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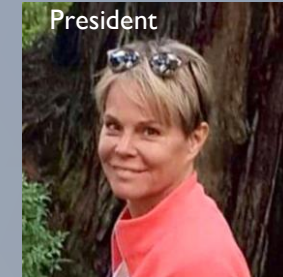
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# AGM 2023 AGENDA

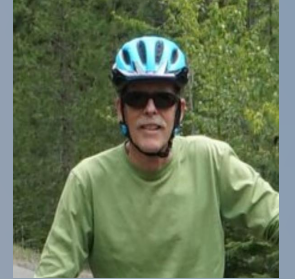
- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of the Minutes - 2022 AGM
- Annual Reports
  - President's Message
  - Financial Report
  - 2023 Activities
- Election of the Board
- Questions / Comments
- Adjournment



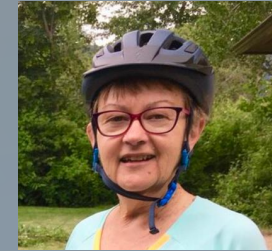
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West Kelowna



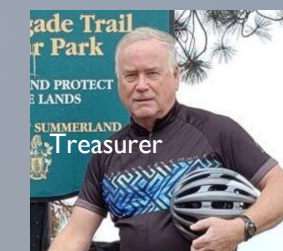
Janice Liebe  
Peachland



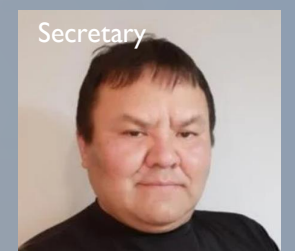
Vic Jensen  
Summerland



Mary Trainer  
Summerland



Don Gemmell  
Summerland



Secretary  
Tim Lezard  
Penticton Indian Band



Vice President  
Brian Hughes  
Penticton



Chris Scott  
Kaleden



John Bremmer  
Oliver



Myers Bennett  
Osoyoos

# MINUTES OF THE 2022 AGM

**Trail of the Okanagans Society  
Annual General Meeting Minutes  
Monday, October 17, 2022, 7 pm  
Via Zoom**

*We are grateful to live and work on the unceded territory of the Syilx People.*

- 1.0 Call to Order at 7:01 pm by President Janice Liebe.
- 2.0 Approval of the Agenda  
**Motion to accept agenda for 2022 AGM:** Director Bremmer/Director Bennett. Carried.
- 3.0 Approval of the Minutes – 2021 AGM  
**Motion to approve 2021 AGM minutes:** Director Liebe/Director Jensen. Carried.
- 4.0 Annual Reports  
President's Message (Janice Liebe)  
Financial Report (Director Muhs)  
**Motion to approve Financial Report:** Director Scott/Director Gibault. Carried.  
"The Trail We've Covered/The Trail Ahead" (all directors)
- 5.0 Election of the 2023 TotO Board:  
Myers Bennett, John Bremmer, Don Gemmell, Greg Gibault, Brian Hughes, Vic Jensen, Tim Lezard, Janice Liebe, Doris Muhs, Chris Scott, Mary Trainer
- 6.0 Questions/Comments  
There were a few questions/answers followed by President Liebe's acknowledgement of Director Lemke's resignation, and expression of gratitude for her contribution.
- 7.0 Adjournment:  
**Motion to adjourn** at 7:59 pm: Director Bennett.

## 2023 – Beginning to see Fruits of our Labours

2023 has been a very interesting and productive year, starting with celebrations for our new logo designed by Emily Pooley of the West Bank First Nation. Her poetic vision beautifully links the Okanagan Nation's knowledge of N'tityx, the Salmon, to the origin of a trail that joined all communities in our valley. We are very grateful to have her artistic work as the symbol of the Trail of the Okanagans.

New “All Ages and Ability” trails were also added to our network in 2023. First was the completion of the multi-use pathway along Campbell Rd on WFN lands in West Kelowna. This section is important as it is the first piece of pathway off the bridge from Kelowna. In Summerland, the Giant's Head multi-use pathway extension added another 3 km of protected pathway. For 2024, we are in the final phases of applying for the remaining funding for the Peachland to Goats Peak Park pathway and hope to be building it next year.

2023 also saw the completion of the Active Transportation Network Plan in Peachland, the Summerland Downtown Revitalization Plan and the Osoyoos Active Transportation Plan, each of which reference and include the Trail of the Okanagans in these official plans. Summerland even made our Trail a catalyst project!

Lastly, we had a very sad September with the passing of long time Director, Doris Muhs of Peachland. Doris was an enthusiastic supporter of our vision and she is very much missed.



