OKANAGAN RAIL CORRIDOR INTER-JURISDICTIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEAM





AGENDA

- Purpose
- Background
- Terms of Reference (IDT)
- Recommendations for Council consideration



PURPOSE OF MEETING

To seek Council support for participation in an Inter-jurisdictional Development Team (IDT) to work collaboratively together to plan, design, finance, develop and maintain a continuous recreation trail along the discontinued rail corridor between Kelowna, Lake Country and Coldstream.



VISION

- Secure the corridor
- Regional transportation opportunity
 - Recreational trail (shorter term)
 - Multi-modal Transportation (longer term)
 - Economic development
 - Tourism



BACKGROUND

- Purchase of CN Rail corridor
- Development of the corridor
- Inter-jurisdictional Development Team





Purchase closed June 1, 2015

| Kelow | na | 19 | km |
|--------|---------|----|----|
| Lake (| Country | 16 | km |
| ▶ RDNO | | 12 | km |
| | | 17 | km |



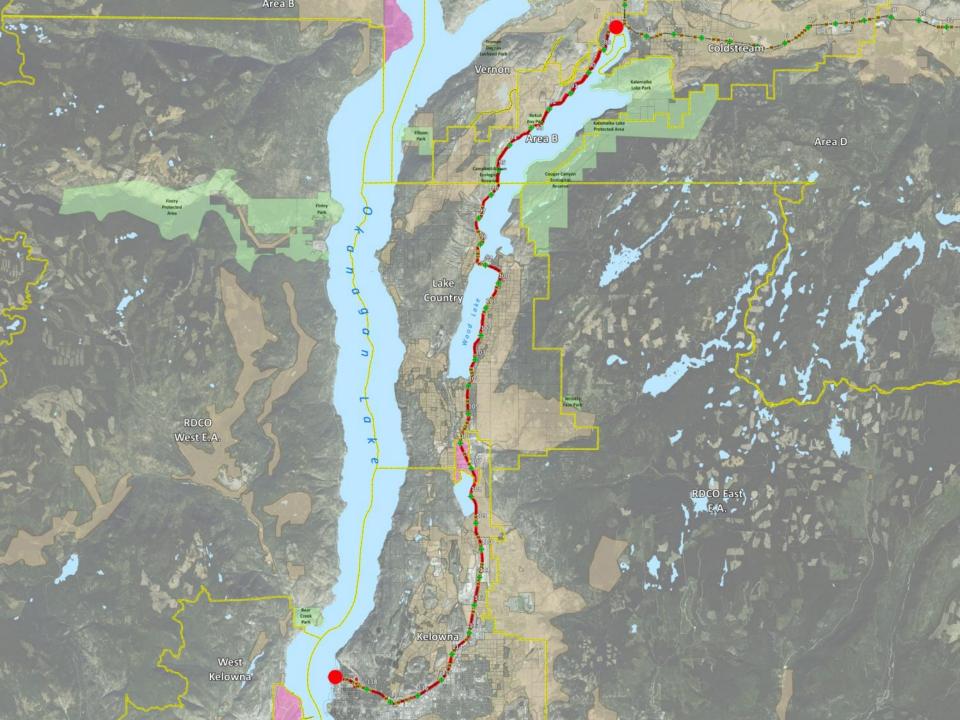
- Purchase closed June 1, 2015
- CN Rail obligations
- Track removal Oct 15, 2016
- Site remediation June 1, 2017

