

PAVILION LAKE RESEARCH PROJECT

MEDIA INFORMATION PACKAGE

JULY 2009

1.0 LOCATION:

PAVILION LAKE, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

2.0 NEAREST TOWNS & SUGGESTED ACCOMMODATIONS:

1. LILLOOET, BC
 - a. REYNOLDS HOTEL <http://www.reynoldshotel.com/rooms.html>
 - b. Check for other accommodations with the local Chamber of Commerce
2. CACHE CREEK, BC
 - a. BEAR CLAW LODGE (250) 457-9705
 - b. Check for other accommodations with the local Chamber of Commerce

3.0 TRAVEL INFORMATION:

1. FLYING:
 - a. *OPTION A:* FLY TO KAMLOOPS, BC AIRPORT (YKA) VIA VANCOUVER OR CALGARY. DRIVE 1.5 HOURS TO PAVILION LAKE. AIR CANADA SERVICES YKA, WHICH IS PARTNERED WITH UNITED AND US AIRWAYS.
 - b. *OPTION B:* FLY TO VANCOUVER, BC (YVR). DRIVE 5 HOURS TO PAVILION LAKE.
2. DRIVING: FROM VANCOUVER HEAD NW TO CACHE CREEK, BC.
 - a. LEAVING VANCOUVER: Follow Highway 1 north through the town of Hope, along the Fraser Canyon to Cache Creek. Approximate drive time from the Vancouver Airport 4 hours without a stop.
 - b. FROM CACHE CREEK: Go north on Highway 97 roughly 16km to Highway 99 turn left (that is at the Hat Creek Ranch). Follow Highway 99, 32km roughly south past the Marble Canyon Campground then 8km to Pavilion Lake. Past the Sky Blue resort 1.5km and turn left on to Smith Road. Park along the highway side of Smith Road insuring that you do not block access. Follow the media signs to Brock's House. This is the PLRP meeting site.

4.0 GENERAL CONTACT INFORMATION

Darlene Lim, PI NASA ARC: Darlene.Lim@nasa.gov, 650-604-0098, Skype: drdee18

Bernard Laval, PI UBC: blaval@civil.ubc.ca, 604-822-2204

Donnie Reid, Logistics and Operations Manager: dreid@civil.ubc.ca, 604-813-5801

Wireless high-speed is available at certain locations in camp

5.0 WEBSITE

www.pavilionlake.com

6.0 MEALS

Meals and snacks will be provided while on site at a cost of \$100 USD/day. 630-730am Breakfast, 12-1pm Lunch, 630-730pm Dinner. The tap water is safe to drink, but spring water will also be available at set stations throughout the lake. Clean-up after meals is a team effort.

Please note that we do need to know whether you will be staying on-site for meals. Our Cook needs to plan each meal. Hence, 24 hours notice must be given to the Cook, Dana if you are planning to eat a meal at the field site.

7.0 LAKE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

All participants, including media that are operating on the PLRP field site, without exception will be required to pass the following safety and logistical check-outs prior to commencing work with PLRP during the 2009 season:

- 1) Boat Safety
- 2) Land Safety (Hiking, Driving, etc)
- 3) House Rules (Cleaning, Eating, Quiet Times, etc)

A board will be posted where all participants and visitors will be required to sign in and out, and list their activities throughout the day.

8.0 SITE SENSITIVITIES:

Ts'kw'aylaxw and Pavilion Lake community: Our project has only been possible with the assistance and approval of the community of Pavilion Lake, the Ts'kw'aylaxw people, and the B.C. Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection (now called BC Ministry of Environment). As

such, it is imperative that all participants are aware of these entities and respectful of the relationships the PLRP has developed which make possible our research at this site. The PLRP has established a website to provide public access and information to our research activities, and to encourage communication with the First Nations and non First Nation communities of Pavilion Lake and surrounding areas.

Advanced Notice and Permits: Media open house day is July 14. Media interest that requires access to the field site will require prior approval by the PLRP. Media members are required to fill out the following form by the deadline listed in the media release. <http://www.pavilionlake.com/participants/2009-media-access.php> Underwater footage will be provided by PLRP upon request.

All media filming on land will be required to have a BC Parks Permit prior to arriving on site. Please contact Rob Enns Rob.Enns@gov.bc.ca at BC Parks for information.

Environment: Pavilion Lake is part of the Marble Canyon B.C. Provincial Park system, and as such permission must be granted by B.C. Ministry of Water, Air and Land Protection (now called BC Ministry of Environment).

9.0 SAFETY: ON LAND AND IN THE WATER

On Land:

Be aware that there may be a high forest fire hazard warning in affect. This winter/spring has been relatively dry. Hence, forest fire season has come early to the Pavilion Lake area. Please be extremely careful with any open flame or fire. If hiking or travelling off-site be sure to check that the area you wish to travel is free of forest fires.

Also be forewarned that there are both bears and cougars in the area. Please be careful and check with local authorities as to any conditions or warnings that exist during your stay.

Driving

PLRP vehicles will be driven by designated personnel only.

On The Water

All boats that are rented by PLRP are to be driven by designated staff. It is mandatory that all people on the boats during operations on the Lake wear a PFD. The only exception to this rule is suited SCUBA divers.

10.0 LOCAL WEATHER

Pavilion Lake has an altitude of approximately 2600 to 2700 feet. This means that the days can be very warm (+30°C/90°F) but the nights will be relatively cool (+12°C/55°F). So it is important to have sunscreen on during the day and some layered clothing for the nights.

During the summer field season there is minimal rainfall. Occasionally, we get a shower or a thunderstorm that blows through the valley. It is rare that we have days of rain. It is recommended that you bring light raingear for these days.

11.0 DISCLAIMER

The Pavilion Lake Research Project, its officers, directors or appointees shall not be liable for any injury (fatal or otherwise), loss or damage sustained either directly by the PLRP Diving Program including loss or damage resulting from negligence. Each PLRP personnel engaged in diving operations (both surface support and diver) shall do so on a strictly voluntary basis and shall assume all risks, consequences and potential liability for his/her own actions.

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