, 9</sup> # of existing indoor and outdoor community spaces being enhanced	82	40	396
2.1 (h) Ecosystem Health <sup>2,10</sup> Area of aquatic habitat improved (square meters (m <sup>2</sup> ))	13,111	4,000	201,000
2.1 (i) Ecosystem Health <sup>2, 11</sup> Area of terrestrial habitat improved (hectare (ha))	348	2,000	1,089
2.1 (j) Climate Resilience <sup>2, 12</sup> Equivalent Kilowatt-hour (ekWh) saved <sup>1</sup> Data Source: Biennial Columbia Basin Resident a	5,407,926	1,200,000	6,724,000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data Source: Biennial Columbia Basin Resident and Partner Survey.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data Source: Columbia Basin Trust.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> PM 2.1 (a) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 85 and N/A, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>PM 2.1 (b) is no longer being measured and has been removed in the latest service plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> PM 2.1 (c) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 140 and 85, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> PM 2.1 (d) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 8,080 and 10,744, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> PM 2.1 (e) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 1,285 and 1,520, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> PM 2.1 (f) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 7.5 and 7.5, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> PM 2.1 (g) This performance measure, PM 2.1 (g), was removed in the latest service plan.

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  PM 2.1 (h) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 100,000 and 100,000, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> PM 2.1 (i) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2024/25 service plan as 500 and 500, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> PM 2.1 (j) This performance measure, PM 2.1 (j) was replaced in the latest service plan with Climate Resilience-Lifetime Equivalent Kilowatt-hour (ekWh) saved.

**Resident Perceptions (2.1a & 2.1b):** The biennial survey showed that 85% of respondents perceive the Trust's impact as positive, meeting the target. The partner survey was not conducted this year and will no longer be tracked as a performance metric. The Trust is focusing its evaluation efforts on new performance indicators aligned with the Columbia Basin Management Plan and the implementation of its ten-year actions.

**Affordable Housing (2.1c):** The Trust funded 65 new units, below the target of 90. This reflects delays in project readiness among proponents, often due to their reliance on third-party funding and the impacts of rising construction costs.

**Broadband Connectivity (2.1d & 2.1e):** The Trust met its cumulative targets for rural households connected (8,080) and kilometres of fibre backbone in place (1,285), largely due to the completion of the Kimberley-Wasa CRTC project.

**Business Loans (2.1f):** Loan disbursements totalled \$6.5 million, slightly below the \$7.5 million target. Economic uncertainty and reduced investment activity in the second half of the year contributed to the result.

**Community Assets (2.1g):** A total of 396 community spaces were enhanced, well above the target of 40, driven by higher-than-expected demand through the Community Development, Recreation and Physical Activity, and Non-profit SMART (Sustainable Mitigation, Adaptation and Resilience Transition) grant programs.

**Ecosystem Health (2.1h & 2.1i):** Aquatic habitat enhancement greatly exceeded expectations (201,000 m² vs. a 4,000 m² target) due to a major wetland project. Terrestrial habitat restoration fell below target due to fewer large-scale project submissions.

**Climate Resilience (2.1j):** The Trust achieved 6.72 million ekWh in energy savings, far surpassing the target, due to targeted support for non-profits via retrofit grants. ekWh targets are based on calculations provided in building specific professional engineering reports and/or quotes provided by solar installers.

# Goal 3: Efficient corporate operations

# Objective 3.1: Maintain cost-effective corporate operations.

This will maximize new investment opportunities and Delivery of Benefit activities in the region.

## **Key results**

- Maintained cost-effective operations, with overall administration expenses under budget.
- Completed a comprehensive review of human resource policies.
- Continued to advance automation of internal processes.

## Summary of progress made in 2024/25

The Trust remained focused on efficient and cost-conscious operations. All corporate operations budgets were closely monitored, and process improvements were implemented to enhance effectiveness. Key progress included further automation of accounting and payment systems to reduce manual processing, minimize errors, and lower operational costs over time.

A comprehensive review of human resource policies was also completed. Updates were implemented to ensure practices remain equitable and competitive relative to sector benchmarks. These changes enhance the Trust's ability to attract and retain skilled employees, reinforcing long-term organizational strength.

### Performance measure and related discussion

Performance Measure	2023/24	2024/25	2024/25
	Actual	Target	Actual
3.1 (a) Ratio of Regional Reinvestment <sup>1, 2</sup>	101%	80-90%	86%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data Source: Columbia Basin Trust.

The Ratio of Regional Reinvestment measures the percentage of annual revenue that is committed to the Trust's two core functions: Delivery of Benefits and the Investments Program. The 2024/25 result of 86% falls within the targeted range and reflects the Trust's continued emphasis on maximizing reinvestment in the region while managing internal operating costs prudently.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> PM 3.1 (a) targets for 2025/26 and 2026/27 were stated in the 2025/26 service plan as 15 and 15, respectively.

# **Financial Report**

For the Auditor's Report and audited financial statements, see <u>Appendix C: Auditor's Report and Audited Financial Statements</u> or visit the Columbia Basin Trust <u>website</u>.

# Discussion of Results

In 2024/25, the Trust achieved another strong year financially, with total revenues exceeding budget expectations by approximately \$5.5 million. This result was driven by higher-than-anticipated gains from market securities and continued strong performance from three of the Trust's four hydropower facilities.

Revenue from hydropower facilities was negatively affected by the extended outage at Arrow Lakes Generating Station. This planned rebuild of Unit 2 followed the earlier rebuild of Unit 1 in 2023/24. Although the rebuild of Unit 2 was scheduled, additional equipment issues resulted in a longer-than-expected outage. Insurance coverage mitigated most associated costs and revenue losses.

Despite this impact, returns from market securities significantly exceeded budget projections, and the Trust's other hydropower facilities—Brilliant Dam, Brilliant Expansion and Waneta Expansion—performed well. These results reinforced the Trust's overall financial position.

Delivery of Benefits funding totaled \$58.1 million, enabling continued support for community-based initiatives across the Basin. Spending was managed carefully, particularly in administrative areas, given the financial uncertainty related to the Arrow Lakes outage.

Administration expenses totaled \$15 million, under budget by \$1.5 million, primarily due to lower staff remuneration costs.

# Financial Summary

(\$000s)	2023/24	2024/25	2024/25	2024/25
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues Power Facilities	74,369	\$77,361	\$78,598	1,139
Power Facilities Recoveries	4,400	4,800	4,800	1,139
				-
Market Securities	3,303	1,000	6,557	5,557
Private Placements: Real Estate	1,182	1,147	509	(638)
Private Placements: Commercial Loans	2,232	2,590	2,334	(256)
Broadband Operations	1,208	1,214	1,329	115
Short-Term Investments	3,179	2,600	2,556	(44)
Commercial Investments Rent	1,013	1,089	965	(124)
Other	3,733	1,575	1,492	(83)
Restricted Investment Income	1,068	1,552	1,426	(126)
Total Revenue	95,687	94,928	100,566	5,540
Expenses				
Delivery of Benefits				
Community Initiatives	30,978	26,397	36,564	10,167
Broadband Initiatives <sup>2</sup>	3,984	5,361	4,119	(1,242)
Economic Initiatives <sup>3</sup>	2,315	1,835	1,791	(44)
Other Initiatives	3,046	4,750	1,104	(3,646)
Social Initiatives	3,072	1,526	5,688	4,162
Water and Environment Initiatives	7,618	7,567	7,014	(553)
Youth Initiatives	2,071	1,570	1,798	228
Programs Under Development	-	3,994	-	(3,994)
Total Delivery of Benefits	53,084	53,000	58,078	5,078
Power Project Administration Expenses	4,400	4,800	4,800	-
Trust Administration Expenses	8,498	10,697	9,287	(1,410)
Commercial Investment Expenses	782	1,003	930	(73)
Financing Costs	17,407	17,389	17,388	(99)
Loss Due to Impairment	21	-	-	-
Total Expenses	84,192	86,889	90,483	3,496
Annual Surplus	11,495	8,039	10,083	2,044
Total Debt	5,608	5,506	2,670	(2,836)
Accumulated Surplus	545,698	575,959	557,681	(18,278)

# **Administration Expenses**

(\$000s)	2023/24 Actual	2024/25 Budget	2024/25 Actual	2024/25 Variance
Expenses				
Staff Remuneration and Development	9,853	11,815	10,480	(1,335)
Office and General	897	977	909	(68)
Amortization	336	436	417	(19)
Professional Fees	387	590	715	125
Corporate Travel and Meetings	324	322	321	(1)
Communications	485	515	523	8
Board and Committee	198	342	198	(144)
Information Technology	418	500	524	24
Subtotal	12,898	15,497	14,087	(1,410)
Less: Allocation to Power Project Administration	(4,400)	(4,800)	(4,800)	-
Total Administration Expenses	8,498	10,697	9,287	(1,410)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The above financial information was prepared based on current Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Broadband Initiatives include direct Columbia Basin Broadband Corporation (CBBC) expenses, as well as other broadband initiatives delivered through CBBC. See Appendix B for separate financial information for this subsidiary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Economic Initiatives include direct Columbia Basin Development Corporation (CBDC) expenses, as well as other economic initiatives delivered through CBDC. See Appendix B for separate financial information for this subsidiary.

# Variance and Trend Analysis

The prolonged outage at Arrow Lakes Generating Station affected revenue, with some costs not recoverable through insurance. While contractual power sales agreements include annual Consumer Price Index-based increases, the potential for unplanned outages—such as those experienced this year—can result in reduced revenues and increased maintenance costs.

Returns from market securities exceeded expectations, though they remain subject to annual market fluctuations.

The Trust's Delivery of Benefits budget includes allocations for programs under development, allowing flexibility to respond to evolving community needs. In 2024/25, the full budget was reallocated to approved initiatives, reflecting strong demand and timely opportunities across the region.

# Risks and Uncertainties

To sustain operations and meet commitments, the Trust depends on a stable revenue stream—over 80% of which comes from power facilities and related recoveries. Long-term sales agreements with BC Hydro and FortisBC, priced in Canadian dollars, provide protection from currency and rate volatility. However, unplanned operational issues, such as those experienced at Arrow Lakes this year, could impact future delivery capacity.

Financial market volatility presents additional risk. A 1% shift in market security returns could impact revenue by approximately \$950,000. Similarly, a 1% change in returns on commercial loans could affect revenue by \$300,000. The Trust continues to price new investments in line with market rates and diversify its investment mix.

Short-term investments, which are laddered to reduce interest rate risk, are also sensitive to rate fluctuations. A 1% change in rates would shift short-term investment income by approximately \$420,000.

# **Appendix A: Progress on Mandate Letter Priorities**

The following is a summary of progress made on priorities outlined in the 2021/22 and 2023 Mandate Letters from the Minister Responsible.

