FERNIE SKATEPARK REDEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY DESIGN WORKSHOP



FERNIE
CITY OF FERNIE
BRITISH COLUMBIA

NEWLINE
SKATEPARKS
BUILDING SKATEBOARDING

TODAY'S WORKSHOP

- Welcome & Introductions
- Project Overview
- Skateparks 101
- Design Input
- Summary and Next Steps











WHAT IS THIS PROJECT ALL ABOUT?

The City of Fernie has approved an extensive redevelopment of the existing skatepark area. This will include creating a new highly integrated modern all-wheel skatepark and community meeting/gathering area (Community Hub)

The site will consist of the existing skatepark footprint and surrounding open area

The new all wheel park is intended to provide positive socializing and casual recreation opportunities for Fernie youth, families and visitors from across the world.


19th Ave

PROJECT PARAMETERS AND BASE GUIDING PRINCIPLES





Diverse, Integrated, Modern Skatepark Terrain

- *Inviting to all ages, skill levels and riding styles*
- *Opportunities to grow and progress*
- *Quality over quantity*

Formalized viewing and socializing areas, lighting

Improved access and connectivity to Downtown Core and surrounding recreation areas

Explore opportunities for inclusion of varied colours, textures, locally inspired art/sculptural themes

Site responsive design (challenging geotechnical) that respects upset project budget

SKATEPARK REDEVELOPMENT JOURNEY...

Phase 1: Community Consultation and Concept Design

- Intro / design workshop 1
- Preliminary concept presentation
- Final concept presentation

Phase 2: Detailed Design

- Refine concept
- Budget planning
- Working drawings

Phase 3: Construction

- Mobilize
- Build
- Certify

Phase 4: Ride the park

- Ollie
- Grind
- Enjoy







SKATEPARKS 101







WHAT IS SKATEBOARDING?

Dynamic wheeled activity with over 60 years of rich history

Legitimate competitive sport for amateur and professional athletes

Massive industry with solid a foundations

Exciting lifestyle that extends well beyond the activity itself

ESTABLISHED RECREATION ACTIVITIES

- *~9 million skateboarders in North America*
- *“Action Sports” (skateboarding, BMX biking, scooter riding and freestyle inline skating) have been one of the fastest growing areas of youth recreation over the last two decades*
- *City of Calgary conservatively estimated that there where 36,000 active skateboarders in the year 2010*







ALL WHEEL ACTIVITIES TODAY... AS SPORTS

There are a number of different groups locally & nationally organizing amateur skateboarding competitions

- ***Contests at a Local Level*** *(often organized by local retailers)*
- ***Regional Level Contests***
- ***National Level Contests***

World Cup Skateboarding has been sanctioning professional contests and setting judging standards for nearly two decades (ie. X games, Dew Tour, etc)

Skateboarding confirmed as a full medal sport for the 2020 Olympic Games (following the popularity of snowboarding in the winter games)

DID YOU KNOW...



Action Sports are lifelong activities!

- Participants are between the age of 3-70+
- Commonly we look at ages 5-24
- Largest # participants are youth (11 –19)

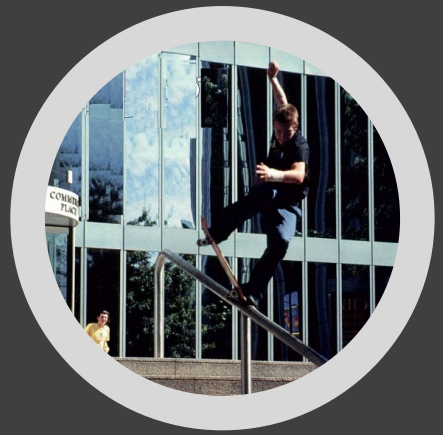
- **“Benefits of Recreation”**
  - There is a large population of youth trying to be active but often being pushed away

- **There are very few barriers to participation**
  - Very affordable
  - You don’t need to join a team
  - Can be done almost anytime & anywhere
  - Self progressing activity

- **Safer than many other recreational choices available to today’s youth**











WHEELED SPORTS IN THE COMMUNITY... OPPORTUNITIES

Existing skateparks

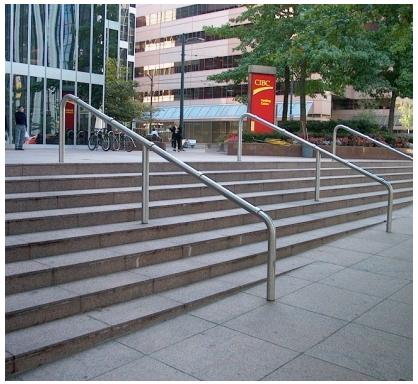
Skate spots (every city is a natural skatepark)

Parking lots, Plazas

Driveways, backyards & garages









WHEELED SPORTS IN THE COMMUNITY...
CHALLENGES

Local businesses are spending money to stop skateboarding & repair damages

Young people having confrontations with police and security

Safety of skaters and the general public

WHAT IS AN ALL WHEEL PARK?

- ***A legitimate place for people to recreate & socialize***

- ***A venue for competitive riders to practice & compete***

- ***A collection of great 'skate spots'*** *(often inspired by an area's existing urban landscape - Skaters will search long and hard for the perfect skate spot)*

- ***A venue for career riders to 'do their job'***







ALL WHEEL PARK OPTIONS...

