

Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board

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Regional District of Bulkley Nechako
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Attn: Board Chair

The role of the Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (CRB) is to act as an independent steward of the community values identified in the Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP). With that, this letter is written in support of the Smithers Motor Cross facility located at the corner of Highway 16 and Donaldson Road, between Smithers and Telkwa.

Motor cross vehicles have become increasingly popular in recent years. With this increase in popularity came the development of the motor cross facility at Donaldson Road. Where motor cross riders have close access to a safe facility and an opportunity to recreate in the 'front country'. Concurrent to the development of this facility there has been a noticeable decrease in the number of motor cross vehicles using backcountry roads, trails and Crown land.

This noticeable decrease in backcountry motor cross traffic may well equate to fewer environmental issues and less disturbance of wildlife on Crown Land. The CRB feels that this facility alleviates backcountry pressure and therefore supports several of the community values within the LRMP. The CRB supports the Smithers Motor Cross facility in its present location.

On behalf of the Board,

Jeffrey Anderson
Chair, Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board