Mandate Letter Priority	Status as of March 31, 2025
Implement the strategic priorities identified by Basin residents and included in the Columbia Basin Management Plan (CBMP) Strategic Priorities 2020-2022.	Implementation of the renewed Columbia Basin Management Plan (2024–2034) began in 2024/25, with several new programs and initiatives launched to reflect regional priorities.
Maintain an active and cooperative relationship with partners in power project management and operations to ensure the projects deliver optimized financial returns and are managed in the best long-term interests of the owners.	<ul> <li>The Trust maintained a strong and collaborative relationship with the Columbia Power Board of Directors.</li> <li>The Trust Power Operations staff worked closely with FortisBC, the Operations &amp; Maintenance Service Provider, to ensure effective operation of the facilities, particularly during the repair, rebuild and recommissioning of Units 1 and 2 at Arrow Lakes Generating Station in 2024/25.</li> </ul>

# **Appendix B: Subsidiaries and Operating Segments**

# **Active Subsidiaries**

# Columbia Basin Broadband Corporation (CBBC)

CBBC is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Trust, established in 2011. It works with Basin communities and rural areas to improve connectivity through a region-wide fibre optic network, contributing to both economic and social development in the Basin.

CBBC activities align with the Trust's mandate, Columbia Basin Management Plan and fiscal plan, and are considered a delivered benefit to Basin residents. As such, any losses incurred by CBBC are funded through the Delivery of Benefits budget. Forecasts for CBBC depend on several assumptions, particularly the timing of technical and community-based connectivity projects, and may vary as these projects evolve.

#### **CBBC Board of Directors:**

- Ron Miles, Chair
- Wendy Booth
- Greg Deck
- Ron Oszust
- Owen Torgerson

# **Financial Summary**

(\$000)	2023/24 Actual	2024/25 Target	2024/25 Actual
Revenues	1,864	2,314	2,126
Expenses	3,984	5,361	4,119
Net Income	(2,120)	(3,047)	(1,993)

#### **Discussion of Variance**

The 2024/25 deficit was \$1.1 million lower than budgeted, primarily due to lower amortization resulting from delays in planned capital projects, reduced maintenance costs and decreased reliance on external consultants.

## **Capital Expenditures**

Major Capital Projects (over \$50 million in total)	Targeted Year of Completion	Project Cost to Mar 31, 2025 (\$000)	Estimated Cost to Complete (\$000)	Anticipated Total Cost* (\$000)
Connect the Basin Project	2026/27	\$2,149	\$74,013	\$76,162

**Objective:** To ensure Basin residents have access to reliable, affordable high-speed connectivity through a combination of fibre backbone and fibre-to-the-home technology.

**Costs:** \*Total project cost is estimated at \$82 million. The values above represent capital expenditures only.

#### **Benefits:**

- Fibre-to-the-home connectivity for 5,429 homes in 59 Basin communities.
- Enhanced gateway capacity and network redundancy to improve service reliability and reduce latency.

#### Risks:

- Permitting delays
- Increases in project costs
- Labour shortages
- Supply chain disruptions

# Columbia Basin Development Corporation (CBDC)

CBDC was a wholly owned subsidiary of the Trust, established in 2016 to lead and support initiatives that foster economic growth, job creation, innovation and entrepreneurship across the Basin. Its activities were aligned with the Trust's mandate, CBMP and fiscal plan, and losses were funded through the Delivery of Benefits budget. The CBDC Board was dissolved in 2025.

#### **CBDC** Board of Directors:

- Don McCormick, Chair
- Jocelyn Carver
- Krista Turcasso

# **Financial Summary**

(\$000)	2023/24 Actual	2024/25 Target	2024/25 Actual
Revenues	536	525	442
Expenses	2,337	1,835	1,791
Net Income	(1,801)	(1,310)	(1,349)

# **Discussion of Variance**

CBDC's 2024/25 deficit was slightly higher than budgeted. Activities continued to align with the Trust's strategic direction until operations concluded, and governance responsibilities were transitioned to the Trust Board.

# **Appendix C: Auditor's Report and Audited Financial Statements**

# CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# AS AT MARCH 31, 2025

# **CONTENTS**

	Page
Responsibility for Financial Reporting	1
Independent Auditor's Report	2
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
Statement of Financial Position	5
Statement of Operations	6
Statement of Remeasurement Gains and Losses	7
Statement of Change in Accumulated Operating Surplus	7
Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets	8
Statement of Cash Flows	9
Notes to Financial Statements	10

#### RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management is responsible for the preparation of the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements and all of the information contained in the Annual Report of Columbia Basin Trust (the Trust). The Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Section 23.1 of the Budget Transparency and Accountability Act of the Province of British Columbia and include amounts that are based on estimates and judgements. Management believes that the Consolidated Financial Statements fairly present the Trust's Consolidated Financial Position and Results of Operations. The integrity of the information presented in the Consolidated Financial Statements, including estimates and judgements relating to matters not concluded by fiscal year end, is the responsibility of management. The Consolidated Financial Statements have been approved by the Trust's Board of Directors.

Management has established and maintained appropriate systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the Trust's assets are safeguarded and reliable financial records are maintained to form a proper basis for preparation of Consolidated Financial Statements. These systems include formal written policies and appropriate delegation of authority and segregation of responsibilities within the organization.

KPMG LLP has been appointed by the Trust's Board of Directors to express an opinion as to whether the Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared, in all material respects, in conformity with the financial reporting provisions of Section 23.1 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act* of the Province of British Columbia. The Auditor's report follows and outlines the scope of their examination and their opinion on these Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Board of Directors, through the Finance and Audit Committee (FAC), is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibility for financial reporting and internal controls. The FAC, comprised of directors who are not employees, meets regularly with the external auditors and management to satisfy itself that each group has properly discharged its responsibility to review the Consolidated Financial Statements before recommending approval by the Board of Directors. The external auditors have full and open access to the FAC, with and without the presence of management.

Johnny Strilaeff President & CEO

May 23, 2025

Christine Lloyd, CPA, CGA Executive Director, Finance & Operations



KPMG LLP 200 - 3200 Richter Street Kelowna BC V1W 5K9 Tel 250-979-7150 Fax 250-763-0044 www.kpmg.ca

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Columbia Basin Trust, and
To the Minister of Energy and Climate Solutions, Province of British Columbia

## **Opinion**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Columbia Basin Trust (the Trust), which comprise:

- the consolidated statement of financial position as at March 31, 2025
- the consolidated statement of operations for the year then ended
- the consolidated of remeasurement gains and losses for the year then ended
- the consolidated statement of changes in accumulated operating surplus for the year end ended
- the consolidated statement of changes in net financial assets for the year then ended
- the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policy information

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements as at and for the year ended March 31, 2025 are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Section 23.1 of the Budget Transparency and Accountability Act of the Province of British Columbia.

## Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our auditor's report.

We are independent of the Trust in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



## Emphasis of Matter - Financial Reporting Framework

We draw attention to note 2(a) in the financial statements, which describes the applicable financial reporting framework and the significant differences between the financial reporting framework and Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

# Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Section 23.1 of the Budget Transparency and Accountability Act of the Province of British Columbia, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Trust or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Trust's financial reporting process.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.



#### We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.
  - The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
  that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the Trust's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Trust to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.
- Plan and perform the group audit to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial
  information of the entities or business units within the group as a basis for forming an opinion on the
  group financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and review of the audit
  work performed for the purposes of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

Kelowna, Canada

KPMG LLP

May 23, 2025

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(in thousands)

AS AT MARCH 31	Note		2025		2024
FINANCIAL ASSETS					
Cash		\$	17,148	\$	13,614
Short-term investments	4	"	42,431	"	43,388
Accrued interest and other accounts receivable	5		6,080		6,754
Market securities	6		94,832		86,376
Loans receivable	7		4,019		14,560
Private placements - commercial loans	8		30,586		33,878
Private placements - commercial investment	9		2,375		2,375
Private placements - real estate investments	10		11,692		12,889
Investment in power facilities	11		981,387		974,739
			1,190,550		1,188,573
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	12		2,510		2,210
Employee future benefits			488		452
Debt	13		2,670		5,779
Deferred contributions	14		14,412		10,942
Delivery of benefits initiatives	15		52,420		54,666
Due to Waneta Expansion Power Corporation	16		600,240		609,928
			672,740		683,977
Net Financial Assets			517,810		504,596
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS					
Prepaid expenses			528		508
Tangible capital assets	17				
Tangible capital assets - corporate			3,553		2,699
Tangible capital assets - delivery of benefits			21,660		23,347
Tangible capital assets - investments			14,130		14,548
Total tangible capital assets			39,343		40,594
			39,871		41,102
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		\$	557,681	\$	545,698
Accumulated Surplus is comprised of:					
Accumulated Operating Surplus		\$	549,138	\$	539,055
Accumulated Remeasurement Gains		¥	8,543	₩	6,643
		\$	557,681	\$	545,698
Commitments	23	"	· <b>,</b> - · -	"	,

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors:

Jocelyn Carver

Chair

Bill van Yzerloo

Chair, Finance and Audit Committee

# COLUMBIA BASIN TRUST CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31	Note	Budget	2025	2024
		(Note 27)		
REVENUES				
Power facilities	11 \$	77,361 \$	78,598 \$	74,369
Market securities		1,000	6,557	3,303
Power facilities recoveries	18	4,800	4,800	4,400
Short-term investments		2,600	2,556	3,179
Private placements - commercial loans		2,590	2,334	2,232
Restricted investment income	16	1,552	1,426	1,068
Broadband operations		1,214	1,329	1,208
Commercial investments rent		1,089	965	1,013
Other	20	525	768	1,045
Grants	19	1,050	724	2,688
Private placements - real estate investments	10	1,147	509	1,182
		94,928	100,566	95,687
EXPENSES	21			
Community initiatives		30,362	40,005	34,166
Water and environment initiatives		8,732	8,025	8,337
Social initiatives		2,335	6,390	3,711
Power facilities administration	18	4,800	4,800	4,400
Broadband initiatives		5,361	4,119	3,984
Other initiatives		10,787	2,878	4,690
Economic initiatives		2,433	2,311	3,094
Investment initiatives		2,576	2,296	1,916
Youth initiatives		2,114	2,271	2,466
Financing costs	16	17,389	17,388	17,407
		86,889	90,483	84,171
Impairment loss	7	-	-	21
ANNUAL OPERATING SURPLUS	•	8,039 \$	10,083 \$	11,495

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF REMEASUREMENT GAINS AND LOSSES

(in thousands)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31	Note	2025	2024
Accumulated remeasurement gains, beginning of year		\$ 6,643 \$	2,311
Unrealized gains on market securities		4,976	4,002
Realized (gains) losses reclassified to the Statement of Operations		(3,076)	330
Net change for the year		1,900	4,332
ACCUMULATED REMEASUREMENT GAINS, end of year	6	\$ 8,543 \$	6,643

