## HISTORICAL LODGE PRESERVATION



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February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - The District of 100 Mile House is pleased to announce the first step towards the preservation of the historic 100 Mile Lodge will be underway this month with the scheduled demolition of the Valley Room located at 98 B Cecil Place.

In 2022, the District of 100 Mile House assumed ownership of the 100 Mile House Community Hall and in doing so made a commitment to create a community gathering place and to forgo further investments into the Valley Room facility. This came after receiving professional advice that remediation work on the Valley Room, required to address extensive flooding and water damage would be extensive. Remediation and associated costs to bring the building up to code were estimated at over \$1 Million.

Neighbours of the Valley Room facility can expect the noisy work of demolition to be underway this month, accompanied by an increase in the number of trades people coming and going from the demolition site. Please exercise caution and patience during this time. Work is expected to be completed by June 1, 2024.

The demolition is not just about tearing down the damaged Valley Room structure. It also symbolizes the progress of heritage preservation of the historic 100 Mile Lodge, and the District's commitment to arts, culture and recreation.

Mayor and Council are committed to preserving the heritage of 100 Mile House wherever possible and will work closely with the 100 Mile Historical Society to create a museum where our history can be celebrated.

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