#### **RE:** communication with

From Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

: s.15

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX
Sent: March 23, 2017 10:08:42 AM PDT

Thanks.

I haven't spoken to Jen yet since she isn't finished her report from what I understand. I will follow up with her to determine what Q value she used to size the culvert on the rail grade. Since it is not a short term / temporary piece of infrastructure (at this point) we may have to consider a larger pipe.

Cheers

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From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 10:05 AM

To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

**Subject:** RE: communication with \$.22

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Phone: 250-825-1120 (w) 250-505-9864 (c)

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 4:45 PM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Cc: Laroche, Russ FLNR:EX; Scown, Ken W FLNR:EX

Subject: RE: communication with \$.22

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: s.15

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX
Sent: March 23, 2017 10:46:03 AM PDT

Hi Tara,

Just spoke to Jenn Sabean. She satisfied my questions regarding sizing of the pipe for the rail grade at 600mm. I requested that Jenn provide further information on the adjacent structures (culverts that you mentioned near the cross ditch installed by \$.22 if she is on site again. If there are concerns about cost to BCTS I am happy to cover such costs. Jenn also mentioned that she thought the equipment may be on site today to install the 600mm cmp. If not, I may want to try to get some other works done while the machinery is in the area.

**Thanks** 

TT

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# RE: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

From Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

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To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Cc: Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX, McRory, Rob FLNR:EX, Walton, Grant L FLNR:EX

Sent: April 12, 2018 10:16:29 AM PDT

Hi Tara,

Of course. Any time. I am available for a call today or tomorrow. Next week might be tough but the week after (April 23-27) is wide open. Please let me know what works for you and who else might call in (assuming Grant who was added to the email).

I will also share my calendar with the group in case the next few days don't work for you.

Cheers

TT

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**From:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX **Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 8:57 AM

To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

Cc: Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX; McRory, Rob FLNR:EX; Walton, Grant L FLNR:EX

Subject: RE: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

Hi Tennessee

It would be nice to get together and discuss the Minister's thoughts on long term use of the rail grade between Christina lake and Castlegar. Please let me know when might be convenient.

Tara

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

Sent: Wednesday, April 11, 2018 9:22 AM

**To:** McRory, Rob FLNR:EX

**Cc:** Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX; DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX **Subject:** RE: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

Hi Rob and Tara,

Daniel and I met with Interfor staff at the mill in Grand Forks yesterday. It was a productive conversation and will form the basis of an authorization for use of portions of the Columbia and Western Rail Trail for industrial purposes. Interfor indicated that they may wish to commence road building as early as fall 2018.

Cheers,

Tennessee

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From: McRory, Rob FLNR:EX

**Sent:** Friday, March 23, 2018 9:40 AM

To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

**Cc:** Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX; DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX **Subject:** RE: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

Hi Tennessee, can you please keep Tara in the loop on this one. Thanks.

Rob McRory, RPF

Tenures Officer/Senior Lands Officer

Selkirk Forest District

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#### Rob.McRory@gov.bc.ca

**From:** Cruickshank, John FLNR:EX **Sent:** Friday, March 23, 2018 7:17 AM

To: McRory, Rob FLNR:EX

**Subject:** Fw: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

fyi

John Cruickshank, RPF Tenures Forester

Selkirk Forest District - Revelstoke

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From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX Sent: March-22-18 4:15 PM To: Noren, Doug FOR:IN

Cc: Dexter, Justin B FLNR:EX; Cruickshank, John FLNR:EX; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX; Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX; XT:Dutka,

Evan FLNR:IN; Palmer, Ron FLNR:IN

Subject: RE: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

Hi Doug,

I can confirm that April 10<sup>th</sup> at 1300h works for both Daniel and I. We will plan to meet you at the woodlands office at the Interfor mill in Grand Forks. I have been there once before meeting with Randy Waterous about two or three years ago.

Should anything change please just let us know.

**Thanks** 

TT

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**From:** Doug Noren [mailto:doug.noren@interfor.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 1:51 PM

To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

Cc: Dexter, Justin B FLNR:EX; Cruickshank, John FLNR:EX; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX; Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX;

XT:Dutka, Evan FLNR:IN; Palmer, Ron FLNR:IN

**Subject:** RE: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

Thanks Tennessee. If April 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM works for you, then Evan Dutka and Ron Palmer from Interfor will also attend the meeting. Evan is taking over my forester's responsibilities in Grand Forks and Ron is Interfor's Forestry Superintendent for the Kootenays. They will both need to be involved going forward.

Doug Noren RPF

**Grand Forks Woods Division** 

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**From:** Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX [mailto:Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 9:20 AM

To: Doug Noren

Cc: Dexter, Justin B FLNR:EX; Cruickshank, John FLNR:EX; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX; Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX

Subject: RE: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

Hi Doug,

Would you be available to discuss the Interfor proposal at an in person meeting this spring? We have gotten some initial feedback from the Minister and I would like to discuss some of the details with you and discuss some aspects of Interfor's proposal.

I am travelling a lot for work right now but can be available to travel to Grand Forks on April 10, April 13 or any day over the week of April 23. Do any of those times work for you? I would plan to attend and would likely bring Daniel Scott from RSTBC as well.

Please let me know and thanks again for your ongoing patience.

Tennessee

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From: Doug Noren [mailto:doug.noren@interfor.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2017 11:34 AM

To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

Cc: Dexter, Justin B FLNR:EX; Cruickshank, John FLNR:EX; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

Subject: Columbia and Western rail trail near Lafferty

Hi Tennessee

Regarding Interfor's proposed harvesting near Lafferty, can you update me on whether there has been any progress on the matter of using this portion of the rail grade for logging truck access? Justin is looking to you to provide guidance for the issuing of a Section 16.

**Thanks** 

Doug Noren RPF Grand Forks Woods Division Interfor

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# Sharing invitation: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX - Calendar

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

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To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX, Walton, Grant L FLNR:EX, McRory, Rob

FLNR:EX

Sent: April 12, 2018 10:17:26 AM PDT

Attachments: sharing\_metadata.xml

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX (<u>Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca</u>) has invited you to view his or her Microsoft Exchange Calendar. For instructions on how to view shared folders on Exchange, see the following article:

http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=57561

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# FW: For Review: Draft Memo to Engineering and BCRST staff regarding HVR FSR Maintenance Planning Protocol

From: Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

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To: Crooks, John FLNR:EX

Sent: October 29, 2018 10:42:47 AM PDT

Attachments: Director(s) Memo FINAL- Funding HVR FSRs and protocol Oct 29 2018.docx

To discuss.

From: Knight, Lyle FLNR:EX

**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2018 10:41 AM

To: Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

Subject: FW: For Review: Draft Memo to Engineering and BCRST staff regarding HVR FSR Maintenance Planning

Protocol

Hi John,

As per Tara's note, I've made and highlighted a few minor adjustments to the attached memo.

If you're in agreement with the changes I'll send it out to the DM's (cc to the DEOs/ DROs) and ask for feedback by the end of this week.

Thank you,

Lyle

Best regards,

LYLE KNIGHT | ACTING DIRECTOR ENGINEERING | TOPFN | FLNRORD T: 250.558.1784 | C: 250.503.7603

**From:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX **Sent:** Friday, October 26, 2018 2:48 PM

To: Knight, Lyle FLNR:EX; Dobbin, Barry G FLNR:EX; Ashford, Andrew FLNR:EX

Cc: Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

Subject: RE: For Review: Draft Memo to Engineering and BCRST staff regarding HVR FSR Maintenance Planning

Protocol

Hi Lyle

I agree with your plan to try and solicit feedback without coming on the call. We are trying to revamp our format to allow more time for strategic conversations amongst the district managers, which is going to make it harder to get a topic like this on the agenda.

I would suggest that you don't rely on DM's having the time to review. To make this a bit easier I would briefly summarize in your email

- What are the significant points in the memo that will affect districts
- What specific question(s) would you like people to answer
- What is the deadline for reply

I would recommend sending it to the whole group and then you are more likely to get some response.

I would also say that you can send this directly using the FLNR District Managers distribution list and cc it to engineering officers so they can go and poke their respective DMs.

