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# Report Back to the Community-Slocan Valley Asset Mapping Project

This project began as a research question asking "what is the sense of 'agency' among individuals, families and groups in the Slocan Valley- is there the capacity to project self into the world and have an impact?" Are people and voluntary organizations:

- · Deliberative- able to have a voice,
- Critical- able to stand up to authority
- Constructive- able to act, to do things?

What we found is an amazing array of community volunteer organizations working to capacity to create awesome events, beautiful places and caring public services in the Slocan Valley.

This publication is intended to celebrate those volunteers and all they have given, past and present, to make the Slocan Valley a better place to live. For the newcomers and youth who are not yet involved, this is meant to be a handy guide to give you what you may need to speak out, stand up, and take action.

#### WHAT HAPPENED?

In a series of five events between October, 2004 and May, 2005 around 300 community members of all ages came together to explore 'community', 'sustainability' and 'citizen engagement'.

#### WHAT IS COMMUNITY?

The children said:

 Community sounds like the burble of a singing brook, looks like a friendly smile or helping hand, feels like home.

7-year-old girl

· Community is the Heart of the people.

12-year-old girl

- Yummy water. 4-year-old boy
- A group of people working together.

8-year-old boy

 A close-knit group of people who makes sure every bodies needs are met.

14-year-old girl

## WHAT IS SUSTAINABILITY?

The elders said:

 What I can do for the community is what its all about. I grew up in a village of Koch Siding, Slocan Park and we shared our resources and were very resourcefuleverything was used and reused.

70-year-old woman

- Sustainability- where there is room for creative thought or renewal. Where people are not so individually exhausted they can never band together for the common good. Where we drive our own economy, as part of the world. Where art and the earth and industry are all valued.

  67-year-old woman
- Sustainability is a concept that many people are developing at this time. It includes elements of conservation (both of energy and resources), creativity (using what is available to meet basic needs) and respect (for all the other species and lifestyles we share our ecosystem with).

64-year-old man

 Sustainability 1) the opposite of non sustainable 2) living within the ability of nature to support a diversity of life indefinitely 3) this can only be achieved when we know that we humans are inseparable from nature.

82-year-old man

## WHAT IS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT?

The participants said:

- We meet many of our needs in rural communities through our non-profit organizations. In my organization, we are all getting older- who will keep these organizations going?
- 58-year-old man

  Sustainable is to meet the needs of the people in any given area- by the people in that area.

18 year-old-woman

 Permanence: When enough pieces of the sustainability puzzle come together, a community has permanence.

62-year-old woman

The goal of the events was to identify our strengths and assets as a community. Our community assets make up the capital of our community. On the following pages you will find a description of the natural, built, social, human, and cultural capital of the Slocan Valley and most importantly, the organizations that protect our community capital.

Individuals and businesses (except some health and well-being businesses) have not been included. If you would like to add your business, art or talent in a future map or for ERRORS OR OMISSIONS PLEASE WRITE Laverne Booth, Box, 41, Winlaw. VOG 2JO or laverne@netidea.com

Natural Capital Our beautiful valley has spectacular natural assets	VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS (non-emergency numbers)
that include:	New Denver
· Slocan Valley Watershed from Summit	Silverton
Lake, Slocan Lake, Slocan River, Little	Slocan
Slocan River and the creeks that drain into	Winlaw
the watershed.	Passmore
<ul> <li>An unusual variety of wildlife species</li> </ul>	Crescent Valley
animals, birds, trees and plant species.	Pass Creek
<ul> <li>A land base made up of agricultural land</li> </ul>	
reserve (ALR), forestry tenure (crown	EDUCATION/ADVOCACY
land), private ownership and parks.	Valhalla Wilderness Society 358-2333
<ul> <li>The Sinixt traditional territory encompasses</li> </ul>	Slocan Valley Streamkeepers 226-7792
the Slocan Valley. They honour tradition	Bearsmart Hotline
protocol. For information contact:	Columbia Basin Trust Water Initiative-
226-6743	cbtwater@cbt.org
	www.kootenayweeds.com $352-1160$
AIRSHED PROTECTION	Kootenay Community Bat Project 352-2260
www.kootenayairshed.com 825-9527	Conservation Officer 1-877-952-7277
WATERSHED PROTECTION	REGIONAL PARKS
Hills Watershed Committee 358-2355	Galena Trail-
New Denver Village Council 358-2316	
Silverton Village Council	galena@slocanlake.com
Red Mountain Residents Association 358-7766	Bigelow Bay Regional Park
Slocan Village Council	Springer Creek Campground 355-2266 Winlaw Designal and Nature Book
Elliot Anderson Christianson Trosso-	Winlaw Regional and Nature Park 226-7792
(EACT) Water users Committee 226-0054	Slocan Valley Heritage Trail Society-
Winlaw Watershed Committee226-0065	info@svrt.ca 1-888-683-7878
Perry Ridge Water users	PROVINCIAL PARKS
Slocan Valley Watershed Alliance 226-7324	
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS	www.env.gov.bc.ca
Brandon Improvement District 355-2478	Summit Lake Provincial Park, Rosebery Provincial
Slocan Park Improvement District 226-7586	Park, Wragge Beach, Valhalla Wilderness Provincial
South Slocan Commission of Management . 359-7107	Park, Kokanee Glacier Provincial Park
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SAFETY COORDINATOR (RDCK)	LAND/ECOLOGICAL TRUSTS
Work	Valhalla Foundation for Ecology 358-2796
Home	Kootenay Land Trust Society 226-6988
	Silva Forest Foundation226-7222
<b>WILDFIRE REPORT</b> 1-800-663-5555	
WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL	
<u>VIOLATIONS</u> 1-800-665-9453	<b>EMERGENCY</b> - CALL

