



Annual Retreat
23rd – 25th September

*Clarion Hotel & Conference Centre
Abbotsford*

Commissioner's Information Package
and
Agenda

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Introduction

Welcome to our annual SEEC Commissioner 2022 Retreat.

This being our first opportunity to gather in person at a retreat since September 2019, and with several new commissioners joining SEEC, it will be an excellent opportunity to reconnect and get acquainted with the new Commissioners.

The program this year was developed to first, reacquaint us with each other in a social environment, second, revisit Commission’s purpose as articulated within the Treaty, and finally, to start the process to renew and shape our Strategic Plan.

The weekend will start with a ‘meet-and-greet’ on the Friday nights. Saturday we will get into shaping the Strategic Plans by renewing our understanding of SEEC and then shaping our collective goals we wish to see over then next several years. On Saturday night we invite those Commissioners who have left the commission in the past couple years and will have a nice dinner where we can socialize. Sunday morning we will conduct our Quarterly Meeting with an end time of 2:00 pm.

This package outlines the program, administration notes, and details for your ease of reference.

We look forward to seeing all of you Friday evening.

Retreat Agenda

Friday September 23rd (Location: Summit Toom, 4th floor)

r/t	Arrive at Clarion Hotel & Conference Centre: Abbotsford
7:30 – 9:30 pm	Social at Clarion Hotel & Conference Center (hosted bar)

Saturday September 24th (Location: Summit Toom, 4th floor)

8:00 am	Breakfast: <i>(All)</i>
8:45 am	Strategic Planning: <i>(All)</i>
11:45 am	Lunch: <i>(All)</i>
12:30 pm	Strategic Planning: <i>(All)</i>
6:00 pm	Group Dinner: <i>(All)</i>

Sunday September 25th (Location: Summit Toom, 4th floor)

8:00 am	Breakfast: <i>(All)</i>
8:45 am	Quarterly SEEC meeting: <i>(All)</i>
11:45 am	Lunch: <i>(All)</i>
12:30 pm	Quarterly SEEC meeting: <i>(All)</i>
2:00 pm	Program End \ Depart

Quarterly SEEC Meeting AGENDA

PURPOSE

SEEC Business Meeting

DATE / TIME / LOCATION

September 25th, 2022, 8:45 am – 2:00 pm

Agenda material – Commissioner’s website or for those in attendance, copies will be provided)

Note: SEEC Guests may join this meeting. Any in-camera discussions will be tabled to the end of agenda.

COMMISSION

USA		CANADA	
Leo Bodensteiner	Rob Smith	Thomas Curley	Sue Hammell
Matt Love	Lynn Best	Stephen Hui	Shannon Bentley
Tim Reynon	Richard Brocksmith	Gail Ross	Peter Chapman
Administration Support		Administration Support	
		Danielle Courcelles	Rudy Kehler

Absent: Amy Trainor (USA), Kate Engel (USA); Bob Chamberlin (Canada), Brodie Guy (Canada)

AGENDA

08:45 - 09:10 Call to Order/Introductions/Agenda Overview

09:10 - 09:15 Minutes of Last Meeting

09:15 – 10:00 Finance Report / Audit Review / Presentation and Adoption of Endowment Management

10:00 - 10:30 Skagit Relicensing Update (TBD)

10:30 – 11:00 Communication Committee (Sue)

11:00 - 11:30 Ecosystems Committee and Watershed Integrity - International Program and Funding Initiatives/Proposals (Leo and Richard)

11:30 - 11:45 IPEC Report (Shannon)

11:45 – 12:30 Hozomeen Gathering Discussion, update, and plan (TBD)

12:30 – 14:00 Other Business, Loose Ends, Action Items, Transitions, and Future Meeting Schedule

END

Strategic Planning Guide



Strategic planning is an organization's process of defining its strategy or direction and making decisions on allocating its resources to attain aligned strategic goals.

The first step in renewing (or creating) a strategic plan is for the organization to review how it is defined within, how it wishes to be perceived externally, and how it wishes to shape itself moving forward. This is accomplished by the review of its Vision and Mission statements. From these, specific Goals can be determined and shaped into objectives, and strategies to delivery these objectives.

SEEC’s Vision Statement

The Upper Skagit watershed, located in both Canada and the United States, is recognized and appreciated as a unique, ecologically significant North American treasure protected forever and managed as a single ecosystem. It’s natural, cultural and wilderness values are conserved and restored for their sustainable use and enjoyment of current and future generations in perpetuity.

