

Recreation Sites and Trails BC

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To: General Public

From: Recreation Sites and Trails BC, Smithers

## STARR CREEK CABIN NOTICE OF CLOSURE

Please be advised that the Starr Creek Cabin will be **closed effective immediately**, due to risk to public safety associated with avalanche hazard.

The cabin is located at UTM 9U 595560 6035690, near the head of Starr Creek, approximately 45 kilometers southwest of Smithers, BC, within the Telkwa Caribou Recovery Area.

This cabin location was reviewed by professional avalanche consultants for Recreation Sites and Trails BC, and found to be located in the run-out zone of a large avalanche path.

The review recommends relocating the cabin to a nearby safe site, however in the interim, the cabin will be closed until further notice. This presents an opportunity to improve public safety and recreation amenity, review cabin management, and to ensure continued future value and use for recreationalists. Please refer to attached map for your reference.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the District Recreation staff using the below contact information.

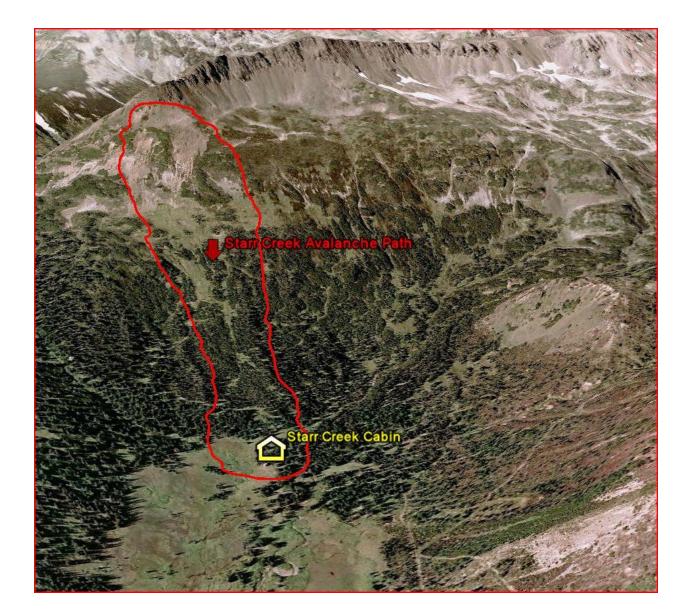
Sincerely,

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## Starr Creek Cabin UTM 9U 595560 6035690

Approximation of Starr Creek Avalanche Path in red, referenced in: <u>Avalanche Hazard Analysis for the Starr Creek Cabin and Hankin Warming Shelter</u>, by Alpine Solutions, May 2012.

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