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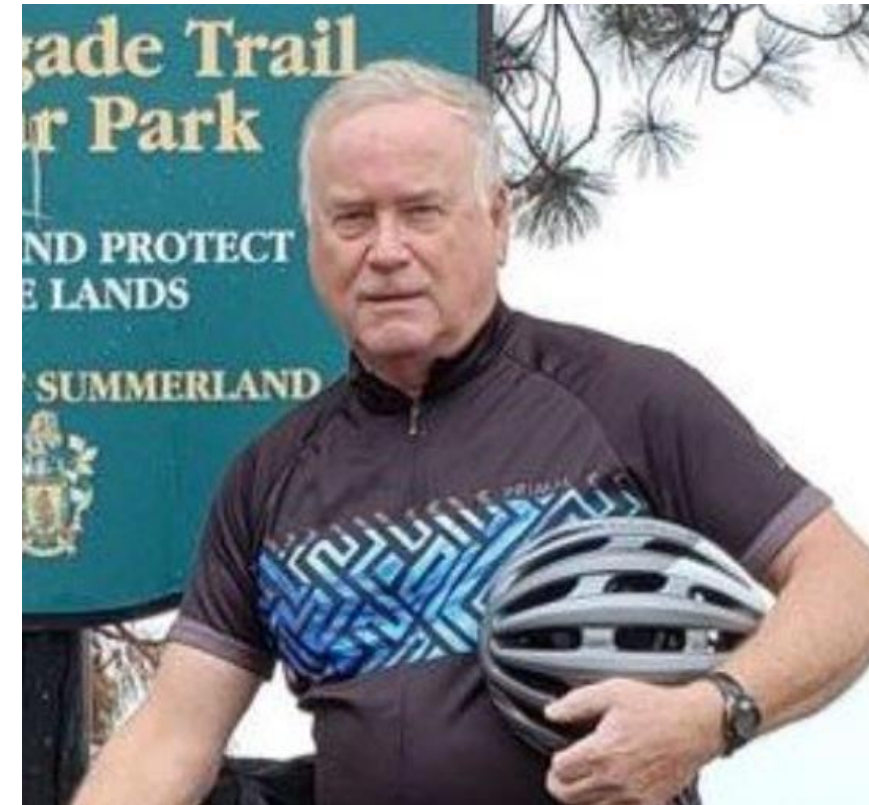
# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

JANICE LIEBE

# TRAIL OF THE OKANAGANS SOCIETY

Financial Report for the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
<b>Revenues</b>		
Memberships	500	1,150
Donations	500	3,042
Grants	2,000	850
Other Fundraising	1,000	nil
	<u>4,000</u>	<u>5,042</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Administration	1,500	1,394
Events/Gifts	500	nil
Services/Memberships	1,000	125
Promotion/Advertisement	1,000	818
ETSI Grant disbmts	11,335	10,435
	<u>15,335</u>	<u>12,772</u>
<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>	<b>(11,335)</b>	<b>(7,730)</b>
<b>Bank Balance And Surplus</b>		
Opening balance January 1, 2022		<u>13,548</u>
Closing Balance December 31, 2022		<u><u>5,818</u></u>
<b>Info on ETSI Grant</b>		
received	15,000	
less		
Disbursed in 2021	3,665	
Disbursed in 2022	10,435	
Funds Remaining	<u>900</u>	



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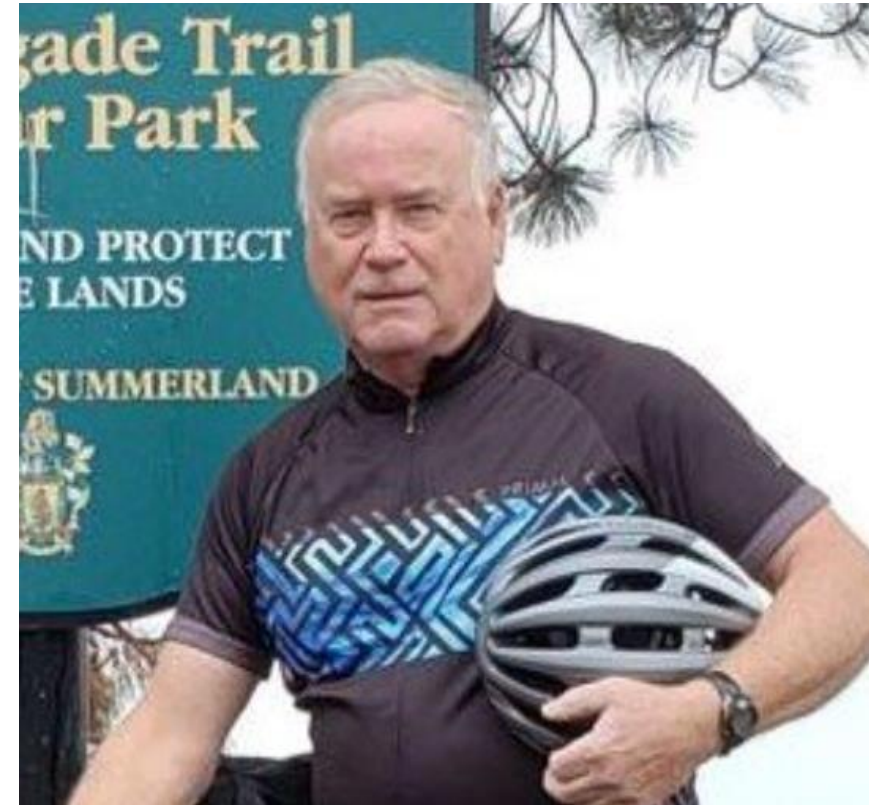
# FINANCIAL REPORT END OF 2022