(for my part I get my hackles up a bit when someone says we "must". We are inundated with priorities, and representing it as an important best practice rather than something we "must" do is respectful of the juggling we are all trying to do)

That's my two bits -

Tara

From: Knight, Lyle FLNR:EX

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2018 10:08 AM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX; Dobbin, Barry G FLNR:EX; Ashford, Andrew FLNR:EX

Cc: Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

Subject: For Review: Draft Memo to Engineering and BCRST staff regarding HVR FSR Maintenance Planning Protocol

Hi Tara/ Barry/ Andrew,

John and I would like to get the attached draft memo before the District Managers for their feedback before it is distributed to Engineering and Recreation program staff.

It is intended "to clarify the Recreation Sites and Trails BC (RSTBC) and Engineering program responsibilities related to the maintenance of Forest Service Roads (FSRs) to high value **Forest Recreation Sites and Trails** and important **Recreation Areas.**"

And provide advice that, "Maintenance requirements for High Value Recreation FSR's must be jointly reviewed on an annual basis by local District Recreation Officers (DRO) and their District Engineering Officers (DEO) counterparts. This review is an opportunity for the local DEO to confirm RSTBC priorities for FSR maintenance that may be included in the Engineering Branch annual budget requests that are required in January of each year."

Knowing the multi-month delay getting onto the DM CoP call, does it make sense to send the proposed memo to DMs directly asking for their feedback/ agreement on the memo's intent before distribution? Or a few select DMs?

Any advice you can provide is appreciated, thank you.

Lyle

Best regards,

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From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2018 8:35 AM

To: Knight, Lyle FLNR:EX

Cc: Dobbin, Barry G FLNR:EX; Ashford, Andrew FLNR:EX

Subject: RE: Request: DM CoP discussion re: DEO/ DRO Planning Communication on High Value Rec FSRs

Hi Lyle

I will file your request away. It will most likely not be able to fit for the November call but I will let you know. FYI we are on the  $4^{th}$  Friday from 9-11 now,

Tara

From: Crampton, Ray W FLNR:EX Sent: Friday, October 19, 2018 5:34 PM

**To:** Knight, Lyle FLNR:EX

Cc: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX; Dobbin, Barry G FLNR:EX; Ashford, Andrew FLNR:EX

Subject: Re: Request: DM CoP discussion re: DEO/ DRO Planning Communication on High Value Rec FSRs

Forwarding to our esteemed area chairs.

Thanks Lyle.



## Ray Crampton

# District Manager

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On Oct 19, 2018, at 5:00 PM, Knight, Lyle FLNR:EX < Lyle.Knight@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Ray,

Just wondering who's leading the DM CoP these days? John Hawkings and I would like to try and get 15 minutes to discuss the attached Engineering Branch/ BC RST memo regarding DEO/ DRO communication and planning associated with the maintenance of FSRs to high value recreation areas.

Thank you,

Lyle

Best regards,

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Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

# Recreation Sites and Trails BC AND Engineering Branch

MEMORANDUM

October 29, 2018

To: All Staff

From: John Hawkings, Director

Recreation Sites and Trails

And

Lyle Knight, A/Director Engineering Branch

Re: Forest Service Road Maintenance Planning for Recreation Sites, Trails and Important Recreation Areas.

This memorandum is to clarify the Recreation Sites and Trails BC (RSTBC) and Engineering program responsibilities related to the maintenance of Forest Service Roads (FSRs) to high value Forest Recreation Sites and Trails and important Recreation Areas.

Maintenance requirements for High Value Recreation (HVR) FSR's should—must be jointly reviewed on an annual basis by the local District Recreation Officer (DRO) and the District Engineering Officer (DEO) counterpart. This review is an opportunity for the local DEO to confirm RSTBC priorities for FSR maintenance that may be included in the Engineering Branch annual budget request that is required in January of each year.

#### Priority List of HVR Sites, Trails and Important Recreation Areas.

The local DRO is responsible for developing a prioritized list of 'high value' **Forest Recreation Sites and Trails** by October 30<sup>th</sup>. This list is managed by each DRO and will likely not change significantly year-to-year. Section 1.4.4 of the FY19/20 Engineering Program Funding Policy (EPFP) outlines the criteria to identify candidate sites and trails) and states;

#### "High Value Recreation Sites and Trails:

- All high to medium demand Recreation Sites and Trails that are managed under partnership agreement or service contract and receiving regularly scheduled maintenance.
- 2. Medium demand, "user maintained" Recreation Sites and Trails.

#### Where:

*High Demand* Sites/Trails - sites and trails that are at capacity or receive high use every long weekend, most weekends and relatively high on weekdays throughout the season of operation.

**Medium Demand Sites/Trails**— sites or trails that receive high use on some long weekends and relatively busy on most weekends during the season of operation."

#### Priority HVR FSR's

It is recommended the local DRO and DEO will work together to review the DRO priority list and prepare a prioritized list of District HVR FSRs that may be maintained in the upcoming field season. The HVR FSR list should must be updated annually and before November 30 on the attached Discussion Table (Appendix 2 of the EPFP). This will help the DEO prepare their annual road maintenance service plan for Engineering Branch. Appendix 2 will be retained by both the DRO and DEO.

To be considered for funding, the DEO must ensure the FSR leading to the HVR site/ trail/ area is capitalized or submits a request to the Engineering Group Leader for consideration if it meets the criteria as per the EPFP.

This memorandum and direction in the FY19/20 EPFP replaces any prior MOU between Engineering Branch and Recreation Sites and Trails on this matter.

Questions pertaining to this arrangement or any amendments can be directed to the Manager, Business Operations Engineering Branch, and/ or the Provincial Recreation Manager, RSTBC.

John Hawkings	Lyle Knight
Director Recreation Sites and Trails Branch	A/ Director Engineering Branch
Date:	Date:

#### **Attachments:**

1. Template - High Value Recreation Sites and Trails with associated FSR Discussion Table (Appendix 2 of EPFP).

# RE: Update: ADM site tour - Cranbrook - Castlegar - April 10 - 11?

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>
To: Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX <Kevin.Eskelin@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: April 8, 2019 11:44:00 AM PDT

Attachments: image001.jpg

Hi kevin

Unfortunately (or maybe fortunately) I will be in Castlegar on Thursday. I have a meeting 9-12, but I could duck out early if need be. I would be very happy to go for lunch with Matt if he wanted to do it that way, although Nelson is a lot nicer place to eat.

Matt is very welcome to use my office for his call.

Tara

From: Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX

**Sent:** Monday, April 8, 2019 10:55 AM **To:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Subject: FW: Update: ADM site tour - Cranbrook - Castlegar - April 10 - 11?

Importance: High

Hi Tara, hope you are well!

Please see below, which I have sent previously to the management/executive over here. IROD ADM Matt Austin is to be in your office this Thursday, updated agenda here:

#### Wed April 10:

- 0845-1030 Meet with Cranbrook C&E staff at 205 Ind. Rd G
- 1030-1230 Meet with Kevin Eskelin (a portion of this time will be meeting with RMT potentially)(Theatre Road)
- 1230-1300 quick lunch and then head to Nelson
- 1500ish Pacific arrive Nelson
- 1500-1600 Matt has conference call to attend to.
- 1600-1700 potentially meet with Tennessee
- Overnight Nelson Prestige Lakeside

#### Thursday April 11:

- 0830-1000 meet with Justin in Nelson
- 1000-1030 Matt has a call to take
- 1030-1130 either free time or further discussions with RST (potentially he could also chat with Tara)
- 1200-1230 quick lunch then hit the road to Castlegar
- 1315 arrive in Castlegar
- 1330-1500 Meet with C&E staff in Castlegar
- 1500ish get Matt/Kevin to airport
- 1555 flight out of Castlegar

Do you have time for Matt? As below – I am thinking it is an opportunity for information sharing. Garth will be unavailable as you likely know. So there is an hour 1030-1130 for you and your management team if you want. I think it is just Matt, not Matt and Kevin as stated below.

Let me know! Thanks, KE Regional Recreation Manager Southern Interior East Region (250)426-1759 Cranbrook Kevin.Eskelin@gov.bc.ca

Recreation Sites & Trails BC Ministry of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations www.sitesandtrailsbc.ca

From: Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX Sent: April 5, 2019 12:20 PM

To: Krebs, John A FLNR:EX < John. Krebs@gov.bc.ca>; Morello, Ray FLNR:EX (Ray. Morello@gov.bc.ca)

<Ray.Morello@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Thom, Lisa M FLNR:EX <Lisa.Thom@gov.bc.ca>; Cadogan, Iris FLNR:EX <Iris.Cadogan@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: FW: Update: ADM site tour - Cranbrook - Castlegar - April 10 - 11?

