



HERITAGE FAMILY PLAQUE & INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE PROJECT

Project Overview

The **Bouchie-Milburn Community Planning Team** is wishing to support the implementation of a project that was initiated from 2006-2007 when Ken Falloon was Director for Electoral Area B. During Ken's term the "*Bouchie-Milburn Community Park*" (hereafter referred to as "Heritage Park") was developed on the original homesite of **Richard Yeomen** (see attached article from the Quesnel-Cariboo Observer – August 28, 1985). Today, this land is owned by Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and is part of the Right of Way Plan 32699. A **permit to Construct Signs under Section 214** of the "*Motor Vehicle Act*" was issued to the Cariboo Regional District on June 21, 2016. The site is also under CRD Establishment Bylaw 4918, 2014 (Bouchie Lake Recreation Commission/BLRC). In the BLRC Bylaw the site is referred to as "Pioneer Park". The site was also known as "Yeoman's Island".

The goal of developing the "*Bouchie-Milburn Community Park*" was:

- i) to provide a location in the community where long time Bouchie Lake – Milburn Lake residents could be recognized through the placement of plaques on the back side of the granite sign;
- ii) to develop a trail head for Claymine Trails and information site for the community; and

A granite sign, cairn, kiosk, and picnic tables were placed at the site with funding through BC Recreation and Trails. Another kiosk with changeable letters was added to the site in 2016 by the Bouchie Lake Community Association and BLRC under Permit 2016-0304. This is an active permit which was issued to the CRD for *installation, operation and maintenance of a community events sign* (see attached). Some Saskatoon Bushes were planted several years ago. The BLRC maintains the site by cutting the lawn.

The continuation of this project was brought forward to the **Bouchie-Milburn Community Planning Team** and is being supported by the "**Public Lands / Assets Committee**" under the "**Heritage Park Subcommittee**". The BMCPT recognizes that for this project to be a success collaboration and support from the community at large will be required.

The "**Heritage Family Plaque and Interpretive Signage Project**" will involve the placement of plaques on the backside of the granite sign in addition to the future installation of Interpretive Signage on the site. The plaques would be commemorative recognizing long term families and "in memorial". 2020 is a key year as the community will be celebrating the first "**Century Family**" as the year marks 100 years since the Armstrong family settled in the community.

Mission Statement of the Bouchie-Milburn Community Planning Team

To bring Bouchie-Milburn community residents together as involved members of the Community Planning Team. The Team will have a collaborative voice in planning, organizing, implementing any, and all, community development and initiatives, that the either promote or hinder the growth of our immediate area. This grassroots team will work together to promote growth, inclusion, transparency, and non-partisan community involvement.

Adopted by the Bouchie-Milburn Community Planning Team, June 26, 2018

Dated: 15 September 2020

"Bouchie-Milburn Heritage Family Plaque Project"

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How will the Project be managed?

The project will be managed by the **Bouchie-Milburn Community Planning Team** with support from the *Friends of Bouchie-Milburn Society* (FoBM). This will ensure that the project remains community led, and the vision of the project is maintained and achieved well into the future. All plans will be transparent and have the opportunity for community input prior to implementation.

How will the Project be Funded?

The project will be funded through fundraising, the selling of plaques and perhaps sponsorship and grants. Plaques would be made available for purchase by community members on a cost recovery basis, so costs associated with plaque purchase, installation, and maintenance and site improvements are covered. The objective is that sufficient funds are raised so as to install the “Century Family” plaques at no cost to those families. Long term plans include the installation of Interpretive Signage which would focus on the history of the project, the significance of the park site, information on the community (original settlers, Telegraph Trail, original site of the Quesnel Rodeo), traditional territory acknowledgement, etc.

