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REGIONAL DISTRICT
OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

AGENDA

MEETING NO. 5

April 18, 2019

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AGENDA

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<u>PAGE NO.</u>	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
	<u>AGENDA – April 18, 2019</u>	Approve
	<u>SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA</u>	Receive
	<u>MINUTES</u>	
	(All grey highlighted items may be received as a block)	
11-32	Board Meeting Minutes – March 21, 2019	Adopt
33-36	Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes - April 4, 2019 (Unapproved)	Receive
37-41	Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes - March 7, 2019	Receive
42-47	Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - April 4, 2019 (Unapproved)	Receive
48-52	Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - March 7, 2019	Receive
53-54	Forestry Committee Meeting Minutes - March 21, 2019 (Unapproved)	Receive
55-59	Forestry Committee Meeting Minutes - March 8, 2018	Receive
60-64	Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes - April 4, 2019 (Unapproved)	Receive
65-68	Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes - March 7, 2019	Receive
	<u>BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES</u>	

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DELEGATIONS

NORTHWEST BC RESOURCE BENEFITS ALLIANCE

Kris Boland, Project Manager, RBA

Ron Poole, CAO, Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine

RE: Update

UNITED WAY OF NORTHERN BC

Roberta Squire, CEO

RE: bc211 Initiative

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69-70	Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant - Committee Meeting Recommendations - April 4, 2019	Recommendation (Page 70)
71	Nellie Davis, Regional Economic Development Coordinator – Bulkley Valley Outdoor Recreation Society – Northern Development Application - Community Halls and Recreation Facilities	Recommendation (Page 71)
72	Kim Fields, Finance/Accounting Clerk - Federal Gas Tax Funds – Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural) Town of Smithers	Recommendation (Page 72)
73	Kristi Rensby, Finance/Administration Coordinator – Federal Gas Tax Funds – Electoral Area “D”, Fraser Lake Rural RDBN – Fort Fraser Sewer Condition Assessment	Recommendation (Page 73)
74	Deneve Vanderwolf, Regional Transit Coordinator - First Nation and RDBN Relationship Protocol	Recommendation (Page 74)
75-80	John Illes, Chief Financial Officer – Infrastructure and Planning Grant	Recommendation (Page 79-80)
81-82	John Illes, Chief Financial Officer – Regional Parks and Trails Study	Recommendation (Page 82)
83	John Illes, Chief Financial Officer – Municipal Finance Authority – High Interest Savings Accounts	Recommendation (Page 83)
84-89	John Illes, Chief Financial Officer – Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1866	Recommendation (Page 84)

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90	John Illes, Chief Financial Officer – Local Service Area – Economic Development Bylaws	Recommendation (Page 90)
91-109	Cheryl Anderson, Acting CAO – The Regional News – Spring/Summer 2019	Ratify
110-115	Nellie Davis, Regional Economic Development Coordinator – Ride North Project Update	Receive
116-125	Shari Janzen, Economic Development Assistant - NDIT Housing Programs	Receive
126-129	Shari Janzen, Economic Development Assistant - 2019 Calgary Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show Report	Receive
<u>ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS</u>		
130-131	Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services – Extended Producer Responsibility Program Agreements for RDBN's Fort St. James Recycling Depot	Recommendation (Page 131)
<u>DEVELOPMENT SERVICES</u>		
<u>Memo</u>		
132-149	Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning Coastal GasLink Pipeline Notice of Construction Activities Update	Receive
<u>Applications</u>		
150-161	Jennifer MacIntyre, Planner 1 ALR Application 1211 (Neufeld) – Non-Farm Use Electoral Area F	Recommendation (Page 154)
<u>Correspondence</u>		
162-163	Email: C.A.S Forest Care Ltd. RE: TransCanada CGL Socio-Economic Benefits	Receive

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<u>Page No.</u>	<u>Correspondence (Cont'd)</u>	<u>Action</u>
164-176	Caribou Recovery Agreement Draft Section 11 Agreement and Draft Partnership Agreement	Receive
<u>ELECTORAL AREA PLANNING (All Directors)</u>		
<u>Bylaw for 1st and 2nd Reading</u>		
177-218	Maria Sandberg, Planner Endako, Fraser Lake, and Fort Fraser Official Community Plan (Under Separate Cover)	Recommendation (Page 181)
<u>Application</u>		
219-224	Jennifer MacIntyre, Planner 1 Development Variance Permit No. F-01-19 Electoral Area F (Call for comments from the gallery)	Recommendation (Page 221)
<u>BUILDING INSPECTION (All Directors)</u>		
<u>Memo</u>		
225-234	Steve Davis, Building Inspector Section 57 Notice on Title (2294 Meier Road) Electoral Area F (Call for comments from the gallery)	Recommendation (Page 228)
<u>Report</u>		
235	Building Inspectors Report March 2019	Receive
<u>Correspondence</u>		
236-245	UBCM Resolution – Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings	Receive
<u>PROTECTIVE SERVICES (All Directors)</u>		
<u>Memo</u>		
246-251	Jason Blackwell, Regional Fire Chief Road Rescue and Medical Response in the RDBN	Recommendation (Page 251)

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252-262	Rebecca Rodriguez, Manager of Emergency Services -Regional Emergency Support Services with the District of Vanderhoof <u>Report</u>	Recommendation (Page 253)
263-270	Brittany Evans, Protective Services Assistant March 1, 2019 Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin <u>Correspondence</u>	Receive
271	Thank You Letter Grassy Plains Community Hall Society <u>VERBAL REPORTS</u> <u>RECEIPT OF VERBAL REPORTS</u> <u>ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE</u>	Receive
272-292	North Central Local Government Association - 2019-20 NCLGA Membership Dues	Receive
293	Municipal Insurance Association – Claim Status Report	Receive
294	Northern Development Initiative Trust – 2019 Local Government Internship Program	Receive
295	BC Transit – Transit Infrastructure	Receive
296	Canadian Cancer Society – Thank you for Support – Kordyban Lodge	Receive
297	Cheslatta Carrier Nation – Request for Donation	Receive
298-299	College of New Caledonia – Thank You for Attending Brand Launch Event	Receive
300-301	Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project – Construction Activity Update #1 January-February 2019	Receive

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302	North Central Local Government Association - Species at Risk – Local Government Petition for Action (British Columbia Caribou Recovery Program)	Receive
303-309	Nathan Cullen, MP – Bill C-429 – Zero Waste Packaging Act	Receive
310-313	Office of the Ombudsperson – Quarterly Report October 1 – December 31, 2018	Receive
314-323	Environmental Dynamics Inc. – Rio Tinto's Water Engagement Initiative	Receive
324-325	Species at Risk Recovery – Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Engagement Process	Receive
326-328	Species at Risk Recovery - Caribou Engagement Update: Revision to Engagement Schedule	Receive
329-337	Wilderness Committee – South Okanagan- Similkameen National Park Reserve	Receive
338-348	City of Victoria – UBCM Resolutions	Receive
349-379	Darcy Repen – Resource Dependency The Spatial Origins of BCs Economic Base	Receive
380-381	Cathy Peters – Update on Human Trafficking in BC Communities	Receive
382	Connected Communities – Wired to Deliver: New Site Promotes Community Fiber not Industry-Driven 5G	Receive
383-384	Federation of Canadian Municipalities - Federal Budget 2019	Receive
385-387	Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development/BC Wildfire Service – Overwintering fires, hot spots may reappear this spring	Receive
388-389	North Central Local Government Association - 2019 NCLGA AGM FAQ	Receive

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390-404 Union of B.C. Municipalities Receive

- Funding & Resources Update
- Federal Budget: Gas Tax Fund Doubled for a Year
- Asset Management Planning Program
- 2019 Community Excellence Awards
- Toward Parity Initiative
- Rules for Reporting Minor Crashes Amended
- New Funding to Support Reconciliation
- Wood Frame Building Code Changes
- Multi-Materials BC Advisory Committee
- BC Poverty Reduction Strategy
- Caribou Recovery Engagement
- Bylaw Adjudication Program
- Promoting Local Economic Development

INVITATIONS

405-408 BC Community Forest Association AGM Receive
- June 12-14, 2019 – Mission, BC

409-413 Indigenous Resource Opportunities Conference Receive
- May 23, 2019 – Nanaimo, BC

FINANCIAL

414-423 Operating Accounts Ratify
- Accounts Paid March, 2019

ADMINISTRATION BYLAWS

Bylaw for First, Second, Third Reading & Adoption

424-428 No. 1866 – RDBN Security Issuing – Village of 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Establishment Reading &
(All/Weighted/Majority) **Adoption**

Bylaws for First, Second, Third Reading & Adoption

429-430 No. 1867 – RDBN Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake 1st, 2nd & 3rd
Rural) Economic Development Service Area Reading
Establishment
(All/Directors/Majority)

431-432 No. 1868 – RDBN Electoral Area “E” (Francois/ 1st, 2nd & 3rd
Ootsa Lake Rural) Economic Development Reading
Service Area Establishment
(All/Directors/Majority)

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

IN-CAMERA MOTION

In accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, it is the opinion of the Board of Directors that matters pertaining to Section 90(1)(c) – labour relations or other employee relations, 90(1)(k) – negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages, and that, in the view of council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public and 90(2)(b) – the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party (Highway 16 Corridor) may be closed to the public therefore exercise their option of excluding the public for this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**MEETING NO. 4****Thursday, March 21, 2019**

PRESENT:	Chair	Gerry Thiessen
	Directors	Taylor Bachrach Shane Brienen Mark Fisher Dolores Funk Tom Greenaway Clint Lambert Brad Layton Rob Newell Mark Parker Bev Playfair Jerry Petersen Michael Riis-Christianson Kim Watt-Senner
	Director Absent	Linda McGuire, Village of Granisle
	Alternate Director	Thomas Liversidge, Village of Granisle
	Staff	Cheryl Anderson, Acting CAO/Manager of Administrative Services Nellie Davis, Regional Economic Development Coordinator Steve Davis, Building Inspector/Bylaw Enforcement Officer – arrived at 11:45 a.m., left at 12:20 p.m., arrived at 1:25 p.m. John Illes, Chief Financial Officer Jordanna Evans, Economic Development Support Assistant – arrived at 11:06 p.m., left at 12:20 p.m. Shari Janzen, Economic Development Support Assistant – arrived at 11:06 p.m., left at 12:20 p.m. Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning – left at 2:00 p.m. Deneve Vanderwolf, Planning Technician/Regional Transit Coordinator – arrived at 11:24 a.m., left at 12:05 p.m. Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant
	Others	Cori Funk, Lakes District Maintenance – left at 11:49 a.m. Colleen Gellein, Senior Resource Coordination Officer, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation – Skeena Region – arrived at 11:40 a.m., left at 12:20 p.m. Kiel Giddens, Public Affairs Manager, TransCanada – left at 11:49 a.m. Seth Hunter, Lakes District Maintenance – left at 11:49 a.m. Peter Levy, Lead Negotiator (Cheslatta Carrier Nation), Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation – arrived at 11:40 a.m., left at 12:20 p.m. Mike Robertson, Senior Policy Advisor, Cheslatta Carrier Nation – arrived at 11:22 a.m., left at 12:20 p.m. John Rustad, MLA, Nechako Lakes – left at 11:20 a.m. Tanner Woodmen, Public Affairs Team, Prince George, TransCanada
	Media	Blair McBride, Lakes District News – left at 11:49 p.m., returned at 1:25 p.m., left at 1:44 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thiessen called the meeting to order at 10:46 a.m.

AGENDA & SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-1

"That the agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board meeting of March 21, 2019 be approved as amended; and, that the Supplementary Agenda be received and dealt with at this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes
-February 21, 2019
-Special Board Meeting minutes
-March 7, 2019

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Newell

2019-4-2

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2019 and Special Board Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2019 be adopted."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee Meeting Minutes

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2019-4-3

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Committee Meeting Minutes:

- Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes
-March 7, 2019 (unapproved)
- Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes
-January 3, 2019
- Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
-March 7, 2019 (Unapproved)
- Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
-January 3, 2019
- Regional Transit Committee Meeting Minutes
-March 7, 2019 (Unapproved)
- Regional Transit Committee Meeting Minutes
-July 19, 2018
- Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes
- January 17, 2019 (unapproved);
- Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes
- January 3, 2019
- Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes
-March 7, 2019 (Unapproved)
- Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes
-January 3, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

JOHN RUSTAD, MLA NECHAKO LAKES Re: Update

Chair Thiessen welcomed John Rustad, MLA Nechako Lakes.

Mr. Rustad provided an update in regard to the following:

- Current budget being introduced
- \$100 million announced by the Province and being allocated to the communities
 - Allocation will be determined shortly
 - Good to see the Province providing funding to address infrastructure deficit
- Stuart Lake Hospital – Fort St. James
 - Development Plan moving forward
 - Approximate completion by end of 2019 for budget 2020 year
 - 20% contribution level will hopefully be confirmed
 - Once Stuart Lake Hospital is complete St. John Hospital in Vanderhoof will need to move forward
 - Stuart Lake and St. John Hospital replacement projects combined will have a significant financial burden to the tax base
- Roads
 - Budget to be confirmed in April/May 2019
 - Hopefully there will be recognition of the impacts to the roads from increased truck traffic
- Forestry
 - Significant challenges
 - Lumber prices are a concern
 - Mills struggling with fiber supply
 - Impacts from softwood lumber tariffs
 - No progress in regard to tariffs
 - Delegation from Canada was in Washington, U.S.A.
 - Delegation didn't include representatives from B.C.
 - Highest cost producers in North America
 - Future will be challenging for communities and forest industry
 - Discussions are taking place in regard to developing an Interior Forest Revitalization Plan similar to the Coastal Forest Revitalization Plan
 - Awaiting to view the Terms of Reference
 - Concerns regarding non-disclosure agreements
- 2018 Wildfires
 - Attempted to work directly with the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development to advocate for change in regard to the approach to wildfires
 - Initial Attack Crews – well trained and do an excellent job
 - When there are more fire starts than crews a number of fires do not receive action immediately
 - Provided an example of industry crews having the ability to assist in actioning fire starts and not being provided the authority to respond
 - Important to provide the ability for industry to partner with BC Wildfire Service to assist
 - Review of optional technologies/times to fight fires needs to take place
 - The Province is conducting some engagement and work with contractors but further work needs to occur to have private sector crews complete initial attack works
 - He will continue to follow up in Spring of 2019
- Cheslatta Carrier Nation
 - Congratulations to Cheslatta Carrier Nation
 - Significant agreement being completed that has been ratified with an upcoming signing ceremony to take place
 - Very positive for the area
 - He noted that a number of other agreements are also being discussed.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

JOHN RUSTAD, MLA NECHAKO LAKES Re: Update (Cont'd)

- Caribou Issues
 - Important to be able to address the issues of predators/predator management
 - Referenced a study conducted near Prince George in regard to collared moose and the number killed by predators
 - Important to find ways to mitigate the loss of ungulates due to predators to ensure sustainability
 - Discussion in northeast B.C. preventing recreation, industry etc. utilizing proposed protected habitat areas in an attempt to preserve Caribou herds
 - Habitat is critical and changing habitat has been occurring for decades
 - Raised the importance of predator management.

Chair Thiessen thanked Mr. Rustad for attending the meeting.

TRANSCANADA – Kiel Giddens, Public Affairs Manager Re: Coastal GasLink Pipeline Update

Chair Thiessen welcomed Kiel Giddens, Public Affairs Regional Manager, TransCanada.

Mr. Giddens introduced Tanner Woodmen, Public Affairs Team, Prince George, TransCanada.

Mr. Giddens provided a PowerPoint Presentation

Coastal GasLink Project – TransCanada

- TransCanada background
- Final Investment Decision
 - Challenges in January 2019 - making progress
 - Accredited the achievement to respectful dialogue with all stakeholders
 - Work with each community to build relationships
- Coastal GasLink Route
- Project Timeline
- Pipeline Work Packages
 - Contractors currently mobilizing
 - 8 sections – 4 contractors – allows work in summer and winter
 - Within RDBN 3 contractors in sections 4-7
 - Have started construction on section 8 – Northwest Coast and sections 1 and 2 in the Peace Region
 - Early works to begin within the RDBN in Fall 2019 and continuing through 2020/2021
- Proposed RDBN Stockpile Locations
- Proposed RDBN Camp locations
- Camp Standards- in partnership with First Nations
 - Liquid and solid waste solutions
 - Medical personnel
 - Safety paramount
 - Typical Camp Amenities
 - Encourage employee community engagement and participation
- Project Update: Contracting & Employment
- Economic Summits
- A Community Partner in Northern BC
- Key Highlights for Coastal GasLink
- Building the Bests – Before and After.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

TRANSCANADA – Kiel Giddens, Public Affairs Manager Re: Coastal GasLink Pipeline Update

Director Newell brought forward concerns in regard to communication regarding the Unist'ot'en camp near Houston and providing the RDBN with information. He also spoke of the following: importance of fully utilizing fiber during right of way clearing and the potential to have Coastal GasLink provide cell towers. Mr. Giddens noted that in the future they will ensure that the RDBN is provided with information. He mentioned that a condition of the Environmental Assessment Process is the full utilization of fiber and they have been in contact with tenure holders in regard to the topic. Mr. Giddens commented that the work camps will have cell towers to provide connectivity and currently do not have plans to provide permanent infrastructure.

Discussion took place regarding a request from the RDBN in regard to TransCanada providing an Emergency Response Plan. Mr. Giddens mentioned that a plan is being drafted and will be available in Spring of 2019.

Director Fisher questioned if a long term asset management plan, a plan for unforeseen financial costs, environmental disasters, pipeline decommissioning etc. has been completed. Mr. Giddens noted that there is an insurance policy in place that meets legal requirements and TransCanada is pursuing equity partners for construction and long-term investment. He stated that LNG Canada is viewing the project as a 40 year project. Discussion took place in regard to the Environmental Assessment Process addressing the decommission and end of life for the pipeline, TransCanada's experience regarding pipeline abandonment and climate initiatives and meeting BC's Climate Action Plan. Mr. Giddens mentioned that TransCanada has had experience with pipeline abandonment and will provide information to the Regional Board in regard to the process that the Oil and Gas Commission undertakes. Director Bachrach spoke to the importance of having further conversation in regard to climate action initiatives and hitting climate action targets. Mr. Giddens mentioned that the Environmental Assessment (EA) Process includes emissions requirements and the document is publicly available. Chair Thiessen requested that TransCanada provide the information to the Regional Board.

Chair Thiessen thanked Messrs. Giddens and Woodman for attending the meeting.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Committee Meeting
Recommendation
- March 7, 2019

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

2019-4-4

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve March 7, 2019 Committee Meeting Recommendations 1 through 14 as written:

Committee of the Whole Meeting – March 7, 2019

Recommendation 1:

Re: Peace of Mind Campaign for the Canadian Cancer Society Kordyban Lodge –Request for Support

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to include an increase to the Regional Grant in Aid budget of \$25,000 to contribute \$25,000 to the Peace of Mind Campaign for the Canadian Cancer Society Kordyban Lodge."

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Waste Management Committee Meeting– March 7, 2019

Recommendation 2:

**Re: Major Appliance Recycling Roundtable (MARR)
-Compensation of Program Products**

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve staff to negotiate a fair agreement with the Major Appliance Recycling Roundtable (MARR) Stewardship agency for compensation for management of their program products listed as major appliances and to bring the agreement back for Board approval after negotiation.

2. Further, that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize staff to amend Bylaw #1764 User Fee Schedule to remove the fee for Ozone Depleting Substances appliances for the program products under the MARR program."

Recommendation 3:

**Re: Construct and Operate a Recycle BC Depot at the
Fort. St. James Transfer Station**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve staff to enter into a contract with Recycle BC to operate a Recycle BC Depot at the Fort. St. James Transfer Station; and further, that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako build and operate a Recycle Depot at the Ft. St. James Transfer Station with funding for construction coming from Federal Gas Tax money to a maximum of \$150,000 if alternate funding is not available."

Recommendation 4:

**Re: Construct and Operate a Recycle BC Depot at the
Old Houston Landfill Site**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve staff to enter into a contract with Recycle BC to operate a Recycle BC Depot at the old Houston Landfill site; and further, that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako build and operate a Recycle depot at the Houston Landfill site with funding for construction coming from Federal Gas Tax money to a maximum of \$95,000 if alternate funding is not available."

Recommendation 5:

**Re: Construct and Operate a Waste Transfer Station at
the Old Houston Landfill Site**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve staff to build and operate a Waste Transfer Station at the old Houston Landfill site."

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

**Waste Management Committee Meeting– March 7, 2019
(Cont'd)**

Recommendation 6:

Re: Letter to Nathan Cullen re: Zero Waste Packaging Act

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve sending the Letter to Nathan Cullen re: Zero Waste Packaging Act."

Agriculture Committee Meeting – March 7, 2019

Recommendation 7:

Re: Smithers Farmers' Institute – Carrots to Cattle 2019: Growing from the Ground up

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify Agriculture Chair Mark Parker's attendance at the Smithers Farmers' Institute – Carrots to Cattle 2019: Growing from the Ground Up."

Regional Transit Committee Meeting – March 7, 2019

Recommendation 8:

Re: Survey Report

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to continue conducting the survey twice a year."

Recommendation 9:

Re: Area A Public Engagement Plan- 2019-Transit Related Initiative

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize providing five tickets to Directors wanting to use the tickets as giveaways to promote the service."

Recommendation 10:

Re: 2019 GradPass Program

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve participation in the GradPass Program for 2019; and further,
2. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve including the Houston Christian School, Northside Christian School (Vanderhoof) and Bulkley Valley Christian School (Smithers) in the GradPass Program for 2019."

Recommendation 11:

Re: Infrastructure Request

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve moving forward with the installation of a bus shelter at the stop beside the Lake Babine Nation Band Office on Sus Ave in the community of Woyenne."

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Rural Directors Committee Meeting – March 7, 2019

Recommendation 12:

Re: Fort St. James Secondary School– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)

“That the Fort St. James Secondary School be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for a Grade 12 Scholarship.”

Recommendation 13:

Re: Friends of the Smithers Public Library - Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural)

“That the Friends of the Smithers Public Library be given \$2,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural) for costs associated with the Community Repair Café Program.”

Recommendation 14:

Re: Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference – May 30-June 2, 2019 – Quebec City, Quebec

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize Director Newell’s attendance at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference May 30 to June 2, 2019 in Quebec City, Quebec.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Items to be Brought Forward to the Public Agenda from Special (In-Camera) Meeting

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2019-4-5

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve March 7, 2019 Special (In-Camera) meeting Recommendation 1 as written:

Recommendation 1:

Re: Agriculture Coordinator Contract Extension

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the contract end date with Debbie Evans, Agriculture Coordinator, be extended from October 31, 2019 to October 31, 2020.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Local Government Management Association -Commemorative Tree Planting

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

2019-4-6

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to proceed with selecting a tree to purchase for placement in a location at staff’s discretion in recognition of the local government profession and ongoing commitment to the region.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Annual UBCM Convention
-September 23-27, 2019
-Vancouver, B.C.

