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Alouette River Ecosystem Partnership Created to Pressure BC Hydro to Restore Ancient Alouette River Salmon Runs Destroyed by Alouette Dam

Maple Ridge, BC: Representatives from the Katzie First Nation, Kwantlen First Nation, City of Maple Ridge and Alouette River Management Society will be in attendance this Friday morning to announce and sign the Alouette River Ecosystem Partnership.

There will be a short program starting at 10:30 a.m., followed by media availability.

When:

Friday, September 28, 2018
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Where:

Rivers Heritage Centre
Allco Park
24959 Alouette Road
Maple Ridge BC

Who:

Representatives in attendance will include the following:

- Katzie First Nation
- Kwantlen First Nation
- City of Maple Ridge (Mayor Nicole Read)
- Alouette River Management Society (ARMS)

Background

The creation of the Alouette Dam devastated wild salmon runs in the Alouette River. BC Hydro is seeking a water licence in perpetuity without any commitment to restoring the salmon runs or implementing permanent fish passage at the dam.

The Alouette River Ecosystem Partnership is a historic partnership between First Nations, the City of Maple Ridge, and ARMS to fight BC Hydro's perpetual water licence application. The AREP Memorandum of Understanding is building a cross-region coalition to ensure the whole community speaks with one voice to BC Hydro and the provincial government regarding the need to restore the salmon runs to the Alouette River.

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