

BC Fruit Growers' Association Friday File

February 8 2019



BCFGA Annual Convention

It's On!

The BCFGA Annual Convention takes place next week. The meeting starts at 1 pm (11:30 luncheon for delegates) at the Penticton Lakeside Resort.

The rockslide in Summerland has a bypass using Forest Service Road 201. FS201 is slow (50-60 km/hour), adding some time but it is well maintained and signage is clear. The highway department is also working on a local detour around the slide.

Here is the updated [2019 Convention Agenda](#).

Check back to the [Annual Convention webpage](#) for updates.

Water Well Registration

Deadline is March 1 !!

BCFGA is strongly recommending that growers with irrigation wells take immediate action and register their irrigation well(s). Water for domestic (single residential) use do not need to be registered.

The BCFGA is having a session on Water Well Registration at the Annual Convention at 11 am on Wednesday, February 13. This may be your last chance to learn about how to register your well on time.

Condolences

Joan Forbes, wife of BCFGA past-President Fred Steele, passed away January 18, 2019. Send condolences via the [remembrance webpage](#).

SAWP

Question of the week

Where are there online resources to help me with SAWP?

[WALI](#)

[BCFGA](#)

[CAHRC HR Toolkit](#) - some fees apply, but are very reasonable!

On your cellphone the CAHRC App - this is a pilot in Ontario. Should we get it here? Let us know - bnijjer@bcfga.com

Competitiveness Fund - Can you apply?

Second intake deadline is March 29

Information on the Competitiveness Fund is provided in a link on the [BCFGA Home page](#).

For individual farm or business development resources, please refer to www.AgriServiceBC.ca

There you will find specific links to:

- Learn how to start a new farm
- Learn how to start a food processing business


For individual farm or agri-business marketing support, please see <http://iafbc.ca/buy-bc/cost-shared-funding/> for BC marketing assistance and

<http://iafbc.ca/funding-opportunities/market-development/> for market training, research and planning as well as export marketing funding.

Funds are limited for agri-business marketing support and export marketing funding programs are limited.

Meetings and Events

Date	Meeting	Details
Feb 12-13	BCFGA Annual Convention	
Feb. 20	Tree Fruit Hort Symposium	
Feb 27-28	Canadian Federation of Agriculture AGM	Peter Simonsen, Glen Lucas
Mar 5-7	Canadian Horticultural Council AGM	Pinder Dhaliwal, Glen Lucas

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