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN ACCUMULATED OPERATING SURPLUS (in thousands)

Accumulated operating surplus, beginning of year \$ 539,055 \$ 527,560

Annual operating surplus 10,083 11,495

ACCUMULATED OPERATING SURPLUS, end of year

539,055

549,138 \$

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS

(in thousands)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31	Budget	2025	2024
	(Note 27)		
ANNUAL OPERATING SURPLUS	\$ 8,039 \$	10,083 \$	11,495
Acquisition of prepaid expenses	-	(528)	(508)
Use of prepaid expenses	-	508	1,145
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	-	(4,891)	(7,249)
Net book value of tangible capital assets disposed	-	3,638	-
Amortization of tangible capital assets	436	2,504	2,194
	436	1,231	(4,418)
Effect of remeasurement gains	-	1,900	4,332
Net change for the year	8,475	13,214	11,409
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, beginning of year	504,596	504,596	493,187
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, end of year	\$ 513,071 \$	517,810 \$	504,596

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31	2025	2024
CASH FLOWS FROM (APPLIED TO) OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash received from private placements - commercial loans	\$ 2,165 \$	2,156
Cash received from other loans	758	892
Cash received from broadband operations	6,120	4,654
Cash received from short-term investments	2,363	3,157
Cash received from market securities	6,557	3,303
Cash received from tenants	1,123	1,082
Cash paid for operating expenses	(3,593)	(6,120)
Cash paid for delivery of benefits initiatives, net of external funding received	(59,697)	(41,082)
	(44,204)	(31,958)
CASH FLOWS FROM (APPLIED TO) INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of short-term investments and market securities	(40,987)	(19,600)
Redemption of short-term investments and market securities	35,388	21,070
Issuance of commercial loans	(6,507)	(12,987)
Repayment of commercial loans	9,822	11,952
Issuance of other loans	(1,335)	(6,550)
Repayment of other loans	11,376	1,465
Real estate investments	(50)	(1,818)
Dividends received from real estate investments	1,756	1,716
Dividends received from power facilities investments	71,950	65,673
	81,413	60,921
CASH FLOWS APPLIED TO CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	(4,891)	(7,249)
	(4,891)	(7,249)
CASH FLOWS FROM (APPLIED TO) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Net proceeds from (repayment of) debt	(3,110)	170
Contributions to WEPC sinking fund	(7,506)	(7,095)
Interest paid	(18,168)	(18,169)
	(28,784)	(25,094)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	3,534	(3,380)
CASH, beginning of year	13,614	16,994
CASH, end of year	\$ 17,148 \$	13,614

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

#### 1. NATURE OF COLUMBIA BASIN TRUST

Columbia Basin Trust (the Trust) is a corporation established by the *Columbia Basin Trust Act*. The purpose of the Trust is to manage its assets for the ongoing economic, social and environmental well-being of the Columbia Basin (the Basin) region. The sole share of the Trust is held by the Minister of Finance on behalf of the Province of British Columbia (the Province). The Trust reports to the Minister of Energy and Climate Solutions.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Trust's Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared by management in accordance with the basis of accounting described below. Significant accounting policies of the Trust are as follows:

## (a) Basis of accounting

The Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Section 23.1 of the *Budget Transparency* and Accountability Act of the Province of British Columbia (Section 23.1) supplemented by Regulations 257/2010 and 198/2011 issued by the Province of British Columbia Treasury Board.

The Budget Transparency and Accountability Act requires that the Consolidated Financial Statements be prepared in accordance with the set of standards and guidelines that comprise generally accepted accounting principles for public sector organizations in Canada, or if the Treasury Board makes a regulation, the set of standards and guidelines that comprise generally accepted accounting principles for senior governments in Canada as modified by the alternate standard or guideline or part thereof adopted in the regulation.

Regulation 257/2010 requires all taxpayer-supported organizations to adopt Canadian public sector accounting standards without any elections available to government not-for-profit organizations.

Regulation 198/2011 requires that restricted contributions received or receivable are to be reported as revenue depending on the nature of the restrictions on the use of the funds by the contributors as follows:

- i. Contributions for the purpose of acquiring or developing a depreciable tangible capital asset or contributions in the form of a depreciable tangible capital asset are recorded and referred to as deferred capital contributions and recognized in revenue at the same rate that amortization of the related tangible capital asset is recorded. The reduction of deferred capital contributions and recognition of revenue are accounted for over the fiscal periods during which the tangible capital asset is used to provide services.
- ii. Contributions restricted for specific purposes other than those for the acquisition or development of a depreciable tangible capital asset are recorded as deferred contributions and recognized in revenue in the year in which the stipulation or restriction on the contributions have been met.

For British Columbia's taxpayer-supported organizations, these contributions include government transfers and externally restricted contributions.

The accounting policy requirements under Regulation 198/2011 are significantly different from the requirements of Canadian public sector accounting standards, which state that:

i. Government transfers that do not contain a stipulation that creates a liability be recognized as revenue by the recipient when approved by the transferor and the eligibility criteria have been met; and

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

## 2. (a) Basis of accounting (continued)

ii. Externally restricted contributions be recognized as revenue in the period in which the stipulations are met.

#### (b) Basis of consolidation

#### i. Consolidated entities:

These Consolidated Financial Statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of organizations which are wholly owned and controlled by the Trust. Controlled organizations are consolidated except for government business partnerships and government business enterprises (notes 2(b)(ii) and (iii)). Intercompany transactions, balances, and activities are eliminated on consolidation.

The following entities are wholly owned and controlled by the Trust and are fully consolidated:

- CBT Commercial Finance Corp.
- CBT Arrow Lakes Power Development Corp.
- CBT Brilliant Expansion Power Corp.
- CBT Power Corp.
- CBT Property Corp.
- CBT Waneta Expansion Power Corp.
- CBT Real Estate Investment Corp.
- Columbia Basin Broadband Corporation (CBBC)
- Columbia Basin Development Corporation (CBDC)

## ii. Investment in Government business partnerships:

Government business partnerships (GBPs) are accounted for using the modified equity method. Under the modified equity method, the Trust's investment consists of its percentage investment in the GBP, its equity interest in the GBP's earnings and other changes in equity. No adjustments are made for accounting policies that are different from those of the Trust and intercompany transactions and balances are not eliminated.

The following GBPs of the Trust are consolidated using the modified equity method:

Power facilities - 50% interest:

- Arrow Lakes Power Corporation (ALPC)
- Brilliant Power Corporation (BPC)
- Brilliant Expansion Power Corporation (BEPC)
- Waneta Expansion Power Corporation (WEPC)

Real estate - 50% interest:

- Castle Wood Village
- Columbia Village
- Crest View Village
- Garden View Village
- Joseph Creek Village
- Kootenay Street Village
- Lake View Village
- Mountain Side Village
- Mount St. Francis
- Rocky Mountain Village

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

#### 2. (b) Basis of consolidation (continued)

#### iii. Investment in Government business enterprises:

Government business enterprises (GBEs) are accounted for using the modified equity method. Under the modified equity method, the Trust's investment consists of its percentage investment in the GBE, its equity interest in the GBEs' net income, and other changes in equity. No adjustments are made for accounting policies that are different from those of the Trust and intercompany transactions, and balances are not eliminated.

Red Mountain Hostel (75% interest) is a GBE of the Trust and is consolidated in these financial statements using the modified equity method.

#### (c) Tangible capital assets and amortization

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost, which includes amounts directly related to the acquisition, construction, design, development, improvement or betterment of the assets. Costs include overhead directly attributable to construction and development, as well as interest costs that are directly attributable to the construction of the asset. The cost, less residual value of the tangible capital assets, excluding land, is amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected useful lives as follows:

Category	<u>Years</u>
Automobiles	8
Hardware and software	3 - 7
Broadband hardware	3 - 15
Furniture and equipment	5 - 20
Broadband fibre optics	25
Buildings	25 - 40
Tenant improvements	Lease term or improvement useful life

Tangible capital assets are written down to their residual value when conditions indicate they no longer contribute to the Trust's ability to provide goods and services, or when the value of future economic benefits associated with the tangible capital assets are less than their net book value. The net write-downs are accounted for as expenses in the Statement of Operations. Transfers of capital assets from related parties are recorded at carrying value.

#### (d) Revenue recognition

Revenues are recognized in the period in which the revenue transaction or event has occurred and performance obligation has been met. All revenues are recorded on an accrual basis, except when the accruals cannot be determined with a reasonable degree of certainty or when their estimation is impracticable.

Regulation 198/2011 requires that restricted contributions received or receivable are to be reported as revenue depending on the nature of the restrictions on the use of the funds by the contributors as follows:

i. Contributions for the purpose of acquiring or developing a depreciable tangible capital asset or contributions in the form of a depreciable tangible capital asset are recorded and referred to as deferred capital contributions and recognized in revenue at the same rate that amortization of the related tangible capital asset is recorded. The reduction of the deferred capital contributions and the recognition of the revenue are accounted for over the fiscal period during which the tangible capital asset is used to provide services.

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

## 2. (d) Revenue recognition (continued)

ii. Contributions restricted for specific purposes other than those for the acquisition or development of a depreciable tangible capital asset are recorded as deferred contributions and recognized in revenue in the year in which the stipulation or restriction on the contributions have been met.

For British Columbia's taxpayer-supported organizations, these contributions include government transfers and externally restricted contributions.

Contributions are deferred when restrictions are placed on their use by the contributor, and are recognized as revenue when used for the specific purpose. Revenue related to fees or services received in advance of the fee being earned or the service being performed is deferred and recognized when the fee is earned or service performed.

#### (e) Expenses

Expenses are reported on an accrual basis when the goods have been received or the services have been provided. The cost of all goods consumed and services received during the year is expensed. Expenses are classified by function on the Statement of Operations. The Trust allocates administration costs by identifying an appropriate basis of allocating and applying that basis consistently each year.

Government transfers are recognized in the Consolidated Financial Statements in the period in which the amounts of the transfers are authorized and any eligibility criteria have been met by the recipient.

#### (f) Taxes

The Trust and its wholly owned subsidiaries are exempt from income taxes under paragraph 149(1)(d) of the *Income Tax Act*. The Trust is also exempt from Federal Large Corporations Tax under subsection 181.1(3) of the *Income Tax Act*.

#### (g) Financial instruments

Derivatives and equity instruments quoted in an active market are measured at fair value. The Trust measures other specific financial instruments at cost and amortized cost to correspond with how they are evaluated and managed.