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-7

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize attendance of Chair Thiessen, Rural Directors, the Chief Administrative Officer, and Manager of Administrative Services at the UBCM Convention from September 23-27, 2019 in Vancouver, B.C."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

First Nation and Regional
District of Bulkley-Nechako
Relationship Protocol

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Layton

2019-4-8

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to proceed to completion with those that have indicated their interest in signing the document and that elected officials and RDBN staff continue dialoge with First Nations and Municipalities in regard to the First Nation and Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Relationship Protocol."

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Brien

2019-4-9

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors defer Motion 2019-4-8 to a future Board meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Five Year Financial Plan
-Bylaw #1864

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-10

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer's March 12, 2019 memo titled "Five Year Financial Plan – Bylaw 1864", and
2. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors give Bylaw 1864 three readings and adoption later in the agenda."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BC Rural Dividend Special
Circumstances Application
-RDBN on Behalf of Lakes
District Fair Association

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2019-4-11

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to assist the Lakes District Fair Association in identifying and applying for sources of grant funding alternative to the Special Circumstances Program for the Rodeo Concession Project."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Electoral Area "A" Economic
Development Service - Bulkley
Valley Farmers' Market Request

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Parker

2019-4-12

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize contributing \$5,000 of Electoral Area "A" Economic Development Service funds to the Bulkley Valley Farmer's Market for a 2019 Vendor Recruitment project."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Burns Lake Tradeshow

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Funk

2019-4-13

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve \$250 from the Administration Tradeshow Budget toward the rental of an RDBN booth at the Burns Lake Tradeshow April 26 & 27, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Federal Gas Tax Funds
-Electoral Area "A" (Smithers
Rural) Bulkley Valley Aquatic
Centre Management Society

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Fisher

2019-4-14

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize contributing up to \$7,353.64 of Electoral Area "A" Federal Gas Tax allocation monies to the Bulkley Valley Aquatic Centre Management Society towards the Community Energy Systems/Recreation Infrastructure project located at the Bulkley Valley Regional Pool in Smithers; and further,

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. That the RDBN Board of Directors authorize the withdrawal of up to \$7,353.64 from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Report on Federal Gas Tax
Projects Approved in 2018

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Parker

2019-4-15

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Accounting Clerk's February 21, 2019 memo titled "Report on Federal Gas Tax Projects Approved in 2018" as amended to include the report on the Supplementary Agenda."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Director Newell, Electoral Area
 "G" (Houston Rural) -2019
 Minerals Roundup

Moved by Director Greenaway
 Seconded by Director Brien

2019-4-16

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive Director Newell's, Electoral Area "G" (Houston Rural) report titled "2019 Minerals Roundup."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RDBN 2019 Strategic Priorities
 Chart

Moved by Director Layton
 Seconded by Director Playfair

2019-4-17

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the RDBN 2019 Strategic Priorities Chart."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Director Layton
 Seconded by Director Newell

2019-4-18

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to amend the RDBN 2019 Strategic Priorities Chart to include "Work Camp Strategy" and "Public Engagement" in the "Now" category."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Break for lunch at 12:20 p.m.

Reconvened at 12:49 p.m.

IN-CAMERA MOTION

Moved by Director Brien
 Seconded by Director Layton

2019-4-19

"In accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, it is the opinion of the Board of Directors that matters pertaining to Section 90(1)(c) – labour relations or other employee relations, and Section 90(2)(b) – the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party (Cheslatta Carrier Nation Negotiations) may be closed to the public therefore exercise their option of excluding the public for this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reconvened at 1:24 p.m.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CONT'D)

Memo

**Recent Agricultural Land
Commission Decisions**

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Layton

2019-4-20

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Planner 1's February 21, 2019 memo titled "Recent Agricultural Land Commission Decisions."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Report

**Planning Department 2018
YEAR-END Report**

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Layton

2019-4-21

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Planning Department 2018 YEAR-END Report."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**January 2019 Planning
Enquiries**

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Layton

2019-4-22

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the January 2019 Planning Enquiries Report."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Referrals

**Land Referral File
No. 7410064 (Foster)
Electoral Area "F"**

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-23

"That "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Land Referral No. 7410064" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Land Referral Application 7410064."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Land Referral File No. 7404780
Ministry of Transportation and
Infrastructure, Electoral Area "F"**

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Lambert

2019-4-24

"That "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral 7404780" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Application 7404780."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence

EAO's Assessment of an
Application for Certificate
Amendment Mount Milligan
Copper-Gold Project

Moved by Director Playfair
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

2019-4-25

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the correspondence from the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) of an Application for Certificate Amendment Mt. Milligan Copper-Gold Project."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ELECTORAL AREA PLANNING (All Directors)

Bylaw for Third Reading

Rezoning Application
No. A-01-18 Electoral Area A

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2019-4-26

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Report of the Public Hearing for "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1857, 2019."
2. "That "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1857, 2019" be given third reading this 21st day of March, 2019."
3. That should Bylaw No. 1857, 2019 be supported at 3rd reading, final reading not be considered until the applicant shows that the existing system has capacity to accommodate two dwellings in accordance with Northern Health regulations."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUILDING INSPECTION (All Directors)

Chair Thiessen called for comments from the gallery.

Section 57 Notice on Title
Wildwood Drive Electoral
Area B

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

2019-4-27

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors amend the wording of section 3 of the draft resolution in the February 12, 2019 staff report confirming that the property owner was not in attendance at this meeting, and that submissions were received from the RDBN Building Inspector."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUILDING INSPECTION (All Directors) (CONT'D)

Section 57 Notice on Title
Wildwood Drive Electoral
Area B

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Funk

2019-4-28

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors confirm the recommendations of the Building Inspector and pass the following resolution directing the Corporate Officer to file a notice in the Land Title Office for the property at 4055 Wildwood Drive.

WHEREAS:

1. The Building Inspector has submitted to this Board a report dated February 12, 2019 (the "Report") regarding the building situated at Lot 1, Plan PRP9098, District Lot 2545, Except Plan PRP 14687, Range 5, Land District 14 (4055 Wildwood Drive). PID: 006363334 (the "Land")) that:
 - a. he discovered that construction was made to a building on the Land without a permit required under *Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Building Bylaw No. 1634, 2012*, section 6.1; and
2. The Building Inspector has requested that the Board confirm his recommendations and pass a resolution directing the Corporate Officer to file a notice on title to the Land Title Office under section 57 of the *Community Charter*;
3. The Corporate Officer notified (D'Arcy and Mardel Bell), the registered owners of the Land in accordance with section 57 of the *Community Charter* and the owner did not attend this meeting, and the Regional District Board received submissions from the Building Inspector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Report and the recommendations of the Building Inspector are accepted and confirmed by this Board, and;
2. The Corporate Officer shall file a notice in the Land Title Office stating that a Resolution has been passed under section 57 of the *Community Charter* by this Board relating to land legally described as Lot 1, Plan PRP9098, District Lot 2545, Except Plan PRP14687, Range 5, Land District 14 and that further information respecting the resolution may be inspected at the offices of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako at 37-3rd Avenue, Burns Lake, BC, during office hours from 8:30 to 4:30."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Report

Building Inspectors Report
February 2019

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Newell

2019-4-29

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Building Inspectors Report for February 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Report

February 1, 2019 Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

2019-4-30 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Protective Services Assistant's February 11, 2019 memo titled "February 1, 2019 Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Monthly 9-1-1 Call Report -February 2019 Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Playfair

2019-4-31 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Protective Services Assistant's March 7, 2019 memo titled "Monthly 9-1-1 Call Report – February 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Fort Fraser Water Project Report to the Province Director Parker thanked Environmental Services staff for sending the Fort Fraser Water Project Report to the Province and in meeting the criteria, the funding has been released for the project.

RDBN Letter - BC Wildfire Recovery Initiative – Tax Implications Director Parker mentioned that the RDBN Letter to Business Risk Management Branch – 2018 Canada British Columbia Wildfire Recovery Initiative - Tax Implications has been sent to the Ministry of Agriculture and further conversation will take place in the near future.

Meeting with Deputy Minister John Allan, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development Director Funk has scheduled a meeting with Deputy Minister John Allan, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development at the COFI (Council of Forest Industries) Convention April 3-5, 2019 in Vancouver regarding forest management and wildfire mitigation issues. Director Funk invited Directors attending COFI to join the meeting.

Receipt of Verbal Reports Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Playfair

2019-4-32 "That the verbal reports of the various Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors be received."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE

Community Energy Association Moved by Director Bachrach
-Charge North Grant Application Seconded by Director Layton
-Request for Letter of Support

2019-4-33 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support to the Community Energy Association for its Charge North Grant Application."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Layton removed himself from the meeting at 2:03 p.m. due to a conflict of interest in regard to the Bulkley Valley Intensive Motorized Association Request for Letter of Support.

Bulkley Valley Intensive Moved by Director Fisher
Motorized Association Seconded by Director Bachrach
-Request for Letter of Support

2019-4-34 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support to the Bulkley Valley Intensive Motorized Association for the concept of an Intensive Motorized Area (IMA) on crown land in the Bulkley Valley for off road vehicles to legally enjoy recreating."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Layton returned to the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Ministry of Forests, Lands, Moved by Director Bachrach
Natural Resource Operations Seconded by Director Brien
and Rural Development
- Name Change Proposals

2019-4-35 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support in regard to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development name change proposals."

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

2019-4-36 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors amend Motion 2019-4-35 to include: and further, that the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development consider signage for the lake to contain both the English name and the First Nation name."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

"That the question be called on Motion 2019-4-35 as amended."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

Community Futures of Nadina
-Rural and Northern
Immigration Pilot

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
 Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

2019-4-37

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support to Community Futures of Nadina for its Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Administration
Correspondence & Invitations

Moved by Director Bachrach
 Seconded by Director Layton

2019-4-38

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following correspondence:

- Northern Development Initiative Trust – 2019 Economic Development Capacity Building
- Union of BC Municipalities – 2017 CEPF: Emergency Social Services – Regional Emergency Social Services Capacity Building
- Union of BC Municipalities – Provincial Response to 2018 Resolutions
- City of Victoria – Council Resolutions
- North Central Local Government Association - Annual General Meeting FAQ
- Nechako Nordics – Thank you for Support
- Quick Station Residents' Association- Quick Bridge
- Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association- Update
- BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
 – *Water Sustainability Act* – Extension of Groundwater Transition Period
- Canadian Red Cross – 2017 British Columbia Fires Update
- Fire Prevention Officers of B.C. Fire Away Magazine – 50th Anniversary Conference & Seminar – Request for Support Union of B.C. Municipalities
- C2C Forum Status Report
- Province Will Retain AGLG Office
- Throne Speech Highlights
- Provincial Budget Highlights
- Provincial Responses to 2018 UBCM Resolutions
- Development Along Rail Corridors."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INVITATIONS

BC Agriculture & Food Climate
Action Initiative - Adapt to
Climate Change Final Meeting
- March 13, 2019 – Vanderhoof, B.C.

Moved by Director Petersen
 Seconded by Director Lambert

2019-4-39

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify Agriculture Chair Parker's attendance at the BC Agriculture & Food Climate Action Initiative – Adapt to Climate Change Final Meeting, March 13, 2019 in Vanderhoof, B.C."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INVITATIONS (CONT'D)

Invitations

Moved by Director Layton
 Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-40

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following invitations:

- BC Community Forest Association – 2019 Conference and AGM
- Council of Forest Industries 2019 Convention - April 3-5, 2019
 –Vancouver, B.C.
- BC Natural Resources Forum – Indigenous Resource Opportunities Conference – May 23, 2019 – Nanaimo, B.C."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION LISTS

Action Lists

Moved by Director Bachrach
 Seconded by Director Lambert

2019-4-41

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Action Lists for January and February, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCIAL

Operating Accounts -February, 2019

Moved by Director Newell
 Seconded by Director Layton

2019-4-42

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify the Operating Accounts – Paid February, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION BYLAWS

Bylaws for First, Second, Third Reading and Adoption

No. 1864 –RDBN Five Year Financial Plan

Moved by Director Layton
 Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-43

"That "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1864, 2019" be given first, second, third reading and adoption this 21st day of March, 2019."

(All/Weighted/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaws for Adoption

No. 1856 –Electoral Area "C"
Public Library Contribution
Service Area Establishment
Amendment

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Playfair

2019-4-44

"That "Electoral Area "C" Public Library Contribution Service Area Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1856, 2019" be adopted this 21st day of March, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No. 1860 –Cluculz Lake
-Somerset Estates Sewer Local
Service Establishment
Amendment

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Brien

2019-4-45

"That "Cluculz Lake – Somerset Estates Sewer Local Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1860, 2019" be adopted this 21st day of March, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No. 1862 –RDBN Emergency
Program Service Establishment
Amendment

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-46

"That "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Emergency Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1862, 2019" be adopted this 21st day of March, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No. 1863 –Cluculz Lake
Emergency Response Team
(CLERT) Contribution Local
Service Area Establishment Amendment

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-47

"That "Cluculz Lake Emergency Response Team (CLERT) Contribution Local Service Area Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1863, 2019" be adopted this 21st day of March, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

READING FILE

Reading File

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-48

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Reading File:

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Association for Mineral Exploration
- February 21, 2019 - AME News
- February 21, 2019 - Insight
- February 19, 2019 – News Release – BC Chamber of Commerce Responds to 2019 Budget

READING FILE (CONT'D)

CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D):

- BC Chamber of Commerce
 - Insight – March 2019
 - Insight – February 2019
 - News Release BC Chamber of Commerce responds to 2019 Budget
- BC Healthy Communities – Winter 2019 eNews: Job Opportunities, Evaluation Tips and More
- BC Rural Centre - March 2019 Newsletter
- Canada Research Connections – New Report Urges Immediate Biodiversity Action in Canada
- Canada Wood Group
 - Market Summary Report / Interim 2 / 2018/19
 - Global Markets Newsletter, March 2019
- Canfor News Release
 - March 4, 2019 – Canfor Announces Renewal of Normal Course Issuer Bid
 - February 28, 2019 – Canfor Closes VIDA Group of Sweden Acquisition
 - February 21, 2019 – Canfor Reports Results for 2018 and Fourth Quarter of 2018
- CannabisChannel.ca – Leafs in Dispute with Snoop Dog over Cannabis Trademark / Cannabis Act Takes a Problematic Approach to Dealing with Youths
- Cascadia Energy Ltd. – Enertelligence Monthly Review – Winter 2019-March
- Clean Energy Review
 - March 11, 2019 – Women key to Fighting Climate Change
 - March 4, 2019 – Keeping our Auto Industry Alive
 - February 25, 2019 – Has BC's Budget Delivered on Climate?
 - February 19, 2019 – The Definition of a Political Football
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities
 - March 11, 2019 – Our Campaign for Reliable Internet for All/Call for Applications: CEDI/Annual Conference 2019/more
 - March 8, 2019 – Sign up for Local Asset Management Training
 - March 5, 2019 – Webinar Reminder: Assess Clean Energy Projects/Circular Procurement Summit
 - March 4, 2019 – Voice – Let's Get Canadians Moving / International Women's Day / Reminder: Roll of Honour Nominations
 - February 25, 2019 – Voice - #FCM2019 Building Better Lives / Pushing for Universal Broadband / Ann MacLean Award Nominations
 - February 21, 2019 – President's Corner – Shaping the National Agenda—Together
 - February 20, 2019 – Announcing Funding for 58 Municipalities / Online Asset Management Training / and more
 - February 19, 2019 – Voice – Urgent Push for Universal Broadband / CEDI: Call for Applications / #CDNmuni Key to Achieving SDGs
- Prince George, Economic Update – January 2019

READING FILE (CONT'D)

CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D):

-Resource Works

- February 28, 2019 – Newsletter – Our new Citizen's Guide a Best-Seller
- February 14, 2019 – Newsletter: Our Birthday and a Special Event

Rio Tinto Alcan – Nechako Reservoir Flow Facts:

- March 2 to March 8, 2019
- February 3 to March 1, 2019
- February 16 to February 22, 2019
- February 9 to February 15, 2019

-Northern Health – March 2019 – Healthier Northern Communities E-brief."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Request for Feedback on
 Revised Broadband Outline

Moved by Director Newell
 Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

2019-4-49

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer's March 20, 2019 memo titled "Request for Feedback on Revised Broadband Outline."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BC Haskap Association,
 Haskap 3.0

Moved by Director Parker
 Seconded by Director Petersen

2019-4-50

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the RDBN Agriculture Coordinator's attendance fee of \$50, and allow travel to Salmon Arm for the Haskap 3.0 Workshop."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fort Fraser Local Community
 Commission – Request for
 Grant in Aid – Electoral Area
 "D" (Fraser Lake Rural)

Moved by Director Parker
 Seconded by Director Greenaway

2019-4-51

"That the Fort Fraser Local Community Commission be given \$2,500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "D" (Fraser Lake Rural) for the Fort Fraser Water Infrastructure Project."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Northern Capital and Planning
 Grants

Moved by Alternate Director Liversidge
 Seconded by Director Newell

2019-4-52

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer's March 20, 2019 memo titled "Northern Capital and Planning Grants."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

Fort Fraser Local Community Commission Recommendation to Endorse the Fort Fraser Water Conservation Plan Moved by Director Parker
 Seconded by Director Brienen

2019-4-53

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Deputy Director of Environmental Services March 20, 2019 memo "Fort Fraser Local Community Commission Recommendation to Endorse the Fort Fraser Water Infrastructure Project."
2. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the Water Conservation Plan for the Fort Fraser Local Community Commission and that it be submitted to the Province."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

April 4th, 2019 RDBN Committee Meeting Day Moved by Director Fisher
 Seconded by Director Lambert

2019-4-54

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the scheduled RDBN Committee Meeting be held April 4, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RDBN Regional Economic Development

Discussion took place in regard to Regional Economic Development and RDBN Board direction. Chair Thiessen requested staff include it on the April 18, 2019 Special (In-Camera) Meeting Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Funk
 Seconded by Director Bachrach

2019-4-55

"That the meeting be adjourned at 2:52 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Gerry Thiessen, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING
(Committee Of The Whole)

Thursday, April 4, 2019

PRESENT:	Chair	Mark Parker
	Directors	Taylor Bachrach Mark Fisher Clint Lambert Linda McGuire Rob Newell Jerry Petersen Michael Riis-Christianson Kim Watt-Senner
	Directors Absent	Shane Brienen, District of Houston Dolores Funk, Village of Burns Lake Tom Greenaway, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural) Brad Layton, Village of Telkwa Bev Playfair, District of Fort St. James Gerry Thiessen, District of Vanderhoof
	Alternate Directors	Darrell Hill, Village of Burns Lake Judy Greenaway, District of Fort St. James Bob Hughes, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural)
	Staff	Cheryl Anderson, Acting Chief Administrative Officer/Manager of Administrative Services Debbie Evans, Agriculture Coordinator John Illes, Chief Financial Officer Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning and Protective Services Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant
	Others	Margo Peill, Northwest Region Community Animator, Farm to School BC – Via teleconference 11:53 a.m. to 12:07 p.m.
	Media	Blair McBride, Lakes District News

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Parker called the meeting to order at 11:50 a.m.

AGENDA &
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Moved by Director Lambert
 Seconded by Director Newell

AG.2019-3-1

"That the Agriculture Committee Agenda of April 4, 2019 be adopted; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be dealt with at this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes
-March 7, 2019

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

AG.2019-3-2

"That the Minutes of the Agriculture Committee Meeting of March 7, 2019 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF BC – Margo Peill, Northwest Region Community Animator, Farm to School BC – RE: Introduction to Farm to School BC Program – via teleconference

Chair Parker welcomed Margo Peill, Northwest Region Community Animator, Farm to School BC, Public Health Association of BC.

Ms. Peill provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Introduction to F2SBC (Farm to School BC)

- Vision and Mission
- Goals
- Farm to School BC
- Farm to School BC Reach
- Core Elements of Farm to School
- Healthy Local Food
 - o Schools source and serve local foods in a variety of ways
- Hands-on learning
- School and Community Connectedness
- F2SBC Interest
- Northwest Regional Hub
- Farm to School Community Animator.

Ms. Peill noted that she is spreading awareness in regard to the Farm to School BC Program and is working to open conversation for collaboration, and to build capacity for the program.

Director Newell questioned if the program is delivered daily. Ms. Peill commented that each school participates at different levels of capacity. She noted that the long-term goal of the program is to achieve daily participation. Director Newell mentioned that daily delivery of a program such as Farm to School BC assists in eliminating economic disparity.

Director McGuire asked if the program was only distributed east to Houston. Currently the program is east to Houston with support provided to one or two schools in School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes). Ms. Peill mentioned that they are investigating starting a hub in Prince George. She also identified grant funding that will open in the fall for schools to apply to start programs or assist programs in operation.

Chair Parker spoke of the number of schools participating in the program. Ms. Peill noted that some schools were providing a program prior to the Farm to School BC program and she is currently determining the schools that have programs in place and where support can be provided and connecting schools that may wish to participate in the program.

Chair Parker thanked Ms. Peill for attending the meeting.

REPORTS

Update on Funding Proposal for updating RDBN Agriculture Plan Moved by Director McGuire
 Seconded by Director Lambert

AG.2019-3-3

"That the Agriculture Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to request letters of support from the BC Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Agrologist and Land Use Planner; and further, that the RDBN Agriculture Committee Chair provide a letter of support for the funding proposal to the Investment Agriculture Foundation (IAF) for the RDBN Agriculture Plan Update 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence Moved by Director McGuire
 Seconded by Director Lambert

AG.2019-3-4

"That the Agriculture Committee receive the following correspondence:

-Bulkley-Nechako/Fraser-Fort George Adaptation Strategies: Workshop #2 Summary
 -the RDBN Letter to Business Risk Management Branch – 2018 Canada – British Columbia Wildfire Recovery Initiative – Tax Implications."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE

Public Health Association of BC – Farm to School BC Moved by Director Petersen
 Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

AG.2019-3-5

"That the Agriculture Committee receive the correspondence from Public Health Association of BC – Farm to School BC."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INVITATION

Join the Agri-Food Business Planning Workshop -April 15-16, 2019 – Smithers, BC Moved by Director Bachrach
 Seconded by Alternate Director Greenaway

AG.2019-3-6

"That the Agriculture Committee receive the invitation titled "Join the Agri-Food Business Planning Workshop – April 15-16, 2019 – Smithers, B.C."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Alternate Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Lambert

AG.2019-3-7

"That the meeting be adjourned at 12:12 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mark Parker, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING
(Committee Of The Whole)

Thursday, March 7, 2019

PRESENT: Chair Mark Parker

Directors Shane Brien
Mark Fisher
Dolores Funk
Tom Greenaway
Clint Lambert
Brad Layton
Linda McGuire
Rob Newell
Bev Playfair
Jerry Petersen
Kim Watt-Senner –left at 1:28 p.m.
Gerry Thiessen

Directors Absent Taylor Bachrach, Town of Smithers
Michael Riis-Christianson, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Alternate Director Doug Bysouth, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Staff Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
Debbie Evans, Agriculture Coordinator
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning and Protective Services
Maria Sandberg, Planner – arrived at 2:24 p.m., left at 2:29 p.m.
Deneve Vanderwolf, Planning Technician/Regional Transit Coordinator – left at 1:03 p.m.
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Others Linda Berg, Executive Director, Lake Babine Nation – arrived at 1:00 p.m., left at 1:03 p.m.
Linda Harmon, Transit Crown Agency Programs, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure – left at 1:03 p.m.
Rob Ringma, Manager, Government Relations, BC Transit - left at 1:03 p.m.

