

## Happy Valley



Happy Valley from Columbia Kootenay Road

### **Heritage Register – Neighbourhood**

- 1) **Historical Name:** Happy Valley
- 2) **Common Name(s):**
- 3) **Location:** East of Happy Valley Road and north of the Mountain View Cemetery.
- 4) **Date of Construction:** Late 1890's used primarily for agricultural purposes

### **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

#### **Description:**

Happy Valley is located at the northeast side of Rossland. To the north it is bounded by Columbia Kootenay Road on the west and Happy Valley Road on the west. The south side boundary is the Mountain View Cemetery and the east boundary is the City of Rossland border.

#### **Heritage Value:**

Developed as an agricultural area prior to the 1940s, the Happy Valley neighbourhood is valued as a quiet rural place located over the hill from the downtown core and featuring open agricultural land and southeast exposure.

The character of Happy Valley is defined by large parcels of land and agricultural fields delineated by fences, and bounded by copses of trees. The groupings of early farm buildings reveal the neighbourhood's history and role as a place of small mixed farms producing eggs, vegetables and other produce. It is valued for its future potential for urban farming. It is also the location of the historical Columbia Cemetery.

Properties above the older flatter land are currently being developed with contemporary houses, taking advantage of the views over the valley and the good exposure to southern and eastern sun and light.

**Character Defining Elements:**

- Large plots of land with mixed farming uses.
- Agricultural buildings and farmhouses.
- Agricultural fields.
- Tree copses, hedgerows and wind rows.
- Fencing.
- Columbia Cemetery.
- Views of the surrounding mountains.