Financial instruments measured at fair value are classified as level one, two or three for the purposes of describing the basis of the inputs used to measure the fair values, as described below:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: Market-based inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3: Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data; assumptions are based on the best internal and external information available and are most suitable and appropriate based on the type of financial instrument being valued in order to establish what the transaction price would have been on the measurement date in an arm's length transaction.

All financial instruments measured at fair value are measured using Level 1 criteria. There were no transfers between hierarchies during the year ended March 31, 2025.

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 2. (g) Financial instruments (continued)

Unrealized gains and losses from changes in the fair value of financial instruments are recognized in the Statement of Remeasurement Gains and Losses. Upon settlement, the cumulative gain or loss is reclassified from the Statement of Remeasurement Gains and Losses and recognized in the Statement of Operations.

Financial instruments measured using amortized cost are financial assets or financial liabilities that are measured at initial recognition minus principal repayments, plus or minus cumulative amortization using the effective interest method and minus any impairment losses. The effective interest rate method is used to determine interest revenues or expenses.

For portfolio investments measured at cost, the cost method records the initial investment at cost and earnings from such investments are recognized only to the extent received or receivable. When an investment is written down to recognize an impairment loss, the new carrying value is deemed to be the new cost basis for subsequent accounting purposes.

Financial assets are tested annually for impairment. When financial assets are impaired, impairment losses are recorded in the Statement of Operations and any related fair value changes previously recorded in the Statement of Remeasurement Gains and Losses are reversed to the extent of the impairment. Impairment losses are not reversed for a subsequent increase in value.

Transaction costs are a component of cost for financial instruments measured using cost or amortized cost. Transaction costs are expensed for financial instruments measured at fair value.

The Trust has designated its financial instruments as follows:

#### i. Cash:

Cash includes cash on hand and demand deposits. The Trust presents its Statement of Cash Flows using the direct method.

#### ii. Portfolio investments:

Short-term investments include investments quoted in an active market and are measured at fair value. Other investments are measured at cost or amortized cost. These investments are highly liquid and held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments. Investments measured at fair value recognize any changes in fair value in the Statement of Remeasurement Gains and Losses.

Market securities equity and debt investments quoted in an active market are measured at fair value. The Trust invests in long-term investments through pooled fund products managed by the British Columbia Investment Management Corporation (BCI), a corporation established under the *Public Sector Pension Plans Act*. The Trust has a diversified securities portfolio that includes short-term deposits, bonds and equities. Market securities are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in the Statement of Remeasurement Gains and Losses.

Private placements - commercial investments that have an equity interest are measured at cost, less any amounts written off to reflect a permanent decline in value.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 2. (g) Financial instruments (continued)

#### iii. Loans receivable:

Private placements - commercial loans as well as loans receivable are measured at amortized cost less any amount for impairments. Impairment losses are recorded to reflect loans receivable at the lower of amortized cost and the net recoverable value, when collectability and risk of loss exists. Impairments are recognized in the Statement of Operations. Interest is accrued on loans receivable to the extent it is deemed collectable.

#### iv. Debt and other financial assets and financial liabilities:

Debt, accrued interest and other assets, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

## (h) Employee future benefits

Employee future benefits consist of an employee pension plan, retirement benefits and sick leave benefits.

The Trust and its employees make contributions to the Public Sector Pension Plan, which is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Multi-employer defined benefit pension plans are accounted for as defined contribution plans. As a result, the Trust's contributions are expensed as paid.

The Trust provides a retirement allowance to all employees who have accumulated 20 years or more of service with the Trust. An actuarially determined accrued liability for the retirement allowance has been recorded in the statements and has been determined using management's best estimate of employee retention, salary escalation, long-term inflation and discount rates.

The Trust provides their employees with sick leave benefits that accumulate but do not vest. All employees are entitled to eight sick days per calendar year, which may be carried over, to a maximum of 120 days. An actuarially determined accrued liability has been recorded on the statements for non-vesting sick leave benefits. The cost of non-vesting sick leave benefits are calculated using management's best estimate of salary escalation, long-term inflation rates and discount rates.

## (i) Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of these Consolidated Financial Statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, at the date of the Consolidated Financial Statements and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenses during the period. Estimates applied in the preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements include assumptions used for recording specific impairments and general loan loss provisions on commercial loans and loans receivable, the useful lives of tangible capital assets, and indicators of any impairment on its commercial investment.

Estimates are based on the best information available at the time of preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements and are reviewed annually to reflect new information as it becomes available. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

### 3. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain prior year figures have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

### 4. SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS

Short-term investments consist of a portfolio of guaranteed investment certificates (GICs) held at financial institutions. GICs earn interest at rates ranging from 3.55% to 5.40%, and reach maturity between August 2025 and March 2026.

### 5. ACCRUED INTEREST AND OTHER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accrued interest and other accounts receivable consist of accrued interest on short-term investments, accounts receivable, accrued interest on commercial loans and power facilities recoveries.

#### 6. MARKET SECURITIES

The Trust has a diversified securities portfolio that includes short-term deposits, and bond and equity pooled funds. The Trust's investment in market securities is as follows:

	Fair va	lue		
	hierarchy le	vel	2025	2024
Market value	1	\$	94,832	\$ 86,376
Cost			86,289	79,733
Accumulated remeasurement gains		\$	8,543	\$ 6,643

During fiscal year 2025, the Trust recognized realized gains on market securities of \$3.1 million (fiscal 2024 - loss of \$330,000).

## 7. LOANS RECEIVABLE

The Trust provides funding through the Impact Investment Fund to businesses challenged with obtaining financing from other sources. These loans are secured by assets and personal guarantees and currently have terms extending no further than 14 years.

The Trust provided the Trail airport with a non-interest bearing \$1.0 million loan over a term of 20 years with annual principal payments of \$50,000 commencing February 2019. At March 31, 2025, the outstanding balance was \$650,000 (discounted to present value \$484,000) applying an effective interest rate of 4.5%. The Trust also provided the West Kootenay Regional airport with a non-interest bearing \$1 million loan over a term of 25 years with annual principal payments of \$40,000 commencing October 2026. At March 31, 2025, the outstanding balance was \$1.0 million (discounted to present value \$432,000) applying an effective interest rate of 6.7%.

The Trust provided Mount St. Francis, a joint venture subsidiary of the Trust, with a \$10.5 million loan in fiscal 2023 for construction of a senior care facility in Nelson, BC. \$10.1 million of the loan bore interest at Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce's (CIBC) prime commercial lending rate and was repaid. The remaining \$400,000 is non-interest bearing. At March 31, 2025, the outstanding balance of the loan was \$400,000.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

## 7. LOANS RECEIVABLE (continued)

The Trust provided funding through the Small Business Working Capital Loans program to provide working capital and operating funds to Basin-based small businesses and social enterprises to assist with the challenges of COVID-19. The Trust also provided funding through the Basin Food Producer Loans program to help bolster the region's food supply, create employment and alleviate longer-term economic impacts caused by the pandemic. The loan terms for both of these related programs bear interest of 2% over a maximum term of five years. At March 31, 2025, the outstanding balance of the loans in these two programs totaled \$404,000 (discounted to present value \$400,000).

The Trust provides funding through the Economic Development Loans program to support business development throughout the Basin.

Loans receivable are as follows:

	2025	2024
Impact Investment Fund bearing interest from 5.00% to 9.95%	\$ 2,425 \$	2,711
West Kootenay Regional airport non-interest bearing	432	-
Trail airport non-interest bearing	484	511
Mount St. Francis non-interest bearing (2023 - CIBC prime rate)	400	10,500
Small Business Working Capital Loans bearing interest at 2%*	221	378
Basin Food Producer Loans bearing interest at 2%	179	293
Economic Development Loans bearing interest at CIBC prime rate	31	342
	4,172	14,735
Less: loan loss provision	(153)	(175)
	\$ 4,019 \$	14,560

<sup>\*</sup>Impairment loss nil (fiscal 2024 - \$21,000).

## 8. PRIVATE PLACEMENTS – COMMERCIAL LOANS

The Trust provides commercial loans that are generally secured by real estate and currently have terms extending no further than 25 years.

Commercial loans are as follows:

	2025	2024
Commercial loans bearing interest from 3.65% to 8.45%	\$ 30,802	\$ 34,117
Less: loan loss provision	(216)	(239)
	\$ 30,586	\$ 33,878

### 9. PRIVATE PLACEMENTS – COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT

Commercial equity investment in a private company is accounted for as a portfolio investment and measured at cost, net of impairment.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

## 10. PRIVATE PLACEMENTS - REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS

The Trust's real estate investments are comprised of the following:

- 50% ownership interest in ten seniors housing facilities throughout the Basin.
- 75% ownership interest in Red Mountain Hostel located in Rossland, BC.

These investments are accounted for using the modified equity method. See Note 2(b).

Condensed supplementary financial information representing the Trust's interests for private placements – real estate investments is as follows:

## (a) Investment in private placements - real estate:

			Non-		Non-						
		Current	Current	Total	Current	Current	Total				
		Assets	Assets	Assets	Liabilities	Liabilities	Liabilities	Net Assets			
March 31, 2025											
Castle Wood Village - 50%	\$	200 \$	2,362 \$	2,562 \$	194 \$	2,088 \$	2,282	\$ 280			
Columbia Village - 50%		100	3,345	3,445	244	2,867	3,111	334			
Crest View Village - 50%		238	2,564	2,802	266	1,837	2,103	699			
Garden View Village - 50%		219	2,002	2,221	276	1,613	1,889	332			
Joseph Creek Village - 50%		237	5,760	5,997	441	5,280	5,721	276			
Kootenay Street Village - 50%		135	10,456	10,591	348	10,054	10,402	189			
Lake View Village - 50%		224	3,756	3,980	153	2,763	2,916	1,064			
Mount St. Francis - 50%*		2,853	21,136	23,989	3,733	14,490	18,223	5,766			
Mountain Side Village - 50%		81	1,814	1,895	105	1,401	1,506	389			
Red Mountain Hostel - 75%		544	2,592	3,136	37	1,160	1,197	1,939			
Rocky Mountain Village - 50%		36	1,826	1,862	470	968	1,438	424			
	\$	4,867 \$	57,613 \$	62,480 \$	6,267 \$	44,521 \$	50,788 \$	11,692			
								<u> </u>			
March 31, 2024											
Castle Wood Village - 50%	\$	156 \$	2,583 \$	2,739 \$	222 \$	2,160 \$	2,382 \$	357			
Columbia Village - 50%		145	3,604	3,749	319	3,077	3,396	353			
Crest View Village - 50%		254	2,765	3,019	276	2,067	2,343	676			
Garden View Village - 50%		417	2,126	2,543	185	1,791	1,976	567			
Joseph Creek Village - 50%		308	6,203	6,511	383	5,552	5,935	576			
Kootenay Street Village 50%		113	10,903	11,016	319	10,421	10,740	276			
Lake View Village - 50%		220	3,923	4,143	120	2,873	2,993	1,150			
Mountain Side Village - 50%		79	1,939	2,018	82	1,473	1,555	463			
Red Mountain Hostel - 77%		500	2,764	3,264	37	1,211	1,248	2,016			
Rocky Mountain Village - 50%		48	1,922	1,970	209	1,156	1,365	605			
Projects under development:											
Mount St. Francis - 50%*		1,522	15,617	17,139	6,272	5,017	11,289	5,850			
	\$	3,762 \$	54,349 \$	58,111 \$	8,424 \$	36,798 \$	45,222 \$	12,889			
*Mount Ct Engage aspertmention an	a i a a t	134	2022 and as man	1 . 1 . 1 . 2	025						

