



MOUNT BENSON REGIONAL PARK ACCESS ROAD USE 2023 AGREEMENT RENEWAL

RECOMMENDATION

That the 5-year Road Use License Agreement (2021-2026) with Island Timberlands Limited Partnership for access to Mount Benson Regional Park via private forest road be approved.

BACKGROUND

Mount Benson Regional Park is a land locked regional asset. The Regional Park currently has trail access from the Mount Benson parking lot on Benson view Road over Crown Land via the Benson View Regional Trail.

Vehicular access for maintenance purposes to the Regional Park is accessed along private forest roads owned by Island Timberlands Limited Partnership. The current Road Access Agreement term was from June 2016, and expired May 31, 2021. Staff have contacted Mosaic Forest Management regarding renewing the agreement and maintaining access.

The renewal of the Road Access Agreement (Attachment 1), would continue to grant vehicular access for maintenance purposes to the Regional Park. The new term is effective June 1, 2021, to May 31, 2026. The License fee for this term is \$1000.00 plus GST along with an Administration Fee of \$650.00 plus GST.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications of this Road Access Agreement are a License and Administration fee totaling \$1,650.00 plus GST payable upon delivery of the signed Road Use Agreement and is funded under the Regional Parks Service.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Environmental Stewardship - Protect and enhance the natural environment, including land, water, and air quality for future generations.

REVIEWED BY:

- B. Legg, Superintendent Operations, Parks Services
- R. Daykin, Manager, Parks Services
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ATTACHMENT

Renewal Road Use Agreement (2021-2026) Contract 8105 (G-6174)