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RE: Funding to Raincoast Research Society and the Coastal Alliance for Aquaculture Reform

As a concerned member of the public, I am writing to ask questions about grants from Tides Canada Foundation to Raincoast Research Society and the Coastal Alliance for Aquaculture Reform (CAAR). By way of background, please find attached, *Sea Lice Research: Science or Marketing?*

Firstly, in a newsletter from 2002 (attached), Tides Canada reports that a "dedicated funder" made it possible for CAAR to begin. Who was that "dedicated funder?" Was it the David and Lucile Packard Foundation?

Secondly, according to my analysis of U.S. tax returns and on-line databases, Tides Canada Foundation has been granted more than \$42.9 million from three large, American foundations. My question is, how much of this \$US 42.9 million has been re-granted directly or indirectly to Raincoast Research Society, the David Suzuki Foundation, Living Oceans Society (through Ecojustice) and other members of CAAR?

Thirdly, in a sea lice research paper published under the auspices of the University of Alberta, Alexandra Morton reports receiving a grant from Tides Canada. Ms. Tricia Cummings told me yesterday that Tides Canada Foundation has made three grants to Raincoast Research Society. According to Ms. Cummings, these three grants originated from two different sources.

In light of the issues and concerns presented in the attached paper, I believe that it is fair to ask this: Did any of the funds that Tides Canada Foundation granted to Raincoast Research Society originate from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation?

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Sincerely,

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c.c. Dr. David Johnson, Special Advisor to the Provost, University of Alberta
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Mr. James Lunney, MP
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ATTACHMENT: Sea Lice Research: Science or Marketing?

Sent by e-mail.

Grants From Three American Foundation to Tides Canada and to the Tides Foundation for Projects in British Columbia (2000 - 2009): \$US42,874,387				
Foundation	Year	Stated Purpose of the Grant	Amount	Total
Hewlett	2002	For the Rainforest Solutions Project	\$ 150,000	\$ 20,329,869
	2003	For the Rainforest Solutions Project	\$ 1,115,000	
	2004	For the development of a strategic plan to address oil and gas development in B.C.	\$ 70,000	
		For general support of the Turning Point Initiative	\$ 750,000	
	2005	For support of a campaign to ensure the government keeps its commitment to sign off on the proposed Great Bear Rainforest agreements.	\$ 150,000	
		For a regranting fund to support the Great Bear Rainforest Agreement	\$ 125,000	
		For creation of a small grants fund to address Canadian oil & gas development	\$ 250,000	
	2006	For the Rainforest Solutions project	\$ 350,000	
		For the Rainforest Solutions Project	\$ 300,000	
	2007	For the oil and gas fund project	\$ 1,500,000	
		For the Ecosystem-Based Management Implementation Donor Advised Fund	\$ 3,956,630	
		For the Coast Opportunities Foundation Donor Advised Fund	\$ 3,434,240	
		For the Coast Opportunities Foundation Fund	\$ 3,378,990	
		For short-term support to allow start-up and implementation plans to proceed on the Great Bear project	\$ 1,000,000	
	For the Spirit Bear Fund	\$ 750,000		
2008	For reducing the environmental impacts of oil & gas development in Northern Canada	\$ 3,000,000		
2009	For developing a business plan for the organization	\$ 50,000		
Packard	2001	Support for start-up costs and the creation of a re-granting fund to support marine protection efforts in British Columbia.	\$ 640,000	\$ 14,110,239
	2002	Support for the development of a strategic donor outreach initiative, and for the Coast Alliance for Aquaculture Reform project and for sustainable aquaculture in B.C..	\$ 346,500	
		Support for Rainforest Solutions Project	\$ 990,908	
		Support for alternative economic development the Taku River Tlingit Salmon Smokery	\$ 35,000	
		Support for efforts to secure greater levels of protection for the temperate rainforests on the central/north coast of British Columbia.	\$ 780,000	
	2003	To develop indigenous Canadian capacity for conservation philanthropy.	\$ 175,000	
		Support for the Rainforest Solutions Project.	\$ 250,000	
		For the Rainforest Solutions Project: Science and Planning Program.	\$ 250,000	
		For the Rainforest Solutions Project.	\$ 260,000	
	2004	For the Rainforest Solutions Project to implement the socially responsible investment strategy of its conservation and sustainability initiative on the B.C. coast.	\$ 250,000	
		For the Rainforest Solutions Project: mapping a new model for conservation and sustainable development on the British Columbia coast.	\$ 532,500	
		For a project to implement Ecosystem-based Management in British Columbia's Great Bear Rainforest.	\$ 50,000	
		To promote and increase philanthropy for conservation initiatives in Canada.	\$ 150,000	
	2006	For the Rainforest Solutions Project	\$ 100,000	
		For the Coastal First Nations Turning Point Initiative	\$ 175,000	
	2007	For fund development for the Rainforest Solutions Project	\$ 50,000	
		For start-up and regional conservation management initiatives of the Coast Conservation Endowment Fund Foundation.	\$ 318,650	
To support ecosystem-based management implementation of the Great Bear Rainforest through 2010 (36 month)		\$ 3,000,000		
To fulfil the Foundation's commitment to the Coast Conservation Endowment Fund Foundation.		\$ 5,756,681		
Moore	2003	Donor-advised Fund for Wild Salmon Conservation	\$ 350,000	\$ 8,534,288
	2004	Donor-advised Fund for Wild Salmon Conservation	\$ 600,000	
		Trans-boundary Watershed Alliance	\$ 277,525	
		Raincoast Solutions Project	\$ 400,481	
	2006	Stikine Conservation Network	\$ 500,000	
		British Columbia Salmon Conservation - Small Grants Fund	\$ 600,000	
		Taku Watershed Conservation - Salmon Habitat Protection	\$ 469,227	
		Increasing Environmental Non-Governmental Capacity for ABM (Area Based Management)	\$ 1,212,150	
	2007	Great Bear Deal Implementation - Coast Opportunities Funds Start-up	\$ 529,629	
		Strategic Acquisition of Guide Outfitter Operating in Taku Watershed	\$ 655,000	
		Informing Area-Based Management Through Collaborative Scientific Analyses	\$ 889,946	
Test Case - Legal Framework for Aboriginal Rights and Title		\$ 250,000		
Securing the PNCIMA ABM Process Through an ENGO Strategic Plan		\$ 1,241,635		
	British Columbia Wild Salmon Conservation - Small Grants Fund	\$ 395,910		
	Sustainability Plan	\$ 162,785		
Total:			\$42,874,387	