

Friends of Churn Creek Protected Area Society Constitution

1. Name

The name of the society is “Friends of Churn Creek Protected Area Society”.

2. Purposes

The purposes of the society are to:

- a) assist BC Parks to implement the approved management plan for Churn Creek Protected Area, including its vision statement and identified actions.
- b) provide a democratic forum for a broad range of people to discuss and make recommendations to the BC government, ministries and agencies on strategies and practices to achieve the vision of the Churn Creek Protected Area management plan and to preserve the natural, cultural and recreational values of Churn Creek Protected Area for future generations.
- c) provide public education on ecological, wildlife, cultural heritage, ranching, recreational and other values of Churn Creek Protected Area in the form of brochures, signage, interpretive tours, media releases, and resource management demonstrations.
- d) assist BC Parks, Universities, and others to facilitate and report research and monitoring that is designed to enhance public understanding of the ecological, wildlife, cultural heritage, ranching, recreational and social values and best uses of Churn Creek Protected Area.
- e) conduct or facilitate infrastructure and interpretive projects in cooperation with BC Parks that enhance visitor enjoyment and appreciation of the environmental, cultural heritage, and social values of Churn Creek Protected Area.
- f) assist BC Parks to provide a friendly human presence at Churn Creek Protected Area by organizing on-site observers, interpreters, and knowledgeable volunteers.
- g) promote public awareness and understanding of ecological, cultural, and social values of grasslands in the Fraser and Chilcotin river corridors through brochures, workshops, guided tours, media releases and similar means.
- h) raise funding and receive donations to assist the above purposes.

3. Dissolution

If and when the need for dissolution of the organization is determined by special resolution of the membership, and after payment of all debts and liabilities, the remaining property of the organization including any accumulated profits shall be distributed or disposed of to other charitable organizations incorporated in British Columbia, the object of which are beneficial to the Churn Creek Protected Area. This provision shall be unalterable.

Bylaws

The bylaws of the society are those set out in Schedule B to the *Society Act*, with the following variations, deletions and additions:

1. Bylaw 16(3) of Part 4 – Proceedings at General Meetings – to be revised to:
A quorum is 8 members present or a greater number that the members may determine at a general meeting.

2. Bylaw 25(2) of Part 5 – Directors and Officers – to be revised to:
The number of directors must be 8 or a different number determined from time to time at a general meeting, but no less than 5.

3. The following is an additional bylaw:
Part 13 – Financial Gain – Bylaw 63: All business and activities of the society shall be carried on without purpose of gain for any of its members, and any profits or other assets of the society shall be used solely to promote its objectives.