<sup>\*</sup>Mount St. Francis construction project commenced May 2023 and completed March 2025.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 10. (a) Investment in private placements - real estate (continued)

	Castle Wood Village	Columbia Village	Crest View Village	Garden View Village	Joseph Creek Village	Kootenay Street Village	Lake View Village	Mount St. Francis	Mountain Side Village	Red Mountain Hostel	Rocky Mountain Village	Total
	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	75%*	50%	
March 31, 2025												
Opening \$	357	\$ 353 \$	676 \$	567 \$	576 \$	\$ 276 \$	1,150 \$	5,850	\$ 463	\$ 2,016	\$ 605	\$12,889
balance												
Dividends	(188)	(142)	(191)	(100)	(422)	(140)	(289)	-	(150)	-	(134)	(1,756)
Investment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	-	50
Surplus (deficit)	111	123	214	(135)	122	53	203	(84)	76	(127)	(47)	509
\$	280	\$ 334 \$	699 \$	332 \$	276 \$	\$ 189 \$	1,064 \$	5,766	\$ 389	\$ 1,939	\$ 424	\$11,692

	Castle Wood Village	Columbia Village	Crest View Village	Garden View Village	Joseph K Creek Village	Street Village	Lake View Village	Mount St. Francis	Mountain Side Village	Red Mountain Hostel	Rocky Mountain Village	Total
	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	77%	50%	
March 31, 2024												
Opening \$	350	\$ 388 \$	665	536 \$	831 \$	353	\$ 1,252	\$ 4,100	\$ 465	\$ 2,075	\$ 590	\$11,605
balance												
Dividends	(188)	(143)	(191)	(100)	(422)	(139)	(283)	-	(116)	-	(134)	(1,716)
Investment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,750	-	68	-	1,818
Surplus (deficit)	195	108	202	131	167	62	181	-	114	(127)	149	1,182
\$	357	\$ 353 \$	676	567 \$	576 \$	276	\$ 1,150	\$ 5,850	\$ 463	\$ 2,016	\$ 605	\$12,889

<sup>\*</sup>Additional equity contributions from Red Mountain Hostel joint venture partner in fiscal 2025 decreased the Trust's equity ownership to 75% (fiscal 2024 - 77%).

# (b) Results of operations:

	Expenses									
		Finance	:			Surplus				
	Revenue	Charges	Operations	Amortizatio	n Tota	d (Deficit)				
March 31, 2025										
Castle Wood Village - 50%	\$ 525 \$	90	\$ 112	\$ 212	2 \$ 414	\$ 111				
Columbia Village - 50%	527	162	20	222	2 404	123				
Crest View Village - 50%	559	125	13	20	7 345	214				
Garden View Village - 50%	363	78	280	140	) 498	(135)				
Joseph Creek Village - 50%	1,094	357	172	443	3 972	122				
Kootenay Street Village - 50%	813	292	20	448	3 760	53				
Lake View Village - 50%	558	141	5	209	355	203				
Mount St. Francis - 50%	-	27	2	55	5 84	(84)				
Mountain Side Village - 50%	311	83	26	120	5 235	76				
Red Mountain Hostel - 75%	102	72	33	124	4 229	(127)				
Rocky Mountain Village - 50%	374	44	228	149	9 421	(47)				
	\$ 5,226 \$	1,471	\$ 911	\$ 2,335	5 \$ 4,717	\$ 509				

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 10. (b) Results of operations (continued)

		Finance					Total	
	Revenue	Charges	O	perations	A	Mortization	Expense	Surplus
March 31, 2024								_
Castle Wood Village - 50%	\$ 525 \$	81	\$	34	\$	215 \$	330 \$	195
Columbia Village - 50%	528	165		30		225	420	108
Crest View Village - 50%	560	123		28		207	358	202
Garden View Village - 50%	363	86		7		139	232	131
Joseph Creek Village - 50%	1,094	376		110		441	927	167
Kootenay Street Village - 50%	813	302		1		448	751	62
Lake View Village - 50%	550	146		14		209	369	181
Mountain Side Village - 50%	311	63		8		126	197	114
Red Mountain Hostel - 77%	101	68		33		127	228	(127)
Rocky Mountain Village - 50%	374	51		27		147	225	149
	\$ 5,219 \$	1,461	\$	292	\$	2,284 \$	4,037 \$	1,182

## (c) Non-current assets:

The Trust's investment in private placements - real estate is as follows:

	Land Building and						
		Equipment	2025	2024			
Operating facilities	\$ 5,009	\$ 84,879 \$	89,888 \$	68,688			
Projects under development	-	-	-	15,617			
Accumulated amortization	-	(32,275)	(32,275)	(29,956)			
	\$ 5,009	\$ 52,604 \$	57,613 \$	54,349			

## (d) Non-current liabilities:

## i. Long-term debt

Long-term debt consisting of the Trust's interest in mortgage loans are included in current and non-current liabilities of the real estate entities. These loans bear interest at rates varying between 3.2% and 6.3% and mature between January 2026 and July 2035. Loans are repayable in monthly payments of principal and interest, amortized over 25 years and secured by first charges, both fixed and floating, over the real estate entities' assets.

## ii. Indemnities by joint venturers

The joint venturers of the Trust's real estate investments gave separate indemnities for mortgage proceeds totaling \$44.7 million (fiscal 2024 - \$36.9 million).

## (e) Contingencies:

In June 2010, the BC Housing Management Commission (BC Housing) provided Lake View Village, a seniors housing facility located in Nelson, BC and joint venture subsidiary of the Trust, with a government grant to allow for subsidized suites. Under this agreement, Lake View Village received a forgivable loan in the amount of \$855,000,

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 10. (e) Contingencies (continued)

which was applied directly to the mortgage on the property. Under the terms and conditions of the agreement, if the loan is defaulted within the first 10 years, \$855,000 is repayable to BC Housing. Thereafter, the forgivable loan amount is reduced by 1/15th per year. As at March 31, 2025, the balance of the forgivable loan was \$570,000 (fiscal 2024 - \$627,000). The Trust's share is 50%

### 11. INVESTMENT IN POWER FACILITIES

The Trust's investment in power facilities comprises ownership interests in four entities that are jointly controlled with Columbia Power Corporation (Columbia Power), a party related through common control by the Province. These investments are accounted for using the modified equity method. See listing of investments and consolidated entities in Note 2(b).

## (a) Arrow Lakes Power Corporation (ALPC)

The Trust's wholly owned subsidiary, CBT Arrow Lakes Power Development Corp. (CBT Arrow Lakes), has a 50% ownership interest in ALPC. The purpose of ALPC is to operate the 185 megawatt (MW) Arrow Lakes Generating Station adjacent to Hugh Keenleyside Dam in Castlegar, BC, and a 48-kilometre transmission line from the power plant to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority's (BC Hydro) Selkirk substation. ALPC sells the entitlement energy and capacity generated from this facility.

## (b) Brilliant Power Corporation (BPC)

The Trust's wholly owned subsidiary, CBT Power Corp., has a 50% ownership interest in BPC. The purpose of BPC is to act as lessor of the Brilliant Dam and Generating Station (Brilliant Power Facility) and Brilliant Terminal Station assets. The Brilliant Power Facility and Brilliant Terminal Station are currently leased to FortisBC Inc., a regulated utility operating in British Columbia, according to the finance lease terms. The Brilliant Power Facility is located on the Kootenay River, three kilometers upstream of the confluence with the Columbia River in Castlegar, BC.

## (c) Brilliant Expansion Power Corporation (BEPC)

The Trust's wholly owned subsidiary, CBT Brilliant Expansion Power Corp., has a 50% interest in BEPC. The purpose of BEPC is to operate the 120 MW Brilliant Expansion generation facility adjacent to the Brilliant Dam in Castlegar, BC. BEPC sells the entitlement energy and capacity generated from this facility.

## (d) Waneta Expansion Power Corporation (WEPC)

The Trust's wholly owned subsidiary, CBT Waneta Expansion Power Corp. (CBT Waneta), has a 50% interest in WEPC. The purpose of WEPC is to operate the 340 MW Waneta Expansion generation facility (Waneta Expansion) adjacent to the Waneta Dam near Trail, BC, and a 10-kilometre transmission line from the power plant to BC Hydro's Selkirk substation. WEPC sells the entitlement energy and capacity generated from this facility.

The Waneta Expansion was previously owned by the Waneta Expansion Limited Partnership (WELP), of which Fortis Inc. held a 51% interest, Columbia Power a 32.5% interest, and the Trust a 16.5% interest. On April 17, 2019, the Trust and Columbia Power purchased Fortis Inc.'s 51% interest in WELP. The purchase agreement was completed through a series of transactions and amalgamations, which resulted in the creation of WEPC through a business combination to hold the Trust and Columbia Power's interest (a 50/50 partnership).

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 11. (d) Waneta Expansion Power Corporation (continued)

The acquisition transaction was identified as a business combination with WEPC identified as the acquirer. A purchase price allocation was performed to measure the fair value of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed by WEPC at the acquisition date. The Trust purchased additional shares (33.5%) in WEPC for the purchase price of \$651 million to have equal ownership in WEPC between the Trust and Columbia Power. The structure of this additional purchase of shares required the Trust to be responsible for 66% of the debt required for the purchase from Fortis Inc. See Note 16.

In applying the modified equity basis of accounting to its interest in WEPC, the Trust makes annual adjustments for related party transactions where the underlying investment remains within the reporting entity. The Trust's original investment in WELP of 16.5% is accounted for on a cost basis, with the additional 33.5% investment accounted for at fair value at acquisition. The entire amount of the investment is recorded at fair value within WEPC. The fair value increment on the original investment, adjusted for annual amortization of related assets, is eliminated on consolidation. WEPC adjustments in the tables below also include development costs incurred by the Trust for the purchase of Fortis Inc.'s 51% interest in the Waneta Expansion Limited Partnership.

