



TNRD PARKS & TRAILS STRATEGIC PLAN – ROUND #1 PUBLIC SURVEY

We want to hear from you! The Thompson-Nicola Regional District (TNRD) is developing a Parks & Trails Strategic Plan to identify the strategic priorities that define the future direction, philosophy, policies, and actions for the provision of both regional and community parks services. The Plan will document the goals and strategies that will shape and guide the delivery of an integrated parks service over the next ten (10) years. We invite you to fill out this survey and let us know what you think.

For more information about the project including an introduction presentation and current parks and trails map, please visit the webpage at: tnrd.ca/parks-strategy

This survey will be open until October 7, 2024.

Privacy Notice – Any personal information collected by the TNRD and Lees + Associates in this survey is done so under section 26 (c) and (e) of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Protection Act (FIPPA), for the purpose of evaluating TNRD parks and trails and advising the TNRD Parks & Trails Strategic Plan. The TNRD and Lees + Associates will protect your information from unauthorized use or disclosure in accordance with FIPPA and the TNRD Privacy and Confidentiality Policy. If you have questions regarding the collection and handling of personal information, please contact TNRD Corporate and Legislative Services at 250-377-6281, or foi@tnrd.ca.

Please return your completed survey by **October 7, 2024** by one of the following methods:

1. Return by mail or in-person to the TNRD Civic Building Office: 465 Victoria Street, Kamloops, B.C., V2C 2A9 (attention to Community Services)
2. If you were provided this survey by your municipality, please return to your municipal office.

This survey can also be completed online at: surveymonkey.com/r/TNRDparkstrails

SECTION 1: REGIONAL PARK USE

The following questions ask about your **use** of TNRD parks and trails. Think about how you have used the parks in recent years. Consider all times of the year when responding to the questions.

1. From the list below, select activities that you engage in when using TNRD parks and trails (select all that apply).

| | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking / hiking | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming / going to the beach/lake | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Picnicking | <input type="checkbox"/> Bird watching / wildlife viewing | <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing / hunting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Biking / Road cycling | <input type="checkbox"/> Skiing / snowshoeing / snowboarding | <input type="checkbox"/> Snowmobiling / All-terrain vehicle (ATV) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horseback Riding | <input type="checkbox"/> Boating (motorized) | <input type="checkbox"/> Kayak / Canoe / Stand up paddle board (SUP) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Running/jogging | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis/Pickleball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball | <input type="checkbox"/> Hockey | <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog walking | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor sport events (e.g. tournaments, races) | <input type="checkbox"/> Disc golf |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camping | <input type="checkbox"/> Baseball/softball/ slo-pitch | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): |

2. How frequently do you use parks or trails in the TNRD?

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly | <input type="checkbox"/> Once every few months | <input type="checkbox"/> I am not a user |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly | <input type="checkbox"/> Once a year | |

3. Is there anything that prevents you from using TNRD parks and trails more often? (Select all that apply).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I'm too busy | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks difficult to access or too far to travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of information |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Feeling unsafe | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor maintenance or conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> Not interested |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Too crowded | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal health reasons | <input type="checkbox"/> Not enough parking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of accessible facilities and features | <input type="checkbox"/> Do not accommodate the activities I want | <input type="checkbox"/> Too expensive |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Nothing | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: |



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4. Which of the following parks and/ or trails have you or other members of your household visited in recent years? (Select all that apply)

Regional Parks:

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|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barriere Forks Regional Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Little Hell's Gate Regional Park | <input type="checkbox"/> South Thompson Buoy System |
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Community Parks:

- | | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Birch Island Community Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Vavenby Riverside Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Herb Bilton Way Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Smith Pioneer Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ferry Road Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Eleanor Lake Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Murtle Rd. Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Agate Bay Boat Launch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vavenby Community Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Diamond Drive Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Keekwillie Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Latremouille Park |

Trails:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue River Trails Network |
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MUNICIPALITIES: Ashcroft | Barriere | Cache Creek | Chase | Clearwater | Clinton
Kamloops | Logan Lake | Lytton | Merritt | Sun Peaks

ELECTORAL AREAS: "A" "B" "E" "I" "J" "L" "M" "N" "O" "P"

SECTION 2: EXPERIENCES

The following questions ask about your **experiences** while using TNRD parks and trails. Think about your experiences in TNRD parks in recent years. Consider all times of the year when responding to the questions.

