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Finding Aid - B.C. Tap Water Alliance fonds (MsC-133)

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Repository:	Simon Fraser University Special Collections and Rare Books
Title:	B.C. Tap Water Alliance fonds
Reference code:	MsC-133
Date:	[197?]-2013 (date of creation)
Physical description:	3.6 m of textual records
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Summary information

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Will Koop is the founder and coordinator of the B.C. Tap Water Alliance (1997 to present, www.bctwa.org). He helped lead the fight through ongoing advocacy to re-protect Metro Vancouver's watersheds (1991-1999), and has authored dozens of reports, most on the subject of community drinking watersheds and the struggles for their protection. He is also the author of a book, From Wisdom to Tyranny: A History of British Columbia's Drinking Watershed Reserves (2006). In 2006, he began research and writing on energy (Big Oil) issues, as they relate to the theme of fresh water impacts. In February 2010, he began a website called Stop Fracking British Columbia, investigating and pioneering concerns about hydraulic fracturing, focusing on research, writing of reports and media releases. In December 2014, he authored an investigative report on the Mount Polley mine tailings disaster and a history of the mine entitled The Scene of the Crime.

Custodial history

Records were in the custody of Will Koop prior to their acquisition by Simon Fraser University Library Special Collections and Rare Books in 2013.

Scope and content

Fonds consist of records created and received by Will Koop as founder and director of the B.C. Tap Water Alliance. These include Community Watersheds Task Force meeting files; forest hydrology research records; land use plans, legal records from Joseph Miller et. al. vs. Wright Mallery; results of Freedom of Information requests; and newspaper clippings. The fonds also contains files relating to Chapman Creek, and the Bull Run, Seattle City, Rossland City, Chapman Creek and Elk Creeks watersheds.

Notes

Title notes

Restrictions on access

This fonds is not yet processed. Access restrictions may apply; please consult staff for more information.

Finding aids

Print inventories are available.

Other notes

- **<u>Publication status</u>**: published
- Status description: Published

Access points

- B.C. Tap Water Alliance
- Textual records (documentary form)
- Environment (subject)
- Geographic features (subject)
- Natural resources (subject)