Media Blair McBride, Lakes District News

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Parker called the meeting to order at 12:49 p.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Lambert

AG.2019-2-1

"That the Agriculture Committee Agenda of March 7, 2019 be adopted."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes -January 3, 2019

Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Layton

AG 2019-2-2

"That the Minutes of the Agriculture Committee Meeting of January 3, 2019 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

BC Ministry of Agriculture Agricultural Advisory Committee Workshop 2019

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

AG 2019-2-3

"That the Agriculture Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Agriculture Coordinator's February 26, 2019 memo titled "BC Ministry of Agriculture Agricultural Advisory Committee Workshop 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RDBN Emergency & Livestock Preparedness Workshops Update

Moved by Director Watt-Senner
Seconded by Director Newell

AG 2019-2-4

"That the Agriculture Committee receive the Agriculture Coordinator's February 26, 2019 memo titled "RDBN Emergency & Livestock Preparedness Workshops Update."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director McGuire brought forward the potential to distribute the "RDBN Emergency & Livestock Preparedness Workshops Update – Granisle" via mail box. Due to the smaller population base the cost is approximately \$40.

RDBN Agriculture Plan 2019 Update

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Layton

AG 2019-2-5

"That the Agriculture Committee receive the Agriculture Coordinator's February 26, 2019 memo titled "RDBN Agriculture Plan 2019 Update."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place in regard to including a marketing plan for the RDBN Agriculture 2019 Plan Update once complete and including a list of agriculture groups and emergency management planning in the updated plan.

REPORTS (CONT'D)

Bill 52 and ALC Regulation Changes

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Lambert

AG.2019-2-6

"That the Agriculture Committee receive the Planner's February 26, 2019 memo titled "Bill 52 and ALC Regulation Changes."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning and Protective Services provided a brief overview of the Bill 52 and ALC Regulation Changes. Concerns were expressed in regard to the changes and impacts to the region. Foreign ownership of agricultural lands continues to be a concern also.

Break for Regional Transit Committee Meeting at 1:01 p.m.

Reconvened at 2:11 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE & INVITATION

Correspondence

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Fisher

AG.2019-2-7

"That the Agriculture Committee receive the following:

Correspondence

-Province of B.C. – Legislation to Protect Farmland Now in Force
-Province of B.C. – New Agricultural Rules Will Better Protect Human Health, Environment
-Beef in BC – An Update – BC Beef Packing Plant
-Country Life in BC – Province Boosts Risk Management Funding."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Smithers Farmers' Institute
-Carrots to Cattle 2019:
Growing from the Ground Up

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Brien

AG.2019-2-8

"That the Agriculture Committee recommended that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify Agriculture Chair Mark Parker's attendance at the Smithers Farmers' Institute – Carrots to Cattle 2019: Growing from the Ground Up."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Chair Parker – Nechako Regional Cattlemen's Update

- Provided an overview and update
- Brought forward the ALC Regulation changes
- Ms. Evans provided a Fire Smart presentation
- Nechako Regional Cattlemen's had a last minute resolution submitted in regard to a land use issue
 - o Chair Parker identified that the land being within the Agriculture Land Reserve, a provincial zone, is under the jurisdiction of the Agriculture Land Commission
 - o Mr. Llewellyn provided an update in regard to the non-farm use of the land
 - o Director Petersen mentioned that the BC Cattlemen's Association will address the resolution at its meeting in May, 2019
- Staff provided information in regard to the RDBN Zoning Bylaw review that is currently taking place and the process to provide feedback

Chair Parker/Director Fisher/Debbie Evans, Agriculture Coordinator – Carrots to Cattle Update

- Really good event and presenters
- Met with Ian Paton, Official Opposition Co-Critic for Agriculture
 - o Discussed concerns in regard to the ALC changes
 - o Foreign ownership
- Agriculture Regulation changes in regard to soil sampling was also discussed
- Good to have staff in attendance
- Approximately 100 people were in attendance with individuals in attendance from as far away as Vancouver Island
- Director Fisher spoke of the need to support and build capacity within community groups
- Ms. Evans noted that it was good to participate in the tradeshow
- Very good representation of the Agriculture sector

Director Greenaway mentioned the benefit of having a similar event in the Fort St. James/Vanderhoof area. Director Fisher commented that he would be willing to work with Directors and local groups to facilitate relationships between community groups throughout the region to potentially host a similar event.

Verbal Reports

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Layton

AG.2019-2-9

"That the Agriculture Committee receive the verbal reports as presented."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Water Sustainability Act -Licensing Groundwater Use

Director Lambert brought forward concerns in regard to the *Water Sustainability Act* – Licensing Groundwater Use. He spoke of other groups and regions having concerns. Chair Parker mentioned bringing the issue forward at a future RDBN meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Lambert

AG.2019-2-10

"That the meeting be adjourned at 2:31 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mark Parker, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING****Thursday, April 4, 2019**

PRESENT:	Vice Chair	Mark Parker
	Directors	Taylor Bachrach Mark Fisher Clint Lambert Linda McGuire Rob Newell Jerry Petersen Michael Riis-Christianson Kim Watt-Senner
	Directors Absent	Shane Brienen, District of Houston Dolores Funk, Village of Burns Lake Tom Greenaway, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural) Brad Layton, Village of Telkwa Bev Playfair, District of Fort St. James Gerry Thiessen, District of Vanderhoof
	Alternate Directors	Darrell Hill, Village of Burns Lake Judy Greenaway, District of Fort St. James Bob Hughes, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural)
	Staff	Cheryl Anderson, Vice Chief Administrative Officer/Manager of Administrative Services Nellie Davis, Regional Economic Development Coordinator Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services Debbie Evans, Agriculture Coordinator John Illes, Chief Financial Officer Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning and Protective Services Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant
	Others	Penni Adams, Program Manager, Northwest Invasive Plant Council/Seymour Lake Conservation Society – left at 11:07 a.m.
	Media	Blair McBride, Lakes District News - arrived at 10:33 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Parker called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

OATH OF OFFICE

Cheryl Anderson, Vice Chief Administrative Office administered the Oath of Office to Bob Hughes, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural).

**AGENDA &
SUPPLEMENTARY**Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director McGuire**C.W.2019-3-1**

"That the Agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Committee of the Whole meeting of April 4, 2019 be approved; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be dealt with at this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Committee of the Whole
Minutes –March 7, 2019

Moved by Director Petersen
 Seconded by Director Lambert

C.W.2019-3-2

"That the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of March 7, 2019 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

NORTHWEST INVASIVE PLANT COUNCIL/SEYMOUR LAKE CONSERVATION SOCIETY – Penni Adams, Program Manager – RE: Update

Vice Chair Parker welcomed Penni Adams, Program Manager, Northwest Invasive Plant Council.

Ms. Adams provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Northwest Invasive Plant Council (NWIPC)

- Who is the Northwest Invasive Plant Council?
- Where does the NWIPC fit, provincially?
- What is an invasive plant?
 - How did they get here?
 - How do they spread?
- What are the characteristics of Invasive Plants (IPs)?
- What methods are used to control IPs?
- Yellow Floating Heart/Seymour Lake
- Prevention and control through changing behaviours = "PCG" – Play, Clean, Go program
- How can the Regional Board help NWIPC get the word out there?
- Reporting and Resources.

Director McGuire questioned the use of wild seed mixes being sold at garden centers. Ms. Adams noted that some wild seed mixes have species that are invasive in northern B.C. but can be planted in other locations. Wild seed mixes are not regulated and can be easily purchased. Ms. Adams spoke to the importance of researching the species of plants in wild seed mixes and encouraged purchasing individual seeds and mixing them yourself.

Ms. Adams mentioned that she can provide information pamphlets and posters to those needing the information. She also noted that the Invasive Species Council of BC has information on its website.

Director Fisher questioned whether there is public outreach and/or partnerships with retailers and others in regard to selling seeds. Ms. Adams spoke of the PlantWise Program and the Grow Me Instead information and that NWIPC contractors or herself can assist in providing workshops and information to retailers and residents. Director Fisher spoke of opportunities to partner with the RDBN to assist in providing the information to area residents. Ms. Adams stated that the NWIPC needs assistance and has limited capacity to raise awareness of invasive plants. She spoke of the need to build its volunteer base to assist in raising awareness of programs and invasive plants.

Director Bachrach reiterated the concerns and the magnitude of the impacts to Seymour Lake due to the Yellow Floating Heart and that it is nearly impossible to rid the lake of the invasive plant species. The Yellow Floating Heart will eventually deplete the oxygen in the lake and kill the native habitat. Ms. Adams noted that there is not a lot of hope for the lake and it is important to educate people using the lake to ensure that they clean, drain and dry all forms of boats used in the lake.

DELEGATION (CONT'D)

NORTHWEST INVASIVE PLANT COUNCIL/SEYMOUR LAKE CONSERVATION SOCIETY – Penni Adams, Program Manager – RE: Update

Discussion took place regarding the importance of public education to ensure that other lakes in the area do not become infested with the Yellow Floating Heart.

Vice Chair Parker questioned the impacts of the 2018 wildfires to the land. Ms. Adams is aware that funding is being allocated to conduct research and remediation.

Vice Chair Parker thanked Ms. Adams for attending the meeting.

REPORTS

**Public Engagement
-Strategic Priority**

Moved by Director Watt-Senner
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

C.W.2019-3-3

"That the Committee of the Whole receive The Regional Economic Development Coordinator's March 26, 2019 memo titled "Public Engagement – Strategic Priority."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

John Illes, Chief Financial Officer commented that the Regional Economic Development Coordinator will be attending the City of Prince George in partnership with the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) Foundations in Public Participation course in Prince George, B.C., May, 2019.

Director Newell spoke of the need to have a different approach in regard to rural public engagement. He noted the importance of providing information and also providing opportunities for area residents to provide feedback and suggestions to the RDBN. Director Fisher mentioned the need to develop a strategy to address resident engagement.

**Nechako Watershed
Roundtable**

Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

C.W.2019-3-4

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Chief Financial Officer's March 25, 2019 memo titled "Nechako Watershed Roundtable."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place concerning the Nechako Watershed Roundtable providing further information regarding whether a request for funding has been sent to municipalities and if the Nechako Watershed Roundtable has determined/confirmed future funding.

REPORTS (CONT'D)

Northern Capital and Planning Grant

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Bachrach

C.W.2019-3-5

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Chief Financial Officer's March 28, 2019 memo titled "Northern Capital and Planning Grant."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Illes provided an overview regarding the March 28, 2019 memo from Jennifer Richardson, Grants Analyst, Local Government Infrastructure and Finance Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing in regard to Regional District – Payment Terms and Conditions under the Northern Capital and Planning Grant (NCPG) – Bulkley-Nechako.

Discussion took place in regard to utilizing the funding for the following: Parks and Recreation Service, Economic Development services, Emergency Management services, Environmental services, potential Consolidation Centres. The allocation of funding based on Regional District regulations under the *Local Government Act and Local Government Grants Act* as outlined by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing was also discussed. Further discussion is required at the April 18, 2019 Regional Board meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

**Ministry of Forests, Lands,
Natural Resource Operations
and Rural Development
-Application Denial – Solid
Waste Management Plan
Priority Actions Project**

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Alternate Director Greenaway

C.W.2019-3-6

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the correspondence from the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – Application Denial – Solid Waste Management Plan Priority Action Project."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Rio Tinto – Water Engagement
Initiative – Information Session
-March 2019**

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director McGuire

C.W.2019-3-7

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Rio Tinto – Water Engagement Initiative – Information Session – March, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INVITATIONS

Invitations

Moved by Director Watt-Senner
Seconded by Director Bachrach

C.W.2019-3-8

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the following invitations:

- 3rd Annual Northwest BC Food Security Forum – April 5-6, 2019 – Terrace, B.C.
- North Central Local Government Association – 2019 NCLGA AGM Information and Update
- Peace River Region Community Engagement Sessions – April 1-4, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

REPORT

Northern Capital and Planning Grant and Gas Tax Grant

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

C.W.2019-3-9

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Chief Financial Officer's April 3, 2019 memo titled "Northern Capital and Planning Grant and Gas Tax Grant."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Alternate Director Hill left the meeting at 11:36 am due to a conflict of interest in regard to his employment with the Northwest Invasive Plant Council.

NWIPC Funding for 2019

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Petersen

C.W.2019-3-10

"That the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve \$44,500 of funding to the Northwest Invasive Plant Council (NWIPC) for invasive plant management in the region for the 2019 year and, additionally approve the direct allocation of \$500 of the RDBN funding contribution to go towards signage for Seymour Lake's Floating Yellow Heart special project."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place in regard to providing NWIPC information to Granisle residents and Directors participating in tradeshow.

Darrell returned to the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

TransCanada Yellowhead
Highway Association
-Complimentary Membership
2019

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Lambert

C.W.2019-3-11

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the correspondence from TransCanada Yellowhead Highway Association – Complimentary Membership for 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Lambert

C.W.2019-3-12

"That the meeting be adjourned at 11:50 a.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mark Parker, Vice Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING****Thursday, March 7, 2019**

PRESENT: Chair Gerry Thiessen

Directors Shane Brienen
Mark Fisher
Dolores Funk
Tom Greenaway
Clint Lambert
Brad Layton
Linda McGuire
Rob Newell
Mark Parker
Bev Playfair
Jerry Petersen
Kim Watt-Senner

Directors Absent Taylor Bachrach, Town of Smithers
Michael Riis-Christianson, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Alternate Director Doug Bysouth, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Staff Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
Janette Derksen, Deputy Director Environmental Services – arrived at 10:47 a.m.
Debbie Evans, Agriculture Coordinator
Brittany Evans, Protective Services Assistant
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning and Protective Services
Rory McKenzie, Director of Environmental Services – arrived at 10:47 a.m.
Rebecca Rodriguez, Interim Emergency Services Manager
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant
Elaine Wiebe, Environmental Services Assistant – arrived at 10:47 a.m.

Media Blair McBride, Lakes District News

CALL TO ORDER Chair Thiessen called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m.

OATH OF OFFICE Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services administered the Oath of Office to Doug Bysouth, Alternate Director, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural).

AGENDA & SUPPLEMENTARY Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Parker

C.W.2019-2-1 "That the Agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Committee of the Whole meeting of March 7, 2019 be approved; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be dealt with at this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Committee of the Whole
Minutes –January 3, 2019

Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Newell

C.W.2019-2-2

"That the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of January 3, 2019 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

Travel Reminders

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Layton

C.W.2019-2-3

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Chief Financial Officer's February 26, 2019 memo titled "Travel Reminders."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Remuneration Bylaw Policy
Update

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Playfair

C.W.2019-2-4

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Chief Financial Officer's February 26, 2019 memo titled "Remuneration Bylaw Policy Update."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Wildfire/Emergency
Preparedness and Response
Strategic Priorities

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Layton

C.W.2019-2-5

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Director of Planning and Protective Services' February 27, 2019 memo titled "Wildfire/Emergency Preparedness and Response Strategic Priorities."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place in regard to the Regional Board of Directors continuing to advocate for Emergency Preparedness and Response Resolutions that are presented on the March 7, 2019 Special Board Meeting Supplementary Agenda.

Director Fisher spoke of meeting with community partners, BC Wildfire Service, RDBN Staff and Fire Chiefs in regard to neighborhood response. Director Layton noted that as RDBN Forestry Chair he is working to have presentations brought forward to the RDBN Forestry Committee.

REPORTS (CONT'D)

RBA Strategic Priority

Moved by Director Brien
 Seconded by Director McGuire

C.W.2019-2-6

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Chief Administrative Officer's February 26, 2019 memo titled "RBA – Strategic Priority."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bulkley-Nechako Workforce Opportunities Table Update

Moved by Director Funk
 Seconded by Director Newell

C.W.2019-2-7

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Regional Economic Development Coordinator's February 22, 2019 memo titled "Bulkley-Nechako Workforce Opportunities Table Update."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Peace of Mind Campaign for the Canadian Cancer Society Kordyban Lodge -Request for Support

Moved by Director Greenaway
 Seconded by Director Newell

C.W.2019-2-8

"That the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to include an increase to the Regional Grant in Aid budget of \$25,000 to contribute \$25,000 to the Peace of Mind Campaign for the Canadian Cancer Society Kordyban Lodge."

Opposed: Director Fisher
 Director Funk
 Director Lambert
 Director Parker

CARRIED

(All/Directors/Majority)

Jim Snetsinger, RPF - Lakes TSR Update

Moved by Director Layton
 Seconded by Director Newell

C.W.2019-2-9

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the correspondence from Jim Snetsinger, RPF – Lakes TSR Update."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INVITATIONS

Community Futures Nadina
Making Resilience and
Recovery the New Norm

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Brienen

C.W.2019-2-10

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the invitation from Community Futures Nadina –Making Resilience and Recovery the New Norm."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

REPORT

Request for Feedback
Broadband Study

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

C.W.2019-2-11

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the Chief Financial Officer's March 6, 2019 memo titled "Request for Feedback – Broadband Study;" and further, that the Regional Board may provide feedback to staff by March 12, 2019."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Jennifer Rice, Parliamentary
Secretary for Emergency
Management

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Lambert

C.W.2019-2-12

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the correspondence from Jennifer Rice, Parliamentary Secretary for Emergency Management."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Concerns were brought forward in regard to the impact to Volunteer Fire Department road rescue and medical assist functions in regard to EMBC not issuing task numbers to reimburse fire departments for road rescue services in areas covered by any type of road rescue service supported by local government bylaw.

Staff are currently completing a comprehensive report to be brought forward to the Regional Board in May, 2019 and will bring forward a report in regard to road rescue and medical assistance in April, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Playfair

C.W.2019-2-13

"That the meeting be adjourned at 11:28 a.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Gerry Thiessen, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING**
(Committee of the Whole)**Thursday, March 21, 2019**

PRESENT: Chair Brad Layton

Directors Taylor Bachrach
Shane Brien
Mark Fisher
Dolores Funk
Tom Greenaway
Clint Lambert
Rob Newell
Mark Parker
Bev Playfair
Jerry Petersen
Michael Riis-Christianson
Kim Watt-Senner
Gerry Thiessen

Director Linda McGuire, Village of Granisle
Absent

Alternate Director Thomas Liversidge, Village of Granisle

Staff Cheryl Anderson, Acting CAO/Manager of Administrative Services
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Others Cori Funk, Lakes District Maintenance – arrived at 10:29 a.m.
Seth Hunter, Lakes District Maintenance – arrived at 10:29 a.m.
Mike Robertson, Senior Policy Advisor, Cheslatta Carrier Nation – arrived at 10:38 a.m.
John Rustad, MLA Nechako Lakes
Kiel Giddens, Public Affairs Manager, TransCanada
Tanner Woodman, Coastal GasLink – Prince George, TransCanada

Media Blair McBride, Lakes District News – arrived at 10:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Layton called the meeting to order at 10:26 a.m.

AGENDAMoved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Bachrach**F.C.2019-1-1**

"That the Forestry Committee Meeting Agenda of March 21, 2019 be adopted."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

**Forestry Committee Meeting
Minutes – March 8, 2018**

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Lambert

F.C.2019-1-2

"That the Forestry Committee Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2018 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Chair Layton commented that Assistant Deputy Minister Eamon O'Donoghue, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD) will attend a future Forestry Committee/RDBN Board Meeting. Mr. O'Donoghue will be speaking to interior forest revitalization, FEPA renewal, and community and forestry resiliency measures being put in place.

Chair Layton requested further topics for discussion:

- Waste wood left in the bush for value added users
- Bioenergy pellet mills having access to wood left/piled in bush
 - Use of residual fiber from forest activities for the new Pellet Plant in Smithers
 - Pacific BioEnergy representatives have indicated a willingness to speak to the Regional Board
- Economy fiber being available for remanufacturing
- Wildfire protection/mitigation
 - Fire breaks around communities
 - Tie into community forests
 - Update in regard to funding announced in 2018
- Where in the process is the government in regard to appurtenancy rules and provisions
- Broadcast burning
- Changing forest practices in regard to wildfires e.g. augmas
- Utilization of burnt timber – what is the process?
 - Timber is graded according to the burn level
 - Sawmills are salvaging timber
- Species at risk in regard to Caribou
- Tenures moving forward in the future
 - First Nations licensing
 - Large licensees.

Discussion took place in regard to air quality issues throughout the region and the need to minimize burning of fiber in the forest and smoke from pellet plants. Director Thiessen suggested inviting Ministry of Environment to a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Brienen

F.C.2019-1-3

"That the meeting be adjourned at 10:40 a.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Brad Layton, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING**
(Committee of the Whole)**Thursday, March 8, 2018**

PRESENT:	Chair	Gerry Thiessen
	Directors	Chris Beach Eileen Benedict Shane Brienen Mark Fisher Tom Greenaway Dwayne Lindstrom Bill Miller Rob Newell Mark Parker Jerry Petersen Darcy Repen
	Directors Absent	Taylor Bachrach, Town of Smithers Thomas Liversidge, Village of Smithers Rob MacDougall, District of Fort St. James
	Alternate Director	Linda McGuire, Village of Granisle
	Staff	Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services John Illes, Chief Financial Officer Corrine Swenson, Manager of Regional Economic Development Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant
	Other	Eamon O'Donoghue, Regional Executive Director Skeena, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 1:37 p.m. Miles Fuller, Chinook Community Forest (Burns Lake) – left at 1:37 p.m. Brent May, District Manager, Regional Operations Nadina, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 1:37 p.m. Dion Oake, Babine Forest Products (Burns Lake) – left at 1:37 p.m. Klaus Posselt, Tahtsa/Pacific Timber (Burns Lake) – left at 1:37 p.m. Darrell Whelan, Resource Manager, Regional Operations Nadina, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 1:37 p.m.
	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	Chair Thiessen called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Alternate Director McGuire

F.C.2018-1-1

"That the Forestry Committee Meeting Agenda of March 8, 2018 be adopted."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Forestry Committee Meeting
Minutes – November 9, 2017

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Petersen

F.C.2018-1-2

"That the Forestry Committee Meeting Minutes of November 9, 2017 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT – Eamon O'Donoghue, Regional Executive Director Skeena, Brent May, District Manager, Regional Operations Nadina, Darrell Whelan, Resource Manager, Regional Operations Nadina Update re: Nechako Lakes and Spruce Beetle

Chair Thiessen welcomed Eamon O'Donoghue, Regional Executive Director Skeena, Brent May, District Manager, Regional Operations Nadina, Darrell Whelan, Resource Manager, Regional Operations Nadina, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Mr. Whelan provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Status of Spruce Bark beetle in the Nadina Natural Resource District

Outline

- Spruce in the Nadina District
- Provincial Aerial Overview Survey (PAOS)
- Detailed Aerial Overview Survey (DAOS)
- Actions to date
 - Licensee harvest plans
 - Trap tree program
 - Fall & Burn
- Other Resource Values

Spruce Forest in the Nadina District

- Approximately 25% of stands are spruce leading
- Scattered on the landscape
- High value/importance
- Spruce Beetle is a natural occurrence in these stands
 - 2 year life cycle
- Prefer green blowdown
- Historical cycles
- Is climate altering the cycle?

