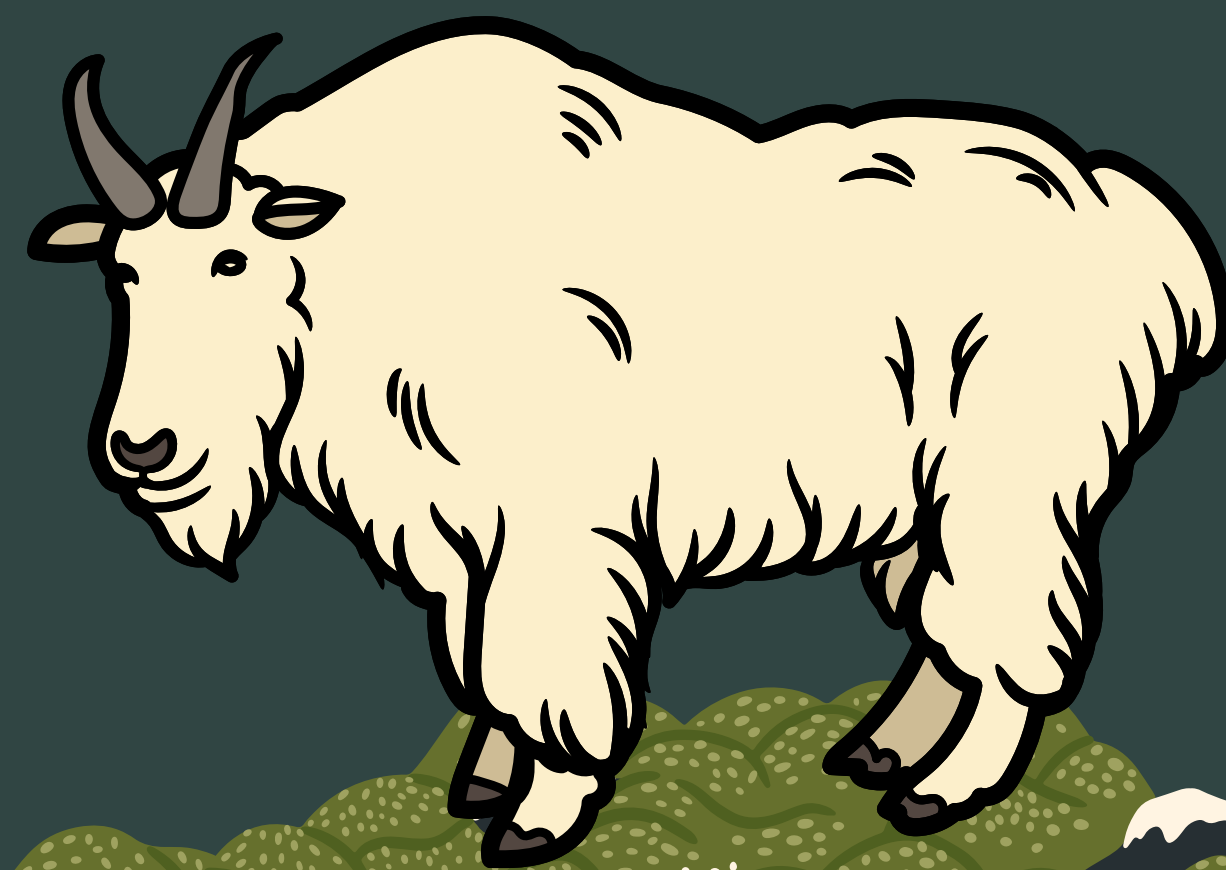


# WILD SPACES: RECREATION DIALOGUES



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# WHERE WE WORK



*We work in the Columbia Basin on the traditional, unceded lands of the Ktunaxa, Secwépemc, Sinixt, Syilx Okanagan and Lheidli T'enneh.*



# WHY THE RECREATION DIALOGUES?

- Develop relationships with recreation groups
- Develop relationships with recreational users, beyond our usual supporters
- Share the knowledge of wildlife experts with people that might encounter the wildlife.
- Share positive and negative ways to interact with wildlife as a recreational user
- Develop a sense of curiosity for wildlife and responsibility as an outdoor user







The trends in recreation led us to feel a need to start some engagement with the recreation community more directly:

- increasing resident and tourist populations in our region
- cumulative effects from other extractive industries
- expanding road and trail networks
- improved mapping technology
- lighter equipment
- limited regulations
- limited enforcement etc.



# WHERE HAVE WE BEEN?

- Golden - Elk with Brian Gustafson
- Radium - Big horn sheep and mountain goats with Jeremy Ayotte and Madeline Wrazej
- Fernie - Recreation Ecology (mountain biking and wildlife) with Clayton Lamb
- Creston - Wolverines with Doris Hausleitner, Andrea Kortello and Jared Basil
- Kimberley - Mountain goats with Kim Poole and Amanda Weber-Roy

Approx 240 in-person attendees  
654 views for the first 3 recordings



# WHERE DO WE GO NEXT?



- Continuing to connect with recreation communities on opportunities and challenges
- Start engagement on more specific topics of concern such as road densities and recreation planning
- Develop guidelines to recreate responsibly around wildlife- working with Tourism Golden and other tourism agencies



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