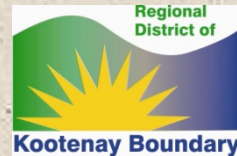
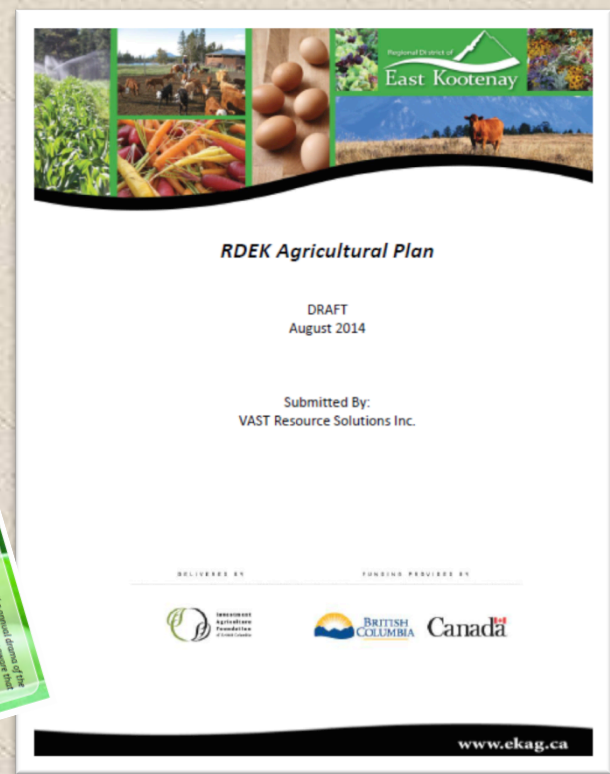
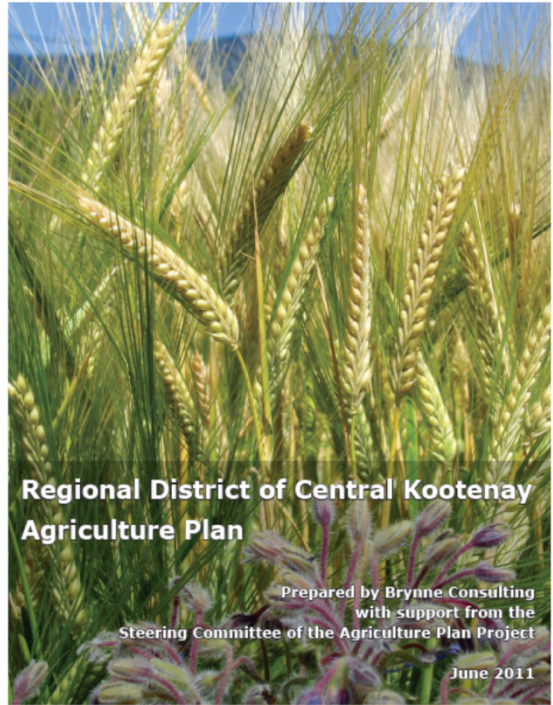


REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIAISON SERVICES

January 2017





Between 2011–2014, the three participating Regional Districts completed Agricultural plans.



KNOWLEDGE BRIEF: AGRICULTURE PLANNING

COMMON THEMES IN THE THREE AGRICULTURE PLANS OF THE COLUMBIA BASIN-
BOUNDARY REGION

FEBRUARY 2015



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**2015 – Columbia Basin RDI
compiled a Knowledge Brief
of common themes within
the three Agricultural plans.**

All 3 plans recommended recruitment of human resources to address key matters:

Education for Existing Producers

Property Leasing

Climate Change Adaptation

Marketing

Economic Development

Succession Planning

Infrastructure Restrictions

Education for New Producers



BENEFITS OF REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIAISON SERVICES :

- ✓ potential to be more cost effective
- ✓ more efficient than the individual RD's moving forward alone
- ✓ could advance and support the agricultural industry on a larger geographic scale



STEERING COMMITTEE



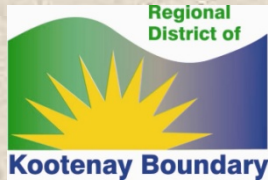
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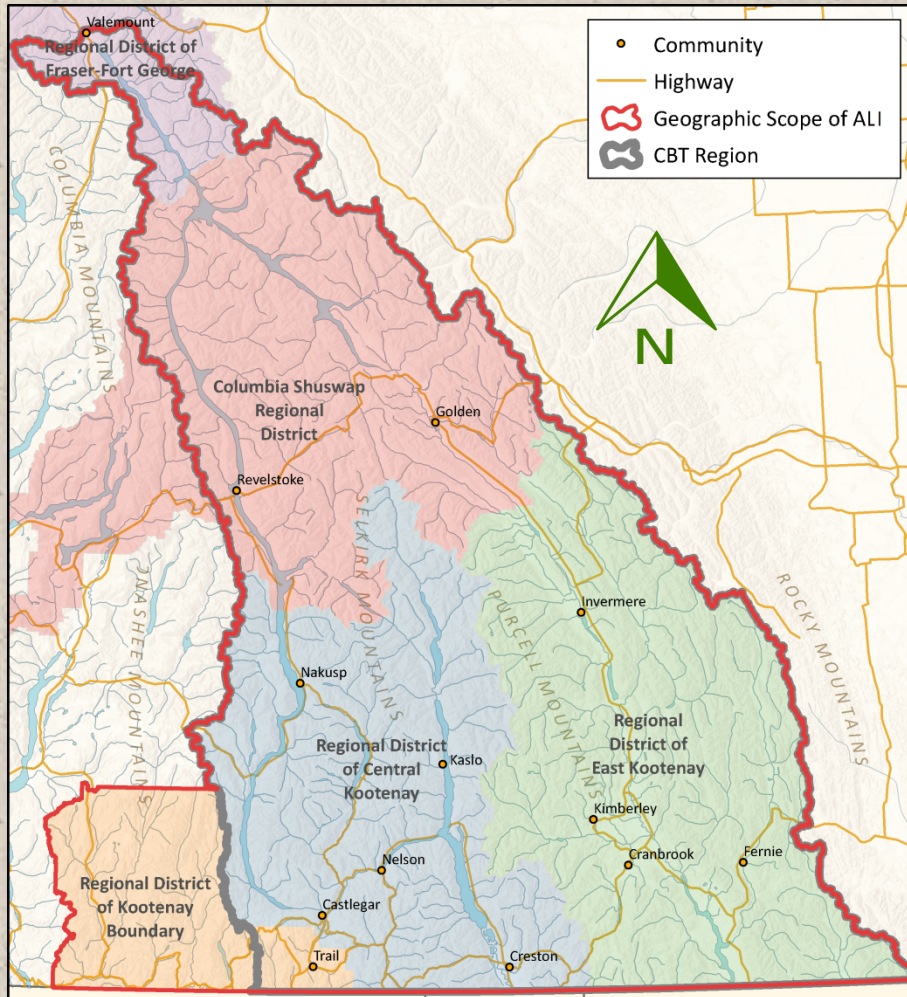


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3 GOALS OF REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIAISON SERVICES

- **Technical Extension**
- **Business Development**
- **Marketing**





Geographic Area

PROPOSED RALS BUDGET

- 3 year pilot project
- \$240,000 annual maximum budget
- Funded equally by the participating Regional Districts and Columbia Basin Trust.



RALS TIMELINE



November - December
Request for Proposal



January
Steering Committee meetings
to discuss next steps



Spring

- **next steps confirmed**
- **project start up**

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