SEEC’s Mission Statement

To ensure the preservation and protection of the natural environment, cultural resources and recreational opportunities of the Upper Skagit Watershed to the highest management standards through appropriate advocacy, the promotion of international cooperation, strategic partnerships and investments.

COVID 19 Protocols

Masks indoors are optional for the meeting, and hand sanitizer will be provided.

USA Travelers to CANADA

The USA/CANADA border is open for vehicular and walk-through travel to all USA citizens who have received two COVID Approved vaccinations 14-days prior (September 23rd, 2021, for our meeting).

In advance of the meeting, please have the following prepared for crossing the border into Canada:

- Install the ArriveCAN app and fill out the necessary information within 72 hrs before your arrival to Canada
- Prepare for arrival testing if selected
- Have the appropriate documentation for entry (e.g. passport)

SEEC will re-imburse USA Commissioners for associated costs related to the COVID 19 testing, if necessary.

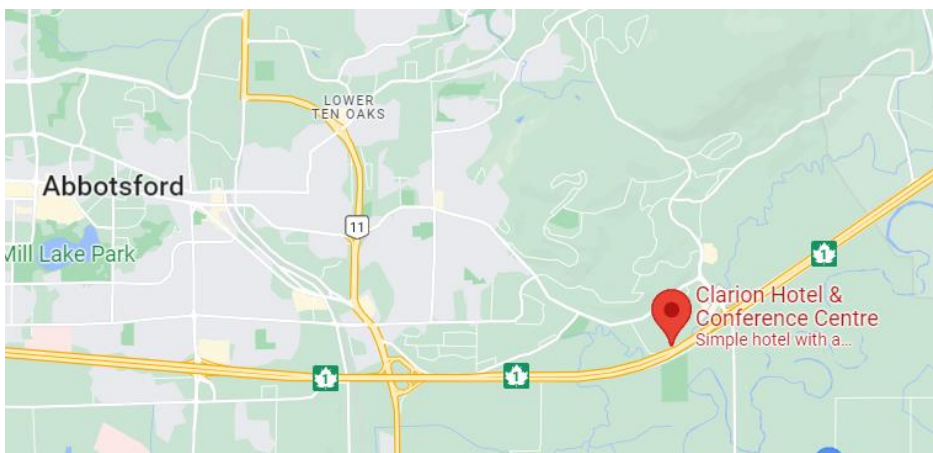
For additional information about COVID-19 Canadian border crossings, please check <https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/exemptions>

Questions, concerns, or observations can be directed to Danielle C.

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Map



Clarion Hotel & Conference Centre

36035 North Parallel Road, Abbotsford BC, V3G 2C6

<https://goo.gl/maps/zfj81Zot4M3uKCHW6>

The hotel includes access to an indoor pool and hot tub, fitness center, and hotel parking. WiFi is available.

Accommodations

We have reserved the following:

- Twenty (20) Standard Rooms within the Lodge.
All rooms are equipped with a safe, mini-fridge, microwave, and coffee maker with complimentary tea and coffee, shampoo and conditioner, lotion, and soap. Wi-Fi is available.
- Meeting Room for Friday reception and the meetings on Saturday and Sunday
Summit Room – 4th floor close to the elevator

Menus

Friday the 23rd

Reception:

- Goat cheese and arugula artisan flat breads
- Fresh fruits and berries
- Assorted dessert squares
- Freshly brewed coffee and tea
- Host bar

Saturday the 24th

Breakfast:

- Fresh orange and cranberry juice
- Seasonal fruit and berries
- Assorted flavoured yogurt
- Assorted muffins, croissants, Danish pastries, pain au chocolate, sweet butter and Okanagan fruit preserves
- Bagels with cream cheese, toast station
- Freshly brewed coffee and tea

Lunch: Buffet style

- Soup
- Salad
- Assorted sandwiches
- Cookies
- Freshly brewed coffee and tea

Dinner: Group Dinner – Buffet Style

- Artisan breads and rolls
- Classic Caesar salad
- Spanish tomato salad
- Early greens salad with smoked duck
- Yukon gold potato salad
- Sweet corn & avocado salad
- Seared chicken breast
- Grilled sockeye salmon
- Smoked Duck spaghetti Carbonara
- Chili lime roasted vegetables
- Roast new potato with feta cheese
- Cheesecakes, tortes, flans and tarts
- Assorted fruit pies, seasonal fruit and berries
- Freshly brewed coffee and tea
- Host bar

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