



TRAIL ADOPTION PLAN

2012 Assessment/Work Plan

Trail: Circuit 8

Landowner: Metro

Trail Maintainers: Matt Preston

Trail Adopters: BC Bike Race

Circuit 8 is part of the trail network in the LSCR nearby Rice Lake. This trail is one of the few cross-country trails in North Vancouver and is a common spot to see beginners and youth learning how to ride mountain bikes. The trail network is used primarily by mountain bikers, with occasional joggers and hikers on the weekend. Circuit 8 is also a favourite trail for kid's camps to use as it offers a low risk, progressive series of trails. The terrain is relatively flat and the trail suffers from numerous large puddles and muddy sections owing to a lack of appropriate drainage. The large number of puddles and roots can be discouraging to novice riders and provides a less than desirable riding experience, especially in the winter. The major focus of the work on this trail will be to improve the drainage and elevate the trail bed in order to eliminate the puddles and make the trail flow better. We have identified 3 key areas that work will focus on this year. One section is near the beginning of the trail, one near the ladder bridge section in the middle, and the last section at the long bridge at the North end of the trail. All these areas have large puddles and fixing these sections is the priority for this year.



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Section 1- Near beginning



Describe Problem: Large puddles with no drainage

Solution: Remove the organic material and dig ditches on both sides of the trail. Elevate the trail bed using mineral soil and crown to allow drainage.

Tools/Supplies Required from LM: NONE

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Section 2- In the middle



Describe Problem: This area is just on the other side of a ladder bridge which crosses a swampy area. The area is low lying and is filled with large puddles.

Solution: There is a potential re-route on the left hand side of the picture that could bring the trail up on a small ridge. Alternatively, a crib could be made against the left hand bank and then filled in with mineral soil. This would be labour intensive but would avoid further disturbance to the surroundings.

Supplies requested from Landowner: NONE



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Section 3- North End



Problem: The area on both sides of the long bridge is filled with large puddles and muddy organic matter. It is perhaps the worst area on the trail and a major reason why people avoid the North loop of the trail.

Solution: It may be possible to dig out some of the organic matter and dig ditches to drain the water, but some of the areas will likely require ladder bridges to span the worst sections.

Supplies requested from Landowner: Sixteen 8 foot 4x4 beams



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