



Photo: Wild flower Meadow near Spruce Lake

COMMUNITY ASSET INVENTORY - AREA A

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Introduction

The purpose of the Community Asset Inventory is to provide a summary of the resources, assets and capacities available in Electoral Area A in order to provide a strong and positive foundation for future community economic development work. By identifying and locating assets and resources that already exist within Area A, we will be better able to find ways to use and build on these existing strengths.

The Community Asset Inventory for Area A was prepared in December 2012 by the Bridge River Economic Development Society with funding provided by the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District through a grant from the Northern Development Initiative Trust.

The data was obtained mainly through personal interviews and communication with the contact people provided in the inventory. Internet research was also a significant component in gathering the data.

The Community Asset Inventory is not intended to be static. Rather, it should be viewed as an evolving document that can be enhanced and updated as time goes on and as the area changes.

Area A has a small full-time population of 224 people. However, the recreational and part-time residents & visitors in Area A boost the area's population by double to triple at any given point.

Due to the small full-time population, amenities and facilities are limited in Area A. Most residents must travel outside Area A to receive full services and amenities. Hence, most buildings in the Bridge River Valley are multifunctional and are used for a variety of purposes.

Please visit websites, Facebook pages, and links provided for more detailed information, if needed on any data in the inventory. Please also refer to the Appendices for further detailed information, maps, and pictures when indicated in the report.

A few pictures have been placed throughout this report. Please refer to the websites listed in the Reference section where you will find many pictures of Area A on each of the sites.

Medical, Health and Wellness Services

Medical, Health and Wellness Services in Area A

Medical, Health and Wellness services in Area A are very limited. There are no medical facilities in Area A. Residents must go out of Area A for most medical, dental, health, and wellness services. A few services from Lillooet are provided in Gold Bridge on a once per month basis. There are two medical practitioners with the BC Ambulance Service. For more information on the services provided by the BC Ambulance Service please refer to Public Works on pages 9 & 10.

Doctor

Dr. Nancy Lynne Humber visits the Bridge River Valley occasionally. Currently, she is visiting and providing family physician services to Area A residents once a month. Dr. Humber sets up office at the Ambulance Station in Gold Bridge, BC. The Ambulance Station provides office space for Dr. Humber, as well as for the Public Health Nurse. The Ambulance Station is located at 40 Hurley Road, Gold Bridge, BC. Dr. Humber is regularly located at the Lillooet Medical Clinic in Lillooet, BC.

Contact Information:

Dr. Nancy Lynne Humber
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Lillooet, BC V0K 1V0

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Public Health Nurse

Interior Public Health provides a Public Health Nurse to Area A through their Lillooet Branch Office. The Public Health Nurse is in Gold Bridge one day per month and sets up office in the Ambulance Station, where residents can pre-make appointments by calling 1-866-847-4327. The Public Health Nurse also visits the Gold Bridge Community School on a regular basis and does home visits as needed by the community.

Interior Public Health provides immunization for all ages, prenatal support, school education, and home visits by the Public Health Nurse to the residents of Area A. Vision screening is offered once per year for the students at Gold Bridge Community School by Nadine Bennett from the Lillooet Branch Office. The current Public Health Nurse provided to Area A is Kim Davy.

Contact Information:

Interior Public Health – Lillooet Branch Office
951 Murray Street (Hospital Site), Bag 700
Lillooet, BC V0K 1V0

P: 250-256-1314 F: 250-256-1332

www.interiorhealth.ca

Educational Facilities

Gold Bridge Community School

The Gold Bridge Community School is the only educational facility in Area A available for residents. The school hosts students from kindergarten to grade 7. After grade 7 students can choose to take distance learning/distributed learning until grade 10. After grade 10, students seek out schooling outside of Area A, often in Lillooet or Pemberton. The facility is also used for a parent-run preschool for ages 0 to 5 years two days per week.

Student enrolment over the past five years has been between 3 and 12 students. Currently there are 4 students enrolled at the Gold Bridge Community School. Predictions for the 2012 -2013 year are between 4 and 5 students.

The Gold Bridge Community School resides in School District 74 (Gold Trail) operating with an off-site principal, Jacquie Ledoux, and onsite head teacher, Jacquie Lanthier. The school has one large room with in school library use for classroom. There is a full kitchen with a staff desk and three bathrooms provided for staff and students. A secondary room in the back is used for storage and the parent-run preschool.



Exterior of Gold Bridge Community School

Outside of the building there is an uneven paved parking lot with picnic tables. There is a playground with two swings, tether ball, a cement slab for sidewalk chalk and hop scotch, monkey bars, and a jungle gym with slides. There is also a small field for student use. The field is in need of maintenance, as currently there are young trees poking up through the field and when it is not covered in snow, the field is full of weeds. The students still use the field and the head teacher ropes off the parts of the field that are over run with trees in the spring and summer. There is minimal impact on the activities of the students. If the field was maintained properly, then it would be used more by the residents of Area A for events and games.

According to the Action Plan for Learning 2011-2012 for the Gold Bridge Community School, student programs are delivered through distributed learning, home study, and class instruction. The students have access to many services, such as the Public Health Nurse that visits once a month. For more information on the Action Plan please refer to **Appendix A**. As well, there is Parent Advisory Committee that is very active and the students enjoy a lot of parental engagement as part of their learning plan. For more information on the Parent Advisory Committee, please refer to Community Organizations on page 34.

Contact Information:

Gold Bridge Community School
89 Haylmore Avenue
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P/F: 250-238-2255

Principle: Jacquie Ledoux

jledoux@gw.sd74.bc.ca

Head Teacher: Jacquie Lanthier

jlanthier@gw.sd74.bc.ca

<http://oldmoodle.sd74.bc.ca/gbc>

Contact Information:

Gold Trail School District 74
400 Hollis Road, PO Bag 250
Ashcroft, BC V0K 1A0

P: 250-453-9101

www.sd74.bc.ca

Spiritual & Religious Organizations & Facilities

Note

There are no active spiritual and religious organizations, facilities, or institutes in Area A. However, there is a restored church that is considered more of a historical building/facility. For more information, please refer to Historical and Cultural Facilities and Landmarks on page 26.

Public Works & Services

Public Works & Services provided by the Squamish – Lillooet Regional District (SLRD)

The SLRD provides these public works & services to some areas of Area A: Lighting, Sewer, Water, and Waste Management & Recycling. The SLRD also funds fire protection societies in Bralorne and Gun Lake.

Contact Information:

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District
Box 219, 1350 Aster Street
Pemberton, BC V0N 2L0
Ph: 604.894.6371
Toll free: 1.800.298.7753
Fax: 604.894.6526
www.slrd.bc.ca

Contact Person: Janis Netzel, Director of Utilities
Email: jnetzel@slrd.bc.ca

- **Lighting**

The SLRD provides street lighting in both Bralorne and Gold Bridge. Residents pay for hydro, but not for the lighting infrastructure, which is owned by BC Hydro.

- **Sewer**

The SLRD provides two separate sewer systems to Bralorne Townsites 1 & 2's residents. Each system drains into its own septic tank and is discharged into Cadwallader Creek. The Bralorne Gold Mine has its own septic systems.

- **Water**

The SLRD provides services to residents living in Bralorne Townsites 1 & 2, as well as the Mineshaft Pub, the motels, the Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department, the Bralorne Pioneer Museum, and the Bralorne Gold Mine. The water system is a ground water system and is not chlorinated.

The water system in Gold Bridge is also a ground water system, which is chlorinated per Interior Health requirements. Water services are provided to the residents of Gold Bridge, the two hotels, Community Resource Building, works yard, Gold Bridge Community Complex, Gold Bridge Community School, and the general store.

- **Waste Management & Recycling**

Gold Bridge Transfer Station

The Gold Bridge transfer station is open to residents of Area A for residential garbage and recycling. The transfer station is located on Saddle Road, in between Gold Bridge

and Gun Lake. There is also a free store at the transfer station for residents to pick up items and leave items.

Tipping Fees can be found at the link below:

<http://slrd.iwebz.com/siteengine/activepage.asp?PageID=68>

Hours of Operation:

Winter Hours – Sunday & Thursday 10 am – 4 pm
(Labour Day to the May Long Weekend)

Summer Hours – Sunday, Monday, & Thursday 10 am – 4 pm
(May Long Weekend to Labour Day)

- **Fire Protection**

Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department

The Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department is funded by the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District and is operated under the Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department Society. Its jurisdiction is both town sites of Bralorne and the immediate surrounding area. The fire department relies on fire hydrants in town and an interface assist. There is one fire engine with a crew of 15 volunteers on call in case of a fire. For more information on the Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department Society, please refer to Community organizations on page 31. For a property map of the Fire Department, please see **Appendix B** (it is flagged in yellow).

Contact Information:

3155 Pioneer Hwy Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0
P: 250-238-2424

Contact Person:

Nigel Hopp Fire Chief
P: 250-238-0170
Email: nigelhopp@yahoo.ca

Gun Lake Fire Protection Society

The Gun Lake Fire Protection Society (GLFPS) was founded in 1999 and it commits to educate, train and support the Area A community in fire prevention. For more information on the society, please refer to Community Organizations on page 34.

The GLFPS helps to protect properties on Gun Lake and the Little Gun Lake area; however, training will be provided for all of Area A residents.

IN CASE OF A FIRE:

The society makes sure to contact the Fire Service and let them know they are attending a fire and all possible information. The GLFPS are basically the first responders to fires. The society is not insured to fight structural fires; rather they are there to stop the fire from growing or spreading to other buildings. If the fire is large, then the Ministry of Forests will be out to work on it with whatever is required i.e. aircraft, manpower and equipment. The society would be working under their supervision if requested. The society has started a training program and putting together a two-year Training plan for all residents of Area A in to perform these procedures in case of a fire.

Contact Information:

22 Lakeview Road, Gun Lake BC
General Delivery,
Gold Bridge BC V0K 1P0

Email: gunlakefire@mintocomm.ca

Web: [Facebook Page](#)

Contact Person:

Sal DeMare

Saldemare27@gmail.com

P: 250-238-2248

Public Works & Services provided by the RCMP

Law Enforcement & Search and Rescue

The RCMP from the Southeast District Lillooet Detachment provides both law enforcement services and search and rescue services to the residents of Area A. The detachment does not provide a routine presence of police in the Bridge River Valley. However, they do make scheduled patrols to the area. These patrols use police cruisers, quads, and the RCMP Air Section helicopter. Wildlife enforcement is conducted in Area A in late summer and fall by both RCMP and conservation officers. Bralorne and Gold Bridge were a part of the detachment's Marijuana eradication plan for 2012.

The Lillooet Detachment organizes search and rescue missions in Area A. The RCMP deploys and asks for assistance in emergency situations based on location resources and the quickest deployment of the resources. Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa provides assistance to the RCMP by using their helicopter for search and rescue incidents. Also, Federal Fisheries have assisted in search and rescue efforts in Area A. The Lillooet RCMP also uses Lillooet Rescue for specific rope and steep embankment incidents. PEP and Pemberton Search and Rescue are often called in emergency situations in Area A. For more information on the Southeast District Lillooet Detachment and the services provided to Area A, please refer to **Appendix C**.

Contact Information:

Box 710, 317 Main St
Lillooet BC V0K 1V0

Southeast District Lillooet Detachment

Office: 250-256-4244

F: 250-256-4302

Contact Person:

Darrell Robinson, Staff Sergeant

Email: Darrell.robinson@rcmp-grc.bc.ca

Other Public Works & Services in Area A

BC Ambulance Service

BC Ambulance Service provides 911 emergency services to the residents of Area A. There is one ambulance station located in Gold Bridge at the Gold Bridge Community Complex, which is owned by the SLRD. The station consists of one fully equipped ambulance, a staff office room

and a washroom. The ambulance station is not for public use, however, both Dr. Humber and the Public Health Nurse set up their office in the ambulance station when in Gold Bridge.

Area A receives 90% full time on call coverage of 911 services, with all the paramedics and drivers being on call, as the station is not a full time station. There are two paramedics and four drivers on call when the services are needed.

Contact Information:

40 Hurley Road
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People:

EMR Paramedic: Bobbi Baker 250-238-0183; baker-boo@hotmail.com
Unit Chief: Jane Christy – Lillooet 250-256-7636
Regional Administration Office 250 828 5855

Gold Bridge Post Office

The Gold Bridge Post Office is a full-service post office, including general delivery pickup for residents of Area A. The post office is located in the Gold Bridge Community Complex in Gold Bridge. Residents of Bralorne have the option to have a Post Office Box in Bralorne beside the Bralorne Community Club or have general delivery as well. The post office drops off the mail for Bralorne residents who choose to have a PO Box, as well as picking up the mail from the drop off box beside the Bralorne Community Club.

There are specific instructions for the residents of Area A in terms of their general delivery system:

“Outgoing mail needs to be in by noon on Mondays & Thursdays; Mail arrives & leaves on Mondays & Thursdays; Mail is ready for pick up after 1:30 pm on Mondays & Thursdays depending on mail volume.”

Hours of Operation:

Closed: Lunch 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
everyday, Wednesdays, & Weekends

Open: Monday 9:00 am-5:00 pm,
Tuesday 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Thursday
9:00 am -5:00 pm, & Friday 9:00
am -3:00 pm

Contact Information:

40 Hurley Road
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P: 250-238-2628

Toll Free: 1-800-267-1177



Exterior of the Gold Bridge Community Complex;
Entrance for post office & Library

Gold Bridge Library

The Gold Bridge Library is part of the Lillooet Area Library Association, which operates libraries in Bridge River, Lillooet, and Gold Bridge. The Squamish-Lillooet Regional District and the Province of British Columbia Ministry of Education fund the library. The library is located in Gold Bridge at the Gold Bridge Community Complex. Services available to residents include a variety of materials for loan, such as books and movies, wireless high-speed Internet (mainly used for research) and lifelong learning programs and events.

