

McIntosh Run Active Trail - Feedback Form

As the communities surrounding the McIntosh Run Watershed grow and density is increased, there will be an increased need for active recreation trails that are ecologically sensitive. The Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) and McIntosh Run Watershed Association (MRWA) are working together to formalize access to the watershed along a 21 km recreation trail system between Spryfield and Herring Cove.

We invite you to complete the following feedback form which will help guide the trails development.

1. From the list below, indicate the *PRIMARY* activity that you do on singletrack trails like McIntosh Run (choose only one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking (<2h) | <input type="checkbox"/> Snowshoeing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Day Hiking | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Running | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Biking | |

2. From the list below, indicate other activities that you do on trails:

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking (<2h) | <input type="checkbox"/> Snowshoeing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Day Hiking | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Running | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Biking | |

3. From the list below, indicate why you use trails like McIntosh Run. Check all that apply:

- To be close to nature
- To exercise
- For adventure / challenge
- To do an activity with friends / family
- To experience solitude / relax
- Other: _____

4. From the list below, please select the type of trail you like BEST. Select one:

- ___ Wide trails without steep sections or challenging features
- ___ Narrow trails with some steep sections and challenging features
- ___ Narrow trails with many steep sections and very challenging features

5. After you use a trail, what type of business or service are you likely to visit nearby?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Grocery store |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor gear or bike store |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pub or restaurant | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fast food | |

6. Would you support the implementation of an annual trail pass (less than \$25) to use the trails? The funds would be used to maintain and enhance the trail system.

- Yes
 No

7. What do you want to see in future phases of the McIntosh Run project? (these should be rankings from -2 (strongly disagree) to 0 (neutral) to +2 (strongly agree))

- ___ a) Small parking lot at "Pumphouse Road" access on Purcell Cove near the Herring Cove Lookoff.
- ___ b) Mountain bike skills park near a trailhead
- ___ c) Additional loops near trailheads
- ___ d) More 'easy' trails
- ___ e) More 'intermediate' trails
- ___ f) More 'expert' trails
- ___ g) Similar trails to McIntosh Run in adjoining public lands, like Long Lake Provincial Park
- ___ f) Connectivity between McIntosh Run and nearby trails, such as in LLPP and Chain of Lakes (COLT).
- ___ g) Trailside benches
- ___ h) Interpretive signage (natural history, etc)
- ___ i) Pocket-size durable, waterproof maps
- ___ j) Competitive events held on trails, such as trail running and mountain biking races.
- ___ i) Guided hikes
- ___ j) Guided trail rides for kids/adults.

- ___ k) Other suggestions: _____

8. Please select your TOP 3 PRIORITIES for improvement of the trails.

- Repair erosion problems or reroute trails
- Repair muddy trail or reroute trails
- Remove rocks and roots from trails
- Plant vegetation along trails
- Control weeds next to the trails
- Install trailhead maps and trail intersection signs
- Add new trails
- Improve trail linkages / link trails together
- Close damaged trails for restoration and reroute trails
- Improve trail etiquette, highlight trail code of conduct
- Other: _____

9. The questions below ask about you. We use this information only to assist us in compiling the feedback results. Your answers to these questions will not identify you in any way. Remember, your answers will be kept confidential.

A. How old are you?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Under 18 yrs | <input type="checkbox"/> 45-54 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 18-24 | <input type="checkbox"/> 55-64 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 25-34 | <input type="checkbox"/> 65 or older |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 35-44 | |

B. What gender are you?

- Male
 Female

C. In which community do you reside?

10. Are you interested in joining a trail building / maintenance group for the McIntosh Run Active Trail?

- Yes - please provide the best way to contact you: _____
 No

11. Other Comments: