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New Program Manager Joins Investment Agriculture Foundation

May 8, 2014 – Victoria, B.C. The Investment Agriculture Foundation of B.C. (IAF) is pleased to announce the appointment of Alana Wilson to the position of program manager. In her new role as program manager, Wilson will be a key contact for the BC agri-food industry in the promotion of IAF funding programs, assisting clients and sector organizations to understand the application process, and helping industry clients to take advantage of the funding opportunities available.

Wilson previously served IAF in the capacity as Program Analyst, and also worked for the Agriculture and Food Council of Alberta as an Agri-Industry Development Officer. After taking time off to pursue her Master's, she is looking forward to getting back into agriculture.

Wilson holds a Bachelor of Science Agroecology (Honours), Food and Resource Economics from the University of British Columbia, and a Master of Science in Local Economic Development from the London School of Economics and Political Science. She is also a Professional Agrologist registered with the B.C. Institute of Agrologists.

"I am excited to return to IAF and to support the ongoing growth and adaptation of B.C. agriculture," says Wilson. "I am passionate about this industry and its potential to support economic growth and development."

According to IAF Executive Director, Peter Donkers, Alana Wilson has a tremendous skill set and will be an integral part of the Foundation's program delivery team, adding that "We are very fortunate to have Alana back with the Foundation."

Based in the lower mainland, Wilson is expected to assume her program manager position on May 23.

The Investment Agriculture Foundation is an industry-led not-for-profit organization that works with the agrifood industry to invest federal and provincial funds toward projects that have the potential to transform ideas into solutions.

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