5. Please rate your level of satisfaction

| | Very satisfied | Somewhat satisfied | Neutral | Somewhat dissatisfied | Very dissatisfied |
|--|----------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Variety of park features and amenities | | | | | |
| Signage and information | | | | | |
| Ease of getting to the parks | | | | | |
| Number of TNRD parks | | | | | |
| Quality of TNRD parks | | | | | |

6. What features do you value most in parks and trails? (Please select your top 5).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-use, hard surface pathways | <input type="checkbox"/> Soft surface hiking or walking trails | <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain bike trails |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sport fields (soccer, baseball/softball) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sport courts (basketball, outdoor tennis and pickleball courts) | <input type="checkbox"/> Running track |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Access to water | <input type="checkbox"/> Access to nature | <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic and casual use areas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gardens and horticulture | <input type="checkbox"/> Amphitheatre and events space | <input type="checkbox"/> Bike skills/skateboard park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ATV/Snowmobiling | <input type="checkbox"/> Viewpoints/viewing areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog parks | <input type="checkbox"/> Boat launches | <input type="checkbox"/> Campgrounds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parking | <input type="checkbox"/> Washrooms | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: |

7. How else can our TNRD parks and trails system be improved to better serve your needs?



SECTION 3: FUTURE USE

The following questions ask about your thoughts on **future planning** for the TNRD trail network.

8. What features would you like to see in regional district parks? Please select your top 5.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain bike trails | <input type="checkbox"/> Access to water and shorelines | <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking or walking trails |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boat launches | <input type="checkbox"/> Parking | <input type="checkbox"/> ATV trails |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic and casual use areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Campgrounds | <input type="checkbox"/> Frisbee golf course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horseback riding trails | <input type="checkbox"/> x-country / snowshoeing trails | <input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Viewpoints | <input type="checkbox"/> Washrooms | <input type="checkbox"/> Accessible features |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural heritage sites (including historic sites and areas supporting traditional Indigenous use) | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature preserves (with limited public access) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: |

9. Do you have a specific site that you would like to see developed as a future TNRD park or trail? Please specify.

10. How supportive are you of a tax increase to fund the acquisition of new parks and trails or the development of new infrastructure in parks?

11. Do you have any other comments related to parks and trails in the Thompson-Nicola Regional District that you would like to share?

SECTION 4: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

These questions are about you. We use this information to better understand who is using TNRD parks and trails and how. Your answers to these questions will not identify you in any way.

12. Please identify your place of residence.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ashcroft | <input type="checkbox"/> Clearwater | <input type="checkbox"/> Lytton |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barriere | <input type="checkbox"/> Clinton | <input type="checkbox"/> Merritt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cache Creek | <input type="checkbox"/> Kamloops | <input type="checkbox"/> Sun Peaks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chase | <input type="checkbox"/> Logan Lake | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area A - Wells Grey Country | <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area B - Thompson Headwaters | <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area E - Bonaparte Plateau |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area I - Blue Sky Country | <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area J - Copper Desert Country | <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area L - Grasslands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area M - Beautiful Nicola Valley North | <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area N - Beautiful Nicola Valley South | <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area O - Lower North Thompson |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electoral Area P - Rivers and Peaks | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elsewhere in BC | <input type="checkbox"/> Outside of BC | |

13. Gender and age.

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| Gender: | <input type="checkbox"/> Male | <input type="checkbox"/> Female | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer to self-identify as: |
| Age: | <input type="checkbox"/> Under 24 | <input type="checkbox"/> 25 to 39 years old | <input type="checkbox"/> 40 to 64 years old | <input type="checkbox"/> 65 years old and older |

Thank you for your valuable input!