

Fox Mountain Trail Improvement Project: Proposed 2022 Works for NDIT Grant

One component of this project looks to improve the uphill route on the east side of the Fox Mountain Trail Network. Improvements will occur on trails connecting parking areas at the Tourism Discovery Centre (TDC) and Ross Road (Figure 1). The TDC trail is bidirectional and the proposed works will look to make the trail wider and improve view lines to improve safety. Old Goat is currently a very narrow trail and proposed works will make it wider and less prone to erosion. New trails will eliminate the steepest sections of the existing climb route (jimmies Fox and Krackerjack) to make it suitable for beginner or intermediate skill levels. The new climb route will be extensively signed as will the adjacent downhill routes using the updated provincial (Recreation Sites and Trails) standard. Also a large (12 foot by 8 foot) arbour will be constructed over the entrance over of the new downhill flow trail at the Ross Road parking lot. The arbour will be hand crafted from local salvaged logs. The trail name and *Secwepemctsin* derivatives will be carved into the sign. A breakdown of signage costs are provided in Table 1. WLCC is grateful to have Williams Lake First Nation (WLFN) as a partner on this project. WLFN has been consulted on in regard to trail locations and names and has provided in-kind archeological services.

A detailed quote is attached from our preferred contractor is attached for reference



Figure 1: Location of trails included in this funding proposal. Trails requiring construction are shown in red. The TDC trail is shown in orange and requires doubling the tread width. Old Goat trail is shown in yellow and requires less extensive improvements. Previously established trails are shown in green.