Importance: High

I am sending this as information, and to ask if you have availability – or if you are interested.

RE: IROD ADM and ED for Compliance and Enforcement visiting Cranbrook (and Nelson/Castlegar) next week.

Iris, Lisa – sending to you to consider schedules of Paul and Garth for same.

Note that they will be in Cranbrook next Wednesday.

I have a tentative timeslot with **Matt Austin and Kevin Edquist from 11am to 1230** as per the draft agenda below. I do not need all this time, and none of my staff are available... so –

If you are available and interested I could arrange a general/informal meeting with you/us and them in this timeslot.

I am thinking it is an opportunity to provide updates and information sharing:

- Organizational changes Compliance and Enforcement Branch
- Improving Wildlife Mgt/Habitat Conservation initative
- KB region issues/updates that pertain to IROD
- Etc

Your thoughts/availability?

We can likely stretch the timeslot by starting earlier, Gerald was unsure if C&E needed that much time earlier in the morning.

<u>Lisa</u> – if Garth is in **Nelson next Thursday**, possible I can take some time away from Recreation Branch in the am to make time for a meeting with him if he sees an opportunity/need.

Please let me know as soon as you can, as I work with Gerald Hills to finalize the agenda for their trip.

From: Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX Sent: April 5, 2019 8:53 AM

To: Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX < Kevin. Eskelin@gov.bc.ca >

Subject: RE: Update: ADM site tour - Cranbrook - Castlegar - April 10 - 11?

Initial thoughts:

Tues April 9: Matt and Kevin get into Cranbrook at 2053. Overnight at St. Eugene

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- 1500ish get Matt/Kevin to airport
- 1555 flight out of Castlegar

Let me know your thoughts – particularly whether you want him to head straight to Nelson on Wed and meet with RST staff in the am or whether we just want to keep him in Castlegar (Nelson might make more sense and we can meet with him in the pm (and that is what I suggested here)).



**Gerald Hills** 

Regional Manager, Compliance and Enforcement Revelstoke | Kootenay Boundary Region Compliance and Enforcement Branch | FLNRORD Office: 250 805-6736 | Mobile: 250 814-4267

Report a Natural Resource Violation

From: Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX

Sent: Thursday, 4 April 2019 3:14 PM

To: Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX

Subject: FW: Update: ADM site tour - Cranbrook - Castlegar - April 10 - 11?

Hi Gerald, are you available in the next hour to discuss?

I have a call now but can call after that...

ΚE

From: Parkinson, Carolyn FLNR:EX

Sent: April 4, 2019 3:30 PM

To: Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX < Gerald.Hills@gov.bc.ca >; Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX < Kevin.Eskelin@gov.bc.ca >; Gervais,

Aaron M FLNR:EX <<u>Aaron.M.Gervais@gov.bc.ca</u>>; Watt, Murray J FLNR:EX <<u>Murray.J.Watt@gov.bc.ca</u>>

**Cc:** Edquist, Kevin FLNR:EX < <a href="mailto:kevin.Edquist@gov.bc.ca">kevin.Edquist@gov.bc.ca</a>; Brown, Ian S FLNR:EX < <a href="mailto:kevin.edgu.bc.ca">kevin.Edquist@gov.bc.ca</a>; Thomas, Hayley FLNR:EX < <a href="mailto:kevin.edgu.bc.ca">kevin.Edquist@gov.bc.ca</a>; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX < <a href="mailto:kevin.edgu.bc.ca">John.Hawkings@gov.bc.ca</a>; Linzey, Richard Linzey @gov.bc.ca</a>; Linzey, Richard Linzey @gov.bc.ca</a>; Linzey, Richard Linzey @gov.bc.ca</a>

FLNR:EX < Richard.Linzey@gov.bc.ca >

**Subject:** Update: ADM site tour - Cranbrook - Castlegar - April 10 - 11?

#### Hi Everyone:

I've attached Matt's flight details here. He flies Victoria to Cranbrook April 9<sup>th</sup> end of day and returns Castlegar to Victoria (needs to be at the airport by 3:00) April 11<sup>th</sup>.

I will overnight him in Cranbrook (St Eugene – 7777 Mission Road) but wait to see what the plan is before booking his Wednesday accommodation (of course, I'm open to suggestions)

Please let me know if you have any concerns.

Thank you all and let me know if I can provide any assistance with planning on my end.

Carolyn Parkinson

Executive Administrative Assistant to Matt Austin, Assistant Deputy Minister Integrated Resource Operations Division

Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

Phone: (778) 698-4895

**From:** Parkinson, Carolyn FLNR:EX **Sent:** Friday, March 29, 2019 2:15 PM

To: Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX; Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX; Gervais, Aaron M FLNR:EX; Watt, Murray J FLNR:EX

Cc: Edguist, Kevin FLNR:EX; Brown, Ian S FLNR:EX; Thomas, Hayley FLNR:EX; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX; Linzey,

Richard FLNR:EX

Subject: ADM site tour - Cranbrook - Castlegar - April 10 - 11?

#### Good afternoon:

I was hoping to get Matt out for another site tour leaving Victoria end of day April 9<sup>th</sup> into Cranbrook and travelling through to Castlegar leaving end of day Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup>. Would this timing work at all for him to meet with staff in the area? I can also look at travelling him the opposite way if that alternative works better for staff.

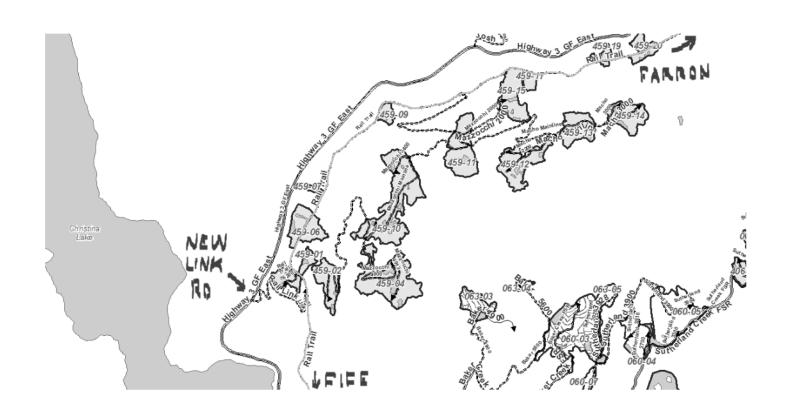
Please let me know if this is an option.

#### Thank you

Carolyn Parkinson

Executive Administrative Assistant to Matt Austin, Assistant Deputy Minister Integrated Resource Operations Division
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Phone: (778) 698-4895



# Re: Gates and restricted access question-Fife

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>
To: Hawkings, John FLNR:EX <John.Hawkings@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: May 7, 2019 12:30:52 PM PDT

Attachments: image001.png

Thanks John. Please call my cell 2505059864

Sent from my iPhone

On May 7, 2019, at 8:37 AM, Hawkings, John FLNR:EX < John. Hawkings@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Thanks Tara, I think it would be a good idea if we could chat, it should not take long. I am not available tomorrow so I will try you after 4.

Tennessee will be talking to Doug Noren this afternoon at 2 pm. We intend to authorize use of the C&W for both interfor and Kellesnikoff (BCTS). After further discussion we do not intend to require access or timing restrictions although we may ask for a gate on the Christina Lake side of the new access to limit on highway vehicle use heading south/west on the trail towards Fife. The ministry will need to issue road permits for both operators and would need support from your shop.

Thanks John

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX Sent: Tuesday, May 7, 2019 8:31 AM

To: Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

Subject: RE: Gates and restricted access question-Fife

Hi John

I don't have time today except 4 pm. I could also do 1 pm tomorrow.

Tara

**From:** Hawkings, John FLNR:EX **Sent:** Monday, May 6, 2019 9:38 AM **To:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Subject: FW: Gates and restricted access question-Fife

Hi Tara,

Do you have some time today or tomorrow for a quick conversation on some discussions we have had with the Minister on this topic? It would be good to bring you up to speed.