Next Steps

1. *Obtain support from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Cariboo Regional District, and Bouchie Lake Recreation Commission / BLRC for this project.*
2. *Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding / MoU between the Bouchie Lake Recreation Commission and the BMCPT / FoBM. This MoU will outline the different roles and responsibilities of all parties involved.*
3. *Develop a Budget which will be based upon projected costs including purchase, installation, and maintenance of the plaques and signage.*
4. *Create a promotional package for the project which includes prices, scope and design of project, order forms, etc.*
5. *Engagement Outreach to the community.*
6. *Celebratory project launch in the fall of 2020/ winter 2021*

Attachments:

1. “Beautiful Bouchie Lake bypass leaves oldster on private island” – August 28, 1985
2. Schematic of “Heritage Plaque Project” displaying location of plaques. Created by Claudia Vogt
3. Permit 2016-03046 (MoTI)

Heritage Plaque Sub-Committee Members:

Ken Falloon
Claudia Vogt
Leslie Holland
Don Patchett
Heloise Dixon-Warren
Susan MacNeill, BMCPT Co-ordinator

Beautiful Bouchie Lake bypass leaves oldster on private island

An island of calm survives in the midst of a construction site's chaotic activity where dump-trucks and loaders rumble by and churn up dust daily.

By Neil Lucénte
Staff Writer

A noisy multi-million dollar highway project has encircled the Bouchie Lake home of 80-year-old Richard Yeomans — a 22 year resident of this once peaceful setting. But it doesn't bother him one bit.

"The noise disturbed me for a while but that will all die down," croaks Yeomans. "Of course, I can't hear much in the first place 'cause I've become a little hard of

hearing over the years," he adds with a wink.

No attempts were made to expropriate the self-proclaimed "codger" whose log home sits elevated on a half-acre triangular lot above a dusty, denuded site which will soon be home to a Bouchie Lake four-lane express way.

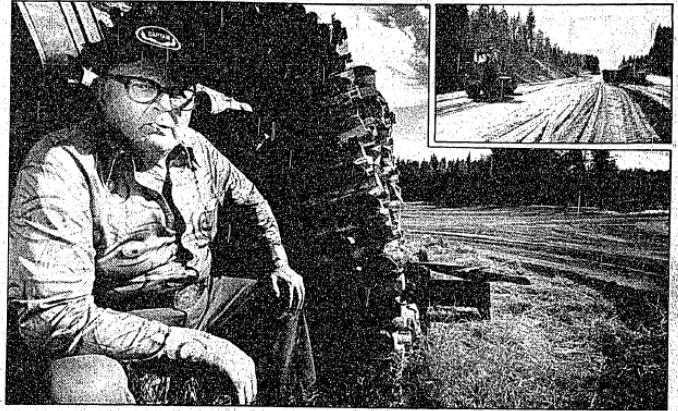
Even with the wheels of industry literally at his doorstep, Yeomans maintains a calm, almost fatalistic attitude to what's happened to his "old neighborhood". He jokes that once the highway is complete, he will christen the plot of land "Yeomans' Island."

"I don't think the traffic will

be any worse than it is now," he says shrugging. "As long as they leave me alone, I'll live here 'til I die."

Yeomans has seen many things in his neighborhood change during his tenure in the four-room cabin he calls home. He remembers when Bouchie Lake Store was a log cabin, when the highway near his home was half its current width and when he could count the number of neighbors he had on both hands.

"Things change while I stay the same. I'm just an old bastard," he shrugs, shuffling off inside — leaving the noise and dust behind him on the appropriately dubbed "Yeomans' Island".



