



Back Country Horsemen of BC Trapping Creek - Little Trapping Horse Camp Expansion - May 7-8-9, 2016

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Under beautiful blue skies we had a great weekend of hard work, fun and camaraderie. With a great turnout attending, we were able to turn a vision into reality and it was very inspiring to see the Little Trapping Horse Camp Expansion develop over the 3 very busy days.

On Saturday the selected trees were removed, limbed, bucked and piled and the 6 camping/parking sites were roughed in, levelled and made ready for gravel. It was a huge task and thankfully we had a big crew with so much expertise.

Sunday had a smaller crew at work on general area clean-up and working on preparing the horse-keeping/hi-lining areas. Many trees saved in the camping areas for shade and were limbed high for vehicle clearance.

Monday was very busy with 11 people working on the camp expansion site. 10 loads of gravel was delivered, sites were levelled and packed and the huge pile of limbs and brush was chipped. The day was wrapped up with final cosmetic touches. The post holes were dug for sign and kiosk installation.

Huge thanks to our incredible volunteers. It's hard to believe we accomplished so much so fast! And thank you to RSTBC for believing in this worthwhile project, and to HCBC & BCHBC for much needed funding. On the supplier side of things, thank you to WINN Rentals & Nicholls Sand & Gravel for being there for us, to Malcolm Dion for donating the use of his Bobcat, to the members who did all the equipment hauling, and last but not least, the Ministry of Transportation for supplying the gravel - this commitment by MOT saved us a huge amount of money. The beautiful parking pads are first class. Because of the unexpected cost savings, we are underway with purchasing and erecting permanent steel panel horse pens in the horse keeping area.

The kiosk and official RSTBC signage are installed and officially recognize this beautiful camp that connects - by trail - to other camps and the miles & miles of lovely inter-connecting trails that offer a short ride of just a few miles to a ride that will take you most of the day! watch the September issue of Saddle Up magazine for a special article celebrating this accomplishment.



The new signage is now in place.



How the Little Trapping Horse Camp Looked before we expanded it...



And then we went to work...



How the Little Trapping Horse Camp Looks Now...

