

FILMING IN THE LSCR

Site Specific Guidelines

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LSCR Film Guidelines

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The purpose of the Filming Guidelines is to permit filming activity while protecting Lower Seymour Conservation Reserve (LSCR) facilities, operations and maintenance activities, normal use and enjoyment of visitors, and the natural environment. This document provides film productions with site specific requirements and general information to assist with planning and filming within the LSCR.

Application Process

Production Company must:

1. Provide at least 48 hour notice and receive approval to scout in the LSCR. **Scouting requires a film liaison escort (4-hour min charge), and must provide approved locations they wish to take pictures of prior to entry.**
2. Submit a [film proposal](#), via email to lscr@angusfilm.ca using the LSCR film proposal template. This proposal must be complete with details of each location, filming activity and hours of operations.
3. Meet with LSCR Liaison to review the proposed filming activities at least eight (8) working days in advance of the proposed filming.
4. **Once proposal is approved** complete an [online application](#).

General

Utilities

There are many underground utilities in the LSCR. Please consult the MV liaison prior to any set up or planned ground disturbance.

LSCR Access Hours

- Filming can occur Monday-Friday. Statutory holidays excluded
- **Move-in and move-outs must occur between 0600-2300 Monday – Friday. Catering may be permitted to move in and out between 2300-0600.**

Gate Access

- PA's are only required at Rice Lake Gate between 6pm and 6am during filming, move in/ move out and catering access. Some instances during prep and wrap at the discretion of the LSCR Foreman.
- If catering needs access prior to 6am, a Metro Vancouver liaison will meet catering, one person from Locations, and Security at the cemetery gate where an access card will be issued. Locations will be needed to maintain access at Rice Lake Gate with a supplied key until 0600. Ensure catering knows that they are not go through the cemetery gate without the liaison.
- A set Security member will be required to operate the cemetery gate before/ after hours (not Locations). This person will be supplied with an access key and will be required to control access through this gate for move in and move out. They are solely responsible for film production personnel. They are not to allow access to anyone else. Card will be collected after the last person leaves and will be issued before gate closes at the lower cemetery gate. Gate closing time reflects sunset.

Teamster Security

- Security swaps must occur while both Rice Lake Gate and Cemetery Gate is open (Rice Lake Gate is 0600-1800; Cemetery Gate opens 0600 to sunset)
- All security vehicles must be easily identifiable (i.e. decals, hi-vis vests)
- MV will only require security in the interest of protecting public safety and environmental concerns. Liability, theft and vandalism concerns are the sole responsibility of the production company.
- An 'E' key will be assigned to the Teamster overnight security north of Rice Lake Gate. If emergency access is required, call Coquitlam Gate Security to provide access through Rice Lake Gate. Use the 'E' key to unlock the swing gate. They are not to use it to provide access to anyone and must be returned to Rice Lake Gate between 0600-1800. All keys and cards **MUST** be returned after shift.
- In the event of an emergency, Corporate Security can be contacted using intercom at the lower cemetery gate or calling posted number on gate (604-451-6610).
- Missing keys and cards will be subject to \$500 penalty.

Greens Guidelines

- Inspection will be required at the Rice Lake Gatehouse and all materials are subject to Metro Vancouver's Materials Importation Guidelines
- All ground cover; for example, soil/sand/gravel/bark mulch/leaves are not permitted to enter the LSCR
- Greens are NOT permitted to source material on their own without pre-approval
- Trees on stands are accepted, but ferns and native occurring plants must be obtained from an approved nursery and must stay in the pots when entering the LSCR. Proof of payment might be asked at the gate. Approved nurseries are: Nat's Nursery Ltd, Linnaea Nurseries, and Peel's Nursery.
- Any areas which are disturbed or damaged will be restored to pre-existing conditions or better. This will be done to the satisfaction of Angus Films Liaison or the LSCR Foreman during wrap and will require a final check when completed
- Without permission, pruning/cutting/clearing of vegetation is not permitted. Approval must be approved by Foreman or MV liaison. Tie back of vegetation is the preferred method.
- No live tree or hazard tree removal permitted. Note any potential hazards to the Foreman or MV liaison for assessment.

