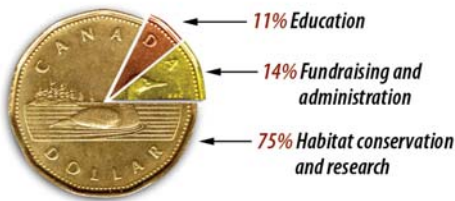


DUCKS UNLIMITED CANADA
 WESTERN REGION
 British Columbia

Highlights

Where the Money is Spent



86 cents of every dollar received by DUC is invested in habitat conservation, research and education.

Habitat Conservation

DUC focuses on wetland conservation in B.C. – identifying habitats and waterfowl species in the greatest need of help, then charting a course for restoration and management. Supported by leading edge science, our conservation programs are concentrated on areas that provide maximum benefits for North America’s waterfowl, wildlife and people.

Committed to Conservation

- Habitat secured by Ducks through land purchase, management agreements, conservation easements, leases and extension programs: **145,886 hectares (360,490 acres)**
- Number of habitat projects completed: **540**
- Number of landowners who have conserved habitat in partnership with Ducks: **785**

Grassroots Support

- Annual fundraising events **72**
- Supporters **20,215**
- Volunteers **995**
- Children 17 years and under enrolled in DUC’s youth education programs **6,485**

Grassroots Support

The majority of Canadian funds raised for Ducks’ conservation programs comes from a system of volunteer organized dinner auctions and events held across the country and donations from DUC members and major sponsors. DUC is an affiliate of the Ducks Unlimited Organization that also has representation in the United States, Mexico, New Zealand and Australia. With more than one million supporters, Ducks Unlimited is North America’s premier wetland and waterfowl conservation group.

Office Locations

- Surrey **604-592-0987**
- Kamloops **250-374-8307**
- Dawson Creek **250-786-0220**
- Prince George **250-964-3825**
- Victoria **250-652-5090**
- Williams Lake **250-398-7028**

Education

Children are the decision makers of tomorrow. That’s why education is one of DUC’s highest priorities. Our youth education and membership programs aim to increase awareness and appreciation of wetlands and wildlife habitat. DUC teaches young people about the wonder of wetlands through a variety of formal and informal education opportunities, including our school program, Project Webfoot and Greenwing, DUC’s youth member program.



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Overview

British Columbia's wetlands provide habitat for more than 300 species of birds, millions of salmon and many other wildlife species. Annually, up to eight million waterfowl and 20 million shorebirds utilize B.C.'s wetlands to nest, spend the winter and rest during migration to other parts of the continent. Wetlands also play a critical role in replenishing groundwater, absorbing floodwater and purifying surface water.

Wetland conservation is essential in maintaining this rich natural heritage. In some parts of the province, over 70% of wetland habitats have been altered or destroyed.

Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC) is committed to conserving B.C.'s wetlands and their associated habitats. Partnering with non-government, government, industry, private landowners and other conservation organizations to ensure wetland habitats remain a part of B.C.'s landscape, DUC is providing a healthy future for waterfowl, wildlife and a fresh, clean water supply for people.



Program Areas

Coast: The B.C. Coastal program's focus is on the conservation of estuaries and development of landscape approaches to habitat management. DUC is working with partners under the Pacific Estuary Conservation Program and with area farmers under its own On-Farm Planning Program to secure and improve these critical coastal habitats.

Intermountain: DUC is a leader in the Intermountain Wetland Conservation Program whose goal is to improve the landscape encompassing B.C.'s Interior wetlands, streams and lakes. DUC is encouraging the adoption of land use practices that help conserve priority wetlands and uplands and maintaining the quality of water flowing through the grasslands and forests.

Peace Country: DUC actively works in the B.C. Peace developing and implementing land stewardship programs designed for the Peace Parkland. Provided through a partnership of agricultural and conservation agencies, the program promotes farming practices which work for both landowners and the environment. DUC provides advice and assistance to landowners interested in conserving soil, native vegetation and water resources.

Western Boreal Forest: DUC researches and designs conservation strategies in the Western Boreal Forest (WBF), an area that stretches from northern Ontario to Alaska. This ecosystem contains a wetland-rich landscape that provides breeding habitat for 12 to 14 million ducks annually.