

Trans Canada Trail adds a quarter million to Kinsol pot

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Add another \$250,000 to the Kinsol trestle restoration kitty.

The Trans Canada Trail kicked over that much to the project, Jack Peake, Chair of the Cowichan Foundation's Kinsol Capital Campaign chair Jack Peake announced in a press release today.

"We are delighted to be able to contribute to this very ambitious project," said Valerie Pringle, chair of the Trans Canada Trail Board of Directors said in the release. "The restored Kinsol Trestle will be one of the jewels of the Trans Canada Trail network."

"Completion of the Trans Canada Trail will be a fantastic achievement for this country and we're thrilled the Kinsol Trestle will be a notable part of that trail network. The Vancouver Island portion of the trail will be 200 kilometres of some of the most dramatic scenery in the world – and the Kinsol Trestle is one of the major attractions along the route," said Peake.

Detailed engineering and design work will be completed as soon as possible. This is expected to allow timber and lumber assembly and construction tendering to take place this winter and construction to begin in the spring of 2010. The official Trestle opening is scheduled for early summer in 2011.

The donation leaves approximately \$650,000 to be raised by the Cowichan Foundation for the rehabilitation project.

Donations to the Kinsol Trestle rehabilitation project can be made on-line at www.kinsol.ca or by contacting Diane Myrden or Kim Martin at the Campaign Office at (250) 709-1087 or info@cfcowichan.ca.