



BOARD REPORT

TO:

Chair and Directors

File No: 6120 30 04

SUBJECT:

**Electoral Area C Community Works Fund - South Shuswap
Destination Trail Planning**

DESCRIPTION:

Report from Ryan Nitchie, Team Leader, Community Services, dated July 10, 2017. Access to Community Works Funds (Area C) for South Shuswap Destination Trail Planning.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT: in accordance with Policy No. F-3 "Electoral Area Community Works Fund - Expenditure of Monies" access to the Electoral Area Community Works Fund be approved in the amount of \$50,000 plus applicable taxes from the Electoral Area C Community Works Fund allocation for research, field assessments and conceptual planning for a destination trail based tourism experience within the South Shuswap.

SHORT SUMMARY:

Following consultation with the Electoral Area C Director, supported by the Area C Parks Advisory Committee and working in collaboration with the Shuswap Trail Alliance, staff are recommending moving forward with planning and preliminary design to assess the feasibility and opportunities for growing the existing South Shuswap outdoor recreational trail system into an enhanced destination tourism asset for the South Shuswap and Region. Board approval is necessary in order to access these funds from the Electoral Area C Community Works Fund, as outlined in Policy No. F-3 "Electoral Area Community Works Fund - Expenditure of Monies".

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BACKGROUND:

The planning and construction of trails qualifies as an eligible expenditure of Community Works Funds. In 2002, the Shuswap Tourism Opportunity Strategy identified a number of front and backcountry destination tourism opportunities throughout the Shuswap region. In 2006, several trail-based options were researched and further developed into a concept report, including development of enhanced destination trails within the South Shuswap which formed, in part, the work completed in the Shuswap Trails Strategy and Business Plan (2007). In 2010, the Shuswap Tourism Strategy incorporated these new options as core objectives for further development and promotion. Most recently, the Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy and Roundtable identified the South Shuswap as a priority area for further trail development and enhanced management. During the recent Area C Master Parks and Recreation Plan process, a destination trail in the South Shuswap was identified as a priority.

The Electoral Area C Community Works Fund has money available and can be utilized for community projects of this type. The project meets the criteria as specified for use of funds for trail planning.

POLICY:

Policy No. F-3 "Electoral Area Community Works Fund - Expenditure of Monies" states that the expenditure of monies from the Community Works Fund will be approved by the Board at a regular meeting of the Board.

FINANCIAL:

A total of \$50,000 plus applicable taxes is being sought from the Electoral Area C Community Works Fund. Sufficient funds are available in the Electoral Area C Community Works Fund for this proposed project. Expenditure of the requested funds is in accordance with the agreement between the UBCM and the CSRD, dated July 7, 2014.

KEY ISSUES/CONCEPTS:

As per Policy No. F-3 "Electoral Area Community Works Fund - Expenditure of Monies" authorization to expend monies from the Community Works Fund must be approved by the Board.

DESIRED OUTCOMES:

The Board approve the expenditure from the Electoral Area C portion of the Community Works Fund.

BOARD'S OPTIONS:

1. *Endorse the Recommendation.*
2. *Deny the Recommendation.*
3. *Defer.*
4. *Any other action deemed appropriate by the Board.*

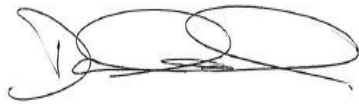
LIST NAME OF REPORT(S) / DOCUMENT(S) AVAILABLE FROM STAFF:

1. The Shuswap Trail Alliance – South Shuswap Destination Trail Planning Draft Proposal

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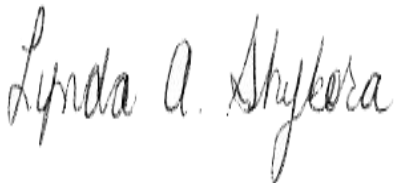
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