# THE TRAIL OF THE OKANAGANS SOCIETY

Financial Report  
For the period January 1, to September 30, 2023

	Budget	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Membership Fees	\$ 500	\$ 850
Donations	1,000	570
Doris Muhs Legacy		1,150
Grants	1,000	
Other Fundraising	500	
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	3,000	2,570
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Insurance	900	904
Communication	500	314
Administration	800	338
Memberships	150	225
Promotion/Advertisement	400	758
Events	400	1,044
ETSI		900
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	3,150	4,484
<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the period</b>	(150)	(1,914)
<b>Bank Balance (and Surplus)</b>		
Opening Balance January 1, 2023		5,818
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Closing Balance September 30, 2023	\$	3,904

<b>Info on ETSI grant:</b>	
Funds carried forward from 2022:	\$900
Disbursed March 2023	900
Funds Remaining	NIL



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# FINANCIAL REPORT

## 2023 JAN - SEPT



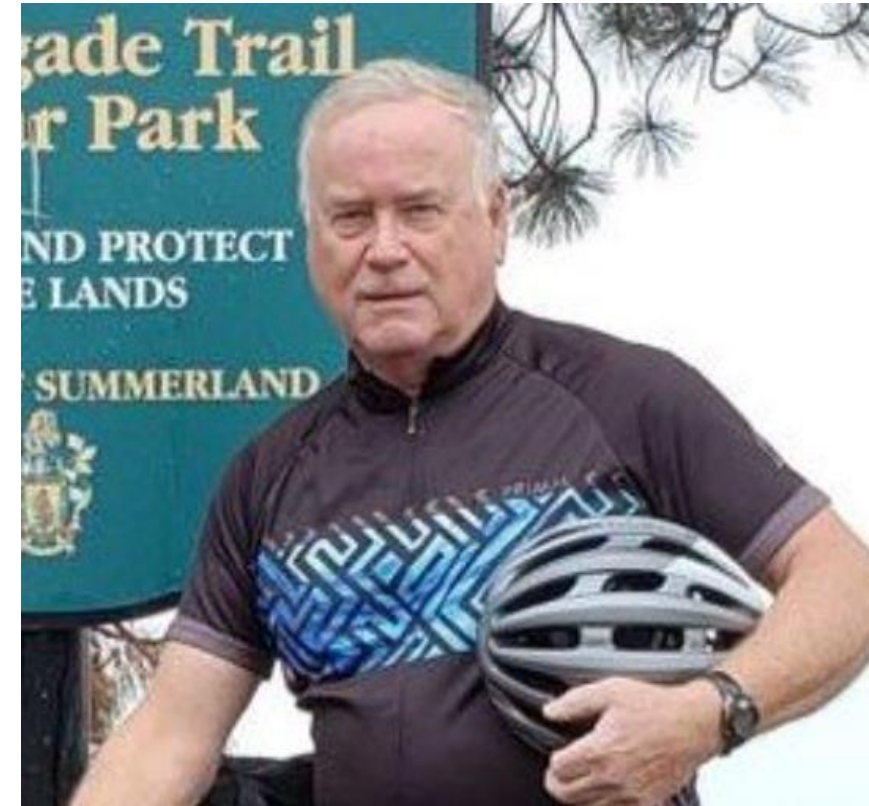
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**A NEW LOGO!**

Thank you  
Emily Pooley

**Our Canada Revenue Agency Charitable Status Application was rejected in 2023.**

**We are now reviewing options to provide tax receipts for donations via a Community Foundation.**



Thanks Don!!

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**CHARITABLE STATUS**





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**MEMBERSHIP IS UP**

**144 Members**

# 2023: 2 Newsletters sent out to Members this year

## Trail of the Okanagans

### 2023 Spring Newsletter

#### We have a new Logo!



#### Why a new logo?

The Trail of the Okanagans is named for the traditional trading route of the Syilx people that spanned the Okanagan Valley. This 6,000-year-old trail connected Syilx communities, important cultural locations and provided a ribbon of trade connecting the peoples of the Columbia River system to the peoples of the Fraser River.

And yet the original logo for the Trail of the Okanagans did not reflect this rich traditional history or the cultural values of the Syilx people.

