

# Inter River Park Sportsfields

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# Agenda

1. Potential for 2<sup>nd</sup> ATF Field in Inter River Area
2. Benefits of Two ATF Fields in Proximity
3. Inter-River Sub-Area Transportation Study in Relation to Inter River Park
4. Mitigation of ATF Field Site Access and Traffic Impacts
5. Mitigation of ATF Field Light and Noise Impacts
6. Update from November 2017 Council Workshop
7. Questions





# Potential for 2<sup>nd</sup> ATF Field in Inter River Area

## *Fire Training Centre site*

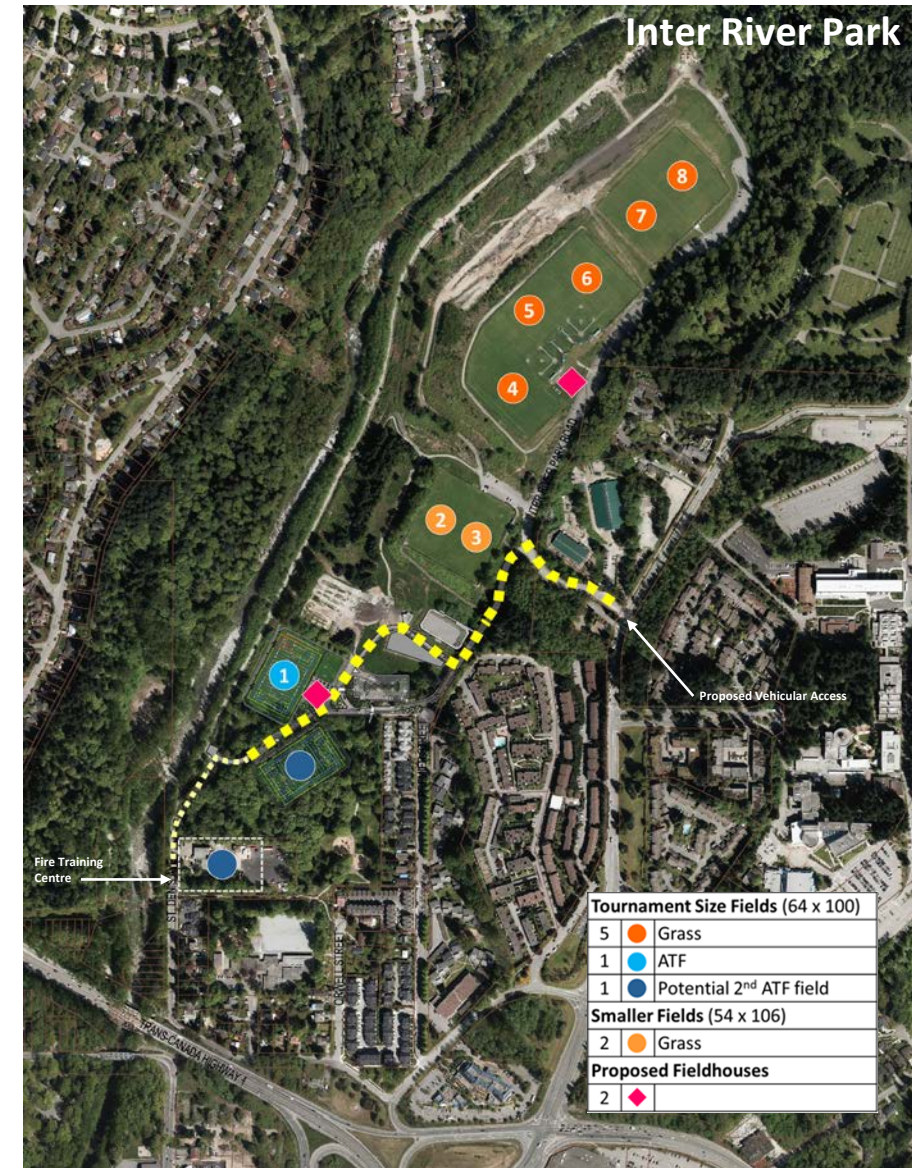
- could accommodate one tournament size field with minimal impact to existing trees
- service and pedestrian access could be provided with upgrade to Inter River Park service road
- large developable site of significant value (approx. \$19 - \$22 million)

