



# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

## NORTH OKANAGAN SHUSWAP RAIL TRAIL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, June 17, 2026  
Board Room - 9848 Aberdeen Road,  
Coldstream, BC  
2:00 p.m.

### REGULAR AGENDA

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#### A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1. Acknowledgment that the Regional District of North Okanagan is on the traditional territory of the Syilx and Secwépemc First Nations.
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#### B. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

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#### C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. **North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee - June 17, 2026**

(Opportunity for Introduction of Late Items)

(Opportunity for Introduction of Late Items - In Camera)

#### **RECOMMENDATION 1**

That the Agenda of the June 17, 2026 regular meeting of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee be approved as presented.

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#### D. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. **North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee - December 10, 2025**

#### **RECOMMENDATION 2**

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That the Minutes of the December 10, 2025 regular meeting of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee be adopted as circulated.

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#### E. DELEGATIONS

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#### F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**G. NOTICE OF MOTION**

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**H. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail - Trailhead Gateway Kiosks Funding**

- Staff report dated May 20, 2026

At the May 20, 2026 Board of Directors meeting the following recommendation was deferred to the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Committee for consideration.

That as recommended by the Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Governance Advisory Committee, \$30,000 in donated funds, currently held in trust by the Shuswap Community Foundation, be allocated towards the installation of trailhead interpretive signage and kiosks, as described in the May 20, 2026 report from Strategic and Community Services

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**2. Grant Application - Shuswap Trail Alliance**

- Project Plan for KM 14.5 Rest Area dated June 4, 2026

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**I. REPORTS**

**1. North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee Director Reports**

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**2. General Manager's Report**

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**J. MEMBER INQUIRIES**

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**K. RESOLUTION TO GO IN CAMERA**

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**L. ADJOURNMENT**



## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

### NORTH OKANAGAN SHUSWAP RAIL TRAIL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, December 10, 2025  
Board Room - 9848 Aberdeen Road,  
Coldstream, BC

## REGULAR MINUTES

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<b>Members:</b>	Director R. Fairbairn	Electoral Area "D"	Chair
	Director A. Hopkins	Electoral Area "F"	Vice Chair
	Director S. Fowler	City of Armstrong	
	Director C. Fraser	Township of Spallumcheen	
	Director B. Schreiner	City of Enderby (electronic)	
	Alternate Director R. Ostafichuk	Village of Lumby	
<b>Staff:</b>	D. Sewell	Chief Administrative Officer	
	S. Banmen	General Manager, Finance	
	I. Wilson	General Manager, Strategic & Community Services (electronic)	
	A. Bevan	Deputy Corporate Officer	

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#### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

It was acknowledged that the Regional District of North Okanagan is on the traditional territory of the Syilx and Secwépemc First Nations.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

##### Appointment of Chief Election Officer

Moved and seconded

That Ashley Bevan be appointed as the Chief Election Officer to conduct the election of Chair and Vice Chair of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee.

**CARRIED**

North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee -  
Regular

December 10, 2025

### **Election**

The Deputy Corporate Officer called for nominations for the office of Chair of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee pursuant to Procedure Bylaw No. 2750.

Director Hopkins nominated Director Fairbairn. Director Fairbairn accepted the nomination.

The Deputy Corporate Officer called a second and third time for nominations for the office of Chair of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee. There being no further nominations, Director Fairbairn was declared elected by acclamation as Chair of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee.

The Deputy Corporate Officer called for nominations for the office of Vice Chair of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee pursuant to Procedure Bylaw No. 2750.

Director Fraser nominated Director Schreiner. Director Schreiner declined the nomination. Director Schreiner nominated Director Hopkins. Director Hopkins accepted the nomination.

The Deputy Corporate Officer called a second and third time for nominations for the office of Vice Chair of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee. There being no further nominations, Director Hopkins was declared elected by acclamation as Vice Chair of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#### **North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee - December 10, 2025**

Moved and seconded

That the Agenda of the December 10, 2025 regular meeting of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

#### **North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee - June 18, 2025**

Moved and seconded

That the Minutes of the June 18, 2025 regular meeting of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Update**

Moved and seconded

That the report dated December 10, 2025 and titled Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Updated be received.

