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For your information, we pass on the below message from Bill Micklethwaite of the [Rossland Stewardship Society](#).

Friends of the Rossland Range (FoRR)
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Hello to you all,

The events of this past summer have made it obvious that there is a need in Rossland for a group of concerned, active but non-partisan citizens to monitor events, proposals and the activities of Council which influence the City's well being. The intent is of generating informed alternatives then presenting them well for consideration before irreversible decisions are made. For best effect, it must operate beyond the City's ambit. There is a wealth of expertise in Rossland's citizens but it needs a forum and some structure.

Such an organization was founded in July with the working name of the [Rossland Stewardship Society](#). It has a minimal compliment of interim Directors and is now recruiting membership among those believed to have common cause. As many of these goals are common with those of the Friends of the Rossland Range, we invite your participation. An initial meeting of interested parties was held December 29th -the next meeting will likely be in early February. The goal of that meeting will be to establish an agreed-upon Mission Statement (see draft below) and related matters, so now is an opportune time to get involved.

If you are interested in participating or have any questions about how you may be able to participate in the newly formed [Rossland Stewardship Society](#), please contact me directly with questions and/or dates of the next meeting. Please feel free to relay this invitation to others you feel may be interested.

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The purpose of the Society is: "To act as stewards to protect the quality of life and the quality of the environment for the present and future citizens of Rossland". We will achieve this by:

- a) collecting, generating, analysing and disseminating information relevant to Rossland resources and their use or disposition;*
- b) characterizing existing lifestyle, monitoring activities which may materially alter this, challenging or advocating changes to these proposals;*
- c) receiving, researching, analysing and proposing constructive changes or alternatives to public or private initiatives affecting Rossland, its citizens, lifestyle or resources;*
- d) promoting conservation and preservation of Rossland's resources;*
- e) collaborating with other like-minded agencies, societies or individuals in common causes;*
- f) educating or assisting others to educate students and the public in support of these goals;*
- g) identifying and securing funding for the support of these goals and*
- h) advocating the views of the Society.*

