

## 2026 Environmental Stewardship Events

The following environmental stewardship events are proposed to take place in 2026.

<b>Event Title</b>	<b>Proposed 2026 Dates</b>	<b>Event Description</b>
Repair Cafés	Multiple events will be organized throughout the year	These events will be organized by the Engineering Department in partnership with the Burnaby Neighbourhood House. Details for the events will be released on the City's website and social media channels as they are confirmed.
Community Cleanups	Multiple events will be organized throughout the year	These events will be organized by the Engineering Department in Partnership with the Lower Mainland Green Team. Details for the events will be released on the City's website and social media channels as they are confirmed.
Burnaby Parks Ecosystem Restoration Events	Multiple events will be organized throughout the year	These events will be organized by the Parks, Recreation and Culture (PRC) Department and external partners. Details for the events will be released on the City's website and social media channels as they are confirmed.
Guided Nature Walks	Multiple events will be organized throughout the year	These events will be held by the PRC Department as part of their broader outdoor recreation and education programs. Details will appear on the City's activity registration platform (Active Net) when registration opens to the public.
Environmental Themed Workshops	Multiple events will be organized throughout the year	The Burnaby Village Museum hosts various environmental themed workshops related to native plants, invasive species, and birds in the area. Details will appear on the City's activity registration platform (Active Net) when registration opens to the public.
City Nature Challenge	April 24 to April 27	iNaturalist Guided Walks around Burnaby Parks. Participants can make observations of plants, insects, wildlife, using photos or sound recordings using the app.
	April 24 to May 10	Observations can be uploaded directly to iNaturalist through any smart-phone or computer to be counted in the 2026 City Nature Challenge database.
Eagle Creek Salmon Release	TBD	This is a community event organized by the Eagle Creek Streamkeepers with support from City staff and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO). The event takes place at Charles Rummel Park.
Burnaby Blooms	May 3	Burnaby Blooms promotes the long-term sustainability and ecological health of our community in a fun and creative environment. This event takes place at the Deer Lake Park Festival Lawn.

Great Salmon Sendoff	May 9	This a community event organized by the Stoney Creek Environmental Committee with support from City staff and DFO. The event takes place at Stoney Creek Community School.
Environment Week (May 30 to June 7)	May 30 to June 5	Go By Bike Week. Hosted across Metro Vancouver by HUB Cycling with support from the City's Transportation Team.
	May 30	Burnaby Eco-Centre Open House.
	May 31	Ecosystem restoration events in partnership with the Lower Mainland Green Team and Streamkeepers.
	May 31 to June 7	Environmental awareness, stewardship and climate action digital content (promoted on City social media channels).
	May 31 and June 6	Ecosystem restoration events in partnership with the Lower Mainland Green Team and the Cariboo Heights Forest Preservation Society.
	June 2 and June 3	Guided canoe trips on Deer Lake.
	June 6	Interactive environmental display at Hats Off Day in Burnaby Heights.
	June 6	Ecosystem restoration events in partnership with the Lower Mainland Green Team and the Cariboo Heights Forest Preservation Society.
	June 6	Re-use/recycle themed 'Art on the Spot' event at Deer Lake Park hosted by the Shadbolt Center for the Arts.
	TBD	Nature Connections Event in partnership with the Burnaby Lake Park Association
	TBD	Community Clean up in partnership with the Lower Mainland Green Team.
	TBD	Repair Café in partnership with the Burnaby Neighbourhood House.
Spring Cleanup	June (Date TBD)	This is the third annual Spring Cleanup Event, organized by the Engineering Department. Each year, the City receives donated materials for re-use and recycling which increases waste diversion from the landfill.
Environmental Awards	February 23 to March 30	2026 Environmental Awards Nomination Period. See Attachment 2 for details.
	May 26	Council report presenting the 2026 recipients on the open agenda.
	May 27	Award recipients and a summary of accomplishments published to City of Burnaby webpage.
	June 23	Awards reception at Council Chambers to celebrate the winners of the 2026 Environmental Awards Program.

World Rivers Day (WRD)	September 20 and 26	Ecosystem restoration events led by Lower Mainland Green Team, in partnership with local stewardship groups and the City of Burnaby.
	September 27	This year will be the 21st anniversary of the United Nations' recognition of WRD. A celebration will be held at the Burnaby Village Museum that will feature numerous environment themed activities for people of all ages, including Indigenous programming, live entertainment, and a film screening.