

**NOTICE:** That a Regular Meeting of the District of Barriere Municipal Council will be held at District Hall, 4936 Barriere Town Road, in Barriere, B.C. on August 12, 2024 at 7pm for the transaction of business listed below.

*Daniel Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer*

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## **AGENDA**

*"We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples of Simpcw First Nation  
within whose lands we are meeting today."*

### **1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

That Council approve the August 12, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

### **2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a. That Council adopt the minutes of the July 15, 2024, Regular Council Meeting.

### **3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS – none scheduled.**

### **4. BYLAWS and POLICIES – none scheduled.**

### **5. STAFF REPORTS**

- a. TNRD Municipal Yard Waste Fee Waiver Event – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer  
***Recommendation: That staff be directed to organize a free residential yard waste collection event with the TNRD in the fall of 2024 with a maximum budget of up to \$4,000 from General Surplus.***
- b. Bylaw and Policy Updates re: Transient Population – CAO  
*\*Submitted for information*
- c. LCIP Budget and Reserve Allocation – CAO  
***Recommendations:  
THAT Council confirms that as part of the 2024 budget process, \$110,660.02 from the L.C.I.P. Reserve was transferred to cover the 2024 extra expenses for the Reservoir Upgrade capital project;  
AND THAT Staff be instructed to transfer any remaining necessary funds (current estimate \$25,000) from the L.C.I.P. Reserve to the Reservoir Project budget once the project is complete at the end of September 2024 to cover all remaining expenses;  
AND FURTHER THAT Staff draft an amendment to the Financial Plan accordingly as part of the 2025 budget process.***
- d. Truck Donation – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer  
***Recommendation: THAT Council authorizes the Interim CFO to issue a tax receipt in the amount of \$6,988.00 to Dustin Doherty for the donation of a 2005 Toyota Tacoma Pick-up Truck to the District of Barriere.***

- e. Department Updates – CAO  
*\*Submitted for information*

**6. PROCLAMATIONS – none submitted**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. For Information
- b. For Action
  - i. Invitation to Meet with the Health Authorities of BC during UBCM 2024
  - ii. Suicide Prevention Support for Indigenous Children Email
  - iii. UBCM Seeks Membership Feedback on Protocol Agreement with First Nations

**8. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**9. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES**

**11. NOTICE OF MOTION**

**12. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

*Pursuant to Sections 90(1)(c)(d)(g) of the Community Charter, that the public interest requires that persons other than Council Members and required staff be excluded from the meeting and that Council continues the meeting in closed session to discuss confidential matters.*

**13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING**

**14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION (if required)**

**15. NEXT MEETING**

- a. Regular Council Meeting, Monday, September 9, 2024 @ 7pm

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

**DISTRICT OF BARRIERE**  
**MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Held on Monday, July 15, 2024 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers at Municipal Hall  
4936 Barriere Town Road, Barriere, B.C.

*“We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples of Simpcw First Nation  
within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.”*

Present: Mayor Ward Stamer  
Councillor Judy Armstrong – *via zoom*  
Councillor Scott Kershaw  
Councillor Rob Kerslake  
Councillor Donna Kibble  
Councillor Louise Lodge  
Councillor Colin McInnis

Staff: Daniel Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer  
Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer

*Mayor Stamer called the meeting to order at 7pm*

**1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

An item titled “SILGA Gift Return” was added to the agenda as Agenda Item 7b iii.

Moved by Councillor Kerslake

Seconded by Councillor McInnis

That Council approve the July 15, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended.

CARRIED

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

a. Moved by Councillor Kerslake

Seconded by Councillor Lodge

That Council adopt the minutes of the June 24, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

**3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

a. RCMP Community Policing Update – Cpl. K. Camalush, RCMP

Cpl. Camalush provided an update on the Detachment’s current policing statistics and priorities:

- Additional 50 files created in 2023 vs 2022.
- The number of Charge files have doubled due to increase of enforcement
- Current Barriere Detachment accompaniment is 4 FTE and a support staff person.
- Annual Policing Survey was completed and traffic safety, property crime issues were indicated as priorities by way of enforcement.

A breakdown of calls for service file types for 2023 was provided by Cpl. Camalush as follows:

- Assaults (all types) – 13
- Breach of Peace – 14
- Breaks & Enters (business) – 1
- Breaks & Enters (residential) – 3
- Cause a Disturbance – 16
- Sudden Deaths – 8
- False Alarms (including false/abandoned 911 calls) – 42
- Frauds (all) – 18
- Harassing Communications – 6
- Impaired operation of a vehicle – 2
- Mental Health Act calls for service – 16
- Mischief – 20
- Missing persons – 2
- Sexual Assault – 1
- Suspicious Occurrence – 45
- Theft from vehicle – 4
- Traffic Offences (non-alcohol) – 56
- Uttering Threats – 7
- Unspecified – 32

Councillor Lodge reported to RCMP that there has been an increase of children/teens riding dirt bikes at a very high rate of speed in the middle of many roads within the District boundary. Cpl. Advised to call those instances immediately into the RCMP. In addition, he will include the issue in the media.

#### 4. **BYLAWS and POLICIES**

- a. Video Surveillance on District Owned Property Policy No. PS48 *\*w/attached staff report*

**Moved by Councillor Kerslake**

**Seconded by Councillor Lodge**

**That Video Surveillance on District-owned Properties Policy No. PS48 be adopted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

- b. Asset Disposal Procedure Policy No. FN49 *\*w/attached staff report*

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor Kerslake**

**That Asset Disposal Procedure Policy No. FN49 be adopted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

- c. Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Activation Wage Reimbursement Policy No. HR50  
*\*w/attached staff report*

**Moved by Councillor Kerslake**

**Seconded by Councillor Kibble**

**That Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Activation Wage Reimbursement Policy No. HR50 be adopted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

## **5. STAFF REPORTS**

- a. Community Works Fund Agreement (formally 'Gas Tax') – CAO

**Moved by Councillor Kibble**

**Seconded by Councillor McInnis**

**THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Corporate Officer, on behalf of the District of Barriere, to sign the 2024-2034 Community Works Fund Agreement with UBCM.**

**CARRIED**

- b. 2023 Annual Water Report – C. Matthews, Public Works Manager

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor McInnis**

**That Council accept the 2023 Annual Water Report as presented.**

**CARRIED**

- c. Department Updates – CAO  
*\*Submitted for information*

The CAO provided an overview of the written report.

## **6. PROCLAMATIONS – none submitted**

## **7. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. For Information

- b. For Action

- i. Barriere Trails Society re: \$500 Grant Request – H. Waldron, President

It was noted that the submitted grant request was for general start-up and not for a specific event or project which is not in the scope of the grant-in-aid program policy. It was discussed that changes to the existing policy are desired by Council and staff noted that a re-write is in development which should be ready for Council

consideration later this fall. Council asked that staff communicate to the Trails Society that they would welcome a new grant request for consideration in the next year's budget deliberations.

- ii. Barriere Emergency Services Golf Tournament re: Sponsorship Request – T. Young

**Moved by Councillor Kibble**

**Seconded by Councillor Lodge**

**That the District purchase the Eagle Level Advertising Sponsorship of the BES Golf Tournament in the amount of \$250.00.**

**CARRIED**

*Councillor Armstrong left the meeting at 7:50pm*

- iii. Councillor Miller – City of Penticton re: SILGA Gift Return

Penticton City Councillor, Pat Miller, thanked the District of Barriere via written letter for the Chinook Cove golf round tickets won at the 2024 SILGA Convention. Councillor Miller noted that he doesn't play golf and therefore requested that Council donate the tickets to a local cause or entity.

**Moved by Mayor Stamer**

**Seconded by Councillor Kibble**

**That the 2024 SILGA gift basket golf course tickets be donated to the Legion's 2024 fundraiser.**

**CARRIED**

## **8. COUNCIL REPORTS**

- a. Councillor Lodge provided a verbal report on the following:
- Volunteered in the organization of the Canada Day event with Rec Committee Members and participated as a member of Council.
  - Participated in the Rec Committee Meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup>
  - Barriere Blooms – Rec Committee is serving as the judge for this year's contest.
  - Volunteering at the Fall Fair
- b. Councillor provided a verbal report on the following:
- Two summer students have been hired at the Museum
  - Participated in the July 10<sup>th</sup> Rec Committee Meeting
  - Has seen an increase in youth participation with Barriere Blooms this year.
- c. Councillor Kerslake provided a verbal report on the following:
- Attended the Canada Day Celebration
  - It was reported to him that the Bandshell storage space needs some care. Staff will address.

- d. Councillor Kershaw provided a verbal report on the following:
- Attended the Canada Day Celebration

**9. MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor announced that he is giving Council notice that at the next Council Meeting on August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, he will be asking for Council's approval to take a leave of absence during the Provincial Election for the months of September and October, 2024. He made the recommendation that Councillor Kerslake be appointed Acting Mayor during those two months as he is already appointed as the TNRD Board Alternate. A formal resolution of Council authorizing this leave as well as the appointment of an Acting Mayor for these two months, will be made at the August 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

**10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES** – *none presented.*

**11. NOTICE OF MOTION** – *none presented.*

**12. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION** (*if required*)

**13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING**

**14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION** (*if required*)

**15. NEXT MEETING**

- a. Regular Council Meeting, Monday, August 12, 2024 @ 7pm

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

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Mayor Ward Stamer

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Daniel Drexler, CAO

District of Barriere  
**REPORT TO COUNCIL**  
**Request for Decision**

<b>Date:</b> August 12, 2024	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer
<b>Re: TNRD - Municipal Yard Waste Fee Waiver Event</b>	
<b><u>Recommendation:</u></b> <i>That staff be directed to organize a free residential yard waste collection event with the TNRD in the fall of 2024 with a maximum budget of up to \$4,000 from General Surplus</i>	

**Purpose**

To introduce a new TNRD program available that waives the commercial collection tipping fees for municipal yard waste once per calendar year and discuss the District of Barriere's possible participation in the program this year.

**Background**

The following notice of motion was made at a *May 16th, 2024 TNRD Board Meeting*:

**15 NOTICE OF MOTION**

**15.1 Notice of Motion Presented by Chair Roden**

**WHEREAS** the Thompson-Nicola Regional District and its member municipalities are committed to the principles of FireSmart and assisting our residents to take steps to safeguard their properties by clearing and trimming vegetation in order to mitigate fire risk; and

**WHEREAS** municipal/regional district waste collection agencies conduct, or have the ability to conduct, annual spring and/or fall "community yard waste clean-ups" to assist residents in safely disposing of large quantities of yard waste that might otherwise be improperly disposed of and/or pose a fire risk; and

**WHEREAS** individual residents are not charged for yard waste disposal, but municipal/regional district waste collection agencies are charged for disposing of these materials, which is in addition to labour and equipment costs;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Thompson-Nicola Regional District work with each municipal/regional district waste collection agency that would like to offer its residents a "yard waste clean-up" to waive the disposal fees for such an event once in each calendar year, and work with the agencies to ensure that all affected Eco-Depots and Transfer Stations know when these events are taking place so that they can be staffed appropriately and that the material can be accepted/stored/disposed of properly.

The Motion was later passed.



Member municipalities may now choose to conduct annual spring or fall Community **Residential** Yard Waste Clean-up events and the TNRD will support municipalities by waiving the \$40/tonne disposal fee for these events once per calendar year.

## Discussion

The TNRD defines “yard waste” as:

*organic materials originating from yard and garden management, maintenance or repair including but not limited to: grass, lawn and hedge clippings, flowers, weeds, pine needles, pinecones, leaves, shrubs, and shrub and tree branches (less than 8 inches in diameter), but **does not include**: tree stumps, branches greater than 8 inches in diameter, Noxious Weeds, Infested Vegetation, rocks, sand, soil, sod, or fruit or vegetable material.*

Residents (non-commercial, industrial or institutional) currently are able to dispose of their residential yard waste at the Louis Creek Eco Depot at no charge at any time of the year. However, institutional/commercial/industrial (ICI) yard waste is not free, and costs \$40/tonne at the Eco Depot. When a municipal government collects this material from residents, it is no longer considered ‘residential material’; it becomes ICI material and the fee therefore applies.

If approved to move forward, residents (residential properties only) will be asked to place all eligible yard-waste material into containers, compostable yard-waste bags, or neatly bundled and place them curbside for collection on the date(s) specified. Any material not placed in containers, compostable bags or bundled neatly, will not be collected. A maximum amount of material may be imposed as well.

Residents will be informed that any loose material that falls out of bundles or is blown out of containers, will not be collected and will be their responsibility to retrieve and remove from any boulevards, roadways, and/or neighbouring properties. In addition, it will be clearly communicated that any material placed curbside shown to contain *any* non-compliant material, will not be sorted curbside to remove the non-compliant material; the entire container/bundle/compostable bag will be refused for collection.

As this would be the first year for the District to provide this service, it is unknown as to how much residential participation to expect, or how much material each residence may place curbside. Depending on the participation and material level, involving a subcontractor may be necessary with the logistics being determined at the operational level. For a comparison, the Village of Ashcroft did a curbside yard waste collection this spring for 420 households and it generated 38 metric tonnes of yard waste which works out to ~ 90kg/household. To estimate Barriere we can take our private dwellings occupied by usual residence from the 2021 census of 760 x 90kg/HH = 68,400 kg or 68.4 tonnes. At \$40/t disposal rate the District would then save \$2,736 on disposal fees for the material.

Should Council wish to sign on for this program within this calendar year, staff will prepare to include the relevant information to distribute at this year’s DoB Fall Fair Information booth to kick off the event’s promotion.

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## Benefits or Impact

### General

Staff personnel, municipal fleet and optional subcontractor scheduling for this event will be coordinated to maximize the benefit and convenience for residents while keeping the cost to provide the service as low as possible.

### Finances

Promotional material (i.e. posters, press release, advertising, etc.) can be produced in-house with minimal material costs. Staff scheduling for the collection may result in additional solid-waste hours with some possible over-time (which management will strive to minimize). Extra fuel costs for community collection would also be an additional expense. Depending on the participation and material level, a subcontractor may need to be coordinated. It is expected that these costs could be kept under \$4,000.00.

### Strategic Impact

A community-wide, yard waste specific event encourages and motivates residents to take advantage of convenience which will support the DoB's goals of FireSmart / Wildfire Risk Reduction while also encouraging community beautification.

### Risk Assessment

Compliance: Adheres to TNRD Solid Waste disposal regulations

Risk Impact: Low

### If Approved, Next Steps / Communication

- Schedule an agreed upon date(s) with TNRD staff
- Communicate and promote the free yard waste collection event to the general public as outlined in the District's Communication Policy

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### **Recommendation:**

***That staff be directed to organize a free residential yard waste collection event with the TNRD in the fall of 2024 with a maximum budget of up to \$4,000 from General Surplus.***

### **Alternative Option**

1. Council could choose to not participate in the program at this time and consider it again for the spring of 2025.

Prepared by: T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Reviewed by: D. Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer

District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## Memorandum

<b>Date:</b> August 12, 2024	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Chief Administrative Officer
<b>Re: Transient Population – Initial Bylaw and Policy Updates Timeline</b>	

### Purpose

To provide Council with a proposed timeline to update bylaws and policies to achieve compliance with best practices and case law in regard to working with the transient population.

### Background

At the July 15, 2024, Council meeting, Staff reported on some interactions with persons within the transient population.

Based on the discussions at the meeting, Council's aspirations at this time seem to be to reduce and prohibit the number of unlawful camps and encampments within the District, in which case being proactive is key.

Staff are continuing to review the various policies and bylaws to ensure that they comply with current legislation in relation to concerns with the transient population that may exist in a community.

