

# Destination BC: Marketing & Destination Development After the Wildfires

Cariboo Coast Chilcotin Tourism Association BC Rural Tourism Summit

**Ghost Lake** 









#### Key Underlying Themes

#### Speed of Change

- Consumer use of technology
- Platforms with broad consumer reach
- Rising consumer expectations
- Shift to experiential & transformative travel
- Ability to leverage data critical to compete
- First movers win.

# Stronger Together Collaboration & Alignment

- Co-investments in shared tools
- Encourage networks and deep collaboration
- Align roles and investment within the tourism ecosystem (DBC, DC, RDMOs, CDMOs, Sectors)
- Capitalize on the knowledge & innovation of the tourism eco-system





#### Our Marketing Strategy



Create emotional urgency to visit BC

#### GENERATE

Lead generation for BC tourism businesses

#### **ADVOCATE**

Amplify traveller advocacy

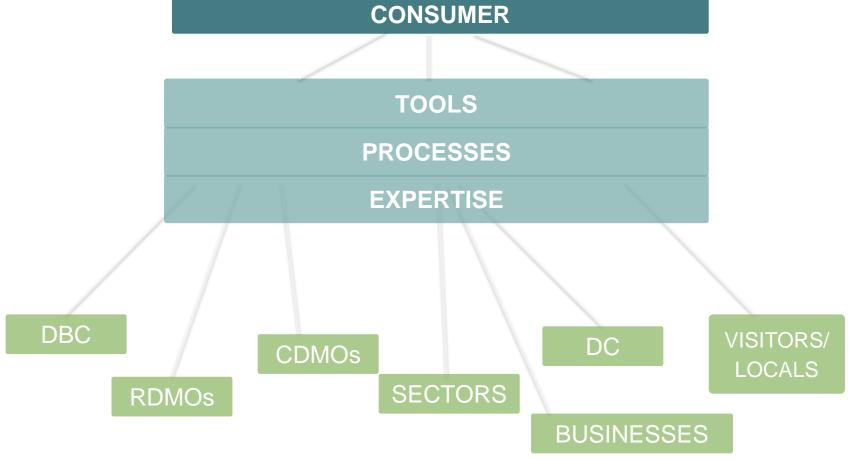




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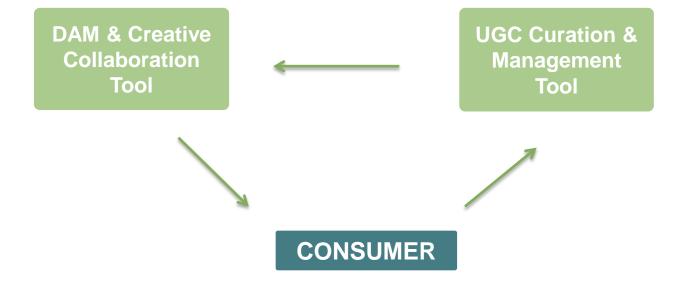
A shared approach to content marketing, built on common tools, processes, and expertise.







#### **TOOLS**

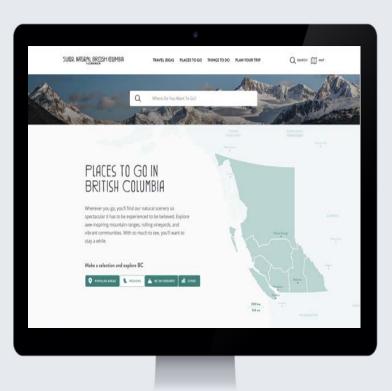


### Learning (and Measuring) What Works



#### **Coming Soon: New DBC Website**





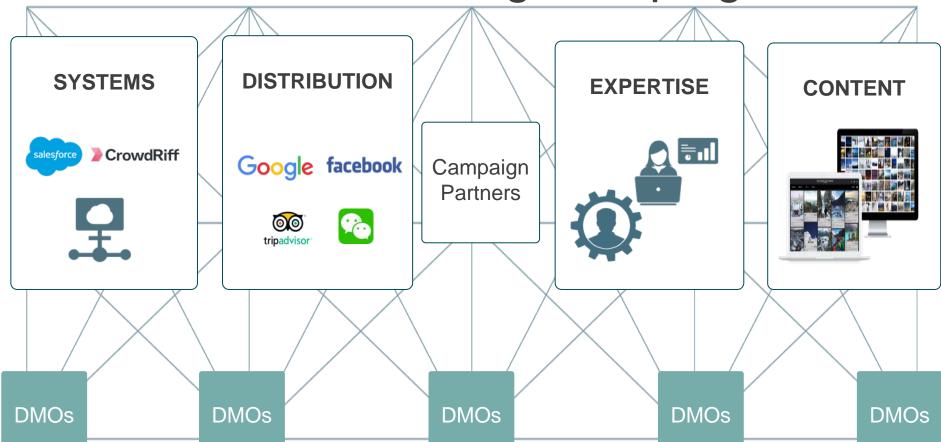
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#### **Listing Your Business**