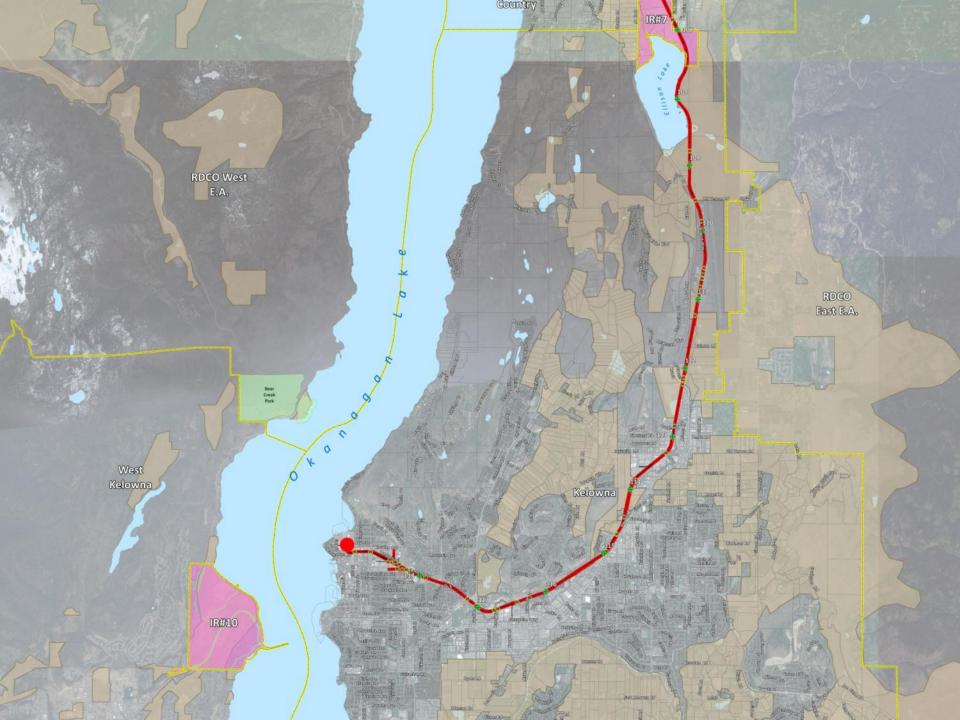


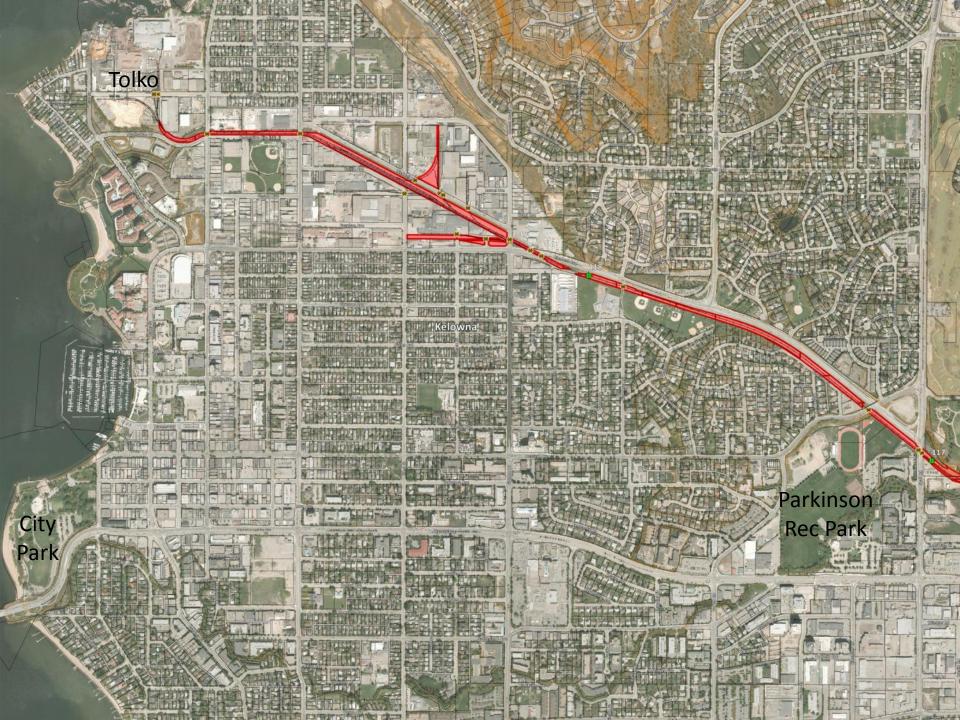
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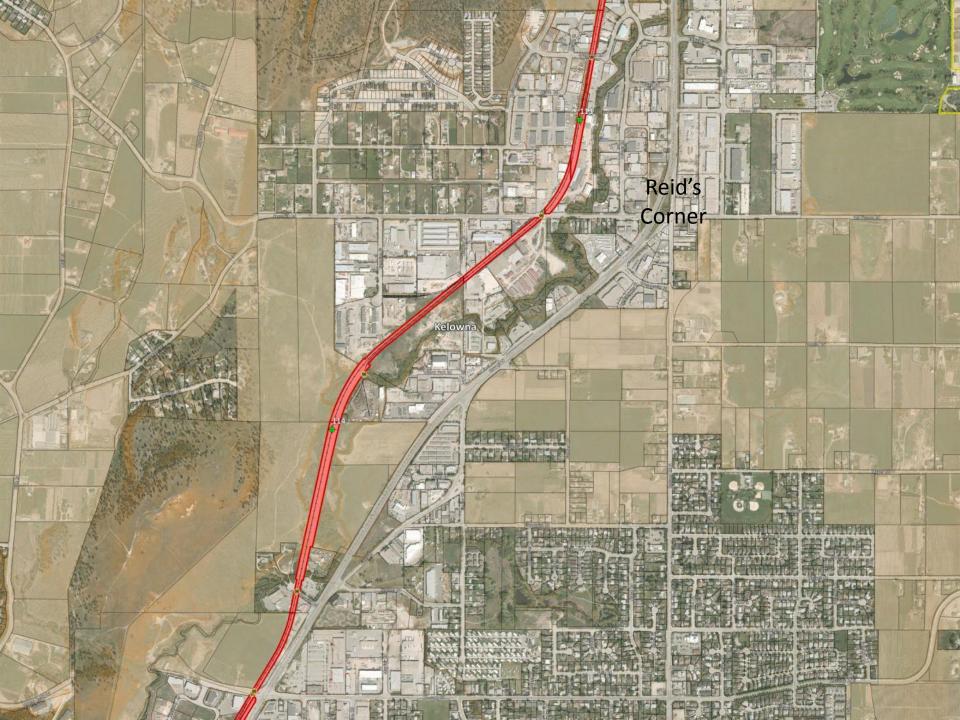
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- ► CN Corridor ⇒ Okanagan Rail Corridor "ORC"

