Kick-off Event Summary
Initial Questionnaire Findings

July 19, 2013
1.0 Overview

On June 8, 2013, the Cultus Lake Park Official Community and Park Plan public engagement process was launched. An informal event was held during Cultus Lake Days to meet with residents and visitors to Cultus Lake and to hear about their concerns and priorities related to living and playing at the Lake.

The main purpose of the event was to inform the public about the plan process and to begin to develop a vision for the future of Cultus Lake Park and to identify key issues to address.

FVRD Staff set up an outdoor tent with activities and information. A Children’s Art Contest was held, and some of the drawings will be included in the final Plan. Poster boards were on display to provide basic information such as what is an Official Community Plan and why is one needed. Participants scrawled their ideas about the Lake on our graffiti table and maps. A basic questionnaire was handed out (results summarized below), and healthy dialogue exchanged between residents, visitors, Park Board Commissioners, Future Planning Advisory Committee Members, and planning staff.

The event was well attended, although the number of participants was not recorded. 83 questionnaires have been returned to date (54 paper, 29 online). A second wave of questionnaires is expected with the delivery of the summer edition of the Cultus Lake View community newsletter, and results will be included.

The following questions were asked in a questionnaire that was distributed directly to residences, via an online link, and through hard copies made available at the event, and at the Park Board Office and Sunnyside Campground Office through the month of June.

A complete verbatim transcription of the questionnaire results are attached as Appendix A.
2.0 Initial Questionnaire Findings

**Question 5:**
Are you a:

- [ ] Full time resident
- [ ] Part time or seasonal resident
- [ ] Visitor
- [ ] Other

**Summary:**

- Full-time: 34 (43%)
- Seasonal: 21 (26%)
- Visitor: 25 (31%)
Question 6:
What do you like most about Cultus Lake Park? List up to three (3) things:

Summary:
The most common responses fell into the following themes, ranked from highest to lowest:

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Question 7:
What are the top three (3) issues or priorities you want to see addressed?

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### Question 8:
Other comments or feedback in relation to future planning, land use or development:

**Summary:**

| Housing and Residential Growth | No conversion of greenspace to residential  
|                              | More high density housing  
|                              | No gated community  
|                              | Ageing in place – accessible and affordable housing  
|                              | No more housing developments on the lake  
|                              | Maintain status-quo  
|                              | No condos or high density housing  
|                              | New residential community around the golf course |
| Park and Public Use           | Maintain current greenspace and create more  
|                              | Fenced off-leash dog park (Buntzen Lake example)  
|                              | More sandy beaches  
|                              | More walkways around the lake  
|                              | Boardwalk around the lake |
| Commercial Use and Growth     | Canoe and Kayak rentals  
|                              | Change commercial use at south end of Sunnyside Blvd (Beach Bouy) to public park use with non-motorized boat uses  
|                              | Relocate powerboat rental business to the northeast bay of Sunnyside Campground and develop a marina, hotel and restaurant there  
|                              | Floating Gas Station  
|                              | Expand golf club  
|                              | Hotel, grocery store, spa  
|                              | No waterpark expansion – diversify businesses |
| Access                       | Universal accessibility, for seniors and disabled |
| Water and Sewage Services     | Water supply and sewage treatment are high priority  
|                              | Install a proper sewage system to protect the lake  
|                              | Replace septic fields with community system |
| Environment                  | Erosion issues along shoreline  
|                              | Natural foreshore should be preserved and enhanced |
| Nature and Biodiversity       | Nature is main attraction  
|                              | Protect the natural beauty of the lake  
|                              | Lake and natural environment should be a priority for planning  
|                              | No tree cutting  
|                              | Make it easier to cut trees |
| Transportation               | Sunnyside blvd is a good pedestrian connector from the commercial area to the lake  
|                              | Traffic calming on Sunnyside Blvd (chicanes) |
| Amenities and Services        | Community garden  
|                              | Boat wash |
| Parking                      | Increase parking lot at Oak St Park  
|                              | Like the resident parking with permit along Sunnyside Blvd |
| Land Use and Development      | Less development will protect nature  
|                              | Development should not compromise enjoyment of park land  
|                              | Development must be a balance between nature and humans  
<p>|                              | New development should complement the natural environment |</p>
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### 3.0 Public Input Summary

