

Wetlands Workforce

Fraser River Estuary Clean-up Boat Contractor BID

About BCWF and Wetlands Workforce (WW)

The BCWF is accepting bid offers for the use of 1 to 2 boats that can assist in ferrying a cleanup crew to the islands in the Fraser River delta as well as assist in the transportation of garbage and debris back to a drop of location on the mainland.

The B.C. Wildlife Federation is British Columbia's leading conservation organization. As a province-wide member-driven charitable organization, with over 43,000 members and more than 100 member clubs, our organization represents the interests of all British Columbians who aim to protect, enhance and promote the wise use of the environment for the benefit of present and future generations.

We are pleased to announce this exciting opportunity for you to join our project and make a BIG impact on watershed and wetland health in coastal B.C. The Wetlands Workforce (WW) project will deploy a work pod in the field to support the maintenance of the Fraser River estuaries and initiate a large-scale shoreline clean-up. The WW Project is supported through the Province of BC's economic stimulus fund and will provide temporary employment for a minimum of 100 people.

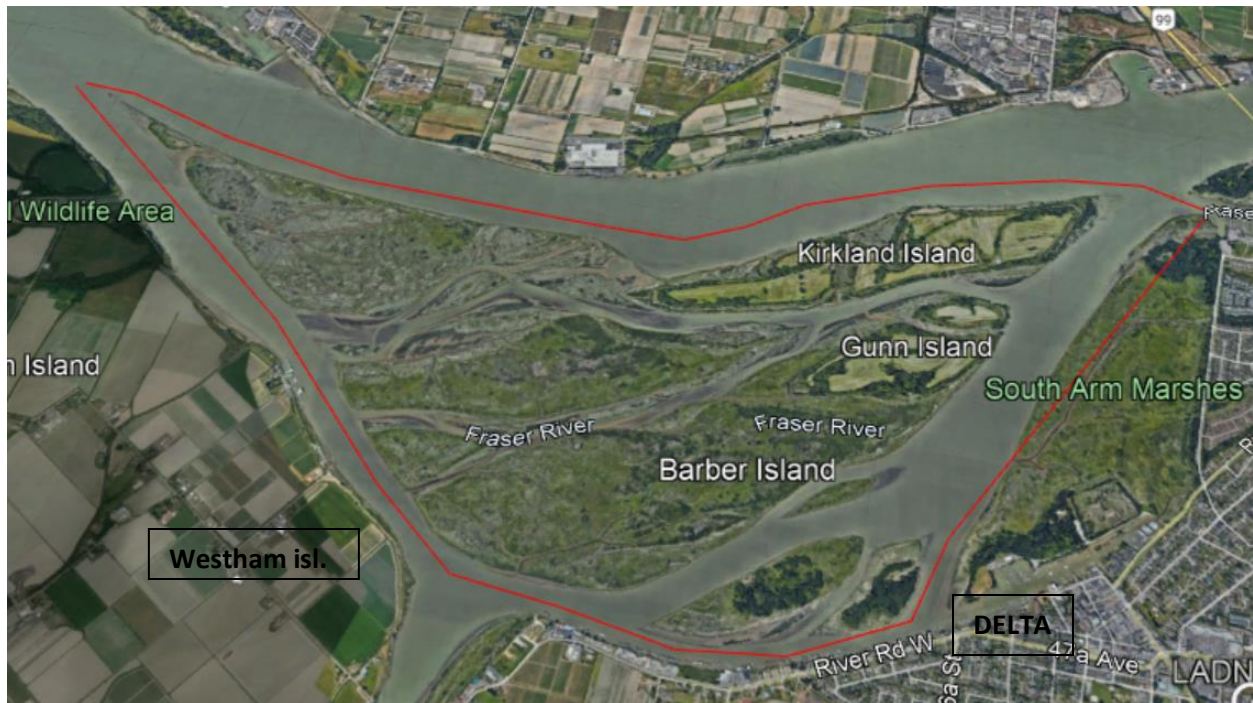
Other related positions may be found here: <https://bcwf.bc.ca/current-opportunities/>.

Role Details

Start Date(s):	September 13, 2021 – October 8, 2021 (possible extension)
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The purpose of this role is to provide access for a debris cleanup crew (5 people) via boat to the marked islands on the map provided below (Duck Isl., Barber Isl., Woodward's Isl., Gunn Isl., etc.). This contract would be estimated to be a 4-5-week contract, Monday to Friday with an estimate of 5 hrs. of operation time per day, totaling to about 150 hrs. of operating time in total.

Boat operators need to be fully certified and trained to be licensed to operate a boat in a safe manner by Transport Canada. Proof of insurance will need to be presented before accepting the contract. BCWF may require to be listed as an additional insured under operators' insurance. Knowledge of the local area is preferred. Boats need to be in a safe and working condition. Boats will need to be able to transport and beach up to 5 people as well as collected debris, including but is not limited to styrofoam, wood, pet bottles, plastics, metal etc., **Preferred boats have an aluminum hull, 24 to 32 ft in length, landing craft style bow and an open working deck.**



*Islands in **RED** polygon are areas of intended clean-up.

A regular day would be as follows:

- Pick up crew in the morning from Wellington point, Delta.
- Drop crew off at clean-up site and stay present as an emergency vessel. (Duration: 30 min)
- Load debris and crew, bringing crew back to Wellington point to unload. (Duration: 2.5-3 hrs.)
- Take half the crew and return to site to load the rest of debris/garbage and bring back to Wellington point for sorting by crew. (Duration: 30 min.)

Core Responsibilities

- Transport the field crew to debris collection sites.
- Transport debris/garbage back to dumpster site.
- Be present as a safety boat during operations.
- Assist in loading debris onto vessel.
- Ensure debris is safely secured and crew members are safe before returning to drop off site.
- Coordinate crew safety with Field Crew Supervisor and Field Crew Coordinator.
- Ensure safety requirements are being met.

The WW aims to primarily hire those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting economic downturn. The applicant must be a B.C. resident. In response to the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on employment for women, Indigenous Peoples and youth, hiring preference will be given to women, Indigenous Peoples, and youth (30 and under) for these positions. Candidates must self-identify in their application for those who wish to qualify for preferential consideration.

How to Bid

Consideration will be provided to First Nation businesses

In your bid application please include the following information:

- Experience in the selected area
- Experience transporting a crew
- Type and size of boat
- Age of boat and motor
- Certification
- Insurance
- Cost per hour/day
- Have you done a similar type of work

To bid on this contract, send a complete bid including outlined cost, certification, insurance, experience and availability between September to October to: Jobs@bcwf.bc.ca

In your subject line, please include the title "WW Fraser Estuary Clean-up Boat Bid" and your full name. For example, "WW Fraser Estuary Clean-up Boat Bid – Jane Doe".

Bids will be reviewed on a rolling basis and accepted until September 3rd, 2021.

If you have any further questions please email fish@bcwf.bc.ca