

**TO: Administrators
Directors of Engineering / Planning**

FROM: Jared Wright, Policy Analyst

DATE: December 20, 2005

**RE: RIPARIAN AREAS REGULATION - LOCAL
GOVERNMENT TRAINING SESSIONS**

Please consider this an advance notice that the Ministry of Environment will be delivering one-day workshops for local governments on the implementation of the Riparian Areas Regulation (RAR) with its project partners, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

The dates and locations of the training sessions are as follows:

Monday, January 16, 2006 – Nanaimo

9:30am to 3pm
Coast Bastion Inn
11 Bastion Street, Nanaimo

Wednesday, January 18, 2006 – Port Coquitlam

9:00am to 2:30pm
Best Western Poco Inn
1545 Loughheed Hwy, Port Coquitlam

Thursday, January 19, 2006 – Kelowna

9:30am to 3:00pm
Kelowna Best Western Inn, Woodfire Conference Center
2400 Hwy. 97, North Kelowna

The workshop agenda topics include:

- Introduction
- Background on the Model
- Overview of the Legislation
- Overview of Regulation
- Implementation tools
- Overview of Cooperative Agreement
- Monitoring and Compliance
- Q&A

Lunch will be provided.

Please send your RSVPs by email to Jared Wright, Policy Analyst, at jwright@civicnet.bc.ca or by fax to **604-270-9116**.

Copies of the Regulation, Implementation Guidebook and other related materials can be downloaded from the Ministry of Environment website at: http://wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/habitat/fish_protection_act/riparian/riparian_areas.html

