

Collaborative Stewardship Framework

Working together to steward land and natural resources in B.C.



What is the Collaborative Stewardship Framework?

The Collaborative Stewardship Framework (CSF) is an effective model for supporting shared stewardship and co-management objectives in British Columbia. CSF's long-term vision is for **assessment and management of natural resource values** to be **delivered collaboratively** by First Nations and the B.C. government, shared with industry and interested parties, and validated on the ground through Guardians programs. CSF products inform strategic, tactical and operational planning and management decisions.

At a glance...



How CSF works

Regional forums

CSF operates through **regional forums** — partnership discussion tables where First Nations and the B.C. government work together on stewardship priorities, alongside industry, partners and interested parties. Each forum defines its own focus based on regional needs, interests and readiness.

Shared governance

CSF is guided by a shared governance model with First Nations and B.C. government leadership and coordination across B.C. government.

Examples of forum outputs

- **Impact assessments** (wildlife, water, fisheries, forests, culturally important values)
- **Monitoring and assessment** (co-developed data, analysis and reporting)
- **Planning inputs** (informing land use, forest, and watershed plans)
- **Wildlife and habitat assessment and monitoring** (to inform management and conservation priorities)
- **Governance, Guardians and capacity-building tools** (shared tables with industry, stakeholders and the public, on-the-ground stewardship)

Want to know more?

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