Richard Yeomans ... road construction does not bother him



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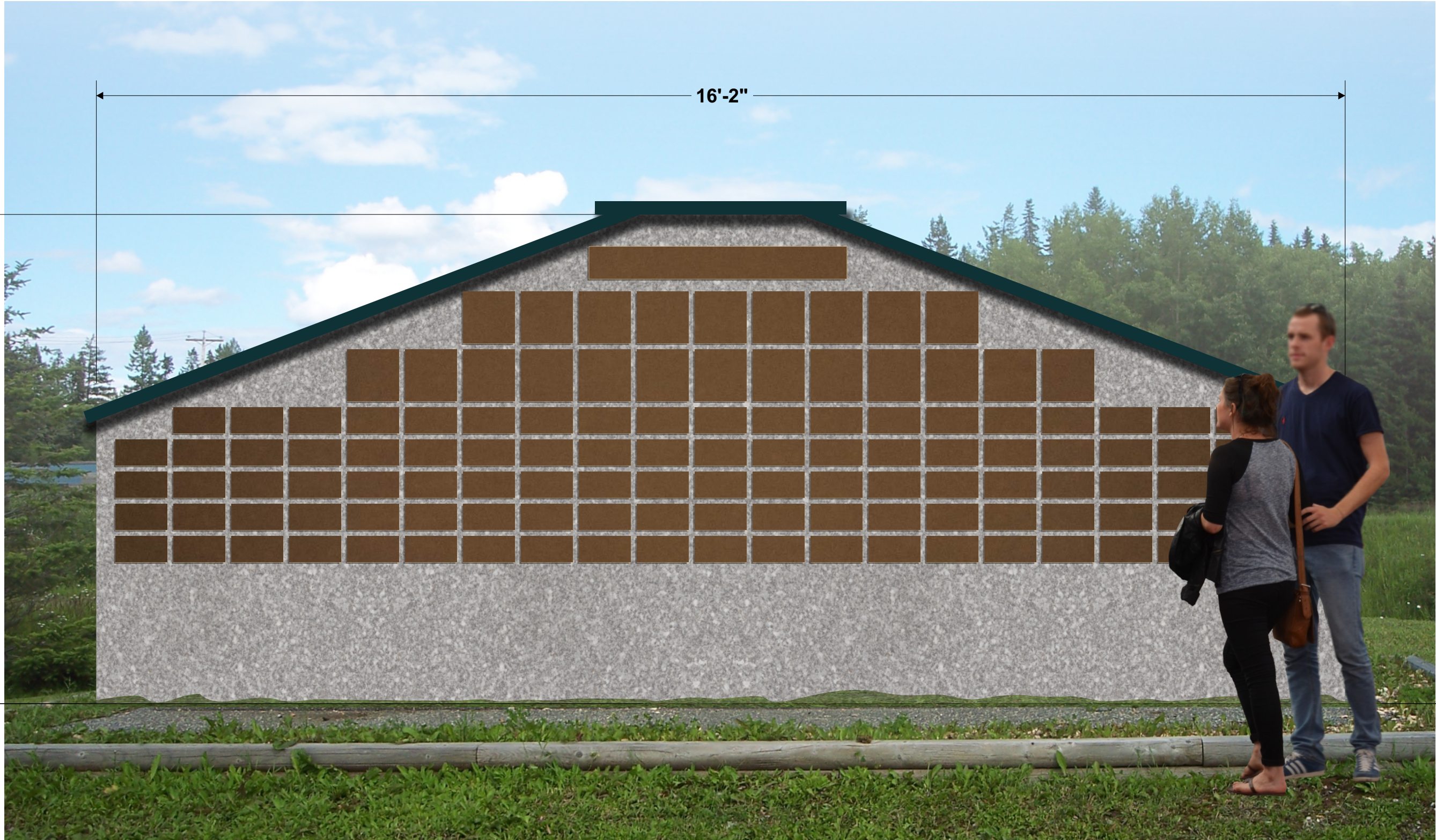
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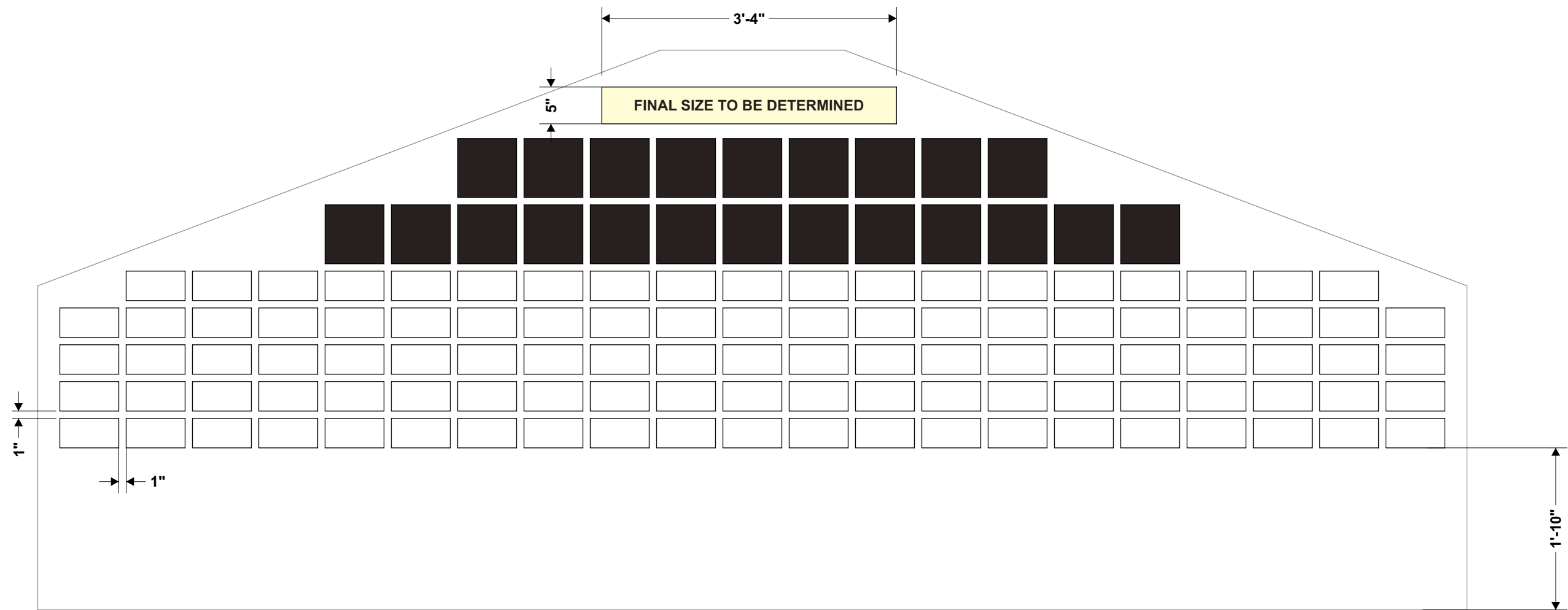
Wednesday, August 28, 1985