Thanks, John

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX Sent: Monday, May 6, 2019 9:26 AM

**To:** McRory, Rob FLNR:EX; Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX **Subject:** RE: Gates and restricted access question-Fife

Morning Rob,

There is no section 16 authorization on that section yet.

RSTBC had agreed with Interfor on terms for a draft section 16 last summer and then Interfor withdrew its application in the fall. Last winter there were substantial changes to the location of the Interfor request as well as changes to their commitments around access controls. We have requested further information from interfor since February (or so) which they have yet to provide. I have a call with Doug Noren tomorrow.

Did Tara Decourcy respond to Doug's original question below? If so, that would be a good perspective to see so that we can ensure that FLNR is on the same or at least a similar page.

The RSTBC intention is to authorize Interfor's access request while maintaining fundamental recreation trail values. Converting this section to a road with unrestricted access presents recreational value challenges that we prefer mitigating.

Best,

Tennessee Trent - Manager, Trails
Ministry of Forests Lands Natural
Resource Operations and Rural Development
Recreation Sites and Trails BC
4<sup>th</sup> Floor – 333 Victoria Street
Nelson, BC
250-354-6750

#### tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca

From: McRory, Rob FLNR:EX

**Sent:** Monday, May 6, 2019 9:16 AM

**To:** Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX; Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX **Subject:** FW: Gates and restricted access question-Fife

Good Morning Tennessee/Daniel, did you give a Section 16 approval to Interfor for the Fife section?

**From:** Ferguson, Michael E FLNR:EX **Sent:** Monday, May 6, 2019 7:50 AM

To: Noren, Doug FOR:IN

**Cc:** Palmer, Ron FLNR:IN; McRory, Rob FLNR:EX **Subject:** RE: Gates and restricted access question

Doug/Ron,

Seems we are all pretty short on time these days! I am heading to Kamloops tomorrow for training and will not be back until the week after but will try to set something up for a meeting later this month. I do really want to have this conversation though.

Ron, to answer your question regarding inviting the Penticton Band, I do not think this is the meeting for them. We can have that discussion at a later date.

Mike Ferguson RFT

Engineering Officer
Selkirk Natural Resource District,

845 Columbia Ave. Castlegar BC, V1N 1H3 (w) 250-365-8616 (c) 250-608-4176 Michael.Ferguson@gov.bc.ca

From: Doug Noren [mailto:doug.noren@interfor.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, May 2, 2019 10:08 AM **To:** Ferguson, Michael E FLNR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Gates and restricted access question

Hi Mike

Just following up from my phone message. Do you have some time in the next 2 or 3 days to discuss gates? You can call my cell anytime.

Thanks.

Doug Noren RPF Grand Forks Woods Division Interfor

Office: 250-443-2439 Cell: 250-442-7418

From: Ferguson, Michael E FLNR:EX < Michael. Ferguson@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: Friday, March 29, 2019 10:26 AM

To: Doug Noren <doug.noren@interfor.com>; Ron Palmer <Ron.Palmer@interfor.com>

Cc: Henshaw, Darren FLNR:EX < Darren. Henshaw@gov.bc.ca >

Subject: FW: Gates and restricted access question

Doug/Ron,

I would like to sit down with both of you at some point to discuss this proposal as well as the Tuzo Creek gate proposal. I have discussed both of these with Tara and I have expressed concerns with gating both locations and I would like to discuss alternative possibilities for both. Please advise as to your schedule for the next week or two.

## Mike Ferguson RFT

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Michael.Ferguson@gov.bc.ca

From: Doug Noren [mailto:doug.noren@interfor.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 10:51 AM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

**Subject:** Gates and restricted access question

#### Hi Tara

Interfor is planning a cutting permit north of Christina Lake in the vicinity of the old railway grade at Lafferty. Our intention is to construct a new connector road from Highway 3 to the rail grade and also to remove a bicycle bridge that currently restricts pickup sized traffic on the grade between Fife and Farron. I am currently working through a Section 16 with Tennessee Trent from RSTBC and he has requested that we put up gates on the new connector road, as well as the rail grade itself, so that vehicular traffic will still be restricted. What I would like to ask you before we take that step, is for clarification on the legal framework for restricting public access to crown land, I.e., are we legally allowed to restrict access to crown land? This portion of the rail grade does not currently appear to be restricted to non-motorized use. The map below shows the rail grade highlighted in blue. CP 459 is the new planned cutting permit.

<image001.png>
Thank you.
Doug Noren RPF
Grand Forks Woods Division
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# RE: CW rail trail

From Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

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To: Wiggill, Garth W FLNR:EX, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX, Hawkings, John FLNR:EX,

Walton, Grant L FLNR:EX

Sent: September 6, 2019 8:35:26 AM PDT

Hi Garth,

I did discuss the concept of FSR designation of some sections with Mike Ferguson and Ken Scown. From those discussions it doesn't appear likely that any section would be declared FSR. The single biggest gap between road permits to Interfor and BCTS would be the first 10 (roughly) kilometers of the trail from the Castlegar side. If neither FSR nor road permit are appropriate at this location, the ministry might consider a Land Act roadway application from the Columbia and Western Trail Society.

These implications will be discussed in detail in the decision note that goes to Matt once we've completed collection and analysis of First Nation, stakeholder and public comment.

Talk soon.

Tennessee Trent - Manager, Trails

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From: Wiggill, Garth W FLNR:EX Sent: September 6, 2019 8:30 AM

To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX; DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX; Walton, Grant L FLNR:EX

Subject: RE: CW rail trail

Tennessee thanks for some clarification. Under the point of who would conduct trail maintenance if the transfer went through, you indicated the forest licensees, but what about sections of the trail that are deregulated and are not transferred to BCTS or Interfor. Is the intention that those segments of the trail become a designated FSR with district responsibility for maintenance including the infrastructures currently in place (eg; the trestle bridges)

**Garth Wiggill** 

**Regional Executive Director** 

**Kootenay Boundary Region** 

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**From:** Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX **Sent:** September 6, 2019 8:08 AM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca >; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX < John.Hawkings@gov.bc.ca >;

Wiggill, Garth W FLNR:EX < Garth.Wiggill@gov.bc.ca >; Walton, Grant L FLNR:EX < Grant.Walton@gov.bc.ca >

Subject: RE: CW rail trail

Hi Tara,

Some information we've been sharing related to the CWRT process.

Cheers

- Is a decision to remove the trail designation from this 67-km portion of the Columbia and Western Rail Trail already complete? Is this a done deal?
  - No. A decision has not been made. The decision is delegated under the Forest and Range Practices
    Act to the Assistant Deputy Minister. Comments from First Nations, the public and stakeholders will
    be considered in the final decision.
- . What does this change mean for the trail? Can we still use it?
  - This proposed change in administration of the trail is meant to reflect current uses. Current use includes access by the forest industry, access to the rail corridor by public highway vehicles accessing private properties along the rail grade and access by the general public in highway vehicles, off-road vehicles as well as bicycles and pedestrians. If this change was to be approved, there would be few limits on use applied. The corridor would continue to be available for recreation use.

#### What is the history of ownership and trail designation on this section of rail corridor?

• The CP Rail company transferred the Columbia and Western Rail Trail to the Trans-Canada Trail (TCT) foundation in 1998. In 2004 TCT transferred the trail to Tourism BC. Tourism BC was a crown corporation under the Ministry of Tourism. In 2010 the trail was transferred from Tourism BC to the Ministry of Forests Lands Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development. A ministerial order was made under the Forest and Range Practices Act in 2011 to designate the CWRT as a recreation trail.

#### Who would do trail maintenance if this proposal was approved?

 If road tenures are granted to forest licensees, they would be responsible for maintenance over large sections of the rail corridor. This would include maintenance of complex engineered infrastructure associated with this section of abandoned rail corridor. Initial discussions with licensees indicate that they would attempt to limit their operations in the summer months to accommodate recreation.

#### Why does the forest industry require access on the Columbia and Western. Why can't they use other resource roads to access timber?

 The Columbia and Western Rail Trail provides access to some remote locations above the South Shore of Lower Arrow Lake and in McCrae Creek. Forest licensees have considered other access routes but have not found those routes feasible.

#### . Why is RSTBC considering this change?

The existing use includes highway vehicles and industrial traffic. RSTBC manages trails, not roads.
 The removal of the trail designation would allow the application of more appropriate roadway tenures such as road permits or potentially others.