Inclement Weather

- Wind, rain and other inclement weather conditions may close the LSCR from 2km up the valley due to conditions such as debris torrents, flooding, high flows or tree damage from high winds.
- Access restrictions extend to overnight Security.
- A closure of the valley will halt filming production. Please refer to the [Severe Weather Event Guidelines](#) for more information.
- Weather is continuously monitored: closures are often hard to predict, contact the LSCR Foreman

Fire Restrictions

- Restrictions will be in place depending on work activity during moderate and high fire hazard ratings. Mitigation measures (up to and including water delivery and means of fighting a fire) might be considered and must be approved by Fire Protection Officer and LSCR Foreman
- Full filming closures will occur in extreme fire hazard rating
- Smoking cigarettes and controlled substances is strictly prohibited anywhere in the LSCR

Substance Abuse

- Consistent with section 116(2)(d) of the Workers Compensation Act, workers should ensure their “ability to work without risk to his or her health or safety, or to the health or safety of any other person, is not impaired by alcohol, drugs or other causes”.
- There is no toleration for substance use which causes or has the potential to cause impairment, including, but not limited to:
 - Drugs, whether legal or illegal;
 - Cannabis and cannabis related products;
 - Alcohol;
 - Prescription medications; and
 - Over-the-counter medications,Together referred to as “substances”.

Petroleum or Hazardous Substance Spill

- Spill pads MUST be placed under and around nozzle when fueling with operator present during fill up duration
- Secondary fuel containment is mandatory for under generators, lifts and anything that’s risks spilling anything over a litre of fuel. Other vehicles are up to the liaisons discretion
- Spill pads must be placed under equipment when not in use
- In the event of a spill, report to the MV liaison immediately. Refer to the [Spill Response Field Card](#) for procedures.
- Each site should have adequate spill response material to effectively and appropriately respond to a hydrocarbon or chemical spill on land or in water
- A spill response procedure must be predetermined and reviewed prior to filming approval

Catering / Washrooms /Garbage

- No portable toilets will be allowed near watercourses or in any area where fluids could enter a watercourse
- MV garbage facilities are not available for production use
- Parking for production dumpster is available at the 6km pit, 4km, and 2 km pits or at crew park
- Wildlife (bears, coyotes and ravens) are present in the valley year round. Dumpsters must be locked at all times. Refer to the [Wildlife & Domestic Dog Safety Guidelines](#) for more information.
- No garbage can be stored in the back of open work trucks. It must be transported to dumpster or taken off site immediately
- All garbage cans must be equipped with lids and routinely checked and emptied

- No grey water disposal in the LSCR or along roads out of LSCR

Boats, Flotation devices and waders

- All boats and aquatic equipment including personal watercraft, docks, waders, and SCUBA equipment must be disinfected prior to arrival, or a complete disinfection in the LSCR may occur under the supervision of liaison
- Must follow the MV Water Services [Equipment Cleaning Procedures and Inspection Protocols](#) for all aquatic equipment. If these procedures have not been performed, you will not be allowed entry at Rice Lake Gate.

Picture Animals and Dogs

- Vet Certified Health Certificates may be required for animals entering the LSCR
- Ensure you are in compliance with the Controlled Alien Species Regulation under the BC Wildlife Act. Depending on species, Possession of Controlled Alien Species accompanied with a Personal Use Permit and Non-Personal Use Permit; or Temporary possession of Controlled Alien Species accompanied with a Transitory Possession Permit is required. Proof of permit may be requested
- This act prohibits the film industry from: Breeding Controlled Alien Species, Releasing Controlled Alien Species, and Exhibiting Controlled Alien Species
- Working picture animals and approved disability dogs are the only animals permitted in the LSCR
- All animals required in production must come with a qualified wrangler/s
- All excrements must be removed from site

Transport Guidelines

- Generators must park 30 meters away from any watercourse
- Chlorinated water is not permitted to be brought in for wet-downs, rain machines and fire suppression
- No idling
- All vehicles must only be parked on one side of the road; site specific guidelines below should be followed.
- Circus must always park in the 2km or 4km pit
- All Transport drivers must wear hi-vis while on MV service roads

Metro Vancouver Service Roads

Metro Vancouver is responsible for the safety of its workers. All roads within the LSCR are service roads requiring safe access for the workers to and from their job sites.