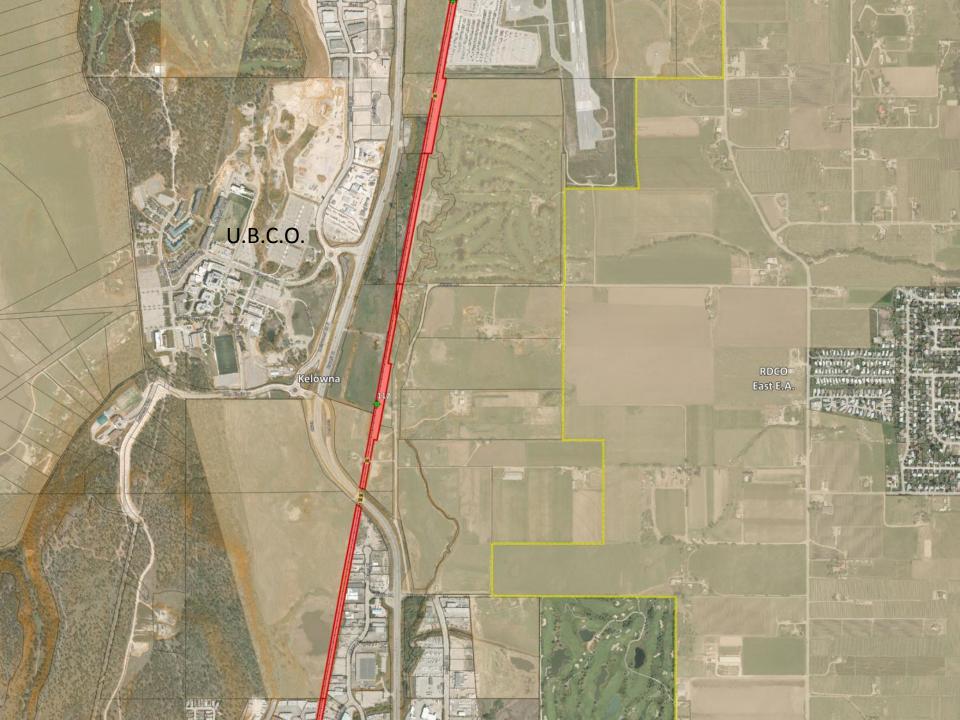




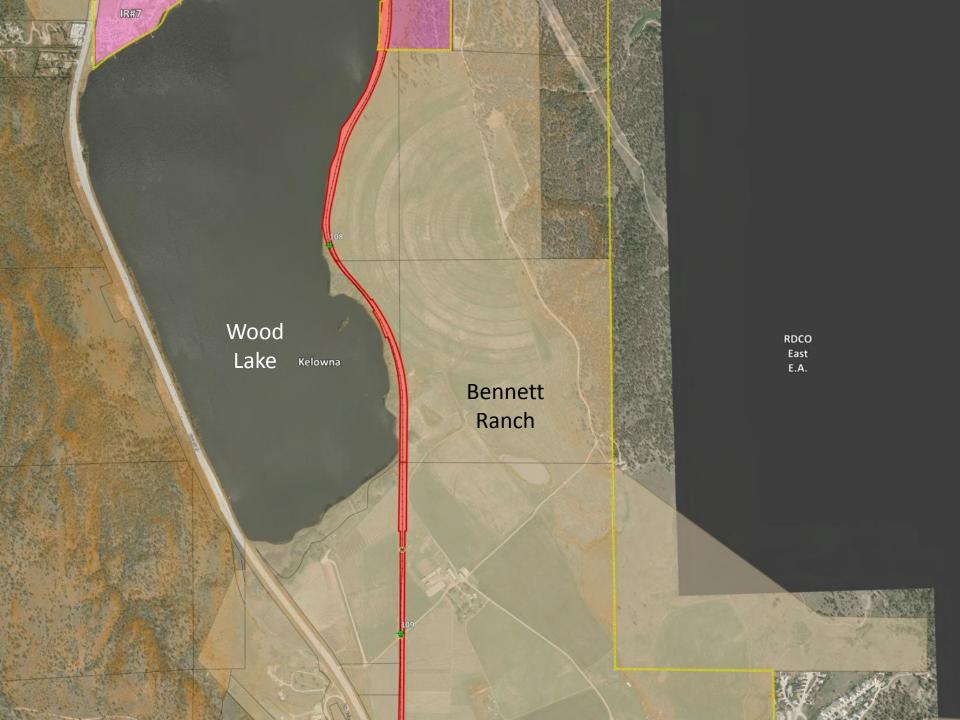














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Constraints:

- Time for CN removals/remediation
- Need to plan & consult
- Lack of capital funds from local government
- Need to coordinate local government efforts



Approach

- ▶ An initial phase of trail development ~ \$5 million
- ▶ 1 continuous, basic level recreation trail, developed at one time ~ 47km
- Planning & consultation
- Funding reliance on groups (ORTI) & grants first
- Unified approach (all 3 owner jurisdictions)
- ▶ Acquisition team ⇒ Development team

IAT ⇒ IDT



INTER-JURISDICTIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEAM

- Terms of Reference
- Purpose
- Objectives
- Members
- Principles
- Responsibilities Team
- Responsibilities Member
- Funding & financial mgt.
- Kelowna Rep & PM
- Term



Purpose

Work collaboratively to plan design, fund, develop & maintain a continuous recreation trail.



- Objectives
 - Long term benefits, locally & regionally
 - Continuous recreation corridor
 - Support future multi-modal transportation
 - Planning & community engagement
 - Public safety & risk mitigation
 - Reflect capacity of owners to fund
 - Pursue grants & community fund raising



- Members (owners)
 - City of Kelowna
 - District of Lake Country
 - Regional District of North Okanagan



- Principles
 - Work collaboratively