In this time of cultural reconciliation, the Trail of the Okanagans Society realized that we needed to do better, to reach out, to learn and to involve the Syilx people in all aspects of the trail. Rethinking our logo was a first step in this process.

August 2023

## Trail of the Okanagans 2023 Summer Newsletter



#### The Okanagan's very own Meaghan Hackinen



Meaghan Hackinen along the west side of Skaha Lake.  
Photo credit: Laur Hackinen



Thanks Mary!!

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# COMMUNICATIONS



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Thanks Vic!!

- **Updated Website with New Logo**
- **2358 Facebook Followers**

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**SOCIAL MEDIA | WEBSITE**



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# GRAN FONDO

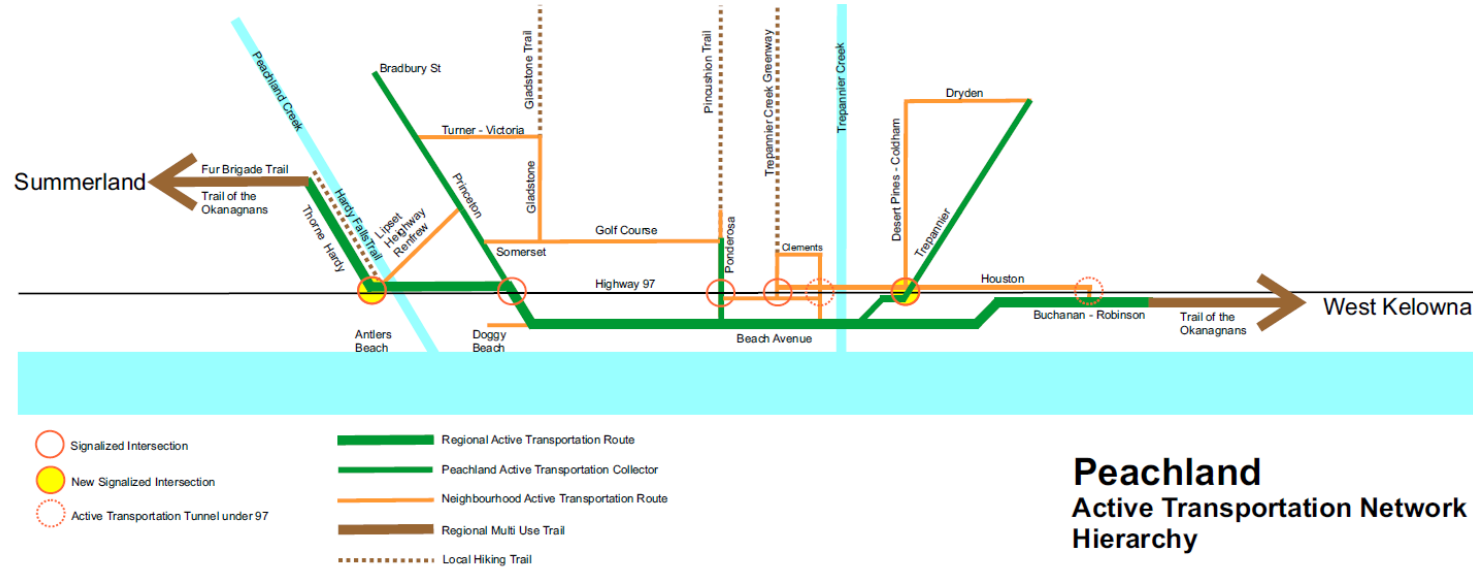
CAMPBELL  
ROAD  
MULTI USE  
PATHWAY  
COMPLETE!