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16'-2"

6'-4"





125 PLAQUES TOTAL

22

8" X 8"

103

4" X 8"

scale: 3/4"=1'-0"

LAYOUT OPTION 4



PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT SIGNS UNDER SECTION 214 OF THE "MOTOR VEHICLE ACT"

PURSUANT TO TRANSPORTATION ACT AND/OR THE INDUSTRIAL ROADS ACT AND/OR THE MOTOR VEHICLE ACT AND/OR AS DEFINED IN THE NISGA'A FINAL AGREEMENT AND THE NISGA'A FINAL AGREEMENT ACT.

BETWEEN:

The Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Quesnel Area Office
501-410 Kinchant Street
Quesnel, British Columbia V2J 7J5
Canada

("The Minister")

AND:

Darron Campbell
Cariboo Regional District
Suite D - 180 North 3rd Avenue
Williams Lake, British Columbia V2G 2A4
Canada

("The Permittee")

WHEREAS:

- A. The Minister has the authority to grant permits for the auxiliary use of highway right of way, which authority is pursuant to both the Transportation Act and the Industrial Roads Act, the Motor Vehicle Act, as defined in the Nisga'a Final Agreement and the Nisga'a Final Agreement Act;
- B. The Permittee has requested the Minister to issue a permit pursuant to this authority for the following purpose:
The installation, operation, and maintenance of community events sign located as shown on attached drawing.
- C. The Minister is prepared to issue a permit on certain terms and conditions;

ACCORDINGLY, the Minister hereby grants to the Permittee a permit for the Use (as hereinafter defined) of highway right of way on the following terms and conditions:

1. That the signs shall be erected only in a position approved by the Minister or any person appointed by him.
2. The signs shall be maintained at all times in a neat and tidy condition to the satisfaction of any of the above officials.
3. That this permission shall not be transferable and shall be in force only during such time as the said signs are operated and maintained by the applicants to the entire satisfaction of the Minister.
4. That this permit may be terminated at any time at the discretion of the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, and that the termination of this permit shall not give right to any cause of action or claim of any nature whatsoever.
5. That the letters "H.D. and the permit number" shall be displayed on the lower right-hand corner of the sign in letters one-half inch high, minimum size, in order that the permit number is always readily visible on the sign.
6. That poor maintenance of the sign or non-compliance with the terms of this permit or with the standards of message and design as set down in the Sign Regulations shall be sufficient cause for removal of the sign by authorized employees of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure. After removal, no responsibility is taken for the safety of the sign or for its return to the holder of this permit.



7. No sign is to be placed closer than 100 metres to any standard traffic sign, except where the applicant's sign is placed at an intersection as a directional sign (e.g., the type 6 or 6A sign).
8. The Ministry must be contacted for final approval of sign location in the field before installation.
9. As a condition of this permit, the permittee unconditionally agrees with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure that the permittee is the prime contractor or will appoint a qualified prime contractor, as described in Section 118 of the Workers Compensation Act, for the purposes of the work described by this permit, at the work location described in this permit, and that the permittee or designated prime contractor will observe and perform all of the duties and obligations which fall to be discharged by the prime contractor pursuant to the Workers Compensation Act and the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation.
10. The permittee is advised and acknowledges that the following hazards may be present at the work location and need to be considered in co-ordinating site safety: overhead hazards, particularly electrical or telecommunications lines; buried utilities, particularly electrical, telecommunication, and gas lines; traffic, danger trees, falling rocks, and sharp or infectious litter.
11. Any works within the Ministry right-of-way that fall within the scope of "engineering" under the Engineers and Geoscientists Act will be performed by a Professional Engineer, and shall comply with this Ministry's "Engineer of Record and Field Review Guidelines". The Guidelines can be viewed on the Ministry's website at http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/publications/Circulars/All/T_Circ/2009/t06-09.pdf
12. The permittee is responsible for preventing the introduction and spread of noxious weeds on the highway right-of-way as defined by the British Columbia Weed Control Act and Weed Control Regulation.
13. All work at all times is to be carried out to the entire satisfaction of the Cariboo District Manager, Williams Lake. If the works do not meet the satisfaction of the Ministry, remedial work may be undertaken by the Ministry at the cost of the Permittee.
14. That all portions of the sign shall be at least 4.5m metres from the edge of the highway right of way.
15. Archaeology sites in British Columbia, whether recorded or unrecorded, are protected under the provisions of the Heritage Conservation Act and may not be altered without a permit issued by the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts, Archaeology Branch. Since some potential does exist for the presence of unrecorded sites, please be advised that in the event that remains are encountered, all land altering activity and must be stopped and Archaeology Branch must be notified at Ph: (250)953-3334 or Fax: (250)953-3340.
16. The sign shall not be illuminated to minimize distraction to drivers.
17. The sign foundations, if designed with concrete shall be flush with ground level.
18. The sign and structure shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the District Official. The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure shall not be responsible for any maintenance of the sign or structure.
19. Text on the sign shall be limited to local community events.

This permit cancels and replaces 2016-02144.

The rights granted to the Permittee in this permit are to be exercised only for the purpose as defined in Recital B on page 1.