DELEGATION (CONT'D)

MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT re: Nechako Lakes and Spruce Beetle (CONT'D)

PAOS (Provincial Aerial Overview Survey)

- High level
 - Provincial scope
 - Higher altitude
- Fixed wing
- Not always accurate
 - Data interpretation (T,L,H)
- Shows trends

DAOS (District Aerial Overview Survey)

- Helicopter
- Entire district flown
- 139 IBS (Spruce Beetle) points & 6 IBS polygons ID'd

Action Taken:

Tactical Plan

- DAOS data provided to licensees and they have committed to action 107 of 139 points and all the polygons;
 - Half of remaining sites in constrained areas other half being actioned by SSS (Small Scale Salvage) or probed by district

Trap Tree Program

- All licensees are using trap trees to contain spruce bark beetle in areas until they can be logged or to draw beetles out of sensitive or constrained areas

District Probing & Fall & Burn

- Wildfire Management Branch Staff hired to help probe and conduct fall & burn

Monitoring

- Will continue to conduct annual overview flights and action-identified areas

Must continue to consider all resource values

- Biodiversity
- Cultural heritage resources
- Fish
- Forage and associated plant communities
- Recreation resources
- Resource features
- Soils
- Timber
- Water
- Wildlife
- Water quality

Director Miller questioned age class that has the percentage of spruce leading stands. Mr. Whelan indicated that FLNRORD staff is noticing that the higher percentage of spruce leading stands currently being impacted by spruce beetle is in older stands that are more susceptible.

Director Miller asked if the removal of trees killed from the Mountain Pine Beetle is exasperating and having an impact on the outbreak of the spruce beetle. Mr. Whelan commented that currently there is no correlation from the harvesting of the mountain pine beetle infested trees and the outbreak of spruce beetle. The Nadina District has witnessed impacts of the spruce beetle outbreak in areas where there is significant blowdown such as the north side of Babine Lake.

DELEGATION (CONT'D)

MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT re: Nechako Lakes and Spruce Beetle (CONT'D)

Director Miller requested information in regard to the feedback being received from area based tenures. Mr. Whelan referenced the 107 of the 139 IBS (Spruce Beetle) points that have been actioned including area-based tenure. Mr. Whelan noted there has been a very good response in the Nadina area from licensees.

Discussion took place regarding strategies for managing old growth, riparian areas, etc. impacted by Spruce Beetle outbreaks. Mr. Whelan mentioned that the Nadina District is learning from the Omineca District which is one of the initial areas experiencing Spruce Beetle outbreaks. Falling trap trees outside old growth management areas and fall and burns are just two potential strategy options to manage sensitive forest areas. There is a guide book available through the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development website that contains information and strategies in regard to the Spruce Beetle.

Director Brienen requested clarification in regard to Spruce Beetle outbreaks in the Houston area. Mr. Whelan mentioned that there have been areas west of Houston that have been harvested and BCTF and Canfor are utilizing trap trees south of Houston near the Morice Mountain Nordic Ski Trails to mitigate Spruce Beetle impacts. Mr. Whelan commented that licensees have been encouraged and requested to cut fiber immediately once hauled to milling facilities. Director Newell has received numerous calls from area residents and has visited the site being harvested on Buck Flats road near the ski trails. Concerns have been raised regarding the road leading to the area currently being harvested from Buck Flats Road and the collateral damage occurring from the harvesting. Mr. Whelan will provide further information to Director Newell in regard to the amount of fiber being removed in the infested area being harvested.

Director Greenaway questioned if licensees were or have requested the ability to harvest the Spruce Beetle similar to the Mountain Pine Beetle during prime weather and temperatures to ensure the beetle remains dormant during transportation of the trees for processing to mitigate infestation. Mr. May mentioned that he is unaware of this practice. Mr. O'Donoghue commented that the Mountain Pine Beetle and Spruce Beetle have very different behavior from one another and response to each beetle is different. The Mountain Pine Beetle spreads in a wave pattern where the Spruce Beetle spreads in pockets throughout the forest.

Chair Thiessen requested an update in regard to the Timber Supply Review (TSR) and the responsibility of licensees to communicate with communities in regard to the forests/timber surrounding a community. Messrs. O'Donoghue, May and Whelan will attend a future Forestry Committee Meeting to provide an update.

Director Miller along with Chair Thiessen has a meeting scheduled with Mr. O'Donoghue on March 14, 2018 in regard to forest concerns in the Lakes region. Director Miller extended the invitation to Director Beach.

Discussion took place in regard to salvaging fiber to mitigate the need to burn waste fiber in the forests. Mr. O'Donoghue noted that licensees are utilizing more fiber for the bioenergy sector and leaving less waste on the ground.

Chair Thiessen granted permission for a gallery member to speak. Miles Fuller, Chinook Community Forest commented that when the re-inventory is complete it would be beneficial to include information in regard to the predicted amount of biofuel that may be available.

Chair Thiessen thanked Messrs. O'Donoghue, May and Whelan for attending the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

**Temperature Strategy for
Mountain Pine Beetle Outbreak**

Discussion took place regarding the past application to haul fiber impacted by the Mountain Pine Beetle to the processing companies during temperatures that would keep the beetle in its dormant state. During the beginning stages of the outbreak there were a number of strategies investigated and applied to mitigate the Mountain Pine Beetle outbreak.

Sort Yards

Director Lindstrom brought forward the potential benefits of sort yards in cutting areas. Chair Thiessen mentioned that small independent producers in the region could potentially benefit from the ability to access fiber through sort yards. Discussion took place regarding the challenges of implementing sort yards under the current forest regulations and systems. It will take cooperation from the entire forest sector to consider a sort yard system. Chair Thiessen spoke of the need to continue to work on creating more opportunities to utilize volume from cut trees and mitigate waste. Discussion took place regarding comments made by Premier John Horgan concerning forestry in the province.

Bioenergy Plants

Director Parker brought forward concerns regarding bioenergy plants utilizing chips from other producers to operate and the need for requirements to be in place when obtaining a license to produce their own energy. He also noted the impact to the agriculture sector regarding the lack of available wood chips for operations.

Discussion took place regarding the Fort St. James Bioenergy Plant and its application for a license and the need to request clarification from FLNRORD staff.

Chair Thiessen spoke of the importance of fiber utilization and the economic value of small mills for regional and community sustainability.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Director Petersen

F.C 2018-1-3

"That the meeting be adjourned at 1:57 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Gerry Thiessen, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**RURAL DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING****Thursday, April 4, 2019**

PRESENT: Chair Rob Newell

Directors Mark Fisher
Clint Lambert
Mark Parker
Jerry Petersen
Michael Riis-Christianson

Director Absent Tom Greenaway, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural)

Alternate Director Bob Hughes, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural)

Staff Cheryl Anderson, Acting Chief Administrative Officer/Manager of Administrative Services
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning and Protective Services
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Newell called the meeting to order at 12:49 p.m.

AGENDAMoved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Lambert**RDC.2019-4-1**

"That the Rural Directors Committee Agenda for April 4, 2019 be approved."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Petersen**RDC.2019-4-2**

"That the Supplementary Agenda be dealt with at this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**MINUTES****Rural Directors Committee
Meeting Minutes
-March 7, 2019**Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Alternate Director Hughes**RDC.2019-4-3**

"That the minutes of the Rural Directors Committee meeting of March 7, 2019 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

Lakes Animal Friendship Society– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Areas “B” (Burns Lake Rural) and “E” (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural)

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Lambert

RDC.2019-4-4

“That the Rural Directors Committee recommend to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors that the Lakes Animal Friendship Society be given \$1,500 grant in aid monies from each of Electoral Areas “B” (Burns Lake Rural) and “E” (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) for costs associated with the construction of a dog park.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Burns Lake & District Seniors Society– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake Rural)

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Lambert

RDC.2019-4-5

“That the Rural Directors Committee recommend to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors that the Burns Lake & District Seniors Society be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake Rural) for an electronic information kiosk.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fort St. James Bargain Basement– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)

Moved by Alternate Director Hughes
Seconded by Director Parker

RDC.2019-4-6

“That the Rural Directors Committee recommend to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors that the Fort St. James Bargain Basement be given \$5,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for costs associated with relocation and renovations.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Memo

Land Referral File No. 7410065 (McLeod), Electoral Area F

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Alternate Director Hughes

RDC.2019-4-7

“That the “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral 7410065” be provided to the Province as the Regional District’s comments on Crown Land Referral 7410065.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CONT'D)

Memo (Cont'd)

Land Referral File No. 7410043 Moved by Director Parker
(Regnier), Electoral Area D Seconded by Director Petersen

RDC.2019-4-8 "That the Rural Directors Committee defer Crown Land Referral 7410043."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Land Referral File No. 7410032 Moved by Director Parker
(Williamson), Electoral Area D Seconded by Director Lambert

RDC.2019-4-9 "That the "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral 7410032" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Referral 7410032."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Land Referral File No. 7409756 Moved by Director Petersen
(Crystal Lake Resort) Seconded by Director Parker
Electoral Areas D & F

RDC.2019-4-10 "That the "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral 7409756" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Referral 7409756."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Connectivity

Chair Newell mentioned he will be attending the BC Broadband Conference April 30 to May 1, 2019 in Richmond, B.C. Directors can provide any information, questions and/or concerns to Chair Newell that they wish to be brought forward at the conference.

Chair Newell spoke of the importance for each Rural Director to be fully aware of the connectivity in each of their electoral areas and determine the feasibility of wireless and fibre options along with backbone infrastructure. He also noted the importance of determining what residents require for adequate connectivity service levels.

Discussion took place in regard to the detailed connectivity report that will be forthcoming from the consultants. John Illes, Chief Financial Officer spoke of the costs to install approximately 4 kms of fibre. Frustrations were brought forward in regard to accessing available funding from the Federal and Provincial Government for connectivity. Mr. Illes mentioned that Northern Development Initiative Trust Connecting British Columbia funding can be applied for by private companies to help pay for infrastructure to provide high-speed internet to rural and remote areas of the province.

DISCUSSION ITEMS (CONT'D)

2. Rural Public Engagement

Chair Newell spoke of the value of public engagement and the challenges associated with connecting with all residents within large geographic electoral areas.

Discussion took place in regard to providing an opportunity for residents to provide feedback and to start dialogue with area residents in regard to a variety of topics.

In the past the Regional District has provided a mail out of a Regional Board Executive Summary and the RDBN newsletter. The RDBN Newsletter is currently distributed digitally to those individuals that have provided their permission to receive the newsletter via e-mail. The RDBN also currently provides an update in the RDBN tax notices distributed by the province on behalf of the Regional District and to its member municipalities to provide with their tax notices. Director Fisher suggested that the information be reviewed by Rural Directors at the beginning of each year.

Discussion took place regarding:

- Conducting polls and sending mail outs
 - Time and cost is a consideration
 - Developing a standard document that could be utilized
- Engaging residents
 - In some areas residents prefer to come forward only when there is an issue
- Importance of Directors initiating/participating in opportunities to engage residents
- Attending Annual General Meetings (AGMs) of organizations and service clubs
 - Helpful to have the date of all AGMs
 - Organizations often do not have confirmed dates for their AGM
 - Potentially request the information on the RDBN Grant in Aid application
- Setting up a meeting (pop-up) location where needed
- Determining a strategy
 - Potentially hire a contractor to develop a strategy
 - Challenges associated in hiring a contractor
- Providing incentives for example an Emergency Kit and a contest where residents answer questions regarding the RDBN to be entered into a draw
- Electronic signage
 - Continuous maintenance and changes are required
- The Regional Economic Development Coordinator attendance at the Foundations in Public Participation course in May, 2019
 - A report will be provided at the completion of the course
 - Include three possible options for the Rural Directors to consider and potentially implement and move forward in 2019.

Grant in Aid Application Amendment

Moved by Director Parker
 Seconded by Director Lambert

RDC.2019-4-11

"That the Rural Directors Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to amend the RDBN Grant in Aid Application to include the date of an organization's annual general meeting (AGM) and if a date is unknown provide notification to the Electoral Area Director when the date for the organization's AGM is determined."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

REPORT

Granisle Public Library
– Request for Grant
in Aid – Electoral Area "G"
(Houston Rural)

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Petersen

RDC.2019-4-12

"That the Rural Directors Committee recommend to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors that the Granisle Public Library be given \$2,500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "G" (Houston Rural) for costs associated with technology and database instruction."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Petersen

RDC.2019-4-13

"That the meeting be adjourned 1:38 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rob Newell, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**RURAL DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING****Thursday, March 7, 2019**

PRESENT: Chair Rob Newell

Directors Mark Fisher
Tom Greenaway
Clint Lambert
Mark Parker
Jerry Petersen

Director Absent Michael Riis-Christianson, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Alternate Director Doug Bysouth, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Staff Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning and Protective Services – arrived at 4:07 p.m.
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Newell called the meeting to order at 3:41 p.m.

AGENDAMoved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Alternate Director Bysouth**RDC.2019-3-1**

"That the Rural Directors Committee Agenda for March 7, 2019 be approved."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Parker**RDC.2019-3-2**

"That the Rural Directors Committee Agenda for March 7, 2019 be approved; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be dealt with at this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**MINUTES****Rural Directors Committee
Meeting Minutes
-January 17, 2019**Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Petersen**RDC.2019-3-3**

"That the minutes of the Rural Directors Committee meeting of January 17, 2019 be received as amended."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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REPORTS

Fort St. James Secondary School– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Petersen

RDC.2019-3-4

"That the Rural Directors Committee recommend to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors that the Fort St. James Secondary School be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural) for a Grade 12 Scholarship."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Electoral Area Allocations of Federal Gas Tax Funds -Fourth Quarter 2018

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Lambert

RDC.2019-3-5

"That the Rural Directors receive the Accounting Clerk's February 21, 2019 memo titled "Electoral Area Allocations of Federal Gas Tax Funds – Fourth Quarter 2018."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rural Director's Travel and Conference Remuneration

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Alternate Director Bysouth

RDC.2019-3-6

"That the Rural Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer's February 26, 2019 memo titled "Rural Director's Travel and Conference Remuneration Budget."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place in regard to the importance for Rural Directors to be in attendance at a number of meetings and to ensure as an elected official Directors are interacting with their electorate. Chair Newell commented that it is beneficial to provide meeting reports to the Regional Board and/or Rural Directors Committee.

John Illes, Chief Financial Officer clarified the need for Regional Board ratification for Directors' attendance at meetings in regard to taxable benefits.

Discussion took place regarding staff including costs for attending events. Staff will provide the information in the future.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Land Referral File No. 7404781 Ministry of Transportation And Infrastructure

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Parker

RDC.2019-3-7

"That the "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral 7404781" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Referral 7404781."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

REPORT

Friends of the Smithers Public Library- Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural) Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Lambert

RDC.2019-3-8 "That the Rural Directors Committee recommend to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors that the Friends of the Smithers Public Library be given \$2,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural) for costs associated with the Community Repair Café Program."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Grant Distribution

Discussion took place in regard to the recently announced Provincial Northern Capital Infrastructure Grant. Staff will provide the allocation and distribution model information to the Regional Board once the Provincial Government has released the information.

2. Protective Services

Addressed at the March 7, 2019 Special Board Meeting.

3. Wildfire Management

Addressed at the March 7, 2019 Special Board Meeting.

4. FCM Attendance

Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference -May 30-June 2, 2019 -Quebec City, Quebec Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Lambert

RDC.2019-3-9 "That the Rural Directors Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize Director Newell's attendance at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference May 30 to June 2, 2019 in Quebec City, Quebec."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Cell Coverage locations (for discussion with Trans Canada Pipelines)

Chair Newell and Director Lambert recently attended an ABC Communications Webinar. Chair Newell mentioned that the information provided in regard to past happenings and direction taken in regard to wireless cell coverage was interesting.

Chair Newell spoke of having a similar meeting with CityWest in the future.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS (CONT'D)

Discussion took place in regard to the works being conducted by Rio Tinto Alcan and Telus to construct towers and infrastructure on the Southside and Northside of Francois Lake. Rio Tinto has provided mapping information of proposed infrastructure locations to Director Lambert. Director Lambert noted that discussions are also taking place in regard to the towers having wifi capabilities and an additional tower to increase coverage.

Discussion took place in regard to potential funding sources for additional infrastructure. Chair Newell spoke of having discussions with TransCanada Pipelines similar to discussions taking place with Rio Tinto regarding connectivity infrastructure.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Sustainability Act
-Licensing Groundwater Use

Director Lambert brought forward concerns in regard to the *Water Sustainability Act* – Licensing Groundwater Use and the potential impact to residential water users. Discussion took place in regard to a clause in the *Act* that pertains to the ability to meter ground water/well water for residential use. Staff will review the *Act* and bring forward information at a future RDBN meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Petersen

RDC.2019-3-10

"That the meeting be adjourned 4:24 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rob Newell, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Chairperson Thiessen and Board of Directors

FROM: Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

DATE: April 9, 2019

**SUBJECT: Committee Meeting Recommendations
– April 4, 2019**

Following are recommendations from the April 4, 2019 Committee meetings for the Regional Board's consideration and approval.

Committee of the Whole Meeting – April 4, 2019**Recommendation 1:****Re: NWIPC Funding for 2019**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve \$44,500 of funding to the Northwest Invasive Plant Council (NWIPC) for invasive plant management in the region for the 2019 year and, additionally approve the direct allocation of \$500 of the RDBN funding contribution to go towards signage for Seymour Lake's Floating Yellow Heart special project."

Agriculture Committee Meeting– April 4, 2019**Recommendation 2:****Re: Update on Funding Proposal for updating RDBN Agriculture Plan**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to request letters of support from the BC Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Agrologist and Land Use Planner; and further, that the RDBN Agriculture Committee Chair provide a letter of support for the funding proposal to the Investment Agriculture Foundation (IAF) for the RDBN Agriculture Plan Update 2019."

Rural Directors Committee Meeting – April 4, 2019**Recommendation 3:****Re: Lakes Animal Friendship Society– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Areas "B" (Burns Lake Rural) and "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural)**

"That the Lakes Animal Friendship Society be given \$1,500 grant in aid monies from each of Electoral Areas "B" (Burns Lake Rural) and "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) for costs associated with the construction of a dog park."

Rural Directors Committee Meeting – April 4, 2019 (Cont'd)

Recommendation 4:

Re: Burns Lake & District Seniors Society– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake Rural)

“That the Burns Lake & District Seniors Society be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake Rural) for an electronic information kiosk.”

Recommendation 5:

Re: Fort St. James Bargain Basement– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)

“That the Fort St. James Bargain Basement be given \$5,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for costs associated with relocation and renovations.”

Recommendation 6:

Re: Grant in Aid Application Amendment

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to amend the RDBN Grant in Aid Application to include the date of an organization’s annual general meeting (AGM) and if a date is unknown provide notification to the Electoral Area Director when the date for the organization’s AGM is determined.”

Recommendation 7:

Re: Granisle Public Library– Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “G” (Houston Rural)

“That the Granisle Public Library be given \$2,500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “G” (Houston Rural) for costs associated with technology and database instruction.”

RECOMMENDATION:

(ALL/DIRECTORS/MAJORITY)

Recommendation 1 through 7 as written



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**Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
Board of Directors
April 18, 2019**

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
From: Nellie Davis, Regional Economic Development Coordinator
Date: March 21, 2019
Regarding: Bulkley Valley Outdoor Recreation Society
Northern Development Application- Community Halls and Recreation Facilities

The BV Outdoor Recreation Society (BVORS) is applying to Northern Development Initiative Trust's (Northern Development) Community Halls and Recreation Facilities Program for a Canyon Creek Ski Area Day Shelter Project. An RDBN Board resolution is required in order for the Northern Development Board to approve the application.

BVORS is requesting \$13,212 to construct a Day Shelter/Warming Hut for the Canyon Creek Ski Area. The shelter will be used as an emergency shelter, social center and warming hut, allowing skiers to spend more time at the ski area.

The \$35,993 Project includes:

- Building piers and a floor
- Framing walls and roof
- Completing exterior and interior finishing.

Funding Organization	Amount	Status
BVORS (Cash)	\$2,261	Confirmed
BVORS (In-kind Labour)	\$14,520	Confirmed
Rec Sites and Trails BC	\$6,000	Confirmed
Northern Development	\$13,212	Pending
Total	\$35,993	

A copy of the application with attachments will be available at the Board meeting should Directors wish to review the information in greater detail.

Recommendation:

(All/Directors/Majority)

That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors supports the Bulkley Valley Outdoor Recreation Society's application to Northern Development Initiative Trust's Community Halls and Recreation Facilities Program for a grant of up to \$13,212 for the Canyon Creek Ski Area Day Shelter Project from the Northwest Regional Account.



**Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
Board of Directors Memorandum
April 18, 2019**

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
 From: Kim Fields, Finance/Accounting Clerk
 Date: March 19, 2019
 Regarding: Federal Gas Tax Funds – Electoral Area 'A' (Smithers Rural)
 Town of Smithers

The Town of Smithers has requested the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako's assistance in the form of Federal Gas Tax Funds to put towards the capital leasing cost of the Smithers and area transit buses.

Director Fisher has indicated that he would like to support this Public Transit initiative with Federal Gas Tax Funds in the amount of \$10,000 annually for four years. The Town of Smithers will continue to cover the remaining costs from their funds as usual.

Total uncommitted Gas Tax Funds remaining in Electoral Area 'A' allocation is \$957,160.13. A Board resolution is required to contribute Federal Gas Tax Funds to this project.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the RDBN Board of Directors authorize contributing \$10,000 annually for four years, of Electoral Area 'A' Federal Gas Tax allocation monies to the Town of Smithers towards the capital leasing costs of the Smithers and area transit buses;

(All/Directors/Majority)
2. That the RDBN Board of Directors authorize the withdrawal of up to \$10,000 annually for four years from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund.

(Participants/Weighted/Majority)



**Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
Board of Directors Memorandum
April 18, 2019**

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
 From: Kristi Rensby, Finance/Administration Coordinator
 Date: April 9, 2019
 Regarding: Federal Gas Tax Funds – Electoral Area 'D', Fraser Lake Rural
 RDBN – Fort Fraser Sewer Condition Assessment

The Environmental Services Department has requested the Regional District's assistance in the form of Federal Gas Tax Funds to commission a condition assessment for the Fort Fraser sewer system.

