

More JCP Projects

Gold Rush Snowmobile Trail

The Jobs Creation Partnership (JCP) Project



The \$400,000 JCP project has four phases. In addition to the GRST Phase, participants are providing new amenities and facilities during these three project components:

Recreation Sites and Trails Phase:

- 30 outhouses
- 70 picnic tables

Canim Lake First Nation Phase:

- 12 log picnic tables
- Two outhouses
- Two log tables
- Double washroom complex
- Pow-wow Arbor
- Ball field dug out
- Trappers cabin
- Trappers cabin rebuild
- Trail construction around Bob's Lake

Ice Caves Phase:

- Two bear proof containers
- Five picnic tables/benches
- Two full service outhouses
- Parking lot upgrade/gravel supply
- 2.5 kms of trail construction

Skills/Training

During the 36-week project, participants will gain experience and training in:

- General construction
- Log building
- Road work/trail building
- Level 1 First Aid
- Chain saw/power saw
- Off-road recreational vehicles (ATV)
- WorkPlace Hazardous Materials Information Systems (WHMIS)
- Bear Aware programs

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Gold Rush Snowmobile Trail and Jobs Creation Partnership Project

The proposed Gold Rush Snowmobile Trail (GRST) is a Cariboo Region recreational gem. Winding for hundreds of kilometers through some of British Columbia's most spectacular terrain, the trail is the result of a lot of hard work by individuals, community groups, local businesses and others. This year, the GRST (which also promotes mountain biking, hiking and horseback riding experiences) is getting a few new amenities thanks to a partnership with the Jobs Creation Partnership Project and the GRST Regional Management Committee.

Snowmobile Trail Project

Improving the recreation infrastructure assets of the Gold Rush/Spirit Trails corridor

Background

Since its initial concept some 20 years ago, the GRST was legally established to run from Clinton in the south to Wells Barkerville in the north. Over the last seven years, substantial upgrading has been done on the 70 Mile to Likely section to address mountain pine beetle damage, installation of signage and rerouting to improve seasonal travel. In addition to being a first-class snowmobile trail, the GRST is also very well suited for the other seasonal activities including mountain biking, hiking and horseback riding.

The Project to Date

In 2009, the District of 100 Mile House and New Pathways to Gold Society secured provincial and federal government funding to clear the existing legally established portion of the trail of blown down and dead and dying mountain pine beetle infested trees. Since inception, well over \$1 million has been expended on the trail in development and maintenance.

In 2011, stakeholders decided to form a Regional Management Committee to develop and implement a business plan to guide the completion and future operation of the GRST. In 2012, the business plan was completed and the GRST Management Committee was officially formed to implement the plan.

JCP Project Partners



The Jobs Creation Partnership Project

The GRST's development took another step forward in 2016, when the GRST Regional Management Committee partnered with the Jobs Creation Partnership Project to provide the trail with new amenities. The Jobs Creation Partnership Project is a \$400,000 initiative with the Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation's Community and Employer Partnerships Branch and other organizations, including the GRST Regional Management Committee. Five eligible job-seekers are gaining valuable work experience and skills training while working on the GRST component of the project. The JCP Project is providing much-needed amenities for the trail, including:

- Four warming huts
- Information huts

The Gold Rush Snowmobile Trail Regional Management Committee

The GRST Regional Management Committee is made up of representatives from local snowmobile clubs, the BC Snowmobile Federation, New Pathways to Gold Society, Horsefly Board of Trade, District of 100 Mile House, South Cariboo Tourism Info Centre and the Clinton Economic Development Society.

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Warming hut site.



Construction of a warming hut.

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