2024 NNRA #3 Priority Beach Accesses #E-54 to #E-66

Summary & 2024 Closing Report. 09/28/24

Background:

Priority status and effort was granted by NNRA BOD based towards members residing adjacent to these Provincial Rights-Of Way administered by MOTI. Some of these residents were experiencing danger trees, significant windfall and invasive species effecting their properties.

Contact established with local MOTI reps who advised they have no mandate or provincial directive to attend to such matters.

During this time, it was learned the RDN was also studying these seemingly orphaned provincial crown lands exploring their potential use for promoting: #1) water sports #2) their connectivity as inter-tidal hiking trails between accesses.

<u>Actions Taken involving MOTI:</u> All available adjacent property owners contacted to verify & discuss any concerns or threats to their properties. Many were found.

A self-help "who do you call" guide was prepared & provided to adjacent residents in the event of a problem.

Certain adjacent property owners were met seeking NNRA advocacy on their behalf. Local MOTI Reps contacted on their behalf with no further response from MOTI.

<u>Conclusion</u>: MOTI has a well documented & practiced policy *to not become involved* with these orphaned crown lands mandated amongst residential neighborhoods. James Miskulin & Cindy Corner from <u>MOTI, Nanaimo</u> have demonstrated they are, <u>at best; obstinate, non-responsive & uncaring</u>. No progress to a more satisfactory end believed possible from this "stonewalling" provincial ministry. Any impact of a potential change in government to be re-visited in early 2025.

<u>Actions Taken Involving RDN</u>: Communication with Bob Rogers, as Chairman of POSAC, has occurred primarily as fact finding to RDN's recreational promotional intent. Initial strategies of a collaborative approach by NNRA with POSAC has slowly digressed to a non-supportive NNRA position. Attendance to a June 12th POSAC meeting confirmed, ratified their intent and NNRA concerns.

<u>Conclusion:</u> RDN has now received_NNRA's official response of "non-support" of any "promotional upgrading" of selected beach access(s), see attached.

RDN; Monitoring and attendance at upcoming POSAC meetings deemed prudent. Next POSAC meeting Nov 13th, 2024.

MOTI; Re-visited diary January 15, 2025.

Working File & All Supporting Documentation held by Neil Watson and passed on to successive Secretary of NNRA, in due course. Note; Retired Director, Diane Springford was instrumental at bringing this file forward to its current level and will be called upon in 2025, if necessary, due to her personal interests.