

# Shuswap Trails Roundtable

8<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting  
October 26, 2022  
Sorrento Centre and online

# Welcoming Comments and Prayer

Kukpi7 James Tomma

Michael Shapcott, Sorrento Centre

Paul Demenok, outgoing CSRD Area C  
director

Natalya Melnychuk, incoming CSRD  
Area G director

Jen Bellhouse, Shuswap Trail Alliance

Mike Simpson, consultant

# Zoom and Hybrid Etiquette

Change display name to your actual name

If possible, use your camera

Mute yourself unless speaking

“Raise hand” in participant box, lower left –  
then lower when done

Use the chat box

Keep in mind we may not be able to see you –  
we can only view a few people at a time on our  
screens

# Introductions

Name

Title

Organization

# Meeting objectives

Learn about Secwepemc Governance and Engagement

Learn about BC government initiatives and how they affect trails and trails stewardship

Provide update on progress of the implementation of the [Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy](#) this year

To seek feedback on priorities for the Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy for next year, and endorse the annual work plan

Convene all trail user groups and orders of government to build relationships and share information

# Shuswap Trails Roundtable

All of you!

Meets once per year

See Chapter 13, and Appendix 9 for terms of reference

- Quorum:
  - Secwepemc governments – 1 rep each
  - Regional districts – 2 reps from any of the 3 RDs
  - Municipalities – 3 reps from any of the 5 municipalities
  - Provincial government – 2 reps, ideally from Rec Sites & Trails or BC Parks
  - Motorized trails groups – 3 reps
  - Non-motorized trails groups – 3 reps
  - Other sector – 1 rep

# History and purpose



2014 Pierre's Pt



2015 Enderby



2016 Splantsin



2017 Chase



Feb 2019 - Sicamous

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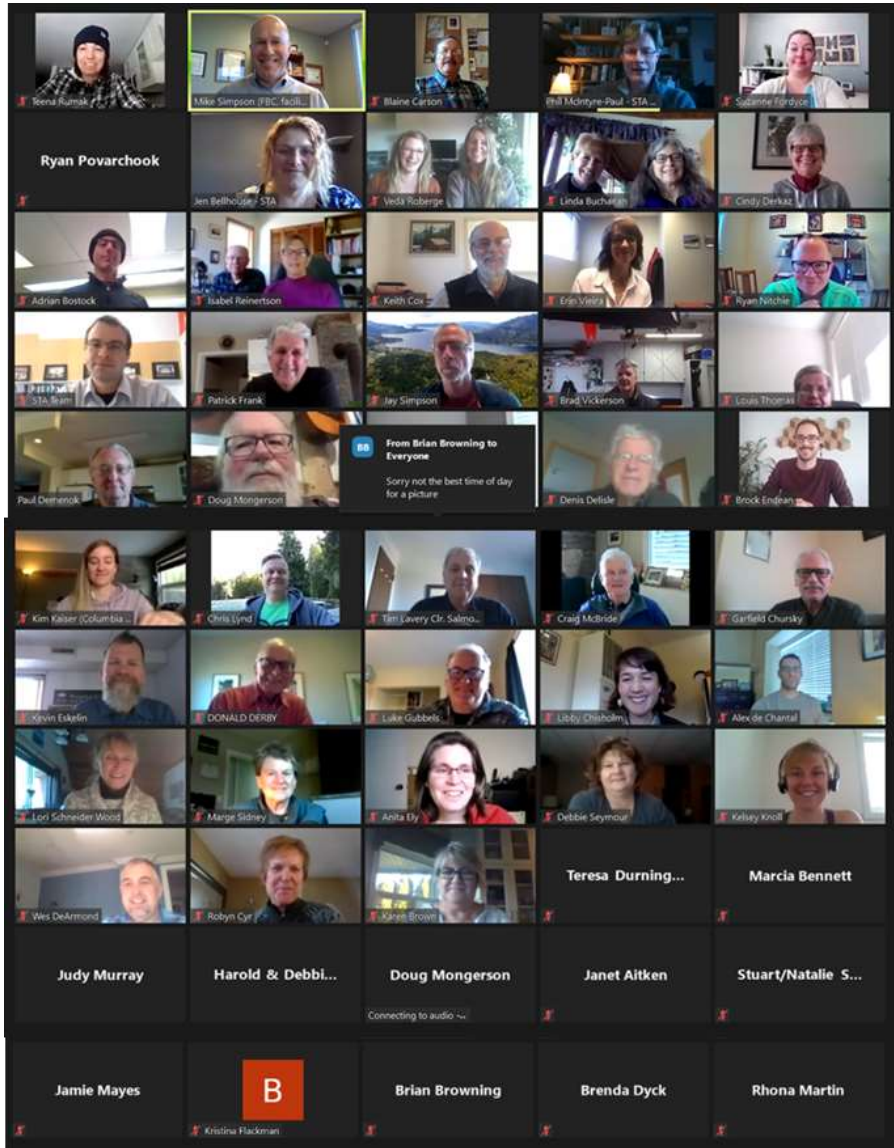


