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## **HCTF & FESBC Strengthen Conservation Partnership with \$3 Million Commitment**

Victoria, BC - November 6, 2018 - The Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation (HCTF) and the Forest Enhancement Society of BC (FESBC) are pleased to announce the renewal of their partnership to support wildlife habitat projects in BC. To meet shared conservation objectives, FESBC has committed \$3 million toward conservation projects to be awarded and administered by HCTF.

“Strengthening our partnership with HCTF makes good conservation sense,” said Steve Kozuki, Executive Director of FESBC. “HCTF has an unparalleled track record for its rigorous, science-based approach to identifying projects with strong potential return. FESBC is pleased to work with HCTF to strengthen the impacts of our BC government funded conservation investment and are delighted to deploy this funding for the benefit of wildlife and people who rely on wildlife.”

FESBC and HCTF first established their partnership in 2016. Since then, FESBC has invested approximately \$1.5 million in HCTF-administered projects across BC designed to address important wildlife conservation issues.

This \$3 million will be integrated into HCTF’s robust grant program, which boasts a well-established process for applications, technical review, and reporting. These efficiencies reduce the administrative burden on project leaders, allowing them to focus attention where it’s needed most – on wildlife conservation.

“In a time where wildlife habitat and populations are under increasing pressures, it is more important than ever that conservation dollars be invested wisely,” said Brian Springinotic, HCTF CEO. “This partnership is a great example of FESBC and HCTF leveraging their unique strengths toward the shared goal of protecting wildlife and habitat in BC.”

HCTF accepts project applications from any person or organization with a good idea for wildlife and habitat conservation in BC. Applications for various funding streams are accepted throughout the year.

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Projects currently co-funded by HCTF and FESBC are highlighted in our [2018-19 approved project list](#).