#### Graffiti Table Comments Summary

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| Housing and Residential Growth             | • Seniors disability housing.  
• Seniors residence complex.               |
| Park and Public Use                        | • Paths and trails throughout the Park.  
• Off-leash dog park.                      |
| Commercial Use and Growth                  | • Hotel and convention centers.  
• Businesses are closed in the Fall and Winter.                                      |
| Access                                     | • Connect with surrounding communities.  
• Access to the Lake for the disabled and limited mobility.  
• Universal accessibility.                |
| Water and Sewage Services                  | • Connect sewer to Chilliwack so the nutrients stop feeding the milfoil.  
• Sewer upgrade.  
• Export human waste.  
• Concern with sewer system / or lack of (environmental impact on the lake). |
| Natural Environment                        | • How to manage the milfoil?  
• Prevent further eutrophication.  
• Sculpins.  
• Save the salmon and the green space.  
• Manage nutrients.  
• Preserve trees & forest – Plan.  
• Care for the lake itself.  
• Keep focus on nature.  
• Recycling & environmental issues.  
• How they are destroying nature by building things.  
• People shouldn’t be allowed to cut down big trees.  
• Beautiful clear lake.  
• Four distinct seasons.  
• Habitat & biodiversity.  
• Hearing wild birds & Douglas squirrels.  
• Enchantment nature.  
• The wild beauty.  
• Views of the mountains. |
| Transportation                             | • Public transit mini vans.  
• Bike racks.  
• Bridge replacement tie in to Tyson Rd.  
• Weekend traffic to get into and out of the Park in summer. |
| Amenities and Services                      | • Recycle and composting.  
• Community garden.  
• No community composting.                 |
| Parking                                    | • More beach and parking.  
• Dislike all the parking fees.            |
| Land Use and Development                   | • Careful development.  
• Year-round activity.  
• Village centers.                         |
- Keep it un-crowded.
- Balance: nature / development, fun / control.
- Keep Cultus Lake for camping, outdoor fun for families. No condos or hotels on or in campgrounds.
- Want a town center, buildings with commercial below and residential above. Want high density. Attract high tech software in residential area. Want more economic development. Population 1000 year round.
- Dislike how they’re tearing down our forests to build houses. They should build on the golf course.

| Heritage and Culture | Increase First Nation’s art. |
| Local Economy | • We need year round activities with thriving businesses. |
| Tourism | • Need to attract more public like the old days. Need to advertise events. |
| Infrastructure and Facilities | • Better infrastructure. |
| Recreation | • Mats in swimming areas. |
| | • Joint water recreation facilities (non-motorized activities). |
| | • Too many boats. |
| | • Restrict number of power boats. |
| | • Restrict boats; 50hp and under. |
| | • Non-motorized boats only. |
| | • No speed boat lake or speed limit. |
| | • Expanded golf course with homes around it. Trails leading to the course. |
| | • Love the golf course. |
| | • Having campfires. |
| Health and Social Wellbeing | • More family events. |
| | • Community dances. |
| | • Keep the community young & vibrant. |
| | • Intermingle campers with residents. |
| | • Music in gazebo too loud / noise pollution. |
| | • Dislike early morning main beach dock noise. |
| | • Our friendly spirit. |
| | • Community. |
| | • Great neighbourhood & lots of fun. |
| | • The spirit of the lake. |
| | • The silence. |
| Population and Demographics | • Keep Cultus Lake family oriented. |
| | • It’s a crowded neighbourhood which means meeting new people. |
4.0  **Next Steps**

- Background Document: Snapshot of Cultus Lake to be used for information
- Detailed Survey to be used in goal, objective and policy development
- Organize Interactive Public Engagement Event(s) to distribute survey, conduct visioning process, and begin goal, objective and policy development
Appendix A

