

Proposal Description

Part A

The proposed activity is a mountain bike race that will take place in the City of Fernie from June 30 to July 2 of 2012. The race is proposed to enter and leave Mount Fernie Provincial Park on only the one day. That date is July 1, 2012. Please see attached map to see the proposed route as well as placement of a proposed aid station and photos of the proposed area for the aid station.

The race will start and finish in the City of Fernie so no major structures or changes will be made in the park boundary. We however would like to propose that we would be able to set up an aid station in the park at the point indicated on the attached map. Access to this point is by road so that no harm will be made to trail or vegetation in the process of set up, take down or operation of the aid station. The aid station will consist of three pop up 10' x 10' event tents, two 6 foot collapsible tables, garbage cans for collecting waste and recyclables, one portable toilet cubicle and one truck to transport all of the afore mentioned items. All of these items will be set up at approximately 9am on the morning of Sunday, July 1st and be removed by approximately 4pm and left in the state the area was found. We will use bottled water and bring our own supplies to distribute water and food.

On the proposed trails we would mark the route with ribbon and temporary signage. Ribbon will be utilized by tying the ribbon on tree branches as well as laying the ribbon on the ground to act as a visual guide to participants. Signage will be on stakes that will be attached to wooden garden stakes and inserted into the ground. All ribbon and signage will be removed by a person following the last participant. All markings will be fully removable and not harm or damage vegetation or wildlife.

Previous to the event we will post event markers at trail heads to alert users that an event will be taking place during the specified day and to alert them on the day to watch for such participants but that the trails will still be available for all to use.

We will also be donating \$4000 to \$6000, depending on the number of participants, to the Fernie Mountain Bike Club and Fernie Trails Alliance to help maintain and develop the trails we use to keep them at high standards of safety for all users year round.

We hope that this event will create more economic growth for both the City of Fernie and the Mount Fernie Provincial Park by bringing more attention to what they have to offer to recreational athletes and tourists.

The proposed course will enter the Mount Fernie Provincial Park from Crown owned land on both sides

We will have \$5 Million liability coverage with named insureds being Land Owners, participants, organizers, spectators and volunteers. We will be able to provide certificate closer to the event before land use.

Part B

I have previous experience with permits in protected areas with the 2011 Furious3 event and with race organizing I have had experience with permitting from Cities, Towns, and other government agencies.

Part C

I have checked off that there may be adverse effects to recreational use or enjoyment of the protected area. We will be using trails that may be used by the public and having said that we will take precautions to alert them of our usage. As stated in Section A we will mark the course previous to the event date as well as on the event date to let people know that there is an event happening at that time. The public will still be able to use the trails at the same time and we see no problem if we are using the trail at the same time.

