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On behalf of the WMSC Board of Directors, I am pleased to provide an update on a number of exciting developments in the Club's Coaches Cabin project.

A key to the development of WMSC's world-class ski racing reputation has been our ability to attract and employ elite coaching staff, allowing WMSC to offer the highest calibre of racing development environments for our athletes. A growing issue the Club is facing is the ability of our coaching staff to secure accommodation in Whistler's ongoing tight rental accommodation market. The WMSC Board has identified this issue as a long-term strategic priority for the Club.

Proposed New Coaches' Cabin

In order to address our coaches' rental accommodation issue, the Club has been working towards the establishment of a Coaches' Cabin to be constructed on the Club's Creekside property adjacent to the Club Cabin. The proposed Coaches' Cabin is envisioned to house eight coaches (with additional scalability), and is to be funded solely from donations, grants and long-term financing serviced by rental income. In the off-season the proposed Coaches' Cabin could also be used to house other Whistler employees, targeted to coaches of other youth-oriented athletic disciplines. A detailed presentation on our Project is available here.

Completion of Coaches Cabin Rezoning Expected in Q1 2020

For over 3 years now, a committed group of Club Members have been working to get the Club's property re-zoned, to allow the establishment of the Coaches Cabin. Finally, in 2019 the project received Preliminary Re-zoning Approval from the RMOW. Since then we have been working to move the project through the Municipality's Planning Department process and expect our Re-Zoning By-law to come before Council in the 1st Quarter of 2020. We also pleased to see our project endorsed in Mayor Jack Crompton's 2020 New Year's Message.

Whistler Blackcomb Foundation Commitment

Along with the expected completion of the Coaches Cabin project's rezoning process, we are thrilled to announce the commitment of the Whistler Blackcomb Foundation as our "Legacy Partner" in the new Coaches' Cabin. To launch the WMSC Coaches Cabin Capital Campaign, Whistler Blackcomb Foundation has committed \$300,000 in matching funds for the project.

The Whistler Blackcomb Foundation is dedicated to providing financial support to organizations benefitting the residents of the Sea to Sky Corridor in the areas of health, human services, education, recreation, arts and culture and the environment, with an emphasis on children, youth and family programs. The Whistler Blackcomb Foundation is hosting its 27th annual TELUS Winter Classic with the grand finale gala theme "Imagine 2120" March 6 and 7th, 2020. This action-packed weekend features fun filled ski events, wine, beer and food galore, live and silent auctions and fabulous entertainment. This event is definitely one not to miss! We encourage all our stakeholders to join in supporting the Whistler Blackcomb Foundation (www.whistlerblackcombfoundation.com). For more details and to enter a team and/or purchase tickets, please clink on the links below:

Event website: **TELUS Winter Classic**

To register a TEAM as well as purchase extra team tickets, click **HERE**.

Event Brochure **HERE**.

With the achievement of these key project milestones, in 2020 the Club is now in a position to commence its WMSC Coaches Cabin Capital Campaign targeting to raise the estimated \$1.6 million required to complete construction and make this legacy project a reality for the benefit of the future generations of WMSC racers to come. For more information on getting involved in this campaign contact projects@wmsc.info.

On Behalf of the Board WHISTLER MOUNTAIN SKI CLUB

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