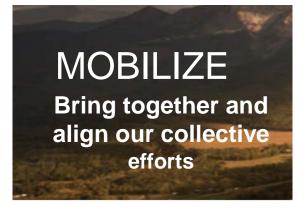
### Collaborative Marketing Campaigns







## Our Destination Management Strategy

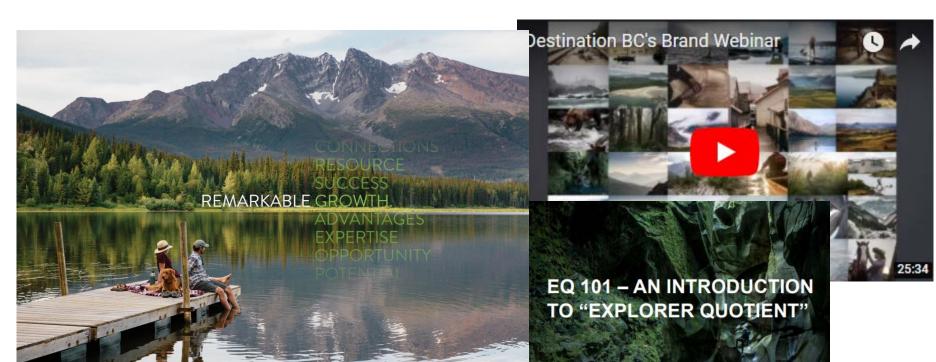








## Industry Learning & Development



#### Visitor Services to Visitor Experience



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MANAGING A
SEAMLESS
VISITOR
EXPERIENCE

DELIVERING
QUALITY
EXPERIENCES
AND
AMENITIES

BUILDING
INNOVATIVE
APPROACHES
TO
INFORMATION
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INSPIRATION
DELIVERY

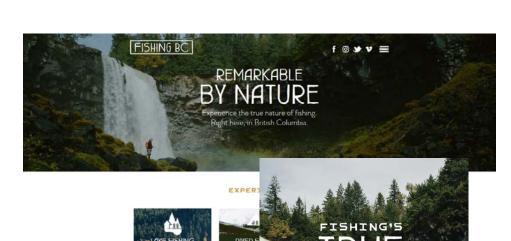
EVOLVING VISITOR SERVICE DELIVERY



#### **Shared Marketing**

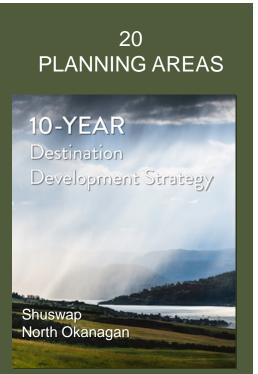
12 SECTORS

#### 140 communities



# Long Term Competitiveness: Destination Development Plans















#### Original and Sponsored Content



#### Hello BC blog

A Wilderness Getaway in BC's Cariboo BC's Top Small Towns Road Trip: From the bottom to the top



10 places to find BC's most spectacular fall colours

#### Driving BC's Best Road Trip Routes in 1, 3, 5, 7, or 10 Days



# Vancouver is Awesome



### **Key Marketing Activities**

NOV 2017

TO

MAR 2018



BC, AB, WA



# Digital advertising

Videos, banners, native ads sent traffic to the blog, sponsored articles, travel offers



# Paid search

Bid on high volume keywords to drive awareness of the region



#### **Email**

Email blasts to subscriber base, generating traffic to blog articles and then travel offers



#### Social Influencers

Two influencers engaged to speak about the region with authenticity to those who trust them



### **Sponsored** articles

BC Outdoors, Hooked, Vancouver Mag, Vancouver is Awesome, Daily Hive, Avenue, Seattle Mag, The National Observer



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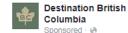
### Digital Advertising





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family to Mt. Timothy Ski Resort.