#### GARBAGE AND RECYCLING Built Capital Regional District of Central Kootenay . . 352-6665 Built Assets include all that human beings Oil and Anti-freeze Recovery . . . . . . . . 352-9568 have constructed in the natural environment Recycling hotline . . . . . . . . . 1-800-667-4321 including community halls, parks, cemeteries, and Waste Management . . . . . . . 352-2286/352-8161 infrastructure: highways, roads, water and sewage Recycling Centres: New Denver, Silverton, Slocan, systems, garbage and recycling, transportation Winlaw, Crescent Valley (also takes recycled cans and communication systems. & bottles to support Crescent Valley Youth Centre) COMMUNITY HALLS COMMUNICATIONS Hills Community Doukhobor Hall . . . . . . 358-2404 www.slocanlake.com www.slocanvalley.com ......358exchange@gmail.com .....javajots@uniserve.com Silvery Slocan Hall . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 355-2622 Community Newspaper Valley Voice . . . . 358-7218 Women's Institute Hall ..... 355-2234 Slocan Valley TV Society . . . . . . . . . . . . 226-7845 Slocan Valley Thread's Guild . . . . . . . . 226-6989 Area H (north) TV Society . . . . . . . . . . 358-2375 Slocan Freenet project . . . . . . . . . . . . 355-2599 Red Mountain Internet Society . . . . . . 358-2191 Vallican Whole Community Centre . . . . 226-0097 HIGHWAY 6, ROADS AND BRIDGES Hazard Reporting . . . . . . . . . . . . 1-800-665-8001 Slocan Park Hall . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 359-7050/226-7507 ROAD AND BRIDGE MAINTENANCE (YRB)-New Denver (hwy 31a) . . . . . . . . 358-2343 South Slocan Anglican Community Hall . . 359-7107 Winlaw (hwy 6) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 226-7274 Chip truck accidents report . . . . . . . . . 358-2426 Hilltop Studio Space (Winlaw) . . . . . . . 226-7430 **TRANSPORTATION** Transit information-CEMETERIES www.busonline.ca . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1-877-843-2877 New Denver/Hills/Area H . . . . . . . . . . 358-2316 Slocan Lake Water Taxi . . . . . . . . . . . . 358-7775 Arrow Lake Regional Bus . . . . . . . . . . . 265-3674 Handy DART . . . . . . . 1-877-843-2877 ext. 2 or 3 **ENERGY** PROJECTS UNDERWAY Columbia Open Mountain Network (CMON) Fortis . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1-866-436-7847

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WATER AND SEWAG	SE SYST	EMS			Slocan Valley Community Forest Initiative-
see Village/Regional	District	offices	(PAGE	10)	communityforest@yahoo.ca 355-2206

Slocan Valley (Area H) Community Asset Map

Columbia Power Corporation . . . . . . . . . . 365 8532

Broadband project-

svedc@slocanvalley.com . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 358-7704

Slocan Youth Skate Park . . . . . . . . . . . . 355-2484 Slocan Valley Complex Society . . . . . . . . 355-2562

