FALL CONFERENCE TICKETS ON SALE NOW

The CVMA-SBCV Chapter Fall Conference and Trade Show tickets are on sale now. Tickets are available, along with the program, at this link: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/cvma-sbcv-chapter-fall-conference-and-trade-show-november-6-7-8-2015-tickets-17755812112.

NEW PUBLIC HEALTH VETERINARIAN

Dr. Melissa McLaws has recently joined the BC Centre for Disease Control as the Public Health Veterinarian. Her role is to provide veterinary public health expertise to BCCDC and BC partners in assessing and managing zoonotic health risks to the public. Her primary focus is to manage the new animal rabies program, providing advice and support to private vets and public health professionals on risk assessment and management. She will also be involved in managing the new reportable animal zoonotic diseases program and providing input in public health issues involving animals such as foodborne diseases, Ebola, leptospirosis, and others. She may be reached at 604-829-2110 or at melissa.mclaws@bccdc.ca.

NEW RESOURCES FOR WILDLIFE HEALTH

The Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative BC node, the BC Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources Operations and the BC Ministry of Agriculture announced several resources for those interested in wildlife health and diseases in BC. The provincial government’s new Wildlife Health website is at: www.gov.bc.ca/wildlifehealth. The website includes information on BC’s wildlife health program in action and resources on how to report or submit sick, injured, or dead wildlife. The 2014/15 Annual Report of the Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative (CWHC) is available at: http://www.cwhc-rcsf.ca/annual_reports.php. The report is meant to raise awareness of the CWHC’s response to some of the varied challenges facing wildlife and to highlight the efforts of the CWHC to protect the health of wild animals. Lastly, for those interested in staying connected on information, issues, and projects related to wildlife health within BC, the CWHC BC node is continuing to develop our BC Wildlife listserv. To subscribe to the listserv send a blank email to bcwildlife+subscribe@cwhc-rcsf.ca.