Safety Protocol for Access to Furry Creek

Effective: October 7, 2019

The provincial Ministry of Mines has established the following safety protocol for BCMC members traveling the Furry Creek FSR resource road. All participants on BCMC trips must agree with and adhere to the safety protocol before the FSR gate key will be loaned out. Print out the safety protocol and bring it with you on the trip.

Safety Protocol

The key is only loaned to BCMC members with a status of *trusted trip organizer*. This status is indicated in the member's profile on the web site by the Trip Organizer setting.

Only scheduled trips on the BCMC trip list qualify for key access. The trip must be composed of entirely BCMC members.

The key will be loaned out only with a \$200 <u>cash</u> deposit. Cash only, no cheques. With the key, a resource radio is also provided.

BCMC members must have and use the proper radios to communicate with road traffic.

Do not drive up Britannia Creek FSR under any circumstance. (It branches off to the left about 1 km up from highway).

If a BCMC vehicle or trip participant is found up Britannia Creek FSR it will result in complete loss of privileges to the club for the gate and Furry Creek road.

BCMC members to text Max Brownhill (604) 837-1927 as they access through the gate and leave the road through the gate; each time; also noting the number of vehicles and in the party each time.

The loaned radio is pre-programmed for the resource road frequency for Furry Creek. Use Channel 09 to communicate with other resource road users for Furry Creek.

Leave the gate as you found it. If locked, it must be locked after driving through. If open, leave it open. (During logging operations, WorkSafe BC requires the gate to be left open.)

Travel on the road as a convoy. Do not spread out.

On entering through the gate, announce your presence by communicating on the radio "Radio check, BCMC, Furry Creek FSR, KM 0."

At every KM post, announce "BCMC party, x number of vehicles, KM xx UP/DOWN." Follow the protocol both up and down the road.

Follow instructions of other road users. For example, logging trucks have right-of-way. Pull off of the road in a layby well in advance of industrial road traffic and let it pass.

If the key is lost, text Max Brownhill to be let out. There is a \$100 charge for the service and you will forfeit the \$200 deposit.

Resource Radio Channel Map

 $\underline{https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/natural-resource-use/resource-roads/radio-communications/channel-maps}$

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Note: loggers in a logging operation may also be using a work frequency that is different from the resource road frequency for the area.