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Re: Caledonia Nordic Ski Club application for License of Occupation expansion

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the City of Prince George Council, I'm writing this letter in support of the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club's application to expand its License of Occupation.

The Caledonia Nordic Ski Club (CNSC) has a long history of growing nordic sports (xc skiing and biathlon) and hosting competitions. CNSC is known in BC, across the country, and is now internationally renowned for its hosting of World Championship Para Nordic events (both para nordic skiing and para biathlon). The Caledonia Nordic Ski Club is a not-for-profit entity that operates without direct financial support from any level of government. They provide year around recreational opportunities including skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, mountain biking and casual uses such as berry picking, bird watching and disc golf. All these activities are of huge value to the residents of Prince George.

They have identified an area of land on the West side of Cranbrook Hill that is the only remaining crown land that is adjacent to the Otway Nordic Centre. There is also a small 5-hectare block that would enhance the dog friendly ski trails. They want to establish formal operating access to these land parcels to ensure the longevity of the facility and the services that it provides to the community.

The City of Prince George is proud to provide its continuing support to the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club. We hope that their application will receive favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

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Mayor Simon Yu City of Prince George