The LSCR requires the following:

- There must always be a TCP on either end of the film work site controlling one-way traffic. In some instances, a third is required in the middle if the two on either end are far apart; AND they must wear hi-visibility WorkSafe BC approved clothing along with a slow/stop paddle.
- The locks-ups must not exceed 3 minutes for non-film vehicles
- There must be a delineated pathway for crew/pedestrians to safely walk near traffic. Either on the shoulder of the road beside the trucks or on the road side with a visible pathway using cones or snow fencing.
- Any film crew member walking or working outside of the delineated pathway, MUST wear hi-visibility WorkSafe BC approved clothing.

Special Effects

** All special effects must be detailed in the LSCR Filming Proposal Template and approved

Vehicle Crashes and High Speed Driving Scenes

- All fluids must be removed from vehicle in order for collisions or crashes to be considered
- High speed driving scenes will not be permitted in areas close to valve boxes, other infrastructure associated with the water main, and in or around water courses (running or dry).

Fire, Explosions, Artificial Snow, Smoke/Fog

- During moderate or higher fire hazard, restriction will be imposed.
- Propane explosions permitted only with approval from the MV Foreman in the proposal
- All explosions must be complete burns i.e. no materials or objects can be scattered from the explosion
- No damage to surrounding vegetation (leaf burn etc.) will be permitted
- Noise levels must not impact surrounding neighbourhoods and possible bird nesting
- SDS or product identification information must be provided in the proposal for any special effects products
- No artificial snow products permitted in the LSCR

Gunfire

- Restrictions may apply during [songbird nesting window](#) between March 1st -August 31st or during fire restrictions.
- Automatic weapon fire must be kept to short bursts of less than 5 sec.
- Loud noises from gunfire and explosions on MV approval only.
- All spent shell casings or cartridges must be collected and removed from site, a metal detector sweep may be requested by the onsite liaison.

Helicopters and Drones

- **Use of helicopters and drones must be approved by Watershed Protection Superintendent**
- Helicopter and drones must stay between 0km-9km in the Seymour Valley
- A flight plan, designated operator and an associated commercial licences will be required to be reviewed and approved by MV

Approved Sites

For All Sites

The LSCR is a seasonally high public use area – pedestrian access through sites must be maintained at all times.

A Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) may be required during the Tech Survey and during production. A proposed environmental mitigation plan and follow up report could be requested.

The Seymour Capilano Filtration Plant and Seymour Falls Dam will not be approved for filming as they are critical drinking water infrastructure for the residents of Metro Vancouver.

Picnic Area

Location – 0km of Seymour Mainline



- Picnic Area
 - Notification signage must be posted 1 week prior to filming activity
 - Additional on set signage and barricades will be required along the Seymour Valley Trailway and associated trails during prep and shoot
 - PA escorts must be present to get public through set
 - Cable runs across Seymour Valley Trailway must be minimized through specific generator parking sites. All cable runs must be clearly marked.
 - Circus Parking – 4 km pit or crew park

