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# 14 Compelling reasons to Attend the 2009 BC Land Summit

By Dr. Katherine Dunster, CSLA, R.P.Bio., President Elect BCSLA

**In 2004 the first BC Land Summit was held in Vancouver**, and very successfully brought together five professional organizations that share inter-related ties to land use in the province – landscape architects, agrologists, planners, land appraisers, and real estate professionals. There were many sessions on protecting various aspects of the land – from farmland to parks and trees, and a few presenters and attendees thought that if the conference was held again, the Land Summit could be enriched if the people who work directly with landowners to protect their land on the ground were invited to participate.

When conference planning began in 2007, the Land Trust Alliance of BC (LTABC) joined the original five as a full partner in the planning and organizing of the 2009 BC Land Summit. The LTABC is composed of local, regional, and national land trusts and conservancies located across the province, and each of the member groups have staff, board, and volunteers – many who are members of the five professional organizations. Our hope is that the conference will continue to grow to include even more organizations with a connection to the land – from archaeologists, land surveyors, and heritage professionals, to biologists, foresters, and parks and recreation professionals.

The 2009 BC Land Summit will provide a diversity of opportunities to learn, share ideas, collaborate, and network with colleagues working in land-related fields. Well ahead of the current global economic crisis, the conference Program Committee chose the theme of “A Better Future: Adapting to Change” and have created a rich program of keynotes, workshops, presentations and roundtables that address four land-related conference sub-themes: Changing Place & Space, Changing Environments, A World of Change (Growth & Globalization) and Change in Motion (Movement, Transportation & Travel).

As the title of this article suggests there are compelling reasons to attend the Land Summit, even more so as we face a year of big change on all fronts. ►

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**1. THE SCOPE.** The Land Summit stretches across disciplines, sectors, and professions. It encompasses everything from rural to urban and small towns in between.

**2. THE MESSAGE.** The Land Summit moves thinking about the changes we face as land use professionals to talking collaboratively about practical solutions and addressing head-on the roadblocks and problems that are barriers to coping with change.

**3. THE BRIGHT LIGHTS.** Hear and be inspired by our leading light keynote speakers – Robert F. Kennedy Jr, Sherry Kafka Wagner, Dr. Richard Hebda, and Thomas Berger.

**4. QUALITY, NOT QUANTITY** – The Land Summit offers just over 80 speakers (Check number) all tasked with offering their perspectives and expertise on vital issues that matter right now in helping us deal with change as we plan, manage, and conserve land and communities in this province. No fluff or puff, but detail, solutions, and informed debate.

**5. VITAL TOPICS.** The program committee identified key issues that will be tackled in the sessions that include housing, carbon footprints, protecting biodiversity, food production, and the all-encompassing thorny issues of finding the highest and best land uses that will sustain communities – whether protecting it for its ecosystem goods and services, finding new uses for old sites (brownfields and urban infill), or finding and creating new land and uses for it (green roofs on top of buildings).

**6. GET INVOLVED.** The 2009 BC Land Summit is about sharing opinions, best practices, and information. The audience (you) will be a vital part of that and you are encouraged to play a full part in the sessions. The program has been designed with plenty of opportunities for networking, asking questions, following up with speakers, and breathing space to absorb what you have heard.

**7. SUSTAINABILITY IN ACTION.** As a community that has embraced sustainability on the ground, staff from the Resort Municipality of Whistler will be presenting sessions, leading walking tours, showing how they are dedicated to excellence in sustainable practices, and leading the way to helping their community see beyond 2010 and embrace the Whistler 2020 comprehensive sustainability action plan. From valley bottom to mountain top, residents, businesses, and organizations are working together to make sustainability work on the ground.

**8. LOCAL LEARNING.** The 2009 BC Land Summit is specifically devoted to BC perspectives and what is being done around our province. We have invited First Nations speakers to participate in sessions, and will hold the Closing Reception at the spectacular Squamish Li'wat Cultural Centre.

**9. PRE-CONFERENCE MOBILE WORKSHOPS.** This is your chance to get up front and behind the scenes in both Whistler and other sites in the Sea-to-Sky Corridor. The mobile workshops will use sustainable forms of transportation – walking, biking, and buses. See on the ground everything from the local farms in Pemberton that are at the roots of the Whistler 2020 Food Strategy to the Olympic Athlete's Village, the Olympic facilities, cultural facilities, local housing solutions, conservation areas, and making an independent power project work for the community – all part of the Whistler 2020 Sustainability Action Plan. Head down Highway 99 and see how Squamish and Britannia Beach are evolving from their former natural resource based economies to becoming “new” waterfront communities.

**10. PRE-CONFERENCE TRAINING SESSIONS.** Five in-depth training sessions have been set up to meet the specific interests and cross-over needs of Land Summit member organizations. Local experts will lead you through continuing education sessions on appraising land for eco-gifts, covenants for planners, food security for all, legal and tax incentives for protecting private land, and understanding the ALR and Agricultural Land Commission.

**11. THE COLOUR GREEN.** The Land Summit Greening Committee is working hard with the Conference Centre and suppliers to make this a green conference. Take the train and meet other delegates on the way there. Bring your bike and get some fresh air, exercise, and personal experience with the Valley Bikeway. Bring your own mug and help Whistler save its dishwasher for other uses.

**12. MOVING PEOPLE UP MOUNTAINS.** For the opening evening reception, delegates will ride the Whistler Mountain gondola to an elevation of 1,800 meters and gather at the Roundhouse Lodge to enjoy food, refreshments, entertainment & ongoing networking opportunities.

**13. THE PROFESSIONAL BOOK EXCHANGE.** A Greening Committee initiative. Dust off any old books you have and bring them along to the book exchange. If you have any planning and design books, training manuals, conservation, sustainability, land appraisal, climate change – whatever you have and don't need will find a new owner and you might find a classic you have been looking for.

