

Media Release

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Tell us what you think about Campbell Field options

Panels available for viewing in community spaces and online; virtual information session planned

Nelson, BC: The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is inviting community feedback on two options for the reimagination of Campbell Field at the Playmor Junction. The options are high-level concepts, developed based on input from the community through a survey campaign in the fall of 2020. While the two options are similar, Option 1 has a greater focus on the indoor elements, and Option 2 has a greater focus on outdoor elements.

The two options, along with background information and inspirational photos, are being presented on panels for the community to review. After viewing the panels and the two options, people can provide their feedback via an online or print form. Key community groups and stakeholders will also be invited to provide feedback on the concepts.

Starting today, November 22, the panels can be viewed at the following locations during regular open hours:

- Nelson & District Community Complex, 305 Hall Street, Nelson
- Castlegar & District Community Complex, 2101 6th Avenue, Castlegar
- Slocan Valley Rec Commission office, 3036 Highway 6, Slocan Park
- Campbell Field tennis court, located opposite Mount Sentinel Secondary School, Playmor Junction
- Online at www.rdck.ca/CampbellField

Additional viewing locations may also be available, and will be posted on the Campbell Field project page on the RDCK website. The deadline for providing feedback is Friday, December 17.

A virtual public information session is also planned for Wednesday, December 1 at 6:30pm (PST). Details to access the virtual session will be available on the website.

"I am grateful for the community's involvement in the process so far, and thanks to their input we now have these concepts to inspire further refinement," said Walter Popoff, Director of RDCK Electoral Area H. "I look forward to seeing how the community wishes to make use of this land for everyone's recreational benefit."

The concept will be revised as necessary based on the feedback received. Cost estimates will be developed to accompany the concept. These include capital costs (the cost to build the facility) and operating costs (how

much it will cost to run the facility). An entire site plan will be developed showing outdoor amenities and where the recreation facility will be situated.

Located at the Playmor Junction, adjacent to Mount Sentinel Secondary School and the Slocan Valley Rail Trail, Campbell Field was gifted to the RDCK in 2016 by the South Slocan Sports Association. In the fall of 2020, the RDCK sought feedback from the community through a number of surveys to learn about the community's priorities and preferences for indoor and outdoor recreation. More than 1,200 responses from individuals, user groups and students were submitted. The survey results were analyzed and shared with the public in March 2021 in the "Campbell Field Feasibility Study: What We Heard Report."

To access the concept panels online, provide your feedback, read the survey results report and learn more about the Campbell Field project in general, visit www.rdck.ca/CampbellField.

Incorporated in 1965, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is a local government that serves 60,000 residents in 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities. The RDCK provides more than 160 services, including community facilities, fire protection and emergency services, grants, planning and land use, regional parks, resource recovery and handling, transit, water services and much more. For more information about the RDCK, visit www.rdck.ca.

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