

# Shuswap Trails Roundtable 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

Dec 3, 2025



# Welcoming Comments and Prayer

Welcome, prayer

Jen Bellhouse, Shuswap Trail Alliance

Mike Simpson, Independent Facilitator

# Introductions around the room

Name

Title

Organization

# Meeting objectives

Provide updates on Secwepemc, CSRD and BC initiatives

Provide update on progress of the implementation of the [Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy](#) this year

To seek feedback on priorities for the Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy for next year, and endorse the annual work plan

Convene all trail user groups and orders of government to build relationships and share information

# Shuswap Trails Roundtable

All of you!

Meets once per year

See Chapter 13, and Appendix 9 for terms of reference

- Quorum:
  - Secwepemc governments – 1 rep each
  - Regional districts – 2 reps from any of the 3 RDs
  - Municipalities – 3 reps from any of the 5 municipalities
  - Provincial government – 2 reps, ideally from Rec Sites & Trails or BC Parks
  - Motorized trails groups – 3 reps
  - Non-motorized trails groups – 3 reps
  - Other sector – 1 rep

# Working Group Membership (1/2)

113 people representing the following:

Secwepemc governments

Provincial government, including:

- Recreation Sites and Trails BC
- BC Parks
- Ministry of Forests

# Working Group Membership (2/2)

Motorized recreation

Non-motorized recreation

Commercial recreation tenure holders

Economic development organizations

Local government including: City of Salmon Arm, District of Sicamous, Village of Chase (TNRD), CSRD, RDNO

Others - Interior Health Authority, , Columbia Shuswap Invasive Species Society, various Chambers of Commerce

# Working Group Meetings

January – White Lake

April – Larch Hills

June – North Fork Wild



October – Sicamous



# Working Group participants in 2025 (N=45)

- Richard Anderson
- Jen Bellhouse
- Adrian Bostock
- Linda Buchanan
- Keith Cox
- Anita Ely
- Patrick Frank
- Steve Horton
- Kathleen Ludwig
- Ray Ludwig
- Eleanor Marshall
- Carmen Massey
- Morgan Matheson
- Craig McBride
- Phil McIntyre-Paul
- Brian Pratt
- Debbie Seymour
- Jamie Sherlock
- Warren Staff
- Fred Torbohm
- Hannah Treleaven
- Brad Arnouse
- Kyra Evans
- Sue Ghattas
- Sarah Megyesi
- Shelley Witzky
- Trina Antoine
- Barbra Fairclough
- Evan Houle
- Sue Hunt
- David Lepsoe
- Sue McCrae
- Doug Nookes
- Carly Procyshyn
- Kyle Routledge
- Lynnea Baker
- Marshall Kronewitt
- Paula Martens
- Veda Roberge
- Kayla Wright
- Jan Thingsted
- Megan Pasquill
- Ronan Redel
- Jenna Robins
- Trevor Timmer

# Secwepemc Initiatives

Engaging Elders and Knowledge Keepers

Secwepemc Landmarks Update

- Shelley Witzky, Shuswap Trail Alliance

Chase-Harper Trail Opening Ceremony,  
connections to forestry planning

- Brad Arnouse, Neskonlith
- Colin O'Leary, O'Leary & Associates

# Discussion at your table

- How does this apply to you or your organization?
- How does this apply to the Shuswap overall?
- What opportunities exist for engagement?
- What can we do to better support proponents?
- How do we provide capacity to Secwepemc communities?

# Local Government Initiatives

Columbia Shuswap Regional District – Parks  
Master Planning

- Fiona Barton, Columbia Shuswap  
Regional District



Break (30min)

# BC Government Initiatives

## Integrated Transportation Planning

- Megan Pasquill, Ministry of Transportation and Transit

## Recreation Sites and Trails BC update

- Tennessee Trent, Recreation Sites and Trails BC

# Health Initiatives

## Community Examples of Vision Zero Road Safety Projects

- Anita Ely, Interior Health

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How does this apply to the Shuswap overall?