# • When will the decision to remove or not remove the trail designation be made?

There are numerous interests and considerations associated with this proposal. Incorporating
comment and recommendations from First Nations, local government, industry, stakeholders and
trail groups is a critical step. At this time we do not have a firm timeline on decision but expect that
it should be made by the end of 2019.

## • What does this mean for the Great Trail (Trans-Canada Trail) designation over this section of rail corridor?

RSTBC understands that the Great Trail has a roadway policy which allows TCT routing over roads. If
a decision is made to remove the trail designation, the TCT roadway policy could apply. The Great
Trail is one of many key stakeholders in this decision and their comments will be carefully
considered.

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-----Original Appointment-----**From:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

**Sent:** August 20, 2019 4:38 PM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX; Hawkings, John FLNR:EX; Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX; Wiggill, Garth W FLNR:EX;

Walton, Grant L FLNR:EX **Subject:** CW rail trail

When: September 6, 2019 10:00 AM-11:00 AM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

Where: 877-353-9184 ID :s.15

Hi John and Tennessee

We have been getting numerous calls and emails from clients regarding the CWRT, although to my knowledge this is still a rec site. Perhaps a call would be in order for us to get update on the status of this trail.

Tara

# RE: Rush request from DMO: Brilliant Flats enforcement inquiry

From: Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX

s.15

To: Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Cc: Jonker, Berdine FLNR:EX

Sent: October 9, 2019 5:00:45 PM PDT

Attachments: image008.jpg, image009.jpg, image010.jpg, image007.jpg

Hi,

[NOTE: this email contains mapped representations of registered archaeological sites – internal use only]

As I looked at this I thought I would share some visuals... see below.

I have the municipal area as purple on the lowest map, where the area in question is circled in red.

I think Justin Dexter did put out land referrals for this area (not sure who the proponent was) but decided not to establish.

Significant archaeological values was one reason. So I can confirm it is vacant crown land, and does seem to be outside of the municipality.

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From: Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX Sent: October 9, 2019 5:35 PM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX <Kevin.Eskelin@gov.bc.ca>; Jonker, Berdine FLNR:EX <Berdine.Jonker@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Re: Rush request from DMO: Brilliant Flats enforcement inquiry

Thanks Tara. I spoke with John Hawkings today about the issues. I do understand that there may be some concerns about sec 58 but I think we need to creatively discuss possible solutions. Thanks again

Gerald

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 9, 2019, at 15:52, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

#### Hi Gerald

As you say there is nothing enforceable here at this time. I really do agree that protections are in order, although I'm not really sure we are resourced for a project like this right now. I think the situation is complicated byt the fact that part of the area is within the jurisdiction of the municipality (or regional district?). When I was out with CCT, MIRR and the RD a couple years ago this was discussed although nothing was pursued.

I know work has been done on this over the years. Perhaps we could start by getting a map from Tal as to the area of interest, requesting a status report from geomatics and checking with Sharon about any Land act reserves that have previously been contemplated. Basically do some information gathering to start. I will check with Berdine to see whether she might be able to do a bit of leg work to see how big the scope is. I would want to check with Garth and make sure this is a regional priority, but I think I need something to take him.

Maybe we could talk after that? Tara

**From:** Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX **Sent:** October 9, 2019 1:07 PM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca >; Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX

<Kevin.Eskelin@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Fwd: Rush request from DMO: Brilliant Flats enforcement inquiry

Hi Tara and Kevin. I'm tied up in meetings today and tomorrow but we should discuss this issue soon. I'll try and connect Friday.

Gerald

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Fisher, Tal FLNR:EX" < Tal.Fisher@gov.bc.ca>

Date: October 8, 2019 at 15:17:07 PDT

To: "Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX" < Gerald. Hills@gov.bc.ca >

Cc: "Cameron, Kevin J FLNR:EX" < Kevin.Cameron@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Re: Rush request from DMO: Brilliant Flats enforcement inquiry

Hello Gerald, This is very timely. s.16; s.18

There is clearly heavy recent, ongoing impacts to the general area from vehicle traffic.

There were trucks in the area today with people fishing. There is evidence of current and recent camping.

s.18

I support posting signs that limit access of vehicle traffic to the area indicating sensitive environmental reasons only.

Thanks

Tal Fisher 250 896-9386

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 8, 2019, at 12:07 PM, Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX < Gerald. Hills@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Tal. Can you give me a call or a quick email update re brilliant flats and your inspection this week. Findings etc. Thanks

Gerald

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Hogan, Tania FLNR:EX" < Tania. Hogan@gov.bc.ca >

Date: October 8, 2019 at 11:23:32 PDT

To: "Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX" < Gerald.Hills@gov.bc.ca > Subject: RE: Rush request from DMO: Brilliant Flats

enforcement inquiry

Gerald can you talk to Tal and let me know when he is going there. Thank you. ③

From: Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX Sent: October 8, 2019 11:20 AM

**To:** Hogan, Tania FLNR:EX < <u>Tania.Hogan@gov.bc.ca</u>> **Subject:** Re: Rush request from DMO: Brilliant Flats

enforcement inquiry

I just spoke with a nro. We did land act enforcement work there in 2018 but he is also not aware of any actions re long term camping this year. So I'll call that as none.

Gerald

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 8, 2019, at 11:13, Hogan, Tania FLNR:EX < Tania. Hogan@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Thanks Gerald – I will wait for concrete facts regarding TAL and the enforcement piece.

Let me know tomorrow if you can but I will pass this on to DMO for now indicating – we are still looking into. Thanks for the quick response Gerald.

From: Hills, Gerald FLNR:EX Sent: October 8, 2019 10:26 AM

To: Hogan, Tania FLNR:EX < Tania. Hogan@gov.bc.ca > Cc: Edquist, Kevin FLNR:EX

<Kevin.Edquist@gov.bc.ca>; Faucett, D. Brad

FLNR:EX < D.Brad.Faucett@gov.bc.ca>

**Subject:** Re: Rush request from DMO: Brilliant Flats enforcement inquiry

Not this year that I'm aware of. I believe we have in the past. Apparently Tal Fisher will be on site today or tomorrow specifically regarding the archeological values on site. I can't check at the moment. I do believe the COS has been on site but I don't believe that they have been enforcing the land act.

Gerald

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 8, 2019, at 09:22, Hogan, Tania FLNR:EX < Tania. Hogan@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Gerald sorry I know you are in Kamloops but can you get me an answer soon – it is a rush request. Thank you.

From: Tripp, Allison FLNR:EX
Sent: October 7, 2019 6:15 PM
To: Hogan, Tania FLNR:EX
<Tania.Hogan@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Rush request from
DMO: Brilliant Flats enforcement
inquiry

Can you find out? See below from Tristan.

From: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
Sent: September 25, 2019 11:51 AM
To: Tripp, Allison FLNR:EX
<Allison.Tripp@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Rush request from
DMO: Brilliant Flats enforcement
inquiry

I think we need to know if any enforcement action has been taken by NROs for overstaying 14 day camping limit.

From: Tripp, Allison FLNR:EX
Sent: September 19, 2019 4:12 PM
To: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
<Tristan.Jones@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Rush request from
DMO: Brilliant Flats enforcement
inquiry

From C&E:

The statement highlighted is correct. Unless there is a closure of some kind, public can camp on Crown land for up to 14 consecutive calendar days.

Give me a call if you need additional information or would like to discuss it further.

From: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
Sent: August 21, 2019 1:06 PM
To: Tripp, Allison FLNR:EX
<<u>Allison.Tripp@gov.bc.ca</u>>
Subject: FW: Brilliant Flats
enforcement inquiry

I think Angelika's inquiry about this property has to do with the issue as outlined below.

There is an NRO angle as highlighted.

From: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX
Sent: August 19, 2019 3:32 PM
To: Brunner, Angelika LASS:EX
<Angelika.Brunner@leg.bc.ca>
Cc: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
<Tristan.Jones@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Brilliant Flats
enforcement inquiry

# Hi Angelika,

• The BC Conservation Officer Service (COS) is aware of the situation below the Brilliant Dam and can advise that they often patrol that area to address violations of legislation it mandated to enforce. COS patrols focus on ensuring compliance with the Fisheries Act, Wildlife Act, Canada Shipping act (boat safety regulations), Wildfire Act (campfire restrictions), Environmental Management Act (littering and sewage disposal) and the Off-Road Vehicle Act.