Hours of Operation: Mon: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Thu: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Sat: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Contact Information:

40 Hurley Road
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P: 250-238-2521

Branch Librarian: Jean Shaw

Email: jean@lillooetlibrary.bc.ca

<http://lillooet.bclibrary.ca/>

Hydro

BC Hydro provides hydroelectricity to the residents of Area A, as well as operating a recreation area, Gun Creek Campground, on Carpenter Lake. For more information about the recreation area please see Recreational Facilities on page 17.

BC Hydro has two dams in Area A: Lajoie Dam on Downton Lake and Terzaghi on Carpenter Lake. These dams are a part of the Bridge River hydroelectric complex (system), which includes the Lillooet Dam on Seton Lake. There are four powerhouses and ten generating units (in both Area A & Area B) in the system.

45-50 employees are needed to maintain the system. There are also local employees in other departments of the system that are not accounted for in the number of employees. For more information on the Bridge River Hydroelectric complex please refer to this link:

http://www.bchydro.com/community/recreation_areas/bridge_river.html

Contact Information:

333 Dunsmuir St, 15th Floor
Vancouver, BC V6B 5R3

Contact Person:

Donna McGeachie, Manager, Community Relations Lower Mainland, South Coast Region

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C: 604-250-1079

Email: donna.mcgeachie@bchydro.com

www.bchydro.com

Roads

Public Roads

Public roads in Area A are serviced by Interior Roads. They provide road and bridge maintenance services in Area A. The only exception is for the Hurley Wilderness Forest Service Road;

responsibility from the 11km point on the Hurley to the turnoff to Bralorne (Hurley River Road) falls under Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI).

The roads in Area A are all a mix of gravel, dirt, and paved surfaces. There is signage on public roads, bridges, and creeks.

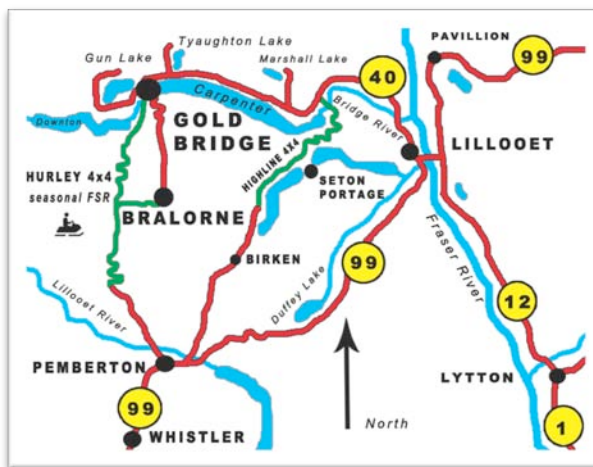
Access

The Bridge River Valley is accessible from two roads, Road 40 and the Hurley Wilderness Forest Service Road (Hurley WFSR). For a map of the access roads please see the picture below.

Road 40 can be accessed via Lillooet by turning left at Moha Road and following Road 40 signs (Carpenter Lake Road) to Gold Bridge. Road 40 is also accessed from the Highline 4 x4 road through Seton Portage.

Road 40 is maintained year-round and is a mix of gravel and paved surfaces. Caution is to be used on this road at all times; watch for falling rocks and wildlife.

The Hurley WFSR can be accessed via Pemberton by heading north on Birch Avenue, which becomes Pemberton Meadows Road. Follow the sign that directs to Gold Bridge after 23 km on Pemberton Meadows Road. Cross a bridge and a sign will say "Hurley River & Gold Bridge", take this road. The Hurley WFSR junctions off with one road directing to Bralorne (Hurley River Road) and one road directing to Gold Bridge.



Map of Access Roads into Area A

The Hurley WFSR is only accessible during the summer and is considered a 4 x 4 road. Do not attempt to drive this route before reading the current driving conditions and be prepared for emergencies. For more information on the Hurley WFSR please visit www.isurvivedthehurley.com as this site updates road conditions on a regular basis.

The Bridge River Valley can also be accessed by floatplane and helicopter, as well as snowmobiles in winter months.

Emergency Routes

Road 40 is the only emergency route for automobiles in and out of Area A.

Contact Information:

Interior Roads – Gold Bridge – Area 16

Bralorne Avenue
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P: 250-238-2440
Toll Free: 1-800-842-4122
F: 250-238-2251
www.interiorroads.com

Civic & Community Centers

Bralorne Community Club

The Bralorne Community Club was the old gymnasium for students in the Bralorne High School before it closed down in the 1980s. Today it is used as a multifunctional hall for summer activities, such as weddings, recreational, and community events (plays and floor hockey). There are no set open hours, as the club is opened as per public request. The Bralorne Community Club is an old building that is in reasonable condition and useable in the summer, but currently has no heat for winter. Inside the 7620 square foot building features a large hall/gymnasium, an inset stage, wooden bleachers, and a functional kitchen. The square footage of the entire building is 7620 square feet. The Bralorne Community Advisory Committee from the Bridge River Valley Economic Development Society manages the club. Currently the committee is developing a management plan for the club, including rental fees and other management related issues. Refer to **Appendix D** for the Townsite 1 Map of Bralorne; the flagged property is the Bralorne Community Club.

Contact Information:

3546 Pioneer Rd.
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C/of Bralorne Community Advisory
Committee
BRVEDS
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC
V0K 1P0

Contact Person:

Bruce Vernon, sub – chair, hall
Rbv127@telus.net
P: 250-238-0146



Outside of Bralorne Community Club

Community Resource Building

The Community Resource Building (CRB) is home to the Bridge River Valley Economic Development Society (BRVEDS), the Gold Bridge Tourist Information Booth, and Minto Communications Society. The CRB property is leased through School District 74 free of charge to BRVEDS. Historically, the building was the schoolteacher's house until it repurposed to become the Community Resource Building. It includes an office area, meeting room, computer room, bathroom, kitchen, and information room. The basement is used for storage.

The Gold Bridge Tourist Information Booth is run by BRVEDS. Minto Communications and BRVEDS have a partnership where Minto's services are run by a BRVEDS staff member for exchange of free Internet services for BRVEDS.

The services provided by BRVEDS for the residents of Area A and tourists include:

- Business services;
- Letter and proposal writing;
- Creation of newsletters, business cards, brochures, flyers, posters, and advertisement designs;
- Resume and cover letter writing;

- Scanning, uploading images, CD/DVD burning;
- Printing and internet research;
- Computer and internet training;
- Copying, printing, faxing;
- Computer and internet use;
- Phone use

There are also several items for sale at BRVEDS including: stationary supplies, maps such as the Bridge River Valley Trail & Southern Chilcotin Trails Maps, postcards, photo cards, and a community directory.

The Tourist Information Booth provides visitor information about the Bridge River Valley, including free maps, brochures, flyers, driving directions, community directory, trail information and maps. A BRVEDS staff member is present to make sure all questions and inquiries are answered.

Minto Communications Society, via a BRVEDS staff member assists customers with bill paying, picking up and returning equipment, consultation, inquiries, and service calls.

Hours of Operation:

Winter: Thursday 10 am – 4 pm

Spring & Fall: Monday & Thursday 10 am – 4 pm

Summer: 6 days per week 10 am – 4 pm

Contact Information:

104 Haylmore Ave.

General Delivery

Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P/F: 250-238-2534

Email: bridgerivervalley@gmail.com

www.bridgerivervalley.ca



Community Resource Building

Gold Bridge Community Complex

The Gold Bridge Community Complex is located in Gold Bridge and is owned by the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District, which rents space to the Gold Bridge Library, the Gold Bridge Post Office, and the BC Ambulance Service. For more information on the jurisdiction of the individual services within the building please refer to Public Works pages 6-11. The size of the building is 2,672 square feet (1,836 per floor). The building was constructed in 1991.

Contact Information:

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District

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Toll free: 1.800.298.7753

Fax: 604.894.6526

www.slrd.bc.ca

Contact Person:

Janis Netzel, Director of Utilities

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Gold Bridge Community Club

The Gold Bridge Community Club (GBCC) is located on West Gun Lake Road in between Gold Bridge and Gun Lake. The GBCC is owned by the Gold Bridge Community Club Society, which looks after the club building and the golf course. For more information on the society please refer to Community Organizations on page 34.

The GBCC building includes a hall, which is used for weddings, Easter, Halloween, and Christmas events for families, bake sales, and other community events. The building also has a gym/workout room, full kitchen and bathrooms. The gym has no set hours of operation and is available 24 hours to gym members. Gym memberships are 1 year at \$100, monthly at \$10 and drops in are \$2.

The GBCC also has a golf course outside its front doors. The Bridge River Valley Community Golf Course has 9 holes and is operated by the GBCC Society. A membership for the golf course is \$50.00 per year for a single person and \$100.00 per year for a family. The society uses an honor box system for non-members.

Contact Information:

West Gun Lake Road

General Delivery

Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Membership Information contact Lynda Hoffman 250-238-2393

Hall rental contact Shirley Edwards 250-238-2458.



Gold Bridge Community Club

Recreational Facilities

Camping

Recreation Sites

The recreation sites listed are those located in Area A. For more information and pictures of all the sites please see www.sitesandtrailsbc.ca. Unless otherwise indicated, the BC Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations maintains all sites to standard.

- **Carol Lake**

Carol Lake recreation site is located on the Marshall Lake Road about 2.3 km from the turn off on Road 40. There are 8 campsites available, which can be accessed by motorhome. Facilities include a boat launch, tables, toilets, and wharfs. Activities include: canoeing, fishing and nature study.

Driving Directions: Located north of Carpenter Lake, access is via Highway 40 from Lillooet. Travel 72 km from Lillooet until you see the Marshall Lake Road on the right hand side. Proceed up the Marshall Lake Road about 2.3 km. Turn right and proceed 1 km to the site.

- **Carpenter Lake Boat Launch**

The Carpenter Lake Boat Launch site is located off of Road 40 and is a good resting spot, however, camping is not the main use of this site. There are 2 parking spots with one pit toilet. The boat launch is used by BC hydro for maintenance of the dam and is not for public use. Activities for this site include picnicking and vehicle accessible camping with tables.

Driving Directions: From Lillooet, travel north on the west side of the Fraser River. Travel along the Bridge River Road until reaching the intersection between the Yalakom River Forest Service Road and the Carpenter Lake Road. Staying straight ahead will lead you onto the Carpenter Lake Road. Travel along Carpenter Lake Road until reaching the Mission Dam. Turn left onto Shalath Road and cross over the dam. There is a short tunnel located at the end of the lake that passes through the hillside onto the south shore of Carpenter Lake. Travel a short distance further and you will find the small roadside recreation site on the left-hand side of the road.

- **Friburg**

The Friburg site is located on the west side of Tyaughton Lake. There are 5 campsites available with picnic tables are motor home accessible. The site also has outhouses available. Activities at this recreation site include boating, fishing, horseback riding, snowmobiling, swimming, and mountain biking.

Driving Directions: The Friburg Recreation site is located on the western shore of Tyaughton Lake. From Gold Bridge proceed east along Highway 40 for about 15 minutes. You will pass the Gun Lake Recreation Site (run by BC Hydro). About 5 minutes past this site you will come to an intersection. This is called the Tyax Junction, and there are many signs promoting businesses etc in the area. Turn left onto this road (Tyaughton Lake Road). After approximately 2 km, you will pass the Mowson Pond recreation site. Continue on for approximately a 6 km. Watch for the Friburg Recreation Site sign on your right. A short access road

will take you to the main camping areas. You will end up at Tyax Lodge if you miss the turn-off to the campsite.

- **Gun Creek Hydro Site – BC Hydro Campground**

The Gun Creek campground is located near Gun Creek off of Road 40, 8 km from Gold Bridge. The site is open all year but is only maintained from May to October by BC Hydro. There are 16 campsites accessible by vehicles and motorhomes. The site includes tables and pit toilets. Camping activities can be partaken at this site and when the Carpenter Reservoir levels are low, visitors can view the remains of the flooded town of Minto. Firewood is available for a small fee.

Driving Directions: Located north of Gold Bridge, access is via Carpenter Lake Road.

- **Gun Lake South**

The Gun Lake recreation site is located on Gun Lake Road West, about half way down the lake. Facilities include 7 campsites, tables, and pit toilets. It is accessible by motorhome and vehicles. Activities include: fishing, swimming, nature study, mountain biking, and hiking.

Driving Directions: Access is via Gun Lake Road and then Gun Lake Road West.

- **Kingdom Lake**

The Kingdom Lake recreation site is located near Bralorne and is accessible by four-wheel drive vehicles only. There are 14 campsites with tables available and 2 outhouses. There are several lakes in the area with trails in between the lakes for hiking or mountain biking. Activities include: boating, camping, canoeing, fishing, hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, picnicking, snowmobiling, swimming, and motorized trail bike riding. This site is user maintained.

Driving Directions: Accessible from Gold Bridge (to get to Gold Bridge use road 40 or the Hurley Wilderness Forest Service Road.) From Gold Bridge, follow the signs to Bralorne (11 km). Approximately half way, you will see signs for Kingdom Lake on the upper bank. Turn left up a short road.

- **Marshall Creek**

The Marshall Creek recreation site is located north of Carpenter Lake on the south end of Marshall Lake near the outflow of Marshall Creek. There are 3 campsites at this location with a boat launch, tables, and pit toilets. Accessible by 2 wheel drive vehicles. Activities include: boating, camping, fishing, and nature study. This site is recommended for tenting only.

Driving Directions: Located north of Carpenter Lake. Proceed 72 kilometers west from Lillooet along Highway 40. Turn right at km 72 and go up the Marshall Lake Road until km 83. Turn left and go 1.4 km, then turn left on the Marshall Lake Road South. Follow this for a few hundred feet then turn right and it is 0.1 km to the site.

- **Marshall Lake North**

Marshall Lake North recreation site is located on the north side of Marshall Lake off of Road 40. There are 6 campsites with a boat launch, tables, and pit toilets.

This site is accessible by 2 wheel drive vehicles. The site is popular for fishing, boating, camping, hunting, and swimming.

Driving Directions: Located north of Carpenter Lake. Proceed 72 km west along Highway 40 until you see the Marshal Lake Road North and turn right. Follow this road until km 89 (the road changes its name to the Mud creek main at 83 km). Turn a sharp left and follow this road for 1.0 km until you see the site, which has 5 tables. However, just before this site at about 0.75 km from the main road you can turn left and goes for a minute or so to get to the site with only 2 tables.