Social Capital	YOUTH SERVICES
Our social assets are our relationships to each	Slocan Youth Centre
other: the trust, the cooperation, and the ability	Winlaw Youth
to make things happen to look after our own and	Crescent Valley Youth Centre 359-8288
others.	Restorative Justice Committee 355-2484
	CBT Youth Council 1-800-505-8998
COMMUNITY SERVICES	Facts of Life 1-800-739-7367
W.E. Graham Community Services-	Youth Against Violence 1-800-680-4264
comschl@netidea.com	Youth Help Line 1-800-668-4663
Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services-	
aslcs@aslcs.com	FAMILY SERVICES
	Family Place (Nelson)
FOOD	Life After Birth
Emergency Food Cupboard, Slocan 355-2484	Children First Regional Initiative 354-1005
Meals at Home-(south valley) 226-7433	Hospice Coordinator (north)
Meals on Wheels (north valley) 358-7711	New Denver Hospice Society
Food Hampers (north valley) 358-7787	Carpenter Creek Last Wishes Group 358-7991
KOGS Organic Food Growers 226-6823	·
Russian Catering Group	Nelson and District Hospice
	Stop the Violence Worker
HOUSING AND HOUSING GOODS	Women's Outreach worker (Nelson) 352-3504
Donation Store (New Denver) 358-2125	Victims Services 1-800-563-0808
WIN thrift store (Nelson) 505-5444	Women's Support Group (Slocan) 355-2484
SHARE (Nelson)	RCMP (New Denver)
Slocan Valley Seniors Housing Society 226-7163	Advocacy Centre (legal) 352-5777
Healthy Housing Society 358-2690	Kootenay Society for Community Living 352-1867
Habondia Habitat	Community Response Network 365-7678
Emergency Housing (Nelson) 352-9876	Mental Health (appts North) 265-3777
WIN Transition House (women) 364-1543	Mental Health/Addictions (Nelson) 505-7248
Playmor Storage	West Kootenay Volunteer Drivers $304-2990$
ELDERS/SENIORS SERVICES	SERVICE CLUBS
Passmore Seniors Association	Kootenay/Slocan Lions Club226-7745
New Denver Seniors Association 358-2479	Slocan Legion Branch
Senior's Counsellor (south)	Slocan Valley Women's Institute 355-2357
Senior's Counsellor (north)	U.S.C.C. Branch 17
	South Slocan Hospital Auxiliary 359-7864
CHILDREN'S SERVICES	New Denver Hospital Auxiliary 358-2230
W. Koot, Child Care Resource/Referral 352-6678	Silver Ridge Community Club
Little Robes (First Nations) 352-6678 ext.225	Habondia Lending Society Circle 226-7011
Children First- Slocan Table	
Helpline for Children	COTCTC LINE (W. Kastarana) 1 000 E1E (000
Kids Help Phone 1-800-668-6868	<u>CRISIS LINE</u> (W. Kootenays) 1-800-515-6999

Human Capital	BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT
The way we educate and train ourselves: the life-	Outreach Employment Services-
long learning that we must all do to adapt to rapid	aslcs@aslcs.com
change in science, technology and work.	Slocan Employment Centre (KCDS) 355-2840
change in science, reclinology and work.	Slocan Learning Centre (computers)-
SCHOOLS, PARENTS, TEACHERS, STAFF	wegcap@netidea.com
Lucerne Elementary Secondary 358-7222	First Nations Employment and Training . 304-2246
	Metis Kootenay Region 1-800-521-5119
Facilitated Learning Centre	Community Futures352-1933
W.E. Graham Community School 355-2212	Centre for Innovative and Entrepreneurial
Community Service Society 355-2484	Leadership (CIEL)
Valhalla Wilderness Program 355-2212	Apprenticeship, Trades 1-866-368-6360
Alternate Education Program 355-2212	Selkirk College
Winlaw Elementary	Electronic Arts Centre
The Whole School (Vallican)	Kootenay Permaculture Institute 226-7302
Brent Kennedy Elementary	Academy of Classical Oriental Sciences . 352-5887
Mt. Sentinel Junior Senior High 359-7219	Kutenai Art Therapy Institute
Nelson Waldorf	Kootenay Stone Centre
Distance Education (DESK)	Rootendy School of the Al 13
Wild Flower	BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS/LISTINGS
St. Joseph's Catholic	www.slocanlake.com
International School of the Kootenays 354-1310	www.slocanvalley.com
	Slocan Lake Chamber chamber@slocanlake.com
CHILD CARE / PRESCHOOL	Destination Silverton mainline@netidea.com
New Denver Nursery School	Slocan Valley Cooperative
Valhalla Children's Centre	Association svcoop@telus.net
Appledale Children's Centre 226-7844	Tourism Action Society in the Kootenays www.taskbc.ca.ca
Brent Kennedy Children's Centre 359-5011	The Rootenays
Busy Beaver Daycare	FINANCING/BUSINESS SUPPORT
Wee Ones Daycare/Nursery School 359-7404 The Whole School pro school 324-7737	Castlegar Savings and Credit Union . www.cascu.com
The Whole School pre-school 226-7737	Slocan Park
NETWORKS	Kootenay Savings Credit Union www.kscu.com
NETWORKS  Family Literacy New Denver 358, 7768	Junction
Family Literacy- New Denver	New Denver
District parents (DPAC)	Community Futures of Central Kootenays . 352-1933 Circle of Habondia Lending Society 226-7011
Lucerne Association for Community Living-	Basin Business Advocates 1-877-894-5939
, ,	Aboriginal Business Advocates 426-0595
(LACE)	
Success by Six/Children First	UNIONS
Women's Centre (WKWA)	Pulp and Paper Woodworkers 365-8116
•	Electrical Workers
International Homestay Society	BC Government and Service
WWOOF Organic Farms	Hospital Employees
The Well (WORC in Nelson) 352-1224	Labour Council (West Kootenay)352-9223