WEST KELOWNA



# UBCM Active Transportation Planning Grant: Peachland Active Transportation Network Plan **Work Completed!**

Active Transportation Planning – Inclusive of TOTO Trail



**Peachland  
Active Transportation Network  
Hierarchy**

## ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK PLAN

DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND



FINAL DRAFT REPORT

February 2023



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# 2023 GRANT COMPLETIONS

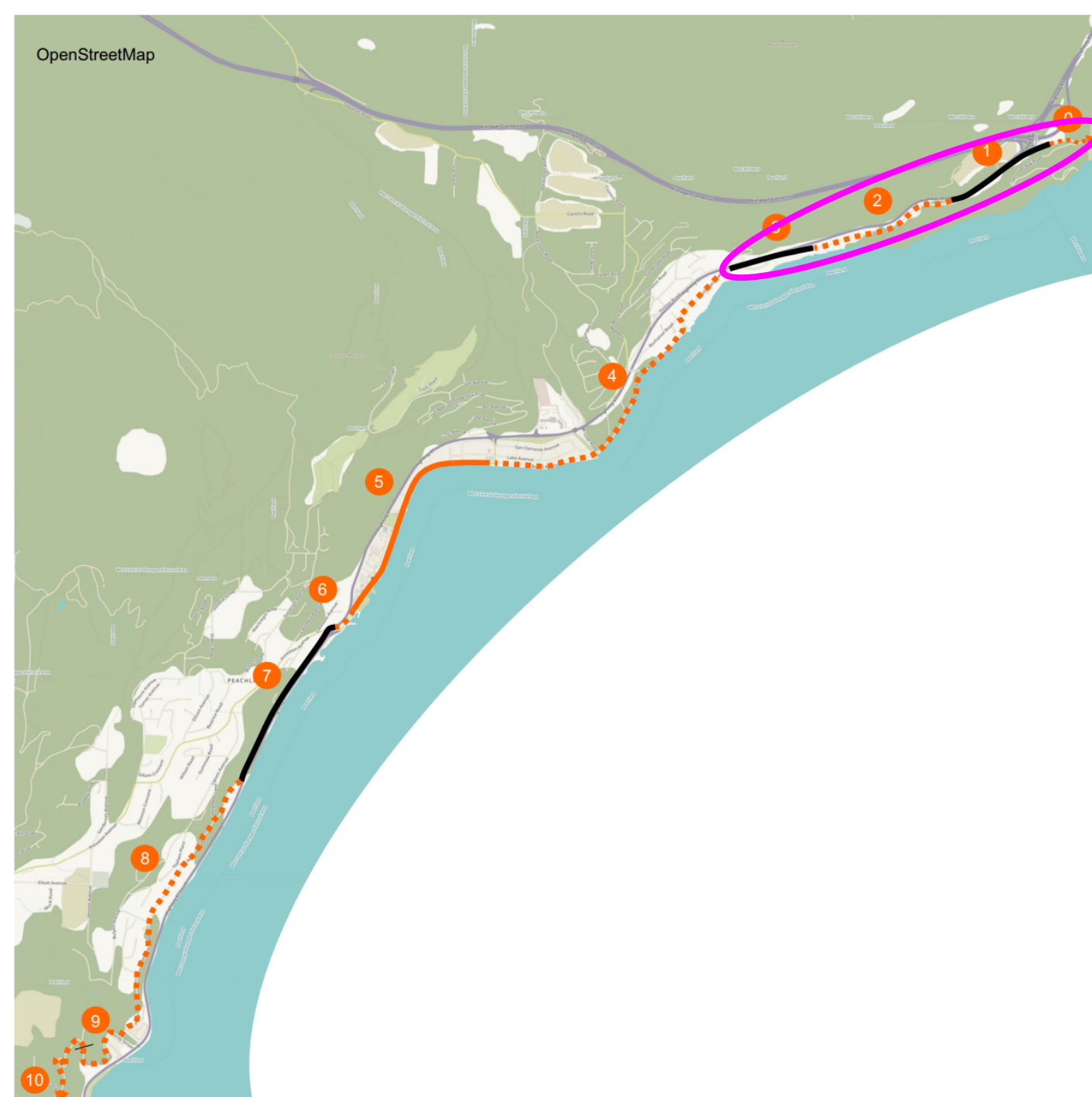
# Peachland Trail of the Okanagans

- 0 To Goats Peak Park
- 1 Drought to Seclusion Bay Rd
- 2 Drought Road
- 3 New Trail on Highway 97 Embankment
- 4 Buchannon / Beach Ave
- 5 Beach Avenue
- 6 Beach Ave to Princeton Ave
- 7 Gap - Future Protected Bike Lane on Highway 97
- 8 Renfrew Road
- 9 Hardy Street / Thorne
- 10 Fur Brigade Trail - RDCO