- **Mowson Pond**

The Mowson Pond recreation site is located off of Tyaughton Lake Road. There are 6 campsites, tables, pit toilets, and a boat launch. The site is accessible by vehicles and by motorhomes. The site is popular for fishing, canoeing, boating, horseback riding, mountain biking, and snowmobiling.

Driving Directions: Located north of Gold Bridge, access is via Carpenter Lake Road and then Tyaughton Lake Road.

- **Mud Lake North**

Mud Lake North is a four wheel drive accessible recreation site found off of the Mud Creek Forest Service Road off of Tyaughton Lake Road. There are 5 campsites including a boat launch, tables, and pit toilets. The site is mainly used for motorized trail biking trail purposes, four-wheel drive enthusiasts, and fishing.

Driving Directions: Access is via Tyaughton Lake Road and then Mud Creek Forest Service Road. The road is rough and narrow in places, and not recommended for 2-wheel drive vehicles.

- **Mud Lakes South**

The Mud Lakes South recreation site is accessible through the Mud Creek Forest Service Road for four-wheel drive vehicles only. There are two campsites with a boat launch, tables, and pit toilets. The site is popular for its motorized trail uses and hunting.

Driving Directions: Access is via Tyaughton Lake Road and then Mud Creek Forest Service Road. The road is rough in places. Not recommended for 2 wheel drive vehicles.

- **Tyaughton Creek**

The Tyaughton Creek recreation site is accessible off of Tyaughton Lake Road and then Mud Creek Forest Service Road. There are 4 campsites with tables and toilets. This site is accessible for 2 wheel drive vehicles. Activities include: camping, fishing, hunting, mountain biking, hiking, and horseback riding.

Driving Directions: Access is via Tyaughton Lake Road and then Mud Creek Forest Service Road.

Campgrounds (Fee)

- **Bridge River Retreat**

Camp along side the Bridge River at the base of Mt. Zola and enjoy amazing views of Mt. Truax. ATV or snowmobile right to the front door of one of the cozy cabins available. Or, park at one of the serviced R.V. lots or set up a tent at one

of many great campsites. Parties and large groups are welcome. We offer hot showers to all of our customers. Come for a night or stay for a month. We are pet friendly.

Rates:

\$50.00 per night per cabin

\$10.00 per night per RV

\$5.00 per night per person for tents

Contact information:

Contact People: Kara Sockett & Tyler

P: 250-238-2652

Email: bridgeriver.retreat@hotmail.com

- **Camping @ Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa**

Adjacent to Tyax lodge is a private lakeside campground with seventeen sites complete with water, electricity, outhouses & showers, free firewood, and a sandy beach.

Contact Information:

#1 Tyaughton Lake Road

General Delivery

Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P: 250-238-2221

F: 250-238-2528

Toll Free: 1-877-918-TYAX (8929)

Email: info@tyax.com

Web: [Facebook Page](#); http://www.tyax.com/lakeside_campground.php

Parks

Bridge River Delta Park

- The Bridge River Delta Park is a 992-hectare Class A provincial park located along the Bridge River and the Downton Reservoir. Please see **Appendix E-1** for a map of the park.
- There are no amenities or facilities in this park as it is mainly intended for the protection of Grizzly Bears and their habitat.
- The management intent for this park is to remain a natural habitat for wildlife.
- Activities include: fishing, hunting, and hiking, however this is backcountry area, preferably used by experienced parties only.
- For more information on the Bridge River Delta Park refer to this link: http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/bridge_rv/index.html

Gwyneth Lake Provincial Park

- Gwyneth Lake Provincial Park is a 132-hectare Class A provincial park. The park is accessed from the Hurley Wilderness Forest Service Road. Please see **Appendix E-2** for a map of the park.
- A campground is located on Gwyneth Lake with 6 campsites and a pit toilet; this is more like a forest service type campground.

- The management intent for this park is maintaining its rustic condition while increasing recreation usage.
- Activities include: fishing, hunting, and canoeing.
- For more information on the Gwyneth Lake Provincial Park refer to this link: <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/gwyneth/index.html>

South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park

- The South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park is a visually spectacular 56,796 hectare park featuring mid elevation grasslands, sub alpine and alpine meadows, alpine lakes and mountain peaks. The park can be accessed at the Jewel Bridge trailhead, and through various logging and mining 4 x 4 roads. The park can also be accessed by floatplane or helicopter. The park prohibits off-road vehicle use. Please see **Appendix E-3** for a map of the park.
- There are approximately 6 designated walk-in backcountry wilderness campsites in the Park. The sites are at the North and South ends of Spruce Lake, Gun Creek Grassland, Hummingbird Lake, Trigger Lake, and Jewel Bridge. There are only facilities available at the Spruce Lake sites and at Jewel Bridge.
- Activities include: mountain biking, hiking, horseback riding, fishing, hunting, swimming, wildlife viewing, camping, and ski touring.
- **Location & Access Information:** This Park lies approximately 150 km north of Whistler and 95 km west of Lillooet. Access from Pemberton is via the Hurley Forest Service Road to Gold Bridge (this road climbs steeply to 1,850 meters and can be very rough) or from Lillooet along Carpenter Lake on Hwy 40.

To access the Jewel Bridge trailhead, take the Slim Creek FSR (about 7 km east of Gold Bridge on Hwy 40). The road heads generally north for approximately 12km to the start of the Gun Creek/Spruce Lake Trail at Jewel Creek. Alternatively, visitors can drive to Gun Lake and access this logging road at the east end of the lake. The park may also be accessed by the southeast and east sides via logging and mining roads. Many of these roads require a four-wheel drive vehicle.

- For more information on the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park refer to this link: http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/south_chilcotin_mts/
- For trail maps of the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park please refer to the "Trail Networks" section.



Panoramic of Bridge River Valley

Trail Networks

Trails in the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park

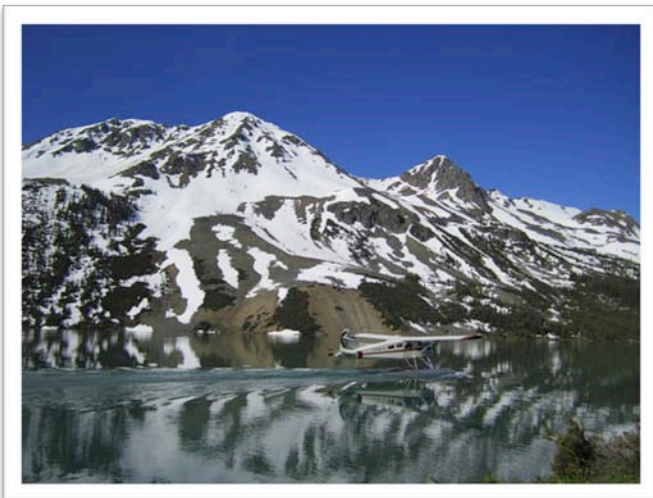
There are over 200 km of trails in the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park. The trails are mainly used for hiking, mountain biking, and horseback riding. Motorized vehicles are prohibited in certain areas of the Park. In the winter, ski touring, heli-skiing and snowmobiling take place. Many of the trails are well established, however, in some areas the trails may be difficult to see and there are un-bridged creek crossings. Commercial operators generally clear the trails of deadfall, but visitors may encounter deadfall from time to time. The trails in the park are far away from help, therefore visitors must be prepared with a first aid kit and should be aware that weather conditions can change quickly.

The multi-use trails have some general guidelines that should be followed: bikers yield to hikers & horses, hikers yield to horses and move off the trail downhill while horses pass, please stay on the designated trails, make noise to warn others, watch and respect wildlife, leave no trace, and please pack out what you pack in.

The main trails in the park are: Gun Creek Trail, Warner Pass Trail, Spruce Lake Main, High Trail, Tyaughton Creek Trail. There are many more trails; they are noted here per area within the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park:

- Gun Creek – Warner Lake Area: Gun Creek Trail, Warner Pass Trail, Lower Grasslands Trail, Wolverine Trail, and Leckie Creek Trail.
- Spruce Lake Area: Spruce Lake Main, Upper Grassland Trail, Gun Meadows Trail, Greasy Hill Trail, Open Heart Trail, Spruce Creek Trail, Viewpoint Trail, and WD Trail.
- Eldorado Valley Area: North Cinnabar Trail, B & F Creek Trail, High Trail, High Trail South Branch, and Camel Pass Trail.
- Tyaughton Creek – Relay Creek Area: Deer Pass Trail, Purty Fair trail, Tyax Pass Trail, Relay Creek Trail, Lizard Creek Trail, Manson Creek Trail, Little Graveyard Trail, Lorna Pass Trail, Relay Col Trail, Little Paradise Trail, Castle Pass Trail, and Tyaughton Creek Trail.

The main trails are accessed through the trailhead locations that can be accessed by vehicle. The trailhead for Gun Creek Trail is at Jewel Creek Trailhead, which is accessed via Slim Creek Forest Service Road. Further up the road is the trailhead for the Slim Creek Trail. For more detailed trailhead access information for the other main trails please refer to this link: <http://trailventuresbc.com/map-areas/south-chilcotin/access-info>.



For more specific information regarding the trails (distances, comments, and descriptions of main trails) in the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park, please refer to **Appendix F**. For maps of the trails, please refer to **Appendix G 1-3** and please refer to the South Chilcotin Mountains Trail Map – GPS Based Second Edition (available at BRVEDS).

Warner Lake

Trails of Area A (outside of South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park)

There are many more trails in the Bridge River Valley outside of the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park. Many of the trails originated from First Nations people and were extended in use by those from the gold rush and by outfitters later on. Local residents and commercial operators have created new trails for activities such as mountain biking, hiking, and dirt biking.

The former Bridge River Valley Trails Society encapsulated the trails in an inventory with detailed information on trails in the Gun Lake, Bralorne, and Tyax area. They have also GPS'ed several of the trails and created maps for them. Please refer to **Appendix H** for the trail inventory with all the trails and their descriptions, allowed user groups, and signage. Please refer to <http://bridgerivertrails.wordpress.com/the-trails/trail-maps/> for trail maps completed by the society.

Recreation Activities & Terrain

Summer Activities:

Note: These activities listed below anyone can adventure out on one's own or they can book with one of the many Wilderness Adventure companies and outfitters in the Bridge River Valley. For information on the wilderness adventure companies please refer to Local Businesses on pages 49 & 50-53. See above for the information on the trail networks in Area A.

- **Mountain Biking:** The numerous trails in the Bridge River Valley offer unlimited mountain biking experiences. The network of trails offers world-class single-track trails in high alpine areas with spectacular scenery. Popular areas for mountain biking include the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park, Bralorne, Gun Lake, and Tyaughton Lake areas. Another popular way to mountain bike is to be dropped off in the South Chilcotin Mountains by a floatplane/helicopter and bike out to the trailheads.
- **Horseback Riding:** There are many trails available for horseback riding adventures in the Bridge River Valley. Book a tour with one of the local outfitters or bring your own horse and ride. The most popular area for horseback riding is in the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park.
- **Hiking & Mountaineering:** The numerous mountains and valleys provide endless hiking trails. Popular hiking trails are located in Taylor Basin and Spruce Lake and some popular mountains to climb are Mt Truax, Mt Fergusson, and Green Mountain. Another popular way to hike is to be dropped off in the South Chilcotin Mountains by a floatplane and hike back to the trailheads.
- **4x4 Roads & Trails:** A popular activity in the Bridge River Valley is dirt biking, atving, and 4x4 driving on roads and trails. Popular areas for these activities are the Mud Lakes and Tyaughton Lake. Please note that motorized vehicles are not allowed on all trails.
- **Fishing:** The many lakes and streams in Area A provide great fishing opportunities. Popular places to fish in the Bridge River Valley include Pearson Pond, Mowson Pond, Kingdom Lakes, Little Gun Lake, and the Bridge River to name a few.

- **Lake Activities:** Swimming, canoeing, kayaking, boating, water, wake & board skiing, tubing, sailing, and windsurfing can be done on any of the numerous lakes in the Bridge River Valley.



Mt Sloan Climb



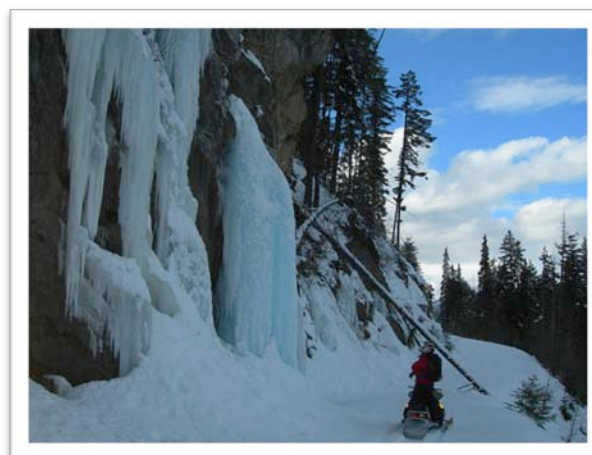
Mt Truax Summit

Winter Activities

- **Snowmobiling:** Backcountry snowmobiling is popular in the Bridge River Valley. There are three main areas associated with snowmobiling in Area A: Bralorne, Slim Creek, and Taylor Basin. Many snowmobile trails are easily accessed through Bralorne, such as The East Hurley, Noel Valley, and Kingdom Lake FSR. Slim creek is the biggest area for sledding. Taylor Basin can be accessed through Tyaughton Lake. For more information on snowmobiling in the Bridge River Valley please visit the Bridge River Valley Snowmobile Club's website at www.brivsc.ca and visit www.sledbralorne.com for even more information!
- **Ski Touring:** A popular form of ski touring in the Bridge River Valley is snowmobiling to the backcountry to access alpine ski slopes. Close to Bralorne is Sunshine Mountain, which is a popular location for snowmobile skiing and snowboarding. There are several commercial operators that specialize in Ski Touring in the Bridge River Valley, such as Tyax Adventures in Taylor Basin and Whitecap Alpine in the McGillivray Pass area. For more information on these companies please refer to Local Businesses on pages 51-53.
- **Heli Skiing & Boarding:** Heli Skiing and snowboarding is another popular backcountry wilderness adventure in the Bridge River Valley. TLH Heliskiing and Blackcomb Aviation both provide heliskiing in Area A. For more information on these companies please refer to Local Businesses on pages 51-53.
- **Cat Skiing & Boarding:** Backcountry Snowcats provides Cat Skiing and Snowboarding on the Hurley Pass area in the Bridge River Valley. For more information on Backcountry Snowcats please refer to Local Businesses on page 51.
- **XC Ski & Snowshoeing, Ice Fishing, Hockey & Ice Skating, and Curling:** These are more fun and adventurous activities that can be partaken in during the winter in the Bridge River Valley. Adventure out on your own or book with one of the many wilderness adventure companies in the Bridge River Valley.



