

**BC Rural Dividend
Special Circumstances Project Descriptions**

Applicant	Funding	Project Description
City of Merritt	\$100,000	This project consists of a bundle of business retention and attraction initiatives to implement from the City of Merritt's Economic Development Action Plan and other related City plans.
Fort Nelson First Nation	\$50,000	This project will support the development of new forest economic opportunities, including activities to acquire a shared Community Forest Agreement between the Fort Nelson First Nation and the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality. The project will provide local jobs and economic opportunities, as well as generate partnerships between participants.
Northern Rockies Regional Municipality	\$50,000	This project will support the development of new forest economic opportunities, including activities to acquire a shared Community Forest Agreement between the Fort Nelson First Nation and the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality. The project will provide local jobs and economic opportunities, as well as generate partnerships between participants.
Williams Lake Indian Band	\$132,500	This project will support ongoing review and monitoring activities associated with the post-breach Mount Polley environmental remediation, as well as provide training and learning opportunities for staff hired for this work. These activities will enhance the skills of individuals living and working in the community.
Soda Creek Indian Band	\$132,500	This project will support ongoing review and monitoring activities associated with the post-breach Mount Polley environmental remediation, as well as provide training and learning opportunities for staff hired for this work. These activities will enhance the skills of individuals living and working in the community.
Village of McBride	\$50,000	This project supports the development of an economic action plan for the Village of McBride. Funding will support community resiliency and economic diversification in the face of current economic upheaval due to the sawmill closure.