Condensed supplementary financial information, representing the Trust's 50% interest, for investment in power facilities is as follows:

## (e) Investment in power facilities:

			Property,			Non-						Non-				
	Current	t	Plant &		Lease	Current		Total		Current		Current		Total		
	Assets	E	quipment	R	eceivable	Assets		Assets	I	Liabilities	]	Liabilities	]	Liabilities	N	et Assets
March 31, 2025																
ALPC* - 50% \$	26,395	\$	99,414	\$	-	\$ -	\$	125,809	\$	10,166	\$	133,458	\$	143,624	\$	(17,815)
BPC - 50%	13,540		-		173,545	6,614		193,699		10,351		3,756		14,107		179,592
BEPC - 50%	4,235		93,130		-	738		98,103		677		-		677		97,426
WEPC** - 50%	21,413		799,810		-	570,373	1	1,391,596		4,650		489,096		493,746		897,850
\$	65,583	\$	992,354	\$	173,545	\$ 577,725	\$ 1	1,809,207	\$	25,844	\$	626,310	\$	652,154	\$ 1	1,157,053
WEPC consolidati	on adjustn	nen	t													(175,666)
															\$	981,387
March 31, 2024																
ALPC - 50% \$	22,255	\$	99,562	\$	_	\$ _	\$	121,817	\$	10,537	\$	138,763	\$	149,300	\$	(27,483)
BPC - 50%	12,532		-		170,236	6,561		189,329		8,903		10,854		19,757		169,572
BEPC - 50%	5,310		94,784		-	706		100,800		627		-		627		100,173
WEPC** -	20,802		813,379		-	571,617		1,405,798		4,956		489,672		494,628		911,170
50%																
\$	60,899	\$	1,007,725	\$	170,236	\$ 578,884	\$	1,817,744	\$	25,023	\$	639,289	\$	664,312	\$	1,153,432
WEPC consolidati	on adjustn	nen	t													(178,693)
	,														\$	974,739

<sup>\*</sup>ALPC total assets for the year ended March 31, 2025, include amounts receivable from insurance recoveries of \$9.6 million (2024 - \$10.7 million), as a result of major repairs to the generating units.

<sup>\*\*</sup>WEPC assets and liabilities contain amounts due from the owners and due to the Province for a long-term debt arrangement to fund the acquisition of Fortis Inc.'s 51% ownership in WELP. Each owner purchased additional shares to restore the ownership to the originally mandated 50/50 partnership between the Trust and Columbia Power. The Trust's share of the long-term debt is \$595.1 million (fiscal 2024 - \$604.8 million). See Note 16.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 11. (e) Investment in power facilities (continued)

		ALPC 50%	BPC 50%	BEPC 50%	WEPC 50%	Total
March 31, 2025					2070	
Opening balance	\$	(27,483) \$	169,572 \$	100,173 \$	732,477 \$	974,739
Adjustment	"	-	_ "	_ "	3,029	3,029
Dividends		(6,000)	(6,700)	(13,000)	(46,250)	(71,950)
Surplus		15,668	16,720	10,253	32,928	75,569
	\$	(17,815) \$	179,592 \$	97,426 \$	722,184 \$	981,387
March 31, 2024						
Opening balance	\$	(40,070) \$	161,228 \$	101,254 \$	743,631 \$	966,043
Adjustment		-	-	-	3,029	3,029
Dividends		-	(7,750)	(12,023)	(45,900)	(65,673)
Surplus		12,587	16,094	10,942	31,717	71,340
	\$	(27,483) \$	169,572 \$	100,173 \$	732,477 \$	974,739

## (f) ALPC negative equity:

In fiscal 2012, ALPC issued \$350 million principal amount Series B bonds, due in April 2041. The proceeds from the Series B bond issue were used to pay for the \$45.6 million owing on ALPC's Series A bond redemption, and the net proceeds of \$285.6 million were distributed by dividend to the owners, Columbia Power and CBT Arrow Lakes, for investment in the Waneta Expansion and future project development. The dividend to the owners created a deficit in ALPC of \$56.1 million. ALPC ended fiscal 2012 with a deficit of \$60.3 million after incurring net losses of \$4.2 million that year. Total cumulative dividends of \$284.9 million less cumulative net income of \$309.5 million since fiscal 2012 have decreased the deficit to \$35.6 million at the end of fiscal 2025. The Trust's share is 50%.

As ALPC's negative equity position has been caused by the payment of dividends rather than by operating losses, the Trust continues to record its investment in ALPC as a long-term financial asset that is recorded on a modified equity basis on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The Trust's future share of ALPC's net income will reduce the negative equity balance and the Trust's future share of any additional dividends will increase the negative equity balance. Contracts entered into for the delivery of electricity over the next 20 years are expected to generate sufficient revenue and cash flow to fund on-going operations for the foreseeable future.

## (g) Results of operations:

	-	Expenses												
		Revenue	Finance Charges	s Operations	Amortization	n Total	Surplus							
March 31, 2025														
ALPC* - 50%	\$	34,961	\$ 7,828	\$ 8,732	\$ 2,733	\$ 19,293 \$	15,668							
BPC - 50%		25,911	1,098	8,059	34	9,191	16,720							
BEPC - 50%		18,286	7	5,979	2,047	8,033	10,253							
WEPC - 50%		70,037	14,270	8,149	<b>14,69</b> 0	37,109	32,928							
	\$	149,195	\$ 23,203	\$ 30,919	\$ 19,504	\$ 73,626 \$	75,569							
WEPC consolidation	on adj	ustment					3,029							
			-			\$	78,598							

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 11. (g) Results of operations (continued)

					Expens	ses				
		Revenue	F	inance Charges	Operations	Aı	mortization	To	tal	Surplus
March 31, 2024										
ALPC - 50%	\$	33,414	\$	8,106	\$ 10,070	\$	2,651 \$	20,8	327	\$ 12,587
BPC - 50%		25,258		1,610	7,521		33	9,1	164	16,094
BEPC - 50%		18,175		7	5,197		2,029	7,2	233	10,942
WEPC - 50%		68,912		14,035	8,477		14,683	37,1	195	31,717
	\$	145,759	\$	23,758	\$ 31,265	\$	19,396 \$	74,4	<b>1</b> 19	\$ 71,340
WEPC consolidation	on ad	justment								3,029
										\$ 74,369

<sup>\*</sup>ALPC revenues include insurance recoveries of \$12.1 million as a result of major repairs to the generating units during the year ended March 31, 2025 (2024 - \$18.1 million). Insurance recoveries include amounts for business interruption of \$11.0 million (2024 - \$15.6 million) and property damage of \$1.1 million (2024 - \$2.5 million). Operations expenses, for the year ended March 31, 2025, include major repair expenses of \$3.6 million (2024 - \$2.8 million).

## (h) Non-current liabilities:

## Long-term debt

ALPC has long-term debt that consists of Series B bonds due April 5, 2041. The Series B bonds are secured on a limited recourse basis by charges against Arrow Lakes Generating Station and Transmission assets, related material contracts, licenses, permits, approvals, authorizations and insurance coverage.

BPC bonds (Series A, B, C) are redeemable in whole or in part at any time before May 31, 2026, at a price equal to the greater of the principal amount then outstanding, or a price calculated to provide a yield to maturity based on the current yield of a matching-duration Government of Canada bond plus 0.30%, 0.31% and 0.23% respectively. The bonds are secured on a limited recourse basis by charges against Brilliant Dam assets and revenues.

WEPC has long-term debt that consists of Series A and B bonds maturing June 30, 2050 requiring semiannual coupon payments and annual payments to a sinking fund for debt retirement. See Note 16.

Power facilities bonds are as follows (at the Trust's 50% interest):

		Effective		
	Coupon Rate	Rate	2025	2024
ALPC - Series B	5.52%	5.59% \$	138,822 \$	143,843
BPC - Series A	8.93%	9.06%	6,367	10,165
BPC - Series B	6.86%	7.00%	1,672	2,694
BPC - Series C	5.67%	6.39%	2,852	4,609
WEPC - Series A	2.95%	2.60%	264,932	265,346
WEPC - Series B	2.95%	2.76%	224,164	224,326
			638,809	650,983
Current portion of bonds			(12,499)	(11,694)
		\$	626,310 \$	639,289

Bond amounts stated above are inclusive of financing costs of \$4.3 million (fiscal 2024 - \$4.5 million).

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

## 11. INVESTMENT IN POWER FACILITIES (continued)

# (i) Contingencies

The Trust's power project operating and development activities are affected by federal, provincial and local government laws and regulations. Under its agreements with its Bondholders, ALPC and BPC have agreed to comply or cause compliance in all material respects with such laws and regulations, as well as to maintain all material franchises. Under current regulations, the venturers are required to meet performance standards to minimize or mitigate the negative impacts of their proposed projects. The impact, if any, of future legislative or regulatory requirements on specific projects and their related deferred costs cannot currently be estimated.

#### 12. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities consist of payables and accruals for asset retirement obligations, information technology services, broadband services, employee benefits, sales taxes and administrative expenses.

### 13. DEBT

The Trust has two term loans secured by a collateral mortgage over real estate. The Trust has funds received from various Community Foundations for investment purposes which are classified as demand loans.

Debt shown on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position is measured at amortized cost and is comprised of the following:

	2025	2024
Mortgages, interest rate 3.5%, maturing January 2026	\$ 668	\$ 688
Demand loans, interest rate 5.0%	2,002	5,091
	\$ 2,670	\$ 5,779

The total interest expense in the table below is included in investment initiatives expense in the Consolidated Statement of Operations:

	203	25	2024
Mortgages	\$	24	\$ 25
Demand loans	2	)9	264
	\$ 2	33	\$ 289

## 14. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS

Deferred capital contributions represent the unamortized amount of grants received from various entities for the purchase of broadband tangible capital assets. Deferred capital contributions are recognized in revenue at the same rate that amortization of the applicable tangible capital asset is recorded.

Deferred revenue represents funding received under the Community Wildfire program scheduled to be completed in a subsequent year. Deferred revenue is recognized in revenue as expenses are incurred.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 14. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS (continued)

Deferred contributions at March 31 are as follows:

	Defer	Deferred	Deferred		
	Co	ntributions	Revenue		Total
March 31, 2025					
Opening balance	\$	10,942 \$	-	\$	10,942
Contributions received		2,713	1,500		4,213
Transfers to revenue		(743)	-		(743)
	\$	12,912 \$	1,500	\$	14,412
March 31, 2024					
Opening balance	\$	8,151 \$	1,650	\$	9,801
Contributions received		3,398	-		3,398
Transfers to revenue		(607)	(1,650)		(2,257)
	\$	10,942 \$	-	\$	10,942

## 15. DELIVERY OF BENEFITS INITIATIVES

Delivery of benefits initiatives refers to activities that the Trust undertakes to support the efforts of the people of the Basin to create a legacy of social, economic and environmental well-being. Delivery of benefits liabilities does not include future commitments. See Note 23.