Ice Skating on Gun Lake



Snowmobiling

Backcountry Huts

Green Mountain Fire Lookout Cabin

- The Green Mountain Fire Lookout Cabin was the old forest service fire lookout, but it has not been used in several years. The cabin is located on Green Mountain and is now user-maintained. It is mainly used for warming and shelter.

Long Goat Cabin

- The Lone Goat Cabin is located off of the Hurley Wilderness Forest Service Road at the steel Bridge. The cabin is in good shape and has an outhouse as well. User maintained.

Sunshine Mountain Ski Cabin

- The Sunshine Mountain Ski Cabin is located near Bralorne on the historic Sunshine Mountain Ski Hill. The ski cabin is user maintained and used for warming and shelter. The Bralorne Community Advisory Committee is responsible for the cabin under the direction of the Bridge River Valley Economic Development Society (BRVEDS). There is a provincial government, draft tenure for the Sunshine Mountain Ski Hill, which includes the cabin. For more detailed information on the tenure please refer to **Appendix I 1**. In 2012, there was a volunteer effort to upgrade the cabin and to fundraise for further upgrading. For more information, please see the Volunteer Report in **Appendix I 2**. For more information on the Bralorne Community Advisory Committee please refer to Community Organizations on page 32.

Taylor Basin Cabin

- The Taylor Basin Cabin is an old prospector's cabin built in the early 1900's. The cabin is rustic and is used for warming and shelter. The cabin is inside the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park, however, the cabin is user maintained. All other cabins in the park are either owned by an outfitter or adventure company and are locked up and not for public use.

Playing Fields

Bralorne Ball Diamond

The Bralorne Ball Diamond is the remnants of the old Bralorne High School's baseball field. The diamond is located at 100 Lorne St. in Bralorne. Please refer to **Appendix B** for a property map of the ball diamond (it is flagged in yellow). Currently, the diamond is open for community use and is maintained by the Bralorne Community Advisory Committee. There are no fees for use of the diamond. Facilities include the ball diamond, wooden bleachers, and a small concession stand. The Ball Diamond is host to the Bralorne Ball tournament. For more information on the Bralorne Ball Tournament please refer to Festivals and Events on page 38. For further information on the Bralorne Community Advisory Committee, please see Community Organizations on page 38.

Bralorne Fire Hall Ice Rink

The Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department creates an outdoor ice rink beside its station every winter. The volunteers with the fire department maintain the ice rink throughout the winter. It is open for use for any resident of Area A and there are Wednesday Night Hockey games at 6 pm weekly. All are welcome. For more information about the Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department please refer to Community Organizations on page 31.

Community Recreation Facilities & Events

Recreation with the Gold Bridge Community Centre

- **Bridge River Community Club Golf Course**
- **Gym/Workout Room**

Please refer to Civic and Community Centers for more information on the golf course and the gym/workout room on page 15.

Recreation with the Bridge River Rod & Gun Club

- **Shooting Range**
- The Shooting Range is at the La Joie Quarry off Saddle Road in between Gold Bridge and Gun Lake, near the transfer station. Fully qualified range offers safe rifle shooting for distances up to 200 yards and also a pistol shooting area. They have a trap-shooting bunker, but do not regularly host a trap shoot. The range is open to members and their guests any time, with the exception of early mornings. For more information on memberships with the Bridge River Rod & Gun Club, please refer to Community Organizations on page 32.

Recreation with the Bralorne Community Club

- **Floor Hockey** – Residents play floor hockey in the club during the spring, summer, and fall.
- Please refer to Civic and Community Centers for more information on the Bralorne Community Club on page 13.

Historical & Cultural Facilities & Landmarks

The History of the Bridge River Valley

The Bridge River Valley has a rich mining history that is detailed in a variety of literature resources. The historical aspect of Area A can still be seen just by driving through the townsites of Gold Bridge and Bralorne, as many of the original mining buildings are still standing and a few of those have been restored. There are many landmarks that are identifiable to tourists and visitors, although many locals know of many more landmarks, which can also be researched in the literature. Over time, many of these landmarks, sites, and buildings will be torn down, weathered and decomposed or taken away. For the purpose of this project, the major historical facilities and landmarks are mentioned below.

Facilities

- **Bralorne Community Church**

The Bralorne Community Church was built in 1936 as the Boulton Memorial Church built by Bralorne Mines. The church held many services and weddings for many religions throughout the years until 1967 when services were ended. For a detailed account of the history of the church please refer to this link: <http://www.bralornechurch.ca/history.html>.

The Bralorne-Bridge River Community Church Society restored the Bralorne Community Church in 1999 and 2000. The church is the only remaining standing church in Area A. The restoration was funded through local businesses, private donors, BC Heritage Trust, the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District, and the Canada Millennium Partnership Program.

Today, the Bralorne-Bridge River Community Church Society opens the church per public request. There are no programs or services provided, but the facility can host weddings, funerals, meetings, dinners, dances, and sing-a-longs. The church holds a few community events in the summer in the basement. In the winter, there may or may not be heating depending on funds. The Bralorne Community Church is considered nondenominational and a heritage building. For a property map of the church, please see **Appendix B** (it is flagged in yellow). For more information on the society, please refer to Community Organizations on pages 30 & 31.

Contact Information:

Bralorne BC
C/Of The Bralorne-Bridge River
Valley Community Church
Society
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0
www.bralornechurch.ca

Contact Person:

Lynda Illidge
P: 250-238-2253 or
250-238-2260
Email: lyn1@mintocomm.ca



Bralorne Community Church

- **Bralorne Community Club**

The Bralorne Community Club was built in the 1930s as the high school's gymnasium in Bralorne. Many community events were also held in the gymnasium as there was an inset stage used for theatre plays and pageants. The building still stands today and the kitchen has been restored and is used by the Community Club in Bralorne. For more information on the Bralorne Community Club please refer to Civic and Community Centers on page 13.

- **Bralorne - Pioneer Museum**

The Bralorne - Pioneer Museum Society founded the Bralorne - Pioneer Museum in 1977. The museum has changed locations in Bralorne once and now resides in the old high school's shop building. The museum has a collection of mining artifacts from the historic mines, as well as many community life artifacts from the golden era of mining in the Bridge River Valley. The museum has over 10,000 artifacts including thousands of pictures and a library full of mining and community data. As well, there is detailed information on each artifact in the collection, which is invaluable. The Bralorne - Pioneer Museum is located on a lot owned by the society. On the property, there is a 100-meter boardwalk that display mining equipment used by the mines, a labyrinth, picnic areas, 2 outhouses, and a display of "Noah's Arks". Please refer to **Appendix J** for the property map. For a property map of the museum in relation to town site 2, please see **Appendix B** (it is flagged in yellow).

Currently the Bralorne - Pioneer Museum is open to the public during the late spring to early fall months, as there is no heating system in the building. The museum building itself is in poor condition and is not helping to keep the collection in good condition either. The society is looking to restore the collection to the best of its ability. Please refer to [Urban Arts Architecture & Urban Design](#) (604-683-5060) for a detailed examination of the museum's building and collection, which was funded by the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District.

Hours of Operation: Open Seasonally from May Long Weekend to Thanksgiving Long Weekend. Hours and days open vary year-to-year, usually open most weekends from 10 am to 4 pm.

Contact Information:

400 Hawkes Avenue, Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P: 250-238-2349 (Seasonal Only)
Email: bralorpioneeremuseum@gmail.com
Web: [Museum Profile](#); [Virtual Museum Exhibit](#); [Facebook Page](#)



Exterior of Museum

- **Bridge River Valley Cemetery**

The Bridge River Valley Cemetery is located in Gold Bridge and is a historical cemetery that is still in use today. The cemetery is looked after by the Bridge River Valley

Economic Development Society (BRVEDS), which maintains the cemetery grounds and records. Donations to the care of the cemetery are gratefully accepted. Please refer to **Appendix K** for more information on current rates and plot details. Please contact BRVEDS for more detailed information.

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Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P/F: 250-238-2534

Email: bridgerivervalley@gmail.com
www.bridgerivervalley.ca



Bridge River Valley Cemetery Entrance

- **Sunshine Mountain Ski Cabin**

The residents of Bralorne and Pioneer while skiing on Sunshine Mountain Ski Hill used the Sunshine Mountain Ski Cabin. The ski hill had a towrope, which cost 50 cents to use. Many races, festivals and events took place at the cabin. The cabin was considered a chalet at the time, however it is now used as a user maintained shelter. For more information on its current use please refer to Recreational Facilities on page 24.



Sunshine Mountain Ski Cabin ~ 1950s

Landmarks – Current Residencies

- **Bralorne – Pioneer Mine Office**

The Bralorne Pioneer Motel in Bralorne was originally the Bralorne Mines office. The original building still stands in Bralorne, but has been remodeled and renovated over the years.



Bralorne - Pioneer Mine Office / Bralorne - Pioneer Motel

- **Gold Bridge Model Bakery**

The Gold Bridge Model Bakery still stands in Gold Bridge today, however it is currently privately owned. The bakery operated from 1934 to 1967 peaking in the 1950s. All types of bread and baked goods were produced during its time.



Model Bakery Sign

Landmarks – Sites

- **Bralorne Mine Site**

The Bralorne Mine (now currently Bralorne Gold Mines) was the richest gold mine in North America during the depression in the 1930s. The mine eventually closed its doors in 1967, but reopened in 2011 due to unexplored mineral deposits and advanced technology. Mine tours are occasionally given on special occasions.

- **Pioneer Mine Site**

The Pioneer Mine was part of the Bralorne Mines boom in the 1930s. Pioneer was a separate town just north of Bralorne. However, when the mine closed the town was destroyed. The very last remains of the mine can still be seen today at Pioneer.

- **Will Haylmore Historical Site**

Will Haylmore was one of the original surveyors in the Bridge River Valley looking for gold. Will lived near Gold Bridge where he had his home, stage, workshop, and his own placer mine. The Bridge River Valley Economic Development Society has restored two of the buildings on the property. Currently, it is not available for viewing to the public.



Exterior of Will Haylmore Site



Interior of Will Haylmore Site

Community Organizations

Bralorne Community Buying Club

Purpose: A group of households banded together to make bulk purchases of organic/health/wholefoods not locally available, from a wholesale distributor, for wholesale prices and a discount on shipping on orders over \$1000.

Membership Eligibility: No membership fee, just a commitment to place regular orders of a minimum dollar amount that one is comfortable with. The club is currently looking to increase their membership again, as several member families have moved away.

Contact Information:

2460 Pioneer Hwy Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person:

Regan Dixon, Coordinator
P: 250-238-0120
Email: regandixon@live.com

Bralorne Communications Society

Purpose: The purpose of this society is to provide basic television and radio coverage for the Bralorne area, as well as to keep the free-to-the-community TV up and running for emergency broadcasts. The equipment is at the Bralorne fire hall with the broadcast tower in front of it.

Membership Eligibility: Not applicable.

Contact Information:

3155 Pioneer Hwy Bralorne BC
Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Persons:

Regan Dixon, Mail & Books
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Email: regandixon@live.com

Michael Dickson, Repairs
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Kathleen Doyon, Signing Authority
P:250-238-2321

Bralorne-Bridge River Community Church Society

Purpose: To serve the Bridge River valley in anyway the Church can, from weddings, funerals, meetings, dinners and dances, sing-a-longs to classes. The society's purpose is also to keep the restored church in good condition for future generation.

Membership Eligibility: By donation.

Contact Info:

Bralorne, BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

President: Lynda Illidge

P: 250-238-2253

Email: lyn1@mintocomm.ca

www.bralornechurch.ca

Bralorne - Pioneer Museum Society

Purpose: Established in 1977 to preserve the history of the Bridge River Valley to the best of its ability.

Membership Eligibility: Memberships are \$10.00 a year. Members receive a yearly letter from the museum regarding ongoing events and projects, free admission for themselves and families when presenting member card.

Contact Information:

400 Hawkes Avenue, Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P: 250-238-2349 (Seasonal Only)

Email: bralornepionermuseum@gmail.com

Web: [Museum Profile](#); [Virtual Museum Exhibit](#); [Facebook Page](#)

President: Teri Anderson

P: 250-238-2675

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Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department Society

Purpose: To provide fire protection to Bralorne and the immediate surrounding areas. For more information on the Bralorne Volunteer Fire Department please refer to Public Works & Services on page 8.

Contact Information:

3155 Pioneer Hwy Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0
P: 250-238-2424

Contact Person:

Nigel Hopp, President
 P: 250-238-0170
 Email: nigelhopp@yahoo.ca

Bridge River Rod & Gun Club

Purpose: To promote safe and ethical hunting, fishing and shooting sports, as well as to maintain the Bridge River Shooting Range.

Membership Eligibility: Membership is open to anyone. Membership includes unlimited use of the shooting range and liability insurance for all legal hunting, fishing & shooting sports within Canada & the US.

Contact Information:

La Joie Quarry off Saddle Road
 General Delivery
 Gold Bridge BC V0K 1P0

President:

Don McMahon 250-238-2562

Secretary:

Cris Martin 250-238-2466

Bridge River Valley Economic Development Society (BRVEDS)

Purpose: Encouraging and assisting in the promotion of economic development in the beautiful upper Bridge River Valley. BRVEDS operates in the Bridge River Valley in order to ensure the presence of business and private communication resources for valley residents.

