

UAF North Campus Subcommittee Agenda September 29, 2003; 12 p.m. (noon) Facilities Services Conference Room, RM 122	No agenda available
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UAF North Campus Subcommittee Meeting

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Notes

Attending: Cynthia Steiner, Carol Adamczak, Pete Fix, Rich Boone, Mike Hay, Bill McDonnell, Tim Stallard (Committee Members);
Stan Justice (public)

Updates

1. Rich Boone reported on his contact with the Nordic Ski Club.
2. The committee shared general information on the Landscaping Committee, Troth Yeddh Park Committee, and Parking and Circulation Committee.
3. Pete Fix reported that the summary of survey results from the public meetings is now on the web.
4. Tim Stallard reported that the 2003 summer mowing seemed to go well.
5. Mike Hay reported that Pete Fix and he had started working on a research permit, based on the Toolik Lake permit. He also has obtained GPS locations for research sites in the Deer Yard (IAB Biological Reserve).
6. Rich Boone asked Cynthia Steiner if the new trail barriers have affected horseback riders. Cynthia reported that the barriers are an impediment to riders; riders must dismount and lead their horses around the barriers.

Comments on Draft Management Plan

1. Pete Fix summarized comments that have been received from the subcommittee and any others.
 1. Deb Wilkinson wrote that the plan needs to clarify what group or person(s) that have direct authority for the North Campus Area.
 2. John Craven wrote that there is too much emphasis on skiing and not enough attention to education uses.
 3. Pat Holloway wrote that any zones in the North Campus Area would need their own regulations.
2. Rich Boone recommended inclusion of more information on research.
3. Bill McConnell asked whether there has been any recent input on the viability of the manager position.
4. The committee discussed and fully endorsed the creation of a NCA manager position.
5. Carol Adamczak noted that the plan needs an Executive Summary.
6. Cynthia Steiner noted that information on horseback riding needs to be included.
7. Carol Adamczak recommended retention of four management themes: Research, Education, Outreach, and Recreation.
8. There was a general discussion that the plan needs guidelines about winter access for researchers.
9. Carol Adamczak suggested the plan include a recommendation for groomed, walking trails. Bill McConnell noted that the wider mowing over the summer may allow for groomed walking trails this coming winter.
10. Rich Boone reported that Pat Holloway had suggested the value of having a professional trails consultant assess the trails. Mike Hay noted that he has identified a trails consulting agency.
11. Carol Adamczak recommended that the plan identify possible areas for new parking, and that it should prohibit parking north of the proposed Tanana Loop Road.
12. Cynthia Steiner recommended that the plan should indicate that the Tanana Loop Road will have negative impacts on land within the NCA and that committee has concerns about the impacts. Rich Boone recommended that new lights on ski trails should be discouraged and that down-cast lighting should be used whenever possible.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00P. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 13, 2003 at the Georgeson Botanical Garden building.