**Grant Funds Applied for**

## Trail Type

-  AAA Pathway
-  Needs upgrade to AAA standard
-  Gap - no existing trail





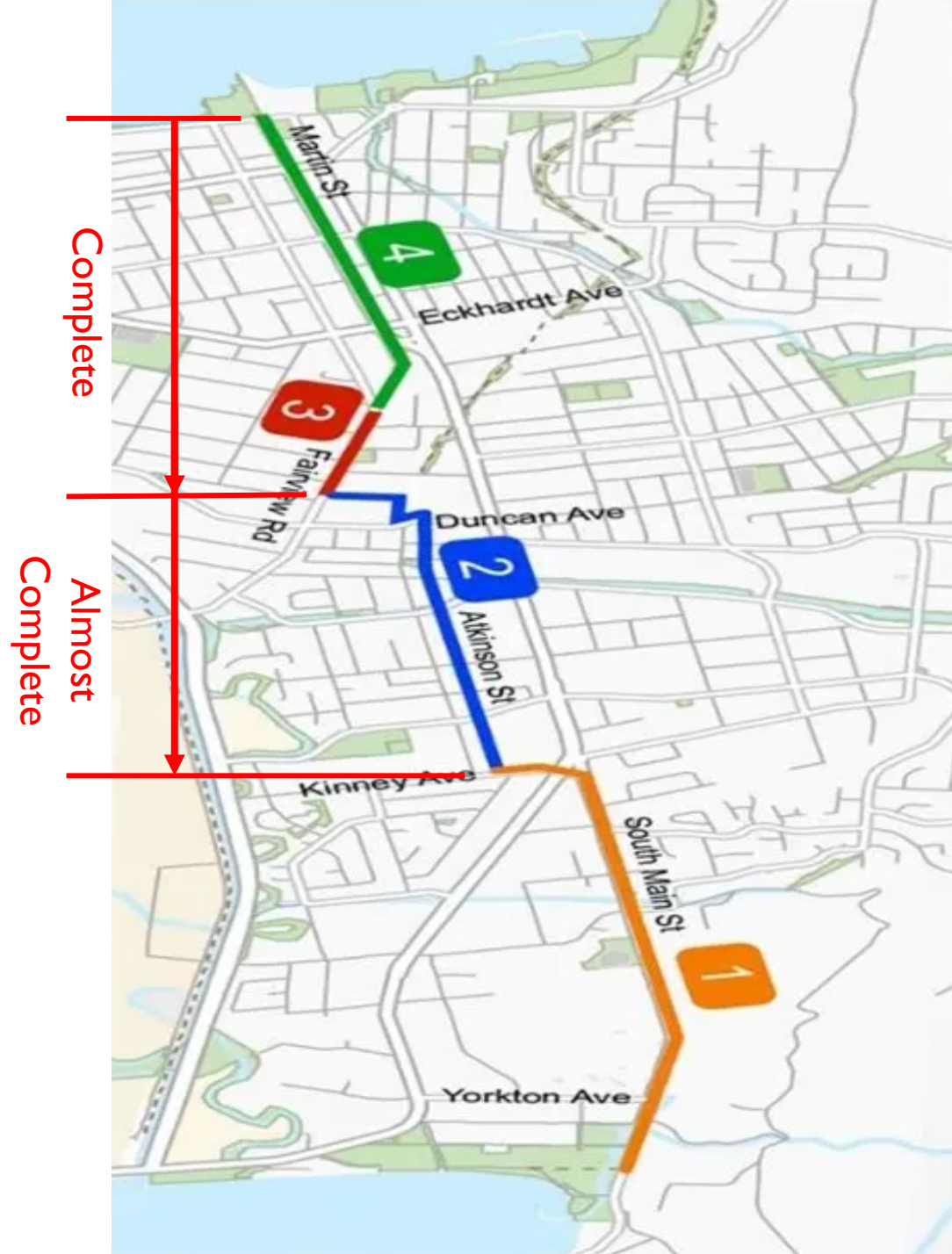
# GIANT'S HEAD PATHWAY COMPLETE!

