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Suncoaster Trail Project awarded Rural Dividend Grant

Sechelt, BC – The District of Sechelt has been awarded a Rural Dividend Grant from the Provincial Government for the Suncoaster Trail project which will contribute \$25,140 towards the completion of the remainder of the Suncoaster Trail through the District of Sechelt.

The funding will assist with design and consultation to determine the final route, maps and signage. Design and consultation work will be completed in 2019 and construction of the trails, signage and maps is scheduled for 2020. The total project budget for trail construction through Sechelt is \$250,000. Funding for construction will come from Development Cost Charges and Gas Tax Revenue.

Mayor Darnelda Siegers stated, “This announcement is very timely with May being Active Transportation Month. We look forward to moving ahead with the second phase of the Suncoaster Trail through Sechelt so our local residents and visitors can enjoy this fantastic new trail option.”

Background

The existing Suncoaster Trail moves through rural communities and wilderness settings from Egmont to Halfmoon Bay. The 37 kilometres of natural trail travels through old crown land forest roadways along a series of lakes and connects trails blazed through the brush with exit points near Sunshine Coast communities. Phase 2 will extend the Suncoaster Trail to Langdale. The final route has not yet been confirmed.

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