What opportunities exist?

What fresh ideas can be generated?



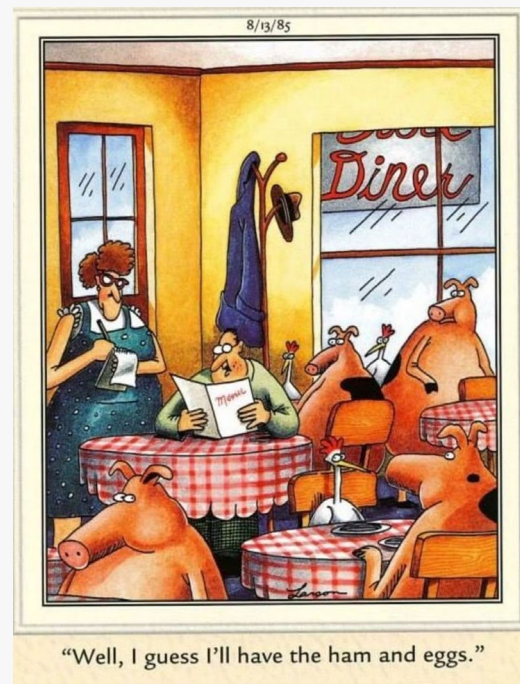
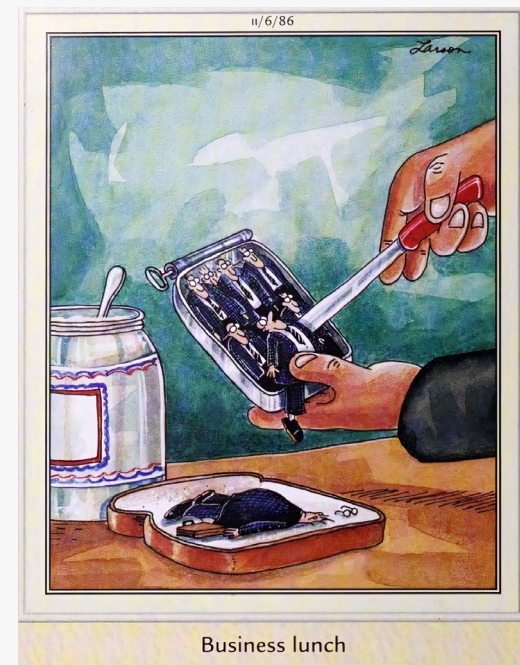
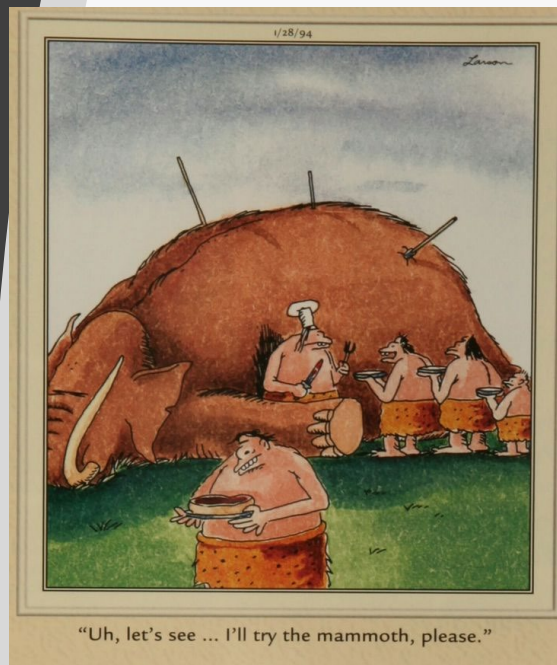
# Shuswap Trails Roundtable Business

Meeting summary from November 20,  
2024

2025 Report on What was Done

2026 Annual Work Plan and Budget  
(subject to sub-regional input)

# Lunch and networking



Group  
photo!