In the meantime, Staff wanted to ensure that Council has an anticipated timeline presented to start addressing some of the concerns. The following items have already been identified that the District would benefit from establishing or updating:

Bylaw / Policy	Bylaw / Policy Number	Task
Parks Regulation Bylaw	No. 42	Update to exclude a park space and other items (legislated items)
Abandoned Property and Shelter Policy	NEW	Define process for Bylaw Enforcement purposes in relation to abandoned property and shelters

By enacting these policies and bylaws, Council would enhance the abilities for staff and the RCMP to work with transient individuals within legislated parameters, and greatly reduce the risk to the organization by establishing new procedure and codifying existing guidelines where applicable.

### Anticipated Timeline

Bylaw / Policy	September 9, 2024	September 23, 2024	October 7, 2024
Abandoned Property and Shelter Policy	Introduction	Adoption	
Parks Regulation Bylaw	Introduction	3 Readings	Adoption

Please note that timelines may vary depending on emergencies, staffing resources available for these items, or other urgent priorities that may arise.

### Other Bylaws

Other Bylaws may need to be reviewed and tweaked in due time in relation to being proactive when it comes to potential issues with the transient population.

Further, Staff is reviewing current legislation and case law on controlled substances in parks and potentials to implement a bylaw in relation. As legislation is continuously altered or tested in court, this type of bylaw may need to be presented to Council at a later stage.

### Next Steps

- Staff will continue to review the guidelines, current practices, policies, and bylaws related to this topic and draft proposed versions of the documents listed in the tables above.
  - Additional related policies and bylaws may be presented in addition to the above items for consideration if necessary.
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### Attachments

- N/A

### Recommendation

*\*submitted for information*

### Alternate Options

1. Council could direct Staff to not proceed with updating the District's bylaws and policies in relation to potential issues with the transient population.

Prepared by:  
D. Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer

District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## Request for Decision

<b>Date:</b> August 12, 2024	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Chief Administrative Officer
<b>Re: LCIP Budget and Reserve Funds Allocation</b>	
<b>Recommendations:</b> <b>THAT Council confirms that as part of the 2024 budget process, \$110,660.02 from the L.C.I.P. Reserve was transferred to cover the 2024 extra expenses for the Reservoir Upgrade capital project;</b> <b>AND THAT Staff be instructed to transfer any remaining necessary funds (current estimate \$25,000) from the L.C.I.P. Reserve to the Reservoir Project budget once the project is complete at the end of September 2024 to cover all remaining expenses;</b> <b>AND FURTHER THAT Staff draft an amendment to the Financial Plan accordingly as part of the 2025 budget process.</b>	

### Purpose

To provide Council with an update on the Louis Creek Industrial Park (LCIP) Reservoir Project budget and to formalize funding sources for any additional expenses and cost overruns.

### Background

Over the past few years, the District has been upgrading the LCIP reservoir to enable economic growth in the area. The project was partially funded through grants and District capital reserves.

As the project is now substantially complete, Staff wanted to update Council on the financial position on the project and to formalize any reserve allocations through a Council resolution.

To begin the project, in 2022 Council included \$71,111.74 as part of the \$1Million grant awarded by the Province under the Community Economic Recovery Infrastructure Program (CERIP).

As part of the 2023 budget, Council allocated the remaining \$928,888.26 from the CERIP grant funding source to the project. In addition, \$18,282.53 was allocated at that time from reserves towards the project. However, by the end of 2023 it became apparent that expenses on the project would be greater than what was allocated from grants and reserves. Subsequently, on January 22, 2024, Council passed the following resolution to cover any shortfalls in 2023 and anticipated early 2024 costs:

**“THAT Council transfer the unspent Gas Tax funds of \$1,742.10 back to Gas Tax; and THAT Council transfer \$182,370.94 from L.C.I.P Reserve to cover the extra expenses incurred from the Reservoir Upgrade and start of the next phase; and THAT Council transfer \$110,660.02 from L.C.I.P Reserve to cover the 2023 deficit due to the Land Sale Expense for the purchase back of Lot 1.”**

This resolution effectively provided \$293,030.96 in additional funding within the 2023 (and early 2024) budget year for anticipated invoices at that time. In total, by the end of 2023, \$1,240,201.75 was allocated to the project, while expenses totaled \$1,110,759.83 at that point. (So, \$129,441.92 was remaining for 2024.)

At the beginning of the 2024 budget process, additional expenses on the project were budgeted at \$118,992.70; however, as more information became available, the expenses were estimated to be up to \$285,000.00 for the 2024 budget year, which would create a shortfall for the project by roughly \$155,558.08. (To date, the expenses in 2024 total \$311,898.66, so close to the estimate made at the beginning of the year, but roughly 9.5% higher.)

As Council was aware of a need for additional funding, \$110,660.02 seems to have been allocated from the LCIP Reserve during the final stages of the 2024 budget process; however, no specific resolution could be located to that effect. By doing so, the Reservoir Project shortfall was now estimated at roughly \$44,900.00.

The 2024 budget also indicates that revenues were expected for land sales in the amount of \$255,000.00 which was collected. \$207,713.92 of those funds were transferred as part of the budget process to the LCIP Reserve leaving \$47,286.08 to be used on the capital project. This strategy would have allowed for a surplus of funding for the Reservoir Project in the amount of roughly \$2,500.00. However, the current total expenses are estimated to be higher; to date the project is roughly \$24,510.64 over budget.

The tables below further highlight the expenses and revenues on this project:

Revenue				Expense			
Year	Budget	Actual	Source	Year	Budget	Actual	Notes
2022	\$ 71,111.74	\$ 71,111.74	Grant	2022	\$ 71,111.74	\$ 71,111.74	
2023	\$ 928,888.26	\$ 928,888.26	Grant	2023	\$ 928,888.26	\$ 1,110,759.83	
2023	\$ 18,282.53	\$ 311,313.49	Reserve	2024	\$ 118,922.70	\$ 311,898.66	
2024	\$ 110,660.02	\$ 110,660.02	Reserve	2024	\$ 207,713.92	\$ 207,713.92	To Reserve
2024	\$ 255,000.00	\$ 255,000.00	Land Sale				
Total	\$ 1,383,942.55	\$ 1,676,973.51		Total	\$ 1,326,636.62	\$ 1,701,484.15	

TOTAL Actual Expense vs Revenue	
Revenue	\$ 1,676,973.51
Expense	\$ 1,701,484.15
TOTAL	-\$ 24,510.64

On a side note, any revenue generated from land sales must be allocated to either a capital project or into a reserve fund specific to capital reserves, and as such, any remainder (if applicable) should be transferred back into the LCIP reserve account; however, given the current expense total there is a shortfall of funding. Staff anticipates some minor expenses in the coming months for fine tuning of the mechanical systems; however, the project should be listed officially as complete by the end of October 2024.

### Summary

As no official resolution exists for the 2024 transfer from the LCIP Reserve for the \$110,662.02, Staff is recommending to formalize this into a resolution. Staff is also recommending for Council to instruct Staff to transfer funds from the LCIP Reserve to the Project budget once the project is completed for any final expenses and budget overages. This is estimated at \$25,000.

### Benefits or Impact

#### General

Formalizing capital budget and reserve transfers while providing Council with an update on the financial position of the project.

#### Finances

To Date (July 30, 2024):

Total Revenue: \$ 1,676,973.51

Total Expenses: \$ 1,701,484.15

Total Deficit: \$ 24,510.64

#### Strategic Impact

N/A

#### Risk Assessment

Compliance: Community Charter S. 188 – Land Sales

Risk Impact: Low

Internal Control Process: Staff would follow standard procedures for reserve fund transfers

#### Next Steps / Communication

- Staff to finalize the project in October, and undertake any remaining funds transfers
- Staff to present necessary adjustments to the financial plan as part of the 2025 budget

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### Attachments:

- N/A

### Recommendations:

**THAT Council confirms that as part of the 2024 budget process, \$110,660.02 from the L.C.I.P. Reserve was transferred to cover the 2024 extra expenses for the Reservoir Upgrade capital project;**

**AND THAT Staff be instructed to transfer any remaining necessary funds (current estimate \$25,000) from the L.C.I.P. Reserve to the Reservoir Project budget once the project is complete at the end of September 2024 to cover all remaining expenses;**

**AND FURTHER THAT Staff draft an amendment to the Financial Plan accordingly as part of the 2025 budget process.**

**Alternative Option:**

1. Council could instruct to fund the project from another reserve or surplus account.

Prepared by:

D. Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer



District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## Request for Decision

<b>Date:</b> August 12, 2024	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer
<b>Re: Truck Donation</b>	
<b><u>Recommendation:</u></b> <b><i>THAT Council authorizes the Interim CFO to issue a tax receipt in the amount of \$6,988.00 to Dustin Doherty for the donation of a 2005 Toyota Tacoma Pick-up Truck to the District of Barriere.</i></b>	

### Purpose

For Council to consider accepting a donation from Dustin Doherty and to approve the issuance of a tax receipt.

### Background

As a local government, the District of Barriere is able to issue a tax receipt in lieu of donations to the organization.

Dustin Doherty has offered to donate a 2005 Toyota Tacoma Pick-up Truck to the District of Barriere in lieu of a tax receipt. The truck is in working order with an odometer reading of 276,600km and has a *Blue Book* value, which has been determined by our Interim CFO, of \$6,988.00.

At present, some District staff utilize personal vehicles (which they are reimbursed by .km as per District Policy and Union Agreement) as there is limited availability of District owned vehicles; especially pick-up trucks. As this truck could be obtained by the District by donation, the addition of it to the District's available fleet would be welcomed by the various departments. The intent would be that the truck would be stored at the District's secure, septic receiving compound, and used when necessary by any department.

It is estimated that annual insurance for this vehicle to be under \$700.00 per year. For comparison, insurance for the District's 2004 Dodge Dakota currently being used daily by Public Works, is \$561.00/yr. Maintenance costs are another factor. For the 2004 Dodge Dakota (again, used daily), the R/M costs in 2022 was \$481.00 and \$1,376.00 in 2023.

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### Benefits or Impact

#### General

Pick-up availability is a benefit to all departments and reduces the need for staff's use of private vehicles, especially for works needing a pick-up truck, specifically.

#### Finances

- Estimated insurance costs: \$600-700/yr
- Estimated R/M \$750.00/yr
- Cost of mileage reimbursement for personal vehicle use in 2023 was: \$1,415.00.

Strategic Impact

N/A

Risk Assessment

Risk Impact: Low -> Should maintenance costs outweigh the benefit of the vehicle, the vehicle could be sold/disposed of via the District's Disposal of Assets Policy.

Internal Control Process: Staff would record departmental use to accurately reflect each department budget.

Next Steps / Communication

- Sign transfer papers with vehicle donor.
- Issue tax receipt to donor.

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**Recommendation**

***THAT Council authorizes the Interim CFO to issue a tax receipt in the amount of \$6,988.00 to Dustin Doherty for the donation of a 2005 Toyota Tacoma Pick-up Truck to the District of Barriere.***

**Alternative Options**

1. Council could choose to not accept the donation of the 2005 Toyota Tacoma Truck from Mr. Doherty.

Prepared by:

T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Reviewed by:

D. Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer

District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

<b>Date:</b> August 12, 2024	
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Department Heads
<b>Re: Departmental Updates</b>	

## **CORPORATE OFFICER:**

- Conducted monthly safety meeting with staff including a review of safe work procedure update & new adoption schedule.
- Responded to new (3) new bylaw calls and followed up on three (3) open files. All either are now resolved or have made significant progress to resolution.
- Continue to work with CAO on the status of current or recently completed projects, including some historical projects.
- Participated in a phone meeting with CAO and Front Counter BC regarding the District's Crown Land Application status.
- Met with our newly appointed Deputy Fire Chief to familiarize her with administrative procedures and policies.

## **Recreation**

- Next Recreation Committee Meeting is Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am
- Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> – Music in the Park, 7-9pm “Jan & Megan”
- Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> – Interior Savings Moonlight Movie Night: “Elemental”
- Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup> – Music in the Park, 7-9pm “Tanner Dawson”
- Saturday & Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> – Annual World Wide Paint Out at the Bandshell

## **PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER:**

### **Parks**

- Parks irrigation remains set at two watering days per week to conserve water except for Fadear Park which is now three days per week.
- At least two, apparently unhoused, people have moved to Community Park by the river. Staff continue to monitor and will be reviewing/revising the District's Parks bylaw if necessary.

### **Roads**

- Welcome to Barriere archway letters were repainted white and are highly visible from the highway.
- In-house dust control was completed on District gravel parking/traffic areas. More District areas will be completed as staffing permits.
- Dunn Lake Road overlay repairs are scheduled for week of August 19<sup>th</sup>.
- MOTI have agreed to repair two large cracks observed after completion of the paving project for Simpcw on Dunn Lake Road. No timeline as of yet.
- Numerous corner shoulders were recently paved.
- A planned lane closure is anticipated for the Highway No. 5 Badger CVSE Pullout Construction Project. Closures are planned to be extended from August 12 to September 15 from Monday to Saturday with no closures Sundays. Closure will affect the southbound lane on Highway No. 5 to



allow for construction activities. Traffic in both directions will have steady flow as southbound traffic will be diverted to one of the northbound lanes.

## **Utilities**

- Water consumption has been as high as 2500 m<sup>3</sup>/day. Bradford PW1 started operating as demand has increased. We still have capacity and well levels have remained steady.
- Recent trip to Leonie Lake Dam showed the lake is still full, but water levels are dropping. Outfall valve is basically closed.
- Community water patrol started July 11<sup>th</sup> has resulted in only nine watering infractions thus far. Warnings issued and bylaw will follow up with any repeat offenders.
- Staff successfully repaired a water main leak at 4666 Barriere Town Road. Staff noted that the main was originally installed incorrectly as there was a small gap at the pipe coupling that was exposed. Additionally, the water service is galvanized pipe and in poor condition.
- Construction at the Water Wheel Development at 4740 Barriere Town Road has commenced with the installation of the sanitary forcemain casing pipe under the Barriere River.

## **Emergency Preparedness**

- Recently purchased additional EOC supplies and equipment through funding from UMBC. The new equipment will help build the District's capacity to support its own EOC. Existing EOC dedicated laptops were updated in the event of an emergency.
- Area fire danger rating is high with potential increase in wildfire activity due to anticipated thunderstorms with the possibility for high winds over the next week.
- Currently, our region is at Drought Level 3 (severely dry) which has possible adverse impacts to socio-economic or ecosystem values. General response measures are water conservation and possible escalation of local water restrictions.

## **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:**

### **Financial Services:**

#### **Tax Trial Balance:**

- The Outstanding charges of roughly \$266K for this year's taxes are reduced to \$171K
- The Arrears from last years taxes are reduced from \$118K to \$101K
- The Delinquent charges are reduced from \$58K to \$48K
- In total we now have \$320K outstanding, which was \$442K after the tax deadline.
- For more details see attached Tax Trial Balance as of August 7, 2024

#### **Surplus and Reserves:**

- Operating Surplus across all surpluses is at: \$2.5Mil
- The aggregate of all Capital Reserves is at: \$2.4Mil
- In total roughly \$4.9Mil are held in surplus or reserve accounts.
- See attached summary for details.

#### **Other Taxing Authorities:**

- We will be submitting almost \$500,000 to the TNRD, Hospital Board, BC Assessment, and Municipal Finance Authority (MFA) over the next few weeks.
- Our initial payment to the Province for schools and policing will also be submitted in the amount of roughly \$200,000.
- The Province does allow some flexibility and we will need to do a final payment closer to the end of the year.
- Homeowner grants that are still being claimed will be used to offset some of those final amounts owing.