**14. IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER** for early-bird rates – you have until March 15. This is Whistler and hotels are used to lots of occupants in a single room. Make attending more affordable by teaming up with friends and colleagues to share a room.

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# The 2009 BC Land Summit: Why a Second BC Land Summit?

By Michael Gordon, M.Sc., MCIP, Chair of the 2009 BC Land Summit Program Committee

I can recall that soon after beginning my masters degree in planning that one of my professors advised me that less than 5% of British Columbia is relatively flat. Further, less than 2% of our province is agricultural land. In a 1996 BC Lands publication, it was reported that only 1 % of BC or 950,000 hectares have the capability to support and grow a wide range of crops (Canada Land Inventory Classes 1 - 3).<sup>1</sup>

Clearly, these statistics alone indicate that we should have the best information and advice when considering issues relating to the use, development or conservation of our land resource in British Columbia, and should be in a strong position to collaborate with professionals and stakeholders across the spectrum of land issues and land use.

The upcoming BC Land Summit's theme is "A Better Future: Adapting to Change." It is a unique conference because it brings together the Real Estate Institute of BC, the BC Society of Landscape Architects, the Planning Institute

of BC, the BC Association – Appraisal Institute of Canada, the BC Institute of Agrol-ogists and the Land Trust Alliance of BC to hold a joint conference, rather than organizing each of our own annual conferences.

The 2009 BC Land Summit, generously supported by the Real Estate Foundation of BC and our other sponsors, builds upon the success of the first BC Land Summit that was held in 2004 in Vancouver. The Land Summit offers opportunities to learn about how other professions approach some of the critical land use issues in BC. We anticipate that you will be taking home ideas on the nature of a wide variety of issues ranging from urban design and place making, conservation, agricultural land issues, planning of regions and smaller communities, to the emerging amenity and resort communities throughout BC.

The Summit will take place over three days – May 20th, 21st, and 22nd,

2009 in Whistler, British Columbia. The Summit will be based at the TELUS Whistler

Conference Centre but will also include events and activities throughout the community of Whistler and the surrounding "Sea to Sky" region.

The BC Land Summit offers a significant increase in content with more speakers, tours and sessions as compared to our respective annual conferences, including:

- 4 Keynote Speakers;
- 64 Concurrent Sessions, with panels and individual presenters;
- 4 Roundtables, with opportunities to hear and be engaged in debates on high profile issues;
- 11 Pre-conference Mobile Workshops;
- 3 Pre-conference Workshops and Training Sessions;
- A Trade Show with exhibits and displays;
- Multi-media presentations; and
- Networking Opportunities, including three receptions.

A centre piece of the program will be our four keynote speakers ▶

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With the emerging financial crisis and continuing concern with climate change, the common thread of our four themes of 'change' is quite relevant. The four themes are:

- Changing Place and Space – Communities in Transition;
- Changing Environments – Natural and Cultural Diversity;
- A World of Change – Growth and Globalization; and
- Change in Motion – Movement, Transportation and Travel.

We look forward to hearing the Summit's four keynotes speak to issues of change and land issue relevant to BC in the new context we are experiencing at this time:

**ROBERT F KENNEDY JR** – a resolute defender of the environment through legal initiatives. He is well acquainted with British Columbia environmental issues due to his many visits to our Province. In addition to being an author of my books and articles and a Professor of Environmental Law at Pace University, Mr. Kennedy serves as senior attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council, Chief Prosecuting Attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper and is President of the Waterkeeper Alliance.

**SHERRY KAFKA WAGNER** – a high profile urban designer focusing on place making and cultural institutions. She has played an instrumental role, in many projects, including the creation of the San Antonio Riverwalk, the Dallas Texas Arts District and the Charles River Basin Park, Wharf District Parks and the Tennessee Aquarium in Chattanooga. Most important, Sherry is a great story teller and her address will certainly prove to have a remarkable number of antic dotes that provide insight into her observations.

**THOMAS BERGER OC OBC** – first emerged as a national figure in the 1970's as the Commissioner for Mackenzie Valley Pipeline Inquiry. He has continued to play a central role in governance issues as well as a continuing high profile role in a series of Commissions and Inquiries on a variety of resource and First Nations issues. For 12 years he served as a Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

**DR. RICHARD HEBDA** – will provide you with a commentary on the impact of climate change on our forests and plant life in British Columbia. For more than 28 years, he has been the curator of Botany and Earth History for the Royal Columbia Museum. He is the author of many scientific and popular articles on the impact of climate change on native plants. Most recently he has been the Province of B.C.'s expert on Metro Vancouver's Burn's Bog.

His Honour Steven Point, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, along with other dignitaries, will be welcoming you to the Summit. The program also includes the participation of speakers from British Columbia's First Nations.

Roundtables sessions, are an opportunity for exploration and participatory debate among several high profile panelists and will focus on the following issues:

- Government as Developer: What is the Role of Governments & Public Agencies in Shaping Land Development in BC?: Moderated by Don Alexander, Professor of Geography, Vancouver Island University;
- The Global Financial Crisis and its Impacts on Land, Land Use Policies and Development in BC: moderated by Michael Geller, Vancouver planner and developer, and former CEO of the Simon Fraser University Community Trust;
- Examining 35 Years of the Agricultural Land Commission & The Islands Trust in BC: moderated by Erik Karlsen, Chair of the Agricultural Land Commission;
- Highway to Where? Transportation Choices and Land Use Consequences: moderated by Gordon Price, Director of the Simon Fraser University City Program.

Of course, Whistler will provide a memorable setting for the Summit. On Wednesday, May 20th there will be a variety of optional intensive workshops, as well as walking tours exploring the development, history, parks and facilities in the Whistler area – including facilities built for the 2010 Olympic Winter

Games. In addition, there will be other mobile workshops or tours where you can explore learn in the surrounding communities and natural areas of the Sea-to-Sky region.