All Wheel Parks are populated by very diverse user groups ...all with specific technical needs

Users prefer a wide variety of terrain

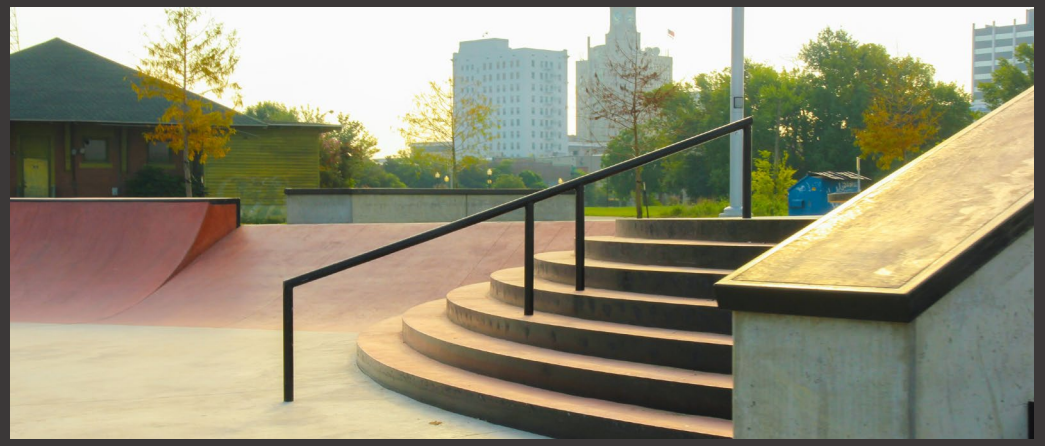
There are many different types & sizes of skateparks





SKATEPARK OPTIONS
TERRAIN TYPOLOGIES...

PLAZA / REAL STREET



OBSTACLE



BOWL



PUMP TRACK AND ORGANIC FLOW





Plaza at the Forks – Winnipeg, MB

DESTINATION PARK

Located in prime urban park land, integrated public art and skateable sculptural installations








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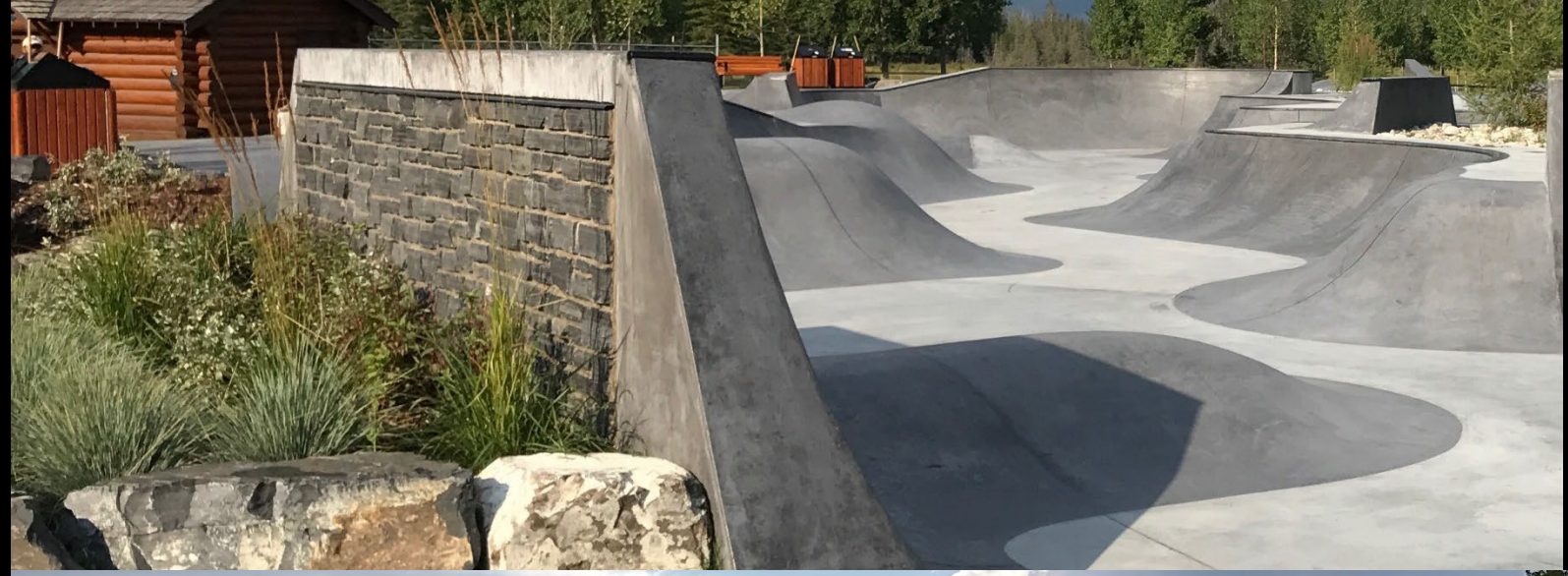

















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CJ Smith Skatepark and Pump Track – Newnan, GA

DESTINATION PARK

Located in prime community park land, integrated skate plaza and concrete pump track terrain















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One must work and dare
if one really wants to live.
- Vincent van Gogh





ACCESSIBLE


DEATHWISH
ROUTE
ACCESSIBLE


ELEMENT
SHOE CITY

ACTIVATED AND SUSTAINED


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