

## **The McCoy Bay Road Association “Drag”**

While it may sound like a message from the early 70's, I am actually announcing the acquisition of the “McCoy Bay Road Association Drag” as a new tool for road maintenance. We had the drag designed and built for our association. It is now being stored at the “Y” for all of us to use.

What is a “Drag?” A tool, or device, that is intended to be dragged behind a vehicle at slow speed to remove ripples of stones (wash boarding) that builds up on gravel roads. Wash boarding causes your tires to bounce and chatter as you travel on the roadway.

The drag is designed to be towed by a vehicle at slow speeds to remove the wash boarding. An all-terrain vehicle (ATV) or a car/truck can be utilized. Be sure to maintain a slow speed as you use the drag. We suggest about 10 Kph.

Using the drag after a rainy period of time is the best. On dry roadway it does not remove as much of the wash boarding. Keeping the dust down is also a good thing.

If you decide to utilize the drag, you do so at your own risk. The McCoy Bay Road Association assumes no responsibility while in your use.

The drag is to be stored at the “Y” and used as you see fit. We ask that you hook onto the drag using the attached chains. Hook the loop chains over your trailer hitch ball. As you hook onto the drag, take it to your driveway and thus, you are assisting the renovation of the roadway all the way to your home base.

Please do not take the drag off of our roadway. Thus, it is not to be taken onto Rt 504.

As soon as you have used the drag on your drive it is to be returned to the “Y” for use by others. Please respect this request and we will not be wondering who might be using the drag at any time.

Please, travel slowly with the drag. Fast speed will cause damage to this road maintenance tool.