### **Audit:**

As previously noted in our updates to Council, we've now received a formal letter from the Ministry indicating that we are out of compliance regarding several report filings, including some that are from the 2022 yearend processes that we weren't aware of. The Ministry requires an upload of the files by August 9.

Our interim CFO has already uploaded some files that we've completed but hadn't submitted through the appropriate channels; however, the key one (audited financials) is not yet complete.

Our interim CFO and our auditor met a few weeks ago in person to review a roadmap and estimate timelines to complete the audit and finalize the required submissions. Based on this discussion, we had at least 2-3 weeks of work in-house remaining to reconcile the various accounts (which is almost complete). The auditors require most likely 2-3 weeks to perform the audit. We would then recommend for Council to meet at once for a special meeting to review and consider approving the financial statements as soon as the auditors are confident with the package. Given the current timeline estimate, Council would most likely discussing the audited financials by mid-September. If any additional unforeseen items come up, then it could be late September.

We've discussed our challenges with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs explaining the timeline and various circumstances that led to the delayed filings. We've also submitted some other files that were outstanding from prior years. The Ministry appreciated us for giving them a heads up and they understood our situation, advising though that Council will receive a letter regarding the current non-compliance. We advised that we will keep updating them in case the timelines change due to unforeseen circumstances as part of the audit process.

#### **Economic Development:**

- ETSI-BC has grant funding opportunities available around economic development. Grant intakes will be available starting September 10.
- The TNRD and BY Hydro are considering a fast EV charger project for 4 chargers at the Library facility.

#### **Infrastructure Projects:**

- Met with the Simpcw Natural Resource Manager, and am awaiting a service agreement for a site monitor during the excavation stages next year for the Wastewater Treatment Facility. However, due to staff holidays, this service agreement draft had been delayed. Awaiting confirmation of a rough timeline for this.
- Considerable time was spent to collect information on the LCIP Reservoir project to ensure that all the financials are aligned, and Council is informed of the financial position on this project. (see separate report at this meeting)

#### **Technology:**

- Configured basic security cameras with Public Works to install at Septage Receiving Station and Bandshell
- Supported the Fire department with enhancing their office network and protection for critical gear from power outages

#### **Organization:**

- Setting up GovDeals auction and Canoe Procurement to allow the District to sell assets through an online auction
- Connected with SD73 maintenance staff to discuss workorder process

DISTRICT OF BARRIERE

Tax Trial Balance (Full Listing)

Trial Balance As Of 2024-08-07

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**DISTRICT OF BARRIERE**  
**2024 YTD SURPLUS & RESERVES**

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General Ledger	Description	2024 YTD Actual
<b>SURPLUS</b>		
10-4-00-900-00	Surplus (General)	(1,938,674.56)
10-4-00-900-02	Surplus (Electronic Equip)	(15,237.53)
10-4-00-910-00	Surplus (Fire)	(77,568.85)
10-4-00-915-00	Surplus (Roads)	(37,934.08)
10-4-00-920-00	Surplus (Parks)	(9,904.23)
10-4-00-925-00	Surplus (Cemetery)	(18,376.66)
12-4-00-900-00	Surplus (Water)	(413,264.75)
* <b>TOTAL SURPLUS</b>		<b>(2,510,960.66)</b>
<b>RESERVES</b>		
20-4-00-600-00	Reserve (Municipal Hall)	(327,130.30)
20-4-00-610-00	Reserve (Land)	(45,112.99)
20-4-00-611-00	Parkland Reserve	(65,590.00)
20-4-21-800-00	Reserve Highway Rescue	(10,612.19)
20-4-23-800-00	Reserve(Fire)	(160,044.45)
20-4-23-800-01	Reserve-Wildfire Revenue	(246,573.76)
20-4-23-850-00	Reserve (1st Responders)	(191.86)
20-4-32-600-00	Reserve (Roads)	(204,147.27)
20-4-32-600-01	Reserve (Highway Signage)	(8,500.45)
20-4-43-600-00	Reserve (Environmental)	0.00
20-4-72-600-00	Reserve (Parks)	(111,452.15)
20-4-74-600-00	Reserve (Community Hall)	(19,617.03)
20-4-75-600-00	Reserve (Louis Creek Industrial Park)	(370,369.49)
10-4-00-905-00	Reserve (Gas Tax)	(303,216.85)
22-4-41-800-00	Reserve Fund (Water)	(432,301.56)
22-4-41-850-00	Infrastructure Development Cost Charges	(45,838.79)
* <b>TOTAL RESERVES</b>		<b>(2,350,699.14)</b>

\*\*\* End of Report \*\*\*

**From:** [MUNI UBCM Meeting Requests MUNI:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Invitation to Meet with the Health Authorities of British Columbia During UBCM Convention  
**Date:** July 19, 2024 11:01:31 AM  
**Importance:** High

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This message is being sent to all Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Member Municipalities, Regional Districts, and First Nations on behalf of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

**Subject:** Invitation to Meet with the Health Authorities of British Columbia During UBCM Convention  
**Intended Recipient(s):** Mayors/Regional District Chairs/Islands Trust Chair/CAOs/Chiefs and Chief Councillors  
and cc: General Email/Administrative Support staff/Alternates

If you have received this message in error, please forward it to the appropriate person in your organization.

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**2024 UBCM Convention – Ministries, Agencies, Commissions, and Corporations (MACC) Staff Meetings**

Senior staff from the Regional Health Authorities and the Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA) are pleased to offer UBCM Delegates an opportunity to meet to discuss matters related to the following:

**Regional Health Authorities (Northern Health Authority; Interior Health Authority; Fraser Health Authority; Vancouver Coastal Health Authority; Island Health)**

- When most people think about health care, the first thing they think of are hospitals. While many services are offered in the hospitals operated by the regional health authorities, they also offer a wide range of other important services such as:
  - Home and community care
  - Long-term care
  - Seniors care
  - End of life care
  - Mental health & substance use
  - Environmental health
  - Public health
  - Healthy Living
  - Infant & Youth
  - Sexual Health
  - Lab and medical imaging services
  - Indigenous health

**Provincial Health Services Authority:**

- PHSA has a unique role in B.C.'s health authority system: to ensure that B.C. residents have access to a coordinated provincial network of high-quality specialized health-care services.



PHSA programs provide care and services through specialized hospitals and centres across B.C. such as BC Children's Hospital and BC Cancer.

- PHSA is also responsible for specialized health services, which are delivered across the province in collaboration with regional health authorities, such as cardiac, trauma, perinatal and stroke services. Through BC Emergency Health Services, PHSA oversees the BC Ambulance Service and Patient Transfer Services.

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To request a meeting with the Regional Health Authorities or the PHSA, please complete the form located at: <https://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/UBCMMeetingRequest/Staff>.

The deadline to submit online meeting requests is **Wednesday, August 21**. Decisions regarding MACC staff meeting requests will be communicated by September 11 to the contact(s) identified on your meeting request form.

As a reminder, meetings will be held **Monday, September 16 to Thursday, September 19** at the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel.

If you have any questions, please contact the MACC Staff Meeting Coordinator, Sarah Staszkiel, by phone at: 778 405-1784, or the Assistant MACC Staff Meeting Coordinator, Casey Cathcart by phone at: 778 405-3140. You may also reach out via email at: [MUNI.UBCM.MeetingRequests@gov.bc.ca](mailto:MUNI.UBCM.MeetingRequests@gov.bc.ca).

Regards,

Birgit Schmidt, Director  
MUNI UBCM Convention Coordinator  
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## Tasha Buchanan

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**Subject:** Suicide Prevention Support for Indigenous Children  
**Attachments:** Principals call to the START Program in January.jpg; School Counsellors call to the SPEAC Program in Oct.pdf; Felicity Donovan.JPG; Odanak Letter of Support.jpg

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**From:** donovanfamily <[donovanfamily@gmail.com](mailto:donovanfamily@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 28, 2024 4:57 PM  
**To:** Inquiry <[inquiry@barriere.ca](mailto:inquiry@barriere.ca)>  
**Subject:** Suicide Prevention Support for Indigenous Children

Greetings,

My name is Laura Donovan, a member of the Odanak First Nation, living on the territories of the Coast Salish peoples. I want to thank you for your willingness to read this letter, as it may be triggering and difficult to read. I am fully aware of the significant impact suicide has had on every one of our communities.

I have been a Tattooer for 15 years, starting in Selkirk, Manitoba, and now in Surrey, BC. I have tattooed countless memorials for fellow Indigenous community members, using my craft to heal and provide good medicine. I never expected that I would end up tattooing memorials to honor my daughter.

I would like to share information about my 16-year-old daughter Felicity, an Indigenous student and a proud Abenaki member of the Odanak First Nation. Felicity died by suicide in December 2023.

In October 2023, she reached out for suicide prevention support at school, and a call was made to an external agency for help. I did not learn about the details of this call or the support the school had committed to provide until January 2024. At that time, I discovered that the school principal had contacted a different external support agency, informing them that Felicity had not presented as at risk and was not on their radar.

Additionally, I learned that the Surrey School District had a suicide prevention protocol that was not followed and did not have a suicide prevention program or plan to address students presenting with thoughts of suicide, nor support for staff providing this support to students.

On July 22nd, I met with the BC Minister of Education to share Felicity's experience and the experiences of many Indigenous families who have shared their stories with me over the years. In the spirit of Truth and Reconciliation, to honor the lives of all Indigenous children lost to suicide and to ensure Every Child Matters, I have requested the following from the Minister:

1. The Ministry of Education ensures all schools in British Columbia are funded and equipped to provide suicide prevention support and training to staff and students based on current evidence-based practices. I request this with the understanding that all children and staff will benefit from this honor.
2. The Ministry of Education performs an audit of the suicide prevention support provided to Felicity and our family.

I am reaching out to ask if you municipal leadership will add their voice to my call to provide improved suicide prevention support for children in your municipality. Please consider providing me with a letter addressed to the British Columbia Minister of Education, the Honourable Rachna Singh, in support of my request, with a CC to my email at [donovanfamily@gmail.com](mailto:donovanfamily@gmail.com). The Minister's email is [ECC.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:ECC.Minister@gov.bc.ca).

If you have any questions or would like more information that will enable you to provide a letter of support, please reach out to me, and I will respond promptly.

I have attached supporting information for your reference:

1. A picture of Felicity.
2. A record of the call the School Counsellor made to a suicide prevention program where Felicity asked for support.
3. A record of the call the Principal made to another suicide prevention program, informing them Felicity was not presenting as at risk or on their radar.
4. A letter of support from the Chief and Council of Odanak First Nation.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Laura Donovan (Felicity's Mom)



July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Honourable Rachna Singh  
British Columbia Minister of Education  
[EC.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:EC.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

**Object: letter of support for the Donovan family**

Kwai,

On December 21, 2023, the Abenaki of Odanak lost a member, Miss Felicity Donovan. She was only 16 years old. Her family has been waiting for answers on the support provided to their daughter to prevent her suicide. No parent should be in their position.

On behalf of the Abenaki Council of Odanak, we would like to support the Donovan family in their requests:

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2. The Ministry of Education performs an audit of the suicide prevention support provided to Felicity and our family.

Wiwzi,

Chief Rick O'Bomanwin  
Abenaki Council of Odanak  
[reception@abn-council.ak.ca](mailto:reception@abn-council.ak.ca)  
1-(504) 568-2810

cc: [donovanfamily@gmail.com](mailto:donovanfamily@gmail.com)



**From:** Raelene Adamson <ubcm@ubcm.ca>  
**Sent:** August 7, 2024 11:20 AM  
**To:** Tasha Buchanan  
**Subject:** UBCM seeks member feedback on protocol with First Nations Leadership Council



## **UBCM seeks member feedback on protocol with First Nations Leadership Council**

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### **PLEASE DISTRIBUTE ACCORDINGLY**

UBCM and the First Nations Leadership Council are working on drafting a Relationship Protocol. In accordance with UBCM's Executive policies, we are inviting UBCM members to vet this initiative by indicating whether they do or do not support this initiative. The Protocol is a nonbinding agreement, and its purpose is to promote dialogue, build relationships between local governments and First Nations, and advance reconciliation and collaboration on specific initiatives.

In September 2023, members of the UBCM Executive met with the First Nations Leadership Council and discussed the opportunity of entering into an MOU together. The First Nations Leadership Council (FNLC) is comprised of the political executives of the BC Assembly of First Nations (BCAFN), First Nations Summit (FNS), and the Union of BC Indian Chiefs (UBCIC). Together they represent all First Nations in BC. Establishing a formalized relationship with the FNLC is a natural progression for UBCM as we currently have a Protocol on Cooperation and Communication with FNS, under which we administer the Community to Community Forum program. The proposed Relationship Protocol does not replace UBCM's longstanding relationship and Protocol with FNS, which represent those First Nations in BC who are part of the BC Treaty Process.

Over the last few months, under the direction of the UBCM Indigenous Relations Committee and with support from the UBCM Executive, staff have been working with the First Nations Leadership Council to develop a draft protocol. UBCM members have shown that advancing reconciliation is important to them by passing resolutions supporting action on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, UNDRIP and Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Calls for Justice. Entering into a Protocol with FNLC, provides UBCM with greater opportunities for proactive collaboration with Indigenous leadership as the Province implements UNDRIP.

As prescribed by section 4.1(c) of UBCM's Executive policies, all proposals for new MOU's or agreements must be vetted by the membership. Our intent is to sign the Relationship Protocol on September 16<sup>th</sup> at the Province-wide Community to Community Forum. Like UBCM, the First Nations Leadership Council is also undertaking their own internal vetting process with their membership.

**ASK:** UBCM is asking the membership, do you or do you not support this initiative? Please provide one response from your community via your CAO by August 28<sup>th</sup>. Your response can be emailed to Marlene Wells at UBCM at [mwells@ubcm.ca](mailto:mwells@ubcm.ca).

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Barriere Visitor Center  
Box 1190  
Barriere, BC  
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Good afternoon,

Barriere & Area Chamber of Commerce, and the District of Barriere are excited to present you with one of the first copies of our first ever visitor guide "Destination Barriere & Area, Live, Work & Play".

This project has been in the works for quite some time, and we thank everyone who took part in creating this magazine, and the businesses who advertised in our magazine.

We have enclosed a copy of the magazine, and a laminated copy of the front page that has the QR code that once scanned, it will download a digital version of our magazine right to your phone.

In the interest of promoting tourism in our beautiful area, that we all "Live Work & Play" in, we ask that you might consider hanging the laminated copy up in your place of business if you have the room. We are so fortunate to live in the beautiful Lower North Thompson Valley, and we would love to share our area with tourists passing through, in hopes that they may stay for a while and support our local businesses.

