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New Planner Introduction

Bev Suderman is the new planner coordinating the Cowichan Koksilah Official Community Plan process. Bev started with the CVRD on July 4, 2016, and has been busy getting up to speed on the project. As a friend and colleague of Katy Tompkins, Bev had the opportunity to be engaged with some of the community visioning workshops in the fall of 2015, and have discussions with Katy about where the project was going.

Bev will continue to maintain the high standard of excellence set by Katy for this project, both in terms of ongoing community engagement and the quality of the Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw that will be the end results of the process.



OCP Discovery Cafes

The community's direction on certain topics during the surveys and community visioning sessions was mixed. To discuss some topics in more depth, three additional community meetings are proposed, in the form of "discovery cafes:"

*November 3, 6-9 pm, Glenora Hall

***November 5, 1-4 pm, The HUB**

*November 15, 6-9 pm, Sahtlam Fire Hall

Snacks will be provided!

Topics include:

- Wetlands protection
- Transportation
- Aging in place
- Growth management

*A Vision without a Plan
is Only a Dream
A Plan without a Vision
is Only a Guess
But
a Vision with a Plan
Can Change The World*

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Survey Results

Seven community surveys were undertaken in the summer and fall of 2015:

1. Natural environment
2. Local economy
3. Social sustainability
4. Local economy (repeat of Question 9 in Survey 2)
5. Koksilah Industrial Park
6. Agriculture
7. Forestry and mining

These surveys identified the community's level of support for existing OCP policy, and tested some new ideas for the OCP within each topic area.

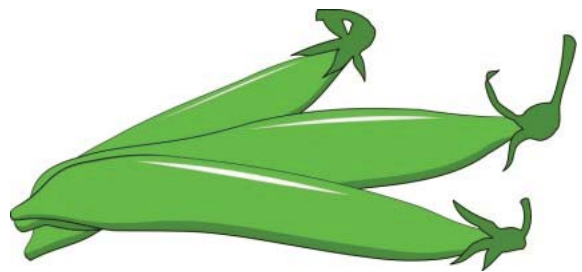
A summary of these survey results, including a full listing of all comments received, is available on the [OCP webpage](#).

Community Visioning Workshop Summaries

Four community visioning workshops were held in the Fall of 2015:

1. Glenora, November 3
2. Sahtlam, November 17
3. Cowichan Station, November 26
4. Eagle Heights/Koksilah Industrial Park, December 2

The community's vision and core values were identified through these workshops. Summaries can be found on the [OCP webpage](#).



OCP Official Community Plan	Zoning Bylaw
Policies	Implementation of policies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Community Vision✓ Goals✓ Objectives✓ Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Land Use✓ Density✓ Setbacks✓ Heights

Find Out More

The OCP background report, email notification list, surveys, notices of upcoming events, meeting summaries and other documents can be found on the OCP Website:-

www.cvrld.bc.ca/areaEocp

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