Brush your hair

Say cheese

# Wildfire Preparedness and Resiliency

Wildfire Resiliency and Coordination  
with Trails

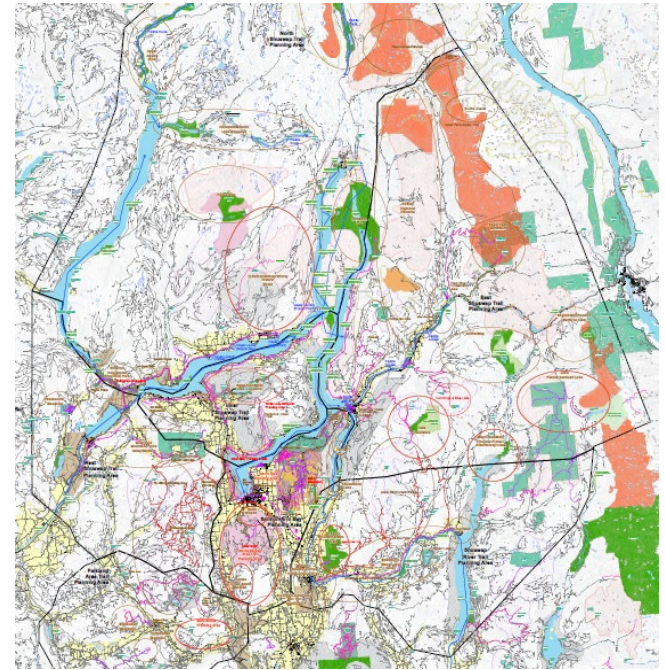
- Randy Spyksma, Forsite Consultants

# Sub-regional discussions

Assigned facilitator per table

Everyone is eligible to participate

Please work collaboratively to hear all  
voices, incorporate all perspectives



# Which trails are in which sub-regions?

Sub-region	SOME trails in this sub-region
West Shuswap	Adams Lake, Neskonlith, Scatchard & Chase Creek Falls
North Shuswap	Crowfoot/Mobley/Grizzly/Angle Highland, Tsútswecw Park, Adams River Gorge Trail, Scotch Creek/Hlina
Inner (South) Shuswap	Skwlāx te Secwepemcúłecw, Skimikin, Herald Park/Reineker, White Lake, Mt Baldy
Salmon Arm Bay	Adams Lake, Neskonlith, West Bay, Kela7scen (Mt Ida), Larch Hills, Rubberhead, Mallory Ridge
East Shuswap	Eagle Pass Mtn, Joss Pass, Owlshead/Mara and Cummings/Blue Lake, Gorge, Sicamous Mtn Bike park
Shuswap River	Splatsin te Secwepemc, North Okanagan/Armstrong/Vernon, Enderby Cliffs, Rosemond Lake, Rail trails (Sicamous-Armstrong, Armstrong-Vernon), Rose Swanson
Falkland	Kela7scen (south slopes), Glenemma

# Sub- regional discussions

Questions (also on p.2 of agenda):

- What new priorities have emerged?
- What new partnership opportunities do these new priorities present?
- What are the top 3 sub-regional priorities going into 2026, and for each, the key next steps, by who?
- What Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy updates have yet to be identified for this sub-region?

# Debrief from sub- regional discussions

2 minute report out:

- What are the top 3 sub-regional priorities going into 2026, and for each, the key next steps, by who?

Hand in your worksheet to Erin or Mike



# Upcoming events

Keep it brief and relate it to trails –  
1min, then send more info

# Next Steps

- Evaluation via email
- Meeting summary from today – ASAP
- 2026 work plan – updated based on today's input
- Want to join the Working Group?
- Future Working Group meeting dates (9AM-12PM, format TBD)
  - Friday January 16, virtual
  - Friday April 17
  - Friday June 19
  - Friday October 17

# Closing Comments and Evaluation

Evaluation survey will be sent via email  
by end of week

Thank you  
and stay  
safe on the  
trails!