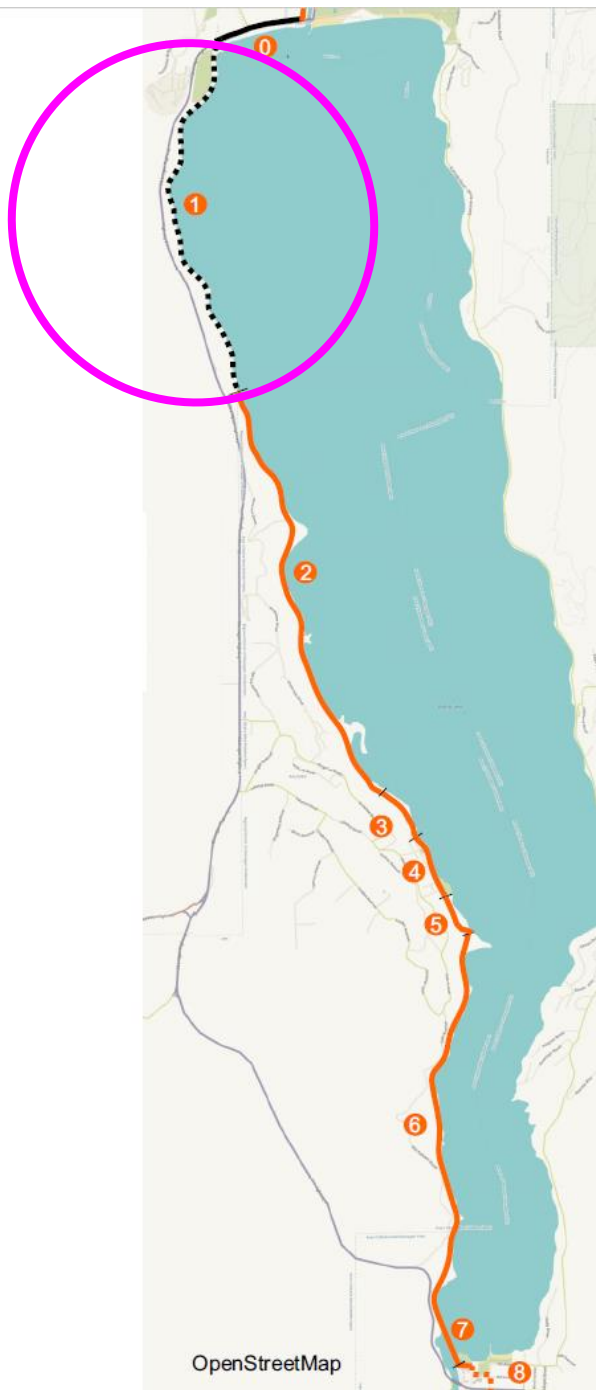
SUMMERLAND



LAKE TO LAKE  
SECTION 2  
ALMOST  
COMPLETE

PENTICTON





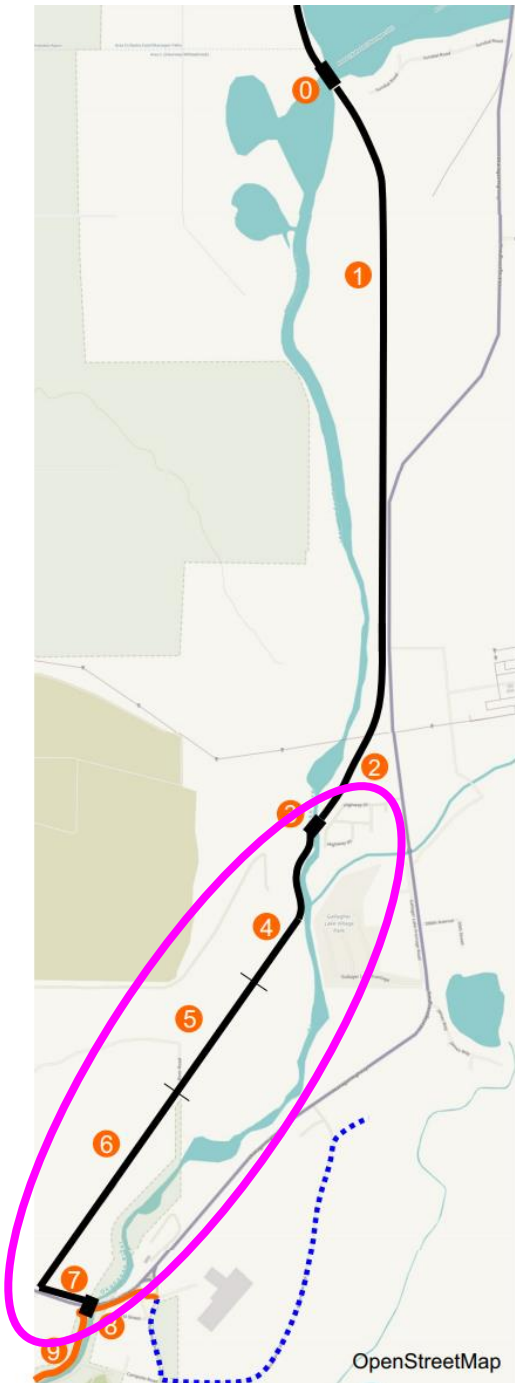
## Skaha Trail of the Okanagans

- 0 Highway 97 - Jurisdiction?
- 1 Pathway along Skaha - PIB
- 2 Pathway along Skaha
- 3 Alder Avenue
- 4 Pathway along Skaha Lake
- 5 Ponderosa Avenue
- 6 Pathway along Skaha Lake
- 7 Trestle Bridge
- 8 Okanagan Falls

**TOTO has asked the Penticton Indian Band if the trail along Skaha on reserve could be upgraded.**

### Trail Type

- AAA Pathway
- - - Needs upgrade to AAA standard
- Gap - no trail
- Potential Trail



# Vaseux Lake to Highway 97 Trail of the Okanagans

- 0 New Bridge
- 1 New AAA Pathway on KVR alignment
- 2 New AAA pathway along existing footpath at RV storage
- 3 New Bridge over existing abutments
- 4 New AAA Pathway on KVR alignment
- 5 OIB Reserve - KVR Alignment
- 6 Share the Road on River Road
- 7 New AAA pathway adjacent to Hwy 97
- 8 Pathway to flow under McAlpine Bridge
- 9 Existing International Hike and Bike Pathway