Nov 2019 - Sunnybrae

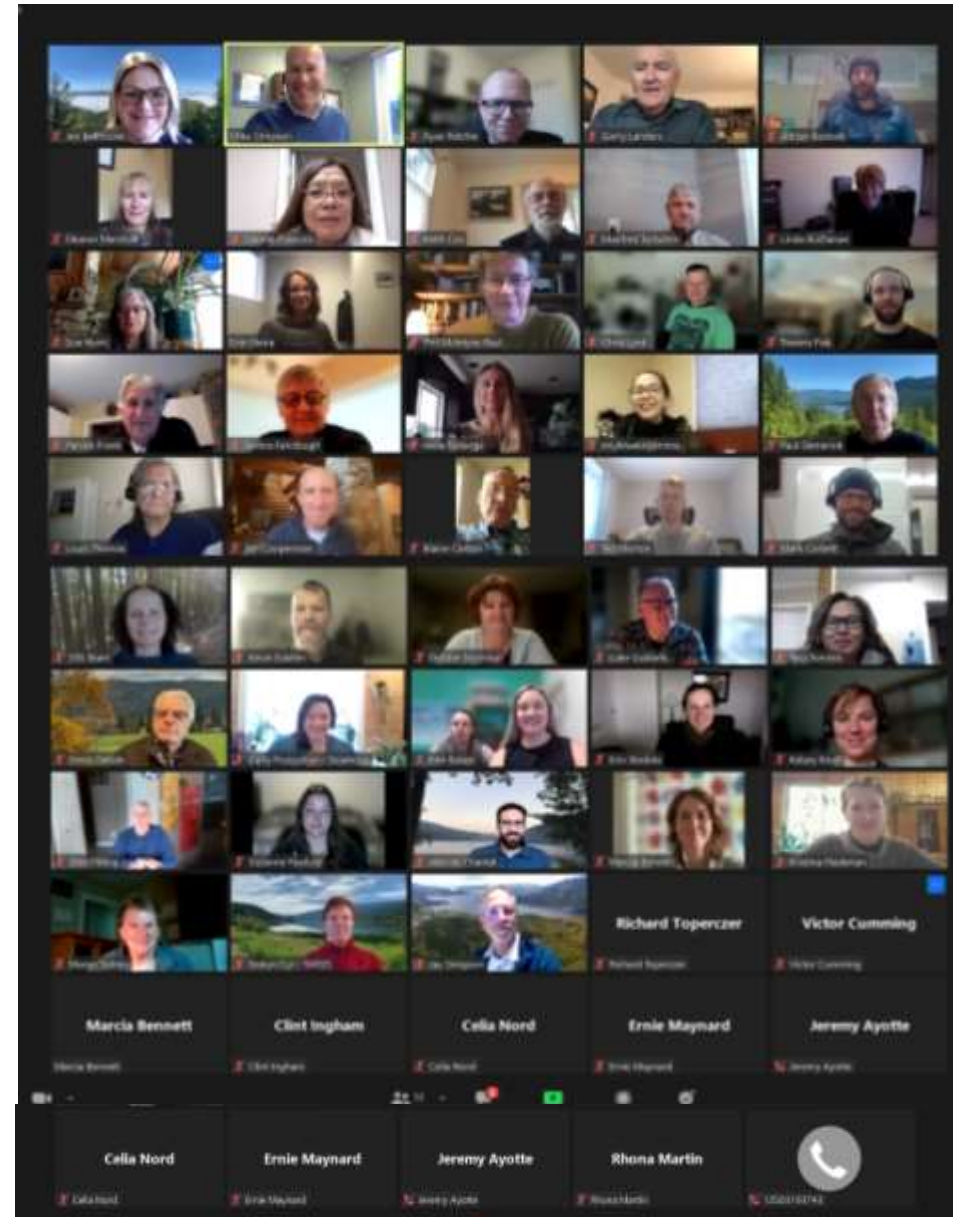


# History and purpose

Dec 2020 - Online



Nov 2021 - Online



# Question

Is this your first Shuswap Trails Roundtable meeting?

How many have you attended?

Have you attended them all?

# Working Group Membership

Over 70 people representing the following:

Secwepemc governments, Switzmalph Cultural Society

Provincial government, including:

- Recreation Sites and Trails BC
- BC Parks
- Ministry of Forests

# Working Group Membership

Motorized recreation

Non-motorized recreation

Commercial recreation tenure holders