The RDBN has been approved for an Infrastructure and Planning Grant in the amount of \$10,000 towards the estimated \$20,000 cost of the assessment.

Total uncommitted Gas Tax Funds remaining in Electoral Area 'D' allocation is \$329,360.46. Director Parker is supportive of this project and accessing Federal Gas Tax Funds in the amount of up to \$10,000. A Board resolution is required to contribute Federal Gas Tax Funds to this project.

RECOMMENDATION:	(All/Directors/Majority)
1. That the RDBN Board of Directors authorize contributing up to \$10,000 of Electoral Area 'D' Federal Gas Tax allocation monies for the commissioning of a sewer condition assessment for the Fort Fraser sewer system, and further,	(All/Directors/Majority)
2. That the RDBN Board of Directors authorizes the withdrawal of \$10,000 from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund.	(Participants/Weighted/Majority)

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Memorandum

TO: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors
FROM: Deneve Vanderwolf, Regional Transit Coordinator
DATE: April 8, 2019
SUBJECT: First Nation and Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Relationship Protocol

At the March 21, 2019 Board meeting, the RDBN Board of Directors moved to defer the recommendation below to a future Board meeting.

“That staff proceed to completion with those that have indicated their interest in signing the document and that elected officials and RDBN staff continue dialog with First Nations and Municipalities in regard to the First Nation and Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Relationship Protocol.”

At the December 14, 2017 RDBN Board Meeting the following resolution was passed.

First Nation and Regional
District of Bulkley-Nechako
Relationship Protocol

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director Beach

2017-16-4

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve providing the First Nation and Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Relationship Protocol Agreement to member municipalities and First Nations for consideration and consultation.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Staff provided the First Nation and RDBN Relationship Protocol Agreement to member municipalities and First Nations and response was minimal. Due to minimal response, staff is recommending that implementation of the Protocol Agreement be postponed until a later date.

RECOMMENDATION:

(All/Directors/Majority)

That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors postpone the implementation of the First Nation and Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Relationship Protocol.



Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Agenda April 18, 2019

To: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors
From: John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Date: April 8, 2019
Re: Infrastructure and Planning Grant

Overview

The infrastructure and planning grant must either be spent or contributed to one or more capital reserve accounts by December 31, 2019. The total grant allocated to the Regional District is \$5.8 Million. Unlike municipalities, the Regional District cannot create a “general” capital reserve that can be utilized for all capital projects in the Regional District but rather the Regional District must assign a contribution to a capital reserve account in a specific service and then the funds must be (eventually) spent within and for that service.

The current services that the Regional District may spend funds on capital items include:

- General Government – generally restricted to office building infrastructure
- Regional Economic Development – currently this services does not have capital assets associated with it.
- Environmental Services – capital expenditures are budgeted at 1.5 million this year and were 1.0 million in the previous year. Future capital expenditures include the recycling consolidation centres in Vanderhoof and Smithers.
- Ft. Fraser Water – much of the water system was replaced in 2018
- Ft. Fraser Sewer – the service is currently placing funds in reserve for a general sewer system replacement.
- Ft. Fraser, Southside, and Topley Rural Fire Departments and Clucluz Lake Rescue Service – capital includes fire halls to fire trucks
- 911 Service – capital infrastructure includes the communication systems to support 911. This service has nearly \$600,000 in capital reserves and is generally thought to be financially self-maintaining.
- Emergency Preparedness Planning – generally contains minimal capital infrastructure.
- Regional Public Transit – currently has little public infrastructure but it is unknown if the capital bus lease costs in the future will be considered capital costs.
- Bulkley Valley Pool – The Regional District owns the pool infrastructure. Reserves currently total \$1.4 Million for pool replacement.

The remaining services generally provide grants to societies (or municipalities) that own infrastructure.



In order to place funds into a capital reserve, that capital reserve must belong to an established service. The Board may wish to establish one or more new services. Service establishment can be a lengthy process if approval of the electorate is required. Unless the Board directs staff to create a new service in the beginning of May, it is unlikely that a service requiring electoral assent can be created before the end of the year. However, several types of services can be created without electorate approval and therefore more quickly. These include:

- (a) a regulatory service;
- (b) coordination, research and analytical services relating to the development of the regional district;
- (c) social planning services;
- (d) the promotion of economic development;
- (e) programs in preparation for emergencies;
- (f) emergency communication systems;
- (g) regional parks and regional trails; and
- (h) services related to heritage conservation.

The Regional District currently has a service for the promotion of economic development and emergency communication systems (the 911 service). The other services listed, except for regional parks and regional trails, generally do not have much associated capital assets.

This memo outlines three possible allocations for the \$5.8 Million grant.

Option 1:

This option describes a two-step allocation with the first partial allocation of \$3.0 million happening as soon as possible. The recommendation outlines one solution that balances the benefits for the whole regional district electorate with also providing needed capital reserves to some of the services that only benefit a portion of the Regional District's population.

Recommendation – Environmental Services

This recommendation benefits all the electorate of the Regional District including Electoral Areas and Municipalities.

The Board has already allocated a total of \$245,000 from this grant for the construction of recycling centres in Ft. St. James and Houston during a previous Board meeting. An addition \$1.3 million of this grant could be utilized to cover all the budgeted capital expenditures in environmental services this year. This will reduce taxes by approximately \$200,000 per year for the next four years as \$700,000 was to be borrowed for the capital expenditures in 2019 and repaid over the next four years.

There is uncertainty in the need of additional capital expenditures in environmental services for recycling services and additional funds may be required in 2019.



Allocating \$2.0 million of the grant funds to Environmental Services will allow a substantial tax savings from 2020 to 2023. The current five-year approved financial plan estimates a 7% tax increase for environmental services for 2020 and 2% each year thereafter and this proposed allocation will drop this tax increase to 1% per year. In addition, this allocation will allow environmental staff to pursue a fuller development of recycling services.

Further, this allocation will allow \$570,000 of 2019 taxation to be utilized for landfill closure and post closure reserves where the Regional District currently has an unfunded liability of approximately \$2.6 million.

Recommendation – Minor Services

These recommendations for minor services benefit only a defined service area – the population enjoying fire protection for Clucluz Lake, Southside, Topley and Ft. Fraser for the fire protection services; Area A, Telkwa and Smithers for the Bulkley Valley Pool; and the residents of Ft. Fraser for Fort Fraser Sewer. As these services benefit only a small portion of the Regional District's population, the recommendations for allocation are also smaller.

An allocation to the Rural Fire Department Capital Reserves may allow these services to be more viable in future years. It appears from research completed by Protective Services Department that, in general, assets for rural fire departments will likely be the property of the Regional District making them eligible for this grant. An allocation of \$100,000 each to the capital reserves of Topley, Southside, Fort Fraser and Clucluz Lake is recommended.

The Bulkley Valley Pool capital reserve is underfunded for the replacement value of the pool. This memo recommends that \$200,000 be allocated to this service for capital repairs and replacement.

The Fort Fraser Sewer service has \$194,000 in capital reserves. Providing additional funds to this capital reserve will allow the Regional District staff to better leverage the service's capital reserve for future infrastructure grants and thereby maintain the sewer service in the future. This memo recommends allocating \$100,000 to this service for capital repairs and replacement.

Recommendation - General Administration

The Regional District recently completed an Asset Management Plan of the office building. This plan outlined several capital expenditures over the next few years. Allocating \$300,000 to capital reserves for the administration building will fund these planned expenditures. This recommendation benefits all electoral areas and municipalities.



This memo outlines a proposed allocation of \$3.0 Million of the \$5.8 Million allocation. This leaves \$2.8 Million that is proposed to be allocated when the possibility of the development of additional new services is fully investigated and current Regional District infrastructure is further analysed for possible improvement or replacement. The remaining funds can also be utilized for planning projects.

Option 2:

Option 2 Allocates the full \$5.8 Million.

Recommendation – Environmental Services

This option recommends placing \$5.0 Million of the grant into the environmental services budget. Approximately \$2.0 million will be utilized this year on capital projects with new or enhanced projects happening to improve recycling services. Recycling services will be enhanced in Ft. St. James and Houston and other communities where the Recycle BC may be searching for new partnerships. The remaining \$3.0 million will be utilized for capital purchases and infrastructure over the next three to four years. This future infrastructure may include consolidation centres and other projects described in the current solid waste management plan.

Recommendation – General Administration

This option places \$800,000 in the general administration budget for both planning and building infrastructure. As described in option 1, this grant will provide the necessary funds to help complete the necessary major repairs scheduled for the office building over the next ten years. Further, this grant money can be used for planning purposes including the creation of a parks and recreation plan for the Regional District.

Option 2 fully allocates the grant and provides certainty to staff to complete financial and infrastructure planning for the next several years. This option also provides equal benefit to all Electoral Areas and Municipalities and creates the possibility to more easily manage taxation fluctuations over the next five years.

Option 3:*Recommendation – Environmental Services*

For similar reasons as Option 2, this option recommends placing \$4 million into the budget for environmental services.

Recommendation – General Administration

This option maintains the \$800,000 allocation to General Administration



Recommendation – New Parks and Recreation Service

This option recommends the creation of a Regional District Parks and Trails Service and the allocation of \$1.0 million into capital reserves for this service. In future years these funds would be utilized for the creation of Regional Parks and Trails.

Option 3 allows for most benefits associated with option 2 while at the same time allowing for the creation of a new service. Parks and Trails are likely the single most significant item (outside health care services) that the Regional District can provide to increase the liveability of the area and increase the attraction and retention of citizens.

	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Environmental Services	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 4,000,000
Ft. Fraser Sewer	\$ 100,000		
Bulkley Valley Pool	\$ 200,000		
Rural Fire Departments	\$ 400,000		
Administration	\$ 300,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000
Parks and Trails			\$ 1,000,000
Later Allocation	\$ 2,800,000		
Total	\$ 5,800,000	\$ 5,800,000	\$ 5,800,000

The Board may create a new allocation from a blend of these three options or create an original option at their discretion.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

Recommendation: Option 1

(All/Directors/Majority)

“That the Board receive the Chief Financial Officer’s memo dated April 8, 2019 titled ‘Infrastructure and Planning Grant Accounts” and

“That the Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako direct staff to

- Amend the Environmental Services budget to include \$2.0 Million of grant funding for capital expenditures and to allocate \$570,000 of taxation to the land fill closure and post closure reserve
- Amend the budget of the Cluculz Lake Rescue Service, South Side Fire Protection, Topley Fire Protection and Fort Fraser Fire Protection to include \$100,000 of grant funding to be allocated into each service’s capital reserves
- Amend the budget of the Bulkley Valley Pool service to include \$200,000 in grants for capital expenditures.



- Amend the budget of the Fort Fraser Sewer Service to include \$100,000 in grant funding to be allocated to the service's capital reserves; and
- Amend the General Services Budget to include \$300,000 of grant funding to be allocated to capital expenditures and/or to the administrative building capital reserve.

"And that the remaining \$2.8 Million of the Planning and Infrastructure Grant remain unallocated and a recommendation be brought back to a later meeting."



Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Agenda April 18, 2019

To: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors
From: John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Date: April 8, 2019
Re: Regional Parks and Trails Study

Background Information:

The Regional District can establish a Regional Parks and Trail Service without going to the electorate for approval and thus such a service can be established more expediently than other services that usually require approval by the electorate.

If created, this type of service would create (through direct ownership, lease, or license of occupation) parks or trails. These parks or trails could be in electoral areas or within a municipality with the municipality's cooperation.

Such a service can be established with a number of different parameters. The first consideration is taxation type: Improvements only or Land and Improvements. Improvements only taxation is generally utilized when the benefactors of the service are individuals rather than property owners.

Another parameter to be considered for this service is the participants. Participants of this service must include whole Electoral Areas or municipalities and cannot include only portions of electoral areas (without requesting direct support of the electorate). If a Regional Parks and Trails service was to be established it could range from just one or two electoral areas, to all electoral areas jointly, or to even all electoral areas and municipalities. The participants of the service should be matched with those electoral areas or municipalities that will enjoy or benefit from the service.

As a current example, a portion of Electoral Area "A" provides funds to the Town of Smithers for Parks and Trails. Similarly, a portion of Area "F" also provides funds to the Town of Vanderhoof for Parks and Trails.

Service Establishment Considerations

A number of factors must be analysed to determine if a Parks and Recreation Service should in fact be established. The first three more tangible factors are financial:

- The first is the capital costs necessary to create a park or a trail.
- The second is the ongoing maintenance of that park or trail feature. Likely such maintenance would be contracted to a private contractor, or a recreation group with an interest in the feature and that is in close proximity to the feature in order



to both monitor usage, maintenance needs, and to reduce travel time and expense.

- Thirdly is the ongoing administration and overhead costs associated with planning, development and managing the service. Planning and administration will generally be internal to the Regional District.

There are many intangible factors to consider as well. Some of these factors include:

- The benefit to increased retention and attraction of individuals within the Regional District and their associated quality of life.
- The possible benefits to tourism and local business from a Parks and Trails service.
- The presence of recreation features that can be developed into a high quality park or trail in different areas of the Regional District.

These factors must be flushed out and analysed to provide the Directors with enough information before deciding on the establishment of a new service.

A request for proposal to prepare a Regional District Parks and Trail report by experts is recommended. A budget of \$100,000 is estimated for such a report. The costs of this report can utilize the Infrastructure and Planning Grant recently provided to the Regional District.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

Recommendation:

(All/Directors/Majority)

"That the Regional District Board direct staff to prepare a request for proposal (RFP) for the Board's consideration that evaluates, and makes recommendations regarding, the various options for providing recreation services in the rural area.



Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Agenda April 18, 2019

To: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors
From: John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Date: April 8, 2019
Re: Municipal Finance Authority – High Interest Savings Accounts

The Municipal Finance Authority of B. C. is offering two pooled high interest savings accounts. One is through National Bank of Canada and the other through CIBC.

The National Bank of Canada rate is currently 2.52% (prime less 1.43%) and the CIBC rate is currently 2.46% (prime less 1.49%).

Staff are seeking direction to open two pooled high interest savings account with MFABC (one associated with each bank).

As interest is calculated daily with these accounts, the accounts are ideal for very short-term investments (those less than 90 days). Cashable guaranteed investment certificates (GIC) are generally redeemable after 90 days and are available with higher rates.

Having access to these accounts will allow staff to obtain a higher return on unused funds while reducing the risk associated with the funds suddenly being required (such as during an emergency).

These accounts are not guaranteed by the governments of Canada or BC; however, they are held by two of Canada's five largest banks. Funds will generally be allocated equally between these two accounts to minimize potential risk.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

Recommendation: (All/Directors/Majority)

"That the Board receive the Chief Financial Officer's memo dated April 8, 2019 titled 'Municipal Finance Authority – High Interest Savings Accounts' and

"That the Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako direct staff to open two Pooled High Interest Savings Accounts with MFABC – one associated with National Bank of Canada and one with CIBC."



Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Agenda April 18, 2019

To: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors
From: John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Date: April 8, 2019
Re: Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1866

The Village of Granisle has requested that the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako borrow money, on their behalf, from the Municipal Finance Authority in the amount of \$210,000.

Once received, the money will then be forwarded to the Village of Granisle and the Village will use these funds to purchase a sander/dump truck with plough attachment.

Municipalities can only borrow long term funds through their Regional District.

The Village of Granisle has provided

- their Loan Authorization Bylaw # 496, 2018
- their Liability Servicing Limit Certificate, and
- their Certified Resolution 2019/044 that formally requests the funds to support their request. These documents are attached to this memo.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

Recommendation:

(All/Directors/Majority)

"That the Board receive the Chief Financial Officer's memo dated April 8, 2019 titled 'Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1866' and

"That later in the agenda, the Board of the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako give Bylaw 1866 three readings and adoption."

Village of Granisle
Bylaw No. 496, 2018
Loan Authorization Bylaw

Being a bylaw to authorize the long-term borrowing for the acquisition of a single axle Sander/Dump Truck with Plows for the Village of Granisle.

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 406 of the Local Government Act and Section 179 of the Community Charter, the Village of Granisle may, by a loan authorization bylaw, borrow money for capital purposes;

AND WHEREAS the authority to borrow under this bylaw expires ten (10) years from the date on which this bylaw is adopted;

AND WHEREAS the Village of Granisle has obtained the approval of electors in accordance with the Local Government Act;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Granisle in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1. LOAN AUTHORIZATION

- a) To borrow upon the credit of the Village of Granisle a sum not more than the greater of two hundred and ten thousand dollars (\$ 210,000).
- b) To acquire and have installed all such materials as may be requisite or desirable in connections with the purchase of a sander/dump truck with plows in and for the Village of Granisle.

2. TERM OF DEBENTURE

The maximum term for which debentures may be issued to secure debt created by this bylaw is ten (10) years.

3. CITATION

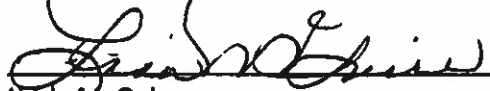
This bylaw may be cited as Granisle Sander/Dump Truck Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 496, 2018

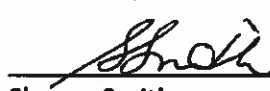
READ a first time this 8th day of November, 2018
READ a second time this 8th day of November, 2018
READ a third time this 8th day of November, 2018

RECEIVED APPROVAL of the Inspector of Municipalities this 7th of day of January, 2019

RECEIVED APPROVAL BY THE ELECTORS IN THE VILLAGE OF GRANISLE THROUGH ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS this 19th day of February, 2019

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13TH day of March, 2019


Linda McGuire
Mayor


Sharon Smith
Corporate Officer

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No. 496, 2018 as at third reading.


Corporate Officer



Statutory Approval

Under the provisions of sections _____ 179 _____

of the _____ Community Charter _____

I hereby approve Bylaw No. _____ 496 _____

of the _____ Village of Granisle _____

a copy of which is attached hereto.

Dated this 07 *day*

of January , 2019

Deputy Inspector of Municipalities

LIABILITY SERVICING LIMIT CERTIFICATE

The Village of Granisle (the "Municipality")
In relation to loan for plow truck

The undersigned Financial Officer assigned responsibility for financial administration under section 149 of the Community Charter, SBC 2003, Chapter 26 (the "Charter") or Auditor appointed for the Municipality under section 169 of the Charter hereby certifies as follows:

Calculation revenue for the previous year (section 4 & 5, BC Reg 254/2004)	<u>\$1,653,559.00</u> a
Liability Servicing Limit (a x 25%) (section 2, BC Reg 254/2004)	<u>\$413,389.75</u> b
Annual Servicing cost for previous year	<u>\$40,887.00</u> c

Plus: New liabilities incurred, other than current request

Liability Type and reference	Annual servicing cost	
_____	_____	d
_____	_____	e
_____	_____	f
_____	_____	g
_____	_____	h
_____	_____	i
_____	_____	j
_____	_____	k
_____	_____	l
Total of lines d through l	<u>\$0.00</u>	m

Less: Liabilities which have matured

Liability type and reference	Annual servicing cost	
<u>Short Term liability</u>	<u>\$15,306.28</u>	n
_____	_____	o
_____	_____	p
_____	_____	q
_____	_____	r
Total of lines n through r	<u>\$15,306.28</u>	s

Amount of new liability (section 3, BC Reg 254/2004)	<u>\$209,122.77</u>	t	<u>\$15,306.28</u>	s
Annual servicing cost of new liability (section 3, BC Reg 254/2004)			<u>\$21,378.72</u>	u
Total liability servicing cost including current request (lines c+m-s+u)			<u>\$46,959.44</u>	v

which is less than the annual liability servicing limit stated on line b.
OR
 which exceeds the annual liability servicing limit stated on line b, and the undersigned hereby requests approval of the Inspector of Municipalities under section 174 of the Charter to exceed the limit established under the section.

In accordance with section 179(5) or section 175(1)(b) of the Charter, as applicable, the debt to be contracted under the loan authorization bylaw, or other liability for which certification is being made, referred to above will not exceed the lesser of 30 years and the reasonable life expectancy of the capital asset, activity, work or service, or the remaining term of the applicable agreement, as the case may be, for which the debt is to be contracted.

The undersigned Financial Officer or Auditor also hereby authorizes Legal Counsel of the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia to rely on this Certificate in giving any opinion in connection with any borrowing by the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia ("MFA") and the issuance of bonds, debentures, and other securities by the MFA in respect of the loan authorization bylaw, or other liability for which certification is being made, referred to above.

DATED this 14 day of November, 2018.


Financial Officer

OR

Auditor

Brenda J Andersson
(Please print full name)

(Please print full name & company)

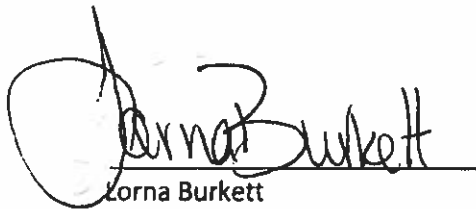
CERTIFIED RESOLUTION #: 2019/044

The following resolution was adopted by Council at its Regular Meeting held March 13, 2019

"That Council approve borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia, as part of the 2019 Fall Borrowing Session, \$210,000.00 as authorized through the Village of Granisle Loan Authorization Bylaw, No. 496, 2018 and that the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako be requested to consent to our borrowing over a ten year term and include the borrowing in a Security Issuing Bylaw."

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the resolution adopted by Council of the Village of Granisle on March 13, 2019.

Dated at Village of Granisle, British Columbia, this 15th day of March, 2019



Lorna Burkett
Deputy Corporate Officer





Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Agenda April 18, 2019

To: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors
From: John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Date: April 8, 2019
Re: Local Service Area - Economic Development Bylaws

Attached later in the agenda are the Economic Development Bylaws for Electoral Areas "B" and "E". These bylaws are modelled on the Economic Development Bylaw for Electoral Area "A". This type of bylaw will provide the Electoral Area Director with the maximum flexibility to decide how to promote economic development within their area.

Establishment Bylaws for the purposes of the promotion of economic development do not require consent from the electorate and are not required to specify a maximum taxation amount. After three readings by the board, the electoral area director must consent in writing on behalf of the electorate. The bylaw must then be approved by the Inspector of Municipalities before the Board can consider adoption.

Electoral Area "E" currently has an Economic Development Bylaw that the Inspector has requested that the Board update. Once the new bylaw is adopted, a bylaw to repeal the older bylaw will be prepared by staff.

If other Electoral Area Directors wish to establish a service for the promotion of economic development within their area, the finance staff would be happy to help.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

Recommendation:

(All/Directors/Majority)

"That the Board receive the Chief Financial Officer's memo dated April 8, 2019 titled 'Local Service Area - Economic Development Bylaws'" and

"That later in the agenda, the Board of the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako give Bylaw 1867 and 1868 three readings."

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO****MEMORANDUM**

TO: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors

FROM: Cheryl Anderson
Acting CAO/Manager of Administrative Services

DATE: April 9, 2019

SUBJECT: *The Regional News* – Spring/Summer 2019

Attached is a draft copy of the RDBN's electronic version of *The Regional News* – Spring/Summer 2019 Edition.