BRVEDS is funded by a tax requisition from the residents of Area A in the Squamish Lillooet Regional District (SLRD). It has a 7-member board of directors with a CEO and a membership base of 30.

BRVEDS currently operates the Community Resource Building, Tourist Information Booth, and the Gold Bridge Cemetery.

A BRVEDS sub-committee, the Bralorne Community Advisory Committee, manages the Bralorne Community Club/Hall, the Bralorne Ball Diamond, and Sunshine Mountain Ski Hill/Cabin. Bruce Simon is the Chairperson of the BCAC committee, Bruce Vernon is the Sub chair for the Hall, Teri Anderson is the Sub chair for the ball diamond and Heather Roberts is the Sub chair for the Ski Hill.

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Bruce Simon – brucesimoninc@hotmail.com

Heather Roberts – heather-roberts@hotmail.com

Bruce Vernon – rbv127@telus.net

<http://www.bridgerivervalley.ca/winterBCAC.html>

Membership Eligibility: In order to participate in the affairs of the Bridge River Economic Development Society you, your organization or business must be a member of the society. The membership fees are as follows: Individual or couple \$5, Non profit society or club \$5, business \$10.

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www.bridgerivervalley.ca

President: Michelle Nortje (Acting)
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Bridge River Valley Flying Association

Purpose: The purposes of the association include the rehabilitation, administration, and development of the Gun Lake Airport for the benefit of the communities in the Bridge River Valley and their inhabitants and visitors.

Membership Eligibility: The entrance fee to the society is \$25.00 with an annual membership fee that is to be determined by the directors. There are three types of memberships: Sustaining Members, Honorary Life Members, and Flying Members. Flying members shall be persons admitted as such by the Board of Directors for the purpose of receiving instructional training and who have paid such annual and other fees as may be fixed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors, but who shall not be entitled to be present or vote at any meeting of the members. Any member may be expelled from the Association by a two thirds majority vote of the members at any General Meeting called for the purpose of considering such action.

Contact Information:

There is no physical address as this land is un-surveyed Crown land. See **Appendix L** for a private survey for more details on the Gun Lake Airport.

President: Sacha McLean
Contact Person: Russ Oakley
P: 250-238-2519
info@gunlakeairport.ca

Bridge River Valley Snowmobile Association

Purpose: The association is dedicated to providing strong leadership and support to its member clubs to develop and maintain safe and environmentally responsible snowmobile trails to further the enjoyment of organized snowmobiling throughout Bridge River Valley.

The Bridge River Valley Snowmobile Association has been around since the 1970's and now includes the Lillooet area. The association has two groomers for snowmobile trails. To find out more information on the trails please refer to the website below.

Membership Eligibility: \$60 primary, \$30 secondary/senior, \$15 kids/non-riders, available on line at website below.

Contact Information:

Ambulance Station
40 Hurley Rd, Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0
www.brvc.ca
brvsnowmobile@gmail.com

President: Rod Mcneal
P: 250-238-2692

Gold Bridge Community Club Society

Purpose: To promote and support community events, as well as to maintain and manage the Community Club, Golf Course, and Gym. For more information on the Gold Bridge Community Club (GBCC) please refer to Civic and Community Centers on page 14.

Membership Eligibility: Open to anyone who pays his or her dues.
GBCC Membership – Single \$10.00, Family \$20.00
Golf membership (includes GBCC membership) – Single \$50.00, Family \$100.00
Gym membership (with GBCC membership) – 1 year \$100.00, Monthly \$10.00, drop in \$2.00

Contact Information:
West Gun Lake Road
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Memberships: Lynda Hoffman – 250 -238-2393
President: Sue James – 250-238-2230
Hall Rental: Shirley Edwards - 250-238-2458

Gold Bridge Community School Parents Advisory Committee

Purpose: The Gold Bridge Parent Advisory Committee is a non-profit organization that advocates for the best possible public education for our children through the active involvement of parents. The PAC supports the school in any board related matters. The PAC fundraises to provide extra-curricular activities, including field trips for the students. The PAC funds an annual bursary for a Lillooet Secondary graduating student. As well, the PAC helps to organize school events.

Membership Eligibility: Parents of children attending Gold Bridge Community School.

Contact Information:
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

President: Carolyn Hopp
P: 250-238-0171
Email: Carolyn_hopp@yahoo.ca

Gun Lake Fire Protection Society

Purpose: To educate, train and support our community in fire prevention and in the event of fires. Founded March 23, 1999. The society has a motivated group of directors and members that are working towards the goals of the society. For more information please refer to Public Works & Services on page 8.

Membership Eligibility: See **Appendix M** for the membership policy of the society.

Contact Information:

22 Lakeview Road, Gun Lake BC
General Delivery,
Gold Bridge BC V0K 1P0

Email: gunlakefire@mintocomm.ca

Web: [Facebook Page](#)

President: Sal DeMare
Saldemare27@gmail.com
P: 250-238-2248

Gun Lake Ratepayers Association

Purpose: The association promotes, supports and protects the status, rights and best interests of each person holding a registered interest in the Gun Lake Watershed with a primary (but not singular) focus on preventing damage to or interference with the purity of the waters of the Gun Lake Watershed as the source of domestic drinking water for the members of the Society.

Membership Eligibility:

Bylaw 2.1

(1) A person may be admitted to membership in the Society who has paid the Society the annual membership dues for the current year and

- (a) holds a registered interest in land situated in the Watershed or
- (b) is the partner or spouse of a registered interest in land situated in the Watershed
- (c) is the adult child of the holder of a registered interest in land situated in the Watershed

Membership Fees: \$10.00

Contact Information:

Gun Lake, BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

President: Bob Bitner
Contact: Irene Calbick, Secretary
#408, 7138 Collier Street
Burnaby, B.C.
Phone: 604-522-0024
250-238-4444
E-mail: icalbick@telus.net

Marshall Lake Ratepayers Association

Purpose: This is an informal group chiefly comprising the 30 families who own cabins on Marshall Lake. Our purpose is to address/ give weight to common concerns, e.g. property assessments, local forestry practices, wildfire protection. Our group also sponsors a social event every summer.

Membership Eligibility: Our members are the owners and their families of cabins around Marshall Lake and on Marshall Lake Road.

Contact Information:

Marshall Lake, BC
General Delivery

Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

President: John Parrott
 P: 604-275-0580
 Email: jsparrott@shaw.ca
 8960 Lancelot Gate
 Richmond BC V7C 4S5

Minto Communications Society

Purpose: Minto Communications Society is a non-profit; community owned and operated organization providing high quality communication services to the people of the Upper Bridge River Valley. The society's goals are to provide high-speed Internet service throughout all of the Bridge River Valley, as well as to provide television service from CBC and the Knowledge network, to provide radio broadcast from CBC Radio 1, and to provide Emergency FM Radio service linked to the Provincial Emergency Program, which is still in the planning stage.

Membership Eligibility: Membership costs \$10 per year and is a requirement of the Internet subscription service. There are two categories - Voting and Non-voting Membership. Members who support the society but do not subscribe to the Internet service are non-voting members.

Contact Information:
 104 Haylmore Ave
 General Delivery
 Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

www.mintocomm.ca
 P: 250-238-2534 ext 2
 Email: service@mintocomm.ca

President: Dave Watkins
 P: 250-238-2451

Tyax Ratepayers Association

Purpose: A non-profit society to advocate for the protection and enhancement of the water quality within the Tyaughton Lake drainage area, to promote the protection of the wildlife habitat and natural lakeshore visual aesthetics, to support a lake of plus or minus four inches of the "hole in the rock" located adjacent to District Lot 5386, to promote a superior living environment including the availability of potable lake and creek water, minimal air and noise pollution; maintained roads, and to promote a rural lifestyle which supports outdoor recreation with minimal environmental impact by establishing a trail system suitable, sometimes specific, for enjoying various forms of trail recreation – on foot; horseback; biking and all motorized.

Membership Eligibility: A person may apply to the directors for membership in the society and on acceptance by the directors and payment of the one-time membership fee and the annual membership dues the person becomes a member. Only legal owners of a property within a one-kilometer radius of Tyaughton Lake are eligible for acceptance as a member.

Contact Information:
 #2 232 East 6th St
 North Vancouver, BC V7L 1P5

President: Cliff Umpleby

P: 250-238-2204 Ext 231
Email: cliff@tyax.com

Wilderness Stewardship Foundation

Purpose: The foundation strives to take conservation and resource management to a broader level to include research, education and hands on projects to preserve and enhance our natural resources. Our goal is to protect the natural ecosystems and habitats of the Chilcotin Mountains and Bridge River Valley watershed, and to encourage the public and our partner organizations to become stewards of the wilderness and natural resources within our region, and worldwide.

Membership Eligibility: Not Applicable

Contact Information:

Andre Kuerbis
P: 250-238-2274
info@wildernessstewards.com
www.wildernessstewards.com

Festivals & Events

Bralorne Ball Tournament

The Bralorne Ball Tournament is an annual event that is a local tradition in Bralorne for over 20 years. The tournament is composed of seven out of town teams and the Bralorne team. The out of town teams usually camp in the area and are given free camping on the Bralorne Pioneer Museum grounds. Trophies and prizes are given out at the end of the two day baseball tournament that takes place every July long weekend. There is a concession stand run by volunteers at the ball diamond. The Bralorne Community Advisory Council, as part of the Bridge River Valley Economic Development Society, puts on the event. For more information about the Bralorne Ball Diamond, please see Recreational Facilities page 25.

Contact Information:

Bralorne Ball Tournament
100 Lorne St. Bralorne BC
C/of Rose Fitchtenberg
P: 250-238-2557
Email: rosfic03@telus.net



Bralorne Ball Tournament & Diamond

Bralorne Farmers' Market

The Bralorne Farmers' Market is held for residents of Area A and tourists to buy and sell locally made and grown products. Local residents organize the market and can have their tables to profit from or to donate their shares to the Bralorne Community Club, the Bralorne - Pioneer Museum, or the Bralorne Church. The market is held Sundays to coincide with Sunday brunch at the Mineshaft Pub from Victoria Day long weekend until Labor Day long weekend. The Farmers' Market is held in the gravel parking lot across from the Bralorne Pioneer Motel in Bralorne.

Contact Information:

2460 Pioneer Hwy, Bralorne BC
General Delivery

Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Regan Dixon

P: 250-238-0120

Email: regandixon@live.com

Summer Festival

Summerfest is a new festival to the Bridge River Valley. The organizing committee is hoping this will be an annual arts festival held in Bralorne. Artists are invited to showcase their wares through demonstrations, vendor market, and workshops. There will be a significant focus on music. Local clubs are invited to take part for hosting activities and manning booths. For the 2013 year, Summerfest will be held from Friday August 2nd to Sunday August 4th. There will be monthly fundraising bake sales starting in January 2013 to help fund the event and a logo contest for the festival in the spring.

Contact Information:

224 Bralorne Avenue
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact:

Jean Shaw

P: 250-238-2498

Email: bj.shaw@telus.net

Lesley O'Keefe

Email: waterdrop26@yahoo.ca

Winterfest

Winterfest is a winter festival held in the Bridge River Valley that celebrates fun winter activities in Area A. The event takes place annually in mid-February and is free to attend. The Bridge River Valley Economic Development Society puts on Winterfest with the help of several sponsors including businesses, clubs, and associations in Area A. Events include: curling, hockey, ice fishing, a poker run, skiing, and snowmobiling. There is a BBQ shack for all attendees, who come from around Area A and their visitors, as well as tourists.

Contact Information:

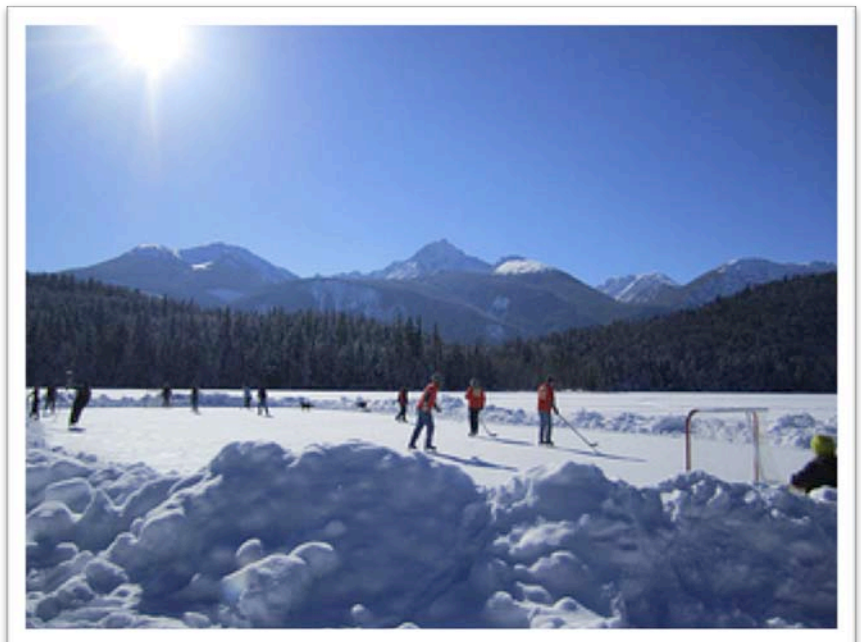
104 Haylmore Ave.
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact: Shirley Maziar