Cultus Lake Park Board

6. What do you like most about Cultus Lake Park?

- It’s beauty – trees and lake. It is only an hour’s drive from any permanent home. The proximity to CL Golf Course.
- Swimming & water sports. Proximity to home. Beauty of the trees & forest & lake in a secure & peaceful setting.
- I like the fact of “no alcohol.” The dock for fishing and the beauty of the forestry.
- Camping, small community feel, family activities – waterslides, giggle ridge, trails etc...
- The calm – the quiet – the natural setting.
- Natural camping. Lake for boating & swimming.
- Lake.
- Swimming in the lake in summer. Hiking in trails close by. Having a picnic.
- Waterslides, the docks, pizza.
- Activities I like to do are golfing, biking, walking and hiking. One thing I’d like to see is the expansion of the course and some development around it.
- Lakes, mini golf, waterslides, picnic areas and playgrounds.
- The current growth and development helping keep the area a vibrant sustainable park. The walkways and paths throughout and around the lake. Atmosphere and beauty of the golf course and Legends Bistro at the lake.
- The beautiful scenery and the forestry with the campgrounds and most of all the tourist attractions; waterslides, golfing, etc...
- Love the communal atmosphere. Cleanliness. Well patrolled.
- The natural beauty, clean water both the lake & drinking water.
- The Lake. Residents. Serenity.
- Unique community of character housing. Park Board management is excellent. Cultus Lake Days and Main Beach events.
- That is has waterslides.
- Proximity to Lower Mainland. Lake. Lindell Beach.
- The lake. The forests next to residences. Recreation – trails, golf, etc...
- The activities (golf, boating, biking). Would love to see the course expanded with more trails to the clubhouse.
- The atmosphere. The location. The set-up.
- Great family camping. Beautiful area. Great community.
• The tranquility of the park. The lake and clarity of the water. Small close community atmosphere.
• Quiet, safe, friendly community. Fresh clean air. Plenty of activities for young and old.
• Its proximity. Easy access. All season lake.
• Lake swimming. Recreation. Environment.
• Accessibility to the park for the general public. Beauty and tranquility of the area. Walking trails and hiking.
• The small close community. Walking paths.
• Small community. Safe place for families. Lake.
• The Lake, keeping it clean and pristine. Path and gardens along the pathway. Old growth trees.
• The community. The setting.
• Lots of room at beach areas. Nice improvements to the docks. Usually kept nice and clean.
• Scenery. Serenity. Activity opportunities (walking, running, kayaking).
• Nature: trees, clean, clear lake water, clean air and scenery. No loud traffic sounds & minimal exhaust fumes. No farm odors.
• The views of the lake. The Market in the Park.
• Natural beauty. Small community. Clean lake.
• The lake. The Camping. The activities.
• The beauty of the surroundings. The unique character of the township (varied architecture, etc). The social aspect of meeting with my leaseholder neighbours.
• Tourism. Recreation. Environment.
• The relatively natural state of the lake and the lands within the park. The numerous outdoor activities that the park facilitates. The serenity of living within the interface between urban development and wilderness, and the people who live and work in this community.
• Cultus Lake and area around it, residential good will, number one place to live.
• Natural beauty of mountain and water surrounded by residents living amongst the trees. Beautiful trails networking residents, businesses, beach and mountains.
• The beauty, great for families, great for kids, quietness during the week.
• Enchantment nature, stillness in winter, campfires.
• Close to wilderness, still has some wildlife.
• Access to water, community involvement.
• Nature, recreation, environment.
• Off-season quiet lake time, hiking in the area, trees and vegetation. Beautiful. Love it!
• The beauty of the lake, the Cultus Lake Golf Course, the waterslides.
• Beach, golf, driving range.
• Public areas, docks.
• Community appearance, recreation, golf, boating, nature.
• Habitat, fish, natural value.
• Love how it’s a small community so everyone communicates with each other. There many businesses so you never get bored. The lake so when it gets hot you can do swimming or boating.
• Charming neighbourhood, quiet green spaces along the lake for residents to enjoy away from crowds, safe to walk after dark.
• Quiet in the fall and winter seasons, walks by the lake.
• Beautiful scenery, easy parking especially with two children screaming, playground, waterpark.
• The landscaping, wildlife, ecosystem.
• Lake – activities- golf, boating, restaurants, community living.
• Small friendly well-kept community, clean well-kept roads and amenities in all seasons, the setting (unexpected to first time visitors).
• Natural environment, how quiet it is during the winter (and often during week), family lure – lots to offer visitors.
• The scenery, water, trees, shorelines, mountains. Closeness to Vancouver/Chilliwack & interior of BC. Unique cottages and homes.
• Clean and tidy. Natural surroundings. People in the community.
• Green space. Water access. Living here year round.
• Setting, community.
• Endless trails, clean (no garbage on roads or side streets), Cultus Lake Golf Course.
• Playing golf at Cultus Lake Golf Club. Enjoyment of the campgrounds. Supporting the local businesses in the area.
• Natural beauty. Quiet peaceful winters / energized exciting summers. Most of the residents / visitors.