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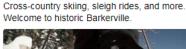
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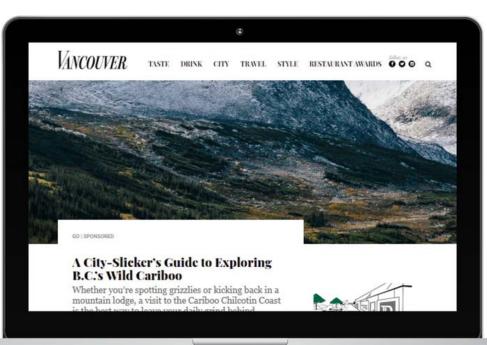
#### Videos





#### **Sponsored Content Articles**



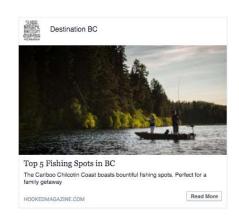








#### Content Ads & Banner Ads























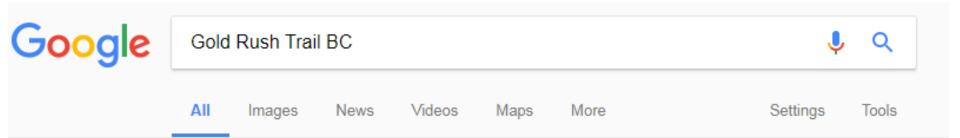
**Callum Snape** 



**Taylor Burk** 

#### Paid Search





About 260,000 results (0.54 seconds)

#### gold rush trail - Find a hidden gem this Fall - hellobc.com

(Ad) www.hellobc.com/Cariboo/Chilcotin ▼

Explore the unexpected in BC this November. Visit Cariboo Chilcotin BC.

You've visited hellobc.com 4 times. Last visit: yesterday

Unique Winter Vacations Travel Deals Cariboo

Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Hike The Gold Rush Trail

#### **Email**





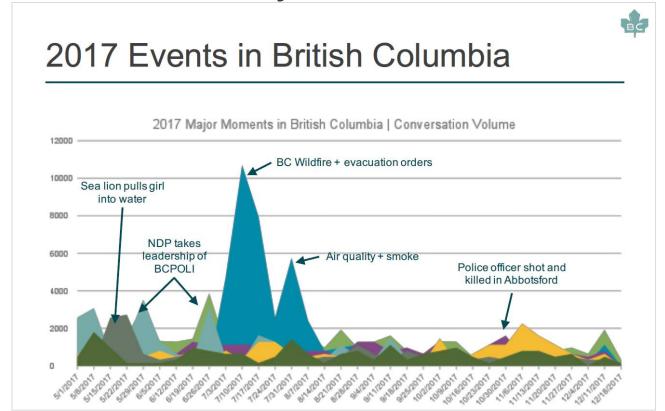




### Online Sentiment Analysis



Engaged
 Destination
 Think! to conduct
 an analysis of
 online
 conversations
 before, during
 and after the
 wildfires for CCC





#### Refresh Research for BC

## Post Disaster Marketing, What works? An investigation into the most effective disaster recovery marketing message Research Report Prepared for Destination Gippsland Ltd Dr Gabby Walters & Dr Judith Mair

- Updating the study for our market and target audiences
- Proactive step to being prepared for future events/crises





