

Subject: [Fwd: Re: ALERT! --NSMB Bulletin Board - Mt. Fromme - The future of the trails]

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Subject: RE: ALERT! --NSMB Bulletin Board - Mt. Fromme - The future of the trails

Date: Thu, 14 Oct 2004 10:09:42 -0700

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Dear Monica,

Thank you for forwarding your letter of concern, and I hope that I can clear up any misunderstanding about this upcoming meeting. The meeting on October 19 is a group meeting of key stakeholder groups that consist of invited representatives from key "organized" outdoor and community groups and clubs on the North Shore; that include among them, hikers, equestrians, trail runners, mountain bikers, natural history groups etc, as well as representation from community associations, council committees, including Parks and Natural Environment Advisory Committee (PNEAC), of which you are a member. This is not an exclusive meeting for mountain bikers. Part of any public process involves the need to create the opportunity to meet with different stakeholder groups along the way, and have a chance for dialogue. The meeting is just one more step along the way, and the focus of this meeting is "information gathering" from the specific "organized groups" with respect to trail usage. The meeting is not a decision making meeting, nor will staff be presenting any new material or results from the public meeting held several weeks ago. We intend to post a summary of the feedback from the October 19 meeting on the Alpine Recreational Strategic Study web page, just as we have done with the earlier stakeholder group meetings that were held in the spring of this year.

Just as a note, an invitation to attend the October 19 meeting was sent to the PNEAC Chair, and as you sit on the committee, I would suggest that if you have an interest in attending this upcoming meeting, that can be arranged.

DNV is committed to taking a collaborative approach to the alpine study, and to date efforts have been made to be as inclusive as possible. There are many interested parties, and the web page was developed as a tool to help present information as we move through the process, recognizing that not everyone is able to attend all public meetings.

If you have questions about the public process, or clarification on public meetings, I would hope that you would telephone one of the staff team directly, so that we may give you the opportunity to sort out any misunderstandings. Our phone numbers are posted on the web page, and we are always available to meet and discuss concerns you might have.

I will follow up with a call to you so we can discuss further.

Thank you.

Susan Rogers

From: M E Craver [mailto:mecraver@shaw.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 12:06 PM

To: Richard Walton; Maureen McKeon Holmes; Lisa Muri; Ernie Crist; Alan Nixon; Susan Rogers; Barry Potvin; Richard Boase; Charlene Grant; Mayor and Council - DNV; Senior Management Committee

Cc: James Ridge; FONVCA (E-mail); kost@fonvca.or; Maureen Bragg; Liz James; Bell/Mason; Tom Bell; David Cook; Barbara Murray

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Importance: High

Dear Councillors and DNV Staff: Why does this sports group have all this info before the general public does, with regards to the Alpine Study? This is an abuse of the public trust. ***It is not even on the dnv.org site, yet!!*** This is why the voice of the general, non-mountain biking public is not being heard with regards to the forming of the Alpine Recreational Strategic Plan. Shame on you. It will be heard, in a way not flattering to the District planners at all. This does a grave injustice to the proper process of a very important issue, stacking the blocks in favour of a particular user group. For those of the general public who may be interested, please pass on this information ASAP. The next Alpine meeting will be on:

Oct. 19, 2004

5:30-7:30pm

Delbrook Recreation Centre

Oak Room
600 W Queens Rd.
RSVP - 604-990-2450 very important

When a particular "user group" gets this information ahead of the general public, it suggests there is a leak within the District. This is not the first time such information has come into the hands of this particular extreme sport self interest group ahead of the general public's knowledge. Thank you.

Monica Craver

PS. This "thread" shows the time posted is 10-13-2004 06:42 pm Greenwich time. Important documents came up on this web board before the general public saw it too. Last time I looked, there is nothing posted on dnv.org about the meeting. This meeting should be cancelled until the general public has time to hear about it, properly. Also the time of the meeting is very early, ensuring many interested will not make it, as they will be still at work, or enroute. If this is just a "private" meeting with a "particular user group", this is unfair to the general public, also. The writing seems to be already on the stone, it seems.

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