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Amendment to the Sea-to-Sky Land and Resource Management Plan to Include Non-Commercial Winter Recreation Zones

On behalf of the provincial resource agencies engaged in the development and implementation of the Sea-to-Sky Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP), I am formally approving an amendment to the LRMP to define non-commercial winter recreation zones, including:

- The zones recommended by the August 25, 2008 report entitled *Recommendations for the Management of Winter Backcountry Recreation in the Lillooet River Drainage and the Sea-to Sky LRMP Area*, with the exception of the Ure Creek drainage for which zoning is unresolved pending completion of a further process for this area with the Lil'wat First Nation.
- A number of non-commercial winter recreation zones within the Squamish Nation Land Use Agreement area that correspond to commercial recreation zones defined under that agreement. Recreation zoning in two areas, Tricouni Lakes Buffer and Brohm, remains unresolved pending completion of a separate process with the Squamish Nation to address interests in these areas.

These approved non-commercial winter recreation zones will serve as provincial policy. They support, and do not in any way alter, the order under Section 58 of the *Forest and Range Practices Act* established for the Callaghan Valley area by the Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and the Arts.

Like other policy provisions in the Sea-to-Sky Land and Resource Management Plan, there will be opportunities to review these zones over time, with zone adjustments or further implementation actions as required to meet emerging recreation management needs or to address First Nations interests.

The LRMP document will be amended to create a new appendix 5A entitled Non-Commercial Winter Recreation Zoning, which will include the text of this letter, zone descriptions, and a new Map 15A to show the approved non-commercial winter recreation zoning for the plan area.

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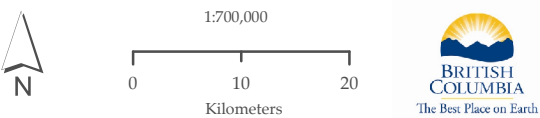
For clarity, the management direction for the zones included in Appendix A of the August 25, 2008 report will be considered as information and guidance for the managing agencies, and will not be formally incorporated into the LRMP at this time.

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Attachment: Winter Recreation Zoning, Map 15A

Map 15A
Non-Commercial Winter
Recreation Zoning

- Non-Motorized (RA1)
- Non-Motorized (air access) (RA1-A)
- Motorized (RA3)
- Shared Use (RA2)
- Unresolved
- Major Backcountry Ski Route
- Major Snowmobile Route
- Conservancy
- Parks and Protected Areas
- Private Land
- Indian Reserves
- Highway 99
- Sea-to-Sky LRMP Boundary
- Municipal Boundaries



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