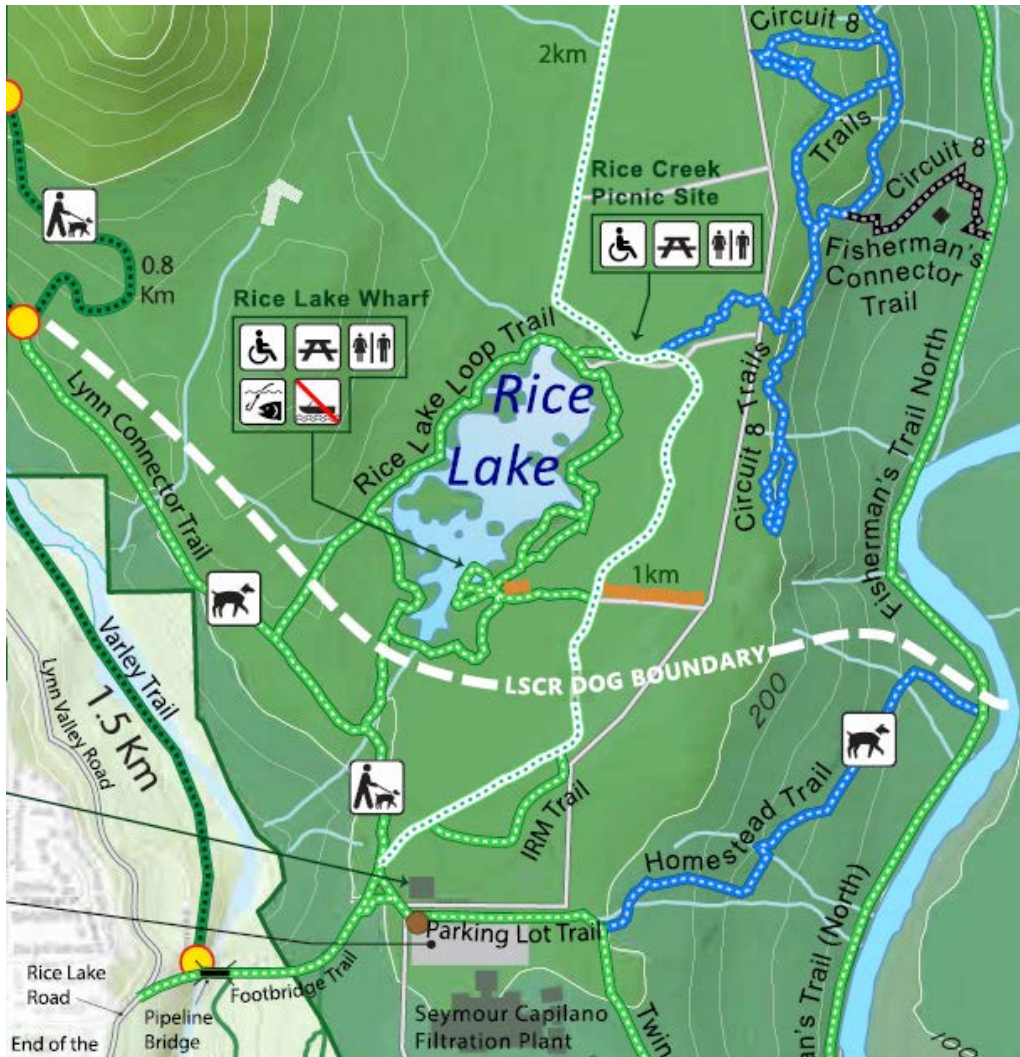
- Work Trucks – limited space in the turn-around near Rice Lake Gate – must keep bus loop clear

Rice Lake

- Filming is not permitted March 1st - September 30st due to high public use.
 - No gas powered boats are permitted.
 - All boats, motors and personal aquatic equipment must be inspected and disinfected prior to entering the lake as per the [Equipment Cleaning Procedures and Inspection Protocols](#)
 - No vegetation/aquatic plant removal or alterations to shoreline/lake bottom
 - Consideration must be given to people fishing at the time of shoot.

This is the highest public use area in the LSCR. Public access must be maintained. All public issues must be communicated to the MV liaison.

Parking is permitted along the Rice Lake Connector Road from the Seymour Mainline to the Seymour Valley Trailway (orange highlighted area). One lane of traffic must be open for MV vehicles. Additional staging is available at Rice Lake across the Outhouse.



Map 1. Rice Lake Area

Rice Lake Loop Trail Network

- **Filming is not permitted March 1st - September 30st due to high public use.**
 - Electric “golf cart” style vehicles are the only motorized transportation permitted from Trailway to and around the lake trail
 - Notification signage must be posted at least 1 week prior to activity commencing
 - Work trucks should park on the Seymour Mainline and only two trucks permitted to park at the wharf.
 - Circus should stage at crew park, 2 km Pit or 4 km Pit
 - Additional on set signage and barricades may be required during prep and shoot
 - Public access must be maintained
 - Minimize cable crossings, any cable across the trail must be clearly marked

2 km Pit

- Parking at 2km is permitted and along the east side of the road if needed

- MV operational access must be maintained. Three-minute access lock-ups.

