



BC Government launches AgriRecovery Fund to aid B.C. ranchers and farmers rebuild.

As of October 5, 2017 B.C. ranchers and farmers can now access a reserve of \$20-million as the Government launches the Canada-British Columbia Wildfires Recovery Initiative to help rebuild their livelihoods. Application packages for extraordinary costs incurred by ranchers and farmers to recover from the adverse effects of this year's wildfires are available at FrontCounter BC, Ministry of Agriculture offices, or at: <http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/programs/insurance-and-income-protection-programs/bc-wildfires-agrirecovery-initiative>.

The initiative will cover extraordinary costs incurred by agricultural producers, including: Costs related to ensuring animal health and safety; Feed, shelter and transportation costs; and Costs to re-establish perennial crop and pasture production damaged by fire. The Ministry of Agriculture

has dedicated staff to assist producers with the application processes, assessing losses and payment of claims. For more information, producers can call 1 888 332-3352 or email: agrirecoverywildfireinitiative@gov.bc.ca

Additional support for ranchers and farmers recovering from wildfires is available from the Ministry of Agriculture through existing programs, such as Farm Business Advisory Services.

AgriRecovery is a federal-provincial-territorial disaster relief framework under Growing Forward 2, intended to work together with the core business risk-management programs to assist agricultural producers to recover from natural disasters. AgriRecovery initiatives are cost-shared on a 60:40 basis between the federal government and participating provinces or territories.

Supporting ranchers is one aspect of government's comprehensive wildfire recovery plan. Recovery is focused on people and communities, economy, environment and infrastructure and reconstruction.

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RO FEATURE LISTING

Bar M Ranch **M**



Hwy 97C, Ashcroft, BC >573 Acres

4 Residences, 550 Head cow/calf operation with a 1000 Head Feedlot, Gravity Fed Water, Surveyed Development Potential. [view complete listing here>](#)

RO FEATURE LISTING



"Great Recreational Property or Horse Ranch"

1200 Willis Road, Chetwynd, BC >630 Acres

Timber Log Home, 50x120 Pole Barn with maturity pen, cattle handling system, fenced & Xfenced. [view complete listing >](#)



We invite you to visit us online at ranchesonly.com to view our current listings or to book a ranch evaluation to assess your rural estate value.


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A Ranch Assessment Checklist can help you compare and identify your most viable rural property option.

As you begin your search for your dream ranch or rural property you will find that there can be an overload of information when trying to compare properties that may interest you. Keeping a Ranch Assessment Checklist that is customized to your specific property needs can be a huge help in evaluating properties when you are trying to locate the best location for your ranch operation.

A Ranch Assessment Checklist compliments your business plan and allows you to clearly see the advantages or disadvantages that each property represents according to your specific needs. Your comprehensive Checklist should include the following;

- SOIL (Quality and Composition)
- LAND SUITABILITY & CLIMATE
- LOCATION & PROXIMITY
- LAND ORIENTATION
- TOPOGRAPHY AND SLOPE
- VEGETATION
- CONTAMINATION (Prior Herbicide Application)
- WATER RESOURCES
- LAND ACCESS
- FENCING
- EQUIPMENT USAGE/STORAGE
- HOUSING
- INFRASTRUCTURE
- POWER SUPPLY
- PROPERTY BORDERS
- EASEMENTS
- LEASES / CROWN RANGE LEASES
- LAND USE RECORDS
- PROPERTY ZONING RESTRICTIONS
- NEIGHBOUR RELATIONS
- LIVESTOCK

Having a checklist with a list of these items when viewing a potential property will ensure you consider and ask the right questions and allow you to write down specific comments or notes about each of these important considerations. This checklist will become a valuable asset when comparing properties and aid in your final decision process when committing to placing a bid on your chosen listing. Ranches Only realtors are knowledgeable professionals who are a part of the BC ranching community and they endeavour to supply you with all the information you require to find and purchase your dream ranch. 

RO FEATURE LISTING



"Complete Privacy with Stunning Views"

3049 Peterson Road, Williams Lake >172 Acres

Custom Home, Second residence, 40x40 Coverall storage shed, 40x100 Coverall Barn, 3 Bay Workshop. [view complete listing >](#)

RO FEATURE LISTING



"Halfway River Frontage with Cattle Facilities"

Pink Mountain Ranch, Fort St. John >3600 Acres

Renovated 4 Bedroom Home, Guest House, Steel cattle handling facilities, 2 high fenced bale yards. [view complete listing >](#)



Head Count, Grazing Licenses, Irrigation, Equipment, Hay Production...

There are many economic and agricultural factors to consider when purchasing a ranch property. Being a part of the BC Ranching Community gives our realtors the hands on knowledge of farming and ranching in our respective areas. We are happy to answer any inquiry or questions you may have about ranching in BC.

[Click here to contact a respective realtor in your region>](#)

Wishing you a Country Christmas and Happy New Year from our dedicated team of Rural Property Specialists.

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