	2025	2024
Liabilities, beginning of year	\$ 54,666	\$ 43,622
Funds authorized	60,702	54,263
Funds recovered/rescinded	(2,624)	(1,179)
Funds paid	(60,324)	(42,040)
Liabilities, end of year	\$ 52,420	\$ 54,666

### 16. DUE TO WANETA EXPANSION POWER CORPORATION

WEPC is jointly owned by the Trust's wholly owned subsidiary, CBT Waneta, and Columbia Power. WEPC is the owner of the Waneta Expansion and related transmission assets. See Note 11(d). In April 2019, the Trust purchased additional shares in WEPC (33.5%) to have equal ownership between the Trust and Columbia Power.

The structure of this additional purchase of shares requires the Trust to make payments to WEPC in an amount approximately equal to 66% of the long-term debt held in WEPC. The Trust has recorded an amount due to WEPC and this liability matches the terms of the fiscal agency loan provided to WEPC. The amount of the interest portion of the payments is \$9.1 million semi-annually, with the principal portion of the payments equal to those expected for the sinking fund contributions of WEPC to fully retire CBT Waneta's debt obligations no later than 2050. See Note 11(h).

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 16. DUE TO WANETA EXPANSION POWER CORPORATION (continued)

Due to WEPC is composed of identical terms to the corresponding long-term debt held in WEPC which consists of the following debt issuances:

	2025	2024
WEPC BONDS: SERIES A		
Long-term debt (coupon rate 2.95%, effective rate 2.60%, maturing June 2050) \$	328,431 \$	328,431
Accrued interest	2,734	2,734
Premium on long-term debt	21,416	22,010
Deferred financing costs	(1,798)	(1,849)
	350,783	351,326
WEPC BONDS: SERIES B		
Long-term debt (coupon rate 2.95%, effective rate 2.76%, maturing June 2050)	286,629	286,629
Accrued interest	2,386	2,386
Premium on long-term debt	9,687	9,949
Deferred financing costs	(1,827)	(1,876)
	296,875	297,088
Total long-term debt	651,283	652,139
Less: deferred financing costs	(3,625)	(3,725)
	647,658	648,414
Less: sinking fund balance	(47,418)	(38,486)
\$	600,240 \$	609,928

# Original debt issuance:

						2025	2024
	Coupon	Effective		Interest	Net	Carrying	Carrying
	Rate	Rate	Premium	and Fees	Proceeds	Amount	Amount
WEPC - Series A	2.95%	2.60% \$	24,757 \$	4,840 \$	353,869 \$	350,783 \$	351,326
WEPC - Series B	2.95%	2.76%	11,133	5,366	298,929	296,875	297,088
		\$	35,890 \$	10,206 \$	652,798 \$	647,658 \$	648,414

Total interest expense for the year is as follows:

	2025	2024
Series A	\$ 9,145 \$	9,159
Series B	8,243	8,248
	\$ 17,388 \$	17,407

The Trust is required to make semi-annual coupon interest payments of \$9.1 million (fiscal 2024 - \$9.1 million).

Contributions are invested by the Province's Debt Management Branch. Interest earned on sinking fund investments are held within the fund for future debt retirement. Restricted interest income totaled \$1.4 million (fiscal 2024 - \$1.1 million).

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 16. DUE TO WANETA EXPANSION POWER CORPORATION (continued)

Sinking fund payments over the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

2026	\$ 8,050
2027	8,696
2028	9,250
2029	9,674
2030	10,080
Thereafter	339,603
	\$ 385,353

## 17. TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

	Accumulated					
		Cost	Amortization	ı	2025	2024
Corporate						_
Land	\$	205	-	\$	205	\$ 205
Buildings*		5,359	2,748		2,611	1,825
Tenant improvements		764	715		49	38
Automobiles		386	119		267	219
Furniture and equipment		582	511		71	47
Hardware and software		2,578	2,228		350	365
	\$	9,874 \$	6,321	\$	3,553	\$ 2,699
Delivery of benefits						
Land	\$	188 \$	-	\$	188	\$ 290
Buildings		1,481	453		1,028	4,130
Broadband hardware		9,629	5,660		3,969	4,032
Broadband fibre optics		19,783	3,308		16,475	14,895
	\$	31,081	9,421	\$	21,660	\$ 23,347
Investments						
Land	\$	3,404	-	\$	3,404	\$ 3,404
Buildings**		13,564	2,838		10,726	11,144
	\$	16,968	2,838	\$	14,130	\$ 14,548
Total tangible capital assets	\$	57,923	18,580	\$	39,343	\$ 40,594

<sup>\*</sup>Corporate buildings include unamortized development costs of \$732,000 (fiscal 2024 - \$929,000) for corporate office building renovation and construction projects.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Investments buildings include unamortized development costs of \$20,000 (fiscal 2024 - nil) for the acquisition of a new commercial property next fiscal. Investments buildings cost and net book value also include asset retirement obligations of \$603,000 and \$415,000, respectively (fiscal 2024 - \$603,000 and \$437,000).

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

### 18. POWER FACILITIES RECOVERIES AND ADMINISTRATION

The Trust and Columbia Power implemented an Asset Management Services Agreement effective January 1, 2020, wherein the Trust provides support, on a cost recovery basis, to Columbia Power in all areas of power facility operations including human resources, accounting, payroll, records management, information technology, and other support functions. Columbia Power remains the appointed Manager of the four jointly owned power assets under this agreement. Staff are employed directly by the Trust and all employment benefits and related costs are paid by the Trust. There are no direct employees of Columbia Power.

### 19. GRANTS

CBBC entered into Contribution Agreements for the Connecting BC Program, the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission Broadband Fund, and the Connect the Basin Program. These programs extend and/or enhance high-capacity broadband infrastructure in rural and remote communities to provide access to quality broadband services. The Connecting BC Program completed in fiscal 2023 and the Canadian Radio-Television and the Telecommunications Commission Broadband Fund completed in fiscal 2025. The Connect the Basin Program is expected to be completed by spring 2027. The Trust also entered into agreements with the Province in fiscal 2023 and fiscal 2025 for Community Wildfire programs.

#### 20. OTHER REVENUES

Other revenues for the Trust consist of the following:

### Interest revenue

The Trust receives interest revenue from four loan programs and a loan to a joint venture subsidiary.

#### Loan programs:

The Impact Investment Fund program provides capital to businesses challenged with obtaining financing from other sources. The Small Business Working Capital Loans program supported working capital for Basin-based small businesses facing challenges related to COVID-19. The Basin Food Producer Loans program assisted food producers challenged with increased COVID-19-related demand. The Economic Development program supports business development throughout the Basin.

The Trust also provided Mount St. Francis, a joint venture subsidiary of the Trust, with a loan in fiscal 2023 for construction of a senior care facility in Nelson, BC.

#### Other revenue

Other revenues include external funding and fees collected for various delivery of benefits events and projects as well as loan recoveries and discounts.

#### Rental revenue

The Trust receives rental revenue from commercial properties located in Creston and Trail, BC.

	2025	2024
Interest	\$ 548	\$ 857
Other	151	118
Rental	69	70
	\$ 768	\$ 1,045

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

## 21. EXPENSES

In addition to the direct benefits provided to Basin communities, the Trust has also allocated administration services and costs to each major initiative area (with the exception of CBBC) using an appropriate cost allocation methodology. In the case of CBBC and CBDC, administration costs are tracked separately and expensed directly to these initiative areas.

The following table lists the community benefits expensed, funding benefits that were recovered or rescinded, and the allocation of the Trust's administration services and costs to each major initiative area:

			Benefits			
	Community	r	Recovered/	Ad	ministration	Total
March 31, 2025	Benefits	;	Rescinded		Allocation	Expenses
Trust						
Community initiatives	\$ 38,628	\$	(2,064)	\$	3,441	\$ 40,005
Water and environment initiatives	7,209		(195)		1,011	8,025
Social initiatives	5,722		(34)		702	6,390
Other initiatives	<b>1,3</b> 70		(266)		1,774	2,878
Economic initiatives	-		-		520	520
Investment initiatives	-		-		2,296	2,296
Youth initiatives	1,804		(6)		473	2,271
Power facilities administration	-		-		4,800	4,800
	54,733		(2,565)		15,017	67,185
CBBC						
Broadband administration	4,119		-		-	4,119
	4,119		-		-	4,119
CBDC						
Economic initiatives	1,700		(59)		-	1,641
Economic administration	150		-		-	150
	1,850		(59)		-	1,791
	\$ 60,702	\$	(2,624)	\$	15,017	\$ 73,095

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 21. EXPENSES (continued)

			Benefits			
	Community	7	Recovered/	Ad	ministration	Total
March 31, 2024	Benefits	3	Rescinded		Allocation	Expenses
Trust						
Community initiatives	\$ 31,660	\$	(682)	\$	3,188	\$ 34,166
Water and environment initiatives	7,887		(269)		719	8,337
Social initiatives	3,146		(74)		639	3,711
Other initiatives	3,165		(119)		1,644	4,690
Economic initiatives	-		-		779	779
Investment initiatives	-		-		1,916	1,916
Youth initiatives	2,071		-		395	2,466
Power facilities administration	-		-		4,400	<b>4,4</b> 00
	47,929		(1,144)		13,680	60,465
CBBC						
Broadband administration	3,984		-		-	3,984
	3,984		-		-	3,984
CBDC						
Economic initiatives	2,214		(35)		-	2,179
Economic administration	136		-		-	136
	2,350		(35)		-	2,315
	\$ 54,263	\$	(1,179)	\$	13,680	\$ 66,764

The following comprises the Trust's, CBBC's and CBDC's expenses by object:

	Trust	CBBC	CBDC	Total
March 31, 2025				
Amortization* \$	417 \$	1,591 \$	- \$	2,008
Board and committee expenses	198	6	1	205
Commercial investment expenses*	930	-	134	1,064
Communications	523	-	-	523
Corporate travel and meetings	321	8	-	329
Delivery of benefits initiatives*	52,168	-	1,641	53,809
Information technology	524	321	-	845
Network costs	-	1,177	-	1,177
Office and general	909	236	15	1,160
Professional fees	715	21	-	736
Staff remuneration and development	10,480	759	-	11,239
\$	67,185 \$	4,119 \$	1,791 \$	73,095

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

## 21. EXPENSES (continued)

	Trust	CBBC	CBDC	Total
March 31, 2024				
Amortization* \$	336 \$	1,344 \$	- \$	1,680
Board and committee expenses	198	4	6	208
Commercial investment expenses*	781	-	121	902
Communications	485	-	-	485
Corporate travel and meetings	324	10	-	334
Delivery of benefits initiatives*	46,785	-	2,179	48,964
Information technology	418	357	-	775
Network costs	-	1,131	-	1,131
Office and general	914	233	9	1,156
Professional fees	387	30	-	417
Staff remuneration and development	9,837	875	-	10,712
\$	60,465 \$	3,984 \$	2,315 \$	66,764

<sup>\*</sup>Amortization of \$438,000 (fiscal 2024 - \$456,000) included in commercial investment expenses, and \$58,000 (fiscal 2024 - \$58,000) included in delivery of benefits initiatives. Delivery of benefits initiatives includes a loss on disposal of tangible capital assets of \$3.7 million (fiscal 2024 - nil).