Cultural Capital Cultural assets are the structures that underlie community values. They are the places we meet, and how we do things.  RECREATION/ARTS	LIBRARIESReading Room (Slocan).355-2599New Denver Reading Centre358-2221SILK Selkirk College Library365-1229Toy Lending Library (Family Place)352-6678
Slocan Lake Recreation Commission 358-7200 Slocan Valley Recreation Commission 226-0008	RECREATIONAL CLUBS/ASSOCIATIONS Hills Recreation Society
Slocan Lake Arts Council	Hills Nordic Ski Club
CHARITIES  Rural Alternative Research and Training Society- (RARTS) www.vallicanwhole.ca226-0097	New Denver Golf Club
W.E. Graham Community Service Society- comschl@netidea.com	Slocan Badminton Club
(LACE)	Slocan
HISTORICAL SOCIETIES  Silverton Historical Society judigarden@look.ca  Silvery Slocan Historical Society 358-2656	North Valley
Sandon Historical Society	Slocan Valley Wildlife Association 226-7231 SV Backcountry Access Society
SPECIAL PLACES Nikkei Internment Memorial Center 358-7288	South Slocan Sports Association 359-7408 Slocan Valley Snowmobile Association 226-7700
Kohan Reflection Garden358-7772Sandon Museum358-7920Silvery Slocan Museum358-2201Hidden Garden Art Gallery358-2754	West Kootenay Kennel Club359-7154Fun in the Sun355-2484Summer Fun (3 to 5 Years)355-2222
Silverton Gallery	SUPPORT GROUPS (ADDICTIONS) Alcoholics Anonymous
RETREAT CENTRES	Passmore AA Group
Benailse Retreat Centre	Co-dependants Anonymous
Little Slocan Eco-lodge	Neurotics Anonymous
Stepping Stones Retreat	Narcotics Anonymous 1-800-342-7439 Freedom Quest-
<u>MARKETS</u>	Drug and Alcohol Counselling for Youth . 304-2676
New Denver (Fridays)	Addictions Services 1-877-304-2676
Slocan (Sundays)	Gambling 1-888-795-6111

Health and Well-being	DANCE
PREVENTION/SUPPORT	Slocan Lake Dance Club
Pregnancy Outreach	African Dance and Drum 226-7754
Family Support (children 0-4) 352-1655	Dances of Universal Peace
Compassionate Friends	Worldsign Dance
Rainbow Program (family grief) 359-7317	
HepC/Liver Disease Support 355-2732	ART
Options for Sexual Health	Electronic Arts Centre
Ankors (HIV, AIDS, safe sex) 505-5506	Ceramics Club
Living with Chronic Conditions 365-2460	Artel Pottery
Community Response Network	Expressive Arts
Parents, families and friends of	Valhalla School of Theatre Arts 358-2440
Lesbians and Gays	
,	<u>WRITING</u>
SPIRITUAL GROUPS/CHURCHES	Slocan Lake Writer's Guild 358-2375
Presbyterian Church 226-7540/355-2471	Writing from the Heart 352-7809
Anglican Church of Canada	
Catholic (Slocan and New Denver) 265-3237	FITNESS/EXERCISE
SRI Nichiren Buddhism 226-7405	New Denver Fitness Room
	One and Only Fitness Palace 359-2283
GARDENING	Qigong
Gardening Rangers for Bio-sustainability-	Aikido
(GRUBS)	Tae Kwan Do
Slocan Lake Garden Society (SLUGS) 358-6806	Tai Chi
Silvery Slocan Garden Club 355-2367	Yoga with Madeleine
Slocan Valley Art and Garden Tour 226-7347	Yoga Schoolhouse
MUCTC	MASSAGE/SPA
MUSIC Valhalla Summer School of Music 358-2703	Alpine Touch (mobile)
Valhalla Choral Society	Pristine Day Spa
Slocan Community Orchestra	Reiki and health support
Accompanist, music classes	Sol Touch Massage
Harold Street Harmony	Registered Massage
One World Choir	
Slocan Valley Russian Choir	AROMATHERAPY/COLOUR THERAPY
Friends in Unity Women's Choir 359-7445	Aromatherapy
Slocan Valley Community Band 355-2459	Aromatherapy
Group Singing Classes	Colour Therapy
Kinder Music	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Country Music Jams	NETWORKS
,	The Healing Affair
FLOWER ESSENCES	Non-violent Communication
Flower Essences and Tellington Touch 358-2754	ACTNow Health Sherry. Kelly@interiorhealth.ca
Elemental Energies	www.wellbeingnetwork.ca