There will also be a series of social and networking receptions in remarkable locations including the Roundhouse Lodge on Whistler Mountain and the spectacular new Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre. Continental Breakfasts and lunches are also included with your registration.

The 2009 BC Land Summit offers exceptional conference value for money, with a rich and diverse program included within an affordable registration fees. Summit organizers have also ensured that you have a wide choice of accommodations, starting at less than \$100 per night, at the four partner Whistler hotels. You will also have the opportunity to extend your stay, by adding up to three additional nights prior or after the three-day Summit.

To help reduce impacts on our environment, we have also established a carbon offset opportunity related to your travels to Whistler. You can find complete information on our web site: <http://www.bclandsummit.com/trip/getting-there.html>.

You can register on-line at: <http://www.bclandsummit.com/register/>

The deadline for the reduced early bird registration is March 15th, 2009, so register early and save.

Given the rather challenging current times, there is no better time to attend a conference like the BC Land Summit which offers you a diverse, multi-disciplinary program relevant to land use, development and environmental issues facing our province, all for one affordable price. We look forward to hosting you in Whistler this May.



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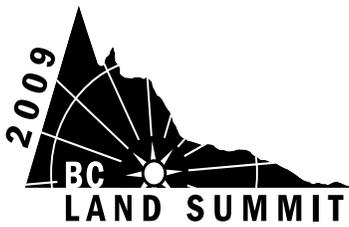
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# Welcome to the 2009 BC Land Summit

Greetings from the 2009 BC Land Summit conference host partners and organizing team!

## A Better Future: Adapting to Change

### Welcome to Whistler

The 2009 BC Land Summit will be headquartered at the Telus Whistler Conference Centre in the heart of the village, in Whistler, British Columbia. Located 125 km north of Vancouver, in the spectacular Coast Mountains, Whistler is renowned as one of North America's top ski resort destinations, and is also an alpine venue center for the 2010 Olympic games. Whistler is also a four-season resort, as well as a unique, innovative, bustling community in a spectacular setting in British Columbia's Sea-to-Sky region. Take the opportunity when attending the 2009 BC Land Summit to extend your stay and take advantage of all Whistler and its surroundings have to offer.



We are pleased to extend this invitation to attend the 2009 BC Land Summit conference at the Telus Whistler Conference Centre in Whistler, British Columbia, May 20th to 22nd, 2009. The BC Land Summit is a rich, diverse interdisciplinary conference organized and hosted by six professional organizations, all of which share ties to land issues and land use in British Columbia. Following on the great success of the 2004 BC Land Summit in Vancouver, for the second time, each of the partner organizations is once again holding its annual conference in 2009 as this exciting joint conference. The host partner organizations include:

- The British Columbia Association of the Appraisal Institute of Canada
- The British Columbia Institute of Agrologists
- The British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects
- The Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia
- The Planning Institute of British Columbia
- The Real Estate Institute of British Columbia

The rich, collaborative program for the 2009 BC Land Summit is book-ended by four diverse, high profile, leading keynote speakers, headed by global environmental activist and lawyer Robert F. Kennedy Jr. A range of conference sessions, presentations, and roundtable discussions fill out the main program, along with a full pre-conference day of more in-depth workshop sessions, mobile workshops & tours. With the many issues, challenges and opportunities facing professionals involved in the many sides of land use across British Columbia, and beyond, the 2009 BC Land Summit presents a unique collaborative opportunity – a conference not to be missed!

Join us in Whistler, British Columbia,  
May 20th – 22nd for the 2009 BC Land Summit!

Dan Wilson, *President* BCA AIC

Keith Duhaime P.Ag., *President* BCIA

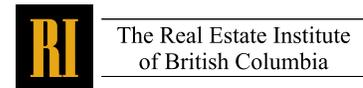
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Conference Host Partners:



# Conference at a Glance Outline

Please refer to Conference Details for information on individual sessions, roundtables, and pre-conference activities, including mobile workshops & tours.

## Wednesday, May 20

8:00am-onwards **Conference Registration**

9:30am-3:00pm (Times Vary)

**Mobile Workshops & Tours  
Intensive Workshops**

3:00pm-6:00pm (Exact times & locations TBC)

**Partner Professional  
Organizations'  
Annual General Meetings**

7:30pm-9:00pm

**Opening Ceremony &  
Welcome Reception**

## Thursday, May 21

7:00am-onwards **Conference Registration**

7:00am-8:00am **Breakfast**

8:00am-9:00am **Opening Plenary Session &  
Keynote Speaker  
Sherry Kafka Wagner**

9:00am-9:15am **Break**

9:15am-10:30am **Concurrent Sessions &  
Roundtables**

10:30am-10:45am **Nutrition Break**

10:45am-12:00pm **Concurrent Sessions &  
Roundtables**

12:00pm-1:00pm **Lunch & Showcase**

1:00pm-2:15pm **Concurrent Sessions &  
Roundtables**

2:15pm-2:30pm **Break**

2:30pm-3:45pm **Concurrent Sessions &  
Roundtables**

4:15pm-5:15pm **Afternoon Plenary Session &  
Keynote Speaker  
Robert F. Kennedy Jr.**