4 km Lake and Pit

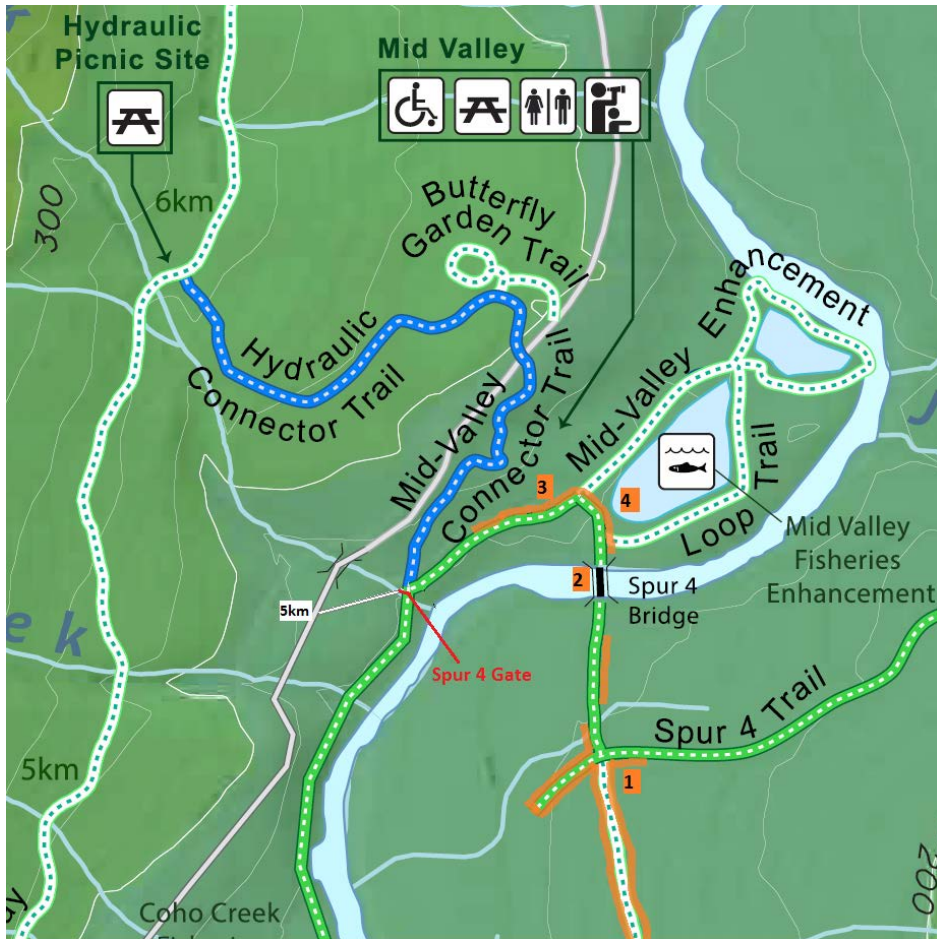
- MV operational needs must be maintained. Three-minute access lock-ups
- Both circus and work truck parking can be accommodated at this site
- No gas powered motors permitted.
- All boats, motors and personal aquatic equipment must be inspected and disinfected prior to entering the lake as per MV Aquatic Equipment Cleaning Guidelines
- Due to the high wildlife values (e.g. nesting birds), filming will not be permitted at 4 km lake between March 1st – August 31st

Spur 4

All circus to park in 4 km Pit for the below locations. Work trucks may park in highlighted orange areas as per map below, as long as emergency and MV vehicles have access.

There are 4 main areas that make up the Spur 4 Site:

1. Spur 4 /Suicide Branch – east of bridge
2. Spur 4 bridge
3. Spur 4 – west of bridge
4. Mid-Valley Fish Enhancement Site



