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Burgess Trail Installation and Trail Regeneration Project Soon to be a Reality in Prince George
Project made possible thanks to the federal National Trails Program

Prince George – Families, residents and visitors will soon benefit from a Burgess Trail bridge installation and trail regeneration project thanks to a \$7,552 federal investment through the National Recreational Trails Program.

“Our Government is happy to support the Burgess Trail Installation and Trail Regeneration Project as part of our efforts to expand and improve all-terrain vehicle trails across the country,” said Bob Zimmer, Member of Parliament for Prince George-Peace River, on behalf of the Honourable Denis Lebel, Minister of Infrastructure, Communities, and Intergovernmental Affairs and Minister of the Economic Development Agency of Canada for the Regions of Quebec. “Having recreational trails is an important part of life here in Northeastern BC and this investment will ensure that hard-working taxpayers have a place to enjoy the great outdoors.”

Canada has a vast network of recreational trails which allow Canadians to experience the outdoors and appreciate this country’s natural beauty. Thanks to a partnership between the Government of Canada and the National Trails Coalition (NTC), \$10 million has been made available between 2014 and 2016 to help expand and rehabilitate Canada’s snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle and non-motorized trail system.

“The NTC was founded in the belief that trail users and volunteer trail builders/managers can achieve much more working collaboratively and supporting each other’s goals. Thanks to the support of the Federal Government, trail users have once again been able to apply for project grant money,” said Jo-Anne Farquhar, President of the National Trails Coalition Board of Directors. “These additional funds of \$10 million from the federal government will ensure the revitalization of recreational trails across our country and provide individuals and families with the opportunity to enjoy quality outdoor infrastructure and continue to live active and healthy lives.

“The members of the Prince George ATV Club, along with our other partners in the Tabor Mountain Recreation Society, would like to thank our government and the National Trails Coalition for their generous support to improve the multi-use trails on Tabor Mountain,” said George Hohnisch, President of the Prince George ATV Club.

Today’s announcement is just one of the many examples of supported projects that will positively impact Canadian communities. Projects like the Burgess Trail Installation and Trail Regeneration Project will contribute to ensuring access to Canada’s unique scenery while generating economic growth and creating jobs.

To learn more about the National Recreational Trails Program, visit: www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/nrtp-psrn-rng.html.