We have extra copies of the magazine in our office, please feel free to stop in and pick one up. We are now located at the Barriere Business Center, Unit #1, at 4609 Barriere Town Road.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lianne Hamblin", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Lianne Hamblin  
Office Administrator





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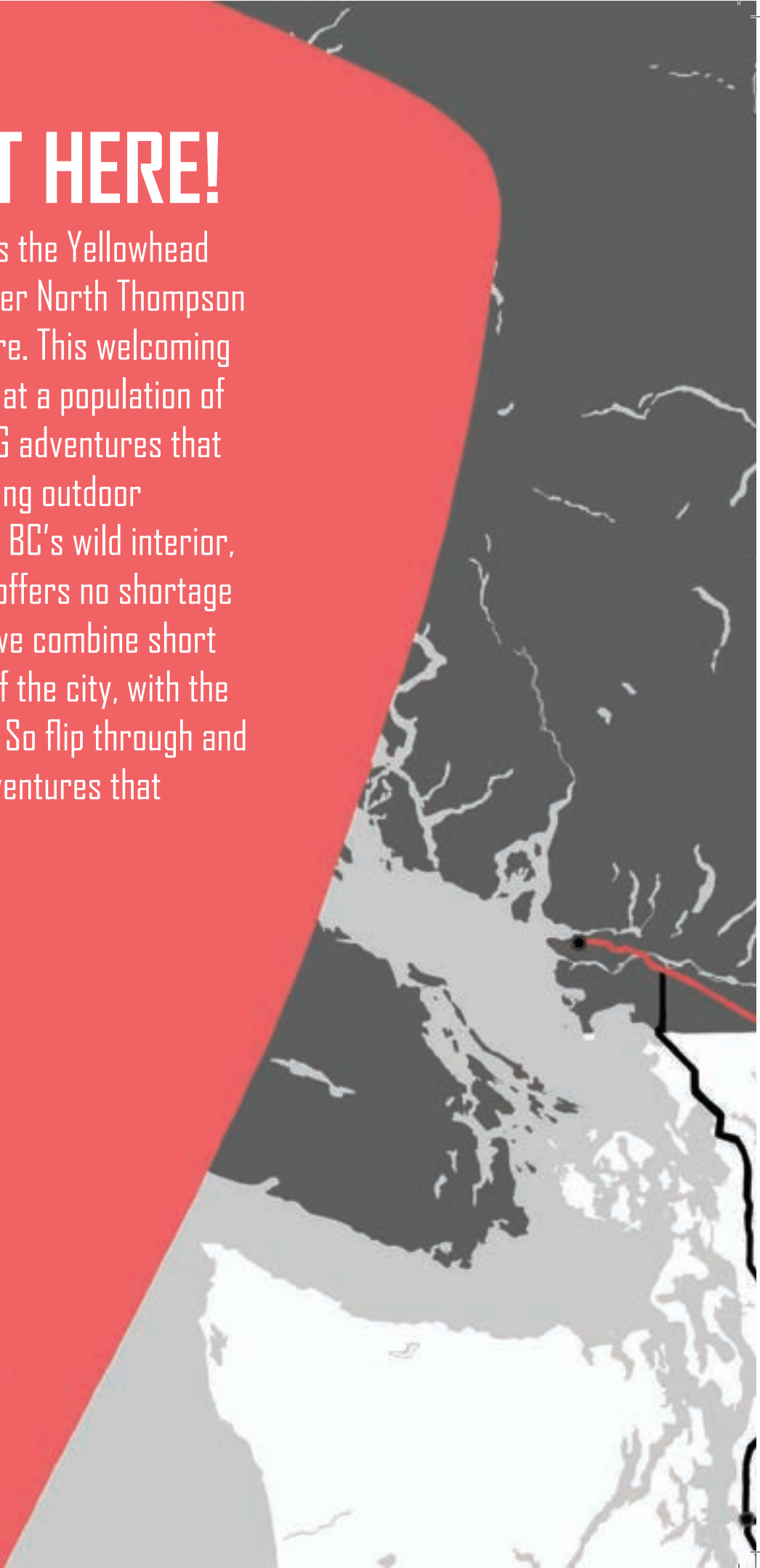
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Barriere from Armour Mountain, Photographed by Tasha Buchanan

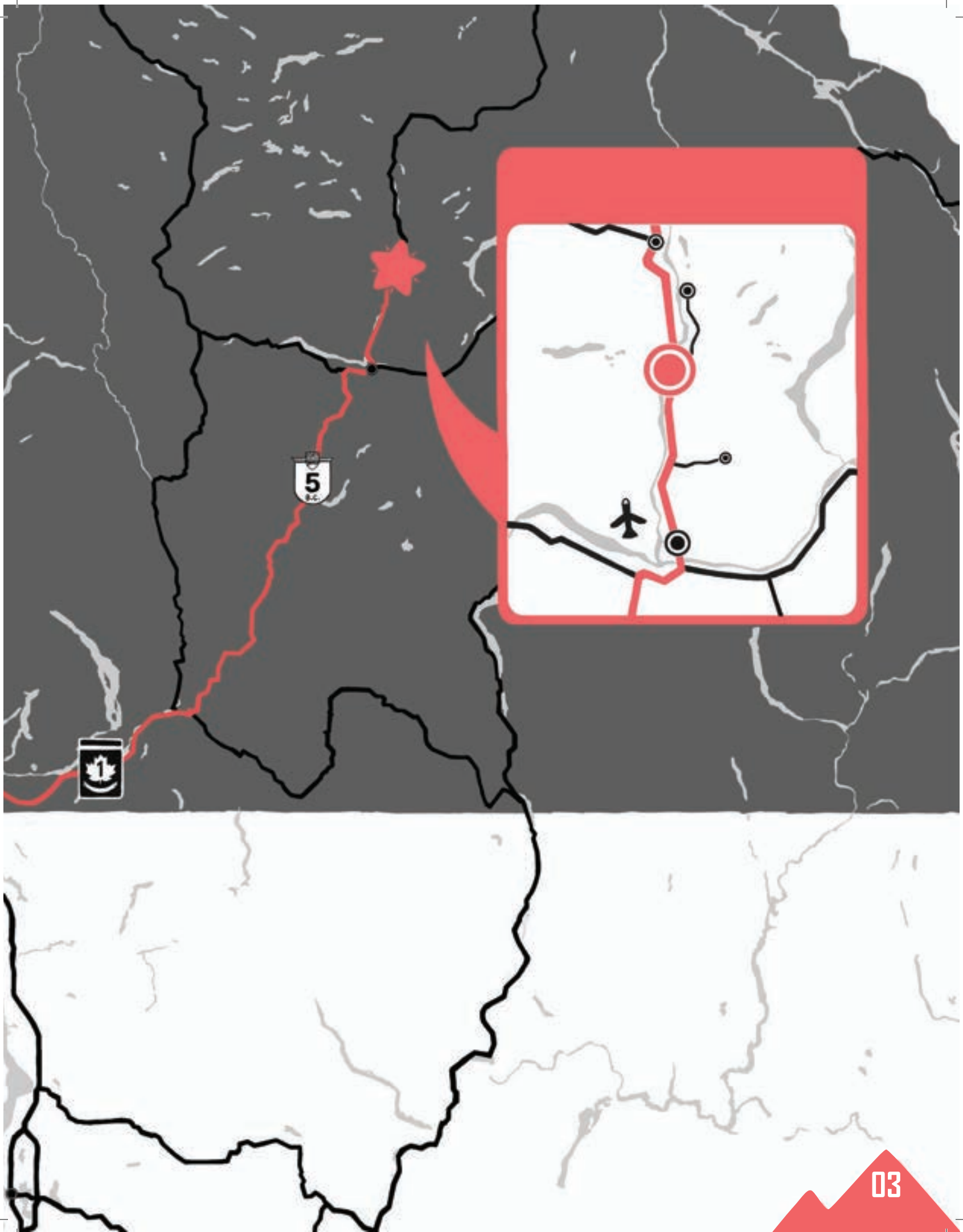
# HOW TO GET HERE!

On Highway 5 (also known as the Yellowhead Highway) in BC's scenic Lower North Thompson Valley, is the town of Barriere. This welcoming community may seem small at a population of 1765, but there are some BIG adventures that await you! With all the amazing outdoor adventures you expect from BC's wild interior, the Lower North Thompson offers no shortage of things to discover. Here we combine short proximity to the amenities of the city, with the freedom of the countryside. So flip through and take a sneak peak at the adventures that awaits you!

## DISTANCE FROM!

CALGARY	682 km
EDMONTON	742 km
KAMLOOPS	64 km
KELOWNA	230 km
VANCOUVER	418 km
SEATTLE	529 km







# WELCOME!

## TO OUR HOME

On behalf of the residents in the District of Barriere, our Council and staff, "welcome you to our community". As a visitor within the North Thompson Valley, we hope you enjoy the beauty of the town and surrounding areas. Barriere is the "Gateway to Recreation" with many lakes, hiking/biking trails and the wonders of nature. I truly hope you enjoy your stay with us, please come back and continue to explore this special part of B.C. that has so much for everyone to enjoy.



-MAYOR WARD STAMER

# THE [1857-PRESENT]

## STORY OF

# BARRIERE

## AND THE LOWER NORTH THOMPSON VALLEY

### OUR NAME

Two French Canadian referred to the river they were panning in as "the Barriere" after the rocky canyons at the beginning of the river and the First Nations' fishing weirs used near the mouth of the river.

**1857**



1st Canadian Northern Pacific Railway goes through Barriere. Railway station operated until the 1960s

**1915**

### BIG BUSINESS

Forest service office built since logging was such big business in the area.

**1920**

### THE ORIGINAL TOWN

The original town center was located near the North Thompson River since most people travelled by boat up river

LATE  
**1800's**



After a fire burnt down the railway store, a second town center was built closer to the highway

**1940**



Population really starts growing after WW2

**1945**

On Labour Day, the Native Sons of Canada lent their Louis Creek grounds and hall to the local farmers and ranchers for the 1st Fall Fair. The fair's entry catalogue contained just 12 pages, and promised: "To make your Labour Day a real holiday. A full round of entertainment during the day and evening is assured".

**1956**



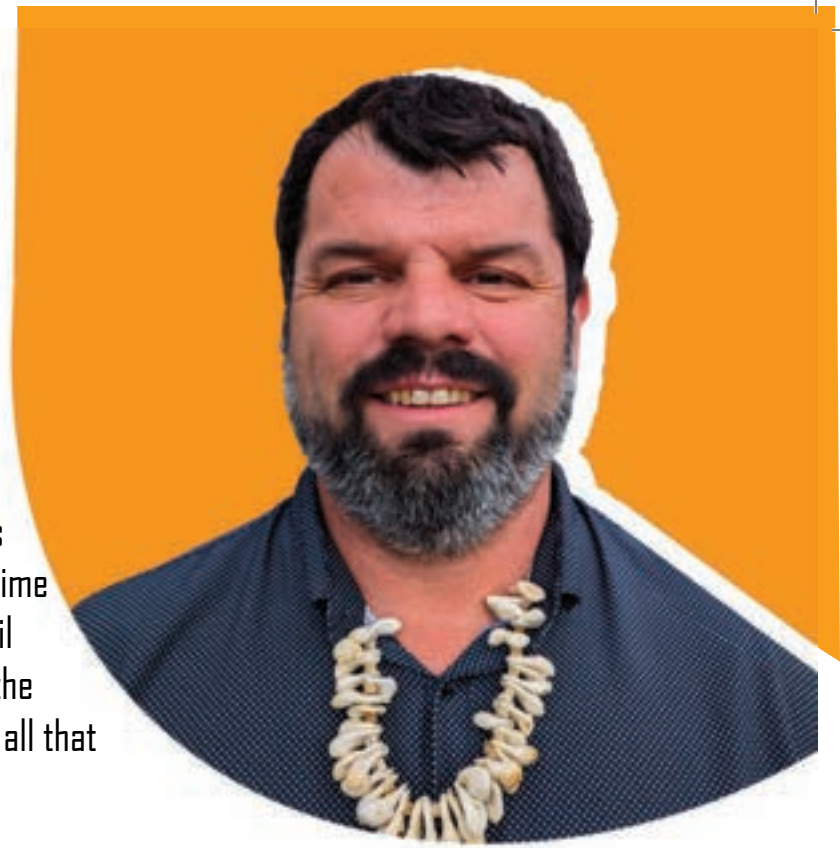
The District of Barriere was formed when the Mayor and Town Council were elected. The town continues to grow and diversify, reducing dependency on the forest industry to promote long term sustainability!

**2007**

All Photos Sourced through Barriere Museum

## Welcome Travellers,

As the Kukwpi7 (Chief) of Simpcw, it is my honor and privilege to welcome you to Simpcwúlecw (Simpw Territory). This area encompasses an expansive 5,000,000 hectares, and extends from North of McLure to McBride at the headwaters of Fraser River, Jasper to the East and South to the headwaters of the Athabasca River. You are stepping onto a land that has been home to the Símpcwemc (Simpw people) since time immemorial. Our tmicw (land) is more than just the soil beneath our feet; it encompasses the air we breathe, the animals that roam, the minerals that lie in the ground, all that exists below, on, and above the ground.



We hold the tmicw in the highest regard, guided by three fundamental principles:

- Yecwmenúlecw: Take Care of the Tmicw (Land)
- Tknémentem: Preserve the Tmicw (Land)
- Xyemstém re Tmicw (Land): Respect the Earth

As you journey through our beautiful territory, we ask you to embrace these principles. Take a moment to appreciate the interconnectedness of all things in nature. Tread lightly, leaving no trace behind. Show respect to the land, the water, the plants, and the animals.

By honoring these principles, you help us preserve Simpcúlecw to sustain our future generations. Enjoy your travels, and may you find peace and inspiration.

With warm regards,

**-George Lampreau  
Kukwpi7 for Simpcw**



Welcome to the Lower North Thompson Valley, where you'll find a friendly welcome 24 hours a day and 12 months of the year. Nestled between mountains and rivers, our valley is called home to people from all walks of life, and we enthusiastically welcome visitors from around the globe to the place we call home.

**-JILL HAYWARD, AREA D  
TNRD REPRESENTATIVE**

Our valley is full of local history: First Nations, explorers, pioneers, farmers, ranchers, logging, mining, sports, recreation, and more. Learn about Simpcw First Nation - a culturally proud community, valuing healthy, holistic lifestyles based upon respect, responsibility and continuous participation in growth and education. Check out the North Thompson Museum, our parks, artisans, and entrepreneurs.

Don't miss the annual 75th Anniversary North Thompson Fall Fair and Rodeo on the Labour Day Weekend in Barriere, take the time to go fishing with dozens of lakes to choose from, across the North Thompson River on historic reaction ferries, hike, bike, ride a horse, or listen to Music In The Park.

Relax as you enjoy our grasslands, lakes, rivers, streams, mountains, and especially our incredible star filled night, including the Milky Way, and if you're lucky, the Northern Lights. all this while making new friends, and finding inner peace. Pay us a visit - you won't be disappointed!



On behalf of the Barriere and Area Chamber of Commerce, who represent approximately 60 businesses, many of them within Barriere and the surrounding areas, the Barriere Chamber of Commerce welcomes you to our beautiful North Thompson Valley.

We hope you enjoy your stay in our community and help support our local communities and our local businesses. Feel free to stop in and visit our new visitor center at 4609 Barriere Town Road for all your tourism needs.

You can visit our website at  
[www.barrierechamberofcommerce.com](http://www.barrierechamberofcommerce.com)

**-BILL KERSHAW,  
PRESIDENT OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

# TOP EXPERIENCES

1

## NORTH THOMPSON FALL FAIR & RODEO

Get out your western digs. Every Labour Day long weekend, Barriere is the host of the North Thompson Fall Fair & Rodeo. Intense rodeo competition, parades, food, entertainment and exhibits bring the community to life.

2

## CHINOOK GOLF COURSE

Located in the lower North Thompson Valley in Barriere, BC just off of Hwy 5, Chinook Cove is a 9-hole, Championship length golf course. Enjoy scenic surroundings, well kept greens, lush fairways, a great clubhouse, welcoming staff, and a beautiful RV park.

3

## 100 + LAKES

Discover over 100 serene lakes surrounding Barriere. The area is an angler's, boater's and paddler's paradise. The lakes vary in size, but more importantly, extremely gorgeous. Camping is plentiful...imagine waking up overlooking pristine water.