P/F: 250-238-2534

Email:

bridgerivervalley@gmail.com
www.bridgerivervalley.ca/winterfest/index.html



Winterfest Ice Hockey

Natural Capital

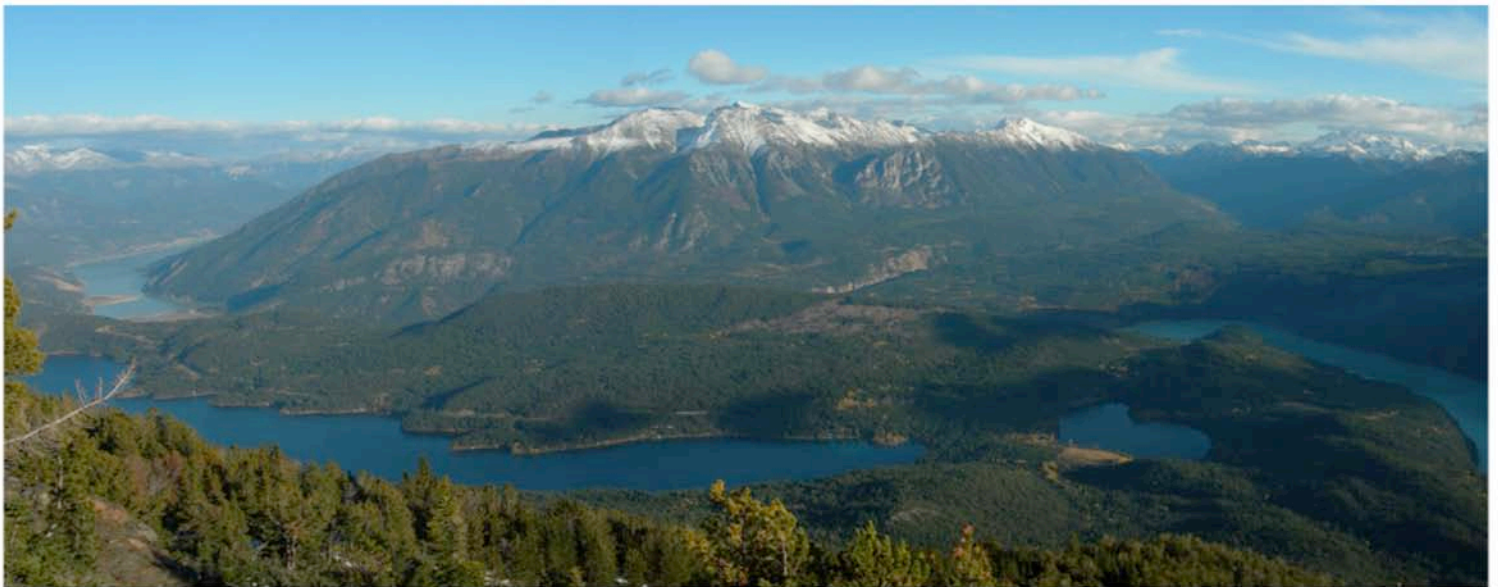
Potential Traditional Resources

- **Timber** – pine, spruce, fir, aspen, trees
- **Hydro** – dams, independent power projects, as per the large number of creeks, streams, and rivers in the area
- **Mineral** – gold, copper, molybdenum
- **Wind** – currently there are exploratory licenses in Area A
- **Fish** – trout, dolly, kokanee
- **Wildlife & Birds** – deer, moose, mountain goats, grizzly bears, black bears, marmots, porcupine, beaver, American pica, grouse, ptarmigans (sample only of wildlife & birds)
- **Volcanic Ash** – Bridge River Tephra
- **Food** – berries, mushrooms, wildflowers (gathering only)

Wilderness/Green Spaces

Area A – Bridge River Valley wilderness and green spaces are vast and extensive throughout the area. All areas of Area A are wilderness, except the small town sites of Gold Bridge and Bralorne, Gun Creek Road area, and many recreational and commercial properties on the more popular lakes such as Gun Lake, Tyaughton Lake, and Marshall Lake.

There are several maps that detail all the major lakes, rivers, mountains, glaciers, parks, and recreational areas. The value of Area A's wilderness is priceless. Please Note: Most of the major wilderness areas were included in this report. For more information, please refer to the map in **Appendix N**, as well as the South Chilcotin Mountains Trail Map - GPS Based Second Edition (available at BRVEDS). For trail maps, please refer to Recreational Facilities on pages 21 & 22.



Panorama of Gun Lake with Gold Bridge & Mt Truax Behind

Scenic Landscapes

- The Bridge River Valley is a vast mountainous region nestled between the Coast Mountains and the plateau zones in the interior Chilcotin region. The mountainous landscape hosts a myriad of peaks, ridges, and plateaus with old growth forests, alpine areas, meadows, and wild flower meadows. There are numerous lakes, rivers, creeks and streams in Area A.

There are many notable scenic areas such as the South Chilcotin Mountains in the South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park, the mountains (Mt Truax, Mt Penrose, Mt Sloan, Green Mountain, Mt Fergusson) that surround the picturesque lakes of Gun Lake, Tyaughton Lake, Carpenter & Downton Reservoirs, Kingdom Lakes, and many more.

The area is home to unique rocks and an abundance of wildlife including big horn sheep, grizzly bears, and beavers. Area A has endless scenic landscapes to view and explore via camping, adventuring out on the many backcountry trails, and to partake in the many wilderness activities available.

For more information on trail networks and recreational activities and terrain in Area A please refer to Recreational Facilities on pages 22-24.



South Chilcotin Mountains

Lakes

- Gun Lake
- Little Gun Lake
- Spruce Lake
- Hummingbird Lake
- Warner Lake
- Mud Lakes
- Prentice Lake
- Trigger Lake
- Nadila Lake
- Lorna Lake
- Pearson Pond
- Kingdom Lake
- Noel Lake
- Lost Lake
- Mead Lake
- Marshall Lake
- Liza Lake
- Tyaughton Lake
- Noaxe Lake
- Grizzly Lake
- Lizard Lake
- Leckie Lake
- Gwyneth Lake
- Sucker Lake
- McDonald Lake
- Bobb Lake
- Carol Lake



Downton Lake Reservoir

- Keory Lake
- Serpentine Lake
- Mowson Pond
- Carpenter Lake Reservoir
- Downton Lake Reservoir

Rivers, Creeks, Streams

- Bridge River Drainage:
 - Bridge River and Nichols Creek
- Gun Creek Drainage:
 - Gun Creek, Pearson Creek, Lick Creek, Freiburg Creek, Roxey Creek, Eldorado Creek, Slim Creek, Leckie Creek, and Warner Creek
- Tyaughton Creek Drainage:
 - Tyaughton Creek, North Cinnabar Creek, Taylor Creek, Noaxe Creek, Mud Creek, Paradise Creek, Relay Creek, Lindsey Creek, Little Paradise Creek, Bonanza Creek, Spruce Lake Creek, Lizard Creek, and Manson Creek
- Big Creek Drainage:
 - Big Creek, West Nadila Creek, Nadila Creek, Graveyard Creek, Tosh Creek, Grant Creek, and Sluice Creek
- Churn Creek Drainage:
 - Churn Creek, Dash Creek, and Lone Valley Creek
- Taseko River Drainage:
 - Taseko River, Beese Creek, Powell Creek, Battlement Creek, and Denain Creek

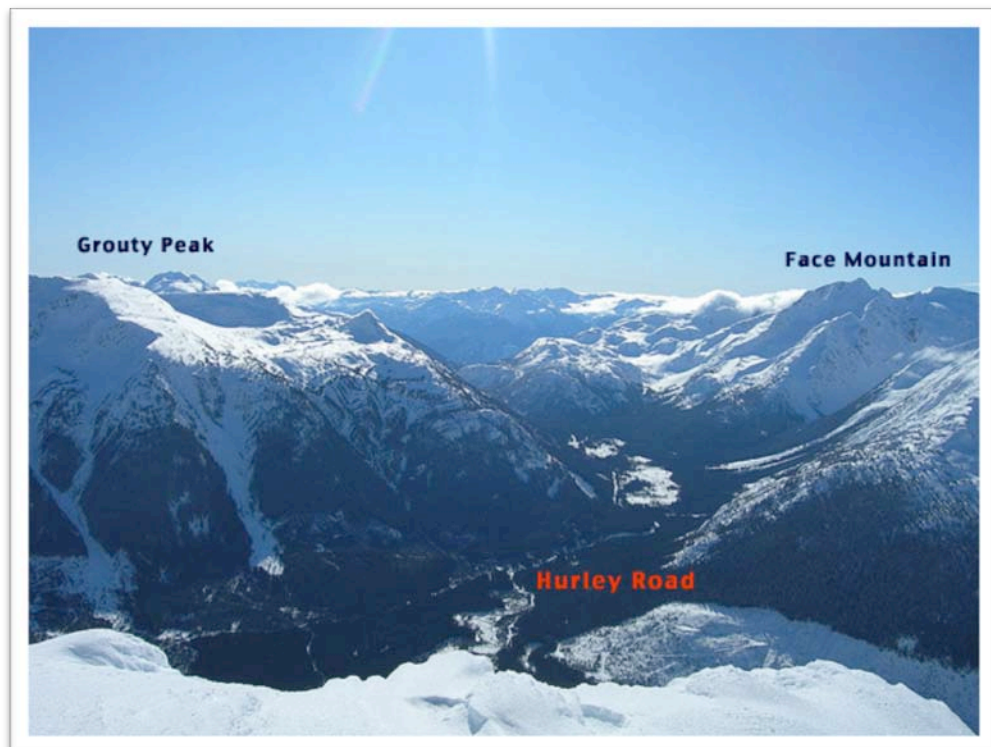
- More Rivers, Streams, Creeks:
 - Cadwallader Creek, Hurley River, Fergusson Creek, Noel Creek, Carl Creek, Blackbird Creek, Lajoie Creek, Alder Brook, Penrose Creek, Jewel Creek, Gwyneth Creek, Waterfalls, Creek, Lone Goat Creek, Chism Creek, Capp Creek, Crazy Creek, Normad Creek, Whitecap Creek, Viera Creek, Sebring Creek, Fall Creek, Nosebag Creek, Keory Creek, Cedarvale Creek, Bighorn Creek, Jones Creek, Hog Creek, Marshall Creek, Liza Creek, East Liza Creek, Cromer Creek

Mountains/Mountain Ranges/Mountain Passes

- South Chilcotin Mountains Park Mountains:
 - Dickson Peak (2812m), Dash Hill (2514m), Cardtable Mtn. (2525m), Castle Peak (2492m), Mt. Sheba (2665m), Mt. Warner, Dorrie Peak (2836m), Eldorado Mountain (2449m), Relay Mountain, Tepee Mountain, Elbow Mtn (2458m), Mt. Davidson (2472m), Slim Pass, Windy Pass, Little Graveyard Pass, Warner Pass, Elbow Pass, Leckie Pk., Scherle Pk
- Other Mountains:
 - Mt. Penrose, Mt. Sloan, Mt. Truax, Green Mountain, Shulap Mountains, Mt. Fergusson (2594m), Big Sheep Mtn., The Frost Fiend, Mt. Vayu, Mt. Thiassi, Chipmunk Mtn., Mt. Noel, Mt. Williams, Whitecap Mtn., Nosebag Mtn., McGillivray Pass, Mt. McGillivray, Royal Pk., Rex Peak

Glacial Features

- Alpine glaciers are common in Area A; they are easily recognized from the air in Area A's mountainous terrain. The biggest glacier in the area is the Lillooet Ice field, as it extends all the way to the Pacific Ocean Coastline. There are also many glacial features in the area such as hanging valleys, drumlins, and moraines.



Hurley Road & Alpine Glaciers

Recreational Terrain

- For information on recreational terrain please refer to Recreational Facilities on pages 22-24.

Parks

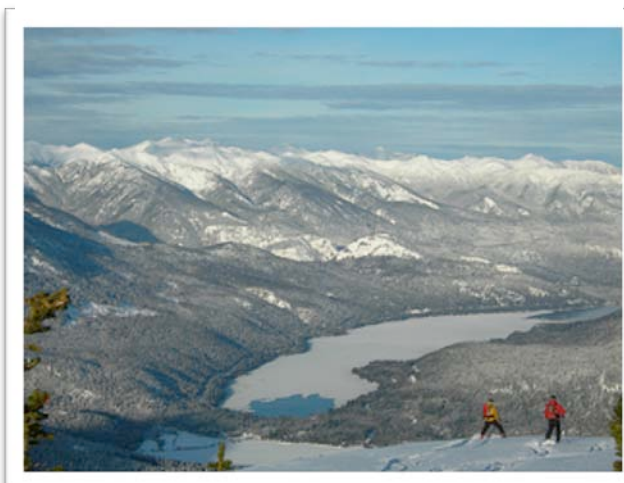
- Bridge River Delta Park
- Gwyneth Lake Provincial Park
- South Chilcotin Mountains Provincial Park
- For more information on the parks above in Area A, please refer to Recreational Facilities on pages 19 & 20.

Climate/Weather

Area A falls in between the South Coast climatic area and the Interior/Cariboo-Chilcotin climatic areas of British Columbia. It is in between the rain shadow of the Coast Mountains and the central plateau of the interior. The climate is typically colder, sunnier, and drier than the southern coast of British Columbia. Area A experiences the four seasons: fall, winter, spring, and summer. There is no historical data present for Area A according to Environment Canada. However, the climate in summer tends to be dry, sunny, and hot with temperatures reaching 30 degrees Celsius or higher, but dropping to freezing at night is not uncommon. Fall brings mild temperatures and snow usually arrives in October in the area. Winter is relatively cold, almost always below 0 degrees Celsius in the season. Spring, is usually mild and wet due to the melting snow.



Lick Creek Trail in summer



Gun Lake in winter

Cultivated Capital

Blackbird Creek Farm

Blackbird Creek Farm has 16 acres of land, most of which are bush and 3 acres are cleared for farming. Currently the farm is a small-scale producer of market organic vegetables. The farm also breeds Ameraucana chickens for egg production and Chanticleer chickens for meat production. In 2013, the farm will introduce of Nigerian Dwarf goats for dairy production and breeding.

Crop potential is humble, with cool-weather variety of vegetables doing best, including: potatoes, carrots, turnips, kale, lettuce, peas, broad beans, garlic etc.; cauliflower and broccoli in good years; beets and spinach when they are inclined to cooperate; and rhubarb. The farm has a new orchard that is maturing and will potentially yield apples, plums, and apricots. The farm also yields berries of many varieties.

The growing season is brief; planting in April or May when the ground is workable; harvesting August-September-October depending on the crop; after that, nothing is growing, but harvest can be extended into October/November with crop cover for personal use only.

