



REASONS FOR DECISION

FILE NUMBER: 5407971

APPLICANT: Troll Resort Ltd.

BACKGROUND: Troll Resort Ltd. was built in 1972 and has been operating under tenure with the Province since 1983. In 2010 Troll entered into an Operating Agreement with the Province and provided an update to their original 1983 Master Plan. Troll's 1280.3 ha Controlled Recreation Area is currently accessed by four T-bars, though their approved Master Plan allows for strategic placement of up to eight lifts. Several years ago Troll purchased a fifth T-bar which they have been storing on-site while waiting for the right time to pursue its installation and the development of runs on the west (Pine Grove) side of the CRA. The new T-bar will utilize 800m of Crown land with a bull-wheel structure at either end, and will be supported by 10 towers which will be concreted into place.

With the pandemic, the changing local market has demonstrated a need for greater outdoor recreation opportunities and Troll has identified this as the ideal time to pursue installation of the Pine Grove T-bar. Additionally, the 2024 BC Winter Games is scheduled to be held in Quesnel, with Troll being the nearest choice for downhill activities; the resort is planning to have the new T-bar operational by 2023 to support these games.

DECISION: PROCESSED – TENURE ISSUED

REASONS FOR DECISION: This proposed T-bar is consistent with the Master Plan for this resort and the resort is operating under an approved Operating Agreement. The lift line for this infrastructure was historically cleared for other purposes and consequently there is very little disturbance associated with the installation of this infrastructure. The new T-bar is beneficial to the public and supports economic recovery in the wake of the pandemic by attracting more visitors to the area and providing further resources to support the 2024 BC Winter Games.

DECISION MAKER:

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