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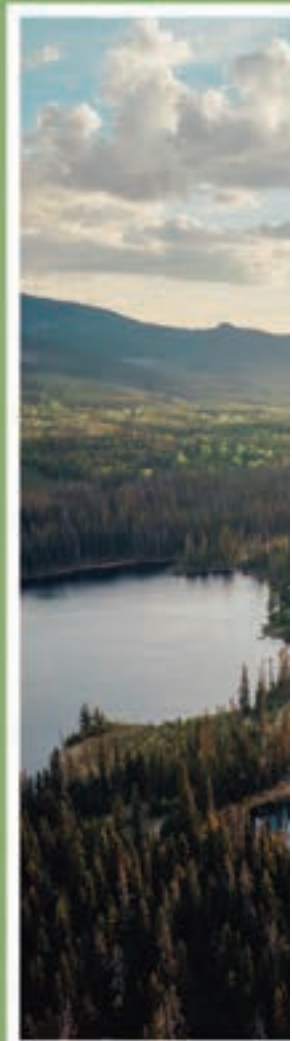
## TRAILS

Discover the abundance of wilderness trails that wind through the area forests, mountains, valleys and rivers. There are horse, hiking, biking and off-roading opportunities in and around Barriere.

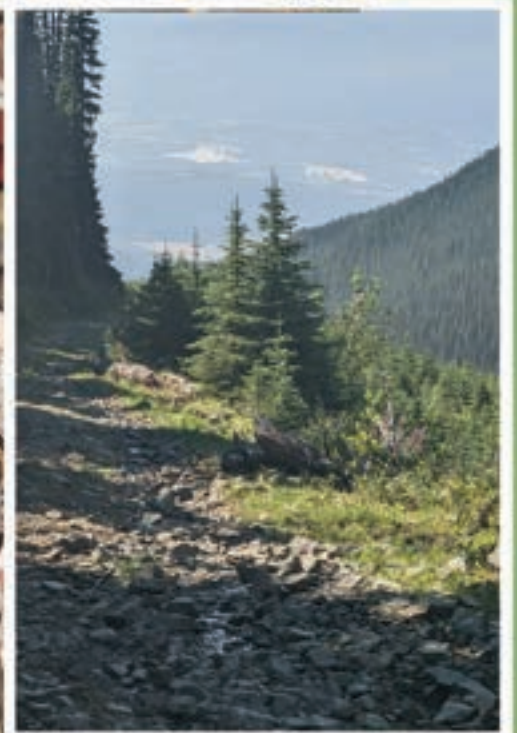
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## WINTER FUN

Discover the winter wonderland that Barriere has to offer. Locals and visitors flock to the area to sled and ice fish. The Barriere Forks Trails offer well maintained X-country skiing and snowshoeing opportunities. Harp Mountain is a local favorite for snowmobilers.







Thuya photographed by Jenna Campbell  
Chinook Cove Golf Course, Source  
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Chinook Cove Golf course, Source [ChinookCoveGolf.com](http://ChinookCoveGolf.com)

## Chinook Cove Golf & RV

Chinook Cove Golf Course, located in the beautiful lower North Thompson Valley, is a 9-hole, Championship length golf course with scenic surroundings, well kept greens, and lush fairways.

Chinook Cove RV Park is a dog friendly, 31 site short stay RV Park. Sitting just above our golf course clubhouse, this is a private area showcasing amazing views of the Lower North Thompson Valley.



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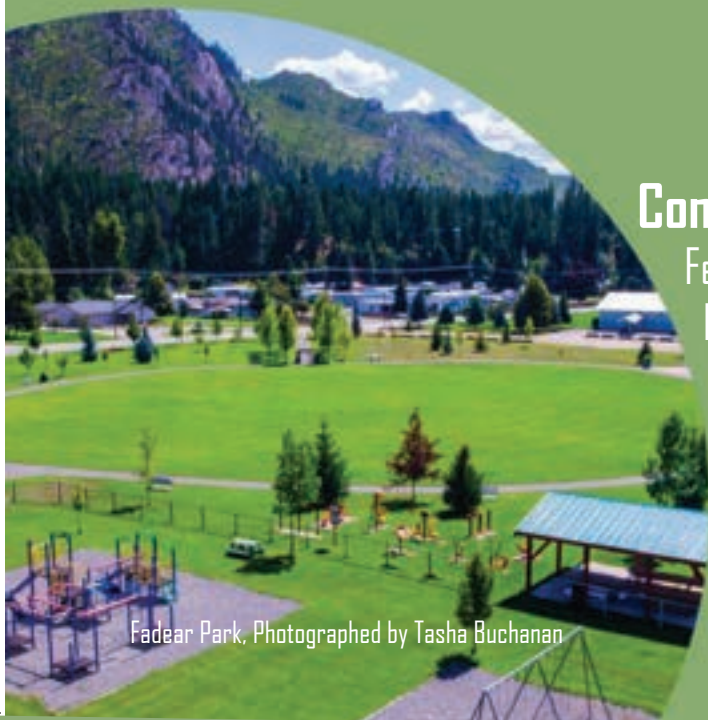


Barriere Skate Park, from Barriere Skatepark Society

Chinook Cove offers full hook up sites, hot showers, laundry, wheelchair accessible washroom facilities, communal fire pit, and internet. This is a great location for golf and experiencing what Barriere and area have to offer.

## Fadear Park

Located in the heart of town, the park houses a beautiful bandshell where throughout the year they host different events. Features in the park are; public washrooms, splash pad/spray park, playground, outdoor exercise equipment, half court, community garden, ball fields, pathways, story walk, open and covered picnic areas, skatepark and plenty of green space. Also EV charging station in the park so you can relax while you recharge.



Fadear Park, Photographed by Tasha Buchanan

## Community Park

Features stunning willow trees, trails, and benches with views overlooking the Barriere River. Outdoor multi-use court for tennis, pickleball, basketball and skating in the winter. Dog park, picnic area, ball fields, and concession available for special events.



Barriere Curling Club, Source Barriere Curling Club

## CURLING CLUB

The Barriere Curling rink began construction in 1979. It has hosted many bonspiels and functions throughout the years. Currently the club has five leagues, a youth program and hosts three to five bonspiels per year.

Check out club news at  
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## North Thompson Museum

The North Thompson Museum is open to the public during the summer months. Located at 343 Lilley Road (just off of Highway 5), you can explore the Museum grounds which include a Trapper's Cabin, outdoor shed for antique farm equipment, Livery Stable housing a steam-powered train engine, a Country Store display with living quarters attached, and a replica 1800's School House. The museum also hosts numerous archives, artifacts, photos and maps to take you back in time and discover the history of Barriere and area.



## Wildfire Dragon Monument

The Wildfire Dragon Monument (created by artist Michael Morrison) and story board is located in Fadear Park. In 2003 the McLure Wildfire swept through the surrounding areas of McLure to Barriere. The McLure Wildfire Monument Society initiated the creation and erection of the monument in 2008. The monument is dedicated to all of the firefighters, volunteers, individuals, churches, service groups, businesses, organizations, and government bodies – those who admirably displayed what the human spirit can accomplish when everyone works together.

The site is well worth the time to stop to learn and gaze upon the face of the dragon.



Dunn Creek Fish Hatchery Source LandofHiddenWaters.com

## Dunn Creek Hatcher

Dunn Creek Hatchery is located 32.5 kms on Dunn Lake Road north of Barriere. Simpcw First Nation manages and operates the Fish Hatchery adjacent to Dunn Creek, where they raise salmon to support local waterways. Currently, the hatchery produces 20,000 Coho salmon from Dunn Creek each year. The main focus of the hatchery and Simpcw's fisheries program is the conservation, protection and management of fish populations within Simpcúl'ecw.



# Fishing Lodges

## Spruce Wilderness Lodge

Located on the east end of Bonaparte Lake 45 kms from Barriere. Access from the Darlington FSR out of Darfield (13 kms north on Hwy 5 from Barriere). Travel 15.5 kms, turn left onto Powder Main, and continue to Jamieson FSR 48.5 kms marker, slightly right on Jamieson FSR to the 55 kms marker, right on to Bonaparte Hill FSR. The Lodge entrance is 2.5 km on the left.

Spruce Wilderness Lodge offers a relaxing outdoor adventure where you can enjoy the natural beauty of the area. The Lodge is open year round where you can enjoy swimming, fishing, watersports, hiking, biking, hunting, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, ATVing, and wildlife & nature photography.

The Lodge offers accommodations in log chalets or comfortable cabins. The log chalets feature showers, flush toilets, wood stoves for heat, propane stoves, and propane fridges. Log chalets have a double size bed, two twin beds, and a double size hide-a-bed to ensure a comfortable sleep. The six other cabins feature wood stoves for heat, cold running water, propane stoves and electric bar fridges. These cabins can accommodate varying numbers of guests. There is a washhouse with hot showers and flush toilets for all guests.

The Lodge has a campground with four level campsites. Each campsite has a picnic table, overlook Bonaparte Lake.

For information and reservations:  
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## The Rustic Resort

Located on Thuya Lakes 43 kms from Barriere. Access from the Thuya Creek Road just before Little Fort (23 kms north on Hwy 5 from Barriere). Travel along Thuya Creek Road for 19 kms (this is a gravel mountain road). Continue straight on Eakin Creek South FSR for 1 km, the Resort entrance is on the left.

The Rustic Resort is nestled on two very private lakes with access to 30 other lakes to fish. Open from mid May to October 1st. If you are looking for a unique wilderness adventure with family and friends you need to check out this jewel of a resort. The area is known for its fishing particularly fly fishing, but there is also hiking, biking, walking, ATV trails, and wildlife viewing.



Spruce Wilderness Lodge, Photographed by Louise Lodge



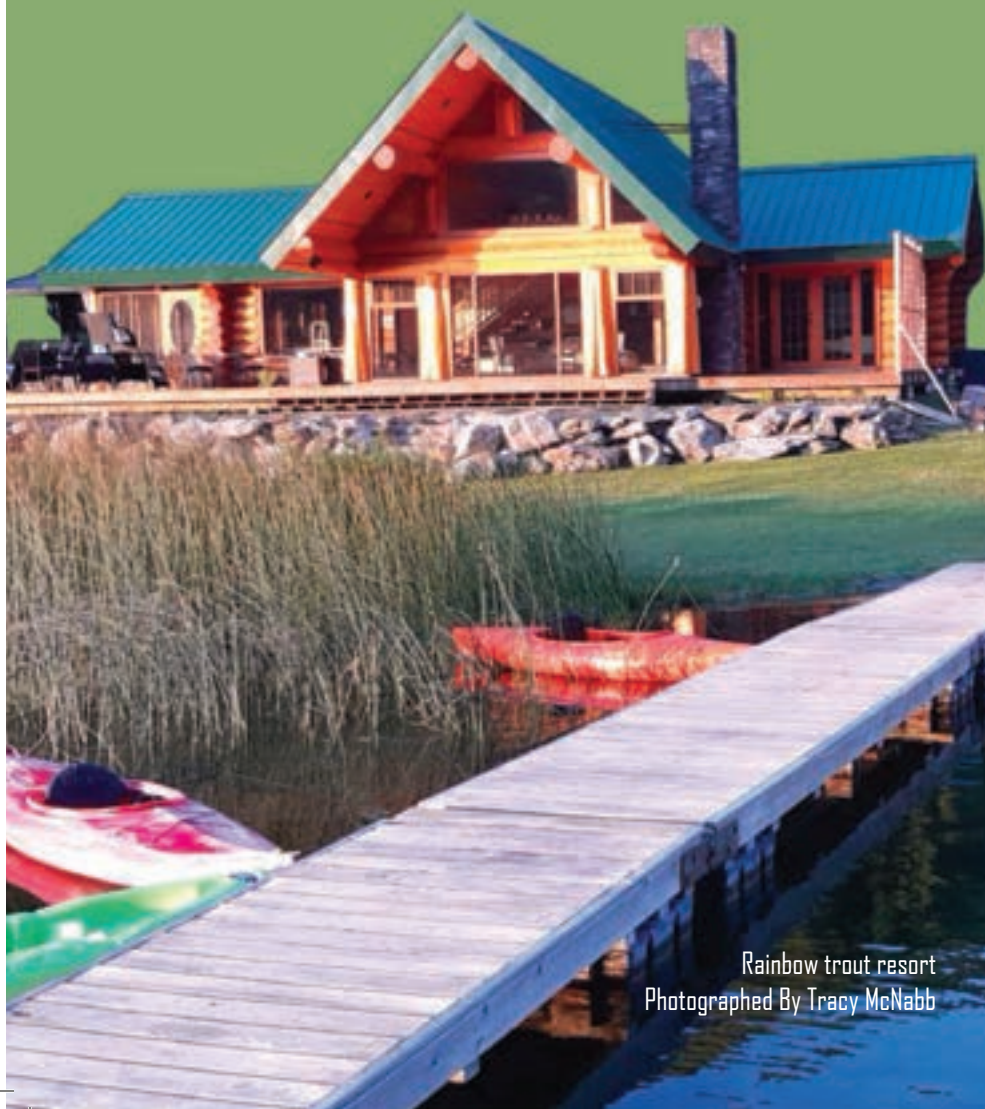
The Rustic Resort offers rustic lakefront log cabins. All cabins are equipped with gas cooking stoves, electric fridge, wood stoves for heating, running cold water, and basic pots, pans and dishes. All cabins come with a boat and eclectic motor. There is a washhouse with hot showers and flush toilets for guests.

For information: [info@therusticresort.ca](mailto:info@therusticresort.ca)

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## Rainbow Trout Resort

Located on Forest Lake 21 kms from Barriere.  
Access from Agate Bay Road in Louis Creek.



Rainbow trout resort  
Photographed By Tracy McNabb



Rainbow trout resort Photographed By Tracy McNabb

Travel south for 4 kms on Hwy 5, turn left onto Agate Bay Road and follow for 16.5 kms, the resort is on the left.

Rainbow Trout Resort is open year round, and offers swimming, watersports, fishing, skating and ice fishing. The Resort has three cabins and only rents to one group per booking - 16 guests maximum. This includes a private dock, fire pit, kayaks and canoes, hot tub, wifi, kitchen essentials, outdoor kitchen and BBQ, and most importantly, privacy with lake and mountain views.

