

Robson Valley Agriculture Forum 2025

Resource List – Presenters (p1)



BC Ministry of Agriculture and Food

Regional Agrologist – Karen Tabe P.Ag, Karen.Tabe@gov.bc.ca

Beef Industry Specialist – Taylor Grafton, Taylor.Grafton@gov.bc.ca

[AgriService BC](#) connects you to ministry programs, resources, education and events. Find tools to help your farm succeed in BC. Check out the ministry [sector snapshot](#) webpage for AG statistics.

Sign up for monthly [e-Bulletins](#) provide the latest news about upcoming programs, webinars, events and resources tailored to your region and delivered straight to your inbox.

Agriculture Land Commission

General Inquiries - ALCBurnaby@Victoria1.gov.bc.ca

The ALR is BC's provincial zone that preserves agricultural land for the future. The ALC is the administrative tribunal that adjudicates applications in the ALR while prioritizing and protecting the ALR land base and its use for agriculture.

AG Safe BC

1-877-533-1789. contact@AgSafeBC.ca

AgSafe BC is British Columbia's Agriculture Safety Association and COR Certifying Partner with **Emergency Planning, Worker Safety, Workplace Safety**, and other safety [tools and resources](#) for the entire agriculture sector. AgSafe BC offers in-person and online [safety training](#) for farmers and producers.

BC Agriculture Council

1-866-522-3447. info@bcac.ca

BC Agriculture Council (BCAC) advocates for the interests of B.C. farm and ranch families. By working collaboratively with our members, partner industry associations and private sector agri-food businesses, BCAC ensures the sustainable growth and competitiveness of B.C. agriculture.

Emergency Preparedness training, tools, and resources are shared at bcac.ca/emergency-planning/.

Information on **BCAC Advocacy, Access to Labour, Land Use**, and more can be found [here](#).

Buffalo Creek Consulting & Cowboy Services

Reg Steward, [linkedin.com/in/reg-steward-36147517b](https://www.linkedin.com/in/reg-steward-36147517b)

Offering presentations on safe and effective/efficient livestock handling. Reg also delivers Emergency Preparedness workshops with AGSafe BC.



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BC Forage Council

Serena Black P.Ag, General Manager, info@bcforagecouncil.com

The **BC Forage Council** promotes growth and development of a viable forage industry for domestic and export markets. Check out information on training related to [Advanced Grazing Systems](#), and **Agriculture Climate Solutions: [Living Labs](#)**. Also find forage best practices on the website at [Resources](#).

Dr. David Connell

Professor, UNBC, david.connell@unbc.ca

Topics of particular interest for Dr. Connell include agricultural planning and farmland protection, local food systems, and the quest for community. Links to research and resources to better protect [farmland](#), [agri-food systems](#), and [farmers markets](#).

District C Farmers' Institute

Michelle Miller, President, district.c.farmers@gmail.com

The Central Interior Farmers' Institute District C was established to coordinate the activities of Farmers' Institutes in northwestern B.C. and held conventions and carried out public efforts for the welfare of farming institutes.

List of Agricultural Resources on the District C [website](#). Follow District C on Facebook [@districtC.FI](#)

Dunster Community Association

Rashmi Narayan, Project Coordinator, Dunster Farmland Project, spiritedexchanges@gmail.com

FarmFolk CityFolk

Jolene Swain, Northern Seed Security Program Coordinator, nseedcoordinator@farmfolkcityfolk.ca

FarmFolk CityFolk works to connect, collaborate and engage to foster resilient, equitable food systems in BC. Check out the [Resource Library](#) for information on funding for farmers, seeds and seed cleaning, seasonal charts, podcasts, reports, studies, and more.

Hope Farm Organics

Andrew Adams BSc Ag, ATAg, Owner/ Operator, yourfarmer@hopefarmorganics.com

In addition to running an organic farm, Andrew is Agriculture Land Commissioner for the ALC North Panel.



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McBride Farmers' Institute

Mark Roth, President, markrothventures@gmail.com, 250-569-7805

Meetings on the first Monday of every month, 7:00pm, at 902 1st Avenue in McBride.

Native Bee Society of British Columbia

bcnativbees@gmail.com

A collective of native bee researchers, artist, land managers, conservation practitioners, and enthusiasts working to promote the conservation of native bees in BC. Downloadable information is on the [Resources Page](#). Check out the [Bee Atlas](#) and upcoming bee-related [events](#). Sign up for [updates](#).

Northwest Invasive Plant Council of BC

Michelle Miller, Executive Director, manager@nwipc.org

The Northwest Invasive Plant Council is dedicated to protecting the unique ecosystems of NW BC from the spread of invasive plant species. Resource links to best management practices and field guides to noxious weeds can be found [here](#). Check out the [Invasive Species Council of BC](#) and consider downloading the [WeedsBMP App](#) to identify invasive plants on your property.

Regional District of Fraser-Fort George

155 George Street, Prince George, 1-800-667-1959

Download the Regional District's [Regional Agriculture Study](#) to learn more about actions for supporting food and agriculture systems amongst producers, the public, local and Indigenous governments, and other key players in the Regional District.

Rivershed Society of BC

Willem Faasse, Program Coordinator, Willem@rivershed.com

Rivershed aims to connect, protect and restore the Fraser River's 34 watersheds. Rivershed offers several habitat restoration and education projects including the [Foodlands Corridor Restoration Program](#) and [Watershed Workforce Program](#). Sign up for the Rivershed newsletter [here](#).

Village of McBride

Karen Dubé, Economic Development Officer, edo@mcbride.ca, 250-569-2229



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Resource List - Sponsors



Robson Valley Hardware Corp

256 Main Street, McBride. 250-569-2284

Covers & Co.

Local dealer - Matt Vogel, 250-569-7968, vog01@hotmail.com

Provincial Territory Manager - Keegan Miller, 780-545-8098, keegan@coversandco.ca

Educational Library – Request a copy of the Covers & Co **Plant Diversity Guide**. Learn more about **mob grazing**, the **Carbon:Nitrogen Ratio**, **Mycorrhizal Fungi**, and more. Find book and podcast recommendations. Check out Covers & Co [Farm Panel Discussions](#).

Horseshoe Lake Ventures

377 Main Street, McBride. 250-569-0075, info@hlventures.ca

HLV carries all your [Farm Supply](#) needs including fencing materials, hand tools, veterinary products, high quality feed and more!

Robson Valley Community Services

942 3rd Avenue, McBride. 250-569-2266

Robson Valley Community Services is a charitable organization dedicated to strengthening all individuals, families, and communities by providing programs and services, and by collaborating within a rural environment.

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Four Rivers Co-op

Cardlock Fuel located at 2130 Ziedler Road, McBride

Earthen Enterprises

5173 Mountain View Road, McBride. 250-569-7204, eldonzim@icloud.com

Supplies fertilizer, fish compost, crop covers and more. Contact Eldon Zimmerman.



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