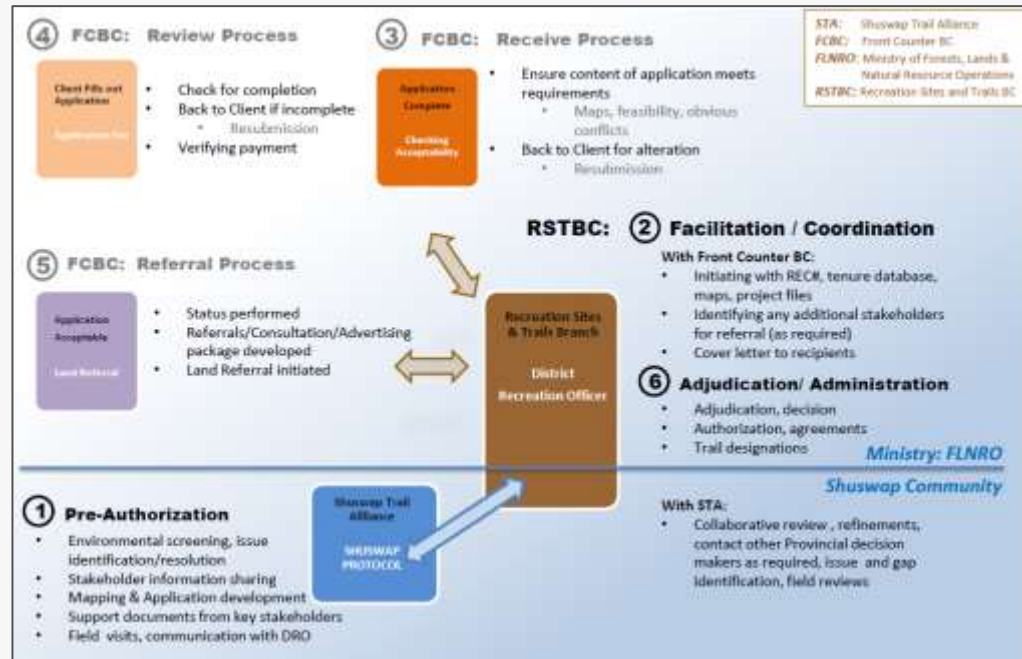
Local government including: City of Salmon Arm, District of Sicamous, Village of Chase (TNRD), CSRD, RDNO

Others - Interior Health Authority, Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association, School District 83, Columbia Shuswap Invasive Species Society, Chase Chamber of Commerce

# Secwepemc Governance and Engagement Discussion

*Discussion:* in a world with limited resources and time and always too much to do, how do we best build relationships and work together and achieve the desired goals of the Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy?