For information contact  
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SUMMER  
THURS



WINTER  
SAT

10<sup>am</sup> - 1<sup>pm</sup>

Squam Bay, Photographed by Jessica Sterling





# EVENTS

FEB

Family Day Celebration

MAR

North Thompson Fish & Game Banquet  
BC Team Cattle Penning

APR

Barriere Fire Fighters Association Charity Walk  
Lions Easter Egg Hunt  
Volunteer Fair  
BC Team Cattle Penning

MAY

Dunn Folkin' Around Music Festival

JUN

Community Block Party,  
Father's Day Fishing Derby,  
Barrel Racing Competition

JUL

Canada Day Celebration  
Dogs with Jobs  
Little Britches Rodeo  
Canadian National Goat Show  
Canadian National Junior Sheep Show

SEP

North Thompson Fall Fair & Rodeo  
BC Ag Expo  
Barriere Fire Fighters Pig Roast

OCT

BCC Amazing Race

NOV

Remembrance Day (Barriere & Simpcw)  
Stuff the Cruiser

DEC

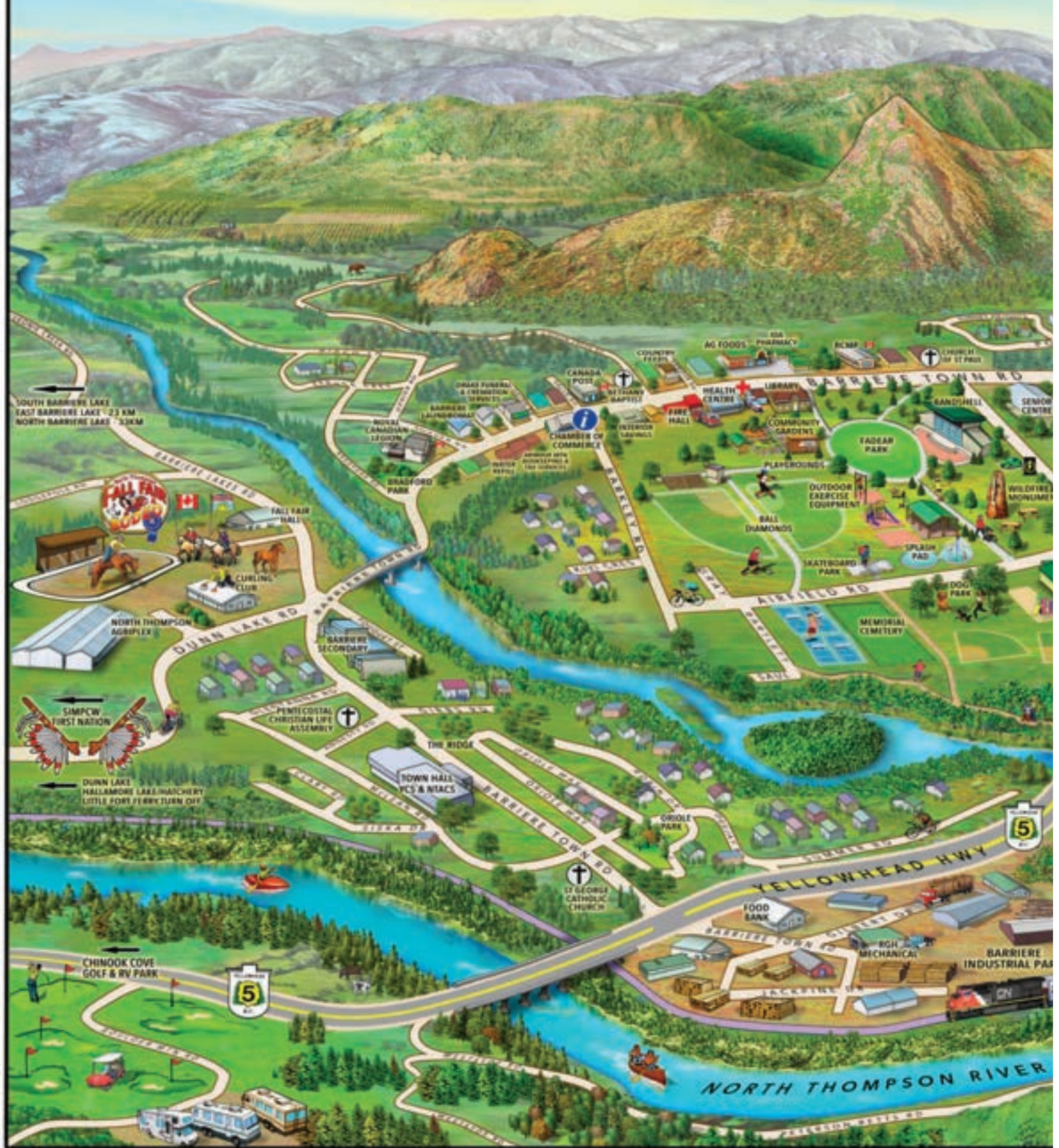
Winterfest  
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Christmas at the Fair  
Community Christmas Dinner

Squam Bay, Photographed by Jessica Sterling



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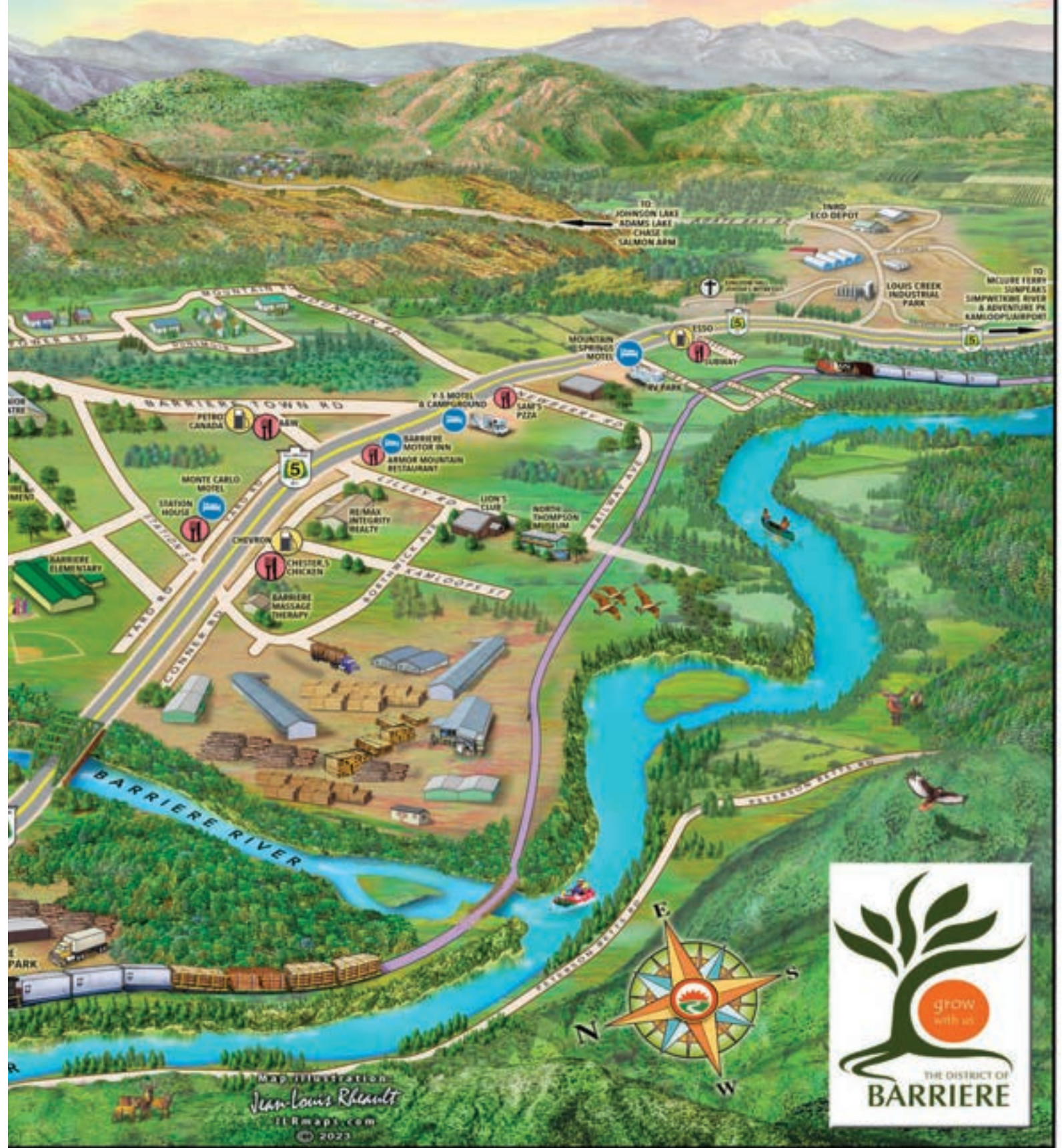
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# BARRIERE

## COLUMBIA







We've decided to share  
a few of our favorites with you.

There certainly is no shortage of lakes to  
explore. We have over 100 of them afterall!

## **EAST BARRRIERE LAKE [22 kms]**

Located 22 kms from Barriere. Access  
from the community of Barriere  
along the Barriere Lakes Road.

Continue straight onto East  
Barriere Lake Road at the  
junction with North Barriere Lake  
Road, and following the road until  
the lake.

East Barriere Lake has an array of  
recreational opportunities, particularly  
watersports. However, you can find some  
people fishing and there are some hiking trails.

Provincial Recreation site with 16  
campsites, tables, toilets and a boat launch.  
No reservations, first come, first served basis.

Rustic Resort photographed by Jenna Campbell

## SOUTH BARRIERE LAKE [28 kms]

Located 28 kms from Barriere. Access is from the community of Barriere along Barriere Lakes Road, and then South Barriere Lake FSR. South Barriere Lake is a picturesque lake popular for fishing and some watersports, like kayaking. There are hiking opportunities with one main trail leading to Johnson Lake.

Provincial Recreation with two campsites, tables, toilets and boat launch. No reservations, First come, first served basis.

## NORTH BARRIERE LAKE [32 kms]

Located 32 kms from Barriere. Access is from the community of Barriere on the Barriere Lakes Road, then turn at the North Barriere Lake Forest Service Road. North Barriere Lake offers something for everyone - fishing, boating, watersports, swimming, hiking, and camping.

Provincial Recreation site with 25 camping sites, tables, toilets and a boat launch. No reservations, first come, first served basis.

North Barriere Lake Resort offers a panoramic view of the lake, forest and hillside. You can reserve a cabin or campsite for your next family camping adventure.

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- Boat and kayak rentals

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North Barriere Lake - Photographed by Lesley Davoren



## SASKUM [49km's]

Located 49 km from Barriere. Access is from the community along the Barriere Lakes Road to the junction with North Barriere Lake Forest Service Road. Travel along the North Barriere Lake Forest Service Road to the junction with Saskum Lake Forest Service Road (approximately 25 km). Turn onto the Saskum Lake Forest Service Road and travel a few kilometres until you reach the lake.

Saskum Lake is one of the clearest lakes the Lower North Thompson has to offer. Excellent for watersports, relaxing on its sandy beach and fishing. It is secluded and quiet, allowing you to connect with nature.

Provincial Recreation site with 15 sites, tables, toilets and boat launch.  
No reservations, first come, first served basis.

## JOHNSON LAKE [48 km's]

Located 48 km from Barriere. Access is from Agate Bay Road, 5 km South of Barriere. Follow Agate Bay Road for 22km before turning left onto Minnova FSR. Once on Minnova FSR, follow signage for 19 km. Please note that the road has many potholes and a high-clearance vehicle is recommended.

Johnson Lake gets its intensely beautiful turquoise color and clarity from an underground spring where the water flows up through the surrounding limestone rocks. It's sometimes said to be the clearest lake in BC.

Provincial Recreation Site with 12 sites, tables, toilets and car-top boat launch only.  
No reservations, first come, first served basis.

Saskum Lake photographed by Gil Berube



## ADAMS LAKE [39km's]

Adam's Lake Photographed by Louise Lodge

Access is from Agate Bay Road 5 km's South of Barriere. Follow Agate Bay Road for 33km's until the intersection of Agate Bay Road and Adams FSR. The boat launch can be accessed by proceeding straight. The Adam's Lake provincial Park site can be accessed by turning right on Adam's FSR and driving for 18km. The Squam Bay provincial recreation site can be accessed by turning left on Adams FSR and driving 1.5km.

Adams Lake is the largest of our recommended lakes. The 63km long, deep cold water lake is the perfect place to enjoy swimming, cliff diving, camping, boating and fishing. There are multiple campgrounds along the shores of the lake and multiple self-built campsites you can access by boat for those who prefer to rough it. This lake stands out from the others on our list because of the First Nations pictographs that can be found in multiple locations along the lake which can be accessed by boat

Adams Lake Provincial Park Bush Creek site with 27 vehicle-accessible camping sites, 4 walk-in sites, toilets and a boat launch.

No reservations, first come, first served basis.

Squam Bay Recreation site with 4 camping sites, tables, toilets and a boat launch.

No reservations, first come, first served basis.

## GORMAN LAKE [19 kms]

Located 19 kms from Barriere. Access from Westsyde Road (2.5 kms north on Hwy 5 from Barriere). Follow Westsyde Road for 6.8 kms, turn on to Gorman Lake FSR and continue for 11 kms.

Gorman Lake recreation site is used mainly by campers and boaters who like to fish. The site is fairly small and offers an open grassy environment with two sites, tables and toilet.

No fees for camping.

## MAYSON LAKE [32 kms]

Located 32 kms from Barriere. Access from the Darlington FSR out of Darfield (13 kms north on Hwy 5 from Barriere). Travel 15.5 kms, turn left onto Powder Main, travel down to 48.5 kms onto Jamieson FSR, Mayson Lake is located at the 50 km mark on the Jamieson Creek FSR.

Mayson Lake is a larger serene lake, ideal for wildlife viewing and fishing. There are four sites, tables, toilets and boat launch.

No fees for camping.





## ALLEN LAKE [24 kms]

Located 24 kms from Barriere. Access from Westsyde Road (2.5 kms north on Hwy 5 from Barriere). Follow Westsyde Road for 6.8 kms, turn on to Gorman Lake FSR and continue for 15 kms.

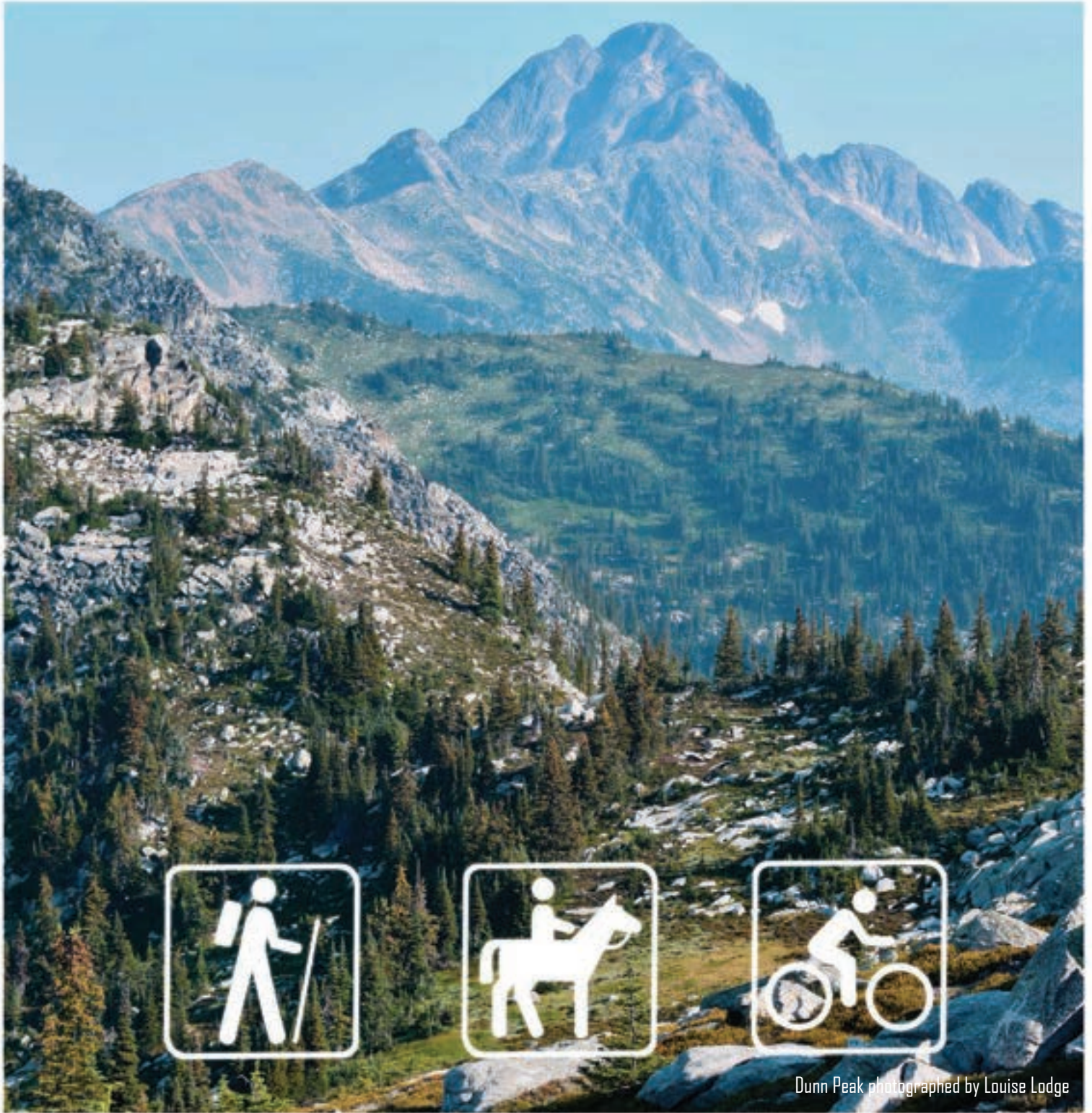
Allen Lake is a recreation site offering camping and fishing. There are six sites, tables, toilets and boat launch.