7. What are the top three issues or priorities you want to see addressed?

• Clean up of goose droppings in public beach areas. Clean up of the debris on the bottom of the lake. Restriction of loud, fast boats on the lake for safety.
• Goose problem – health concerns regarding feces. How can they be eliminated? Parking – seems to me that the “overflow parking permit” should be valid in all main beach parking lots. Dogs off leash.
• Less garbage around the park. More events like fishing. A spawning channel and no smoking, or at least an area for smoking due to possible future fires.
• Crime – we have a lot of break-in / thefts at Sunnyside. No developments on the lake – keep it green.
• Safety on the water – speed limits? No more music on the beach.
• Security.
• Bring back the bandstand & roller rink. Parking fees.
• Protection of the pygmy sculpin. Keeping garbage out of the lake.
• More residential homes around the lake and around the golf course. Also a hotel or grocery store would be ideal.
• Better / more sand on beaches, bird poop and traffic to get up / down.
• Control the Canadian Geese along the shore of the lake. More residential and business growth to improve infrastructure and make it sustainable. Off season activities to encourage visitors to the area supporting local businesses.
• The forest not being cut and littering.
• Traffic problems.
• Vehicles driving too fast down residential streets. Non-residents (excluding guests) parking beyond gates.
• Park Board accountability to those who foot the bill, as in a democratically elected Board by those that foot the bill.
• That elected officials are accountable to the people they govern. The Board quits breaking the Act & Bylaws. The Cultus Lake Park Act be amended and followed.
• Sewer. Road access. Universal accessibility throughout the Park and to all foreshore areas.
• In summer safety of boaters is a concern. Too fast & too many. Loud music from boaters.
• Traffic in and out – one lane is not enough to service the park and Columbia Valley in summer.
• More residential homes. Around the lake and around the golf course. Grocery store and a hotel on the lake.
• Sewer system installation. Roads to be kept in good condition. No condominiums.
• Sewer system. Commercialization. Extra road out of the lake area.
• Paid parking. Number of gas powered boats on the water. The pollution in the lake.
• Parking costs deter community use. Concerns about potential development erasing the natural beauty of the area. Need to make sure the park remains a park and not absorbed by future developments.
• Sewer. Tree pruning. Illegal parking enforcement on residential streets.
• Community sewer. Road resurfacing. Fire smart forest thinning.
• No parking signage near postboxes, visitors are parking their cars there on weekends – post signs. Unattended gate at entrance on Sunday – should be someone posted there, especially on a busy weekend. Dog doo-doo fines should be issued.
• Governance by Cultus, not outsiders.
• Off leash dog area for swimming, would love to see a fenced off area perhaps at the small picnic area off the road. This would be great so that the dogs are free to swim and run without bothering people that decide to tan on the dog’s beach. Buntzen Lake is a great example. More garbage areas. There seems to be a load of garbage that ends up left on the beach. Find a new
home for all the geese. Very gross to have to side step the goose droppings to lay on the beach or grass.