# Secwepemc Governance and Engagement Discussion



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Jason Bryson, Skw'lax

Kayla Gunner, Splatsin

Adrian Bostock, Shuswap Trail Alliance

Libby Jay Chisolm, Skw'lax



Break (30min)



# BC Government Updates and Discussion

*Discussion:* how do these BC government initiatives impact the Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy and what we're trying to achieve; alternately, how should the strategy inform these new initiatives? How do all these pieces fit together? How do we engage?

BC  
Government  
Updates and  
Discussion

Tennessee Trent, Recreation Sites and  
Trails BC

Russ Hawkins, Ministry of Forests

Natalya Melnychuk, Ministry of Land,  
Water and Resource Stewardship

# Snapshot Updates

Secwepemc landmarks project

Lighting project at Larch Hills

Skimikin

East Canoe Creek, Larch Hills Traverse  
trail and South Canoe parking lot

Secwepemc  
Landmarks  
Project

Shelley Witzky, Adams Lake Band







# Working Group participants in 2022

Thanks to all the folks that attended at least one meeting in 2022:

- Jen Bellhouse, Phil McIntyre-Paul, Adrian Bostock, Keith Cox, Craig McBride, Eleanor Marshall, Ryan Nitchie, Patrick Frank, Kevin Eskelin, Morgan Matheson, Carly Procyshyn, Natalie Sorkilmo, Roger Parentau, Linda Buchanan, Jess Booth, Blain Carson, Barbra Fairclough, Sue Hunt, Debbie Seymour, Louis Thomas, Fred Torbohm, Christina Lutterman, Brad Vickerson, Gordon Bose, Garfield Chursky, Pat Danforth, Dawn McDonald, Janelle Rimmell, Shelley Witzky, Chris Lynd, Kayla Gunner, Celia Nord, Micky Tomma



# Skimikin

Linda Buchanan , Backcountry  
Horsemen of BC, Shuswap Chapter

Sue Hunt, Backcountry Horsemen of BC,  
Shuswap Chapter

Chris Lynd, Shuswap Backcountry  
Riders, Shuswap Trail Alliance

Lunch and  
networking



# Sub-regional discussions

Mix of people in person and some online

Assign one person to take some notes, report out

Zoom into the map from the link in the chatbox or

[https://shuswaptrailalliance.com/userfiles/file/OverviewMap\\_44x60\\_April16\\_2015%20\(withHotSpots\)%20reduced%20size.jpg](https://shuswaptrailalliance.com/userfiles/file/OverviewMap_44x60_April16_2015%20(withHotSpots)%20reduced%20size.jpg)



Group  
photo!

Brush your hair

Say cheese

# Sub- regional discussions

Questions (also on p.2 of agenda):

- What new priorities have emerged?
- What new opportunities to partner do these new priorities present?
- What are the top 3 sub-regional priorities going into 2023, and for each, the key next steps, by who?

# Sub- regional discussions

2 minute report out:

- What are the top 3 sub-regional priorities going into 2023, and for each, the key next steps, by who?