5:15pm-7:00pm **Free Time – Explore Whistler**

7:00pm-10:00pm **Gala Reception at the Summit**

## Friday, May 22

7:30am-onwards **Conference Registration**

7:00am-8:00am **Breakfast**

8:30am-9:30am **Opening Plenary Session &  
Keynote Speaker  
Richard Hebda**

9:00am-9:15am **Break**

9:15am-11:00am **Concurrent Sessions &  
Roundtables**

11:00am-11:15am **Nutrition Break**

12:30pm-1:30pm **Lunch & Showcase**

1:30pm-2:45pm **Concurrent Sessions &  
Roundtables**

2:45pm-3:00pm **Break**

3:00pm-4:15pm **Concurrent Sessions &  
Roundtables**

4:15pm-4:45pm **Break**

4:45pm-5:45pm **Closing Plenary and Keynote  
Speaker  
Thomas Berger**

6:15pm-7:30pm **Closing Reception**

## To the Members of the Society:

**My sincere thanks to the Society** for your generous donation to a program scholarship in Landscape Architecture and for the personal gift of a wonderful talking stick (a gift that will appropriately become the property of the Program in a few years time!). As some of you well know, the sheer beauty of the idea of the talking stick has always made my heart sing a little more sweetly! My thanks also to all of you who contributed further to the scholarship, joined in the banquet and extremely gentle roasting of my personage, or sent on best wishes for better success as a farmer! And my thanks to Cynthia Girling, Moura Quayle, Greg Smallenberg, Don Lymes, Celilia Achiam, Blair Guppy, the BCSLA Ex-

ecutive, Lisa Parker, Hanne Bartlett, Beryl Dyck, Tara Culham, and numerous others who graciously (and sometimes even lovingly) planned the banquet-scholarship.

The scholarship, now approaching \$50,000.00 will provide approximately \$2500 a year for a deserving student. As a small Program we have gathered more than \$900,000.00 in endowed scholarships over the years, an exceptional achievement, and one that does not escape the attention of the University!

I have no hesitation about retiring; the Landscape Architecture Program is in great hands. I am so very pleased with and proud of my colleagues in the Program; each and every

one is a significant talent and a fine, and caring educator led by a superb director.

More than anything, however, my thanks to all of you for simply being who you are! I have always been struck by the fundamental decency, sense of citizenship, and abundant good will that seems to be the “stuff” of a landscape architect. It has always been a pleasure and an honour to be in your good company. I wish you good health, much happiness and the very best in all your endeavours.

With thanks

Doug Paterson

# 2009 BC Land Summit Conference Preliminary Program

## Wednesday May 20th:

8:00am-onwards

### Conference Registration

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre Foyer*

Delegate registration commences at the Telus Whistler Conference Centre.

9:30am-3:00pm (Times vary)

### Mobile Workshops & Tours

Various mobile workshops/tours depart (see following section for details).

9:30am-3:00pm (Times vary)

### Intensive Workshops

Various pre-conference intensive workshops take place (see following section for details).

3:00pm-6:00pm (Exact times & locations TBC)

### Partner Professional Organizations' Annual General Meetings

Some of the host partner organizations will hold their AGMs

6:30pm-9:00pm

### 2009 BC Land Summit –

### Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre*

Delegates, guests and VIPs gather and connect at the Telus Whistler Conference Centre for refreshments and networking opportunities, as well as the formal opening of the 2009 BC Land Summit.

This program is preliminary only. In the interests of ensuring the highest quality program content, session topics, scheduled times, titles, and speakers/presenters are subject to confirmation or change. Please refer to the BC Land Summit website for regular updates and latest changes.

## Schedule & Program of On-Site Sessions & Activities

## Thursday May 21st:

7:00am-onwards

### Conference Registration

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre Foyer*

Delegate registration continues at the Telus Whistler Conference Centre.

7:00am-8:00am

### Continental Breakfast

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre*

A light continental breakfast will be served at the Telus Whistler Conference Centre.

8:00am-9:00am

### Opening Plenary Session & Keynote Speaker

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: Sea to Sky Ballroom*

Delegates gather for the opening plenary session to launch the formal program of the 2009 BC Land Summit.

*Keynote Speaker: Sherry Kafka Wagner*

9:00am-9:15am

### Break

9:15am-10:30am

### Concurrent Sessions & Roundtables

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: TBC*

Session (A1)

### Doing Things Differently in Small Towns & Rural Communities-1

Changing Place & Space: Innovative protection of community & ecological diversity; creating inclusive communities – examples from the Islands Trust and northern BC.

*Presenters: Linda Adams (Islands Trust); Laurie Ringaert (Measuring UP the North)*

Session (B1)

### Saving the Farm – Farmland Conservation & Mutual Benefits

Changing Environments: Win-win approaches linking the conservation of habitats and farmland.

*Presenters: Kathleen Sheppard (The Land Conservancy of BC); Dan Buffett (Ducks Unlimited); David Bradbeer (Delta Farmland & Wildlife Trust)*

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Session (C1)

**Examining the Belly of the Beast: An Introduction to Sustainable Consumption for Local Government**

A World of Change: Tangible examples of sustainable consumption programs within municipal jurisdictions; how to initiate integrated processes.

*Presenters:* David Hendrickson (Centre for Sustainable Community Development, Simon Fraser University); Others TBC

Session (D1)

**Healthy By Design: Transportation & Healthy Built Environments**

Change in Motion: Explore how design of neighbourhoods can significantly impact physical activity & overall health, the links to active transportation planning.

*Presenters:* Cara Fisher (BC Recreation & Parks Association); Others TBC

Session (A2)

**Resort Municipalities, Amenity Migration & Smarter Growth**

Changing Place & Space: Incorporating smart growth as mountain communities shift from reliance on resource industries to amenity-based resorts.

*Presenters:* William Brown (Resort Municipality of Whistler); Erin Welk (Smart Growth BC)

Session (B2)

**Ecosystem Management in First Nations Communities**

Changing Environments: The Squamish and Lil'wat First Nations have adopted a land use plan and community forest tenure application with careful planning.

*Presenters:* Heather Beresford (Resort Municipality of Whistler); Rahul Ray (Westland Resource Group); Daniel Sailland (Lil'wat Nation)

Session (C2)

**The Vancouver Valuation Accord & New Opportunities in Measuring, Valuing and Reporting Green Buildings & Sustainable Property**

A World of Change: The Accord recognizes that economic, environmental & social issues are inextricably linked.

*Presenters:* Peter Clark (Property Policy Consultant); Others TBC

Session (D2)

**Going Green at the University of British Columbia**

Change in Motion: UBC takes a proactive approach in developing a comprehensive transportation demand management strategy.