No fees for camping.

There are many more lakes in the Bonaparte Plateau area worth checking out during day trips from Barriere or while camping at the other recreation sites. Windfall and Scott Lake have small campsites with toilets and tables and are ideal for wildlife viewing and fishing.







Dunn Peak photographed by Louise Lodge

# TRAILS



## LEGEND



BMX Park



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Dog Park



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Path

1  Splash Pad

2  Fire Memorial

3  Bandshell

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# Skull Mountain Trails

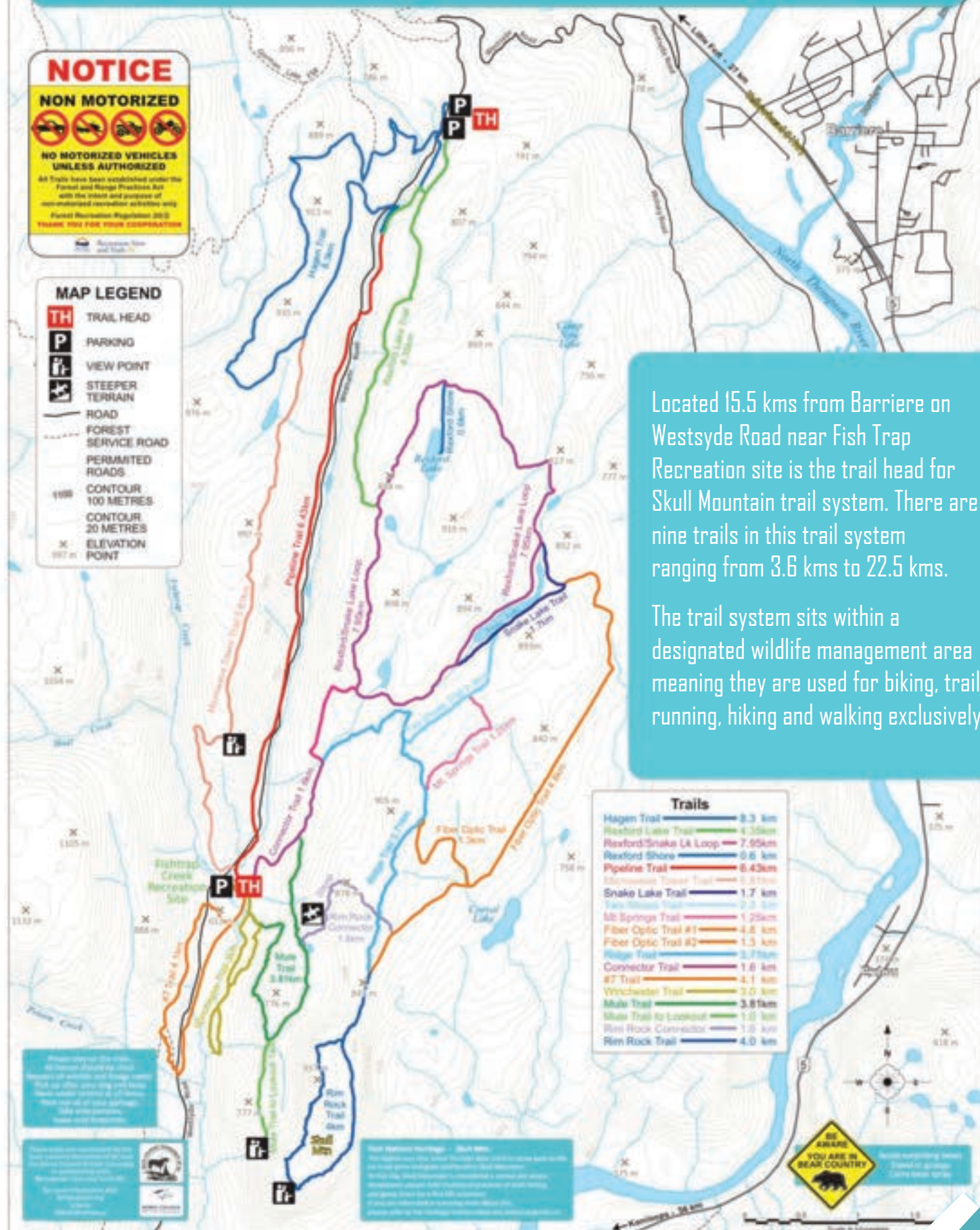


## MAP LEGEND

- TH** TRAIL HEAD
- P** PARKING
- VP** VIEW POINT
- ST** STEEPER TERRAIN
- R** ROAD
- FSR** FOREST SERVICE ROAD
- PR** PERMITTED ROADS
- C100** CONTOUR 100 METRES
- C20** CONTOUR 20 METRES
- X** ELEVATION POINT

Located 15.5 kms from Barriere on Westsyde Road near Fish Trap Recreation site is the trail head for Skull Mountain trail system. There are nine trails in this trail system ranging from 3.6 kms to 22.5 kms.

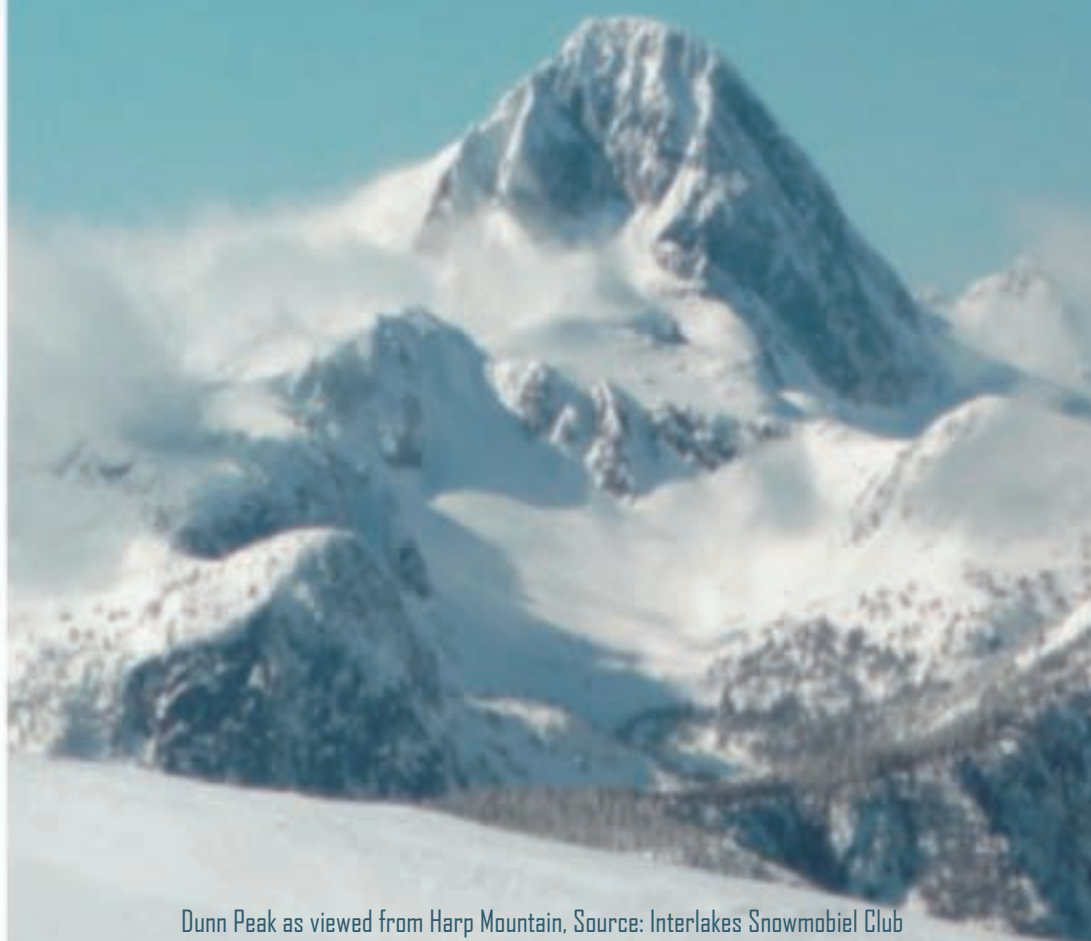
The trail system sits within a designated wildlife management area meaning they are used for biking, trail running, hiking and walking exclusively.



# WINTER EXPERIENCES

The adventure does not stop when the snow falls. Barriere and area provides winter enthusiasts with a number of cold weather experiences!

If ice fishing is how you enjoy spending a sunny winters day, many of our lakes are excellent for ice. Popular ice fishing lakes include Forest Lake, North Barriere Lake, Dunn Lake and Johnson Lake. A few of these lakes may require you to sled into them.

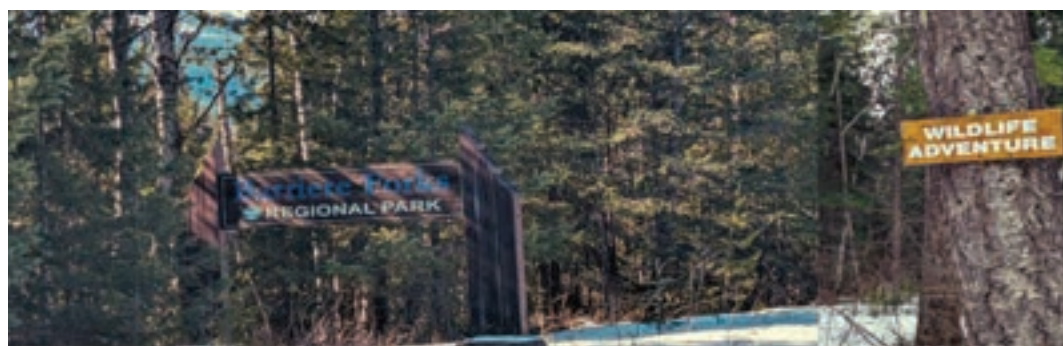


Dunn Peak as viewed from Harp Mountain, Source: Interlakes Snowmobiel Club



If sledding is what you enjoy there are many opportunities in the surrounding mountains and back country. Harp Mountain is a personal favourite among the locals especially with the snow drifters cabin. Folks also enjoy Gorman Lake and Scott Lake areas on the Bonaparte Plateau, and the South Barriere Lake/Johnson Lake loop.

Another excellent place to explore in the winter is Barriere Forks Regional Park. This non-motorized trail network is fantastic for X-country skiing and snowshoeing. With 8 kms of maintained trails, a fire pit and a warming cabin, Its the perfect place to spend any winters day.



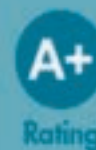
Barriere Forks, photographed by Louise Lodge

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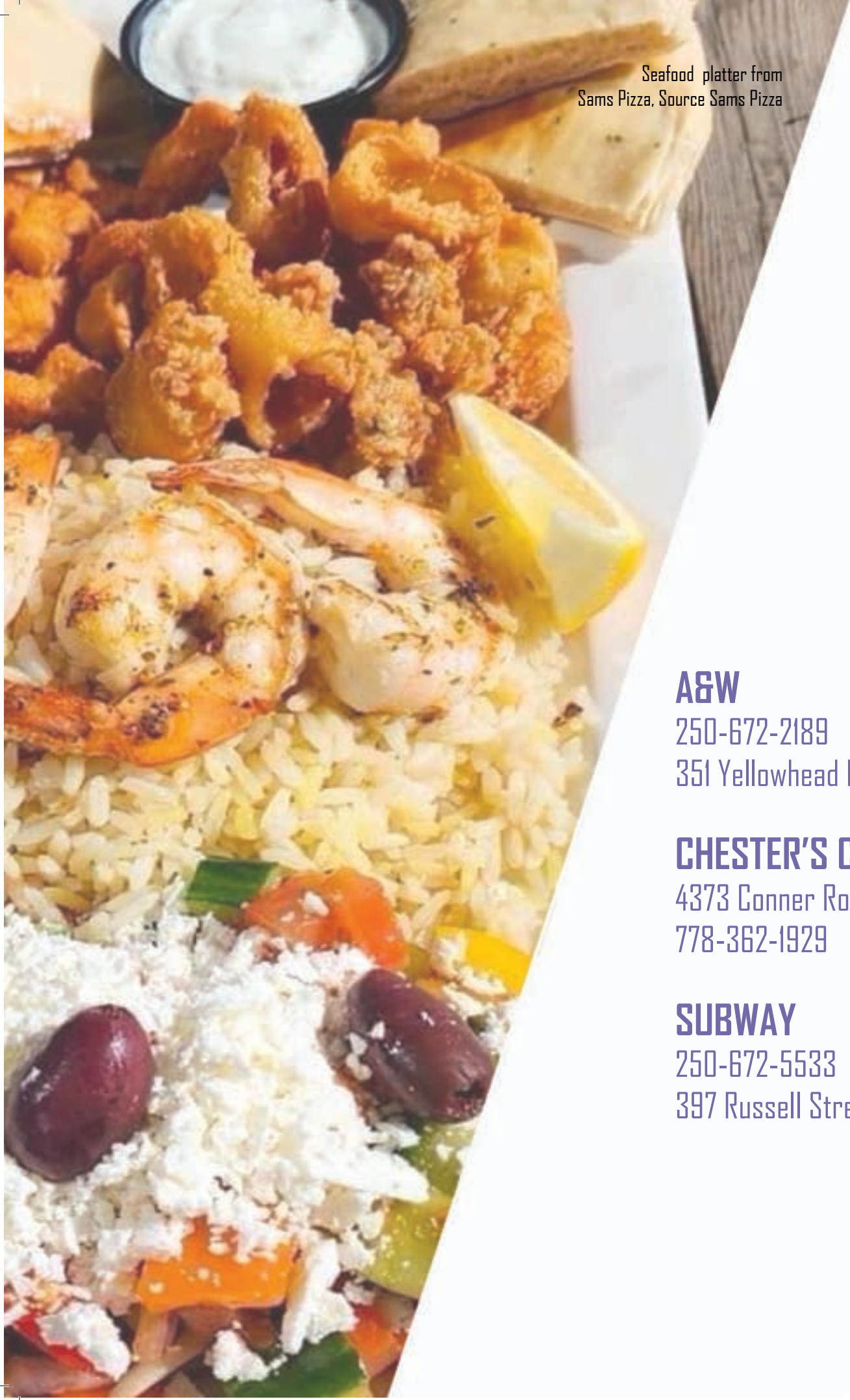
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The Locals of Louis Creek Artisan Market, Source: Locals of Louis Creek Artisan Market

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## TENIYE LOCAL MARKET

778-910-0021

5085 Barriere Town Road

## THE LOCAL OF LOUIS CREEK ARTISAN MARKET

250-672-0146

3653 Louis Creek Road

## LITTLE & LARGE LIQUIDATION

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4610 Barriere Town Road

## RAINER CUSTOM CUTTING

250-672-9629

7529 Yellowhead Hwy

## IDA PHARMACY

250-672-9791

4480 Barriere Town Road



## BARRIERE TIMBER MART

250-672-9323

4287 Yellowhead Hwy

## COUNTRY FEEDS

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- Workplace Issues
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- Bullying, Harassment, Discrimination
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Ph: 778-220-5930 Email: grace.baker@live.com

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Open meetings  
Mondays @ 7:30pm  
Christian Life Assembly  
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236-597-0402

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## **ESSO**

250-672-5624

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4621 Barriere Town Road

## **MOUNTAIN VALLEY RV SERVICES**

250-554-8348

mobile service

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## **BC LIQUOR STORE**

250-672-9755

4639 Barriere Town Road

## **DRAKES CREMATION & FUNERAL SERVICES LTD.**

250-672-1999

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mobile service

## **RGH MECHANICAL**

250-299-4357

mobile service





Barriere Library, Source:  
Barriere library Website

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2-4353 Conner Road

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250-672-5300

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# *SILGA SCOOP*

## *2024 Summer Edition*



### **Meet your 2024-25 SILGA Board**

L-R TNRD Director Tricia Thorpe, Princeton Mayor Spencer Coyne, Peachland Councillor Keith Thom, Oliver Councillor and SILGA Past President Aimee Grice, Kelowna Councillor Gord Lovegrove, Salmon Arm Councillor and SILGA President Louise Wallace, Richmond, Kamloops Councillor Stephen Karpuk, Merritt Councillor Adam Etchart, Kamloops Councillor and SILGA 1<sup>st</sup> VP Bill Sarai, West Kelowna Councillor and SILGA 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Tasha Da Silva, Missing Penticton Councillor Isaac Gilbert.