Health Facilities/Services	Elected Representatives
NEW DENVER  Slocan Community Health Centre	VILLAGE OFFICE/MAYORNew Denver-Gary Wright358-2316Silverton-John Everett358-2472Slocan-John Van Breugel355-2277RDCK-Don Munro226-7090
Residential Care	SCHOOL DISTRICT #8 (KOOTENAY LAKE) Penny Tees
SILVERTON  Dentist and tooth care	MEMBER OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (MLA)  Corky Evans- Nelson
Slocan Health Centre (coming soon) 355-2277  Home Care (south valley)	MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT (MP)  Alex Atamanenko- atamaa1@parl.gc.ca
Touchstone Healing Coop, Spicer Centre . 226-7018 (acupuncture, aromatherapy, massage, Reiki)  Valley Care- supported living 24/7 226-6724	REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY info@rdck.bc.ca 1-800-268-7325/352-6665 AREA H (Slocan Valley) Directors- Don Munro, Gary Wright, Carol Bell, John Gates
SLOCAN PARK Slocan Park Medical Clinic	RDCK Planning Department
CRESCENT VALLEY/SOUTH SLOCAN Physiotherapy	Kootenay Regional United Nations Association- (KRUNA)
GENERAL  Community Health Services	NEWS/PRESS Community Newspaper valleyvoice@netidea.com Community news-
CRISIS LINE (24/7)	
AMBULANCE- CALL9-1-1	Kootenay Coop Radio

# Natural Networks - Mobilizing Assets

In rural areas such as ours, some natural networks, among families for example, still exist. A result of this study is that new networks and partnerships are slowly coming together. Concerned people primarily involved in organizations and businesses, need tables (or spaces) to sit down to talk, just long enough to decide to take some action, however small, to benefit the public good and protect our public assets.

#### WATER

- Watershed groups and concerned individuals
- Municipalities and local management committees
- · Stream keepers and other non-profits
- · Columbia Basin Trust Water Initiatives

## FOOD

- Local retail food stores
- Farmers (we need more)
- · Food producers and packagers
- · KOGS and other non-profit organizations

#### HOUSING

- Municipal Governments
- CMHC (Federal)
- Provincial (should fund local groups)
- Health Housing Society, Habondia Habitat, Smart Growth BC, Eco-Trust Canada and other non-profits
- Local contractors and building supplies owners

#### HEALTH

- Health services available locally
- Alternative practitioners
- Social coops owned and managed by local people
- Networks such as Kootenay Well-being and Healthy communities

# LEARNING NETWORK

- Parent Advisory Groups and School Planning Councils, Unions and Staff,
- Networks: Literacy, Children First, Community Services, charities, nonprofits
- Recreation and art authorities,
- Local businesses, credit unions and training institutions

#### **FORESTRY**

- Woodworkers, local contractors, wood suppliers, firewood workers, small mills
- SV community forest initiative, Municipal governments,
- · Unions and owners of forestry companies

# Final Words-

# NEEDED-

- ARTS, HERITAGE AND CULTURAL table: artists, arts councils, heritage and cultural non-profits. Markets and local businesses
- BUSINESS ASSETS MOBILIZATION
   How to support local business? No
   government will do this for us; it is up to
   us. Perhaps encourage local groups (such
   as Destination Silverton) to affiliate as
   independents with the Slocan Chamber.
- OVERALL SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL
  Coordination of people engaged with youth,
  seniors, family services, social services for
  integrated planning, management, funding.

# A WORD TO THE WISE

- Latent volunteers in the community are youth (who need volunteer time for graduation portfolio) and newcomers who have skills and time.
- 2. The squeaky wheel gets the grease. If we don't tell our local representatives what we need and want as a community: how will they know?

# INFORMATION CONTACT

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