*Presenters:* Carole Jolly (University of British Columbia)

10:30am-10:45am

**Nutrition Break**

10:45am-12:00pm

**Concurrent Sessions & Roundtables**

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: TBC*

Session (A3)

**Doing Things Differently in Small Towns & Rural Communities-2**

Changing Place & Space: Planning that maintains rural character & sense of place – lessons from Vancouver Island and BC's Interior.

*Presenters:* Felice Mazzoni (Mazzoni & Associates Planning, District of Ucluelet); Jane Mastin (TRUE Consulting)

Session (B3)

**The Perfect Storm: First Nations Land Use Planning in the Face of a Resource Gold Rush in Northeastern BC**

Changing Environments: First Nations in northeastern BC face a perfect storm of land use conflicts within their territories – oil, gas, mining, pipelines, forestry & more.

*Presenters:* Annie Booth (University of Northern British Columbia); Bruce Robert Muir (Senior Land Use Planner); West Moberly First Nation

Session (C3)

**Planning for Transition in BC's Northwest Region: Shared Experiences from Kitimat, Gitwinksihikw and Terrace**

A World of Change: A region undergoing varied transition, with unique responses & opportunities in the face of the impacts of globalization & cultural contexts.

*Presenters:* Karen Gregory (Stantec Consulting); Others TBC

Session (D3)

**A Campus on the Move – The University of Victoria**

Change in Motion: A campus transportation planning program that includes pricing structures, planning studies, incentives, bylaw changes & program development.

*Presenters:* Sarah Webb (University of Victoria)

Session (A4)

**Urban Subcultures & Precincts: A New Theory of Urban Vitality & Authenticity**

Changing Place & Space: The future of diversity & its expressions of authenticity in communities lie in a wide variety of urban subcultures, not necessarily defined by traditional parameters.

*Presenters:* Michael Gordon (City of Vancouver); Mark Holland (HB Lanarc Consultants); Angus McAllister (McAllister Research)

Session (B4)

**Growing Green In the City: Inclusion of Natural Areas & Food Production in Urban Areas**

Changing Environments: Natural areas & parks in urban centers under pressure – focusing on food production, maintaining biodiversity, recreation & social values.

*Presenters:* Trevor Cox (Diamond Head Consulting); Kelsey Cramer (University of Guelph)

Session (C4)

**Winds of Change – Challenges & Innovations in Regulation & Legislation**

A World of Change: Community impacts of green innovations, and the benefits & challenges with Phased Development Agreements.

*Presenters:* Raymond Young (Young, Anderson Barristers & Solicitors); Richard Cook (Jordan Cook Associates)

12:00pm-1:00pm

**Lunch & Showcase**

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre*

1:00pm-2:15pm

**Concurrent Sessions & Roundtables**

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: TBC*

Session (A5)

**LEEDing Green Interventions 1: Green Shores for Coastal Communities**

Changing Place & Space: Discussing the tools for the greening of the coastal development market and methods towards more sustainable coastal ecosystems – understanding the Green Shores rating system.

*Presenters:* Patrick Walshe (Stewardship Centre for BC)

Session (B5)

**First Nation Land Owners & Land Managers: Lessons from the Tlicho Self Government Agreement, Northwest Territories**

Changing Environments: The Tlicho Agreement is a comprehensive self-government & land claim agreement – returning ownership of 39,000 square kilometers of land to the Tlicho Government who is now responsible for its management.

*Presenters:* David Boote (David Boote Planning Services); Others TBC

Session (C5)

**Regionally Thinking: Crafting Metro Vancouver's New Regional Growth Strategy-Advancing Livability & Sustainability**

A World of Change: Putting in place a new regional growth strategy that will help the metro Vancouver region maintain livability & advance sustainability to 2040.

*Presenters:* Christina DeMarco (Metro Vancouver); Hugh Kellas (Metro Vancouver)

Session (D4)

**Park It: Parking Management & Real Estate**

Change in Motion: With increased car dependency, cities are shifting policies from limiting road congestion to a reduction of the number of cars, along with a shift to alternative modes – lessons from Montreal.

*Presenters:* Paul Lewis (Urban Planning Institute, University of Montreal)

Session (A6)

**Housing for All: Different Approaches in Different Places**

Changing Place & Space: A focus on what municipalities & communities can do, & have been doing to reduce local homelessness.

*Presenters:* Noha Sedky (CitySpaces Consulting)

Session (B6)

**Green Bylaws Successes: New Local Government Initiatives**

Changing Environments: Explore the vision & practical implications of new initiatives – such as the Green Bylaws Toolkit – in helping communities to preserve ecosystem function & encourage sustainability.

*Presenters:* Deborah Curran ((Ducks Unlimited & Environmental Law Centre) ); Others TBC

Session (C6)

**Urban Climate: Creative Ecological Strategies for Cities, Streets and Buildings**

A World of Change: Explore how the urban landscape creates a climate influencing air quality, energy consumption & human comfort.

*Presenters:* Randall Sharp (Sharp + Diamond Landscape Architecture)

Session (D5)

**Walking the Walk: Pedestrian Green Wave**

Change in Motion: Collaboration between landscape architects and traffic engineers exploring a temporal design approach to creating walks in the city.

*Presenters:* Jody Rosenblatt Naderi (Texas A&M University); Others TBC

Roundtable (RT1)

**Government As Developer: What is the Role of Governments & Public Agencies in Shaping Land Development in BC?**

Changing Place & Space: A lively discussion of the role governments – federal, provincial, municipal & First Nation – along with related public agencies, often play in shaping land use & development.

*Moderator:* Don Alexander (Vancouver Island University)

*Panelists:* TBC

2:15pm-2:30pm

**Break**

2:30pm-3:45pm

**Concurrent Sessions & Roundtables**

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: TBC*

Session (A7)

**LEEDing Green Interventions 2: Dark Skies**

Changing Place & Space: Rural & small towns face challenges integrating certain commercial & industrial land uses effectively & appropriately – explore a case study in North Cowichan focusing on light issues using LEED standards.

*Presenters:* Audrey Rogers (Municipality of North Cowichan)

Session (B7)

**The Local Food Basket: Sustainable BC Food Systems**

Changing Environments: In light of a number of global issues – climate change, energy scarcity, inadequate food distribution – food security represents a concern for citizens and communities.

*Presenters:* Robyn Newton (Social Planning & Research Council of BC); Others TBC

Session (C7)

**The Atmosphere of Planning: Climate Change & Community Plans-Current Tools & Strategies for BC**

A World of Change: Explore the tools & methods that can address climate emissions in Official Community Plans, planning infrastructure & buildings for various sized communities.

*Presenters:* Mark Holland (HB Lanarc Consultants); Others TBC

Session (D6)

**Greenhouse Gas Efficiencies & A Better Transportation Future**

Change in Motion: Local government & First Nations on Vancouver Island are working together through the Island Corridor Foundation to develop an integrated & sustainable transportation network.

*Presenters:* Doug Backhouse (Island Corridor Foundation); Others TBC

Session (B8)

**Taking Nature's Pulse: The State of BC's Globally Significant Biodiversity**

Changing Environments: Produced by a partnership of government & non-government scientists, the 23 major findings from this report provide guidance for land use planning, development & conservation of BC's essential biodiversity.

*Presenters:* Stuart Gale (Biodiversity BC); Jan Kirkby (Environment Canada); Others TBC

Session (C8)

**No Authority, Only Money: The Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission**

A World of Change: The challenges of the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission in fulfilling a negotiated international treaty mandate with no authority, but lots of money.

*Presenters:* Rudy Kehler (Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission); Others TBC

Roundtable (RT2)

**Examining 35 Years of the Agricultural Land Commission & The Islands Trust In BC**

Changing Environments: A diverse discussion of these two major agencies and their legislation, their histories and roles, in relation to land-use policy directions in BC.

*Moderator:* Calvin Sandborn (University of Victoria)

*Panelists:* Linda Adams (Islands Trust); Others TBC

3:45pm-4:15pm

**Nutrition Break**

4:15pm-5:15pm

**Afternoon Plenary Session & Keynote Speaker**

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: Sea to Sky Ballroom*

Delegates gather for the Thursday afternoon plenary session to close the program for the first full day at the 2009 BC Land Summit

*Keynote Speaker:* Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

5:15pm-7:00pm

**Free Time – Explore Whistler**

7:00pm-10:00pm

**Gala Reception at the Summit**

*Whistler Mountain: Roundhouse Lodge*

A highlight event at the 2009 BC Land Summit – delegates will ride the Whistler Mountain gondola to an elevation of 1,800 meters and gather at the Roundhouse Lodge to enjoy food, refreshments, entertainment & ongoing networking opportunities at this gala evening reception.

7:30am-onwards

**Conference Registration***Telus Whistler Conference Centre Foyer*

Delegate registration continues at the Telus Whistler Conference Centre.

7:30am-8:30am

**Continental Breakfast***Telus Whistler Conference Centre*

A light continental breakfast will be served at the Telus Whistler Conference Centre.

8:30am-9:30am

**Morning Plenary Session & Keynote Speaker***Telus Whistler Conference Centre: Sea to Sky Ballroom*

Delegates gather for the Friday morning plenary session to reopen the program for the second full day at the 2009 BC Land Summit

**Keynote Speaker:** Richard Hebda

9:30am-9:45am

**Break**

9:45am-11:00am

**Concurrent Sessions & Roundtables***Telus Whistler Conference Centre: TBC*

Session (A8)

**LEEDing Green Interventions 3: Greenskins**

Changing Place &amp; Space: The Vancouver Green Factor is a new planning, policy, and design tool that quantifies &amp; evaluates the environmental benefit contribution of greenskins (green roofs, streets, facades etc.).

**Presenters:** Yuewei Kong (Greenskins Lab, University of British Columbia)

Session (B9)

**Planning for Corridors & Protected Areas Within the Urban Environment**

Changing Environments: Initiatives are underway to identify, map, &amp; plan for habitat &amp; ecological corridors to protect biodiversity &amp; contribute to healthy, livable, sustainable communities.

**Presenters:** Jamie Vala (space2place design inc.); Laura MacKay & Kevin Damaskie (Whistler 2020 Community Initiatives); Jack Minard (Comox Valley Land Trust)

Session (C9)

**Inconvenient Truth & Convenient Opportunity: Climate Change, Land Management & Planning for Mitigation & Adaptation**

A World of Change: Greenhouse gas regulation, provincial initiatives on climate change, &amp; a first look at a new web-based climate change information tool.

**Presenters:** Alex Boston (HB Lanarc Consultants); Laura Tate (BC Ministry of Community Development); Jennifer Hill (CitySpaces Consulting); Others TBC

Session (D7)

**On the Road: Issues & Opportunities with Major Highway & Transportation Infrastructure Development**

Change in Motion: Explore examples of the dynamic relationship between land use &amp; transportation infrastructure development, along with exploration of Geotechnical Challenges Along The Test Section of the Sea-to-Sky Highway.

**Presenters:** Brian L. J. Mylleville & Paul Schlotfeldt (Golder Associates); Malcolm Smith (Hemmera Envirochem Inc.)

Session (A9)

**New Thoughts for Old Brownfields & Industrial Sites 1: Creativity & The Inner City-Unlocking the Potential of Commercial & Industrial Spaces**

Changing Place &amp; Space: Underutilized commercial &amp; industrial spaces can offer distinct advantages in terms of size, relative affordability, location, and adaptability of use – with help from flexible policy &amp; zoning.