Map 2. Spur 4 Area

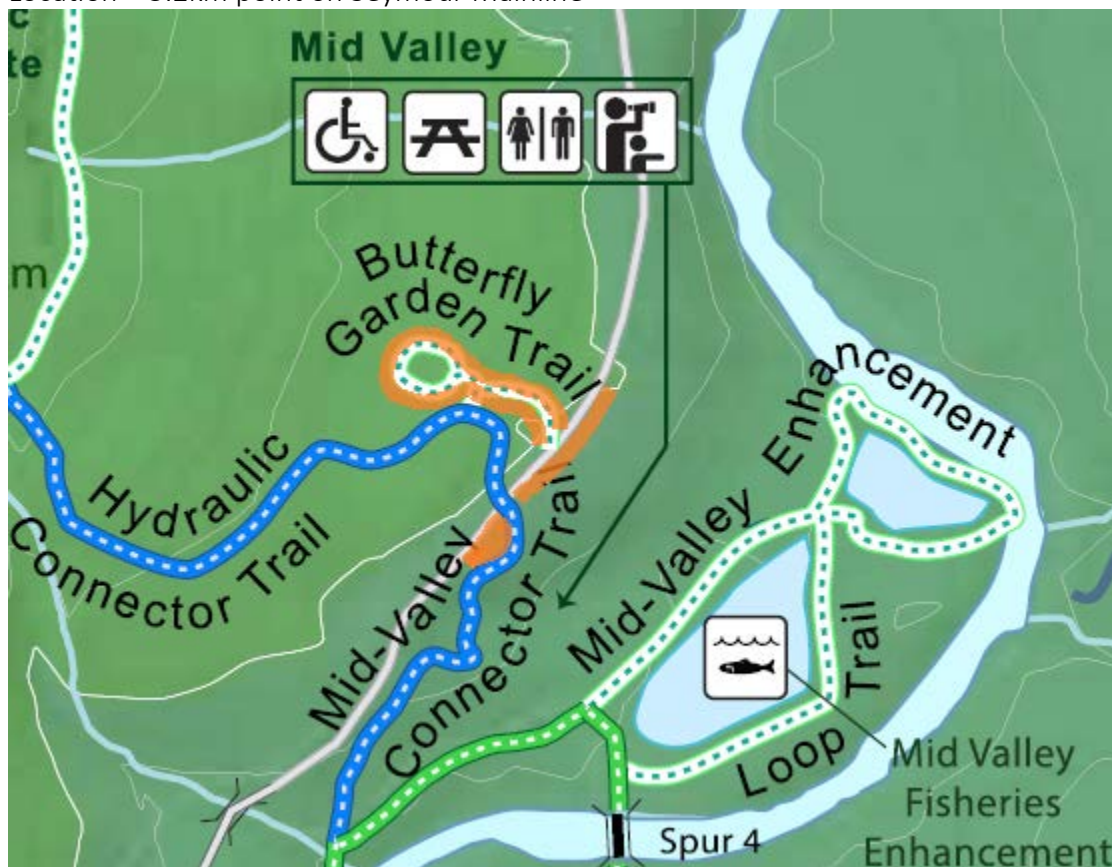
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- 3-minute lock-ups not permitted on Spur 4. Truck and emergency vehicle access must be maintained at all times
- Public access must be maintained
- **Spur 4 Road/Suicide Branch – east of bridge**
 - Signage and barriers can be moved, but must be put back up
 - Forest needed scenes must use ‘filming trail’ and adjacent forest east of Spur 4 at 6km
- **Spur 4 Bridge**
 - Bridge load rating is 75 tonnes
- **Spur 4 – West of Seymour River**
 - Generator parking – not within 30 m of Seymour River or Mid Valley Enhancement. Placement should be near Spur 4 Gate on a flat surface as indicated on Map 1.

- Public access along the Mid-Valley Connector Trail and Fisherman’s Trail must be maintained
 - Work trucks for Spur 4 area, must park on west side of Seymour River
 - No work trucks allowed on ramp leading down to river
- **Enhancement Site**
 - No vehicular access and no parking at Mid Valley Enhancement site