Contact Information:

2460 Pioneer Hwy, Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Regan Dixon

P: 250-238-0120

Email: regandixon@live.com

Local Businesses

Notes:

Local businesses in Area A were determined by the following criteria:

- The business either has a physical presence in Area A, such as a facility or building and/or
- A local resident or an individual owning property in Area A operates or owns the business.

Many of the local businesses are owner run and operated, requiring no additional staff. However, during busy seasons, they may add on additional employees if needed.

Of the local businesses presented below, many do not have specified hours of operation. Unless Hours of Operation are stated below, it can be presumed the local businesses operate on call, as needed, or as defined per contract.

For more detailed information on the local businesses, please refer to the listed website or Facebook page (the majority of the businesses have one or the other).

Hospitality

- **Bralorne Bed & Breakfast**

The Bralorne Bed and Breakfast is casual comfort in Historic Bralorne, BC.

Accommodation features one queen bedroom, living room with double sofa bed, private entrance, shared bath, full breakfast, high speed internet/Wi-Fi.

Hours of Operation: March to November. From November to March, the 2 to 3 bedroom house is for rental.

Number of employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

255 Hawkes Avenue
Bralorne, BC, V0K 1P0

Hostess: Aryana Rayne

P: 250-238-2588

Email: bralornebb@gmail.com

Web: [Facebook Page](#)

- **Bralorne Pioneer Motel**

The Bralorne Pioneer Motel was home of the old Bralorne Pioneer mine office from 1939! Now used as motel units, rooms, and apartments. The motel features economy rates for daily, weekly, and monthly rent or stays.

Situated in the heart of Bralorne, in the center of the Upper Bridge River Valley snowmobile country.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Box 26
Bralorne BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Kathleen & Christian Doyon

P: 250-238-2321

Email: kathleen.doyon@hotmail.com

- **Gold Bridge Hotel**

The Gold Bridge Hotel offers cozy rooms and friendly service. Please inquire about pets. The cancellation policy is 2-days' notice. Reservations are recommended.

The Gold Bridge Hotel features a licensed restaurant/cafe, pub, eleven guest rooms, and a fully equipped kitchen.

There are excellent lunch and dinner specials. Let the hotel know if you want to stay later at the Pub and Restaurant for a special event.

Hours of Operation:**Pub Hours:**

Monday to Saturday: 12 PM — 7 PM
(later if busy)

Café Hours:

Monday – Friday 11am – 7 pm
Saturday 8 am to 7 pm

Closed Sundays

Number of Employees: 3
employees

Contact Information:

6 Fergusson Avenue, General
Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Corinne or Bobbi Baker

P: 250-238-2343

Email: cbaker2580@gmail.com; baker-boo@hotmail.com

Web: [Facebook Page](#)



Gold Bridge Hotel

- **Gold Dust Motel**

Located in Gold Bridge, the Gold Dust Motel has 6 rooms and kitchen units. The motel is pet friendly. Very clean premises, economical rates, and tasteful, cozy comfort.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

88 Fergusson Road,
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Darlene Watts

P: 250-238-2423

- **Highland Cream Resort**

Highland Cream Resort offers three Chalets each with three & four bedrooms, its own private hot tub and fully equipped kitchen. A 12ft aluminum boat c/w 6hp motor is also available for guests use plus there's shared access to canoes, kayaks and paddleboats. All this right on beautiful Gun Lake, the clearest lake in North America.

Number of Employees: 4

Contact Information:

455 Valerie Lane, Gun Lake East,
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Terry & Cathy Thiessen

P: 250-238-2362

Email: highlandcream@telus.net

www.highlandcreamresort.com

- **Mines Motel**

The Mines Motel is a great place to stay when sledding, skiing, hiking, biking, fishing or working the Bralorne area. Rooms range from \$70 - \$100 per night. Some kitchens units are available. Please check at the Mineshaft Pub.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Pioneer Hwy
Bralorne, BC, V0K 1P0

Contact People: Chris and Carolanne Shiner

P: 250-238-0150

F: 250-238-0153

Email: whistler.chef@hotmail.com

Web: [Facebook Page](#); www.themineshaftpub.com/motel

- **Morrow Chalets**

Deluxe fully equipped log chalets for rent by the day, week or month. Corporate rates available. Fishing, hiking, boating, snowmobiling for the year round adventurer.

Number of Employees: 2

Contact Information:

145 Gus Road, Tyaughton Lake, BC
General Delivery Gold Bridge BC
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Sue McNeal

P: 250-238-2462

Email: rentals@morrowchalets.com

Web: [Facebook Page](#); www.morrowchalets.com/

- **The Bralorne Lodge**

The Bralorne Lodge offers luxury accommodation in Bralorne for up to 10 people. The lodge has an open concept living space with 4 bedrooms and 2 full bathrooms, as well as a full kitchen with propane stove, and dishwasher. Satellite with 42" HDTV and High Speed Wireless Internet are included. Laundry facilities. Drying room with boot dryer. Housekeeping and cooking services are also available. Snowmobile right from your door!

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

128 Lorne St
Bralorne, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: PJ Hunton

P: 604-357-3221

Email: pj@pjhunton.com

www.pjhunton.com/bralorne

- **Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa**

Accommodation

Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa features licensed lakeside fine dining restaurant and lounge, a newly renovated lodge and a full service spa. Set on the shores of Tyaughton Lake, Tyax offers magnificent views, luxurious accommodation and a wide variety of activities. Reservations are recommended & appreciated.

Licensed Dining Room & Lounge

Enjoy gourmet a la carte meals beside a blazing river stone fireplace in the newly renovated, fully licensed, lake-view dining room; enjoy wine selected from the extensive wine list, local beer on tap and plenty of sumptuous meal choices.

Wilderness Adventures

Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa offers mountain bike tours, horseback riding, hiking, floatplane sightseeing, fishing, canoeing, paddle boating, and heli-skiing.

Tyax offers the perfect base camp for your backcountry adventures.

Number of Employees: Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa and TLH Heliskiing Ltd have a combined total of 40-45 employees in the winter and approximately 25 in the summer.

Contact Information:

#1 Tyaughton Lake Road
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P: 250-238-2221

F: 250-238-2528

Toll Free: 1-877-918-TYAX (8929)

Email: info@tyax.com

Web: [Facebook Page](#); www.tyax.com

Restaurants & Dining

- **Lone Goat Coffee & Gifts**

The Lone Goat Cafe offers world-class coffees such as cappuccinos and lattes to weary travelers and locals alike. Stop in for visitor information, great coffees, baked goodies, ice cream, local art, handicrafts & Gifts.

Hours of Operation: Friday – Monday from 10 am to 4 pm.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Historic Bralorne Pioneer Motel, Pioneer Hwy, Bralorne
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Christine Devereux

P: 250-238-2637

Email: lonegoatcafe@gmail.com

Web: [Facebook Page](#)

- **Mineshaft Pub**

The Mineshaft Pub & Grill is both a pub and a family restaurant that seats 65 indoors and 25 on the outdoor patio. Homemade meals from scratch are prepared in the kitchen by Chef Chris Shiner to both the pub and restaurant, as well the chef provides catering to private parties. The pub offers a big screen TV; high speed internet for guests, premium gas to fill up your vehicles or snowmobiles, and an atm.

Hours of Operation:

Pub Hours: 7 days a week 11 am – close

Kitchen Hours: Monday 12 pm – 8 pm, Tues/Wed 4 pm – 8 pm, Thursday 12 pm – 8 pm, Fri/Sat 12 pm – 9 pm, Sunday 8 am – 8 pm

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated. Approximately 3-5 additional staff when needed.

Contact Information:

Pioneer Hwy
Bralorne, BC, V0K 1P0

Contact People: Chris and

Carolanne Shiner

P: 250-238-0150

F: 250-238-0153

Email: whistler.chef@hotmail.com

Web: [Facebook Page](#); www.themineshaftpub.com



Mineshaft Pub

Wilderness Adventures

- **Backcountry Snowcats**

Backcountry Snowcats is a cat skiing operation on the Hurley Pass providing skiing and snowboarding adventures. The adventure takes you from Pemberton to the Hurley Mountain Lodge via snowmobiles. The lodge sleeps 12 people along with the Backcountry staff. All trips are 2, 3, or 4 days long and include meals and snacks, transportation to and from lodge, accommodation and all day skiing! Custom trips can be booked as well.

Number of Employees: 6

Contact Information:

Hurley Pass between Pemberton and Bralorne in Area A.

Contact People: Reg and Kathy Milne

P: 604-894-7669

Email: snowcats@telus.net or backcountrysnowcats@gmail.com
www.snowcats.ca

- **Blackcomb Aviation**

Whether you're a seasoned adventurer or an armchair nature lover, Blackcomb Aviation has a heli-adventure that will suit your age, interest, and fitness level.

Glacier hikes, alpine picnics, heli-skiing and snowboarding adventures, custom packages, team-building adventure challenges, heli-weddings, family reunions, heli-golf, and more are available.

Blackcomb Aviation's heli-adventures include custom and packaged tours; and departures from the Bridge River Valley are available. Blackcomb aviation offers heli-transfers from the Pemberton Airport to the Gun Lake Airport starting at \$199.00.

Contact Information:

District Lot 2700 and District Lot 8674
 Lillooet District, BC
 10 Sunshine Drive
 General Delivery
 Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Steve Gray or Sacha McLean

P: 250-238-0194

Toll Free: 1-800-330-4354

F: 604-938-1706

Email: info@blackcombaviation.com
www.blackcombaviation.com

- **Chilcotin Holidays Guest Ranch**

Guest ranch, guide outfitter, angling guide guest ranch adventures, packhorse trips, grizzly viewing, wilderness guide training, fly-fishing, hiking and winter adventures are suited for novice to advanced. Customized 4 to 14 day wilderness adventures based out of our ranch and permanent alpine camps. Located in the sunny South Chilcotin Mountains Park, just 2 hours west of Lillooet.

Number of Employees: Summer approximately 30, winter approximately 10

Contact Information:

Gun Creek Road, General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Kevan Bracewell

P/F: 250-238-2274

Email: adventures@chilcotinolidays.com
www.chilcotinolidays.com

- **TLH Heliskiing Ltd.**

With one group per helicopter and unlimited vertical, TLH offers all-inclusive backcountry heliskiing packages for all budgets. Choose from 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7-day packages, as well as Whistler Combo trips, heli-assisted ski touring, and luxury private platinum packages. TLH is ready to provide an unforgettable heliskiing adventure! Tell them what you want and they will make it happen!

Number of Employees: Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa and TLH Heliskiing Ltd. have a combined total of 40-45 employees in the winter and approximately 25 in the summer.

Contact Information:

Head Office at Tyax Wilderness Resort
#1 Tyaughton Lake Road
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P: 250-238-2204

F: 250-238-2528

Email: sales@tlhheli.com
www.tlhheli.com

- **Tyax Adventures**

Tyax Air Ltd. Offers:

Experience the beauty of British Columbia's South Chilcotin Mountains from high in the sky! Based at Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa on the shores of Tyaughton Lake, Tyax Air operates a Dehavilland Beaver aircraft - one of the safest planes ever built. Discover crystal clear alpine lakes teeming with fish, hiking trails through thick carpets of wildflowers, and single-track that would make any mountain biker drool.

Spruce Lake Wilderness Adventures offers:

1-2 hour trail rides, all day alpine ride, 3-14 day pack tours, assisted mtn. bike tours, extended back country hiking expeditions, wilderness guide training school, wildlife Viewing packages, photography packages, affordable cabin rentals, gift shop.

Number of Employees: 10 seasonal employees

Contact Information:

Spruce Lake Wilderness Adventures/Tyax Air Services Ltd.

May-September Address:

#1 Tyaughton Lake Rd.
General Delivery
Gold Bridge BC
V0K1P0

October-April Address:
7289 Fitzsimmons Road South
Whistler BC
V0N1B7

Contact Person: Dale Douglas
P: 250-238-0177
Toll Free: 1 888 892 9288

Tyax Air:
Email: info@tyaxair.com
www.tyaxair.com
SLWA:
Email: rides@sprucelaketours.ca
www.sprucelaketours.ca

- **Whitecap Alpine**

Whitecap Alpine offers backcountry skiing and snowboarding in the South Chilcotin Mountains. A trip with Whitecap Alpine includes staying at the McGillivray Pass Lodge, which accommodates 12 people and provides a wide range of programs for beginners to advanced mountain goers. Trips range from 3.5 days to 7 days.

Hours of Operation: December to May 1

Number of Employees: 16 seasonal, 4-5 per week.

Contact Information:
1840 6th Ave East
Vancouver, BC V5N 1P5

Contact Person: Lars Andrews
1-888-863-9757
604-862-9757
Email: lars@whitecapalpine.ca
www.whitecapalpine.ca

Food Services & Catering

- **Bridge River Valley's Honey**

Bridge River Valley's Honey is a locally owned and operated honey producer for local residents and farmer's markets. Honey comes in mason jars. Currently not operating.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated with two partners.

Contact Information:
224 Bralorne Avenue
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Bob & Jean Shaw
P: 250-238-2498
Email: bj.shaw@telus.net

- **Sandy's Party & Events**

Sandy provides party rentals, cooking, and catering from small dinner parties to weddings. Sandy also bakes a variety of cakes, such as birthday cakes.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

231 Wayside Ave, Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Sandy Oakley
P: 250-238-2519

- **Valley Hardware & Grocery**

Valley Hardware and Grocery is a general store located in Gold Bridge proving grocery and food items, hardware, and alcohol ... everything you need, in one convenient location!

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Thursday, Saturday – 10 am to 12 pm, 1 pm to 5:30 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday – 1 pm to 5:30 pm
Closed Sundays & Holidays

CLOSED DURING

FRIEGHT DELIEVERIES

Monday – approximately

10:30 am to 11:30 am

Thursday – approximately

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

No bottle returns on freight days

We take back liquor products we sell – 48 units per day

Number of Employees: 3

Contact Information:

14861 Pioneer Hwy
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Corinne Baker

P: 250-238-2252

Email:

cbaker2580@gmail.com



Valley Hardware & Grocery

Gas & Auto Services

- **Pioneer Paul's Tire Repair**

Road Rescue — No Problem!
Need a part? New, used or otherwise.
Tire repair, fresh bait, spare parts

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

51 Fergusson Avenue
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Paul Donauer
P: 250-238-2584

- **Top Gun Towing**

Top Gun Towing is a towing company with 3 trucks available depending on type of tow required. They also offer scrap pick up, moving trailers, moving anything people want moving...their business card is advertised in every issue of The mountain Telegraph listing: 'scrap metal recycling', 4 x 4, deck and heavy duty towing vehicles.