**Presenters:** Mark Pickersgill (Corporation of Delta)

Session (B10)

**Managing Water: Shortages & Floods in the Face of Climate Change**

Changing Environments: Water is a precious &amp; powerful resource. Management is critical during scarcity, while planning &amp; preparing for damaging flooding is equally critical for communities, especially in the face of climate change.

**Presenters:** Erica Crawford Boettcher (University of British Columbia); Others TBC

Session (C10)

**Carbon Footprints-Treading Lightly: Tools & Strategies for Communities**

A World of Change: Understanding the concept of the carbon footprint, how to calculate it &amp; the opportunities to shift towards lower carbon emissions – lessons from BC communities.

**Presenters:** Michael Corman Epp & Chris Marshall (Town of Gibsons); Ted Battiston (Resort Municipality of Whistler)

11:00am-11:15am

**Nutrition Break**

11:15am-12:30pm

**Concurrent Sessions & Roundtables***(Telus Whistler Conference Centre: TBC)*

Session (A10)

**Legal Protection on Land: How to Get the Most Out of Section 219 Covenants**

Governments and Land Trusts use section 219 (Land Title Act) covenants to protect key values on private lands – join an informed discussion of the benefits &amp; issues of their use.

**Presenters:** Bill Turner (The Land Conservancy of BC); Lui Carvello (Staples McDannold Stewart)

Session (B11)

**Green Edge Planning Tools**

Changing Environments: A look at two different kinds of green edges – those formed by agricultural land adjacent to other uses, and buffers within agricultural land which can be use for agroforestry.

**Presenters:** George Powell (Consulting Agrologist); Others TBC

Session (C11)

**Climate Change, Peak Oil & the Urban Future: Changing Community Plans & Local Farm Sustainability**

A World Change: Local communities will need to create new plans to deal with the impacts on the economy &amp; environment. Also explore spatial factors impacting farm survival on the urban fringe.

**Presenters:** Kimberly Needham (Kimberly Needham Planning & Development Services); Tracy Stobbe (Trinity Western University)**Global Work – Local Lives: Implications for Communities**

A World of Change: A multimedia presentation investigating the social &amp; spatial implications of global outsourcing of information work – what it means in terms of quality of working life &amp; the impact on workers &amp; community.

**Presenters:** Penny Gurstein (School of Community & Regional Planning, UBC); Others TBC

Session (D9)

**Translating Between Planners & Transportation Modelers: A Case Study of Downtown Victoria Transportation Planning**

Change in Motion: Examining the implementation of one of the land-use scenarios from the City of Victoria's Downtown Victoria plan update.

**Presenters:** Charlotte Bathurst (Opus International Consultants)

Session (B15)

**Implementing Ecosystem-Based Management: An Adaptive Management Framework for the Central North Coast of BC**

Changing Environments: Collaborative work regarding the globally significant forest &amp; other natural resources of the BC Coast, contested by commercial, conservation &amp; First Nations' interests.

**Presenters:** Stephen Tyler (Adaptive Resource Management Ltd.); Dave Daust (Registered Professional Forester)

Session (C14)

### The Developer as Partner in Change: Defying Popular Myths

A World of Change: By partnering with developers instead of pursuing an adversarial approach, governments & approval agencies as well as the community are becoming beneficiaries.

**Presenters:** Larry Diamond (Sharp + Diamond Landscape Architecture Inc.)

Roundtable (RT3)

### Global Financial Crises & the Impacts on Land, Land-Use & Development in BC

A World of Change: A lively discussion of the unprecedented financial crises & economic challenges in the world today & their impact on land, land-use & development in BC.

**Moderator:** Michael Geller (Development Consultant)  
**Panelists:** TBC

2:45pm-3:00pm

### Break

Session (A13)

### Urban Design 2: 5 Quarters

Changing Place & Space: Five Canadian places, built in different regions and different eras, present characteristics in common. The principles that describe how the building blocks function can have direct application in how we design and plan our cities.

**Presenters:** Lewis N. Villegas (Urban Design Specialist)

Session (B16)

### Holding Back the Invasion: Invasive Plant Management

Changing Environments: An exploration of the management activities, programs, & practical actions to understand & deal with invasive plants.

**Presenters:** Becky Brown (BC Ministry of Agriculture & Lands);  
Gwen Wallin (Invasive Plant Council of BC)

Session (C15)

### Higher Learning & Sustainable Development

A World of Change: Exploring the accomplishments & connections at UniverCity, a new more sustainable community at Simon Fraser University, which is establishing itself as a testing ground for innovative strategies.

**Presenters:** Jonathan Tinney (SFU Community Trust); Others TBC

Session (D11)

### Tourism & Travel in the Age of Climate Change

Change in Motion: Virtual travel & carbon-neutral tourism are ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with travel, but is it enough & is there a net benefit to the environment?

**Presenters:** Emilie K. Adin (City of Langford)

Session (B17)

### Moving from Planning To Action in Managing Water: Implementation of the Cowichan Basin Water Management Plan

Changing Environments: The Cowichan Basin Water Management Plan is a response to increasing water demand, climate change effects, ecological & economic values risks. It also represents the challenges of moving from planning to action.

**Presenters:** David Harper (Westland Resource Group); Others TBC

Session (C16)

### Planning for BC's Electricity Infrastructure – Implications for Community & Land Use Planning

A World of Change: Explore the challenges, opportunities & issues in planning for BC's electrical power system into the future.

**Presenters:** Donna McGeachie (BC Transmission Corporation);  
Others TBC

Roundtable (RT4)

### Highway to Where? Transportation Choices & Land Use Consequences

Change in Motion: A critical discussion about transportation infrastructure decisions which have significant, long-lasting impacts on land-use, community development & livability – particularly decisions around highway expansion. How do these square with sustainability strategies?