**CARRIED**

North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee -  
Regular

December 10, 2025

**2026 Budget - North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail (081)**

Moved and seconded

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors, the proposed 2026 Budget for the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail (081) service be approved in principle for inclusion within the 2026 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION TO GO IN CAMERA**

Moved and seconded

That the regular meeting of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Committee convene In Camera to deal with matters deemed closed to the public in accordance with the following paragraph of Section 90(1) of the Community Charter:

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality.

**CARRIED**

The regular meeting of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee adjourned to meet In Camera at 2:31 p.m.

The regular meeting of the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail Advisory Committee reconvened at 3:25 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

**CERTIFIED CORRECT**

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Chair  
Rick Fairbairn

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Chief Administrative Officer  
David Sewell



# STAFF REPORT

**TO: Board of Directors**

**File No: 4700.4750.04.081.02**

**FROM: Strategic and Community Services**

**Date: May 20, 2026**

**SUBJECT: Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail: Trailhead Gateway Kiosks Funding**

## RECOMMENDATION:

That as recommended by the Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Governance Advisory Committee, \$30,000 in donated funds, currently held in trust by the Shuswap Community Foundation, be allocated towards the installation of trailhead interpretive signage and kiosks, as described in the May 20, 2026 report from Strategic and Community Services.

## SUMMARY:

The Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail project has received just over \$316,000 in community donations, which are being held in trust by the Shuswap Community Foundation. The funds are intended to be used for development of the rail trail but are not currently allocated to a particular project. The Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Governance Advisory Committee (GAC) recommends that \$30,000 of these funds be allocated towards the installation of trailhead signage and kiosks.

## BACKGROUND:

Attachment A includes background information that was presented to the GAC. Below is a summary of key points:

- Trailhead Gateway Kiosks are part of the approved rail trail development plan (See: Rail Trail Development Plan, January 15, 2021, Section 15.1 and Rail Trail Amenity & Sign Standards, January 27, 2023, Sections 8.0)
- Primary trailhead access/egress points target the established destination community hubs at Sicamous, Grindrod, Enderby, Splitsin, and Armstrong, with secondary locations at Mara Hall, Grindrod, and Stepney-X Road
- Trailheads are to incorporate Secwépemc language, values, and history interpretation into their design.
- Connectivity into Splitsin and municipal greenway active transportation systems is important.
- Trailheads double as centralized tourism experience destinations, gaining the greatest economic benefits when tied directly into community main streets, amenities, and businesses.
- Direction from the Cultural Heritage Overview Assessment for the rail trail included:
  - installing plaques, kiosks and signs explaining the history and culture of the Splitsin people and territory.
  - installing signs demonstrating that the Rail Trail is in Splitsin Territory.

Report to: Board of Directors  
From: Strategic & Community Services  
Re: Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail: Trailhead Gateway Kiosk Funding

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- The Splantsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail between Sicamous and Armstrong provides a unique opportunity to educate and engage trail users in the contemporary and traditional values used to govern and care for the lands within Secwepemcúlecw.

**FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:**

Funding for Trailhead Gateway Kiosks was not included in the current Federal Active Transportation funding received by Splantsin Development Corporation. Funding is available, however, within the Rail Trail Donor Funds held in trust by the Shuswap Community Foundation on behalf of the rail trail. The fund currently holds just over \$316,000.

In addition, Destination BC has recently entered a funding agreement with the Shuswap Trail Alliance and the Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association to allocate \$8,000 from surplus fiscal year-end funds toward supporting Trailhead Gateway Kiosk signage for the rail trail in 2026.


If approved, this project would be managed by Shuswap Trail Alliance with installation performed by Splantsin Development Corporation.

The funds held by the Shuswap Community Foundation will be accessed by either the Regional District of North Okanagan or the Columbia Shuswap Regional District. Should the funds flow through the North Okanagan Regional District, an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan will occur later in the year to include the project, despite there being no net cost of the project to the taxpayer or the North Okanagan Shuswap Rail Trail (081) service.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

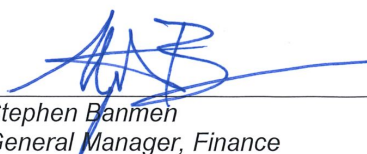
Attachment 'A': Trailhead Gateway Kiosks – Funding Recommendation

Submitted by:



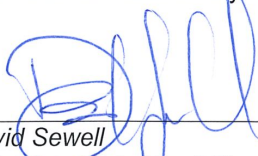
Ian Wilson  
General Manager, Strategic & Community Services

