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Lac du Bois Project fonds 1978.033, 2012.007

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Access: Open. Textual and other material 1976 – 1983, 1989
0.20 metres

Title: Lac du Bois Project fonds

Dates of creation: 1976-1983, 1989

Physical description: 0.20 m of textual records and other material

Administrative history:

Lac du Bois Project was initiated as a research study and book project by Alastair McLean in 1976 while he was working as a research scientist at the Agriculture Canada Research Station in Kamloops, British Columbia. The project extended over the next five years and resulted in the publication of a book, *Treasures of Lac du Bois*, 1981, edited by McLean and written by Karen McLaren and Kenna Cartwright, and the creation of a resource file which was assembled from the research of McLean, McLaren, and Cartwright between 1976 and 1981. Funding for the project came from Weyerhaeuser Canada and a Local Initiatives Program grant from the Job Creation Branch of Canada Manpower. During the project McLean, McLaren, and Cartwright carried out original research by drawing upon a variety of sources such as archives, university professors, and government agencies, as well as by conducting 16 interviews with residents of the Lac du Bois area.

Scope and content:

Fonds consists of two accessions that document the Lac du Bois Project (1976-1981) and the work of Alastair McLean, Karen McLaren, and Kenna Cartwright on the publication *Treasures of Lac du Bois* and a resource file on the social and physical history of the Lac du Bois region. Records include correspondence, financial records, drafts, artwork, notes, clippings, photographs, and sound recordings. The fonds largely consists of the Lac du Bois resource file which McLean, McLaren, and Cartwright collected during the course of the project. Typically the files include copies of articles, reports, notes, and maps. A table of contents to the files is included. Also included are 16 oral interviews which were conducted with Lac du Bois pioneers by McLaren and Cartwright in 1977. Written transcripts of the interviews are included in the resource file entitled "people". Also included is an album of photographs of early Lac du Bois residents taken between 1909 and 1940.

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Notes:

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of fonds.

Physical description: Other material includes 80 b&w photographs, 25 drawings, and 16 sound recordings.

Immediate source of acquisition: The records in accession 1978.033 were donated to the Kamloops Museum and Archives by Karen McLaren and Kenna Cartwright on May 12th, 1978. The records in accession 2012.007 were donated to the Kamloops Museum and Archives by Karen McLaren, likely in ca. 1990.

Availability of other formats: Sound recordings also available in electronic form.

Access restrictions: No restrictions on access. The archivist reserves the right to restrict access to any fragile material for preservation purposes.

Terms governing use and reproduction: No reproduction permitted without consent of copyright holder. It is the researcher's responsibility to obtain permission for the reproduction of materials for publication or dissemination.

Finding aids: File list is available for this fonds.

Accruals: No further accruals are expected.

Access points:

Cartwright, Kenna

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Farm life

Kamloops, British Columbia

Lac du Bois, British Columbia

McLaren, Karen

McQueen Lake, British Columbia

McQueen Lake Centre

Pioneer life

Ranches

Wildlife conservation

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Appendix 1 Lac du Bois Project fonds file list

Accession/Box	(file)	Description	Dates
1978.033/001	(01)- (02)	Lac du Bois resource file – photographs: album and negatives	1976-1977
1978.033/002		Lac du Bois resource file – oral interviews: 16 sound recordings of oral interviews conducted by Karen McLaren and Kenna Cartwright in 1977	1977
2012.007/001	(01)	Lac du Bois resource file – table of contents	1976-1977
	(02)	Lac du Bois resource file – climate	1976-1977
	(03)	Lac du Bois resource file – geology	1976-1977
	(04)	Lac du Bois resource file – vegetation	1976-1977
	(05)	Lac du Bois resource file – wildlife	1976-1977
	(06)- (07)	Lac du Bois resource file – people: includes summaries of 16 oral interviews conducted by Karen McLaren and Kenna Cartwright in 1977	1976-1977
	(08)	Lac du Bois resource file – land tenure	1976-1977
	(09)	Lac du Bois resource file – homesteading	1976-1977
	(10)	Lac du Bois resource file – ranching	1976-1977
	(11)	Lac du Bois resource file – education	1976-1977
	(12)	Lac du Bois resource file – prospecting-mining	1976-1977
	(13)	Lac du Bois resource file – general historical documents and notes Other interviews	1976-1977
	(14)		1976-1977
	(15)	Other resources – publications on regional climate	1944-1977
	(16)	Karen McLaren's notebook for the project	1976-1977

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2012.007/002	(01)- (02)	Correspondence: active and passive correspondence, seeking information and research material from government officials, archivists, and university professors. Includes letters from G.G.E. Scudder, head of the department of zoology at UBC and V.J. Krajina, honorary professor of botany at UBC	1976-1977
	(03)	Financial records	1976-1979
	(04)- (06)	Drafts	[1977?]- 1981
	(07)	Photographs (18 b&w photographs and 4 negatives)	[1977?]- 1981
	(08)	Pen and ink drawings by Charles McLaren	[1977?]- 1981
	(09)	References and appendix lists	1976-1977
	(10)	Karen McLaren and Kenna Cartwright. Treasures of Lac du Bois. Kamloops: Peerless Printers, 1981.	1981
	(11)	Newspaper clippings	1977-1983
	(12)	Registration and copyright	1981
	(13)	Lac du Bois local resource use plan	1989