

Notice to LOI Proponents

The Future Forest Ecosystems Scientific Council (FFESC) would like to thank the many teams that submitted letters of intent (LOIs) for research projects that support adaptation of the forest and range management framework to climate change.

The FFESC received 69 LOIs, and the majority proposed high quality, integrated, client-oriented research projects. We were especially pleased to see that the April 29 Collaborative Planning Workshop facilitated collaboration, information sharing, and the development of many well-integrated proposals. The total collective budget of the LOIs received exceeded \$14 million; from that, the FFESC is only able to fund projects up to \$4 million.

Of the 69 LOIs received, the FFESC selected 16 that will advance to the full proposal stage. These LOIs ranked the highest in meeting the evaluation criteria (as set out in the 'LOI Supplementary Information') and also met the FFESC's objective to achieve a balance among topics, geographic areas, and scope.

The following table lists the titles and project leaders of the 16 successful LOI proposals:

LOI Title	Project Leader
Reducing vulnerabilities and promoting resilience of BC's natural and human systems through adaptation of post-disturbance land management options	Kevin Bladon
Climate change adaptation plan for Northwest Skeena communities	Dirk Brinkman
Integrating climate change adaptation strategies with sustainability and socioeconomic objectives for the Quesnel timber supply area	Ann Chan-McLeod
Climate change vulnerability of old-growth forests in BC's inland temperate rainforest	Darwyn Coxson
Risk Analysis and decision support tool	Craig DeLong
Using red alder as an adaptation strategy to reduce environmental, social and economic risks of climate change in coastal BC	Louise deMontigny
Managing for the ecological and socioeconomic effects of climate change on BC rangelands	Lauchlan Fraser
Resilience and climate change: adaptation potential for management and ecological systems in the West Kootenays	Rachel Holt
Climate change adaptation research for forest and rangeland ecosystems: resiliency implications at the landscape level	John Innes
Uncertainty in adaptation to climate change in forest management: selected case studies in British Columbia	Emina Krcmar
A multi-scale transdisciplinary vulnerability assessment	Don Morgan
Validating impacts, exploring vulnerabilities, and developing robust adaptive strategies under the Kamloops Future Forest Strategy	Harry Nelson
Comprehensive synthesis of forested watershed science and climate change impacts	Todd Redding
High resolution spatial climate data for climate change research in BC	Dave Spittlehouse
Integrating FFEI scientific predictions into community planning and governance	Tracy Summerville
The effects of climate and forest cover change on snowmelt-dominated water supplies in the Okanagan	Rita Winkler

LOI proponents have been notified directly as to whether their proposal will advance to the full proposal stage. Successful LOI proponents will receive information and guidance on the full proposal process very soon (in early July).

We would like to thank all LOI proponents for participating in the FFESC process, and we hope that the many worthwhile projects that do not advance under the FFESC are successful in securing funding elsewhere.

If you have any questions regarding the LOI evaluation and selection process, please contact Suzi Malan at UBC, at FFESC.office@ubc.ca.

Kindest regards,

Future Forest Ecosystems Scientific Council

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