



**Date:** 23/04/2026

**To:** Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

**And To:** Murray Daly, Chief Administrative Officer

**From:** Kathie Vilkas, Regional Economic Community Development Officer

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## Short Summary:

NDIT Application – Friends of Bouchie-Milburn Society – Six Mile Corner Park Project - Phase 2

## Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

## Memorandum:

For the Cariboo Regional District Board's consideration, please find attached an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) from the Friends of Bouchie-Milburn Society. The request is for \$23,614.45 under the Community Places stream to make improvements to the Bouchie-Milburn Community Park through signage and landscaping/beautification.

Note: Bouchie Lake Recreation Commission, which manages this property on behalf of the Cariboo Regional District, has received a presentation on the project proposal from the applicant and is reviewing details to address any potential concerns.

Funding support for this project, which has a total value of \$39,248.76 is anticipated to come from Northern Development Initiative Trust (\$23,614.45), Quesnel Community Foundation (\$8,200), Veteran Affairs Canada (\$5,000), Bouchie Lake Watershed Stewardship Society (\$1,434.31) and the Friends of Bouchie-Milburn Society (\$1,000).

Prior to forwarding the application to NDIT for the Regional Advisory Committee's consideration, all Regional Development Account applications require a resolution of support from the local government within the jurisdiction.

## Attachments:

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## Financial Implications:

None within the project scope. However, ongoing maintenance of the community park property is included in the North Cariboo Recreation and Parks financial plan through the Bouchie Lake Recreation Commission operating budget.

### **Policy Implications:**

Cariboo Regional District Policy No 2017-3A-33 (Northern Development Initiative Trust Application Policy) states: In the absence of knowledge of material, legal, ethical, or other improprieties, the CRD will support all applications to the NDIIT for funding, without regard to the project's merit.

### **Alignment with Strategic Plan:**

- Infrastructure and Asset Management:** To establish a systematic, predictable approach to managing the regional district's assets and infrastructure that builds on current asset management data and condition assessments.
- Enhanced Communications and Engagement:** To build trust and credibility of the regional district by enhancing our communications and engagement with citizens, stakeholders, and volunteers.
- Effective and Responsive Land Use Planning and Development:** To ensure our land use planning and development is responsive to future growth and housing needs, anticipates risks and hazards associated with climate change and provides efficient and consistent processes for landowners and developers.
- Relationships with First Nations:** To foster a healthy and inclusive region by building and strengthening our relationships with First Nations and embracing the principles of reconciliation.

### **Recommendation:**

That the Friends of Bouchie-Milburn Society's grant application to Northern Development Initiative Trust's Community Places stream for \$23,614.45 to make improvements to Bouchie-Milburn Community Park, through signage and landscaping/beautification be supported for submission.