### **UBCM Minister Meeting Requests (Based on 2024 SILGA Resolutions)**

Mental Health – Complex Care Facilities Implementation and Four Pillars Funding

Housing – Increased Funding for the Implementation of the Provincial Housing Development Requirements

Transportation – Resource Roads and Highway Maintenance Contracts

Labour – Legislation Changes to Address Bullying and Harassment by Local Elected Officials and the Public

Municipal Affairs - A Regional Update on the Required Changes to Local Bylaws and OCP as a Result of the Zoning Changes.

SILGA made history! Our opening ceremonies, held on the lands of the T'kém'lúps te Secwépemc, was the first time in BC local government history that an opening ceremony was held on First Nations lands.



Keynote Speaker Nikki Fraser, TteS Councillor

Two SILGA executive members are running for the UBCM board as Directors at Large – Aimee Grice, Olver Councillor and Keith Thom, Peachland Councillor.

It's important to have regional voices on the UBCM Board – please get out and vote!



## SILGA Community News

### TNRD - Loon Lake Firehall Rebuild

The small community of Loon Lake, north of Cache Creek, celebrated the rebuilding of their firehall on June 8th. Their original firehall was destroyed in 2017 by the Elephant Hill wildfire.



### Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Enderby-Spatsin section

May 10<sup>th</sup> marked the opening of the first phase (2 km section) of a 50-kilometre, non-motorized greenway trail for walking and cycling along the former rail corridor between the communities of Sicamous and Armstrong.



### Kamloops – TNRD Hazardous Waste Facility

A new year-round residential household hazardous waste drop-off facility servicing Kamloops and the TNRD free of charge is now a reality. This is exciting to be able to offer this important service year-round as previously the City and the TNRD hosted one-off "round-up" events once a year.



What is the best way for you to receive SILGA information?  
Please go to our Survey Monkey survey and provide feedback to us. Thanks!  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/83HZV23>

And remember, keep sending in your community stories to SILGA for inclusion in the next newsletter.





## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

3400 - 30TH STREET VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA V1T 5E6

TELEPHONE (250) 545-1361 FAX (250) 545-4048

File: 0360-20-27

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

July 30, 2024

To British Columbia Municipalities

via email

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

Re: Eliminate Fossil Fuel Funding of SILGA and UBCM

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At it's Regular Meeting held on February 26, 2024, City of Vernon Council passed the following motion:

"THAT the City of Vernon request that SILGA and UBCM no longer accept funding from the fossil-fuel industry and its lobby groups at meetings and conventions;

AND FURTHER, that the City of Vernon submit the following resolution to the 2024 SILGA and UBCM conventions:

'WHEREAS burning carbon-based fuel causes climate warming with harmful socio-economic and environmental consequences; and in response Canada and B.C. have developed legislation, targets and incentive programs to rapidly decarbonize the economy; and local governments must assist in achieving these goals, and have developed Climate Action Plans and decarbonization programs to do so;

AND WHEREAS the fossil-fuel industry funds conventions and meetings of local government associations, which benefits the industry while the rising costs of delay are borne by governments and society;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Southern Interior Local Government Association (SILGA) and the Union of B.C. Municipalities (UBCM) will no longer accept funding from the fossil-fuel industry and its lobby groups in support of conventions and meetings.'

This resolution has been submitted to UBCM for consideration at the 2024 UBCM Convention. You will find background information enclosed.

Sincerely,

Victor I. Cumming  
Mayor

Copy: City of Vernon Council

Enclosure

Vernon background for resolution submission to UBCM:

Throughout our province we are all living with the devastating impacts of fires and floods, which are made worse by climate change. Burning fossil fuels is the major cause of climate change. Today we are all reliant on gasoline, diesel, and natural gas. However, the transition to a low or zero-carbon future is underway, led by higher levels of government in Canada and around the world. This transition will take several years, and there will be challenges to overcome along the way. The transition will be costly, but less costly than the ongoing and worsening impacts of climate change, and it will require sustained leadership from all levels of government.

In B.C. we have a better alternative to burning fossil fuels. BC Hydro produces much cleaner renewable electricity and has plans to accommodate the additional demand that will result from broad-based electrification. The fossil fuel industry is competing against electrification. Their best efforts to become "sustainable" will not substantially reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. Their primary objective is self-preservation, rather than helping us prepare for the future. Their messaging at our conventions promotes complacency among us. This messaging is not helpful – instead we need to be acting boldly and doing more to prepare for the electrified future. The City of Vernon respectfully requests SILGA and UBCM members' consideration of this resolution.



Date: July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Weyt-kp (Hello) District of Barriere Mayor & Council,

***Xwexwéyt me7 tsnes-kp 7e splulkw. Me7 tsecwmíntlmen xwexwéytep.***

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to witness and partake in our annual  
***Melukwmintem (Gather Together) & Simpchw Days.***

This weekend long event unites members from all over to connect with their *k'wséltkten* (family) and *stemtemét* (friends), make new connections and strengthen their culturally proud traditions. This is also when we 'Call Our Children Home' with a traditional blanketing ceremony as a way to welcome Simpchw Members back to the land, community, culture, and campfire.

The event this year is notable, as we are having the event right in Chu Chua;  
as well as various sites within Simpchwul'ecw.

**Event Date:** *temllenkúkwe7 te mégcen* (Ninth moon / September) 19th-22th, 2024

September is also know as *Pellc. wéwlemten* (Fishing Month) or *Pesqelqlélten* (Many Salmon Month)

**Event Location:** Chu Chua, BC - [7555 Dunn Lake Road](https://www.simpchw.com/7555-Dunn-Lake-Road)

Please view the attached 'Save The Date' as well as a draft *Agenda* (a formal Agenda will be distributed closer to event).

It would be greatly appreciated if you could please provide a response by **August 15th** on whether you are able to attend or not. If you are able to attend could you provide which day(s)

On behalf of Simpchw's *Social Development, Language & Culture* Departments, we hope to have your presence at this significant event to celebrate everything Simpchw!



Welcome Song

7555 DUNN LAKE ROAD

CHU CHUA, B.C.

IN COMMUNITY



SimpCW

*People of the Rivers*



# SIMPCW DAYS

MELUKWMINTEM "GATHER TOGETHER"

*Calling Our Children Home Ceremony*

SAVE THE DATE!

SEPTEMBER

19 - 22, 2024

*Open to all! On the Land, Cultural Connection, Ceremony*

**Draft Agenda:** *Subject to Change*

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>:**

5:00pm – 7:00pm – Check In & Dinner

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup>:**

Before Sunrise - Sunrise Ceremony

7:00 – 9:00am – Breakfast

Various Activities throughout day & optional Wells Grey activities

Noon – Lunch

Various Activities throughout day

5:00 -7:00pm – Dinner

7:15pm – Stick Game Tournament

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>:**

7:00-9:00am – Breakfast

9:30am – Calling Our Children Home Ceremony (this will be a good time to come witness the ceremony & speeches from Chief & Council)

Noon – Lunch

12:30-4:00pm - Cultural activities

5:00-7:00pm – Dinner

7:00-10:00pm – Family Dance

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>:**

7:00-9:00am - Breakfast





July 24, 2024

Reference: 68879

Dear Mayors and Chairs:

Last year, to support our government's ongoing work in tackling the housing crisis and providing more homes to meet the needs of British Columbians, we passed legislation requiring local governments to update their zoning bylaws to make it easier to build Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing (SSMUH). I would like to acknowledge the tremendous work that most local governments across BC have undertaken to comply with this new legislation.

As you are aware, the compliance date for zoning bylaw amendments was June 30, 2024. All local governments were required to notify the Ministry of Housing that they have amended their bylaws in accordance with the SSMUH requirements in Bill 44: *Housing Statutes (Residential Development) Amendment Act*, 2023 legislation by the compliance date.

The Province will be working to ensure that all local governments are in compliance with the legislation. We will be undertaking a comprehensive evaluation of the implementation of the legislation by local governments, including consideration of how recommended provincial standards have been applied, to ensure it is effective at creating the conditions across BC to get more housing built and does not deter building much needed homes for people.

As you are aware the deadline to apply for an extension to the compliance date for the SSMUH requirements has passed. Local governments that have applied for an extension for part of their community were still required to adopt an amended zoning bylaw by June 30, 2024 for all areas for which they have not requested an extension. If your local government has applied for an extension, please be assured the Ministry of Housing is currently processing applications, and decisions will be communicated as they are made.

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Local governments who have not complied with the legislative requirements or requested an extension may receive a 30-day compliance notice. After the 30 days, the Province can issue a Ministerial Order overriding the local government zoning bylaw to comply with the legislation and putting the basic site standards from the SSMUH policy manual in place until the local government passes their own bylaw amendments. By ensuring SSMUH zoning has been adopted, we are supporting building more homes for people faster by reducing delays for anyone who wants to build this type of housing.

Please express my gratitude to your council colleagues and staff for all of their hard work to bring about these changes to make it easier for families to build this much needed housing in your community. I look forward to our continued work together to ensure that all British Columbians have access to the homes that they need.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ravi Kahlon', with a stylized, flowing script.

Ravi Kahlon  
Minister of Housing

cc: Chief Administrative Officers  
City Managers

**From:** [Planning & Land Use Management HOUS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Tasha Buchanan](#)  
**Subject:** Re: District of Barriere SSMUH Compliance Notification  
**Date:** June 17, 2024 4:15:59 PM  
**Attachments:** [Outlook-vlybnrcy.png](#)

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Dear Tasha Buchanan:

Thank you for your June 14, 2024, letter regarding the District of Barriere's compliance with Bill 44 – *Housing Statutes (Residential Development) Amendment Act, 2023*, Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing zoning requirements.

This letter acknowledges receipt of your local government's compliance notification letter.

I would like to recognize and thank you and your staff for the intense and complex work currently underway to implement the legislative requirements from the Fall 2023 legislative session, as well as the ongoing and day-to-day work that is essential to the management of your community.

Sincerely,

**Matthew Smith** (*he/him*)  
Senior Planning Analyst  
Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Branch  
Ministry of Housing



Where ideas work



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**From:** Tasha Buchanan <[tbuchanan@barriere.ca](mailto:tbuchanan@barriere.ca)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:41 PM  
**To:** Planning & Land Use Management HOUS:EX <[PLUM@gov.bc.ca](mailto:PLUM@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** District of Barriere SSMUH Compliance Notification

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Good afternoon,

While the District of Barriere's *Zoning Bylaw No. 111*, already met the requirement of permitting Secondary Dwelling Units/ADUs on Residential Zoned properties, Barriere has passed a Zoning Amendment to better support the SSMUH guidelines for Bill 44. We now have removed the maximum size parameters as well as reduced both the minimum front & rear setback requirements for Secondary Dwellings/ADUs.



This is also a reminder that Barriere is a rural municipality with a population under 5000 (total 1,712). Attached is the newly adopted Amendment (No. 245) as well as the District's Zoning Bylaw No. 111 (which has not yet been compiled to add the new amendment Bylaw No. 245) for reference.

Barriere is pleased to do its part in helping support Bill 44 to address the housing shortage in BC. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Tasha Buchanan, CMC

Corporate Officer

District of Barriere

250-672-9751

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**NOTICE:** That a Regular Meeting of the District of Barriere Municipal Council will be held at District Hall, 4936 Barriere Town Road, in Barriere, B.C. on August 12, 2024 at 7pm for the transaction of business listed below.

*Daniel Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer*

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## **AGENDA**

*"We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples of Simpcw First Nation  
within whose lands we are meeting today."*

### **1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

That Council approve the August 12, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

### **2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a. That Council adopt the minutes of the July 15, 2024, Regular Council Meeting.

### **3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS – none scheduled.**

### **4. BYLAWS and POLICIES – none scheduled.**

### **5. STAFF REPORTS**

- a. TNRD Municipal Yard Waste Fee Waiver Event – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer  
***Recommendation: That staff be directed to organize a free residential yard waste collection event with the TNRD in the fall of 2024 with a maximum budget of up to \$4,000 from General Surplus.***
- b. Bylaw and Policy Updates re: Transient Population – CAO  
*\*Submitted for information*
- c. LCIP Budget and Reserve Allocation – CAO  
***Recommendations:  
THAT Council confirms that as part of the 2024 budget process, \$110,660.02 from the L.C.I.P. Reserve was transferred to cover the 2024 extra expenses for the Reservoir Upgrade capital project;  
AND THAT Staff be instructed to transfer any remaining necessary funds (current estimate \$25,000) from the L.C.I.P. Reserve to the Reservoir Project budget once the project is complete at the end of September 2024 to cover all remaining expenses;  
AND FURTHER THAT Staff draft an amendment to the Financial Plan accordingly as part of the 2025 budget process.***
- d. Truck Donation – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer  
***Recommendation: THAT Council authorizes the Interim CFO to issue a tax receipt in the amount of \$6,988.00 to Dustin Doherty for the donation of a 2005 Toyota Tacoma Pick-up Truck to the District of Barriere.***

- e. Department Updates – CAO  
*\*Submitted for information*

**6. PROCLAMATIONS – none submitted**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. For Information
- b. For Action
  - i. Invitation to Meet with the Health Authorities of BC during UBCM 2024
  - ii. Suicide Prevention Support for Indigenous Children Email
  - iii. UBCM Seeks Membership Feedback on Protocol Agreement with First Nations

**8. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**9. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES**

**11. NOTICE OF MOTION**

**12. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

*Pursuant to Sections 90(1)(c)(d)(g) of the Community Charter, that the public interest requires that persons other than Council Members and required staff be excluded from the meeting and that Council continues the meeting in closed session to discuss confidential matters.*

**13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING**

**14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION (if required)**

**15. NEXT MEETING**

- a. Regular Council Meeting, Monday, September 9, 2024 @ 7pm

**16. ADJOURNMENT**