

Notice Date: September 06, 2023. Update: September 13, 2023.

## You are Invited to our 2023 Annual General Meeting!

**Date:** Thursday September 21, 2023

**Time:** 5:30pm to 9:30pm

**Location:** 33428 Harbour Ave, Mission, BC V2V 2W4.

**Theme:** Taking Actions Together!

### Registering for the AGM

We greatly appreciate if you can please **register by September 18, 2023**. This allows us so to have enough light refreshments and ensure adequate space for our members.

**How to RSVP:** Please [click here](#) to complete this online registration form. If you have any issues registering, please contact FVWC at [info@fvwc.ca](mailto:info@fvwc.ca).

### Agenda

5:30 – 6:00pm Membership Registration & Sign-in, Socials and Networking

6:00 – 6:10pm Welcomes, Official Call to Order and Approve Agenda

6:10 – 6:30pm Traditional Land Acknowledgement



*Murray Ned, is a member of Sumas First Nation located in Sto:lo Territory in the Fraser Valley. His work experience has been dedicated to serving First Nation organizations that include Sumas Clay Products Ltd (Millwright), Sumas First Nation (Manager), Sto:lo Nation (Lands Officer, Director of Administration, Human Resource Development Manager) and Fisheries Manager for the Sto:lo Tribal Council.*

*He served as a Councillor for Sumas First Nation for 25 years from 1990 to 1996 and then 2003 to 2022. Murray is currently the Executive Director of the [Lower Fraser Fisheries Alliance \(LFFA\)](#) since the organization's inception in 2010 where he now serves on numerous regional, provincial and international fishery committees and task groups. He was appointed to the Pacific Salmon Commission in 2013 and is one of two First Nation Commissioners serving Canada's interests in the Pacific Salmon Treaty.*

*Murray has participated in food, social, ceremonial and economic salmon fisheries for 40 years on the Fraser River and credits his late father, Clarence Ned, and late grandmother, Edna Ned, for providing the opportunity to learn how to fish, enabling him to pass that knowledge and practice down to his two boys, wife and family. Murray's ancestral name is Kwilosintun which is shared with his sons Brandon and Kelsey.*

**6:30 – 6:45pm Watersheds Coalition Round-Table Introductions**

- Please briefly share with us your name, your affiliation, and in a sentence what “Taking actions together” means to you!

**6:50 – 7:00pm Approval of Previous AGM Minutes**

- [Please see File:](#) 2022 AGM Minutes\_Final draft for approval

**7:00 – 7:15pm Financial Statements with FVWC Treasurer & Reviewer MNP LLP Beverly Keswick**



*Beverly Keswick, is a member of MNP’s Assurance and Accounting Services group in Chilliwack. Bev takes pride in helping her clients develop their organizations to succeed in a rapidly changing marketplace. Bev delivers a full suite of audit, assurance, accounting and advisory services to a diverse client group, including owner-managed businesses, private enterprises and not-for-profit organizations. She brings a decade of experience working with small- to mid-sized organizations in a wide variety of industries. Bev understands the unique issues faced by her clients and identifies opportunities to help them achieve their goals. Bev earned a Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) from the University of the Fraser Valley. She is a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA), qualifying as a Certified General Accountant (CGA) in 2014.*

**7:15 – 8:00pm Guest Speaker Serena Renner with Hakai Magazine. “A River Runs Above Us”**



*Serena Renner, Associate Editor with Hakai Magazine. Serena is a BC based journalist and editor with an eye on climate solutions, Indigenous sovereignty, coastal ecology, and culture. She's written for dozens of magazines including AFAR, National Geographic traveler, Outside, Sierra and the Tyee; and she has worked as an associate producer at the CBC's only dedicated climate change show “What on Earth. Before joining Hakai magazine full time, she was a 2022 Tula foundation journalism fellow!*

*Serena spent an entire year dedicated to her latest article entitled, [“A River Runs Above Us”](#) and will presenting on some of her behind-the-scenes experiences and personal reflections of her research on how we can embrace the rains! (Click on the link above and have a read/listen to her article before our meeting to gain an understanding of some of her research!)*

**8:00 – 8:15pm Special Resolutions**

- **Please see File:** 2023 09 21 FVWC 2023 AGM Special Resolutions.

**8:20 – 8:35pm Nomination for Board of Directors**

- Only active members in good standing are eligible to vote. To nominate directors please use the **Online Election form:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VJ2R8RK>.

**8:35 – 9:05pm FVWC Presentations**

- Day in the life of a field technician
- Year in Review
- Upcoming volunteer events

**9:05 – 9:20pm Recognitions, Awards and Thank You**

- Winter Moon, Restoration Field Supervisor 10-year Acknowledgement
- Awards (*Please [click here](#) to make a nomination and/or to learn more about these awards and past recipients*)
  - Slippery Salmon Award
  - Golden Shovel Award
  - Haloed Hemlock Award
- Funders, Partners, Donors and more recognition.

**9:20 – 9:30pm Sharing from floor and Adjournment**

