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1. Project Name				
Project name:	Has this facility and/or footprint previously received financial support from Northern Development under this program?			
Preserving the Gold Rush History of Likely, BC	Yes No			
2. Applicant Profile				
Applicant organization (legal name):	Non-profit society registration number: (if applicable)			
Likely & District Chamber of Commerce	000537-1			
Mailing address:	Telephone:			
Box 29 Likely, BC V0L 1N0	250-790-0002			
Email:	Website (URL):			
ikelychamber@gmail.com	likely-bc.ca			
3. Primary Contact Information				
Primary contact (for this application):	Position/title:			
Lisa Kraus	Likely Community Cooridnator			
Email:	Primary Phone Number: Secondary Phone Number:			

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# 4. Project Location and Resolution

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Appropriate jurisdiction the project is located within:	Name of the appropriate local government or First Nations Band providing the resolution of support:				
Municipality (city, town, village	Cariboo Regional District				
or regional district):	If regional district, what electoral area:				
First Nation reserve:	Cariboo Regional District				
Has the resolution of support been secu	red? ★ Refer to the <u>Application Guide</u> for so	ample resolution wording.			
Yes; attached to application	No; date resolution of support is e	expected to be secured: 03/01/25			
5. Project Timeline					
Stage of project:		Scheduled date (dd-mmm-yyyy):			
Forecasted project start date	erenery, and the control of the cont	01/05/25			
Forecasted project completion date		08/31/25			
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6. Project Overview					
Will the applicant own and operate the	asset?				
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Please explain why your project is needed in your community.

Likely is a small town of approximately 350 people. We are an aging population trying to keep the economy flowing. The residents work together under different umbrella's to make sure our town is a welcoming place to visit. Our rural atmosphere, beautiful surroundings and plentiful outdoor recreation opportunities entice people to visit the area. Most recently, the Likely & District Chamber of Commerce was contacted by several tourists wondering why the displays in the park where looking so poorly. Unsafe and decaying displays only turn people away from staying at the campground. We need the Cedar Point Park area to look attractive to the tourist's eye. Likely depends on our fundraising and grant applications to keep our community attractive to tourists. Low tourism = less dollars in our community= businesses closing. We take pride in our small town and want to keep it and the history alive.

#### 7. Strategic Factors

Fill out all that are applicable. The following strategic factors will be considered in the application assessment.

Does the project create space(s) that offer ancillary uses that will generate revenues for the applicant? If so, please explain

A well maintained park and campground will encourage tourists to visit Likely and explore the surrounding area. This would generate revenue to the locally run campground, Cedar City Museum and the local businesses in Likely. The longer people stay in an area the more they are inclined to spend money at the local store, purchase fuel and stop for a meal/beverage at local restaurants.

If any market research or a business case been completed, summarize the results:

This must be demonstrated by attaching the relevant supporting document.

N/A

Will the project foster cultural awareness and contributes to inclusivity? if so, please explain

British Columbia culture combines a unique mix of European, Asian and First Nations influence. The museum in the park has effectively communicated culture awareness and inclusivity through the museum and the displays in the park. There is a plan to develop a greater First Nations awareness in displays in the local community and the revitalization of the displays in the park along side the FN displays will enhance the cultural awareness and inclusivity of our community.

Will this project enhance the physical appearance, character, or natural environment in the community? If so, please explain

The current state of the displays and signage in the Cedar Point Park area do not enhance the park. With the restoration and reconstruction of the displays the physical appearance and character will be restored. The type of display and signage fits well into the natural environment of the tall cedar timbers in the park as all displays are made of wood and natural color materials.

Will the completion of the project will result in reduced operation, maintenance and related costs over the life-cycle of the asset? If so, please explain

The displays and signage once revitalized will reduce the current maintenance if properly maintained by both the Parks Board and the Likely & District Chamber of Commerce. The current parks board and the Likely Chamber have made a commitment to maintaining the displays through regular maintenance. The Likely Chamber has committed to having the community crew work in the park one day of the week during the regular tourist season.

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What, if any systems, policies or practices are in place to ensure that funds to replace the asset at the end of its life will be available?

This must be demonstrated by attaching the relevant supporting document (e.g. Asset Management Plan).

The park is under a new board of directors who will ensure funds from campsite and donation revenue will be used to help maintain the heritage and historical displays. The Likely & District Chamber of Commerce will have the community crew work in the park to assist with the upkeep. Also funds CRD Area F Economic Development will be applied for through the Likely Commission to help support the maintenance and upkeep of the displays.

If the project is aligned with the long-term plans/vision of the community, please explain how.

This must be demonstrated by attaching the relevant supporting document (e.g. OCP)

The long term plan/visions of the community of Likely have been to enhance the Tourism opportunities in the area as outlined in the Tourism study completed in 2008 and since 2016 have been part of many enhancements to our community.