- Preserving natural surroundings. Planned, regulated and sustainable development. Improved building regulations.
- Change in Park Board representation. Funding so we are able to apply for grants. Governance.
- Beaches closed @ 10:00 instead of 11:00pm. CANADA GOOSE PROBLEM RESOLVED! A walking path around the lake.
- Amenities and services. Park and public use. Recreation.
- Sewer system being updated. Continuation of the Cultus Lake Community market.
- Infrastructure / Sewer system upgrades. Financial viability. Fire smart / disaster planning.
- Maintain the natural beauty of the park. Maintain and enhance the green space. Maintain and manage the environmental impact so the lake and surroundings are not adversely impacted (by overuse, misuse, etc...)
- Strict building restrictions. Parking. No boats between docks and at least 40ft away.
- Forest management: the park is a FireSmart horror show waiting to happen. Most trees on residential lots are too big and close to the houses. Posing a threat to people and property in the event of a wind storm or forest fire. The trees should be harvested and smaller stock planted.
  The health of Cultus Lake itself: excessive nutrients entering the lake are endangering the aquatic life of the lake. Governance: the community deserves to be served by a democratically elected board comprising of only residents from this community.
- Land use & development of Cultus Lake. Improving the infrastructure of the area. Business growth of the area.
- Alternate access if main road is blocked (ie accident).
- Park Board representation – should not be elected by Chilliwack residents who contribute nothing financially to the upkeep of the Park. Property taxes should be returned to Cultus Lake Park. Sewage into Cultus Lake needs to be addressed.
- Public input to development, especially commercial (signs!). Adequate support from higher governments ($). Foreshore for public park use, not private ownership.
- Senior’s housing. Continuous walking path from Main Beach to the end of Sunnyside Campground for the waterfront – no commercial businesses. Properly planned and community approved development!
- Sewer line to Chilliwack. Sustainable lake / pollution free! Common sense approach to growth and development.
- Amount of park green space being given up to commercial ventures. Loss of trees in the park. Finite number of lots is becoming variable.
- Senior residences. Remove the big trees on the residential lots. Medical clinic and wellness centre.
- Governance – voting locally for direct representation locally. Taxation – to receive property taxes paid by homeowners of the community not sent to FVRD. Park Act update – get the provincial government to bring the Cultus Lake Park Act current.
- Park rules and regulations balanced with common sense. Continuing and enforcing 11pm curfew on noise. Fire risk – from forest fire, need to look at provincial recommendations versus park rules.
- Continuing to pursue to have village status and freehold land title. Limit land use and building structures as we see it today (no condos / apartments etc...)
- Parking – better control of kiosk, residential entry. Residential building style and codes. Further development for business – for our convenience to enjoy our home living.
- More washrooms, directions on website about special events.
- Garbage cans need to be around Sunnyside Road and more along beach area.
- Loss of “cottage” character of neighbourhood (several re-built houses are too big and are very much out of place, dwarfing neighbouring cottages). Traffic down Sunnyside (speeding, loud music, vehicles slamming on brakes for speed bumps then racing off after each one!). Loss of green space – too much commercial development (waterslides).
- Geese at the beach. Floating docks – better care.
- Nutrient management and eutrophication.
- Boat rental moved to Sunnyside and gas on the lake. Cabin rentals moved across the street behind Park office. Vicious dogs off leash.
- Dogs in the Park, especially vicious breeds. Basement suites! Extra cars, extra use on services, extra dogs.
- Shortage of amenities. A hotel on the Lake. A Marina.
- More awareness and or crackdown on communication (RCMP) regarding grow-ops. Animal control issues – whom to contact? (been passed around).
- Sewer on Park. Paving on Park.
- Wasted time by security. Entrance kiosk – holds back residents from getting home, lets non-residents in.
- Invasive plants awareness. First Nations representation.
- Speed boats going too fast, too many.
- Litter surrounding forest, litter in forest, litter in lane behind forest.
- Enforcement of no dogs. Enforcement of no drinking & smoking on the beach.
- Self-sustainable community with more permanent residents all year round with a safe access in and out of the Lake for cars, trucks and bicycles.

