

City of Prince George
1100 Patricia Blvd
Prince George, BC V2L 3V9

July 17, 2025

Re: Request for Resolution of Support – NDIT Recreation Infrastructure Program Application

Dear Mayor Yu and Council,

On behalf of the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club, I am writing to respectfully request a resolution of support from the City of Prince George for an important infrastructure project that is vital to our winter operations and community programming.

The Club has prepared an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust's (NDIT) Recreation Infrastructure Program for the purchase of a new grooming machine to maintain and enhance the cross country and biathlon trail networks at our facility. This new equipment—a Prinoth Husky, PistenBully 100 or equivalent—will replace aging machinery that requires increased service and maintenance, and will ensure the continued delivery of safe, high-quality trail conditions for a broad range of users.

The groomer will support a wide range of community-based programming and events that are central to the Club's operations and its contributions to Prince George. These include youth and school ski programs, para-Nordic and seniors programming, and popular community events such as our Winterfest, Youth Ski Free Day and BC Family Day & Lheidli T'enneh Day. In addition, the new groomer is essential for the successful hosting of high-profile provincial, national and international competitions including the upcoming 2026 Canadian Olympic Trials, Biathlon BC Western Championships, and Cross-Country BC Cup. These activities provide significant social and economic benefit to the region and help to establish Prince George as a leader in winter sport and recreation.

The following is the resolution we are asking the City Council to approve:

The City of Prince George SUPPORTS the grant application to Northern Development Initiative Trust, Recreation Infrastructure Program, from the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club for \$214,500, 50% matching funds for the purchase of a new grooming machine to maintain the club's cross country and biathlon trail networks.

We kindly request that this item be included on the agenda for the July 28, 2025 Regular Council Meeting. We would be pleased to provide further information or attend the meeting should Council have any questions.

Thank you for your ongoing support of recreation, sport development, and community partnerships in Prince George.

Sincerely,



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