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MEMORANDUM

TO: Western Common Wilderness Common Advisory Committee
FROM: Gareth Evans, Recreation Planning Specialist – Parks and Recreation
DATE: January 17, 2019
SUBJECT: Western Common Advisory Committee – Update on Nichols Lake Trail

During the September 26, 2018 meeting of the Western Common Wilderness Common Advisory Committee, the Committee requested an update on the progress of the Nichols Lake Trail.

HRM Parks and Recreation, Parks Capital Projects are continuing with the construction of the Nichols Lake Trail.

Trail Construction Phasing Summary:

- Phase 1C – Proposed 2018 scope includes issuing and RFP to complete a Bridge Crossing Design over Nichols Run (between Nichols Lake and MacDonald Lake).

As of January 17, 2019:

No construction activity has taken place since the last update (dated September 2018).

During the Western Common Wilderness Common Advisory Committee Meeting (July 2018), staff described the next step of issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to have a consultant design a bridge crossing. CBCL was hired and are working on a preliminary report exploring options and high level cost estimates for trail crossing at Nichols Run, of which the draft report is being reviewed by HRM staff.

We currently have roughly \$89,000 in the account. There are no additional funds proposed for this account until the 2022/23 budget.