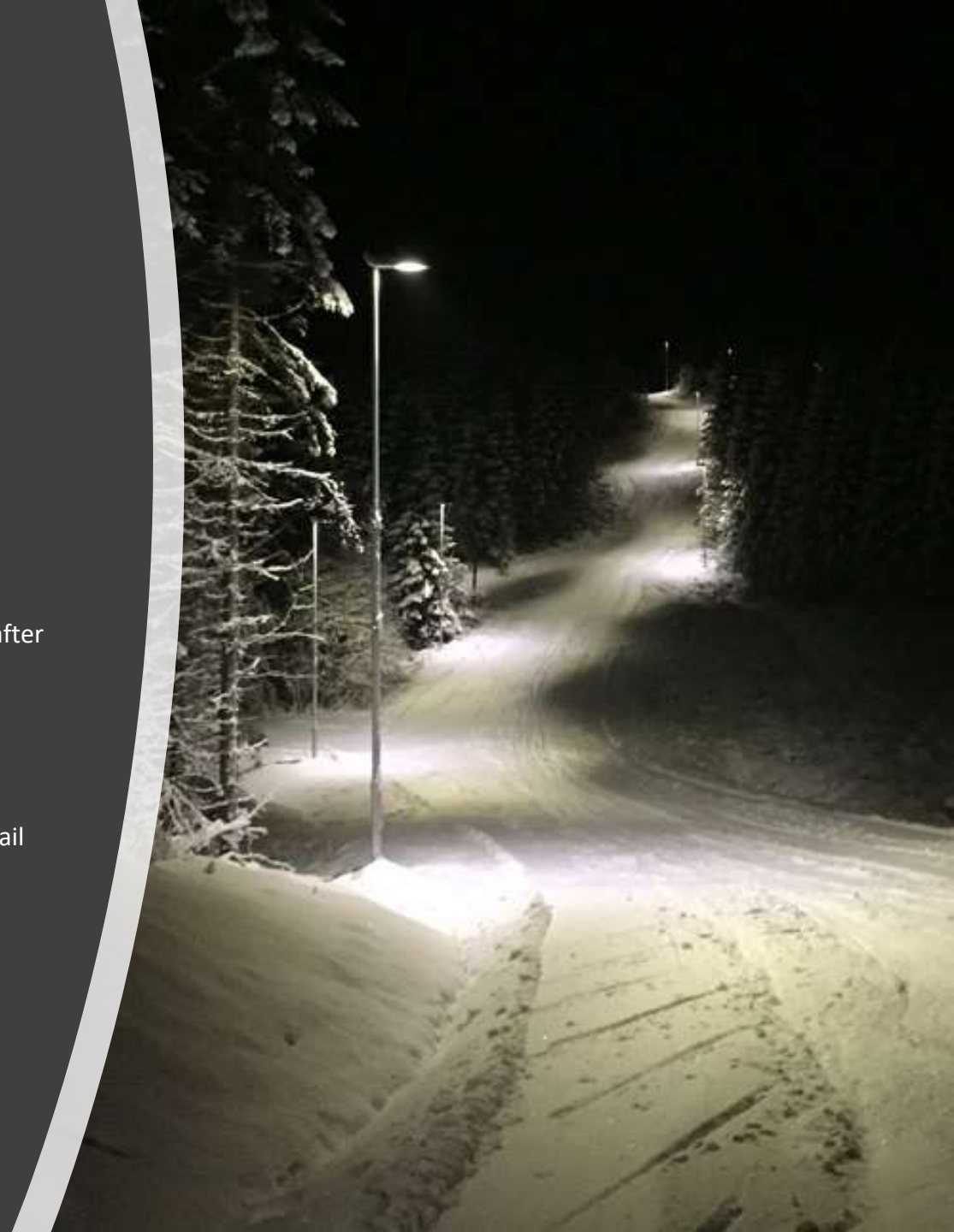
Email your notes on all questions to [evieira@fraserbasin.ca](mailto:evieira@fraserbasin.ca)



LARCH HILLS  
NORDIC  
SOCIETY TRAIL  
LIGHTING  
PROJECT

# TRAIL LIGHTING PROJECT - RATIONALE

- Short Winter Days – dark at 4:00 pm
- Safety – risk of collisions, getting lost increases after dark
- Access – many skiers are not able to ski during daylight hours
- Fear – many skiers are afraid to ski after dark
- Standard – most Nordic ski communities have trail lighting