At this time, we would ask that you provide instructions to staff as to any changes or additions you would like to see included in the draft and proceed to ratify the same.

Recommendation: (All/Directors/Majority)

“That the Regional Board ratify the Spring/Summer 2019 edition of “*The Regional News*”.”



The Regional News

2019 RDBN Meeting Dates:

Board Meeting:

- May 16th
- June 20th
- July 18th
- August 15th
- September 19th
- October 24th
- November 21st
- December 12th

Committee Meeting:

- May 2nd
- June 6th
- July 18th
- August 15th
- September 5th
- October 10th
- November 7th
- December 12th

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Message from the Chair



This is my first ability to communicate in this format since being elected as Chair following the local elections that occurred in October of last year. This is a great honour and I thank the Directors for giving me this opportunity.

Since taking office our CAO has decided to move closer to her property in Fort St. James and is now the CAO for the District of Fort St. James. In the Interim, Cheryl Anderson is our Acting CAO and we have had a very smooth transition.

Last year we had a very bad year when it came to forest fires, we hurt as individuals and respectively as a region. This last while the Directors have approved the rehiring of Deborah Jones-Middleton to be our Director of Protective Services. We will never be able to plan for all emergencies but we certainly feel that as a large Regional District with a small population that we are as prepared as possible. It is important that each

resident makes sure their property is FireSmart. If you need more information in this regard, please don't hesitate to call our Regional District office.

We have also made huge gains to get our Solid Waste Management Plan updated, and also saw the Water System in Fort Fraser updated. These are two projects that have been on the books for a long time, and I would like to thank our staff for the great work they have done on these projects during an election year.

On the topic of election, I would like to thank you for the group of individuals you have elected to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako as Directors. In the few months we have worked together there has been a real sense of teamwork.

In my next communication I look forward to sharing an update on items of recycling, broadband connectivity, planning, as well as attraction and retention.

Spring is here and we are looking forward to a great year!

Update on the RDBN Zoning Bylaw Review

The Regional District has developed a preliminary draft of a proposed new zoning bylaw for the rural area of the RDBN. This bylaw regulates the use and development of land in the rural area of the RDBN. It is important to keep the Zoning Bylaw relevant and

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Clint Lambert, Electoral Area 'E' Director



I'm honoured to serve as the Electoral Area E representative for the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako for my first term. Currently I am working towards getting better cell and internet service to help residents be connected, as well as helping to bring in three phase power to help stimulate the economy. I am looking into the possibility of a larger boat launch with parking for vehicles on the Northshore of Francois Lake and have just granted some funds for the Francois Lake Hall to complete a renovation, as well as some other projects.

Electoral Area E is the only area in the RDBN to have grown in population in 2018. Hopefully with new members in our community, new ideas and people, this will continue to stimulate growth in the area.

I have lived on the Southside of Francois Lake my entire life and am a third-generation rancher on the property I own with my wife, Deanna and 6 children. I am a ticketed millwright and part-time logger as well.

Serving in my community is something my wife and I are passionate about. I am an active volunteer 4-H Beef Leader, Junior LDSS Boys Basketball Coach, active member and volunteer in the local branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and member of the local Cattlemen's Association. I am extremely grateful to have been taught to work hard and that my neighbours and family were taught those same principles. This last summer we saw that when a community works together great things can be accomplished!

Michael Riis-Christianson, Electoral Area "B" Director

Although born in Vancouver, I spent my formative years at Ootsa Lake. After leaving the area to attend college, I returned in 1982, and in the early 1990s moved to Palling with my young family. We remained there for more than a decade; although I now reside in Burns Lake, I remain at heart a rural resident. Most of my free time is spent in the great outdoors, enjoying the Lakes District's spectacular scenery.

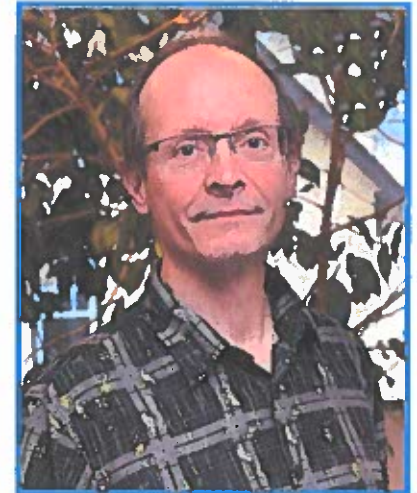
I care passionately about community. I love the fact that when you live in a rural area, you know your neighbours and look out for them – even if they live miles away. Ironically, that feeling of belonging and caring is often missing in urban settings, even though population densities there are much higher.

Rural residents face unique challenges. Unlike their city-dwelling counterparts, they often receive few 'hard' services from local government and only select services from the private sector. While this often places them at a disadvantage, it also instills in them a spirit of independence. Rural residents are creative problem-solvers, and they're resilient. They have to be.

Our world is changing. The knowledge-based economy and digital commerce, supported by 'big data' and the internet, are transforming society in ways most of us never thought possible. Some of these changes will challenge us, but with any crisis comes opportunity.

For rural communities to thrive in this brave new world, we need to create conditions that will allow existing residents (particularly young people) to stay in the area and make visitors want to move here. I believe the key to resident attraction and retention lies in improving local quality of life. We need to ensure that rural residents have access to services and opportunities – economic, social, cultural, technological – comparable to those available in urban centres. If they do, the inherent benefits of rural living will keep our communities strong.

Representing Electoral Area B is an honour. Over the next three and a half years, I look forward to working with you to improve service levels in the regional district and (where financially viable) adding new services that will making living here even better. I'm dedicated to upgrading communications and recreation



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infrastructure in the region, and to supporting projects that strengthen community identity and enhance our local economy.

The key to better living is collaboration. If you have a project or an idea that will benefit the residents of Electoral Area B, contact me. If your group needs seed money to get a community initiative off the ground, give me a call. If you are facing a problem, ask me for help. I believe the role of local government is to facilitate positive change and support residents as they move their communities forward.

RDBN Agricultural Plan

In 2012, the RDBN released an Agricultural Plan. What is an agricultural plan? Agricultural plans recognize agriculture as the highest and best use of agricultural land and focus on developing strategies to support a viable agricultural industry at the regional level. The 2012 RDBN Agriculture Plan was utilized in development of local Official Community Plans. The strategies provide a forum for discussion concerning issues relevant to farming and the local food system. A food system is local when it allows farmers, processors, distributors, retailers and their customers to interact face-to-face. The agriculture plan also attempts to identify and anticipate future changes, challenges and ways to help support a healthy, resilient and sustainable agricultural sector.

Agricultural plans have specific actionable items, but overall plans have a "shelf-life" and after reviewing other regional districts, the "shelf-life" appears to be three to nine years. The RDBN will be updating the regional agriculture plan this year as after seven years, there are some gaps that need to be updated, as well as revise the strategic directions for actionable items. The updated agricultural plan could include agriculture viability studies, agriculture strategies, arability studies, incorporation of the Climate Change Agriculture Adaptation, foodshed analyses and much more.

As part of the revision of the agriculture plan, the region will be inviting individuals from agriculture commodity groups as well as support services to join a steering committee. There will be online surveys to gather information from producers, general public and Indigenous communities as one goal is to have a shared vision. There will be planning/information gathering workshops and public open houses for input/feedback as part of the revision process.

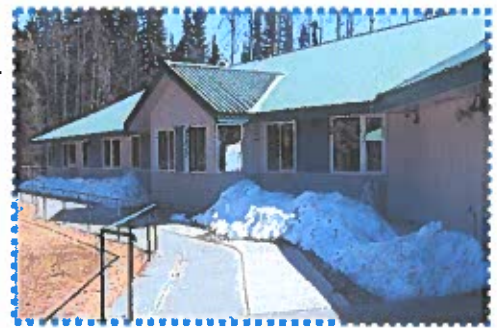
More information will be posted on the RDBN website as the 2019 revision process for the agricultural plan moves forward. Once revised, the plan will be promoted throughout the region to highlight a five-year strategy. The Updated 2019 RDBN Agricultural Plan will focus on regional agriculture to discover practical solutions to issues, identify opportunities to strengthen farming and ultimately to contribute to the long-term sustainability of agriculture. Please check the RDBN website for updates and plan to complete a survey and attend an open house as sustainable agriculture supports local food systems.



On January 3rd, 2019, the Board of the Stuart Nechako Regional Hospital District (SNRHD) approved its 2019 budget. The amount of taxes raised will be \$4,652,184 up from \$2,148,006 in 2018. Taxation for a \$100,000 property will increase from \$64.73 in 2018 to \$140.19 in 2019.

Highlights of this year's budget include:

- \$3 million for the SNRHD's first payment towards the new Stuart Lake Hospital in Fort St. James.
- \$480 thousand towards the new Fort St. James primary care building.
- \$300 thousand towards the final completion of the Pines Cafeteria Expansion in Burns Lake.
- \$380 thousand towards upgrades in the St John Hospital in Vanderhoof.



Burns Lake Pines Extended Care

The priority in the next few years will be the construction of the Stuart Lake Hospital. The SNRHD has committed contributing 20% to the total cost of this project. Tax rates are expected to remain steady for the next five years.

The SNRHD includes the communities of Fort St. James, Vanderhoof, Fraser Lake, Burns Lake and Granisle and the Electoral Areas "C" (Fort St. James Rural), "F" (Vanderhoof Rural), "D" (Fraser Lake Rural), "B" (Burns Lake Rural) and "E" (Francois Lake Rural).



- New phone systems for Houston and Stikine clinics



Mills Memorial Hospital



On March 22, 2019, the Board of the North West Regional Hospital District (NWRHD) approved its 2019 budget.

The total amount of taxes raised will be \$9,754,513, an increase of \$495,539 from 2018. The residential tax rate on a \$100,000 property is estimated at \$64.86 for 2019.

The 2019 budget includes grants for minor and major equipment and Building Integrity funds.

Highlights of projects underway and in planning include:

- Completion of the BVDH CT Scanner project
- Completion of the BVDH radiography project
- New ultrasound for BVDH

The Mills Memorial Replacement Project Business Plan is with the Province and awaiting permission to move on the procurement and construction stage.

NWRHD committed in 2018 to contributing 30% to this project to a maximum of \$113.7 million. Included in this contribution is funding 100% of the Business Plan. This expenditure will be complete in 2019.

As of December 31, 2018 NWRHD has a balance of \$14.5 million in its capital infrastructure reserve. These funds will be used to lower future borrowing for the Mills Memorial replacement.

The NWRHD shares the same boundaries as the entire Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine, and North Coast Regional District, and the western portion of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako including Houston, Telkwa, and Smithers, and the Nisga'a Nation. For more information please visit <http://www.rdks.bc.ca> or email nwrhd@rdks.bc.ca

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Over the past three months, the RDBN Agriculture Coordinator has paired up with members of the BC Wildfire Services (BCWS) from the Northwest and VanJam offices. Together they presented ten Emergency and Livestock Preparedness workshops throughout the region. The aim was to meet with livestock producers, commercial and hobby farmers to share information on preparing for a wildfire emergency. Thank you to all who attended the workshops.



Participants who were at the workshops had a presentation from the BCWS about fire history in the specific area of the region, BCWS outlined the staff and what type of crews they have in each of the local areas, how wildfires are ranked with human safety the number one priority and how to FireSmart around home and property. FireSmart Canada helps home and property owners understand the potential risk of wildfire and how to protect their asset. The handout supplied at the workshops was the FireSmart Homeowner's Manual which outlines how to prepare your property in zones to reduce the risk of wildfire damage. Another brochure, the FireSmart Canada Guide to Landscaping, outlines tree and plant species that are safer than other species. Visit FireSmart Canada and FireSmart BC website for more information.

The BCWS members also spoke on burning and participants took home the Open Burning Practices for Farmers and Ranchers and went over the Open Fire Regulations. These and more burning regulations can be found on the BCWS website. The BCWS website is a resource to follow during the wildfire season at www.bcwildfire.ca and offers a variety of information.

The RDBN Agriculture Coordinator presented general farm emergency planning for both commercial livestock producers and hobby farmers. A commercial producer has farm status and if you currently do not have farm status and want to find out if you qualify, visit <https://info.bcassessment.ca> and search classifying farm land. With farm status, in an emergency event, support may be available to qualify producers.

The BC Ministry of Agriculture was also suggested as a good emergency planning resource for business risk management and livestock relocation planning guides. A variety of livestock emergency material is available on the website <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/business-market-development/emergency-preparedness> which includes links to Beef Emergency Guide and the Emergency Management Guide for B.C. Small Mixed Farms.

All producers, big and small, are encouraged to have a farm emergency plan and attendees of the workshops received a planning workbook and a guide to complete the workbook. The links to the guide and workbook are available on the RDBN website. In addition to the workbooks on the RDBN website, you can find the RDBN Quick Reference Guide to Emergency Commercial Livestock Relocation and the 2019 Bulkley-Nechako Regional Emergency Contact list. We live in a fire-prone ecosystem and by taking the necessary steps to protect property and planning for livestock care during an emergency are steps we can take now. The more prepared we are, a better response to an emergency we will have.



RDBN Recycling Centres

The RDBN is working together with Recycle BC to establish two new recycling centres in our region. One will be at the Fort St. James Transfer Station on Necoslie Road and the other will be located in Houston (site yet to be determined). Potentially, the Fort St. James facility could be open June 12, 2019, with the Houston facility to follow in late summer of 2019. There will be attendants hired for each site. Along with the Smithers/Telkwa and Vanderhoof depots, this will bring the RDBN Recycle BC sites up to 4!!



RDBN depots accept all materials in Recycle BC's residential packaging and printed paper recycling program, including non-deposit glass bottles and jars, plastic bags and plastic foam packaging, along with curbside recycling materials such as newsprint, cardboard, metal containers, plastic containers, spiral wound cans and paper packaging that held liquid when sold, such as coffee cups and soup cartons.

Recycle BC is a non-profit organization responsible for residential packaging and printed paper recycling throughout British Columbia. Recycle BC ensures packaging and printed paper is collected from households and recycling depots, sorted and recycled responsibly. The Recycle BC program is funded by over 1,200 businesses, like retailers, manufacturers and restaurants, that supply packaging and printed paper to BC residents, to shift recycling costs away from homeowners.



Composter Rebates

Once again, the Regional District will be offering composter rebates of \$40 to those residents who would like to keep organics out of our waste stream by doing backyard composting. Participating retailers in our Region will offer the rebates when you purchase a composter at their establishment.

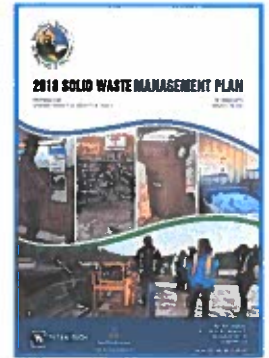
For more information on any of these initiatives, please contact the Environmental Services Department at 1-800-320-3339 or

wastewatchers@rdbn.bc.ca.



Knockholt Landfill Closure Works

Closure works on phase 1 & 2 are to be completed at the Knockholt (Houston) Landfill this summer. This will include laying down a metre of clay, followed by 30 cm of top soil. After that, the area will be seeded.



Purchase of New Excavator

The Environmental Services Department is planning to purchase an excavator that will be used for processing/loading of wood waste throughout the region. This will reduce annual operational costs the RDBN pays for this material to be landfilled.

Cost Recovery Study Continues

With the Solid Waste Management Plan completed, work continues on implementing the plan by looking at cost recovery (tipping fees) to be implemented in 2021/2022. The RDBN continues to work together with Tetra Tech and Carey McIver & Associates on this project in 2019.

Regional Invasive Plant Management

Land Owner Weed Removal Rebate - The Environmental Services Department is responsible for administering the funding for the Regional District's Invasive Plant Management Program (\$3,000 budgeted for 2019), the goals of which are to provide public education and assistance in the control of invasive plant species through the Northwest Invasive Plant Council (NWIPC). The RDBN seasonally likes to pass along an option of some assistance for home owners in the region who are planning to manage invasive weeds on their property. This Program allows for the home owner to have 50% of the cost of the work reimbursed up to \$500 to manage invasive weeds. To utilize this rebate, the home owner can fill out the designated form and submit it to NWIPC. The RDBN can assist you by sending you this form or visit www.nwipc.org to download a copy. For more information on RDBN's involvement in invasive plant management please see our website.



Hoary Alyssum



Blueweed



Mountain Bluet

Sustainability Newsletter

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Email elaine.wiebe@rdbn.bc.ca and she will add you to the list.

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- Recycling in the RDBN
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BE RESPONSIBLE WHEN BACKYARD BURNING

With spring upon us, everyone is looking forward to getting outside and starting spring cleanup activities. Please keep in mind that backyard burning is one of the leading causes of forest fires at this time of year. An unattended grass or shrub fire can quickly get out of control. Wildfires threaten lives of people, livestock and wildlife. It destroys timber, and other forest resources costing millions of dollars to extinguish.

Important tips to consider when planning a backyard burn or a grass fire:

- Ensure adequate hand tools, water, and personnel are available on site to keep the fire under control
- Be aware of weather conditions, do not light or burn when the wind is strong enough to carry sparks onto combustible material
- Keep informed regarding the burning bans, restrictions, and municipal bylaws in your area.

Lighting or fueling an open fire within one kilometer of forest or grassland, must comply with the Environmental Management Act and Open Burning Smoke Control Regulations. It is your responsibility to phone the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development to check the venting index and make sure there are no **bans or restrictions in place at 1-888-336-7378 or 1-888-797-1717 to register for a burn permit if required.**



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162 Smithers	To Smithers	
Monday, Wednesday, Friday		
Burns Lake: Government at Gilgan	6:46 am	—
Wet'suwet'en: Tom Dr at Hwy 16	7:00	—
Burns Lake: Government at Gilgan	7:14	—
Burns Lake: 3rd Ave at Kerr	7:24	—
Burns Lake: Centre St at 10th Ave	7:30	—
Decker Lake: Trading Post	7:38	—
Broman/Duncan: Hwy 16 at Duncan Lk Rd	7:58	—
Topley: Rest Area	8:10	—
Houston: Leisure Facility	8:33 <i>Ar</i>	—
Houston: Leisure Facility	8:48 <i>Lv</i>	1:00 pm
Telkwa: Post Office	9:33	1:45
Smithers: 8th Ave at Columbia Dr	9:49	—
Smithers: Roi Theatre	9:53 am	2:00 pm

162 Burns Lake	To Burns Lake	
Monday, Wednesday, Friday		
Smithers: Roi Theatre	11:30 am	3:00 pm
Smithers: 8th Ave at Columbia Dr	—	3:04
Telkwa: Post Office	11:45	3:20
Houston: Leisure Facility	12:30 pm	4:05 <i>Ar</i>
Houston: Leisure Facility	—	4:15 <i>Lv</i>
Topley: Rest Area	—	4:38
Broman/Duncan: Hwy 16 at Duncan Lk Rd	—	4:50
Wet'suwet'en: Tom Drive at Hwy 16	—	5:07
Decker Lake: Trading Post	—	5:12
Burns Lake: Government at Gilgan	—	5:20 <i>Ar</i>
Burns Lake: Government at Gilgan	—	5:25 <i>Lv</i>
Burns Lake: 3rd Ave at Kerr	—	5:35
Burns Lake: Centre St at 10th Ave	—	5:41
Decker Lake: Trading Post	—	5:49
Wet'suwet'en: Tom Dr at Hwy 16	—	5:54
Burns Lake: Government at Gilgan	—	6:08 pm



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Suggestions or Comments?

If you have comments about service in general or suggestions for improvements, contact:



Deneve Vanderwolf,
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161 Prince George/To Prince George
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

Wet'suwet'en: Tom Dr at Hwy 16	7:00 am
Decker Lake: Trading Post	7:05
Burns Lake: Government at Gilgan	7:13
Burns Lake: 3rd Ave at Kerr	7:23
Burns Lake: Centre St at 10th Ave	7:29
Burns Lake: Government at Gilgan	7:33
Tintagel: Rest Area Hwy 16 at Tintagel	7:44
Endako: Endako Pub	8:14
Stellaquo: Slenyah Store	8:21
Fraser Lake: Fraser Lake Mall	8:27 Ar
Fraser Lake: Fraser Lake Mall	8:37 Lv
Nautley: Nadleh Whut'en Store	8:54
Fort Fraser: Community Hall	9:01
Vanderhoof: Co-Op	9:31 Ar
Vanderhoof: Co-Op	9:41 Lv
Hospital Rd at Health Care Ave	9:46
Vanderhoof: Co-Op	9:50
Beaverly: Petro Canada	10:48
Prince George: Westgate Mall	10:58
Prince George: Pine Centre	11:06
Prince George: Edmonton at 13th Ave (Hospital)	11:15
Prince George: Downtown 7th at Dominion	11:22 am

161 Burns Lake To Burns Lake
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

Prince George: Downtown 7th at Dominion	3:00 pm
Prince George: Edmonton at 13th Ave (Hospital)	3:04
Prince George: Pine Centre	3:16
Prince George: Westgate Mall	3:26
Beaverly: Petro Canada	3:36
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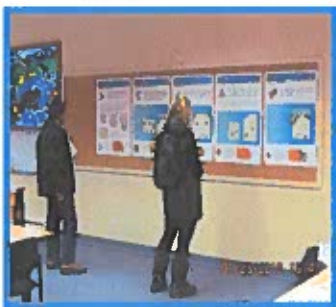
Arrive at the bus stop a few minutes early; seats are for customers, hold your bag on your lap or on the floor where it will not obstruct aisles or other customers. Please allow others to make use of the seats; have correct fare; take a seat as soon as possible; hold on while the bus is in motion; keep head, hands and arms inside bus at all times; assist your

children on and off the bus; never allow your children to stand or kneel on the seat while riding the bus; be considerate of others e.g. loud music, offensive language; remind your driver if you have to get your bike off the bike rack; never enter the street in front of or directly behind a stopped bus. Make sure traffic can see you; take your garbage with you when you leave. Rural residents

requiring information in regard to flagging the bus please contact the Regional District at 1-800-320-3339 or 250-692-3195.



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updated to reflect changes in legislation, planning law, and land use and development trends. It is also an opportunity to improve the bylaw's clarity and effectiveness.

Public engagement is an important part of the review process. Earlier this year the Planning Department hosted open houses across the region to provide opportunities for public consultation and input. We will continue to accept comments on the draft bylaw until the formal approval process starts.

Following the public consultation and referral process, the bylaw will enter the formal approval process. This includes presenting the bylaw to the Regional District Board for consideration of first and second reading, followed by the holding of a Public Hearing. This process is anticipated to begin in early summer 2019.

To read the zoning bylaw draft and find out more information about the review process, please visit our website at:

<https://www.rdbn.bc.ca/planning-department/zoning-bylaw-review/722-zoning-bylaw-review>

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- Director Michael Riis-

Christianson

C - Fort St. James Rural

- Director Tom Greenaway

D - Fraser Lake Rural

- Director Mark Parker

E - Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural

- Director Clint Lambert

F - Vanderhoof Rural

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G - Houston Rural

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Become an ESS Volunteer

Volunteering as an ESS responder is a rewarding experience. Would you like to help people in your community during a crisis or emergency? Would you like to work with a team of other dedicated volunteers? Can you be available on short notice to respond to an emergency event? We need your help!