### 22. CONTRACTUAL RIGHTS

Contractual rights are rights to economic resources arising from contracts or agreements that will result in revenues and assets in the future. The Trust's contractual rights arise from contracts entered into for power facilities sales agreements, broadband services and projects, and real estate leases. The Trust's share of contractual rights is as follows:

	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Future power facilities revenue	\$ 128,813 \$	130,638 \$	132,114 \$	133,428 \$	117,059
Future broadband revenue and project funding	30,460	29,990	590	333	145
Future real estate rental revenue	5,446	4,247	3,637	3,331	2,710
	\$ 164,719 \$	164,875 \$	136,341 \$	137,092 \$	119,914

## 23. CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

Contractual obligations are obligations that become liabilities in the future when the terms of an agreement are met. The Trust's contractual obligations include long-term agreements related to the BPC power facility, various agreements for delivery of benefits initiatives, and broadband project costs. The Trust entered into an operating lease agreement for office space in Nakusp with terms expiring September 30, 2025. The Trust's share of contractual obligations is as follows:

	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Future project costs	\$ 29,530 \$	29,240 \$	138 \$	- \$	-
Future power facilities capital and expenses	7,509	9,457	10,044	7,037	7,468
Future delivery of benefits expenses	232	100	-	-	-
Future office and general (rent) expense	23	-	-	-	-
	\$ 37,294 \$	38,797 \$	10,182 \$	7,037 \$	7,468

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

#### 24. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Trust is indirectly related through common control to all Province of British Columbia ministries, agencies, crown corporations and public sector organizations that are included in the provincial government reporting entity. Any related party transactions are recorded on a cost recovery basis.

#### 25. PUBLIC SERVICE PENSION PLAN

The Trust and its employees contribute to the Public Service Pension Plan (PSPP) in accordance with the *Public Sector Pension Plans Act* (Act). The British Columbia Pension Corporation administers the plan, including payment of pension benefits to employees to whom the Act applies. The PSPP is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Under joint trusteeship, the risks and rewards associated with the PSPP's unfunded liability or surplus is shared between the employers and the plan members and will be reflected in future contributions.

The most recent actuarial valuation as at March 31, 2021 indicated that the PSPP is fully funded and is sufficient to pay the current and future lifetime pensions of all members. Contributions to the PSPP by the Trust in fiscal 2025 were \$849,000 (fiscal 2024 - \$798,000). No provision, other than the Trust's required employer pension contributions, has been made in the accounts of the Trust for this liability. The next valuation date for the PSPP is scheduled for fiscal 2026.

### 26. RISK MANAGEMENT

## (a) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Trust extends credit within its commercial loans and investments. To mitigate the Trust's exposure to credit risk, an assessment of the credit worthiness of a borrower is carried out prior to the placement of a commercial loan or investment. The Trust's exposure to credit risk is indicated by the carrying value of its commercial loans and investments.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at March 31 was:

	2025	2024
Accrued interest and other assets	\$ 6,080	\$ 6,754
Loans receivable	4,019	14,560
Commercial loans	30,586	33,878
Commercial investment	2,375	2,375

# (b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk refers to the risk that the Trust will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Trust monitors and maintains its liquidity to ensure sufficient capacity to repay its financial liabilities when they become due. The Trust considers that it has sufficient liquidity to meet its financial obligations.

The maximum exposure to liquidity risk at March 31 was:

	2025	2024
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 2,510	\$ 2,210
Debt	<b>2,</b> 670	5,779
Delivery of benefits liabilities	52,420	54,666
Due to WEPC	600,240	609,928

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# 26. (b) Liquidity risk (continued)

Financial liabilities maturity schedule:

	(	Carrying	; C	Contractual							
		value		cash flow	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Th	nereafter
Accounts payable and	\$	2,510	\$	2,510 \$	2,510	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
accrued liabilities											
Debt		2,670		2,670	2,670	-	-	-	-		-
Delivery of benefits liabilities		52,420		52,420	23,507	20,309	7,163	870	442		129
Due to WEPC*	6	500,240		829,888	26,195	26,840	27,395	27,818	28,224	(	593,416

<sup>\*</sup> Due to WEPC contractual cash flow includes bond sinking fund contributions and interest payments.

## (c) Market risk

Market risk refers to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of market prices. Market risk comprises of three types: currency, interest rate and price.

# i. Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Trust realizes all significant revenues and expenses in Canadian dollars and is therefore not significantly exposed to currency fluctuations.

## ii. Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Trust is not exposed to significant interest rate risk for current liabilities due to their short-term nature. The Trust's short-term investments and commercial loans are subject to variable interest rates. Sensitivity analyses: A change of 100 basis points in short-term investment interest rates would increase or decrease revenues by \$424,000. A change of 100 basis points in commercial loans market rates would increase or decrease revenues by \$341,000.

## iii. Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than interest rate risk or currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market. As the Trust's market securities portfolio is affected by global market conditions, the maximum exposure to price risk at the reporting date was:

	2025	2024
Market securities	\$ 94,832	\$ 86,376

## 27. BUDGETED FIGURES

Budgeted figures have been provided for comparison purposes and have been derived from the Trust's annual budget approved by the Board of Directors in January 2024.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

Schedule A: Tangible capital assets additional financial information

Corporate March 31, 2025 Cost		Land		D '1.1'		Improve-	Auto- Fu			rdware	T - 4 - 1
Cost			l.	Buildings		ments	mobiles E	quipment	& SC	ottware	Total
Opening belonge	\$	205	Ф	4,424	Ф	747 \$	303 \$	528	Ф	2,419 \$	8,626
Opening balance Additions	Ф	203	Ф	935	Φ	747 p 17	95	54	Ф	2,419 \$\pi	1,271
Disposals		_		-		-	(12)	- -		(11)	(23)
Бізрозаіз		205		5,359		764	386	582		2,578	9,874
Accumulated amortis	zation	203		3,337		701	300	302		2,570	2,071
Opening balance	2441011	_		(2,599)		(709)	(84)	(481)		(2,054)	(5,927)
Amortization		_		(149)		(6)	(47)	(30)		(185)	(417)
Disposals		_		-		-	12	-		11	23
		-		(2,748)		(715)	(119)	(511)		(2,228)	(6,321)
						` ,					, ,
	\$	205	\$	2,611	\$	49 \$	267 \$	71	\$	350 \$	3,553
Delivery of					Bı	oadband	Fibre				
Benefits		Land		Buildings	F	<b>Hardware</b>	Optics				Total
March 31, 2025							•				
Cost											
Opening balance	\$	290	\$	4,575	\$	8,843 \$	17,461			\$	31,169
Additions		-		492		786	2,322				3,600
Disposals		(102)		(3,586)		-	-				(3,688)
		188		1,481		9,629	19,783				31,081
Accumulated amorti	zation										
Opening balance		-		(445)		(4,811)	(2,566)				(7,822)
Amortization		-		(58)		(849)	(742)				(1,649)
Disposals		-		50							50
		-		(453)		(5,660)	(3,308)				(9,421)
	\$	188	\$	1,028	\$	3,969 \$	16,475			\$	21,660
Investments		Land		Buildings							Total
March 31, 2025											
Cost											
Opening balance	\$	3,404	\$	13,544						\$	16,948
Additions		-		20							20
		3,404		13,564							16,968
Accumulated amorti	zation										
Opening balance		-		(2,400)							(2,400)
Amortization		-		(438)							(438)
		-		(2,838)							(2,838)
	\$	3,404	\$	10,726						\$	14,130

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended March 31, 2025

(Tabular amounts in thousands)

# Schedule A: Tangible capital assets additional financial information (continued)

Company		T a m d	ı 10	David 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Tenant Improve-		urniture &			Total
Corporate Manual 2024		Land	ı D	Buildings	ments	mobiles E	quipment	<u> </u>	Software	1 otai
March 31, 2024 Cost										
Opening balance	\$	205	Φ	3,526 \$	724 \$	135 \$	510	Φ	2,304 \$	7,404
Additions	ψ	203	Ψ	3,320 p 898	23	155 ş	18	Ψ	202	1,309
Disposals		-		-	-	-	10		(87)	(87)
Disposais		205		4,424	 747	303	528		2,419	8,626
Accumulated amo	utization	203		4,424	/4/	303	320		2,419	0,020
Opening balance	ruzauon			(2.492)	(707)	(55)	(460)		(1.074)	(5 (79)
Amortization		-		(2,482)	(707)	(55)	(460)		(1,974)	(5,678)
		-		(117)	(2)	(29)	(21)		(167)	(336)
Disposals		_		(2.500)	(700)	- (0.4)	(401)		87	87 (5.027)
		-		(2,599)	(709)	(84)	(481)		(2,054)	(5,927)
	\$	205	\$	1,825 \$	38 \$	219 \$	47	\$	365 \$	2,699
Delivery of					Broadband	Fibre				
Benefits		Land	R	uildings	Hardware	Optics				Total
March 31, 2024		Lanu	ъ	unungs	Haluwale	Optics				Total
Cost										
Opening balance	\$	290	<b>©</b>	4,184 \$	7,010 \$	13,745			\$	25,229
Additions	Ф		Ф	4,104 \$\pi	1,833	3,716			φ	5,940
Additions		290		4,575		-				
Accumulated amo	mti-ation	290		4,373	8,843	17,461				31,169
Opening balance	ruzauon			(207)	(4 112)	(1.020)				(6.420)
		-		(387)	(4,113)	(1,920)				(6,420)
Amortization		-		(58)	(698)	(646)				(1,402)
		-		(445)	(4,811)	(2,566)				(7,822)
	\$	290	\$	4,130 \$	4,032 \$	14,895			\$	23,347
Investments		Land	В	uildings						Total
March 31, 2024										
Cost										
Opening balance	\$	3,404	\$	13,544					\$	16,948
Additions	¥	-	Ψ	-					₩	-
1 Idditions		3,404		13,544						16,948
Accumulated amo	rtization	J, 10T		13,3 тт						10,770
Opening balance		-		(1,944)						(1,944)
Amortization				(456)						(456)
1 MIOTUZAUOII				(2,400)						(2,400)
-		-		( <b>4,</b> <del>1</del> 00)						(4,400)
				,						