



Date: 10/05/2018

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Miriam Schilling, Regional Economic/Community Development Officer

Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board_May25_2018

File: 1855-04

Short Summary:

NDIT Application – Quesnel Wonderland Trails

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

For the Board's consideration, please find the following overview for an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) from the CRD. The request is for \$30,000 in grant funding, under the Community Halls and Recreation Facilities Program.

The funding will be used to implement a portion of the North Cariboo Trails Master Plan, which builds on the extensive mountain bike trails development work that has been undertaken in the central and south Cariboo. Development will begin on the Wonderland Trails now that the Dragon Mountain trail development is underway. New construction will include 3.2km of easy to intermediate multi-use trails.

The Wonderland Trails project, which has a total value of \$78,000, is part of the Special Circumstances application for the North Cariboo Trails Development project to the Rural Dividend program. This NDIT application together with Cariboo Strong funds will serve as the matching funding component to the Rural Dividend application.

Prior to forwarding the proposal to the NDIT for Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) consideration, all applications to the Regional Development accounts require a resolution of support from the local government with jurisdiction in the project.

Attachments:

CHRF - Wonderland Trails

Financial Implications:

None

Policy Implications:

Policy No. 2017-3A-33 (Northern Development Initiative Trust Applications Policy) states:

That in the absence of knowledge of material legal, ethical, or other improprieties, the CRD will support all applications to the NDIT for funding, without regard to the project's merit.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Funding
- Building on our Relationships
- Providing Cost Effective High Quality Services
- Focusing on Being Well Governed

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CAO Comments:

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Options:

- 1) Endorsement of the recommendation;
- 2) Receipt;
- 3) Defer.

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Miriam Schilling, Regional Economic & Community Development Officer, dated May 10, 2018, regarding a grant application from the Cariboo Regional District to the Northern Development Initiative Trust for \$30,000 in funding from the Community Halls and Recreation Facilities Program toward the Wonderland Trails project, be supported.