

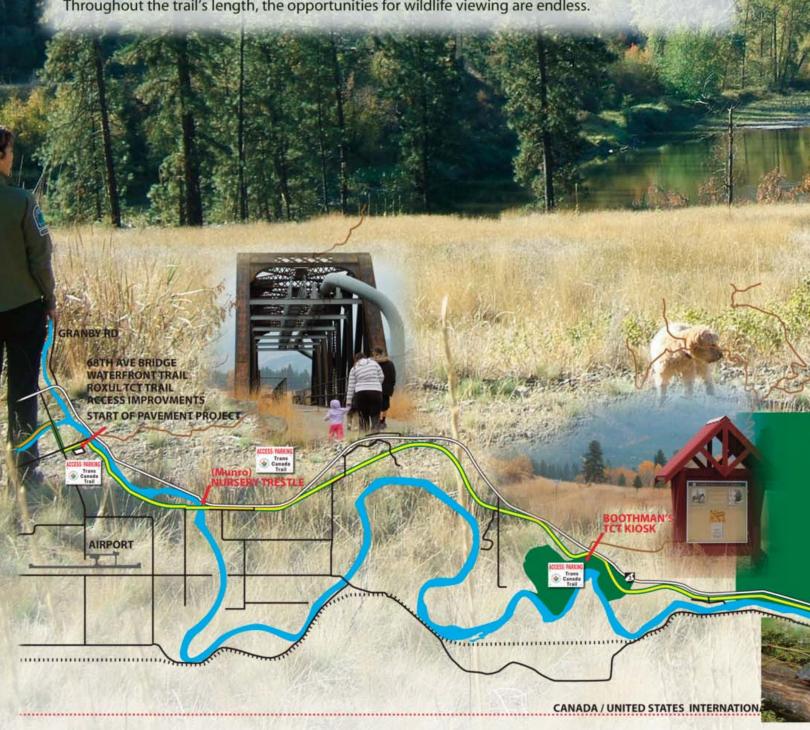
Grand Forks ~ Cascade Kettle River Heritage Trail

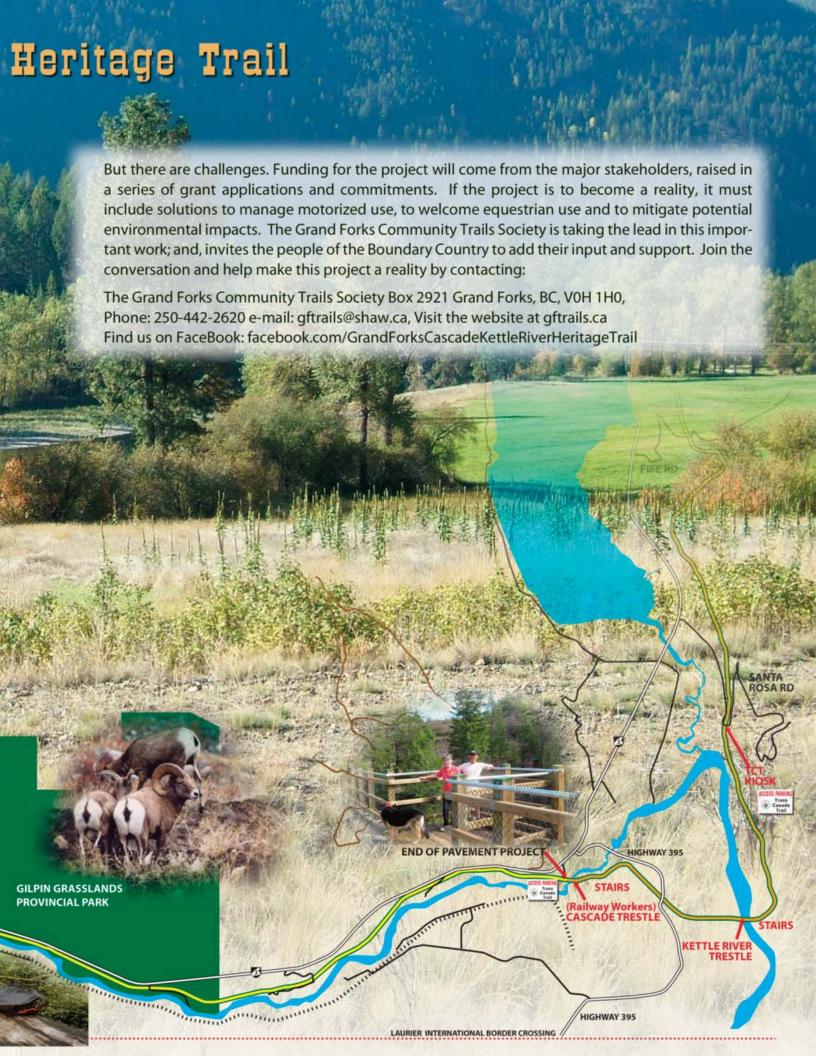
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The project will be a major upgrade to a section of the Trans Canada Trail from 68th Avenue in Grand Forks, to the Cascade Gorge at Christina Lake, BC. Paving this 17.5 km long section of the TCT will provide a safe alternative for non-motorized users to Highway #3. All age groups from the youngest bike rider to the oldest senior with a mobility device, will be able to enjoy the beautiful Boundary landscape on the TCT. This upgrade of the recreational infrastructure will showcase scenic sections of the Kettle River for fishing, swimming, tubing, canoeing and kayaking. It will pass through the Gilpin Grasslands Provincial Park, which is range for a herd of California Bighorn Sheep, as well as bring easy access to the Boothman's Oxbow Provincial Park, a well-known birding area. Throughout the trail's length, the opportunities for wildlife viewing are endless.





The Trans Canada Trail between Grand Forks and Christina Lake passes through some of the most historic locations in the area. Part of it follows the original Dewdney Trail, one of the oldest routes in southern BC. Names like Heaven, Nursery, Boothman, Gilpin, Cascade and Billings harken back to the earliest Boundary settlements at the beginning of the 20th century.

Paving this section of the trail will allow all non-motorized users, including the elderly and disabled to have the chance to enjoy the scenic beauty of the Kettle River and its historic sites. It will open the new Gilpin Grasslands Provincial park to our families and visitors.

This project enjoys a broad range of community support:

"The City of Grand Forks believes that the ... paving project will have a profound benefit for our community. It will provide a safe alternative to travel on Highway 3; it will give access to the river,.... And provide substantial opportunities for quality outdoor recreation for people of all ages." – Brian Taylor, Mayor of Grand Forks

"Paving the Trans Canada Trail from Grand Forks to the Cascade Trestle at Christina Lake is a project that just makes sense... The opportunities for tourism activities both for individuals and those who are thinking of starting a business are endless." – Dennis Thome

"This project will support an active and healthy community in touch with their beautiful natural surroundings... Imagine a whole new group of riders having access to this, a safe place for the entire family to get out and share..." – Nipper Kettle, Mayor of Greenwood

"I just read that you are thinking of paving the trail to Christina Lake. That is fantastic. We live in the nursery and use the trail regularly to get to town..." – Danna O'Donnell

"the project... is an important step towards the economic sustainability of the City... and the surrounding region.." Sarah Winton, Boundary Communities Regional Chamber of Commerce

"The CWR Trail represents an invaluable community and provincial recreation amenity.. The MFLNRO... will work closely with the RDKB to support this project..."

John Hawkings, Rec. Sites and Trails

You can add your support to making this project a reality by contacting

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