Hours of Operation:

Top Gun Towing runs 24 hours a day...no days off for emergency services.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated with two partners.

Contact Information:

770 Gun Creek Road,
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Ken Archer & Shirley Maziar
P: 250 -238-2442
Email: topguntowing@hotmail.ca

Real Estate

- **Susan Dixon**

Sutton Group – West Coast Realty – an independent member broker

Specializing in recreational real estate.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

#200 -5511 West Boulevard
Vancouver, BC V6M 3W6

Gun Lake: 250-238-2644
F: 250-238-2645
C: 604-690-8292

Email: info@susandixon.com

Media & Internet Services

- **Minto Communications**

High Speed Wireless Internet service provided for the Upper Bridge River Valley. Note: Only available in areas with radio coverage. Please refer to Community Organizations for more information on page 36.

Number of Employees: Run by society.

Contact Information:

Minto Communications Society
104 Haylmore Ave
Gold Bridge BC V0K1P0

P: 250-238-2534 ext 2

www.mintocomm.ca

- **Moose Web Design**

Services:

- Custom web site design
- Web site hosting and maintenance
- Existing web site renovations

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Michelle Nortje
P: 250-238-2307
Email: info@moosewebdesign.ca
www.moosewebdesign.ca

- **The Mountain Telegraph**

The Mountain Telegraph is a local monthly newsletter distributed to every mailbox in the valley and to a paid subscriber base. Advertiser and subscriber supported. Photos, articles, classifieds, advertisements, birthdays, anniversaries, letters to the editors, thank-yous are all welcome and encouraged.

Number of Employees: Volunteer and owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

General Delivery
Gold Bridge BC V0K 1P0

Editor/Advertising: Kara Sockett

P: 250-238-2652

Email: mountaintelegraph.editor@gmail.com

Miscellaneous

- **Albi Enterprises**

Albi Enterprises provides a variety of consultation and facilitation services in the following fields: maintenance, education, literacy, non-profits, economic development, and community development. Albi Enterprises also provides excavation and snow clearing services on a limited, select basis.

Number of Employees: Owner run company with two partners.

Contact Information:

3435 Lakeview Rd, Gun Lake BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Debbie or Sal DeMare

P: 250-238-2248

Email: demare87@gmail.com

- **Golden Anvil Ironworks**

Golden Anvil Ironworks makes custom ornamental and metal silhouettes out of iron.

Number of Employees: Owner run company with two partners.

Contact Information:

224 Bralorne Avenue
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Bob & Jean Shaw

P: 250-238-2498

Email: bj.shaw@telus.net

- **Pioneer Paul's Re-Use-It Service**

Do you have items you no longer want? Items too good to throw away? Items someone else might want? Call Paul. He has a list of people looking...

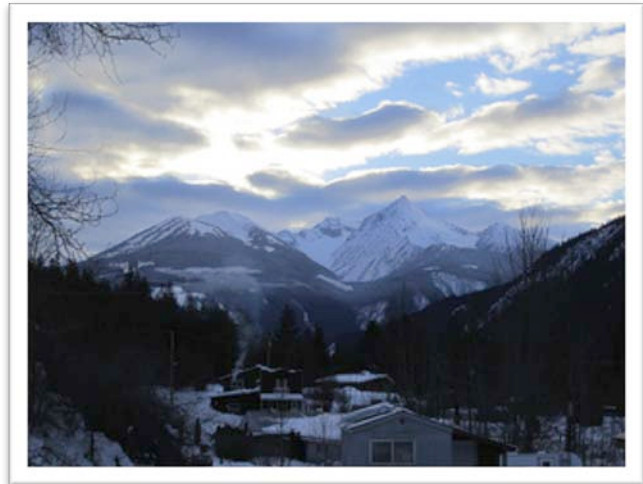
Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

51 Fergusson Avenue
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Paul Donauer

P: 250-238-2584



Gold Bridge

Construction & Contractors

- **Artistically Unique Stone Work & Design**

Orval provides all types of masonry work: Chimney repair, outdoor fireplaces and barbecues. We work with all types of Stone and Brick. Local references and pictures - 44 years experience.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Pioneer Hwy
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Orval Lutz

P: 250-238-0141 or 250-540-1287

- **Bridge River Valley Mechanical Contracting**

Certified septic and municipal worker and contractor:

- Excavations, gravel trucks, water truck, dozers, 4x4 backhoe services.
- Site and road construction, forestry and highways work.
- Water lines and pumps, retaining walls, potable & irrigation water systems.
- Snow plowing and removal.

Hours of Operation: 24 hours General excavation and trucking

Number of Employees: 4 employees on average

Contact Information:

#11 B.R. Con Road
Bralorne BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Scott Holden

P: 250-238-2436

Email: brvmc@telus.net

- **Bulldog Marketing Co.**

Bulldog provides all types of concrete work and supplies and manufactures floating wharves with delivery.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

231 Wayside Ave, Bralorne BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Russ Oakley

P: 250-238-2519

Email: russoakley@telus.net

- **Crane Creek Enterprises**

Contractor:

- Cedar buildings
- Campground Development
- Log Home Construction

Environmental Consultant:

- Water quality, fisheries & wildlife Research.
- Surveys, water monitoring, electro-shocking.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Crane Creek Road, Gold Bridge

Contact Person: Steve Hall

Tel: 250-238-2425

- **Gravity Fed Adventures Ltd.**

Pat Ansdell does renovations and construction.

Number of Employees: Owner run and Operated.

Contact Information:

7321 Gun Lake Rd West

General Delivery

Gold Bridge BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Pat Ansdell

P: 250-238-0170

Email: pgunlake@gmail.com

- **Jensen Construction**

Jensen Construction offers the following: design, renovations, new construction, timberwork, free quotes and advice, carpentry, and contracting. Jensen Construction guarantees all work, has references, and is insured.

Number of Employees: 3

Contact Information:

8300 West Gun Lake Road, Gun Lake BC

General Delivery

Gold Bridge BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Mike Jensen

P: 250-238-2307

Email: jensen@gunlakebc.ca

Web: www.jensencarpentry.ca

- **Illidge Drilling & Contracting**

Illidge Drilling and contracting provides drilling and blasting services, as well as road building and cat work.

Number of Employees: Owner run company with two partners.

Contact Information:

15061 Pioneer Hwy
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Tom or Lynda Illidge

P: 250-238-2253 or 250-238-2260

- **Macdonald Construction**

Macdonald Construction provides general construction work. Call Scotty for a free estimate!

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Bralorne, BC
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Scotty Macdonald

P: 250-238-0149

- **Matt McDonald Electric Inc.**

Matt McDonald provides electric work on renovations, new homes, pump/water systems, and property services.

Hours of Operation: In Area A on a regular basis.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Pemberton

Contact Person: Matt McDonald

P: 604-935-8602

Email: mattmcdonaldelectric@look.ca

- **Nigel Hopp Contracting**

- General Contractor
- Finish Carpenter
- Cabinet Maker

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

5369 Lillooet-Pioneer Hwy.
PO Box 48 Bralorne V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Nigel Hopp

P: 250-238-0171

Email: nigelhopp@yahoo.ca

- **Saddle Rock Contracting**

Saddle Rock Contracting provides complete welding services, custom fabrication, and repairs, including aluminum & stainless steel. Also, Saddle Rock provides custom designed gates, security, and docks as a portable welding services.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

224 Bralorne Avenue
General Delivery
Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

Contact People: Bob & Jean Shaw

P: 250-238-2498

Email: bj.shaw@telus.net

- **Scott's Sand & Gravel**

Open for gravel sales. All aggregates are available including sand, stone products, cement gravel, road mulch, chips and design specs for engineered structures.

Hours of Operation: Gravel pit operation 7am-5pm Monday to Friday

Number of Employees: 4

Contact Information:

#11 B.R. Con Road
Bralorne BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Scott Holden

P: 250-238-2436

Email: brvmc@telus.net

- **Westcan Excavating**

Westcan Excavating provides rock breaking with a small excavator.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Glenn Willesen
P: 604-802-3555
Email: gwillesen@shaw.ca

Forestry

- **Mill-A-Tree Sawmill**

Mill-A-Tree Sawmill provides custom saw milling of beams and boards.

Number of Employees: Owner run and operated.

Contact Information:

Hess Road, Gun Lake
General Delivery

Gun Lake BC V0K 1P0

Contact Person: Troy Vanloon

P: 250-238-2335

Email: troy.vanloon@yahoo.ca

Mining

- **Bralorne Gold Mines Ltd.**

Bralorne Gold Mines re-opened on May 27, 2011 and are currently now producing gold bricks. The company is exploring the areas between the historic gold mines previously untapped for gold in 20th century.

Hours of Operation: 24/7 running the mill and office is 8-4 Monday to Friday

Number of Employees: 65

Contact Information:

#2 Compressor Hill, Bralorne BC

General Delivery

Gold Bridge, BC

V0K 1P0

Contact: Mike Macdonald - Mine Manager

P: 250-238-2224

Head Office:

Suite 900, 570 Granville St

Vancouver, BC V6C 3P1

www.bralorne.com

Hydro

- **Boralex Inc.**

The Jamie Creek Hydroelectric project has received a 40-year Electricity Purchase Agreement from BC Hydro. This is a 22.16 MW hydropower project which was developed by Sequoia Energy Inc. in collaboration with the St'at'imc Nation. In October 2012, Boralex Inc. finalized its acquisition of the project.

Contact Information:

Alistair Howard, Project Development Manager, BC

P: 604.219.3759

Email: Alistair.howard@boralex.com

Tourism Resources

Gold Bridge Tourist Information Booth

The Tourist Information Booth provides visitor information about the Bridge River Valley, including free maps, brochures, flyers, driving directions, community directory, trail info and maps. A BRVEDS staff member is present to make sure all questions and inquiries are answered.

Hours of Operation:

Winter: Thursday 10 am – 4 pm

Spring & Fall: Monday and Thursday 10 am – 4 pm

Summer: 6 days per week 10 am – 4 pm (subject to funding)

Contact Information:

104 Haylmore Ave.

General Delivery

Gold Bridge, BC V0K 1P0

P/F: 250-238-2534

Email: bridgerivervalley@gmail.com

www.bridgerivervalley.ca

Maps

There are several maps available to tourists available online, at the Gold Bridge Tourist Information Booth, several of the local businesses in Area A, and other visitor centers and information booths across the province. For more information on maps, Please refer to Recreational Facilities Trails section on pages 21 & 22.

Tourism Websites

www.bridgerivervalley.ca

- Lists accommodation for different areas in the Bridge River Valley (BRV).
- Both the winter and summer version have “play” sections indicating activities to do during those seasons in the BRV.
- Travel information to get to the BRV.
- Brief historical references
- Community Directory
- Information regarding the Tourist Information Booth
- Extra information such as planning weddings

www.gunlakebc.ca

- Webcam and time lapses of Gun Lake daily
- Gallery of pictures
- Local Real Estate
- Lake Life Information
- Local Services
- Links to Wilderness Adventure Companies

www.southchilcotin.ca

- Webcam and time lapses of South Chilcotin mountains

- Gallery of pictures
- Trail Information

www.isurvivedthehurley.com

- A website dedicated to the Hurley River road
- Current road updates
- Adventure stories and activities to do
- Images from the Hurley

www.sledbralorne.com

- A website dedicated to Bralorne BC
- Provides information on Bralorne, accommodation, local businesses
- Real estate
- Winter and summer activities in Bralorne
- Gallery of images

www.hurleydust.com

- Information related to the Bridge River Valley, Lillooet, and Pemberton
- Road conditions
- Fishing information
- Trail information
- Camping information
- Real estate
- Community Information

www.landwithoutlimits.com

- The Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association is a tourism marketing association that works with Tourism BC and helps the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast areas, which Area A is part of, with the tourism industry.
- Provides lots of links to broader regional tourism for the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast.

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[Bralorne Community Church](#)

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[Bridge River Valley Economic Development Society](#)

[Bridge River Valley Snowmobile Club](#)

[Bridge River Valley Trail Society](#)

[Chilcotin Holidays Guest Ranch](#)

[Chilcotin Mountains Trails System](#)

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[I Survived the Hurley](#)

[Interior Roads](#)

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[Minto Communications](#)

[Moose Web Design](#)

[Morrow Chalets](#)

[Morrow Chalets - Facebook Page](#)

[Pj Hunton - The Bralorne Lodge](#)

[Sequoia Energy](#)

[Sites and Trails BC](#)

[Sled Bralorne](#)

[Squamish Lillooet Regional District](#)

[South Chilcotin](#)

[TLH Heliskiing](#)

[The Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association - Land Without Limits](#)

[The Weather Network \(forecast for Gold Bridge, B.C.\)](#)

[Trail Ventures BC](#)

[Tyax Adventures](#)

[Tyax Adventures 2](#)

[Tyax Wilderness Resort & Spa](#)

[Virtual Museum of Canada \(VMC\)](#)

[Whitecap Alpine](#)

[Wilderness Stewardship Foundation](#)

Appendix

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ACTION PLAN FOR LEARNING 2011-2012; GOLD BRIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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MAP OF BRALORNE TOWNSITE #2; BALL DIAMOND, BRALORNE FIRE HALL, BRALORNE - PIONEER MUSEUM, & BRALORNE COMMUNITY CHURCH PROPERTIES

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RCMP REPORT; SOUTHEAST DISTRICT LILLOOET DETACHMENT; SERVICES TO AREA A

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GWYNETH LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK MAP

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GENERAL COMMERCIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR SUNSHINE MOUNTAIN

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UPPER BRIDGE RIVER VALLEY RECREATION MAP

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