

Environmental Trail >>> Screening Tool

Purpose: To provide a coarse “pre-screening” tool for use primarily by Recreation Sites and Trails recreation officers when considering the need for a short-form application of the environmental trail screening tool.

Short Form

Pre-Screen Summary Form to include the following:

A. If the following apply to this project, an environmental trail screening report may not be required (Check all that apply. Where there is uncertainty, leave blank)

- The trail project is less than 500 metres within an existing trail system
- An environmental trail screening report has been done for trails in this area
- The project does not enter or cross riparian zones or water features
- The project does not enter sensitive habitats (wetlands, grasslands, alpine, lakes, streams)
- No known species at risk are known to exist in the area

B. Basic Project Information (if not accompanying a Section 57 application)

1. Project Name:
2. Contact Name:
3. Organization/Society:
4. Daytime Phone:
5. Email address:
6. Mailing Address:
7. Brief Description of proposed trail, including purpose, user types, construction standards:
8. Location description (include map coordinates):
9. Approx length:
10. Width:
11. Average grade of proposed trail:

C. Briefly describe the Terrain this project traverses – Note: reference the Environmental Trail Screening tool, sections 2.27 – 2.32, for the type of features to include in your description.

D. Briefly describe the ecology of the area this project is in – Note: reference the Environmental Screening Tool, section 3.4, for a description of how to use BioGeoClimatic (BGC) Zones to describe the dominant ecosystems of an area. Use the mapping sequence to create a BGC and water map to assist you.

E. Are there sensitive plant and animal species or their habitats that will need to be considered in the design of this project?

F. Which key mitigation measures and limits will apply to this project? – Note: reference the Environmental Trail Screening Mitigation Table.

G. Local Knowledge – describe any ecological concerns that have been expressed in the project area:

H. Attach a project map and accompanying photographs of the terrain and habitat of the project area.

I. Submit to Front Counter BC for review.