**Moderator:** Gordon Price (City Program, Simon Fraser University)

**Panelists:** TBC

4:15pm - 4:45pm

### Nutrition Break

4:45pm - 5:45pm

### Closing Plenary Session & Keynote Speaker

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: Sea to Sky Ballroom*

Delegates will gather for the closing afternoon plenary session to conclude the program for the 2009 BC Land Summit.

**Keynote Speaker:** Thomas Berger

6:15pm - 7:30pm

### Closing Reception

The concluding event at the 2009 BC Land Summit - delegates will gather at the spectacular Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre to enjoy food, refreshments & final networking opportunities.

## Pre-Conference Workshops & Training Sessions

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: TBC*

Workshop (WT1)

### Appraising Ecological Gifts

Jack Miller of Environment Canada's Ecological Gifts Appraisal Review panel will review the Ecological Gift Program, guidelines for appraisals, engaging an appraiser, the application for appraisal review & determination, the role of the Appraisal Review panel, reviews to-date, challenges, and more.

**Workshop Presenters:** Jack Miller (D.R. Coell & Associates)

Workshop (WT2)

### Covenants 101 – Understanding the Legal Basis, Role & Implications of Covenants for Land Use Professionals

Join leading legal experts for this comprehensive review of the section 219 statutory covenant, including history, form, appropriate use, enforcement, modification & cancellation (including the implications of the Property Law Act); and discussion of the new phased development agreement tool.

**Workshop Presenters:** Lui Carvello (Staples McDannold Stewart); Others TBC

11:00am – 2:30pm

## Pre-Conference Workshops & Training Sessions

*Telus Whistler Conference Centre: TBC*

Workshop (WT3)

### Discovering Recipes for the BC Food Security Pie: Solving the Challenges One Bite at a Time

The purpose of this workshop is to give participants an opportunity to go through a multi-disciplinary problem solving process, starting with an introduction to the overall food system challenges & moving to assembling on the ground solutions.

**Workshop Presenters:** Wanda Gorsuch; Ramona Scott (The Land Conservancy of BC); Don Gayton (FORREX)

Workshop (WT4)

### Legal & Tax Incentives Backing Natural Areas Protection

Join leading tax, investment & gift planning experts review tax incentives & benefits for individual donors, developers, & landowners including eco-gifts, land donations & conservation covenants, gifts of securities & split receipting. This workshop will provide tips & real examples of how to facilitate legal & tax transactions so that donors, land owners, and other professionals such as realtors, appraisers, agrologists, and land trusts can help conserve natural areas.

**Workshop Presenters:** Carla Funk (The Land Conservancy of BC); Susan Mehinigic (Grant Thornton); Frank Arnold (The Pinch Group, Raymond James Ltd.). ►

## Pre-Conference Mobile Workshops

### Various Locations

#### Mobile Workshop (MW1)

##### **Whistler Village Walking Tour – The Planning & History of Whistler Village**

Get to know the lay-of-the land, and the history behind Whistler Village's unique planning and design up-close & first hand on this informative walking tour.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW2)

##### **Whistler Village Arts 'n' Parks Walking Tour**

Learn about the arts, parks & recreation in the bustling resort community on this informative walking tour.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW3)

##### **Community Facilities – The Squamish-Lil'wat Cultural Centre & Whistler Public Library**

Learn about two of Whistler's cornerstone public community facilities – the spectacular new Squamish-Lil'wat Cultural Centre & Whistler's Public Library.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW4)

##### **Emerald Forest Tour**

Get up-close with the spectacular natural environment of the Whistler region while you explore and learn more about Whistler's unique Emerald Forest conservation area on this informative walking tour.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW5)

##### **A Place to Stay – Whistler Housing Tour**

Learn about the unique housing challenges & innovative responses to housing issues in a major resort community on this informative bus & walking tour from the Whistler Housing Authority.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW6)

##### **Up the Creek – From Amenity Development to Power Development**

Learn about the unique activities in & around the Fitzsimmons Creek area, including the Whistler Olympic Sliding Centre & the run-of-river Fitzsimmons independent power project, on this bus & walking tour.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW7)

##### **Whistler Olympic Athlete's Village Master Planning, Facilities & Open Space**

Learn about the many unique innovations, challenges & accomplishments in the planning, design & development of the Whistler Athlete's Village on this bus & walking tour.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW8)

##### **The Callaghan Valley – Whistler Olympic Park & Nordic Facilities**

Explore & learn about the planning, design & development of the several major new facilities & amenities in the Callaghan Valley on this bus & walking tour.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW9)

##### **Future Opportunities & Re-imagining the Working Waterfront – Squamish Waterfront Tour**

Learn about the issues, challenges & opportunities on Squamish's evolving waterfront on this bus & walking tour.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW10)

##### **Brittania Beach – Mining Museum & Historical Tour**

Learn about the important & unique history of mining in the Sea-to-Sky region, with this bus tour to the BC Mining Museum at Brittania Beach.

#### Mobile Workshop (MW11)

##### **Places to Grow Local – Pemberton Valley Farm Tour**

Learn about local food production, agriculture & farming on this unique bus & walking tour of farms in the Pemberton Valley north of Whistler.

Wednesday May 20th

#### Workshop (WT5)

##### **The Agricultural Land Reserve & Agricultural Land Commission: Understanding the Legislation & The Process**

This workshop will include a presentation on the implementation of the legislation which created the ALR and emerging issues of concern from the 1970s, and also give participants an inside understanding of the work of the Commission by putting participants in the position of being decision makers in sample cases.

**Workshop Presenters:** Brian Underhill (Agricultural Land Commission); Others TBC

9:00am – 3:00pm (Start Times Will Vary)

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**Pre-Conference Mobile Workshops, Workshops & Training Sessions:** There is an additional charge for optional pre-conference mobile workshops, workshops & training sessions. You will be able to select & register for these events online when registering for the Summit.

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Category:	By Mar. 16	After Mar. 16
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