## *Conversion of grass tournament field (field #8)*

- landfill geotechnical issues – ineffective cost-wise
- removes Class A tournament size grass field from inventory

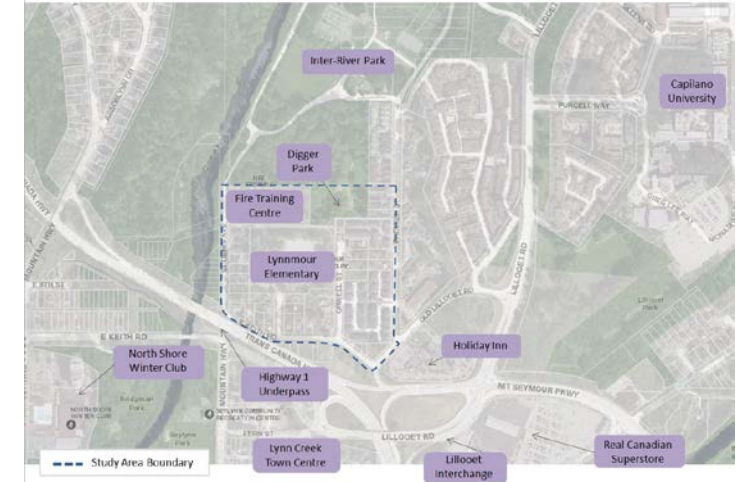
## *Potential benefit of two ATF fields in proximity*

- ability to play simultaneous tournament games year round, in all weather conditions
- Inter River Park currently has 5 tournament size grass fields



# Inter-River Sub-Area Transportation Study

- examines overall transportation network in Inter River neighbourhood, for driving, walking and cycling
- no recommendation to extend public road from St. Denis Avenue north through Inter River Park
  - primary vehicle access to Inter River Park from Lillooet Road
- existing commuter, recreational and trail networks through Inter River neighbourhood from Inter River Park to be maintained and enhanced
- any neighbourhood redevelopment to enhance connectivity with walking and cycling paths to Lynnmour School, 'Digger Park' (Inter River Park), proposed Spirit Trail, Lillooet Rd, Premier Street and St. Denis Avenue, with defined connection to Seylynn Park





# Mitigation of ATF Field Traffic, Light and Noise Impacts

## *Site Access and Traffic*

### Proposed closure of Premier Street (with cul-de-sac)

- redirects vehicular traffic to Inter River Park Road
- reduces park through traffic along Premier Street

### New parking areas, one-way circulation, bus parking, drop-off area, pedestrian improvements

- meets expected parking demand, keeping cars out of adjacent neighbourhoods
- provides efficient flow of traffic through internal roadways
- minimises potential vehicle conflict points
- improves efficiency and safety for park users and neighbours

Nearby intersections expected to operate at acceptable levels during weekend peak periods

## *Light and Noise*

- Field lighting to incorporate LED technology and direct light away from forest and adjacent residents
- Planting of evergreen and deciduous trees to minimize the effects of light and noise



# Update from November 2017 Council Workshop

## *Work continues on directions from November 2017 Council Workshop:*

- proceed with one artificial turf field plus warm-up area in Inter River Park (Option A)
- review plans for the surrounding area in IR and other opportunities for a second field option
- continue to formalize a partnership with School District 44 to develop AT field at Argyle School
- continue to convert gravel all-weather fields to artificial turf field surfaces, where feasible



# Recommendation

**THAT Council receive this report; and**

**THAT Council provide direction to staff as to whether or not to proceed with a second ATF field in the location identified as 'Option D' in the report dated November 3, 2017**