Reviewed and endorsed by:



Stephen Banmen  
General Manager, Finance

Approved for inclusion by:



David Sewell  
Chief Administrative Officer



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The Splat'sin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail (Sicamous-to-Armstrong)

## BRIEFING NOTE:

### Trailhead Gateway Kiosks – Funding Recommendation

**To:** Splat'sin te Secwépemc Kukpi7 & Tkwamipla7s (Chief & Council) and the Boards of the Columbia Shuswap Regional District and the Regional District of North Okanagan

**From:** The Splat'sin te Secwépemc Governance Advisory Committee

**Date:** March 27, 2026

**Subject:** Recommendation regarding Trailhead Gateway Kiosk Funding from the GAC – March 23, 2026

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#### Trailhead Gateway Kiosks: Background

- Trailhead Gateway Kiosks are part of the approved rail trail development plan (See: [Rail Trail Development Plan, January 15, 2021, Section 15.1](#) and [Rail Trail Amenity & Sign Standards, January 27, 2023, Sections 8.0](#))
- Primary trailhead access/egress points target the established destination community hubs of Sicamous, Grindrod, Enderby, Splat'sin, and Armstrong, with secondary locations at Mara Hall, Grindrod, and Stepney X Road
- Trailheads are to incorporate Secwépemc language, values, and history interpretation into their design.
- Connectivity into Splat'sin and municipal greenway active transportation systems is important.
- Trailheads double as centralized tourism experience destinations gaining the greatest economic benefits when tied directly into community main streets, amenities, and businesses.
- Direction from the Cultural Heritage Overview Assessment for the rail trail included:
  - installing plaques, kiosks and signs explaining the history and culture of the Splat'sin people and territory.
  - installing signs demonstrating that the Rail Trail is in Splat'sin Territory.
- The Splat'sin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail between Sicamous and Armstrong provides a unique opportunity to educate and engage trail users in the contemporary and traditional values used to govern and care for the lands within Secwepemcúlcw.

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### Funding for Gateway Kiosks:

- Funding for the Trailhead Gateway Kiosks was not included in the current Federal ATF funding, however, so additional funding is required to complete this part of the rail trail project as the rail trail becomes substantially opened this year.
- Funding is available, however, within the Rail Trail Donor Funds held in trust by the Shuswap Community Foundation on behalf of the rail trail. The fund currently holds just over \$316,000.
- As well, Destination BC has recently entered a funding agreement with the Shuswap Trail Alliance and the Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association to allocate \$8000 from surplus fiscal year-end funds toward supporting Trailhead Gateway Kiosk signage for the rail trail in 2026.

**Phase 1 Trailhead Gateway Kiosk Sign Proposal** – includes Splitsin te Secwépemc welcome messaging developed by the Splitsin Title & Rights department. Following is breakdown of the budget:

- Splitsin content development \$5000 (initial welcome sign & Phase 2 storyboard proposal),
- sign design/print x 6 locations (splitsin welcome \$5000/wayfinding & sponsor acknowledgement \$5000),
- kiosk design, coordination, and site-assessments \$2000,
- build kiosks and install (three 4x5 kiosks at Sicamous km 0.0, Enderby km 36.5, Armstrong km 50 = \$5000 x3 + three 3x3 kiosks at Mara Hall km 19.7, Grindrod km 27.3, and Stepney X Road km 42.6 = \$2000 x 3)
- **Total project cost: \$38,000** (\$30,000 from SCF Donor Funds + \$8000 from DBC)

### Project implementation includes:

- Splitsin Title & Rights (welcome content development, Phase 2 proposal),
- Shuswap Trail Alliance (in-kind coordination, wayfinding/map sign design with Splitsin, RDNO, CSRD TOC),
- SDC's Yucwmenlúcwu Civil Construction Division (build/install) – with STA support
- Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association (in-kind DBC fund management)

### Phase 2 Splitsin Storyboard Sign Proposal

- Splitsin Title & Rights staff will also prepare a Phase 2 Splitsin Storyboard Sign Proposal to develop unique content for the 6 kiosk locations and potential additional locations for consideration by Destination BC in 2027. This proposal would include resourcing consultation with Splitsin community members, elders, and knowledge carriers'.
- This also lays the groundwork for the Splitsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail to be included within Provincial, National, and international destination development programs through the Destination BC development program with support from the Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association. The Shuswap Trail Alliance is currently coordinating this conversation.