 It is not illegal to camp in the areas of concern as it is crown land. However, if campers exceed 14 days camping in that location, they are out of compliance with the Land Act. Natural Resource Officers (NRO) with the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource **Operations and Rural** Development are the lead agency for Land Act Enforcement. NRO Supervisor Murray Watt, from the Castlegar office would be able to provide more information on their actions related to enforcing the Land Act.

#### Warmly,

#### Reamick Lo

Executive Assistant to Hon. George Heyman Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy Ph: 250-812-8642 Reamick.Lo@gov.bc.ca

From: Brunner, Angelika < Angelika.Brunner@leg.bc.ca > Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019

12:43 PM

**To:** Lo, Reamick ENV:EX < Reamick.Lo@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Brilliant Flats enforcement

inquiry

Hi Reamick, Are you able to give me some info for a constituent (per email below)?

I have already contacted the NRO regional office (Gerald Hills) and although he was able to tell me some general things he said patrols are now being done by COs and I could get more details from them. I did contact our local COs Ben Beetlestone and Blair Thin by email, but I forgot they are with MinEnv and I should have contacted you instead.

If possible I'd love some bullet points or wording that I can copy & paste to send back to her. Happy to chat too if you prefer.

The campers she is referring to are a constant presence throughout the summer in the highlighted area below. This is across the river from downtown Castlegar: <image001.png>

There are archaeologically sensitive areas too here (in red): <image002.png>

Thanks for any info you can provide!

# Angelika Brunner, Constituency Assistant

(she/her)

Katrine Conroy, MLA | Kootenay West | #2, 1006 3rd Street | Castlegar, BC | V1N 3X6 | Public line: 250-304-2783 | am most easily reached on our private line: \$.22 (not for public distribution)

----Original Message-----From:S.22 s.22

Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 1:23 PM

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To: Conroy.MLA, Katrine <Katrine.Conroy.MLA@leg.bc.ca>

Subject: Tolerance for Misuse of

**Brilliant Lands** 

I would like to know why abuse of the Brilliant lands at the confluence is being opening tolerated.

On any given day since May 2019 I can see dozens of campers set up throughout the shoreline, active fishing, boat and jet ski launches, vehicles parked on the foreshore, vehicles ranging from SUVs to RVs driving up and down the banks, and groups of people having night time bonfire parties on the beach. Last

August there was even a rave with DJs and an all night party.

I understood that this was a section 16 land act reserve area of interest. I also understand that its an area with a very high archaeological value ... the Friends of Parks and Trails spent considerable funds on archaeology work just to erect signs in the area.

There must be land and water protections in place that would restrict all the vehicle traffic in this area and on the foreshore, so my question is why are there no local officials interested in enforcing basic protections on these lands?

If there are specific authorities that I can direct this enquiry to, please advise.

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# RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>
To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: June 10, 2020 11:52:04 AM PDT

HI Tennessee,

We are just working on the agenda. I'm not sure there will be 30 minutes available, but I'm just trying to line up all the speakers.

So far I have you down for about 930, does that work for you? Let me know if you have constraints on your time and I can juggle.

Do you have a handout or presentation that I can share with the District Managers? Tara

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: June 10, 2020 10:37 AM

**To:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca> **Subject:** RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

Hi Tara,

Do you have a specific time within the June 26 0900-1100 call that I can fit into? I think 30 minutes total is completely adequate. I do expect there will be discussion and interest from several DM's and 30 minutes would accommodate that.

Please let me know as I'm trying to schedule a number of other things that day.

Best,

#### Tennessee Trent – Trails Manager

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#### tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: May 20, 2020 4:00 PM

**To:** Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX < Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca >

Subject: RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

#### Hi Tennessee

We are having a legislation workshop and the agenda is very full this month. I will put you on the June agenda which is June 26 between 9 and 11.

Sorry it didn't work out this month

Tara

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca>

**Sent:** May 19, 2020 4:51 PM

**To:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < <u>Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca</u>> **Subject:** RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

Hi Tara,

Just hoping to confirm a time slot in the June DM CoP call if nothing has come available for May (this week I believe). Please let me know.

**Thanks** 

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#### tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX Sent: May 6, 2020 9:53 AM

**To:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < <u>Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca</u>> **Subject:** RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

HI Tara,

Just an FYI that I have spoken with DM's from DSQ, DCK, DOS and DSS. They were all generally interested in contributing to a discussion regarding the Trails Strategy for BC on a DM COP call.

My preference remains the May meeting but would be happy to attend the June call if the May agenda remains full.

Thanks

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From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX Sent: May 5, 2020 8:47 AM

**To:** DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < <u>Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca</u>> **Subject:** RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

Ok. Can you book me for June please?

**Thanks** 

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#### tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara. DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca >

**Sent:** May 5, 2020 8:44 AM

To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

I know it's unfortunate but we have already hammered out an agenda and are working on delivery of the workshop. If anything changes I will let you know asap.

Tara

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX < Tennessee. Trent@gov.bc.ca >

Sent: May 5, 2020 8:35 AM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

This month would be ideal. I really need only 15 minutes or so. I've talked to about five DM's and I think they're all on board. I just want to introduce the project and describe how we can get input from DM's across the province.

If not May, then June will have to do.

Thanks,

TT

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#### tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: May 5, 2020 8:20 AM

To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX < Tennessee. Trent@gov.bc.ca >

Subject: RE: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

#### Hi Tennessee

We are having a special COP this month to workshop some legislation changes. I could look at some time in June of you like, if that's not too late.

There is a distribution list for district managers - FLNR District Managers - or I would be happy to send something for you too.

Tara

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX < Tennessee. Trent@gov.bc.ca >

Sent: May 1, 2020 2:34 PM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara. DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Trails Strategy for BC - DM engagement

Hi Tara,

RSTBC is leading a review of the Trails Strategy for BC. We are doing this in partnership with MOE, MOTI, MTAC and a number of non-government organizations. We have completed public engagement with really high engagement levels, are working through Indigenous engagement and are about to launch a survey for local governments. We would also like to solicit feedback from MFLNRORD District Managers.

I have spoken to a couple of district managers and am hoping to get one or two from each area to participate in an interview. An interview would likely be sometime in the month of June. Ahead of that I would like to request an opportunity to discuss the project and our engagement approach, as well as history and goals, on the next District Manager Community of Practice call. I understand that you organize these meetings. Is there 15 or 20 minutes on that call that you could fit me in? I understand the next call is May 22.

Please let me know.

**Thanks** 

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# RE: Area"C" APC Meeting

From Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

s.15

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Cc: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX (Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca)

Sent: July 28, 2020 11:59:25 AM PDT

Hi Tara,

While I am sure those were not the exact words, our executive and the ministers office has assured recreation users that the decision would not limit recreation access and that the trail will continue to be managed for recreation use in addition to other current and future approved uses. I am not sure what the rights of recreational users constitute but there have been no changes I am aware of that would impact recreational use.

I am sure we did not ensure anyone's safety as we are not able to do that on any trail. We did indicate that the decision would better support the ministries ability to manage the existing uses and better manage public safety. On that note, there have been a large number of trucks and vehicles using the trail for years, with no regulatory limitations on their use in place, so I do not believe anything has changed.

As I have mentioned before, RST is not intending to walk away from this trail. For context, the ministry owns over 1,000 kilometres of rail trails, less than 50% of which are designated trails. These former rail corridors are managed by regional ops across the province. RST works with regional ops and in many cases leads the various recreation related issues on these non-designated sections as we will continue to do on this one. But we need to better account for the way this corridor is used and multiple interests.

I suspect from your note you have significant concerns going forward. Now that a decision has been made I would welcome the opportunity to work with you to see how we can collaborate to manage this trail to accommodate the recreation use, vehicle use and industrial use that supports your program objectives.

Thanks, John

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: July 28, 2020 11:25 AM

To: Hawkings, John FLNR:EX <John.Hawkings@gov.bc.ca>; Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: FW: Area"C" APC Meeting

#### Good morning

I see that the rail trail has been deregulated. Can you please tell me who told the APC that continuing rights of recreational users would be honoured and their safety ensured?

