

# Chinook Community Forest: Recreation Management Plan

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## Introduction

The purpose of this plan is to further outline the recreation opportunities within the Chinook Community Forest area (CFA) and to create or enhance those recreation features or sites for the benefit of the public. This meets the conditions in Chinook’s K4R licence schedule D for the management of recreation features.

Furthermore, Chinook’s FSP under section 9 commits to the management of identified recreation features that have established objectives under the *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act*.

## Chinook Management Plan

The management plan (MP) commits to maintain and enhance current recreational sites and features in the CFA. Section 3.2 of the MP outlines the detailed commit Chinook will carry out within the first 5 years of the licence. It commits grant funds for local organizations; working with government agencies and groups to focus on a priority plan for maintenance or improvement and; identify and develop future recreation features and sites within the CFA.

## Recreation Inventory

Chinook’s management plan identifies recreation sites with coordination from Recreation Sites and Trails British Columbia (RSTBC). Table 1 identifies the known recreation sites and partnerships for management and maintenance with the Lakes Outdoor Recreation Society (LORS).

Table 1: Recreation Trails, Sites and Reserves

Block Number	Site, Trail or Reserve	Name	REC Number	Partnership Group
2	Site	Taltapin Lake	REC0502	LORS
4	Site	Co-Op Lake	REC0501	LORS
5	Site	Indian Bay	REC0552	LORS
5	Site	Ootsa Lake (Landing)	REC0544	LORS
2	Trail	Walkadab Trail	REC6472	
3	Trail	Houston Snowmobile-Dungate Trails	REC06912	HSC
2	Reserve	Pinkut Spawning Channel (Taltapin-Anderson Creek)	REC0681	N/A / Undeveloped
5	Reserve	Uncha Lake North	REC0968	N/A / Undeveloped
2	Reserve	Day Lake	REC0512	N/A / Undeveloped
2	Reserve	Bulkley Falls	REC0575	N/A / Undeveloped
2	Reserve	Taltapin Lake NW	REC0718	N/A / Undeveloped

Furthermore, recreation opportunities within the CFA include, but are not limited to, camp sites, hiking trails, guiding, backcountry lakes, horseback riding, snowmobiling, ATVing, dirt biking, fishing and hunting.

## Priority Recreation Sites

LORS has provided Chinook with a detailed letter with the sites that are in need of maintenance and upgrading (appendix 1). The sites that will be targeted for funds in 2017 are Taltapin Lake, Co-op Lake, Indian Bay and Ootsa Lake (landing).

Chinook board has passed a motion to provide LORS with the funds proposed in in their January 2017 letter. The funds are committed for 1 year and will be reviewed annually to determine LORS' funding needs for the recreation sites within the CFA. Chinook will monitor the progress of the current year's upgrades and maintenance.



## Appendix 1

January 20, 2017

Hampton Affiliates  
President, Chinook Community Forest  
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Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

Dear Mr. Nielsen:

The Lakes Outdoor Recreation Society (LORS) Directors met last evening, January 19, and were very excited to receive your offer to provide funds. It will allow LORS stability to continue the maintenance work we do within your forest license. Currently we maintain Taltapin Lake; Co-op Lake; Indian Bay and Ootsa Lake (landing) but do not maintain any trails. Recreation Sites and Trails BC (RSTC) are responsible for trails and they organize the necessary work with the Initial Attack and Fire Crews.

As to the cost of providing this service, based on last year's costs, our breakdown was as follows:

Maintenance : \$ 1,785.71 per site x 4 = \$ 7,142.84

Upgrades : \$3,166.66 x per site x 4 = \$12,666.64

**Total: \$19,809.50**

Some services we provide, when funding is available, are: all supplies such as toilet paper, cleaning supplies, gasoline, travel, outhouse sewage pumping, archeological assessments (when necessary), equipment, building materials, table and outhouse replacements and repairs, signage, administration, record keeping and liaison with RSTC. LORS also maintains a Facebook page and is often called upon to place ads promoting the Recreation Sites in the area. We hire a local contractor who hires local employees. The contractor is fully insured and is covered by Worker's Compensation. LORS will provide signage identifying your support.

Thank you for your interest, I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Lynn Synotte  
President

Lakes Outdoor Recreation Society

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March 27 2017

Lakes Outdoor Recreation Society  
Box 778  
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Attn: Mrs. Lynne Synotte

Dear Mrs. Synotte;

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Garth Scheinbien for his presentation to the Chinook Community Forest Board. CCF is grateful for the work LORS performs in the Lakes District and has made the decision to give the sum of \$19,809.50 to LORS for the work as was stated in your letter of January 20, 2017. CCF will review the funding of LORS on an annual basis. The funds are to be used for the following sites:

Taltapin Lake  
Co-op Lake  
Indian Bay  
Ootsa Lake (landing)

And for the following maintenance and upgrades:

Maintenance x 4	\$1,785.71 =	\$7,142.84
Upgrades x 4	\$3,166.66 =	\$12,666.64
TOTAL		\$19,809.50

CCF will also require signage of our support at each of the four sites. Please advise us when LORS will require the funds to support the above.

Sincerely,



Ken Nielsen  
President  
Chinook Comfor Ltd.