The community of Likely is always seeking new opportunities to stimulate and diversity the local economy. Outdoor Recreation and Tourism in our province is growing as all ages explore the "backcountry".

Describe any accessibility concerns the completion of this project will alleviate:

At this time the accessibility concerns are that the displays are not safe due to the decay. Cedar Point Park is an accessible park and once the revitalization is complete all of the heritage and historical displays will once again be accessible.

Describe any health and safety concerns the completion of this project will alleviate:

The current condition of the historical displays are a safety concern and are a potential hazard. Signage is unreadable and displays are decaying. Restoration and reconstruction of the displays will alleviate the current health and safety concerns.

If the project will support resident/workforce attraction and retention, please explain how.

The project will support and enhance the current resident workforce. The Likely & District Chamber of Commerce has a part-time summer workforce of three employees that look after mowing and general upkeep of the grounds at the Bullion Lookout, Quesnel Forks, Downtown Likely and Cedar Point Park. The grant will increase the hours for the employees to full time as well as hire a local contractor to oversee the project.

How does the project result in the preservation/creation of an amenity that serves multiple uses?

Cedar Point Park is open to the public. Many local and regional groups and tourists use the park not only for camping but for the use of the day areas, the new children's playground, boat launch, shower house and for special events including but limited to fishing derby's, birthday parties and family gatherings. If the displays are not revitalized, the areas will not be safe for public use and Likely will lose the Heritage and Historical relevance of the park and the local area.

The community of Likely, Quesnel Forks, the Bullion Site Lookout, Cedar City Museum, the Goldrush Circle Route and Cedar Point Park provide visitors with a unique experience which showcases the Cariboo region's Gold Rush heritage and pristine wilderness landscapes. The Historical and Heritage displays and signage connect Likely to Barkerville and the Historic Gold Rush Trail. This project is designed to enhance the Historical and Heritage displays within the Cedar Point Park area. The park is looked after by a local group that supports this project. As a community, we want to make our local assets attractive and safe. The Likely & District Chamber of Commerce runs the Cedar City Museum in the park and works closely with the park group to enhance the park.

The park offers an outdoor "mining museum" featuring mock shafts, adits (horizontal entries to a mine) and antique mining machinery. The displays have been neglected over the last several years and need attention. Our objective is to revitalize the displays and signage in the Cedar Point Park area. Secondly, to preserve local history, while connecting to regional and provincial history. Thirdly, the project will improve the physical appearance, character and natural environment of our community.

In order to achieve the above objectives, the project team will employ the following strategies:

- 1. Completely revitalize the unique outdoor mining displays to keep them as authentic and original as possible
- 2. Use locally milled wood and salvaged wood to keep the displays as authentic as possible
- 3. Powerwash, scrub and repaint the steam shovel and steam engine (antique mining machinery)
- 4. Replace and repair the wooden structures around displays as required
- 5. Replace signage
- 6. Revitalize the adit
- 7. Repair broken heritage pieces
- 8. Address current safety concerns with displays

### 8. Project Budget, Funding Request, and Funding %

Funding request (grant):	Requested funding %:
\$ 20,784	% 70.00
→ Maximum \$30,000.	→ Maximum 70%.
	\$ 20,784

#### 9. Other Funding Sources

Funding source: + Do not use acronyms.	Amount (\$):	Identify funding terms:	Identify funding confirmation:
Likely & District Chamber of Commerce	\$1,780.05	Applicant contribution	Approval letter attached  Date approval expected:
Cariboo Regional District	\$5,000.00	Grant C Loan Other:	Approval letter attached  Date approval expected: 03/01/25
Cedar Point Park	\$1,000.00	Grant C Loan Other:	Approval letter attached     Date approval expected:
Ivan Kasaic Contractor- included in quote information	\$2,500.00	Grant Coan Other:	Approval letter attached     Date approval expected:
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eligible => \$129,691.24

#### 10. Attachments

Other:

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Che	k all documents that are applicable <u>and</u> attached to this application:					
Dog	Document name:					
<b>√</b>	Detailed project budget using Northern Development's Project Budget Template (required; in excel format)					
<b>√</b>	Detailed quotes					
	Funding approval confirmations (required prior to approval, except in the Northeast)					
	Local government or band resolution of support (required prior to the regional advisory committee meeting)					
<b>√</b>	Society certificate of incorporation (required for not-for-profit applicants)					
<b>√</b>	'Before' photo(s)					
<b>√</b>	Most recent annual financial statements					
<b>√</b>	Letters of support from community organizations					
	Lease agreement/or user agreement					
	Business case or other market research					
	Asset management plan					
	Community alignment document (OCP, council priorities, strategic plan, economic development plan etc.)					
<b>√</b>	Other: Project details					
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