

Trapping Creek Manure Bin Project September 25/26, 2019

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Due to the popularity of Little Trapping Horse Camp, the abundance of manure accumulating made it clear that BCHBC would have to address the practice of broadcasting manure behind the horse pens. Installing a permanent manure bin which could be periodically emptied was decided on. In reaching out to RSTBC, they agreed to partner with us and help with the cost of a permanent manure bin. This was very exciting news for BCHBC. In addition to the cost of the concrete lock blocks, trucking and set up, equipment had to be rented to prepare the site, bin usage signs installed and current signage updated on the kiosks. (Signage will be in place in the spring).

Arrangements were made with KRM Concrete to supply and deliver the blocks on September 26, and Arnie arranged rental of a skid steer. The committee met at Little Trapping Horse Camp on Wednesday September 25 to prepare the site for the blocks. After looking at possible locations, the current site, just off Denver Hayes Trail was chosen and the day was spent preparing the site. This site is easily accessible yet discreet, and no trees had to be removed.

Sully worked his magic on the skid steer, creating a well packed and level site with good drainage. Gord Detta's tractor and dump trailer was invaluable in moving fill. Part of the needed fill came from the rock pile and debris piles that were on the left as you enter the camp. These piles were left over from the original workbee when we put the sites in. This opened up the area around the community fire pit as well.

Once the blocks were all in place, the ramp was the focus and took a lot of fill to build it. Manure is wheelbarrowed up the ramp and deposited into the deep end of the bin. This winter Gordie will build and install a guard-rail across the top where manure is dumped.



SITE SELECTED



BASE IS IN



FINAL SITE-PREP LEVELLING



FIRST BLOCK



PLAYING LEGO-MORE BLOCKS



ALL THE BLOCKS ARE IN



BOYS AT PLAY



WHEN THE DUMP TRAILER DOESN'T DUMP



FILL AND MORE FILL

Huge thanks to the Okanagan Chapter for sharing the vision and to the project committee for all their hard work and expertise in getting the job done.



FIRST CUSTOMER



CAMPSITE 1 EXPANDED