Mid Valley

Location – 5.2km point on Seymour Mainline



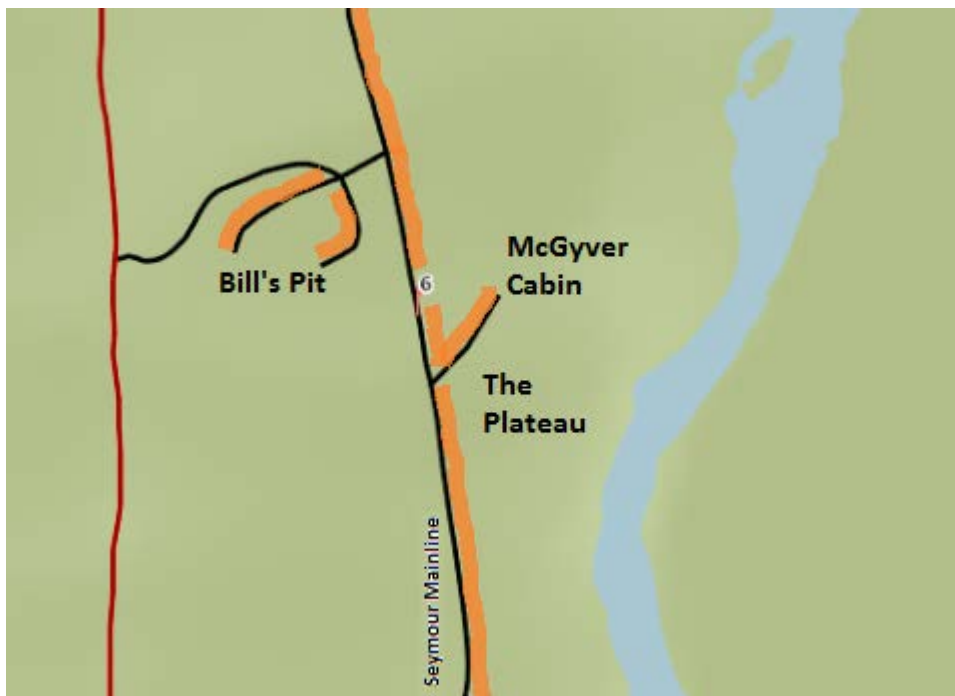
Map. 3 Mid Valley Area

- **Grass Lookout**
 - The grass at this site must be protected with plywood or rubber matting.
All lawn damage must be repaired to the satisfaction of the liaison
 - Rocks, picnic tables, chain link fencing, and shelter can be moved and returned to their original location undamaged.

- **East gravel road**– Water infrastructure
 - No vehicular access permitted for parking or filming
- **Parking**
 - Work trucks may park along the Butterfly Garden Trail, eastside of the Seymour Mainline (with a pedestrian lane delineated) and in Mid-Valley gravel area.
 - Access path must be maintained for the Hydraulic Connector Trail through the viewpoint area and down to Spur 4.

Bill's Pit

Location - 6km point on Seymour Mainline



Map 4. Bills Pit, MacGyver Cabin and the Plateau

- Entrance cannot be altered due to water main depth below
- Parking for work trucks on eastside of mainline in orange; parking may be available in Bill's Pit upon request
- Circus must park in 4km Pit

6km Cabin Road

Location – 6km Seymour Mainline

- Filming is not permitted in the stream south of this road.
- Work truck parking refer to Map 4.
- Circus must park in 4 km Pit

MacGyver Cabin

Location – 6km Seymour Mainline on East side of road

- Cabin can be dismantled as a set and must be rebuilt to the same or better condition
- Cannot be moved to another location
- The forested plateau south of the cabin may be used for filming

Spur 7 Beach

Location – 9 km point on Seymour Mainline (end of Seymour Valley Trailway).

****This site is unavailable for filming during salmon spawning**

****If activities are approved, all work in this area may require separate approval from The Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada.**

There are 2 main areas that make up the Spur 7 Site

1. Seymour Valley Trailway (paved)
2. Spur 7 (Beach access gravel trail)



Map 5. Spur 7 Area

- Beach and gravel access trail
 - No vehicles permitted past asphalt
 - All generators must be parked on pavement (Refer to Map 5)
- SVT (paved road)
 - All vehicles must be parked on pavement on one side of the trail.

Seymour Valley Trailway (SVT)

- No filming permitted on SVT between March 1st – September 30th due to high public use
- Additional on set signage and barricades are required during prep and shoot
- PA escorts must be present to get public through high activity areas

- Cable runs across Trailway must be minimized through specific generator parking sites – discuss with MV liaison. All cable runs must be clearly marked.
- Snow ploughing does not occur throughout the winter on the SVT.
- Driving scenes are not permitted on the SVT.

Mainline

Location – 2km to 9km

Driving scenes are permitted along the Seymour Mainline. Due to water infrastructure, all speed and crash scenes must be approved by MV liaison.

- Full lock-ups are not permitted.
- Intermittent closures are allowed with a **maximum delay of 3 minutes.**
- Access for emergency vehicles must be maintained.
- All work trucks must park on east side of road and circus in 4 km Pit.

Seymour Salmonid Society Hatchery

- Consultation and approval by Seymour Salmonid Society is required

Metro Vancouver supports the BC Film Commission's Reel Green BC initiative to promote positive environmental practices in BC's film and television production industry.

For more information on what departments can do to be part of the solution, please visit:

<http://www.creativebc.com/industry-sectors/motion-picture/reel-green/>