

Mainstreams had to cancel our 2019 spring program because of lack of funding. It hurt many folk deeply, but thanks to funding from **Fortis BC**, we are able to offer some programs now. It really feels good!

BC Ministry of Education's new curriculum is founded on 4-guiding principles:

- Develop core, competencies that support life-long learning
- Emphasize key concepts/big ideas to succeed in school/careers
- Focus on place-based community-connected learning
- Integrate First People's principles of learning/aboriginal values

Laura Duncan, representing Mainstreams met with a group of Selkirk teachers recently and between them they designed an interdisciplinary program focused on water.... We call it the **Water and Climate Primer**

With 5-teachers involved, there is a lot going on so far.

- Weed pulls with Laura/Jim
- Wetlands Program with Patty
- Climate Change Adaptation 1.0: **Solutions for the Kootenays** with Dave
- 2.0: **Living With Wildfire** with Dave

And that's just the beginning, lots more to come in the fall.



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Laura checking the gear prior to our first pull on Mark Creek banks

**KINSMEN PARK RESTORATION FEATURED AT THE COLUMBIA BASIN WATERSHED NETWORK AGM**



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Gerry Oliver, Professional Biologist on the Kinsmen Project, talking about revegetations



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Students from Selkirk's Leadership class with teacher Scott and 9-bags of invasive plants that have been removed from Mark Creek Riparian Zone. Well done!