Kinsol trestle open house Tuesday

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If you love the Valley's historic Kinsol Trestle and have been wondering how plans to save it have been going, you can get the straight scoop at a special open house next week.

The Kinsol Trestle Campaign Committee and the Cowichan Valley Regional District are hosting an open house on Tuesday, May 25, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the BC Forest Discovery Center in Duncan.

The purpose of the event is to provide the community with an update on campaign fundraising, construction dates to begin rehabilitation, and contests and events to help us reach our fundraising goal.

"We're hoping for an excellent turnout on Tuesday," said Campaign Chair Jack Peake. "We've made a lot of progress towards meeting our fundraising goal, but we still have a ways to go. Many people throughout the Cowichan Valley have come forward with support or donations. We're hoping that by holding this open house and getting more information to the public about the campaign, the enthusiasm for this project will increase further."

At the event, local supporter Glen Harper, will be recognized for his generous donations towards the Trestle. The Kinsol Trestle Capital Campaign is spearheaded by the Cowichan Foundation, which has a long history of contributing to the social, cultural and physical improvement of communities in the CVRD.

The Foundation has partnered with the Cowichan Valley Regional District and Community Futures, Cowichan, which is providing administrative services and a campaign office. For more information, please visit www.kinsol.ca.

Donations to the Save the Historic Kinsol Trestle rehabilitation project can be made on-line at www.kinsol.ca or by contacting Diane Myrden or Kim Martin at the Campaign Office at 250-709-1087 or kinsol@cfcowichan.ca