Dated at Quesnel, British Columbia, this 21 day of June, 2016

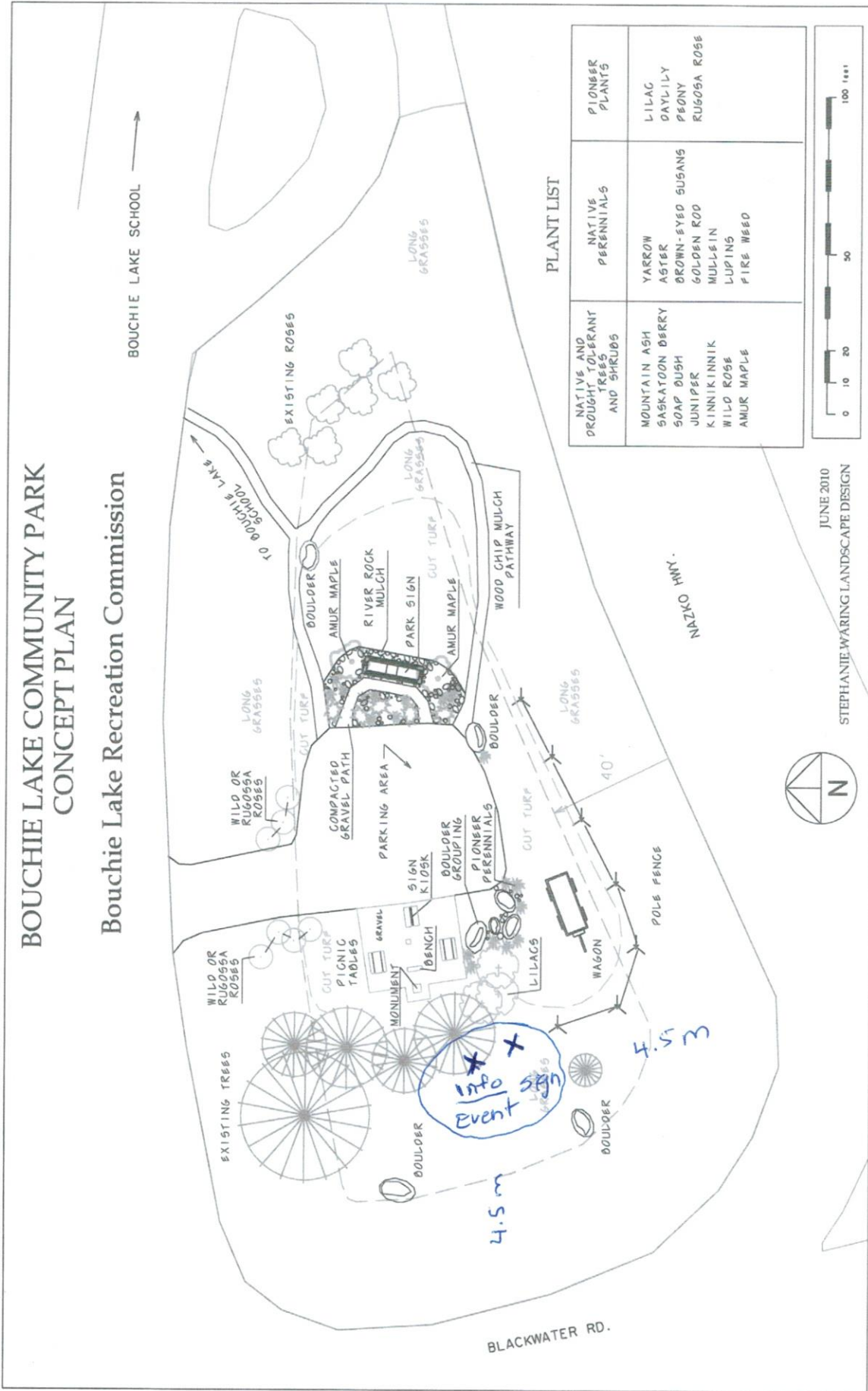
On Behalf of the Minister

Attn: Alex Mason

June 21/16

BOUCHIE LAKE COMMUNITY PARK CONCEPT PLAN

Bouchie Lake Recreation Commission



PLANT LIST

NATIVE AND DROUGHT TOLERANT TREES AND SHRUBS	NATIVE PERENNIALS	PIONEER PLANTS
MOUNTAIN ASH SASKATOON BERRY SOAP BUSH JUNIPER KINNIKINNICK WILD ROSE AMUR MAPLE	YARROW ASTER BROWN-EYED SUSANS GOLDEN ROD MULLEIN LUPINS FIRE WEED	LILAC DAYLILY PEONY RUGOSA ROSE



JUNE 2010
STEPHANIE WARING LANDSCAPE DESIGN