## Trail Type

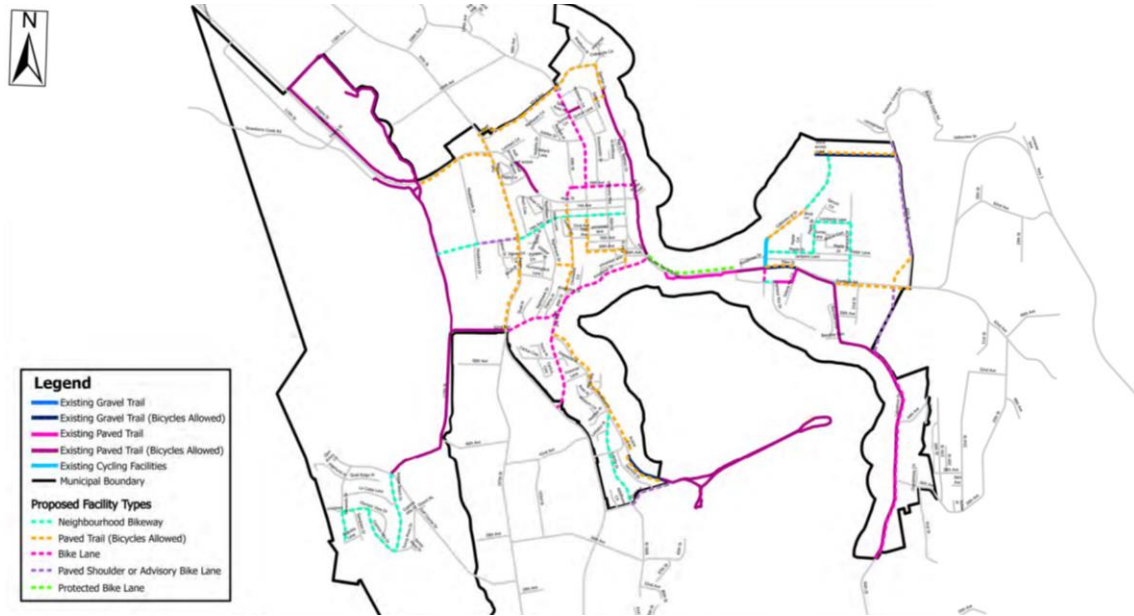
- Existing All Ages and Abilities Pathway
- ⋯ Existing route to be upgraded to AAA path
- Existing Gap in trail
- ⋯ Potential Alternate Route
- ⋯ Spur to District Wine Village

**Regional District of Okanagan  
Similkameen provided Trail  
Options for consideration to the  
Osoyoos Indian Band.  
Waiting for comment**

# Osoyoos Active Transportation Network Plan

## Work Completed!

Active Transportation Planning – Inclusive of TOTO Trail



TOWN OF OSOYOOS

## ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK PLAN



January 2023



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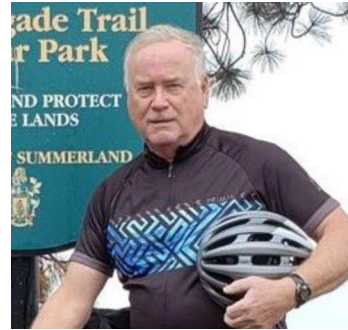
**Proposed Slate:**



**Greg Gibault**  
**West Kelowna**



**Janice Liebe**  
**Peachland**



**Don Gemmell**  
**Summerland**



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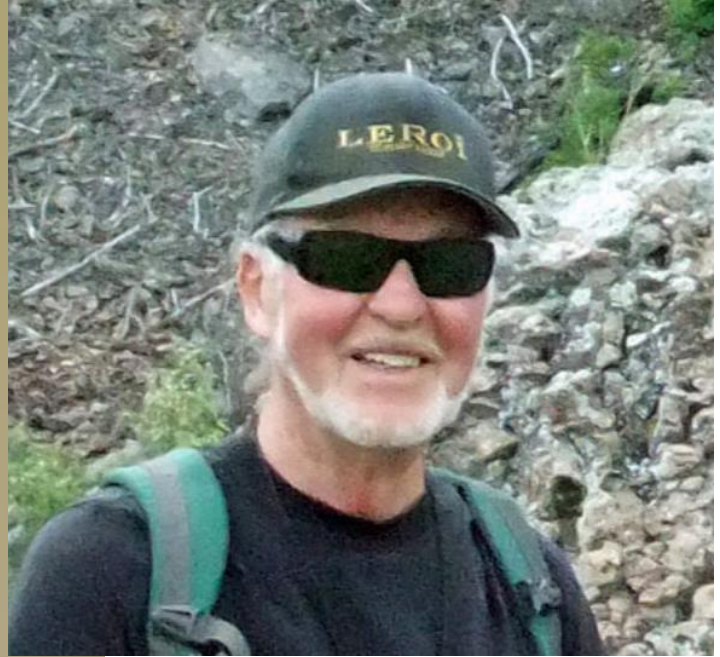
**Myers Bennett**  
**Osoyoos**

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**ELECTION OF THE BOARD**

**2024**

THANK YOU  
JOHN AND CHRIS



REMEMBERING  
DORIS



# QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Special thanks to all  
of the Directors who  
made this year so  
much fun!