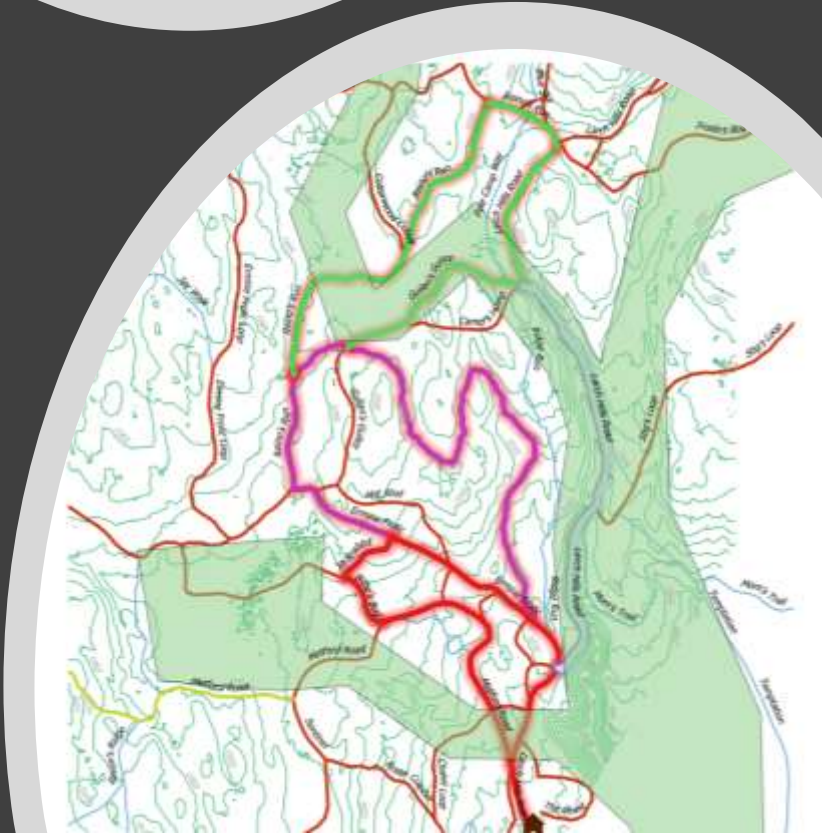


# TRAIL LIGHTING PROJECT - PLAN

- 6 km trail lighting at Larch Hills Recreation Area
- Operational from 4:00-9:00 pm daily during ski season
- LED lighting
- Underground electrical wiring
- Environmentally sensitive construction and operation
- Climate considerations
- Cost efficient



# TRAIL LIGHTING PROJECT - ROUTE



# TRAIL LIGHTING PROJECT – FUNDRAISING

- LHNS “SEED MONEY”
- KRAFT HEINZ PROJECT PLAY PRIZE MONEY
- LHNS “SPONSOR A POLE” CAMPAIGN
- LHNS CHRISTMAS CONCERT TRAIL LIGHTING FUNDRAISER
- LHNS FUNDRAISING EVENTS TBD
- GRANTS
- COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION SPONSORSHIP/DONATIONS
- PRIVATE SPONSORSHIP/DONATIONS
- CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP/DONATIONS

East Canoe  
Creek, Larch  
Hills  
Traverse,  
South  
Canoe  
Parking Lot

Adrian Bostock, Shuswap Trail Alliance

# Shuswap Trails Roundtable Business

Meeting summary from November 24,  
2021

2022 Report on What was Done

2023 Annual Work Plan and Budget  
(subject to sub-regional input)

# Upcoming events

Raise hand (virtual or real) or type in chat box

Keep it brief – 1min, then send more info

# Next Steps

- Meeting summary from today – ASAP
- 2023 work plan – updated based on today's input
- Future Working Group meeting dates (9AM-12PM, format TBD)
  - Friday January 20
  - Friday April 21
  - Friday June 16
  - Friday October 20

# Closing Comments and Evaluation

Any additional announcements? Email [evieira@fraserbasin.ca](mailto:evieira@fraserbasin.ca)

How do you feel about what was accomplished here today?

- Use the chat box
- Raise your real hand



Thank you  
and stay  
safe on the  
trails!