Tara

From: Terry Mooney \$.22 Sent: July 28, 2020 11:14 AM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara. DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: \$.22 XT:Durand, Dave Regional District of Kootenay Boundary EAO:IN

s.22

Subject: Re: Area"C" APC Meeting

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Good morning, Tara,

We are receiving reports from recreational users of the trail between Fife Road and Castlegar that they encountered a number of large trucks and vehicles using the trail. It was our understanding that the continuing rights of recreational users would be honored and that their safety would be ensured.

As it has been many months since our meeting, we'd appreciate an update on the resolution, if any, of the lingering questions regarding maintenance, liability and enforcement on the trail.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Regards, Terry Mooney Chairperson Area "C" APC

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 2, 2019, at 11:02 AM, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Terry

I was very glad to attend. It's so good for me to get a better understanding of your issues and concerns.

I was luckily able to get a hold of John this morning for a quick conversation. The main question I took away last night is "why is deregulation necessary? Why not continue as we have been doing." The tentative response I provided last night was correct, but I can expand a bit after talking with John.

We currently have overlapping authorizations for sections of the trail. The trail society is authorized to maintain and the licensee is authorized for industrial use and maintenance. This creates a very tricky situation in terms of assigning responsibility and even for understanding the standard of maintenance required. I agree with Rec Sites and Trails that this is not a good situation and one that needs to be rectified.

Regarding the question of ownership, it is indeed the province who owns the trail, as represented by FLRNRORD.

I understand from our conversation last night that the trail is very important to the tourist industry in Christina Lake, and that the biggest concern is the potential for cars to be able to use the trail which would change the recreational experience. I also recognize that you would like better communications, and I would like to help with that if at all possible.

John did say that they have been reviewing all of the responses from the public engagement on this topic, and that no decision has been made at this time.

Tara

From: Terry Mooney s.22

Sent: October 2, 2019 10:18 AM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX < Tara. DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca >

Cc: s.22 Donna Dean <<u>ddean@rdkb.com</u>>; XT:Durand, Dave

Regional District of Kootenay Boundary EAO:IN < s.22

Subject: Area"C" APC Meeting

Dear Tara,

On behalf of the Area "C" APC and our Chairman David Durand, we'd like to sincerely thank you for attending our meeting last night.

You answered many of our questions and were able to address some of our concerns. In the hope that you will be able to answer some the remaining questions our community has about the changes to the C&W Trail, please include s.22 and Donna on your replies.

We appreciate your commitment to additional communication in the months to come, and look forward to a continuing dialogue.

Sincerely,

Area "C" APC Terry Mooney, Secretary

Sent from my iPad

# **UBCM -Idaho Peak Rd Follow Up**

From Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

s.15

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX
Cc: Eskelin, Kevin FLNR:EX

Sent: September 18, 2020 10:33:18 AM PDT

Hi Tara,

Thanks for providing the UBCM note for the Idaho Peak road. I committed to New Denver that I would follow up with you.

They were pleased to hear that the ministry is assessing options for repair. They wanted to relay to you how important this road is as an economic driver for their community. They asked how they could assist and I indicated that it appears to be an extremely expensive repair and that I was sure the ministry would appreciate any shared funding arrangements that might be available to local governments including infrastructure grants, RD funds etc. They said they would seek those opportunities.. for what it is worth.

Otherwise, no specific follow up.

Thanks,

#### John Hawkings

Director

Recreation Sites and Trails BC
Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (604) 898-2105

E-mail: John.Hawkings@gov.bc.ca

# inspections of CWRT

From DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

To: Alway, Drew M FLNR:EX <Drew.Alway@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Naul, Jasbir FLNR:EX <Jasbir.Naul@gov.bc.ca>, Hawkings, John FLNR:EX

<John.Hawkings@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: October 22, 2020 11:04:57 AM PDT

Hi Drew

We have a user group who wants to use the CWRT for access to their property and snowplowing this winter. I believe that there was a contract this year for an engineering review of the structures. Would it be possible to find out the results of those reviews?

Thanks -

Tara DeCourcy, RPF District Manager Selkirk Resource District

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Phone: 250-825-1101 (w) 250-505-9864 (c)

## FW: Columbia and Western Rail Grade operations REC31979

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <Tennessee.Trent@gov.bc.ca>
To: Hawkings, John FLNR:EX <John.Hawkings@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: November 3, 2020 9:47:24 AM PST

Attachments: Section 16 - Interfor CWRT 20190628 FINAL.pdf

FYI,

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Pronouns: he/him

**From:** Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX **Sent:** November 3, 2020 9:44 AM

To: Palmer, Ron FLNR:IN <Ron.Palmer@interfor.com>; XT:Dutka, Evan FLNR:IN <evan.dutka@interfor.com>

Cc: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: FW: Columbia and Western Rail Grade operations REC31979

Hi Ron and Evan,

It appears that Interfor is planning to build the connector road from highway 3 to the Columbia and Western Rail grade. The rail grade was disestablished as a recreation trail according to a ministerial order earlier this year. Interfor has a road permit over this section of the rail grade issued by the Selkirk District manager (cc'd).

RSTBC wrote an authorization with a number of conditions to Interfor in June of 2019 (see attached). Since the trail has been disestablished, the Recreation Regulation no longer applies. However, I would suggest that following the conditions of the June 2019 authorization would be a minimum expectation of recreation stakeholders. Beyond the authorization, RSTBC has no comment on Interfor's primary forest activities.

s.22

Best,

# Tennessee Trent

**Trails Manager** 

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#### tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca

Pronouns: he/him

From: Scott, Daniel FLNR:EX < Daniel.Scott@gov.bc.ca >

From: s.22

Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 8:20 AM

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#### Hi Daniel

In accordance with Road Permit R08714, amdt #2 and Section 16 authorization REC31979, this is to let you know that Interfor is planning to build the connecting road from Highway 3 onto the rail grade east of Christina Lake this winter. Work will also be done on about 7 km of the rail grade. We were wondering what the options are for closing down the rail grade temporarily should we need to do so, since we are unsure of what the actual designation of the trail is at the moment. I would appreciate your advice on the matter. Thank you.

s.22

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.



File: 16660-20/ REC 31979

Date: June 28th, 2019

Doug Noren Interfor Corporation PO Box 39 570 68<sup>th</sup> Ave Grand Forks, BC V0H 1H0

Via email to: doug.noren@interfor.com

Dear Doug Noren,

Re: FRPA Forest Recreation Regulation Section 16(a)(ii) authorization for use of Recreation Trail REC31979 for an industrial activity associated with Forest License A18969

Authorization for use of a portion of the Columbia and Western Rail Trail (REC31979) is hereby approved under Section 16 of the *Forest Recreation Regulation* under the *Forest and Range Practices Act* subject to the following conditions. The specific location of this approval is defined below.

This authorization applies to activity on the Columbia and Western Rail Trail (CWRT) only. It does not apply to cut blocks, road permits or other areas outside the CWRT.

#### **Effective Date of Authorization:**

- This authorization is effective starting June 26, 2019.
- This authorization will expire on May 15, 2024 and may be extended before. Any extension
  must consider recreation values of the trail and any outcomes that apply from planning and
  public engagement processes.

#### Season of Use:

 Industrial use for the purposes of timber hauling is authorized only between the day after Labour Day to the day preceding the Victoria Day long weekend of each calendar year. The intention of this restriction is to allow for summer recreation use on the rail grade. This timing restriction does not apply to activities necessary for general access, silviculture obligations or maintenance/inspection obligations

#### **Location of Use:**

Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development Recreation Sites and Trails BC

Mailing Address: 401-333 Victoria Street, Tel: 250-354-6750

Nelson, BC, V1L 4K3 Website: www.sitesandtrailsbc.ca

• The authorization applies to the Columbia and Western Rail Trail between Coryell Creek and a new road junction off of highway three near Caitlin Road. This authorization applies to a total of 12.5 kms of the trail. Industrial use of other sections of trail requires a separate authorization.

#### **Road Permit:**

- Before constructing the Road, Interfor must acquire a road permit in addition to this authorization.
- This authorization is valid only when a road permit issued to Interfor over the area described in this authorization is in effect.
- There is no intended overlap between this authorization and the road permit or road permit
  conditions. Any overlap between this authorization and the road permit is not intentional
  and the road permit is considered the primary document.

