ATTACHMENT C

Stakeholder Input

Westwood Neighbourhood Association (Friends of Westwood)

- Westwood Lake Park should be protected to remain as natural as possible
- Establish a park plan as a priority
- Overuse of Westwood Lake Park—especially lately. Trails not wide enough, etc. Single track are especially busy
- Arbot Road access is overused "party zone"
- Buy more parkland around Westwood area

Immediate neighbours (Marlene and Leighton Place):

- Desire Buffer planting to Leighton Place. Need improvements to shrub layer.
- Alignment of entrance and road? Offset is preferred.
- Parking spillage into neighbourhood (Marlene Place) already happening
- Lighting? Of new parking lot? Not desired by immediate residents.
- Slow traffic as much as possible

Aquatics Staff:

- Desire to top-up sand on beaches
- Want more shade at First Beach
- Like more shade, trees, and green space (not sand). Consider pergolas and other structures.
- Consider terrace walls for seating.
- Would like to see Ping-Pong tables and fun site furnishings. Family friendly. Picnic areas with shade.
- Would like Improved guard chairs with shade at First Beach
- First Beach is already a high distraction point for guards with boats, fishing, swimming, parking etc. Support consideration of moving boat launch. They see many near misses with swimmers, fishers, etc.
- Consider parking lot drop off (like a roundabout and drop down bollards)
- Consider emergency vehicle access to guarded area

Washroom/Lifeguard building

- Need a bed for first aid. It could fold up into the wall and flip down to fit into the smaller space
- If we are bringing plumbing into the new washroom, they would love to see a sink for first aid. Their current water hose bib is not great.
- Storage—cupboards and shelving would help them organize their equipment in a smaller space
- Electrical upgrades for a fan and dehumidifier. Right now there are exposed wires and the ventilation is poor
- Lighting improvements
- Remove the extra custodial supplies or organize in new shelving/cupboards
- Manager also expressed the need for the external PFD loan area to remain

ADAPT Nanaimo:

- Strong desire for Universal washrooms and new play/picnic at Westwood
- Desire for accessible beach (Italian example or mobi mat)
- QR code accessibility info at trail entrances
- Want to purchase/partner on adaptive trail rider in partnership with City. Would love to store it in existing/new washroom building and have it accessible to those who need it.
- Would like to be part of accessible lens on design
- Better welcome to info for Westwood (orientation maps etc.)

Mountain Bike Club:

- Limited other options for staging/parking until agreement across DND established
- With improvements, more amenities in main parking area (like bike wash) will be more use at main lot by club members. Is Arbot Road staging better idea? More conflicts between user groups at main parking lot.

- Need more right of way signage on single track trail network
- Working with current trail staff on single track upgrades including improvements to Westwood single track trail

Adaptive Trail Group (external study):

- Desire green routes single track at Westwood and other locations.
- Display QR codes and other accessibility info upfront at trailheads
- Sports tourism strategy link

Spinal Cord Injury BC

- Support accessible beach, washrooms, trails, and boat launch
- Use ramp for accessible kayak launching and want a platform to park chairs safely
- Interested in more green adaptive bike trails (Westwood or Beban)
- Want accessible washrooms at Westwood.
- Promote accessible pier more
- Improve existing trail to pier—it's too rooty for chairs
- Would like to be part of accessible lens for improvement designs

Dark Skies – Astronomy Club

- Use Second Beach for events. Protect night sky and minimize light pollution

Event groups

- Shelter location/design (Runners' Compassion)
- Others still to connect with other event groups (like triathlon, Fletcher challenge, etc.).

Fishing for Fun and Freshwater Fisheries BC:

- Want fishing line recycle tubes
- Promote fishing floats more

Regional District of Nanaimo:

- Mount Benson regional park connections, single-track connections, wayfinding, and new parking lot.
- Brief conversation with transit about bus line up to Arbot Road and potential extensions to the lake

Morell Nature Sanctuary:

- Discuss parking, trail access, universal access

Sand Volleyball:

- Support the idea of a sand volleyball court, and think it would get used, but not to replace their desire for a larger court campus in another location