

2017 Camp Puntchesakut Work Plan

Dead Trees:

A number of dead trees have been removed in the past few years for safety reasons. The area has been affected by the Spruce Bark Beetle which has killed even more trees. BC Hydro has removed some of the ones that threaten the power lines and they will be requested to remove a few more. The largest tree of concern is beside the Dining Hall and we are looking at having that tree professionally removed.

Dining Hall/Kitchen:

There is a significant history of the camp in the various memorabilia in the Dining Hall. Our plan is to take down and digitally record all of the memorabilia and then rehang all of the church camp and scout camp plaques and archive and store all the family camp and other memorabilia.

The single pane windows on the lake side have very little support between them and many of the windows are cracked. Our plan is to replace these windows with double pane non-opening windows with 6"x6" posts in between to provide proper roof support and once the windows are all replaced, to plywood the walls to reduce drafts.

Once the tree is removed from the lake side, the new porch will be extended on that side and the lake side door will be replaced.

Our long term plan is to move the electrical distribution for the camp out of this building into a stand-alone building beside the pole mounted electrical meter.

Storage building

The storage building behind the kitchen will have new floor joists installed alongside the existing ones and the building raised to the same height at the Dining Hall. New footings and foundation posts with a new support beam underneath will also be installed. The existing storage room will be expanded into the existing pantry to create a larger pantry. We are also considering a year-round toilet for this building as well. At this time, the existing workshop will remain as is.

Staff Cabin

The remaining interior walls that separated the bedrooms will be removed and all the outside walls will be covered and painted inside. All the existing bunks will be relocated to the Sleeping Cabins and new triple bunk beds will be built.

Our longer term plans are to replace all the windows in this cabin as well.

Birds Nest

The raising of this building will be completed this Spring with new footings and foundation posts installed. At this point it is unsure how the interior walls will fare so the future of the interior of this building is unclear at this time.

A-Frame building

The only work planned for the A-Frame is a fresh coat of paint and a general cleaning. Nothing structural is planned.

Wash House

A general cleaning and painting of this building is planned. The water pump and pressure tank will need to be replaced soon and they will be installed in a heated enclosure to allow more winter use of the camp.

Craft House

There is no work planned for this building other than a spar storage area alongside the outside wall.

Green Palace

Both entrances will be rebuilt and the building re-levelled. The interior stair to the attic will be removed and the ceiling opening will be closed. The existing water tank in the attic will be abandoned in place. The water and sewer connections will be reviewed and if feasible will be connected. This building will also receive a general cleaning and fresh coat of paint.

Sleeping Cabins (3)

There is a fair amount of historical writing on the walls of these buildings. This will be digitally recorded and then the buildings will be cleaned and painted.

The long term plan is to raise the other two buildings to get them off the ground and prevent further deterioration of the walls and floors.

Chapel

There is no immediate plan to restore the chapel as it will be a major undertaking. There are plaques in this building that will be digitally recorded.

The long term plan is to install corner braces to support the outside walls and to remove the back portion of the building and install a new wall with a double door rear entrance that will line up with the existing pews as well as raise the building with new footings and foundation posts.

Water and Electrical Service

The water lines in the lower camp area are currently running above ground and the electrical lines and communication lines are running overhead. The long term plan is to place all the services on the water side of the camp underground, but this will likely be one of the last projects undertaken.

Grounds

Within the wooded area there is a lot of blow down trees that we plan to remove for firewood. As we did with the upper playing field, we plan a general clean up and the debris will be chipped for path cover.