

Tuesday, January 7th, 2020

Fernie Trails Alliance
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Re: Mistaken Trail Work - Space Unicorns

Dear Ms. Etheridge:

We appreciate your letter of November 29th, 2019 detailing the unauthorized work on the new Space Unicorns uphill trail. As has been noted in this letter, the work did in fact illegally encroach on private property. We have now had an opportunity to perform preliminary review of the unauthorized work and note that such unauthorized work appears to have been carried out and encroached on at least approximately 160 metres of Ridgemont land, wherein several trees were cut and terrain such as soil and rocks were relocated with the help of machinery such as an excavator.

In order to immediately remedy this unauthorized and illegal encroachment on private property, we require that this unauthorized work be promptly remediated and carried out by approved 3rd party contractors, to the full satisfaction of Parastone and at Fernie Trails Alliance's sole expense, along with a stamped letter from an active BC-licensed Geotechnical Engineer, that has been approved by Parastone, stating that the works have been fully remediated to a satisfactory safety standard. We also reserve the right to take further action should the Fernie Trails Alliance fail to comply and to take appropriate remedial action in a prompt manner, where such remediation fails to satisfy the requirements of Parastone, or where a BC-licensed Geotechnical Engineer does not provide a satisfactory statement that the works have been fully remediated.

We are personally disappointed that these unapproved and unsupervised actions were taken by volunteers of your organization. We at Parastone and Ridgemont Holdings Ltd. have all been working hard to foster, build, and maintain productive and positive relationships between the Fernie Trails Alliance, Parastone and the owners of the Ridgemont lands. Unfortunately, unilateral actions by members and representatives of the Fernie Trails Alliance, such as these flagrant and unauthorized encroachments and alterations to private property, serve only to undermine any goodwill that we have built.

Because of these flagrant and unauthorized actions, confidence in your organization has been damaged and, I must regretfully inform you that all Fernie Trails Alliance and Public access to the Ridgemont lands is here by revoked until further notice.

In order to restore any modicum of confidence in Fernie Trails Alliance, it's members and representatives we require an express and clear assurance from your organization that your members fully understand their legal limits with respect to the all Ridgemont property, including the encroached upon subject private property.

Please ensure and provide proof to Parastone that you promptly and prominently notify all the Fernie Trails Alliance members and the general public that access to these Ridgemont lands are closed pending satisfactory resolution of outstanding issues.

Again, these lands will remain closed while we await Fernie Trails Alliance's remedial actions, an acceptable letter from a Geotechnical Engineer, and your personal assurance and Fernie Trails Alliance's assurance that matches Parastone's satisfaction, in the form of clear and actionable policy documents and communications, that any such actions involving the private property will be better managed by Fernie Trails Alliance presently and moving forward.

In short, we require:

- 1. All unauthorized work and encroachments be promptly remediated by 3rd party contractors, authorized and approved by Parastone, at Fernie Trails Alliance sole expense;
- 2. Such remediation be approved by an active BC-licensed Geotechnical Engineer, authorized and approved by Parastone, at Fernie Trails Alliance sole expense;
- 3. Fernie Trails Alliance promptly inform its members and representatives, as well as the general public, and provide proof thereof, that access to the Ridgemont land has been completely revoked.
- 4. Fernie Trails Alliance promptly prepare and present clear and actionable policy documents and communications to Parastone and disseminate such documents to its members and representatives instructing such individuals of their legal limits with respect to all Ridgemont property

Again, we reserve the right to take further action against Fernie Trails Alliance should these requirements not be met in a prompt and satisfactory manner.

Parastone and Ridgemont Holdings Ltd. upon completion of all requirements, at their sole discretion will consider reinstating Fernie Trails Alliance and the Public's access to these Ridgemont properties,

Sincerely

Simon Howse

General Manager

cc Connie Chow, Ridgemont Holdings Ltd. Bill Turnbull, Ridgemont Holdings Ltd. Bruce Lennox, City of Fernie.