**Recommendation:**

The Splitsin te Secwépemc Governance Advisory Committee (comprised of Spaltsin Kukpi7 Edna Felix, RDNO Chair Shirley Fowler, and CSRD Interim Chair Kevin Flynn) approved the following motion for consideration and approval by the Splitsin te Secwépemc Kukpi7 & Tkwamipla7s and the Boards of the Columbia Shuswap Regional District and the Regional District of North Okanagan:

***Recommendation: THAT: the Splitsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Governance Advisory Committee recommend to Splitsin Kukpi7 and Tkwamipla7 (Chief and Council) and the Boards of the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (CSRD) and the Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO), that \$30,000 be drawn from the Shuswap Community Foundation Rail Trail Funds toward the design, construction, and installation of trailhead gateway kiosks that include Splitsin te Secwépemc welcome messaging developed by the Splitsin Title & Rights department.***

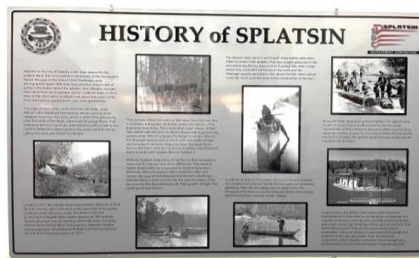
(See Item #7.d: [MINUTES SNO Rail Trail Governance Advisory - March 23 2026 DRAFT.pdf](#))

Once approved, the Splitsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Technical Operational Committee will work with the Shuswap Community Foundation to transfer funds from the Rail Trail Donor Funds. The Shuswap Trail Alliance will assist with coordination. The Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association will manage transfer of the additional funds from Destination BC.

Excerpts from the [Rail Trail Amenity & Sign Standards, January 27, 2023, Sections 8.0](#) . . .

8.5 Interpretive/Educational Signs

- 8.5.1 **Specifications:** Design format TBD - to further unfolding of the true story within Splitsin te Secwepemc territory (to promote communication, strengthen relationships, and reflect contemporary and historic, environmental and cultural values)
- 8.5.2 **Lead Responsibility:** Splitsin with Rail Trail Partners
- 8.5.3 **Application:** To be installed at various locations to be identified and developed through Splitsin te Secwépemc protocol/process.
- 8.5.4 Interim placement of current Splitsin Interpretive Signs may be used in various locations.



Interpretive educational sign (Splitsin)



8.8 Trailhead Kiosks - Large

8.8.1 Specifications: 8'x4' (brown) treated wood, metal roof (Based on [RSTBC Sign Kiosk – Large](#) standard as adopted under Shuswap Regional Trail Strategy)

8.8.2 Lead Responsibility: Rail Trail partners

8.8.3 Application: Main Gateway trailhead kiosk (Sicamous, Enderby/Splatsin, Armstrong) prior to final kiosk design, donor acknowledgement, and Splat'sin te Secwépemc design protocol/process being implemented. (See Gateways above)

8.8.4 Location Reference: Sicamous, Enderby/Splatsin, Armstrong



Trailhead Kiosk – Large (RSTBC)

8.9 Trailhead Kiosks - Small

8.9.1 Specifications: 3'x3' (brown) treated wood, metal roof (Based on [RSTBC Sign Kiosk – Small](#) standard as adopted under Shuswap Regional Trail Strategy)"

8.9.2 Lead Responsibility: Rail Trail partners

8.9.3 Application: Secondary Trailheads (IR3/Hyde, Mara, Grindrod, Stepney X) prior to final kiosk design, donor acknowledgement, and Splat'sin te Secwépemc design protocol/process implemented. (See Gateways above)

8.9.4 Location Reference: IR3/Hyde, Mara, Grindrod, Stepney X Road



Trailhead Kiosk – Small (RSTBC)



*Looking north up Mara Lake on the Splatsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail.*

## **Splatsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail:**

### **KM 14.5 Rest Area**

Project Plan for submission to the Stollery Charitable Foundation's Family Grants Application

Updated Version: June 04, 2026

**Prepared by:** The Shuswap Trail Alliance for the Splatsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Technical Operational Committee (Splatsin te Secwépemc, Columbia Shuswap Regional District, Regional District of North Okanagan)

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*The Splatsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail  
is in the Splatsin unceded territory of the Secwépemc Nation.*



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## Splatsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail: KM 14.5 Rest Area

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**Purpose:** to construct an approximately 200 square metre destination rest area for trail users along the Splatsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail between Sicamous and Armstrong at km 14.5 at the southern end of Mara Lake that includes viewpoint seating, picnic bench, and Splatsin te Secwépemc interpretive signage.

