



Coast Opportunity Funds

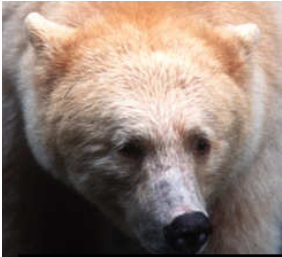
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Presentation Overview



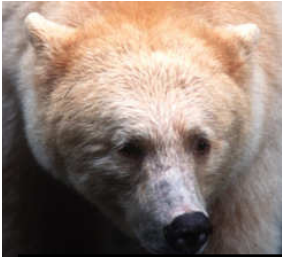
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What is Coast Opportunity Funds?

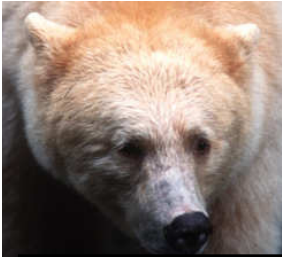


- Part of solution to resolve conflict in the Great Bear Rainforest
- \$120 million for First Nations
 - \$60M Conservation Fund
 - \$60M Sustainable Economic Development Fund
 - Sources: Private foundations, private Canadian and US donors, The Nature Conservancy, Provincial Government and Federal Government
- Funds are unique



Project Area





Who is Coast Opportunity Funds?



- 8 Members
- 9 Board of Directors
- 3 full-time and 2 part-time staff



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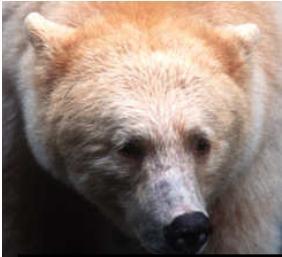
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Who is Eligible for Funding?



- Economic Development Fund
 - 27 First Nations in Project Area
- Conservation Fund
 - 22 First Nations in Project Area who signed Land Use Planning Agreements and adopted EBM
 - Band or society with explicit mandate from Band



Show Me the Money!



\$60M Conservation Fund

- \$2M for regional planning
- \$58M for individual FNs
- Money already allocated
- Your priorities, your timing

- Perpetual endowment
- Awards made from revenue

- \$2 million budgeted for awards in 2009

\$60M Econ Development Fund

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- Sinking fund over 5 yrs
- Awards made from principle



Application Process



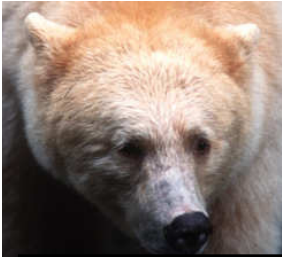
- Regional applications
 - Money allocated to Coastal First Nations, Nanwakolas, North Coast-Skeena FN Stewardship Society
- Individual First Nation applications
 1. FN submits Letter of Intent (1-2 page)
 2. Coast Funds staff discuss project with FN
 3. FN submits full application (<10 page)
 4. Staff reviews application
 5. Project Review Committee reviews application
 6. Board decides on application



What We Can Fund: Conservation



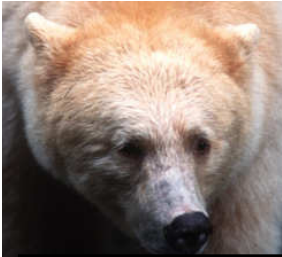
- Conservation initiatives connected with the Project Area
- Key Conditions:
 - Conservation initiatives in Protected Areas must be consistent with any management plans
 - Must not be inconsistent with any land and resource management objectives
 - Capital projects limited to \$250,000
 - Application well-thought out, and management and capacity to complete the project made clear



What We Can't Fund: Conservation



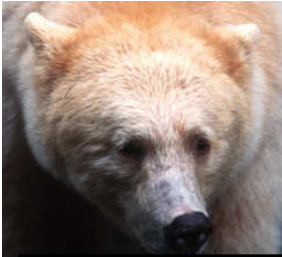
- Open net-cage finfish aquaculture
- “Any activity inconsistent with any EBM land and resource management objectives”
- Anything not allowed by charity regulations of US or Canada
- “Any activity or expenditure for initiatives not consistent with provincial laws, permits, regulations, established policies, formal recommendations of Land and Resource Forums, orders and/or approvals”
- Costs associated with “consultations with any government or corporation concerning that government or corporation's duty to consult or accommodate...
 - ...except in support of protection area management or other Conservation management initiatives”
- Costs associated with “meeting any statutory obligations of the provincial or federal governments or other entities...
 - ...except in support of EBM Conservation capacity building for Participating First Nations”



What We Have Funded



- Regional
 - CFN: Capacity Building
 - CFN: Model Stewardship Department
 - CFN: Model Conservation Benefit Sharing Agreement
- Individual First Nation
 - Kitasoo / XaiXais: Watchman program
 - Haisla: Marine Stewardship Initiative



Attracting Other Resources



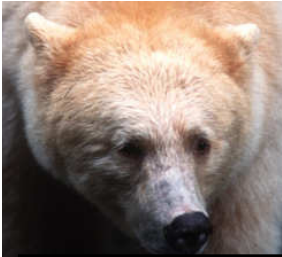
- FNs need stable sources of money and other resources for conservation and resource management
- Coast Funds will work with you to find the resources you need
- FNs must build the case to donors through:
 - Clear plans for overall stewardship in each FN
 - Regional Conservation Business Plan



Summary



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