

South Canoe Update – January 25, 2021

The South Canoe advisory committee met Thursday, January 21. Following are key updates:

1. The advisory committee has lost one EQ representative and discussed potential replacements. Isabel will follow up.
2. The Terms of Reference are being updated. Some attention needs to be paid to the gate/key issues.
3. Winter trail grooming: Trail groomers are happy. If any users are having issues Dan would like to be made aware. Cycling group is very active using them. Joedine reports the trails are the best she has encountered during winters here in the Shuswap.
 - a. None of the EQ trails are being groomed, so no worries re compacting affecting spring thaw and riding.
4. Reports of much dog poop in the area near the parking lot. We will ask the city/greenways committee for a sign, bag dispenser and garbage can as the trails around the parking lot are used by many people with dogs.
5. Ida View – creek crossing bridge: No news, waiting funding – 3 STA grants will have been submitted by the end of the month. Isabel is working on one for Horse Council; STA Auction (live next week) may also produce some funds. Anyone wishing to donate cash directly to this bridge project should look for the specific project button on the auction website. You can also write 'E Canoe Creek bridge' on the memo line or in the e-transfer message box if you wish to donate that way. Your \$ will be designated for that project only.
6. Silvatech work in Lower Malibu - There will be daytime trail closures of parts of lower flying nun and PPT as they conduct the wildfire fuel management around Medford dam. The work will start nearest the water treatment plant and move towards the dam. They expect this project to wrap up by the end of the week. They will be decking the logs in the parking lot near the meadow and hulling them away immediately. Kevin will put up and take down the trail closure signs daily.
7. Voly Days – no big groups as done in the past. Will become a regular Monday night affair limited to 4 – 6 individuals. Adrian will coordinate and work out registration protocols and tally of trail work. Isabel is happy to help with data collection & paperwork on that.
8. Next meeting will be February 25, via Zoom at 7 pm.