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Increase in Unauthorized Activities in Deerpark Hill Area in Rossland

Rossland, BC - Teck is reminding all users of the Deerpark Hill area, located on Teck lands, that unauthorized trail building and unauthorized off-road vehicle use is strictly prohibited in the area.

Rossland is a popular spot for recreationalists using authorized trails. Unfortunately, there has been unauthorized trail building in the area, which can increase soil disturbance and lead to an increase in invasive species. Trail modification and building around the area potentially affects water flow and water quality of downstream habitat including the Centennial wetland.

While the secondary peak of Deerpark Hill can potentially be accessed by motorized off-road vehicles, this leads to potential introduction of invasive species, and a loss of habitat for at-risk species.

The Deerpark Hill area is rich in biodiversity where you can spot anything from black bears and white-tailed deer, to elk and mountain lions, along with diverse insect and bird species thanks to a variety of flowering plants. There are also unique and at-risk plant and animal species in the Deerpark Hill area which contribute to the area's high ecological value. That includes at-risk amphibian and bat species, and the mountain navarretia, a small wildflower. Rossland is one of only two known places it can be found in Canada.

Please adhere to signage around the area to help protect the land from unauthorized use.

About Teck Trail Operations

Teck Metals Ltd. Trail Operations represents one of the world's largest fully integrated zinc and lead smelting and refining complexes. Trail's metallurgical operations also produce a variety of precious and specialty metals, chemicals and fertilizer products.

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