### Achieved over 800,000 views



umbrella

AGENCY: Camp Pacific

PROJECT: DBC-CCC

**DATE:** Apr.09.2018

**TRT:** :30

AUDIO: STEREO







# DESTINATION DEVELOPMENT



Princess Royal Island, Great Bear Rainforest





#### SUPPORTING THE VISITOR EXPERIENCE

VISITOR EXPERIENCE

SETTING, ACCESS & POLICIES

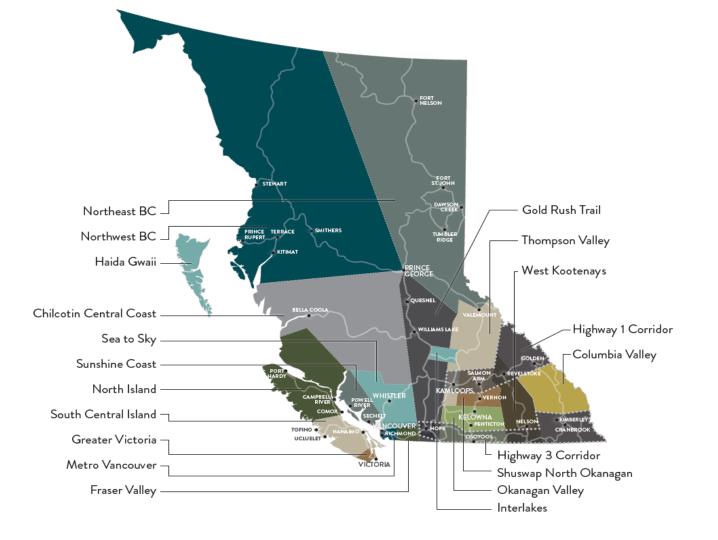
INVESTMENT ENHANCEMENT

EXPERIENCE & PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

**VISITOR SERVICING** 

CAPABILITIES, SKILLS & TRAINING







#### POWERFUL DEVELOPMENT NETWORK

1000+ Partners Engaged

**FIRST NATIONS** 

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

TOURISM BUSINESSES

TOURISM ORGANIZATIONS

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COMMUNITY GROUPS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



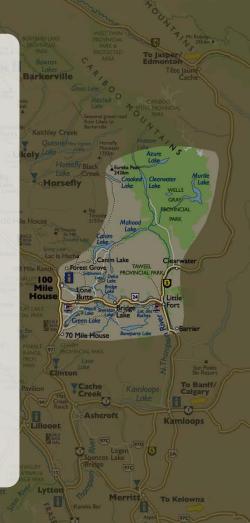
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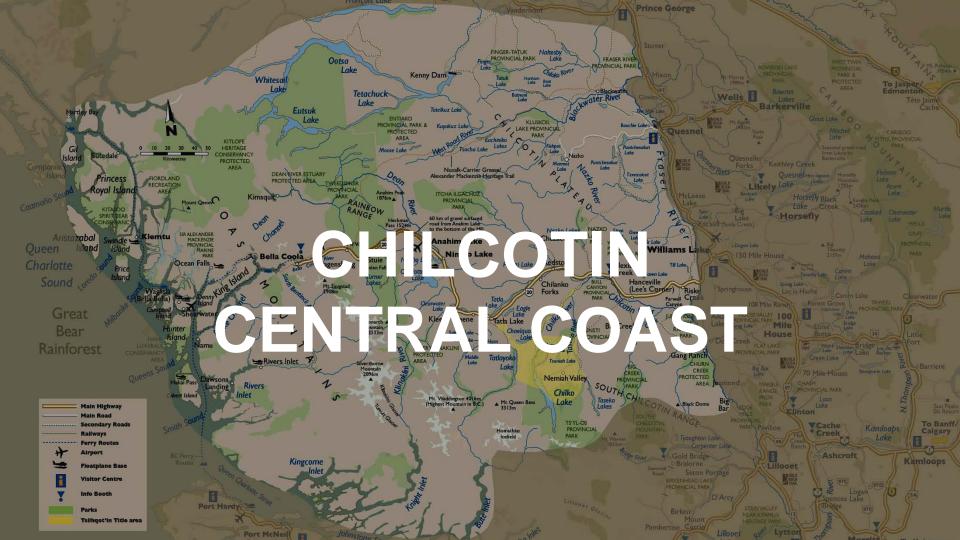
#### **Development Themes**

- Challenging business environment
- Leverage Wells Gray Park
- Decline in tourism businesses
- Infrastructure enhancements

#### Status Update

- Draft Situation Analysis in review
- Session 2: April 17<sup>th</sup>, Wildman's Family Restaurant
- Working Group: April 18<sup>th</sup> \*working group only





# Ootsa Tetachuck Rivers Inlet Kingcome

## CENTRAL COAST

#### **Development Themes**

- Visitation highly seasonal
- Need for more products
- Leverage Great Bear Rainforest
- Enhance Discovery Coast Circle Route experience

#### Status Update

- Initial planning process complete
  - Situation Analysis complete
  - Final draft Strategy complete
- Revisit: May 22-25



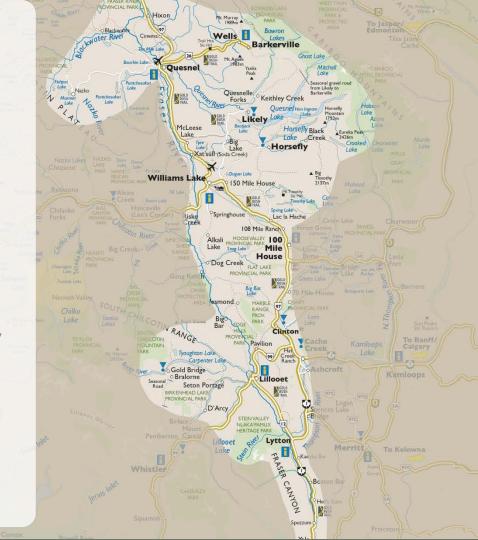
## GOLD RUSH TRAIL

#### **Development Themes**

- Visitation highly seasonal
- Infrastructure upgrades to support touring
- Need for more products
- Sharing the Gold Rush Trail story