**Splatsin te Secwépemc Statement:** Splatsin te Secwépemc is a leading partner in the Rail Trail initiative. This project has brought both government and non-government groups together to collaboratively develop the 50 km Sicamous-to-Armstrong rail corridor in South Central British Columbia into a route for non motorized travel. The construction of the rail trail system will promote a healthy, active lifestyle. The common core values of the project are sustainability and ecological protection.

Splatsin's engagement and efforts to lead this initiative are founded on the understanding that these 50 km of trail are located within Splatsin's core area of caretakership and form part of our unceded Secwépemc territorial lands. Splatsin strives to assume our role as caretakers of our traditional lands on behalf of the Splatsin people and the Secwépemc Nation; for the benefit and use of the Secwépemc people and our neighbours now and in the future.

(Excerpt from the [Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Development Plan, January 2021](#))

**Background:** The Splatsin te Secwépemc (Splatsin), the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (CSRD) and Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) are working together in partnership to construct and manage a 50 km non-motorized greenway trail for walking and cycling along the rail corridor between the communities of Sicamous and Armstrong. The Splatsin te Secwépemc/Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail connects the communities of Sicamous, Electoral Area E of the CSRD, Electoral Area F of the RDNO, Enderby, Grindrod, Splatsin, Spallumcheen, and Armstrong through Splatsin Territory, traversing a stunning and varying scenic landscape of lakes, rivers, creeks, mountains and agriculture farmland.

The full corridor was purchased by the Splatsin te Secwépemc (Splatsin), the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (CSRD) and Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) with support from the Province of BC in 2017. The development plan was completed in 2021. And funding successfully secured to complete the first 42.6 km between Sicamous and Stepney X Road and a 1 km section between Lansdowne Road and Armstrong at the south end in 2022 with construction underway in phases between 2023 and completion in 2026.

Future phases of the rail trail include completion of the final 6.55 km section between km 42.6 and 49.15 including construction of a Pedestrian/Bicycle Overpass of Highway 97A at km 45.75. Grant applications have been applied



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for with the hopes of construction within the next two years. This will result in activation of the full 50 km rail trail multi-use pathway between Sicamous and Armstrong.

The trail is creating opportunities for recreation, tourism, active transportation, economic development, healthy communities, and will continue to foster indigenous relationships by preserving cultural assets and promoting indigenous values.

In the long term, the trail will connect with the Okanagan Rail Trail between Vernon and Kelowna, and to the Trails of the Okanagan south of Kelowna, establishing a viable route between Sicamous and Osoyoos.

**Strengthening Relationships and Unfolding the True Story** within Secwépemc Nation territory is fundamental to this approach in the North. It is an initiative being led by Splatshin leadership in partnership with municipal/regional leadership; and seen as complimenting/linking with the Okanagan Rail Trail efforts to the south.

**The KM 14.5 Rest Area Project:**

As the first 42 kilometers of the rail trail project are completed in 2026 and locals and visitors are using the trail in significantly increasing numbers, new funding is being sought to work on enhancements to improve the experience. These enhancements aim to respond to trail user's needs, mitigate impacts to the surrounding environment, and educate people on the true story of their place on the trail within Secwépemc territory.

The KM 14.5 Rest Area Project is the first of these enhancements creating a rest area on the rail trail at the southern end of Mara Lake that includes viewpoint seating, picnic bench, and interpretive signage.

The location was identified in the rail trail *Development Plan* as an ideal location to direct trail users traveling both south from Sicamous and north from Armstrong, Enderby, and Grindrod. It creates a natural destination focal point and turnaround goal, with spectacular views north up Mara Lake and the surrounding mountain hillsides, and south to the pastoral views of the North Okanagan valley. The location of Rosemond Lake Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge just south of the proposed rest area further anchors the location.

