

#### Boundaries – Additional Details (highlighted in red)

### NE Zone – Saints, Simons Valley, McKnight, Blackfoot:

Current Saints players will be distributed across the Associations of Simons Valley, McKnight and Blackfoot effective for the 20-21 season with the following conditions:

- 'Current' Saints members will have a 3-week opt-in period to select the neighbouring Association of their choice (one of Blackfoot, McKnight, Simons Valley), prior to the official opening of registration for the 20-21 season (dates TBD)
  - Only available to members currently in Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget Age Categories (2003 – 2008 born athletes)
    - All current Initiation, Novice and Atom players must register with the designated Associations to ensure balance and future growth of those programs
  - If family does not select preferred Association in the time frame agreed upon then they must register with the designated area
  - All future hockey participants 'MUST' register with the designated area
  - Siblings of Peewee, Bantam & Midget players can opt to go to the same association
  - Siblings not currently in hockey must register with the designated area
- Saints maintain identity through continuing to operate a Midget program
  - 3 year maximum (20-21, 21-22, 22-23)
  - Current 2<sup>nd</sup> year Bantam players and all Midget players are eligible
  - If players want to opt to go to another Association they are permitted as per above guidelines
- Saints continue to operate (and be part of) the NE 'House League Program'
  - Focus on growing the game
  - Target those interested in 'Trying Hockey'
  - Market appropriately

#### NW Zone – Bow River, Crowfoot, NW Warriors

## The implementation of the merger from 3 Associations to 2 in the NW Zone will be delayed until the 2021-22 season with the following caveats in place:

- The 3 Associations have until **October 1, 2020** to come to an agreed upon solution, if at this time the organizations cannot agree, an independent arbitrator (outside of Hockey Calgary) will be contracted to resolve the dispute and facilitate an agreement.
  - The Arbitrator must rule on a decision that meets the 'to be determined' criteria as set out by the Operations Committee and the 3 NW Associations (Northwest,



Bow River, Crowfoot) pertaining to approximate Association sizes, travel distance and ice allocation.

- More detailed criteria for the Arbitrator to rule on will be provided by the Operations Council prior to selection of the Arbitrator.
- Hockey Calgary and the Operations Committee will work in partnership to select an Arbitrator for this process.
- This decision of the Arbitrator will be final and binding, and will go directly to the Hockey Calgary Board for final approval.

All 3 Associations Agreed to the following:

- Want to work together for greater good of NW macro community
- Agree move from 3 to 2 is right strategy to align with remainder of the city
- Agreed that approximately 1000 members is the ideal Assoc. size to be targeting
- Agreed that it is 'ideal' for NW area kids to play and practice in NW part of city

Challenges

- Ice Balancing across the 3 Associations
- Ice Ownership
- Community Association 'Power' & Flexibility (Bylaw Constraints)

### Southeast – Blackfoot/Bow Valley

Discussion was around the moving of Douglasdale community to Blackfoot Association

- BV is largest and fastest growing organization in HC over last 10 years, and is at the maximum range as outlined by the Operations Committee recommendation of 900-1100 players (1090 community players)
- Geographically this community is best fit to move to Blackfoot
- Approximately 80 players currently reside in Douglasdale
- Blackfoot is about 800 players with moderate growth, but needs numbers from both North and South to achieve 900 1100 player range

## The Douglasdale Community becomes part of the Blackfoot Association effective the 2020-21 playing season with the following caveats:

- All players entering into the Midget Age Division (U-18) are grandfathered to Bow Valley
- Players currently in Pee Wee (U-13) and Bantam (U-15) will have the 'option to be grandfathered' (2005-2008 born athletes). Members will have a 3-week period to exercise their grandfather rights prior to the official opening of registration for the 20-21 season (dates TBD)
  - If family does not exercise these rights in the time frame agreed upon then they will be designated to the Blackfoot Association



- All current Initiation, Novice and Atom players must move to the Blackfoot Association
  - Families with siblings in Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget, can request to be grandfathered as a family
- Current Bow Valley Board Member families residing in the Douglasdale community will have the **'option to be grandfathered'** into the Bow Valley Hockey Association
- All future hockey participants 'MUST' register with the Blackfoot Association

## Southwest – Glenlake/Southwest

Discussion was around the moving of the CKE community to Southwest Association

- Glenlake is 2<sup>nd</sup> largest Association in HC and continues to grow, much like Bow Valley they are close to the maximum range as outlined by the Operations Committee recommendation of 900-1100 players, (1083 community players)
- Geographically CKE is best fit to move to Southwest, with many other sporting programs aligning to this portion of the Southwest boundary
- Southwest had 2<sup>nd</sup> largest drop in registration this past year at -6.8% and are now at the low end of the 900 registration recommendation (914 community players)

# The CKE Communities become part of the Southwest Association effective the 2020-21 playing season with the following caveats:

- All players entering into the Midget Age Division (U-18) are grandfathered to Glenlake
- Players currently in Pee Wee (U-13) and Bantam (U-15) will have the 'option to be grandfathered' (2005-2008 born athletes). Members will have a 3-week period to exercise their grandfather rights prior to the official opening of registration for the 20-21 season (dates TBD)
  - If family does not exercise these rights in the time frame agreed upon then they will be designated to the Southwest Association
- All current Initiation, Novice and Atom players must move to the Southwest Association
  - Families with siblings in Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget, can request to be grandfathered as a family
- Current Glenlake Board Member families residing in the CKE communities will have the **'option to be grandfathered'** into the Glenlake Hockey Association
- All future hockey participants 'MUST' register with the Southwest Association