 - Consensus based decisions
 - Trust & confidentiality
 - Full participation
 - Full term



- Responsibilities IDT
 - Council/Board reporting & recommendations
 - CN's contractual obligations
 - Single point of contact re consultation & communications
 - Engage & manage consultants as required
 - Identify & address corridor issues
 - Coordinate raising & disbursement of funds



- Responsibilities Owner jurisdictions
 - Appoint & support staff representative
 - Land acquisition/disposition as required
 - Real estate management as required
 - Consider & approve IDT recommendations
 - Implement/fund approved plans & initiatives
 - Corridor maintenance



- Funding & Financial Management
 - IDT costs shared per formula
 - Estimates provided for capital & O&M costs
 - Capital costs for completed basic trail by fundraising
 - O&M costs by each jurisdiction
 - No expenditure without funding & authority
 - Coordination with fundraisers/grantors
 - IDT financial manager



- Kelowna's IDT Representative
 - Derek Edstrom

- ▶ IDT Project Manager
 - Andrew Gibbs



Term

Until initial phase of trail development is open for public use



RECOMMENDATIONS

- ► THAT ...
 - Council receive this report for information
- ▶ AND THAT ...
 - Council endorse City participation in the IDT
- ▶ AND FURTHER THAT ...
 - Council endorse cessation of the IAT

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