**Scope of work/Deliverables:**

- First Nations archaeological and Environmental review of the site (Note: no new site alterations are required at the proposed rest area, which was previously assessed and used as a turnaround point for trail construction equipment.)
- Site grading & preparation (approximately 200 square metres of surface leveling)
- Installation of 3 large flat blasted rocks for seating around the outer perimeter of the rest area
- Installation of 1 wooden bench (created by Splatshin trail construction crews from salvaged wooden timbers from Baxter Bridge)
- Installation of 1 picnic table and benches mounted on a concrete pad (Wishbone Ltd's Rutherford Table)
- Development of Splatshin interpretive storyboard content by Splatshin Knowledge Carriers and elders
- Sign design, printing, construction, and installation (includes mounting on concrete pad) – NOTE: the sign will also include acknowledgement of the funding donors who made the rest site possible.



**Project Location:** KM 14.5 on the rail trail at Latitude: 50°43'29.68"N, Long: 119° 3'9.93"W

**Permits and Assessments:**

- No further permits are required. The rest area is located on the already established rail trail surface.
- This location was already assessed for archaeological and environmental values during construction of the rail trail surface, and used as a turnaround point for trail construction equipment
- A review under the Heritage Inspection Permit for the rail trail will be conducted, but no new ground disturbance beyond the existing rail trail surface will be required.
- Similarly, the site will be reviewed by the Qualified Environmental Professional for the rail trail, but no further notifications are required.
- Jurisdictional authorization is held by the joint rail trail owners (Splatins, RDNO, CSRD) initiating this work.
- The location does not fall within the Agricultural Land Reserve.

**Project Development and Management** – The entire rail trail project is overseen and managed collaboratively through the joint inter-jurisdictional Rail Trail Technical Operational Committee (Splatins, RDNO, CSRD), in collaboration with staff and leadership from the partner municipalities. And with support from the Shuswap Trail Alliance, the Rail Trail Community Engagement Advisory partners, and Rail Trail Community Capital Fundraising Committee.

The Splatins Development Corporation’s Yucwmenlúcwu (Caretakers of the Land) LLP (Splatins Development Corporation’s cultural and natural resource management company) are overseeing construction of rail trail.

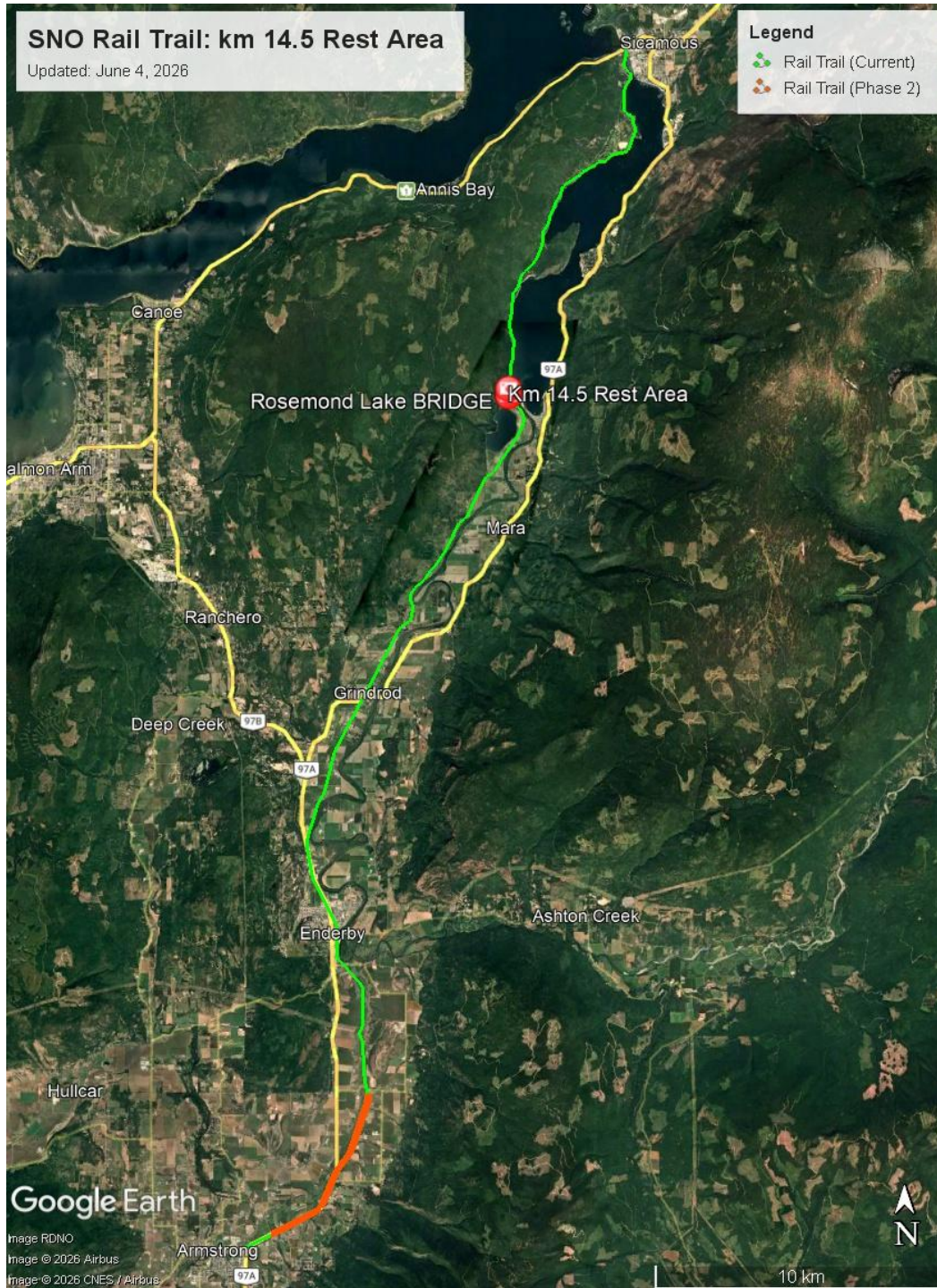
The KM 14.5 Rest Area Project will be administered by the Shuswap Trail Alliance on behalf of the rail trail ownership partners (Splatins, RDNO, CSRD), and project management will be overseen through the Splatins Development Corporation’s Yucwmenlúcwu (Caretakers of the Land) LLP (Splatins Development Corporation’s cultural and natural resource management company.)