8. Other comments or feedback in relation to future planning, land use or development?

- We have been content with the development. The “renewed” restaurant is a bonus.
• Need another road (over Vedder or through to Chilliwack Lake Rd) before we increase the population significantly. Lots of lakes in BC are not accessible by humans so let’s make Cultus a “human first” priority lake. Thanks for all you do!
• To add a campground, add a biking trail and add a couple of water slides and swimming area.
• No more housing developments on the lake! We love the “outdoors” when we visit not the city. Keep it special.
• Community gardens?
• Keep Cultus as is – no condos.
• I think it’s a beautiful lake and should be kept clean, as well as the environment around.
• Would love opportunities to get our dive team in from different beaches. Please contact Langley Diving.
• I think that it wouldn’t hurt to build some expansions in the area such as homes / golf amenities. This would be nice to have these things but it would also be ideal to keep some nature and land.
• Love coming up to the beaches but prefer the sandy beaches at Harrison. If more sand up here we would visit more often.
• Sustainability can only happen with positive growth. Road improvements and sewer systems can only be upgraded with proper development. A residential community surrounding the golf course would be a helpful addition to Cultus Lake.
• For waterslides on the lake I would like to see not many trees having to be cut due to the environment and the animal’s habitats.
• No future development until there is an accountable Board in place!
• The current Board election system is the cause of what is wrong with Cultus Lake Park. There is no accountability. The Board is dysfunctional and the staff runs the place because of this. Until this is corrected – no major spending on projects or land use be done. The Board needs to purchase services from FVRD or Chilliwack.
• This is an excellent approach to OCP – great job!!!
• Would like to see more walkways around the lake.
• Very important to plan development carefully – only limited development of forested land will be supported but some development may be necessary to generate income. Encourage businesses to invest in the area.
• I love the trees but I think it wouldn’t hurt to use some of the area for homes/golf/amenities. It’d be nice to have these things and keep some nature and forest.
• I have been visiting that area since I was a kid and live in the area. It would be nice if all visitors treated the area like it was their own and cleaned up after themselves.
• The park should remain as pristine as it is today, with seasonal use for the public.
• Cultus is a cash grab, ridiculous amount of development with no infrastructure to keep up with the population increase.
• Cultus is a jewel of the province. It attracts thousands of tourists from all parts of the world. Why? Because of the tranquility, the openness, the serenity of the lake, the trails, etc. These priorities need to continue to be essential requirements for future planning.
- I would like to see Beach Boy Rentals moved from the residential area; we need to bring sailing and rowboats to this area and have it organized. Resident parking with permit along Sunnyside was a good idea.
- For me, #1 is FENCED off leash dog beach just for the dogs to run and swim. It can work – Buntzen Lake did it!
- Future planning is necessary as growth is inevitable however standards need to be inplace to ensure building and development is in sync with and compliments the natural environment of the Park.
- You have ignored the work on the park board committee future plan 2009-2012 and chose to thru the park board manager. Governance, landclaims – don’t waste my taxpayer’s money if you don’t intend to follow through with all this. All this will become is window dressing!!! This has been done before and the result NOTHING GETS DONE!!!
- We need tourist accommodation in area and other businesses would benefit. The park should close in evening at 10:00 for it is dark then and the (mostly) young people who frequent here at that time do not respect the fact this is a residential area also. When they arrive late the noise is VERY annoying, as many are using liquor or drugs and are disruptive.
- More high density housing.
- Land development needs to be managed cautiously as to not affect the balance between nature and humans.
- I think there should be canoe and kayak rentals.
- I hope the number of power boats does not increase in the future. And at times in the past there have been a lot of “rowdies” at the lake. Not sure what can be done about this other than a strong police presence.
- The lots on 2nd Ave are a loss of park space that can never be reclaimed. Shore line along the homes is eroding and needs to be addressed.