You will be part of a team that provides shelter, food and a shoulder to lean on when disaster forces people from their homes. ESS volunteer training is offered through the Justice Institute and your local government. All ESS volunteers receive WorkSafe BC and liability insurance coverage while on assignments. For more information or to become an Emergency Support Services Volunteer, call the Regional District of Bulkley- Nechako at (250) 692-3195 or email Rebecca.rodriquez@rdbn.bc.ca.



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Emergencies can happen anytime. Is your family ready?

Emergencies and disasters can strike at any time and can leave you without basic services such as water, gas, electricity or a working telephone. You might have to evacuate your home or neighbourhood, or you may be confined to your home for safety. Roads may be closed or important supplies unavailable.

Your best strategy for dealing with disasters and emergencies is to be as prepared as possible. Don't be caught off-guard. Know the hazards in your area and take the time to assemble your family emergency kit. Predetermine meeting places to reunite with family and contact persons close-by and out-of-town.



Prepare a 72-Hr Emergency Kit

Pack everything in carryable totes or bags and store in one easy-to-reach location. Ensure everyone in the household knows where it is. Use the checklist provided as a guide to stock a basic 72-hr kit and add items depending on your family's needs:

Toiletries

- Cleaning supplies (hand sanitizer, dry shampoo, etc.)
- First aid kit
- Toilet paper
- Dish soap
- Feminine supplies

Special Needs Items

- Infant needs (diapers, formula, bottles, etc.)
- Prescription medicines
- Extra pair of prescription glasses or contact lenses
- Pet items (food, leash, muzzle, medication, pet carrier/portable kennel, etc.)

Personal Documents and Items

- A list of your emergency contacts (names and contact numbers)
- An extra set of house and car keys

- Cash in smaller bills
- Copies of important documents like passports, birth certificates, and insurance policies

Food and Water

- Four litres of water per person per day
- Food that doesn't require cooking and won't spoil, such as granola and protein bars, trail mix, dried fruit, canned tuna (remember to replace food and water once a year)

Equipment

- Manual can opener
- Flashlight (wind-up or battery operated) and batteries (replace batteries every year)
- Wind-up or battery powered radio (replace batteries every year)
- Candles, lighter, waterproof/strike-anywhere matches
- Pens and paper
- Duct tape
- Pocket knife
- Cooking and eating utensils
- Garbage bags
- Whistles and flares (to attract attention)

DO YOU HAVE A SMOKE DETECTOR?

A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.

- Smoke alarms should be installed inside every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level. Smoke alarms should be connected so when one sounds, they all sound. Most homes do not have this level of protection.
- Roughly 3 out of 5 fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.



BUSINESS FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



2019 Funding Now Available

If you have a business in a commercially zoned building in Topley, Fort Fraser or Endako, funding is now available for improvements to your building façade. Grants for projects meeting the eligibility criteria are available on a first come-- first served basis.

Grants for up to \$5,000 are available

For up to 50% of the budget for projects that increase the appeal of your business.

Q: Does my business qualify?

A: Give us a call, we can certainly let you know.

Q: What kind of improvements can I make?

A: A complete list can be found in our guidelines, but projects can include new siding, paint, awnings, and other architectural features.

Q: What about accessibility projects, will they qualify?

A: Yes, accessibility projects can qualify for this funding if they are part of a larger improvement project.

Many municipalities in our region have, or are currently, participating in the Building Façade Improvement Program.

The RDBN is pleased to partner with NDIT to ensure that unincorporated communities along Highway 16 will also be eligible.



Vibrant commercial areas have the potential to attract new customers, clients, visitors and potential investors.

The Application Deadline is June 30, 2019
For more information, call Jordanna Evans at 250-692-3195
or email economic.development@rdbn.bc.ca

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One of the potential impacts of a wildfire is the increased possibility of landslides or erosion. In areas that have been severely burned the stability of slopes can be greatly compromised. The decrease in smaller plants and soil below trees can result in increased runoff after an intense rainfall or rapid snowmelt. Any structures below the burned area may be at risk of localized floods and landslides.

Watch for weather events such as intense rainfall. Know where your home or property is situated with respect to natural drainage channels. Be aware of changes that could signal a landslide. These may include:

- Sudden changes in stream flow
- Rapid changes or pulses in flow (e.g. changes in volume) or pulses of sediment (e.g. from clear to murky)
- Abnormally dirty water
- Accumulation of large logs or debris
- Rapid accumulation of sediment or bed-load along a flat section of a creek channel
- Tension cracks near the top of the slope
- Falling rocks or boulders or flowing or sliding soil. This may precede a much larger landslide

For more information go to <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/know-the-risks/landslides>

Spring Flooding

Spring Is Upon Us – Please Ensure You Are Prepared Should Flooding Occur!

Floods are a naturally occurring event which can happen any time of year. They are most commonly caused by heavy rainfall, rapid melting of a thick snowpack, ice jams, or more rarely, the failure of a natural or human made dam. The most severe floods typically occur during the spring season due to rapidly melting snowpack and heavy rainfall.

As the snowpack is slowly melting, it may contribute to increased water levels and debris in waterways. It is important to stay aware of the possible risks and hazards. Steps you can take to minimize the risk of flood and water damage include:

- Use caution when working or recreating on or near bodies of water.
- move any indoor/outdoor items that may be damaged by flooding to higher ground if located in low-lying areas which have experienced flooding in the past.
- Relocate hazardous materials, such as cleaners and pesticides, to higher ground to prevent water contamination.
- Be prepared to unplug and disconnect any electrical items.
- Gather important papers in water-tight containers and keep a record of valuables in a safe place.
- Make arrangements for pets and livestock to be moved to safe locations.
- Seal cracks in your house the foundation and around doors and windows.
- Install backflow valves on basement floor drains, washing machine drains, toilets and sink drains.



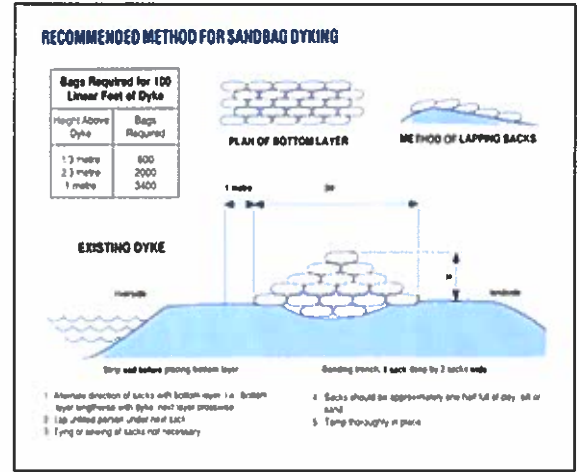
Sandbagging 101

The Regional District of Bulkley–Nechako (RDBN) may provide sand and sandbags to residents whose homes are under imminent threat from overland flooding. For more information on how to request sand and sandbags, call: **1-800-320-3339** or visit www.rdbn.bc.ca/protectiveservices/ And after hours contact Emergency Management BC at 1-800-663-3456.

Additional information

For more information on flood warnings and advisories visit the River Forecast Center at: www.bcrfc.env.gov.bc.ca/

For more information on how to protect your home visit: www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery



Emergency Support Services

Emergency Support Services (ESS) is a Provincial emergency response program that is facilitated by local governments. This service can provide British Columbians forced from their homes by fire, floods, earthquakes or other emergencies support for up to 72 hours. Services may include food, lodging, clothing, and information about the crisis.

If you do not have insurance to cover your immediate essential needs, or are unable to access your insurance immediately, the Province of BC will cover the cost through ESS for up to 72 hours. You will be responsible for any needs not considered essential, such as long-distance phone calls, tobacco, and alcohol. Some additional services which may be provided through ESS by coordination with other organizations and agencies:

- Emotional Support
- Communications
- First Aid
- Health Services
- Information
- Child Care
- Transportation Services
- Recreation Services
- Multicultural Services
- Pet Services



ESS is provided by the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako by trained staff and volunteers. When you need ESS support, ESS volunteers will meet with you to help determine your family's immediate needs in a practical, timely and sensitive manner.

Being displaced from your home during an emergency can be a very stressful time for you and your family. You may forget important details and/or feel unable to cope. Things that may assist in dealing with your situation include:

- Make plans for accommodation, food and clothing beyond the first 72 hours
- Advise your employer of your current situation
- Let your children's teachers know what has happened
- Re-direct your mail if you are not returning home for an extended period of time
- Contact extended family and friends to let them know that you are safe
- Contact your ESS provider if you change your location during an event.



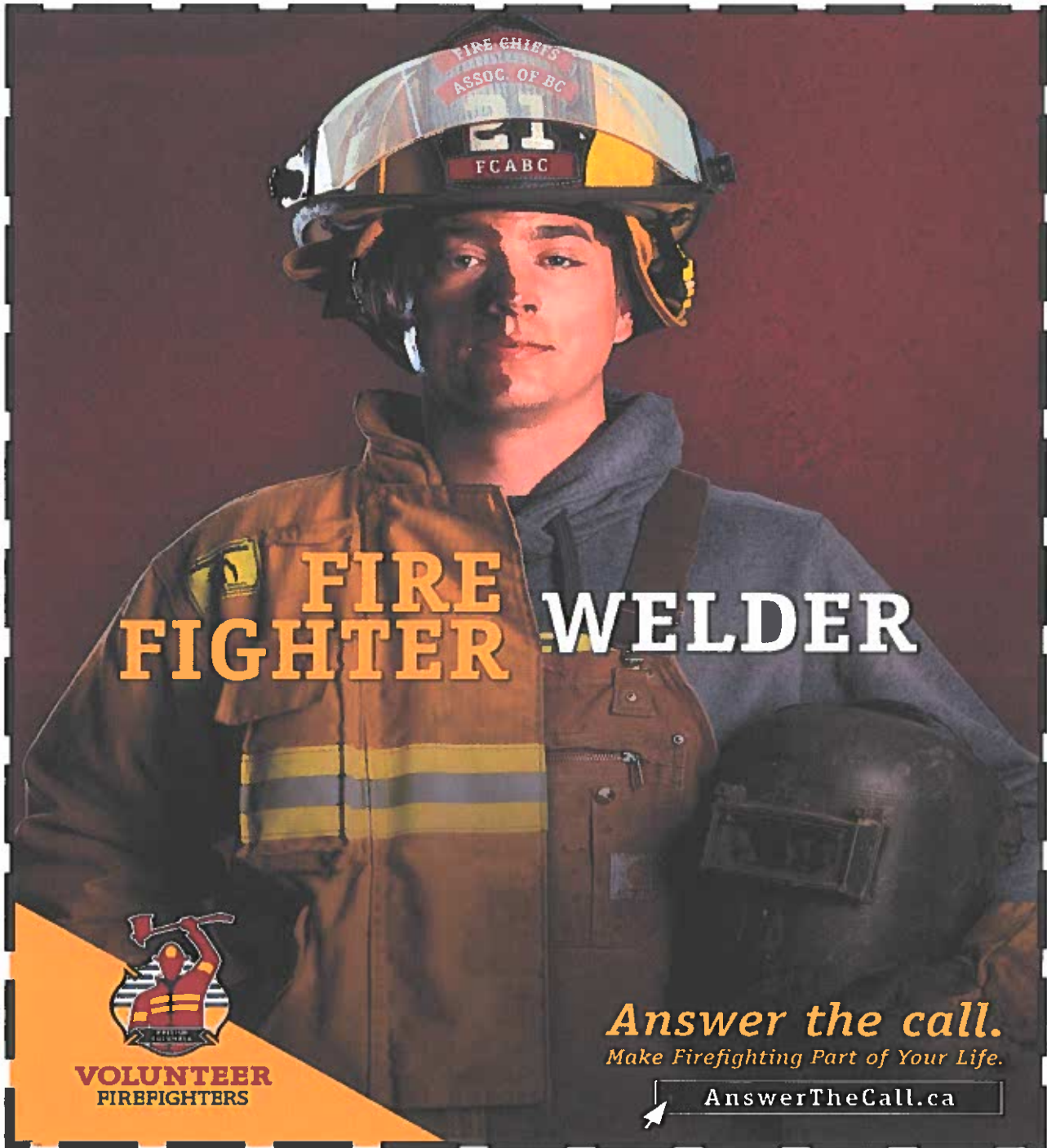
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What if you called to report a fire or medical emergency, and no one answered the call?

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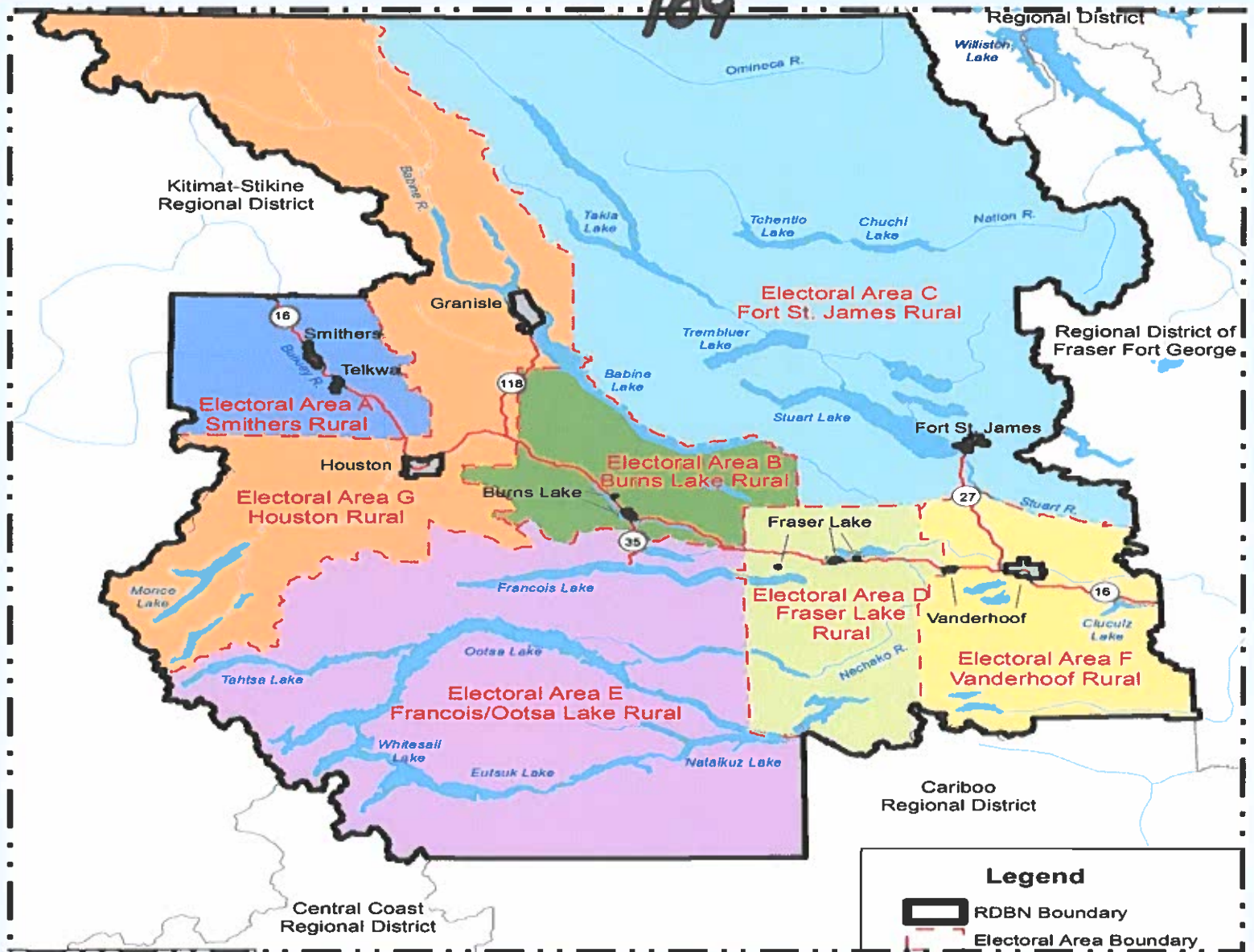
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Municipalities

Town of Smithers

Village of Telkwa

District of Houston

Village of Granisle

Village of Burns Lake

Village of Fraser Lake

District of Fort St. James

District of Vanderhoof

Electoral Areas

Electoral Area "A" Smithers Rural

Electoral Area "B" Burns Lake Rural

Electoral Area "C" Fort St. James Rural

Electoral Area "D" Fraser Lake Rural

Electoral Area "E" Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural

Electoral Area "F" Vanderhoof Rural

Electoral Area "G" Houston Rural



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**Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
Board of Directors
April 18, 2019**

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
From: Nellie Davis, Regional Economic Development Coordinator
Date: April 1, 2019
Regarding: Ride North Project Update

In 2017 the Tourism Working Group identified the Ride North Mountain Biking project as a priority for the members. After a successful 2018/19 campaign, the RDBN is participating again in 2019/20 as a project partner. Partner contributions are used as matching funds for an application to the Destination BC Cooperative Marketing Partnerships program to support the initiative. The Ride North Campaign is a successful applicant to this program again for 2019/20.

Ride North is a consortium of Mountain Bike clubs/communities promoting mountain biking in Northern BC. They have produced trail maps, branding and were instrumental in bringing the BC Bike Race to Northern BC. Their current initiatives include a webpage, digital and social media advertising and content creation.

The 2019 Tour Route 16 partnership is investing heavily in print, digital and social marketing campaigns, as sufficient assets have been collected in the last two years. The RDBN has access to content generated from the program (photo/video/blogs), representation at travel shows and strengthened relationships between the Highway 16 communities. Partners include:

- Village of Burns Lake
- Visit Terrace
- Tourism Smithers
- Tourism Prince George
- Tourism Valemount

Please visit ridenorth.ca to see the content being generated through this program.

Attached for your convenience are samples of the landing page, a print ad, billboard ad and the Visual Milestones of the Social Media campaigns for June and July 2018.

For a great Bike Magazine feature on the Yellowhead, please follow this link:

<https://www.bikemag.com/features/originals/yellowhead/>

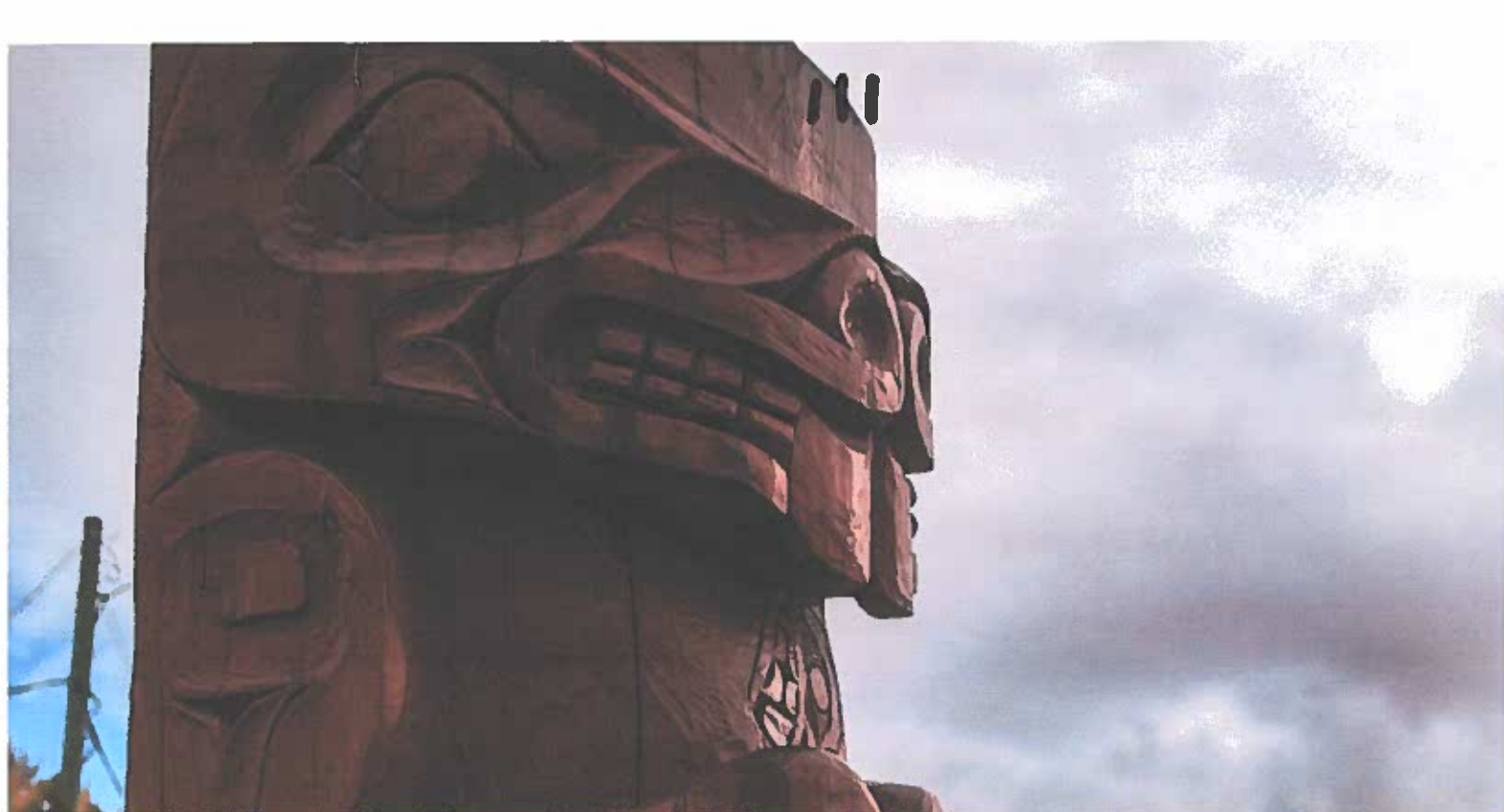
"But maybe the best reason to go is the people. In my experience, residents of small towns, especially remote ones in northern Canada, are really friendly. If you've got a bike along the Yellowhead that goes double. The enthusiasm for mountain biking is raging across the region. The stoke is high. The vision even greater. They've got money to build and room to grow. Mountain biking along the Yellowhead Highway is just getting started and it's already amazing."

~Ryan Stuart – Tracing the Yellowhead Highway: Part One~

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BULKLEY NECHAKO

The heart of Northern BC.

Looking to augment your mountain biking adventure with off-bike experiences? Step off the beaten path into a one-of-a-kind destination rich with culture and history unlike any other. Centrally located between Prince George and Prince Rupert, the Bulkley-Nechako region offers a snapshot of life in the north. The Bulkley Valley, which includes Smithers, Telkwa, and Houston, is a hub for sports fishing and mountaineering. The Lakes District, which includes the communities of Burns Lake, Fraser Lake, and Granisle, has over 300 lakes, exceptional fishing, and world-class mountain biking trails. The Nechako Valley, encompassing Fort St James and Vanderhoof, is noted for its vibrant Dakelh First Nation's history, remote fishing resorts, outfitter lodges, and hiking opportunities.

