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Cassiar Stone Sheep Health Assessment receives financial injection
Further funding committed to vital project

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As we enter the second year of the Cassiar Stone Sheep health assessment, the project has received a much needed financial boost from the Abbotsford Fish and Game Club. The planning started with a question: Is an apparent long term decline in this sheep population due to health issues as a result of potential contact with domestic stock or are other factors involved?

Abbotsford Fish and Game Club has contributed \$5000 towards this initiative.

"As with any project, partnerships are critical to its success. We are incredibly pleased to have not only the support, but the full backing of the Abbotsford Fish and Game club on this study" said Kyle Stelter, WSSBC President. "We look forward to seeing the information collected."

In 2017, eight GPS tracking collars were placed onto sheep in this area to monitor herd health and movements in real time. These collars have been successful in passing along crucial data to our biologists involved in this project.

"We are excited to work together on this project and begin the start of a long partnership" said Ian Baird, Abbotsford Fish and Game "as our like-minded organizations strive to see the wild sheep populations of British Columbia stabilize and grow."

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About the Wild Sheep Society of BC

The Wild Sheep Society of BC is a non-profit registered Society dedicated to the protection and enhancement of wild sheep and wild sheep habitat throughout "Beautiful British Columbia". Putting tens of thousands of volunteer hours and dollars into conservation projects in BC since 1998, the WSSBC is committed to its vision statement of "Putting more sheep on the mountains".

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