- Water supply and sewage treatment are high priority items. A financial review of the operation of Cultus Lake Park would likely reveal ways in which current operations could become less costly. The attraction of Cultus Lake Park is its natural state, thus less development can only serve to protect its current condition.
- Would like to see expansion growth of the Cultus Lake Golf Club, promotions of new business in the area and tourism in the area.
- Land use across from Cultus Lake Golf turned into mixed residential & a couple commercial or hotel facility or RV Park or other stay n’ play type facilities. Conference centre wouldn’t be good, any conferences I have been to you never see the outside of the hotel.
- Housing and residential growth: no more green spaces should be rezoned and sold for housing. The forest behind the dog park (horse trails) should not be developed for housing. It is a park, not a housing development. Park and public use: while we acknowledge that it is a park and open to the public, residents must be protected when it comes to parking and public use. More tourists mean more flushes into the lake. A proper sewage system must be installed to protect the lake and the residences across the lake should have to clean up their system as well. The cost of the system should not fall solely on the park residents as it is an FVRD issue.
• Do not development Sunnyside Campground. More the boat rental business to the East end of the campground and convert the area at the end of Sunnyside Blvd. into a non-motorized area for sailing club, dragon boats, kayaking and canoeing. Restrict the parking lot to non-motorized water sports participants. Day use ticket and seasonal pass holders only.
• There are too many single interest members of this community that only want what is best for themselves. We are a community and community values should prevail!
• The rules seem to be ever changing and ever evolving without “due process.” Residents should be allowed to have input into changes that affect them and their lease.
• Provide for residents who want to continue living within the community when they can no longer look after themselves.
• The number of boats on the lake is mushrooming. This is affecting the safety and pollution on the lake. Is there some way to manage this? It is crazy out there! The booth on Sunnyside has helped immensely with “lost” RV’s and wandering visitors parking on your lawn.
• I would like to see more of a destination resort. Tourism generates more income. Security is over done – too many young people just socializing.
• Need more security around the school in the evenings / nights.
• Ever considered “chicanes” for traffic calming along Sunnyside? (see http://streetswiki.wikispaces.com/Chicane). The speed bumps are not working and the noise of vehicles flying over them hauling a boat/trailer at 60km/hr is disturbing the peace and annoying.
• I say they should make a floating gas station. Then boats don’t need to get out of the water, go to gas station and then load back in the water.
• Is the Cultus Lake solid waste dump still open? What condition is the sewer system in at Cultus Lake and how long is it estimated until any major upgrades? Who is the contact for the dump and sewer? Name? Phone? Email?
• Need hook up to Chilliwack sewage system. Idea: find a funding mechanism to tap the 3 million visits per year.
• No more expansion for water park, need to have variety of other businesses. Develop property around golf course. Boardwalk around the lake, expand walking areas around the Lake. Great attraction.
• Gas docks for boats! Move Beach Buoy. Is the water park big enough now? Move the cabins away from the waterpark and they will get more use = more funds. It shouldn’t be so expensive or such a hassle to get a tree taken down.
• I wish for a more representative government. Possible 5 members; 4 from Cultus Lake and one appointed by Chilliwack.
• Would love to see a hotel, grocery store, spa? Great place to visit but need a few more amenities. A hotel / spa would make it more of a year round destination.
• We have considered purchasing a full time residence but the shortage of amenities like a doctor’s office, grocery store, hotel for off-season weekend stays and a marina have really held us back.
• No more green space given up for development.
• If growth – should be around the golf course. Instead of crowding what already is in existence, more amenities for community to enjoy at home.
• Water available for boat wash.
• The trees are one of the most beautiful parts of the Park. Stop cutting them down!!
• Wish the salmon would / could come back.
• Hopefully they are not going to build it up, and keep it quiet, peaceful and serene.
• More activities and entertainment year round. Hotel, convention centre & marina is needed. Increase the permanent residents with careful development of land. Replace septic field with a white water waste system to protect Cultus Lake from algae blooms. Expansion of village to encourage more business activity.
• Have the community public education in the above.