

## CITY OF QUESNEL NEWS RELEASE

## City applauds service club donation

Rotary Club of Quesnel provides funding for exercise equipment

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**QUESNEL, B.C.** – The ongoing development of West Fraser Timber Park continues with news of a generous contribution to the City of Quesnel from the Rotary Club of Quesnel. The \$22,000 donation will result in the installation of five, outdoor ENERGI stations in West Fraser Timber Park, designed to provide stretching, strengthening, balancing and conditioning exercises. The stations are located near the children's playground, bordering the Babe Ruth ball diamond outfield fence.

The funds had been set aside for some time by the Rotary Club for specific development of a youth and activity oriented project. The 2010 Rotary Radio-TV auction added to the available funding, making for an even better project.

The donation covers the cost of the equipment as well as concrete pouring and finishing. The City provided site preparation and equipment installation. The equipment will be on display during Move for Health Day on Saturday May 7, with an official opening ceremony set for 1:45 p.m. A fitness leader will be on site between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to demonstrate safe use of the equipment.

"This club has done so much to improve accessibility and active lifestyles through their generous donations to the City. On behalf of City Council I thank them for the many hours of volunteer service to our community," said Quesnel Mayor Mary Sjostrom. "I am pleased with the ongoing development of the West Fraser Timber Park under the stewardship of our dedicated West Fraser Timber Park Advisory Committee and its chair Coun. Peter Couldwell. This new exercise equipment has the capacity to greatly improve the health and wellness of its users, while adding yet another feature to this beautiful park."

"The Rotary Club of Quesnel is proud to continue to support community investments such as this one," said Club President John Havens. "Improving physical activity levels, especially amongst our youth and seniors, is a worthy goal. We're happy to have worked with the City of Quesnel on this rewarding project."

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