

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### FVRD Seeks Input on the Future of Outdoor Recreation in the Region

Chilliwack, BC –The Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD) is working on an Outdoor Recreation Management Plan to help guide the growth and expansion of outdoor recreation within the region. The plan is being created through collaboration with local Indigenous communities and organizations, municipal and provincial governments, and recreation user groups. The FVRD is working with Cascade Environmental Resource Group Ltd. on this initiative.

Public input is being collected through an [online survey](#) and interactive [Web Map](#). In addition, four open houses are being held from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on the following dates:

- » Hope - Thursday, January 23 at the Hope & Area Recreation Centre (1005 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue)
- » Chilliwack - Monday, January 27 at the Fraser Valley Regional District (45950 Cheam Avenue)
- » Abbotsford - Wednesday, January 29 at the Abbotsford Recreation Centre (2499 McMillan Road)
- » Mission - Thursday, January 30 at the Mission Leisure Centre (7650 Grand Street)

“Public input is essential to creating a management plan that will effectively lead outdoor recreation planning for the region and reinforce the FVRD’s vision of supporting healthy communities and environmental stewardship,” explains FVRD Board Chair, Jason Lum.

With the Lower Mainland’s population expected to grow to more than four million by 2051, there will be considerably more pressure for outdoor recreation opportunities throughout the region. By being proactive, this plan will guide future planning and outdoor recreation infrastructure development. This initiative is being funded through a federal Gas Tax Strategic Priorities Fund program grant.

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