#### Status pdate

- Initial planning process complete
- Situation Analysis complete
- Draft Strategy in review





#### PROGRAM OUTPUTS







## 2018/19 Co-op Program Highlights

- 62 Applications
- Total request of \$5.26 Million
- Estimated 179 communities participating



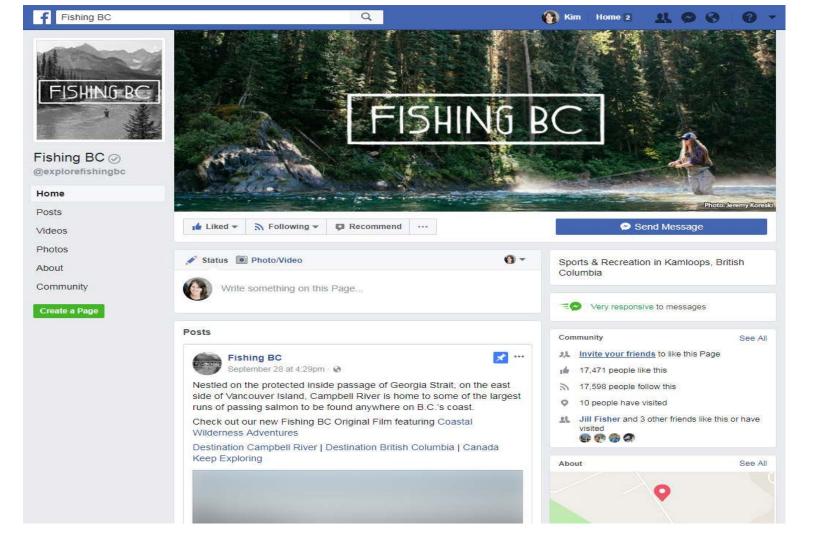
## 2018/19 Funding Decisions

- Score of 75% or higher receives full funding, 70-74% receives 80%, 65- 69% receives 60% and 60-65% score receives 50% funding. Scores of 50% or lower are declined
- 2 applications were declined



## DBC Funding by Region

Region	17/18 Final	18/19 Awarded	YOY%
CCC	\$143,736	\$330,500	57%
KRT	\$206,020	\$198,378	-4%
NBC	\$190,786	\$181,656	-5%
TOTA	\$284,600	\$389,387	27%
VCM	\$869,693	\$806,316	-8%
VI	\$1,170,656	\$939,850	-25%
Sectors	\$1,197,494	\$1,217,615	2%
Total	\$4,062,985	\$4,063,702	0%











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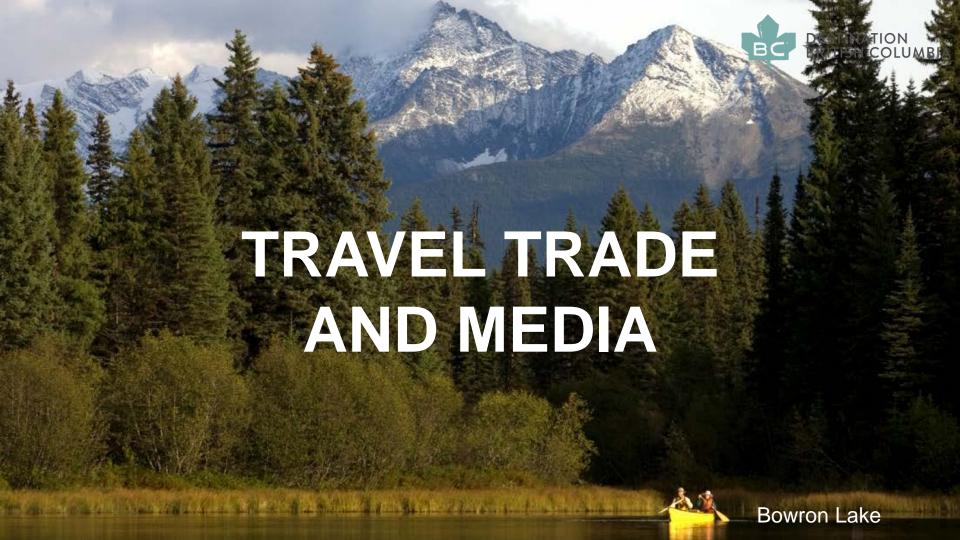
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