### **Conditions of Approval:**

- The rail grade right of way is the entire property parcel and is generally 100' (30 meters) wide. The rail grade right of way is shown as a parcel in the Integrated Cadastral Fabric layer of the BC Data Warehouse.
- The rail grade running surface is the portion of the right of way that is built up of old rail ballast and in general is the surface of the trail that is travelled upon.
- Interfor must erect and maintain adequate public safety and information signage informing
  recreation users of the industrial activity and develop a communications plan. The
  communications plan must include provisions for signage and outreach to local recreation
  interest groups.
- Interfor must provide and install an access control structure approved by RSTBC that
  allows the province to limit or prohibit on-highway vehicle traffic from travelling south on
  the rail grade from the proposed location of the Caitlin Road junction to the rail grade. The
  intention of this access control structure is to manage access to the public recreation trail,
  not on the road permit area.
- Interfor must provide and install access control structures approved by RSTBC that limit public on-highway vehicle traffic from travelling north on the rail grade from the proposed location of the Caitlin Road junction and south of the Lafferty Creek crossing when recreation use will be the primary use. These access control structures are required during the time period between Victoria Day long weekend and Labour Day long weekend. Access controls are not intended to limit ORV use or Interfor's use of the rail corridor for authorized use.
- Interfor must minimize disturbance to the rail trail right of way and must avoid timber falling, harvesting and removal within the right of way of the rail grade where practicable.
- Interfor must avoid piling of slash, logging waste or other debris on the trail.
- Interfor must not store timber, waste wood or other logging by-products on the trail right
  of way except where active harvesting is occurring.

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- Interfor must not store equipment, park vehicles, or put fuel caches on the trail right of way except where active harvesting is occurring.
- At the end of the use for each season, Interfor must ensure that the trail surface conditions
  are left in a state that is consistent with or better than the surface condition prior to use
  beginning for the season.

Tennessee Trent Trails Manager

Cc: Grant Walton – FLNRORD Resource Operations Manager

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To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Sent: June 25, 2020 4:26:27 PM PDT

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 4:07 PM:

ok if reply all to you DM CoP note with a couple of attachments for tomorrow?

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 4:24 PM:

sure

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 4:25 PM:

ok. thanks. will get some material out shortly

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 4:25 PM:

have a good evening

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 4:25 PM:

the distribution list is FLRN District Managers

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 4:25 PM:

**FLNR** 

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 4:25 PM:

perfect

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 4:25 PM:

thank you

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 4:25 PM:

I will also post it on the sharepoint

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 4:25 PM:

ok

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca>
To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Sent: August 25, 2020 9:27:32 AM PDT

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 9:20 AM:

hi Tara. We are going to send a few cliff responses out this morning using the draft I sent you last night.

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 9:20 AM:

John tells me that you want to be cc'd. I just want to verify that. A cc with your name may just invite more notes being sent to you.

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 9:20 AM:

this is in regard to the CWRT

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 9:21 AM:

Hi Tennessee. I am in a meeting for this mornign

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 9:21 AM:

i will look after

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 9:21 AM:

ok

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 9:24 AM:

I don't need feedback on the letter. Just confirmation that you want to be cc'd

From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca>
To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Sent: September 3, 2020 11:17:15 AM PDT

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:14 AM:

working on getting some info for you on Idaho Peak and Bannock Point.

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:14 AM:

standby please

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:15 AM:

ohhh

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:15 AM:

the bannock one would be a separate note usually

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:15 AM:

ok.

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:15 AM:

I'll draft a second note then.

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:15 AM:

at first glance that one doesn't involve your office.

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:15 AM:

but if Joh wants them together that's probably fine?

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:15 AM:

strictly rst

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:15 AM:

ves

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:16 AM:

John's away, we can write two separate ones, though it came in as one request from the same local gov **DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:16 AM:** 

yes

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:16 AM:

it's goofy this year

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:16 AM:

I think its goofy every year

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:16 AM:

although it doe help to keep the notes short

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:16 AM:

but maybe moreso this year

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:16 AM:

indeed!

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:16 AM:

'why do we accept the requests so late??

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:17 AM:

good question

From: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>
To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Sent: October 28, 2020 1:58:38 PM PDT

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:50 PM:

Hi Tennessee.s.22 is looking to get some kind of authority to plow the CWRT this winter. I would like to see the review of the structures they might be using before we proceed. Do you by chance have a map of the area they have used or maintained in the past? If I give that to the engineering folks they can give me the structure reports

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:51 PM:

I have a general map of the section but not with all structures on it

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:51 PM:

that's ok

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:51 PM:

he can cross reference

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:51 PM:

we are still trying to get all structures into CBR but its taking forever.

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:51 PM:

I'll send you a map.

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:51 PM:

thank you

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:52 PM:

do you know which portion he wants to plough?

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:52 PM:

he didn't say

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:52 PM:

to the residences I think

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:52 PM:

right but from C-Gar or from Paulson bypass?

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:52 PM:

probably C-Gar

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:52 PM:

but that would be good info to have.

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:53 PM:

from c=gar

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:53 PM:

I'll send you the map and ask Sam or Drew from engineering to provide you a summary of structures

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:53 PM:

the biggest concerns would be the big steel trestles I think

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:53 PM:

ok I was going to send it to Drew

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:54 PM:

the bridge decks were built to a pedestrian standard 15 years ago as were the railings

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:54 PM:

so you can send it straight to him and cc me if that's ok?

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:54 PM:

ok, I'll send you the map and you can ask Drew for the info

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:54 PM:

he may ask Sam to get it for you but either way

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 1:54 PM:

sure

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 1:54 PM:

thanks Tennessee

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Sent: January 19, 2021 9:55:00 AM PST

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From: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca>
To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Sent: January 19, 2021 9:55:36 AM PST

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 9:55 AM: rail trails are all fun and games. Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 9:55 AM:

(I know you have more than your own share of headaches too so not complaining over here) **DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 9:55 AM:** 

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Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX <tennessee.trent@gov.bc.ca> From: To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX, DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

Sent: January 22, 2021 11:51:32 AM PST

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:49 AM:

hello again

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:49 AM:

good morning

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:49 AM:

can you please let me know if you hear from s.22

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:49 AM:

or anything related to that

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:49 AM:

ok

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:49 AM:

thank you

DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX 11:50 AM:

There was concern expressed by Ciel Sanders yesterday on the Kettle River advisory call.

Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX 11:51 AM:

I bet

# FW: road between Castlegar and Fife

From DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX

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To: Trent, Tennessee FLNR:EX

Sent: February 9, 2021 8:24:49 AM PST

HI Tennessee

FYI. s.22 also has an application in with FCBC to construct a roadway, if you didn't receive that referral. As well, I got a call from Trisha Kaplan at TC Trail who is interested in the permitting process for the CWRT and the KVR.

Tara

-s.22

From: Ciel Sander < \_ \_ On Behalf Of Ciel Sander

Sent: February 8, 2021 4:35 PM

To: DeCourcy, Tara D FLNR:EX <Tara.DeCourcy@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: road between Castlegar and Fife

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Hi Tara,

Fred Marshall gave me an indication that you would be interested in me contacting you.

Trails Society of BC is extremely concerned about how the road designation between Castlegar and Fife is going to be managed on the former 67 km section of the Columbia and Western Rail Trail.

We would like to be involved in future management of industrial and motor vehicle traffic on this section of the railway corridor, in the hope the rail trail features can be protected and when all the industrial use concludes, the recreation trail designation can be reinstituted. This is an important low gradient trail for active travel across the Province of BC as part of the national Trans Canada Trail system.

We are interested in helping to develop management protocols that protect the non-motorized recreation user on this section of the rail corridor.

Sincerely yours,

Ciel Sander

Board President of Trails Society of BC

I live on Autonomous Sinixt traditional territory.

Parts of Sinixt territory are also claimed by the Ktunaxa and Okanagan/Syilx Nations through the colonial land claims process.

Greenwood BC (Kettle River Watershed)

250-444-7547

Trails Society of BC advocates for quality trail experiences for self-propelled recreation and active transportation for all ages and abilities on greenway trails in British Columbia.

Go to <a href="www.trailsbc.ca">www.trailsbc.ca</a>. Trails BC <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> Trails BC <a href="mailto:Instagram">Instagram</a> Trails BC <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a>

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