Procurement and contracting will be conducted according to the policies of the inter-jurisdictional partner governments standards for tendering and contracting.

See the [Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Development Plan](#) for full design details, plus appendices for rail trail technical reports, assessments, and mapping.



*Wishbone Site Furnishings Rutherford Picnic Table, large flat blasted seating rock, and interpretive signage.*





<b>Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail: KM 14.5 REST AREA BUDGET</b>					
Project Costing Updated: June 04 2026					
Item	Qty	Rate	per	Budget	Notes
<b>Project Management &amp; Technical</b>					
Project Supervision	5	\$160.00	hr	\$800.00	
First Nations Review	3	\$200.00	hr	\$600.00	SDC-Yuc
Environmental Review	3	\$200.00	hr	\$600.00	SDC-Yuc
Travel - On Road	300	\$0.72	km	\$216.00	
<b>Project Management Total</b>	<b>8%</b>			<b>\$2,216.00</b>	
<b>Additional Contracts</b>					
Interpretive Storyboard Development	1	\$2,000.00	site	\$2,000.00	Splatsin Knowledge Carriers/Elders
Sign Design - Rail Trail, Sponsor, Interpret	1	\$1,000.00	sign	\$1,000.00	Toliver Design/Splatsin Title & Rights
Sign Print, Build & Install	1	\$2,500.00	sign	\$2,500.00	Speedpro Signs, includes installation
Site grading & prep	200	\$10.00	m2	\$2,000.00	Contractor
Seating - large flat blast rock (installed)	3	\$2,000.00		\$6,000.00	delivered & installed
Seating - bench (installed)	1	\$2,000.00	each	\$2,000.00	Splatsin Baxter Bridge wood bench
Picnic Table and Concrete Pad (installed)	1	\$8,000.00	each	\$8,000.00	Wishbone Ltd (Rutherford)
<b>Additional Contracts Total</b>	<b>83%</b>			<b>\$23,500.00</b>	
<b>Sub-Total</b>				<b>\$25,716.00</b>	
Contingency	10%			\$2,571.60	
<b>Project Total</b>				<b>\$28,288</b>	
<b>Revenue Summary</b>				<b>Budgeted</b>	
STA Partner Contribution (In-Kind/Funded)				\$4,288	
Stollery Foundation Funding Request				\$24,000	
				<b>\$28,288</b>	

