



Royal Canadian Legion Branch #094

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Dear Sir or Madam: RE: Request for Letter of Support

The Royal Canadian Legion Cariboo Branch #094 (Quesnel) is planning to develop an accessible dock at Legion Beach on Dragon Lake and produce suitable programming for seniors and handicapped to utilize. This project will have a floating interlocking dock that can be arranged into multiple configurations, and will feature a component called a "EZ Launch" which kayaks and canoes can be launched and docked. This will be great for people with disabilities, seniors, and children. The rest of the new dock will, of course, be available for the general public to use as a service from the Legion.

We are taking on this project because we firmly believe that every person should have the opportunity to access the natural beauty of our surroundings, particularly on Dragon Lake here in Quesnel. We also know that when seniors and people with mobility issues are able to utilize water craft to their ability, it mitigates their physical limitations and helps to increase their sense of self, recovery, physical fitness, and their mood. Of course, we encourage all users of Legion Beach, and the facilities, to practice safe water habits.

Already at Legion Beach we have a campground, accessible flush toilets, showers, a boat launch, a picnic and BBQ shelter, a registration station, and a 24 hour maintenance person on hand during the peak months. This new dock proposal would be a positive complement to existing facilities and help to encourage healthy lifestyles for people in Quesnel and area.

We are reaching out to you now to see if you would help support us in achieving this project. This new dock, and the infrastructure to make it accessible, is budgeted to cost \$55,000. - \$60,000. We will target four grants to help us reach this goal; BC Gaming Grant, BC Rural Dividend, New Horizons for Seniors, and Northern Development Initiative Trust. The Better At Home Program and the Quesnel Visitor Centre have expressed an interest in assisting with planning exciting useage for handicapped and seniors that visit the property.

Right now we are requesting letters of support from community interests, such as yourselves, which can be included in the grant applications. We are also asking for your financial support to help us with the costs to complete the project. As you are probably aware, grant applications usually require a sizeable contribution from the applicant (the Legion), however, our resources are quite limited. Should you wish for further details around the project we invite you to ask. The more community support we can demonstrate for this project, the more likely we are to be successful on our grant applications.

Thank you for your attention to this request, and we look forward to hearing back from you in the near future.

Sincerely

Darcey Horn, Director of Finance, Treasurer, and Grant Writer

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