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As president of the Alouette River Management Society (ARMS) I am pleased to introduce our Annual Report for 2021. Through the tireless work of our staff, directors and volunteers, ARMS had an impressive year completing many projects and activities; despite the challenges of COVID, the heat dome and the November floods that marked a historical year for British Columbia. Upon reviewing our annual report, you will see that we continue to address our priority areas--developing new connections and deepening existing relationships, delivering exceptional education, and outreach experiences and continuing our key focus of monitoring, protecting, enhancing the health of the Alouette watershed. I would like to acknowledge that none of our work could have been accomplished without our volunteers, donors, government, and community partners and I would like to thank all of them on behalf of the board.

Special acknowledgment is needed for Katzie First Nation's leadership in the Alouette Watershed. Since ARMS' inception, Katzie has been a constant source of insight and support to us as we work to care for the Alouette River that is a vital part of their traditional, unceded territory and the long history of their people. I would also like to extend a special thank you to everyone who supported the **Save Our Salmon** campaign, which was instrumental in preventing a controversial development application from moving forward that would have negatively impacted the river and the surrounding watershed. We could not have done this without our supporters.

Moving forward, we will continue our work to secure fish passage on the Alouette Dam, influence BC Hydro operations to better protect the river, and expand our education and outreach programs. We will continue to build diverse relationships so that we can ensure this heritage river is protected for future generations to enjoy.

I would like to specifically thank my colleagues on the board and the staff of ARMS for their extraordinary efforts over the past year.

In closing, thank you again for your support! We look forward to you joining us in this work throughout 2022 and beyond as a volunteer, donor, and supporter.

Sincerely Ken Stewart

**Directors for 2021-2022**: Geoff Clayton-Founding Director, Cheryl Ashlie-Past President, John Dale-Vice President, Doug Stanger-Treasurer, Gavin Roache, Lance Di Salvo, Craig Speirs, Daniel King, Gerry Miller, John Kelly, Victoria Farahbakhchian, Matthew Adams, Chris McMillan.

**Staff**: Greta Borick-Cunningham-Executive Director, Sophie Sparrow-Environmental Projects & Communications (on maternity leave 07/2021-09/2022) Alexandra Holmes-Acting Environmental Projects and Communications (maternity leave cover), Dan Mikolay–Eco-Camp Supervisor, Marissa Waddell–Environmental Education Coordinator (new 11/2021), Jasmine Sidhu-Environmental Education Coordinator (2018-2021)