



Draft Board Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday, November 24, 2025

Time: 9am - 12:00pm, beginning with coffee/conversation from 8:30-9am and lunch to follow!

Location: CVRD Board Room, 175 Ingram Street

Meeting Chair: CoChair Chief Cindy Daniels

Expected Participants: Kate Segall, Shannon Waters, Christopher Alphonse, Calvin Swustus Senior, Michelle Staples, David Slade, David Froese, Tim Kulchyski, Kristine Sandhu, Arlette Malcolm, Jenna Sutherst, Alison Nicholson; **Advisor:** Oliver Brandes. **Staff/Project Leaders:** Danielle Paydli, Tom Rutherford, Jill Thompson, Isabel Ransom, Julia Kidder, Katia Bannister.

Guest Speakers: Qwuy'um'aat Elliot, EverPlan Consulting

Audience members: Working group members, volunteers, interested public. All welcome.

Agenda

8:30am Coffee and Conversation at 175 Ingram Street (CVRD Board Room)

1. Welcome /Prayer (9:00 am)

2. Regular Business

- a. Agenda Review / Revisions.
- b. Review and approve Oct 27th, 2025 Draft Minutes.
- c. Announcements and Correspondence (see bottom of agenda).

3. Hul'q'umi'num' Watershed Lesson (9:15 am)

4. CWB Impact Plan - Board Input (9:30 am) - For Presentation, Discussion, and Decision

Collectively presented by Qwuy'um'aat Elliot (EverPlan Consulting), Julia Kidder (Communications Lead) and Danni Paydli (Executive Director). The Board will review, provide input and consider a motion to pass the Draft Impact Plan with any suggested changes or additions by the Board.

----- Break (10:45 am) -----

5. Letters to the Province

- a. **Proposed changes to BC's Natural Resource Permitting processes (11:00 am) - For Discussion and Decision**

Danni Paydli and Oliver Brandes to follow up regarding the Board's response to the proposed changes to the province's natural resource permitting processes.

- b. **Proposed engagement in a Provincial-level Water Rates campaign (11:15 am)** - *For Discussion and Decision*
David Slade to introduce the campaign and suggest next steps from the CWB.

6. Other Business (11:30 am)

7. Adjourn (12:00 pm) & Lunch

Materials referenced below can be found at: <https://cowichanwatershedboard.ca/meetings/>

Correspondence

- Email from Richard Tarnoff, Coordinator, Community Circles Restorative Justice Society regarding illegal dumping of waste materials on Cowichan reserve lands in the vicinity of the Cowichan River.
 - This was deferred to the Acting Director of Lulumexun at Cowichan Tribes.

Announcements/Events

- Reminder: keep an eye out for more events here too <https://www.naturecowichan.net/>
- Next Speaker Night: December 15th, Galen McMenamin Senior Environmental Analyst with CVRD: Understanding the Xwulqw'selu watershed as a groundwater-dependent ecosystem: What we've learned from 4 years of community monitoring
- New Cowichan Tribes' online language resource: <https://learncowichan.ca/resources/>
- Forestry and Water Flows Forum - hosted by Shawnigan Basin Society and Koksilah Watershed Group: <https://www.shawniganbasinsociety.org/events.html>

Further Reading

- DFO weekly Cowichan Bulletin reports