



New Pathways to Gold

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Dear Sir or Madam;

RE: New Pathways to Gold Society Update

The New Pathways to Gold Society (NPTGS) has worked with communities in the Cariboo Regional District for over a decade to build sustainable economies via heritage tourism development, First Nations reconciliation and Multiculturalism. Since 2007, NPTGS has raised and/or leveraged over \$4 million and contributed directly over \$4.15 million to local communities in the Hope to Barkerville corridor.

Working in partnership with your regional district and the communities within it, NPTGS has built or restored over 250-plus km of heritage trails, launched and/or completed 17 major projects and staged over 150 events, performances and lectures as well as funding numerous small events. NPTGS has also created over 13,000 person-days of employment in corridor communities. We're especially proud of having been partners in legacy projects like the Ice Caves Project at Bridge Lake and the Gold Rush Snowmobile Trail.

We've prepared a snapshot of the Society's activities in your region to date and a preview of what we're planning for the next several months. Together, we've been able to accomplish a lot. We look forward to continuing to work with the Cariboo Regional District as we continue our second decade of travelling down the Gold Rush/Spirit Trail together.

Sincerely,

New Pathways to Gold Society

Cheryl Chapman, First Nations Co-chair

Terry Raymond, Co-chair

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Partners Along the Pathway: The New Pathways to Gold Society in Your Region

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NPTGS Projects in the CRD

Regional District-Wide Projects

Gold Rush/Spirit Trails Brand Marketing Strategy
(2009–Present: Project budget \$290,000)

Chasing the Golden Butterfly Passport/Geocache Project
(2009: Project budget \$37,500)

Projects in CRD Communities

83 Mile House, 100 Mile House, 108 Mile House, Lac La Hache, Horsefly

Gold Rush Snowmobile Trail—a partnership with District of 100 Mile House and National Trails Coalition
(2009–Present: Project budget to date \$700,000)

100 Mile House, 108 Mile House, Williams Lake, Quesnel, Barkerville

The Motherlode Travelling Revue
(2008: Project budget \$250,000)

Quesnel

Fraser River Lecture Series: River of Diversity
(2008: Project budget \$25,000)

Quesnel, Barkerville, 100 Mile House, Xatsull/Deep Creek
Stephen Hume Lecture Series
(2008: Project budget \$14,000)

100 Mile House, Williams Lake

"Time to Share Again" Western Economic Development Project
(2009: Project budget \$160,500)

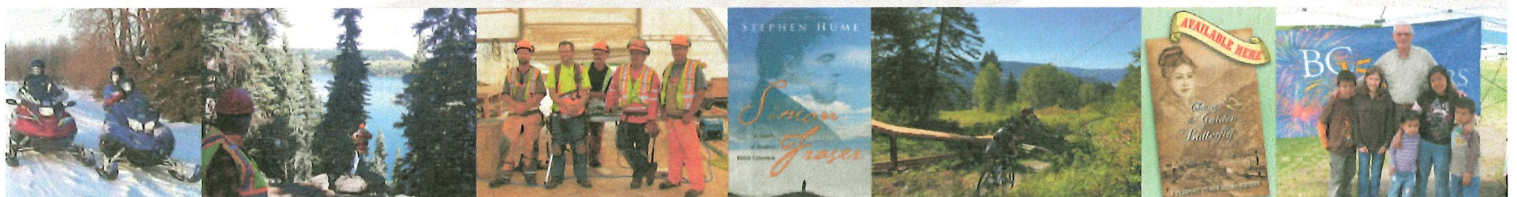
83 Mile House, 100 Mile House, 108 Mile House, Lac La Hache, Horsefly, Xatsull/Deep Creek, Keithley Creek, Quesnel, Cottonwood House, Wells, Barkerville
Heritage Trails Report (2010: Project budget \$50,000)

Xatsull First Nation, Deep Creek

Xatsull/Trails Project
(2016–Present: NPTGS Financial Contribution \$60,000)

83 Mile House, 100 Mile House, 108 Mile House, Bridge Lake/Highway 16 Corridor
Jobs Creation Partnership Project
(2016–2017: Project budget \$400,000)

100 Mile House, 108 Mile House, Lac La Hache, Horsefly, Xatsull/Deep Creek, Keithley Creek, Quesnel, Cottonwood House, Wells, Barkerville
Cariboo Wagon Road Restoration Project
(2017–Present: Proposed Phase One Budget \$70,000)



Events in CRD Communities

83 Mile House

- Gold Rush Snowmobile Trail warming hut installation, Jobs Creation Partnership Project (2016)

Bridge Lake/Highway 16 Corridor

- Ice Caves Project trail opening, Jobs Creation Partnership Project (2016)
- Twin totem poles unveiling, Jobs Creation Partnership Project wrap up (2017)

100 Mile House

- Gold Rush Snowmobile Trail revitalization launch (December 4, 2009)
- New Pathways to Gold Society Board Meetings, AGMs (various dates)

108 Mile House

- Jobs Creation Partnership Project Milestone event, Sitka Log Homes site, 108 Mile Ranch (2016)

Xatsull/Deep Creek

- Heritage Trails Project: "Crazy Ant" Trail, Squiggly Bench XC trail and Hipsta DH trail openings (2015–16)

Keithley Creek

- 1861 Gold Rush Pack Trail Ride, Keithley Creek to Barkerville (2011)

Quesnel

- Gold Rush Trails Marketing Focus Session (2010)

Cottonwood House

- Education Caucus Symposium (2009)

Barkerville

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- 1861 Gold Rush Pack Trail Ride, Keithley Creek to Barkerville (2011)

2018-19 Preview

What's in the Works

Working with our partners, we've achieved a lot. And we're continuing to build new relationships and strengthen existing ones as we enter our 12th year of operations. Here are a few of the exciting projects we're working on with our partners to watch out for:

Alexandra Bridge Project: In partnership with the Spuzzum First Nation, NPTGS has been working with all levels of government, local businesses, heritage organizations and others to preserve the iconic 1926 Alexandra Bridge and revitalize the surrounding provincial park precinct. Discussions with the Ministry of Transportation and Highways, BC Parks and the Heritage Branch are on-going and the project partners hope to have good news to announce this Fall. Stay tuned...

Cariboo Wagon Road Restoration Project: NPTGS is working with the District of 100 Mile House, BC Parks and other partners to identify and restore sections of the historic Cariboo Wagon Road from Yale to Barkerville. Phase One will see a survey of the road's alignment from Clinton to Lac La Hache. A restoration process will also be developed. The goal is to create a world-class heritage tourism asset that will benefit the entire Gold Rush/Spirit Trails corridor.

Jobs Creation Partnership Project II: NPTGS is working with partners to follow up on the success of the initial Jobs Creation Partnership Project in 2016–2017. The project will see trail construction, new recreational amenities and interpretive signage produced while generating jobs/skill training for people in the Gold Rush/Spirit Trails corridor.

Keep informed at www.newpathwaystogold.ca

Let's Keep Working Together!

Working with partners like the Cariboo Regional District, we've been able to accomplish a lot. Let's keep working together to build sustainable economies via heritage tourism development, First Nations reconciliation and Multiculturalism. With your support, we can continue to make a difference in the lives of people in your Regional District and the entire length of the Gold Rush/Spirit Trails corridor.

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