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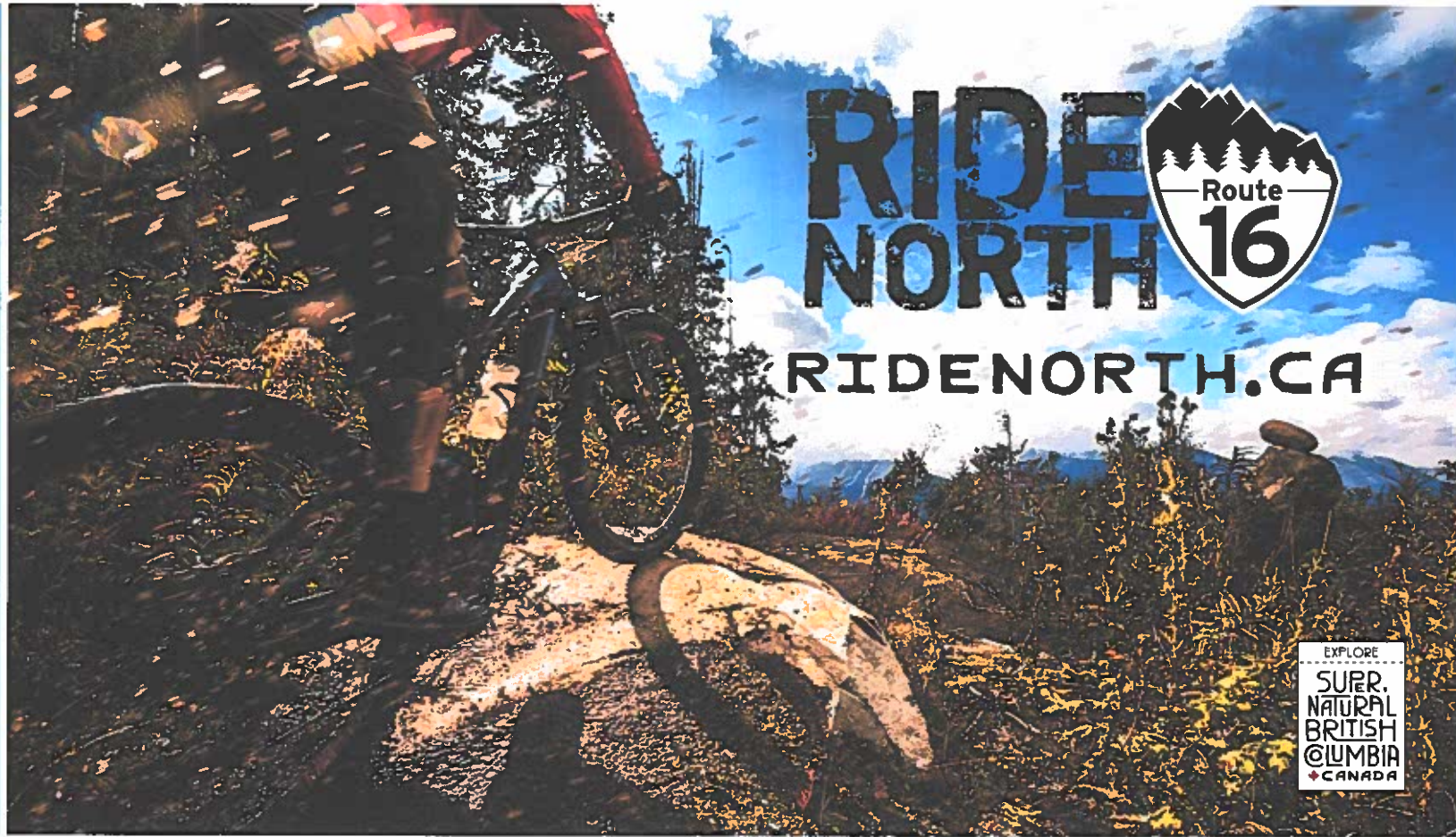
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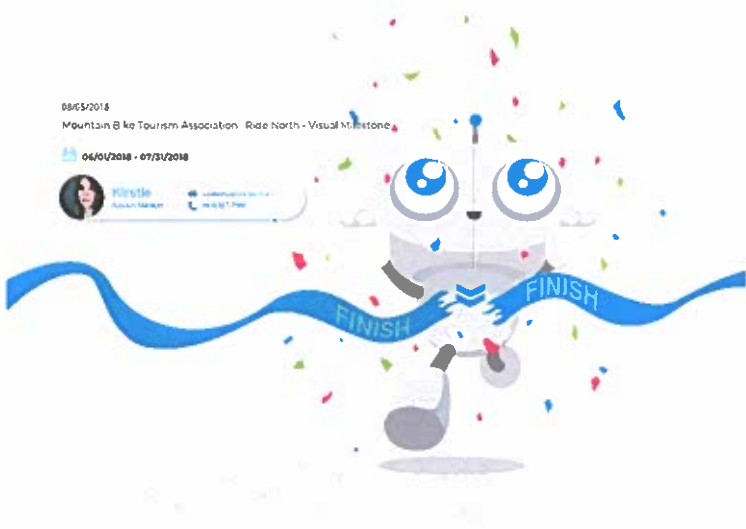


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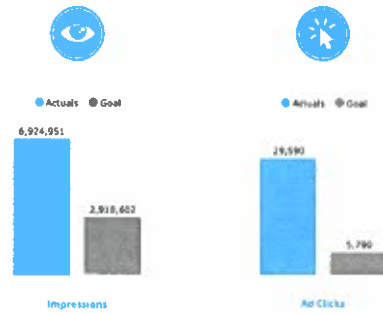
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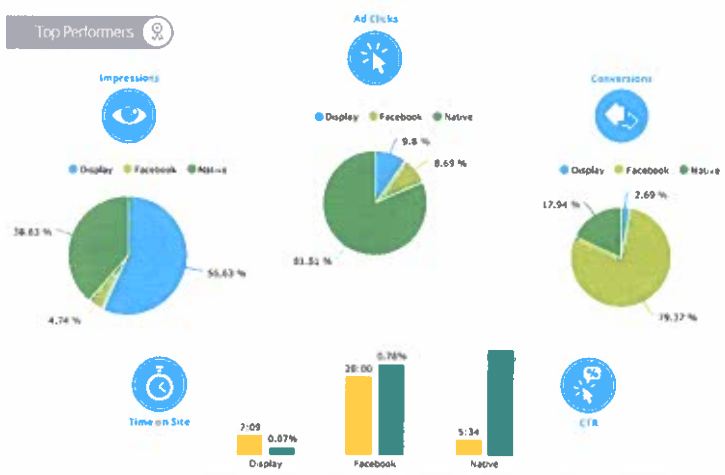
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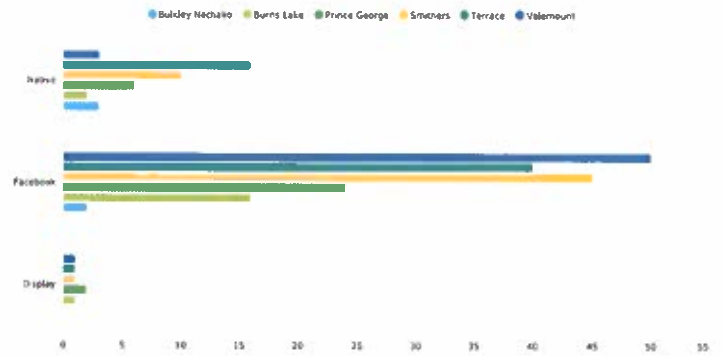
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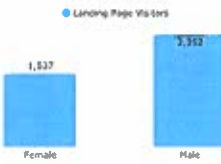
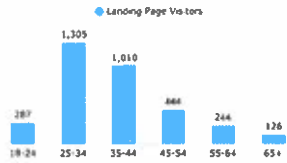
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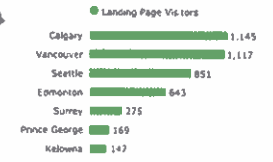
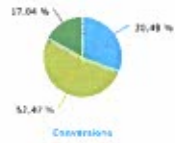
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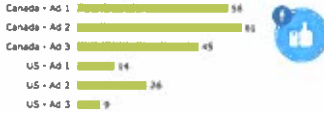
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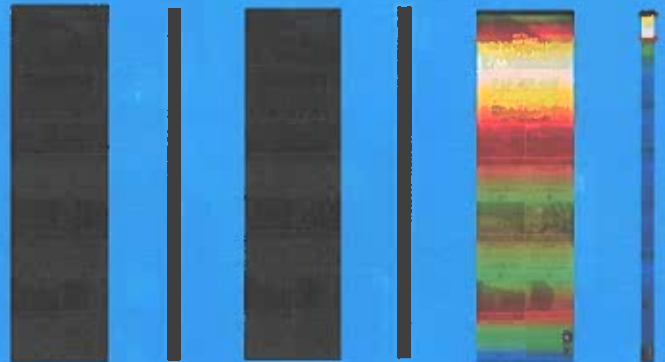
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**Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
Board of Directors
April 18, 2019**

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
 From: Shari Janzen, Economic Development Assistant
 Date: April 9, 2019
 Regarding: **NDIT Housing Programs**

Northern Development Initiative Trust has announced three new programs for local governments to fund the planning and construction of new housing in its service region.

Housing Needs Assessment

The Housing Needs Assessment program provides one-time grant funding to local governments for the development of a comprehensive housing needs assessment.

One-time grant funding per eligible local government up to \$10,000 to a maximum of 50% of the eligible project budget.

Funding applications are accepted on a continual basis until the annual program allotment has been committed.

Community Planning for Housing

The Community Planning for Housing program provides grant funding for municipalities and regional districts within Northern Development's service area to assist with the cost of hiring incremental planning capacity for a 12-month period.

Local governments are eligible to receive up to \$40,000 from Northern Development to assist with the salary cost of hiring incremental planning capacity for a 12-month period.

Community Planning for Housing program applications will be accepted until midnight on May 10th to be eligible for consideration for funding. One application approved per NDIT service region. No further intakes are planned at this time.

Northern Housing Incentive

The Northern Housing Incentive program provides grant funding to local governments to create a 'Dollars to the Door' program that will enhance and support economic development by incentivizing private sector housing developments.

Local governments are eligible to receive a grant of up to \$10,000 per dwelling created in a multi-unit market housing project to a maximum contribution of \$200,000.

Example: Local Government 'A' has secured a developer who wishes to build 10 new townhomes in the community. The local government can then apply for the Northern Housing Incentive Program for \$100,000 (\$10,000/unit). If approved, the grant provided to the local government must be passed along to the developer as a direct incentive upon completion of the development.

Northern Development will receive and approve Northern Housing Incentive applications on a quarterly basis.

Please find the application guidelines for all three of the NDIT Housing Programs attached.

RECOMMENDATION:	(All/Directors/Majority)
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Housing Needs Assessment Application Guide



Program Overview

The Housing Needs Assessment program provides one-time grant funding to local governments for the development of a comprehensive housing needs assessment that covers the entire community and meets the requirements of the 'Local Government Statutes (Housing Needs Reports) Amendment Act.'

Up to \$200,000 will be available annually between 2019 – 2021 through the Housing Needs Assessment program.

Funding Terms

One-time grant funding per eligible local government up to \$10,000 to a maximum of 50% of the eligible project budget.

Eligible Applicants

All local governments (municipalities, regional districts) in Northern Development's service area are eligible to apply.

Application Intake Periods

Funding applications are accepted on a continual basis until the annual program allotment has been committed.

Applications are reviewed as received for eligibility and completeness. Northern Development will provide a decision within 30 days of receipt of a complete application.

To Apply

Please review all program documents in detail as incomplete and ineligible applications will not be reviewed.

Applications are approved on a first come first serve basis until the annual funding allocation has been fully committed.

Completed application forms with all supplementary materials should be provided electronically to Northern Development by email at info@northernddevelopment.bc.ca.

Program Requirements

Only applications that meet these requirements will be processed.

- Housing Needs Assessment Report must meet the provincial requirements (name of regulation to be added when available)
- A community or region wide housing needs assessment that is either new or an update to an existing eligible plan
- Project must be completed within 12 months of approval
- Report must be received and adopted by appropriate Municipal Council or Regional District Board
- The report must be published and accessible on the local government's website
- Submit a complete [Housing Needs Assessment Application Form](#)
- The community must be located within Northern Development's service region
- Confirmation of other funding is required
- Project funding cannot exceed project costs
- A resolution of support by the respective local government
- Northern Development's funding cannot exceed 50% of the eligible costs

Eligible Costs

- Consulting fees
- Consultant travel costs directly associated with completion of the study
- Meeting room/AV rental costs directly associated with community and/or industry engagement
- External printing costs directly associated with producing a final report
- Cost of obtaining research material (industry reports, peer-reviewed journals) directly relevant to the study may be eligible
- PST

Ineligible Cost

- GST
- Costs incurred (work started and/or deposits paid) prior to signing an agreement with Northern Development
- Food/beverage costs
- Staff travel or wages
- Incremental staff and administration costs
- Training for local government staff
- Routine or ongoing operating and/or planning costs
- Capital costs
- Purchase of software or subscription services

Reporting

Approved Housing Needs Assessment projects are required to complete and submit a completed final reporting form following the completion of the project prior to Northern Development releasing funding. A project is considered complete when:

- The report has been finalized and adopted by appropriate Municipal Council or Regional District Board
- All eligible expenses have been invoiced

Questions?

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Community Planning for Housing Application Guide

Program Overview

The Community Planning for Housing program provides grant funding for municipalities and regional districts within Northern Development's service area to assist with the cost of hiring incremental planning capacity for a 12-month period.

The program is expected to provide communities with the planning capacity, knowledge and experience they need to identify housing issues and develop appropriate responses that will encourage the development of housing that meets the needs of their community.

Funding Terms

Northern Development commits to one placement per regional development area for a total of \$160,000 annually through the Community Planning for Housing program.

Local governments are eligible to receive up to \$40,000 from Northern Development to assist with the salary cost of hiring incremental planning capacity for a 12-month period.

Host communities are required to provide a minimum of \$10,000 toward the salary to support a minimum base salary of \$50,000. The local government must pay mandatory employment related costs (MERCs) that include CPP, EI premiums and a minimum of 4% vacation pay (or provide vacation days) in addition to the salary. Incentives such as benefits (medical, dental, etc.), allowances (housing, vehicle, phone), or bonuses can be offered at the discretion of the local government however are not eligible for reimbursement.

Application Intake Deadlines

Community Planning for Housing program applications will be accepted until midnight on May 10th to be eligible for consideration for funding. Applicants will receive a decision within 30 days of the application deadline.

Program Criteria

- All municipalities and regional districts within the Northern Development Initiative Trust region are eligible to apply.
- Preference will be provided to collaborative applications where multiple communities have equal access to the planner.
- A job description and 12-month work plan are included with the grant application.
- Existing employees are ineligible.
- Planner duties must be dedicated and focused on housing related items. Applications that include routine planning duties will be deemed ineligible.
- Host local government is committing a financial contribution toward the planner's salary and expenses.

Job Description and Work Plan Activities

Local governments are required to provide Northern Development with a job description and work plan when applying. The position description and work plan are intended to demonstrate the planner's focus on housing related activities.

Disbursement Schedule

Approved applicants must fill the role within 90 days of approval. Communities that fail to fill the position within 90 days will have their funding de-committed. The local government will be required to sign an agreement with Northern Development within 90 days of approval and provide a copy of the signed employment contract between the local government and the employee.

Approved local governments must provide a signed employment contract to confirm they have filled the position. Upon confirmation of hiring, Northern Development will provide a 50% advance of the approved grant amount. The remaining 50% will be disbursed upon submission and approval of the final reporting documents.

Reporting Deadlines

To access the rebate, local governments must complete and submit Northern Development's reporting form and all required attachments including pay summary(s). The reporting form must be provided to Northern Development within 30 days of the contract end date.

Northern Development staff will review and verify complete reporting for the year and, based on acceptance, the remaining grant up to \$20,000 is issued to the local government.

To Apply

Please review all program documents in detail as incomplete applications will not be considered.

Completed application forms with all supplementary materials should be provided electronically to Northern Development by email **by May 10, 2019**.

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Northern Housing Incentive Application Guide

Program Overview

The Northern Housing Incentive program provides grant funding to local governments to create a 'Dollars to the Door' program that will enhance and support economic development by incentivizing private sector housing developments. The Northern Housing Incentive program is intended to incentivize the creation of new market-based housing units in communities across Northern B.C., which will, in turn, retain seniors and attract workforce and thereby increase business and employment opportunities.

Funding Terms

Local governments are eligible to receive a grant of up to \$10,000 per dwelling created in a multi-unit market housing project to a maximum contribution of \$200,000.

Example: Local Government 'A' has secured a developer who wishes to build 10 new townhomes in the community. The local government can then apply for the Northern Housing Incentive Program for \$100,000 (\$10,000/unit). If approved, the grant provided to the local government must be passed along to the developer as a direct incentive upon completion of the development.

Eligible Applicants

This program is only available to local governments (municipalities and regional districts) within Northern Development's service area.

Application Intake Periods

Northern Development will receive and approve Northern Housing Incentive applications on a quarterly basis.

Applications must be received prior to midnight on the quarterly submission deadline day to be eligible for consideration in that funding cycle. In fairness to all grant applicants, grant applications that are received after the quarterly deadline will not be considered.

Please consult the [Important Dates](#) page on our website to identify our intake deadlines.

Application Requirements

All applicants are required to confirm and/or submit the following information. Only applications that meet these requirements will be processed.

- The local government and housing development must be located within Northern Development's service region
- A resolution of support by the respective local government
- Submit a complete Northern Development [Northern Housing Incentive Application Form](#)
- Applicants must submit a draft copy of their housing incentive program policy and associated documents with their application
- Copy of a housing needs assessment that has been completed and adopted by Council within the last 5 years

Project Eligibility

In order to qualify for funding the project shall meet the following criteria;

- Addresses a specific need identified with the community's housing needs assessment
- Project(s) consist of the construction of a minimum of 4 new self-contained residential dwelling units
- Self-contained dwelling units may be created in new construction
- Conversion of a commercial/institutional building or other non-residential property into new housing units
- Renovations to existing housing units are ineligible
- Projects where rent or sale value of the applicable units is subsidized by any government entity, a non-profit organization or a cooperative are ineligible for this program
- Projects are shovel ready upon confirmation of funding, meaning all necessary bylaw amendments have been completed
- Applications where the community's housing incentive program policy require a developer commitment to the applicable performance requirements of the BC Energy Step Code will receive priority over those that do not
- Construction must be completed and the occupancy permit awarded within two years of the approval date
- Construction starting prior to formal notification of approval from Northern Development is ineligible

Application Assessment

In addition to application and project eligibility criteria, Northern Development considers the following strategic factors when reviewing funding requests:

- Has the community taken any prior steps to attract suitable housing developments?
- Level of alignment between the proposed development and the recommendations included in the community's housing needs assessment.
- Has the applicant provided evidence of broad-based support from multiple stakeholders?
- Has the applicant provided a copy of their most recent housing needs assessment report?
- Is the project 'shovel ready' upon approval of Northern Development funding?
- Will the project take place in an unincorporated community or municipality with a population under 1,000?
- Will the project utilize vendor(s) from within the Northern Development region?
- Will the project include accessibility units for people who experience disabilities?
- Will the project contribute to environmental sustainability?

Reporting and Reimbursement

Approved funds will be disbursed to the local government following the completion of the project supported through the incentive program and submission of required reporting documentation is deemed satisfactory by Northern Development.

- A project is considered complete once a final Occupancy Permit is issued
- Reporting must be submitted using Northern Development's Northern Housing Incentive Reporting Form along with required attachments
- Grants will be disbursed in one payment upon completion of all units included in the development
- The grant provided to the local government must be passed along to the developer

To Apply

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**Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
Board of Directors
April 18, 2019**

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
From: Shari Janzen, Economic Development Assistant
Date: April 9, 2019
Regarding: **2019 Calgary Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show Report**

Please find attached the 2019 Calgary Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show Report.

Recommendation:	(All/Directors/Majority)
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2019 Calgary Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show Summary Report

As per the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako board resolution from the January 17, 2019 meeting, Economic Development staff are participating with the Travel Northern BC Partnership for Outdoor Travel Shows in Calgary and Vancouver. The Calgary Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show was held at the BMO Centre in Calgary on March 23-24, 2019. Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Economic Development Assistant Shari Janzen participated on behalf of the RDBN.

Booth Staff

The RDBN and the following partners attended the 2019 Calgary Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show:

- Tourism Kitimat
- Tourism Smithers
- Tourism Prince George
- Kermodai Tourism (Terrace)

Booth Design

The Travel Northern BC booth photo panels are a unique design to the travel shows. This unique design ensures the Travel Northern BC booth stands out visually.

There are a total of four double-sided photo panels that feature images from Prince Rupert through to Prince George.

The photo panels created for the booth are interchangeable depending on the season. This also allows the opportunity to change the look of the booth for different events without compromising the Travel Northern BC image that has been created.

Booth Attendees

There were 13,600 attendees at the show. This number is determined by a combination of advance on-line ticket sales, at the door ticket sales and free admission coupons that are redeemed at the door.

Booth attendee numbers were tracked using a tally counter. The booth attendees that were tracked consisted of people that had conversations with the booth staff, people that took bags, and people that took community or area specific brochures. Total booth attendance for the weekend was 1,273.

Conversations with booth attendees were about

- How to get to Northern BC.
- General activity inquiries; hiking, mountain biking, camping.
- Many attendees came to the booth wanting to talk about a specific location. If the area 'expert' was available we directed these people to them.
- In many cases people just want to show you where they have been. They were encouraged to return.



Figure 1: One of the panels used at the Calgary Show. The map allowed for increased interaction with booth attendees.

- There was even the chance to talk to a future teacher about working in the North, specifically in the RDBN.

Brochures and Swag

Each partner supplied 300-500 of their community's tourism brochures. The RDBN provided 300 of the Regional Tourism Brochure. A total of 684 Northern BC Tourism Guides were handed out.

In addition to the brochures, 500 Travel Northern BC bags were handed out, 50 Visit Bulkley-Nechako pins, 25 Visit Bulkley-Nechako sunglasses, pins from Prince George and Smithers, stickers from Terrace, 600 Route 16 maps, Route 16 stickers, and stickers with the Travel Northern BC logo and website.



Figure 2: All partners wore matching vests, nametags, and show lanyard tags.

Conclusion

There is value for the RDBN to continue to attend the Calgary Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show as well as attending the Vancouver Outdoor Show as part of the Travel Northern BC group. Northern BC is a large area and the geography and specific locations within the area are not well known to booth attendees. Someone may only have heard about Prince Rupert and stop at the booth because of this. There is the opportunity then to expand their knowledge base of the area. This same person may not stop at a Bulkley-Nechako booth. From a partnership point of view building relationships with others in the tourism industry is very important in the success of marketing our region.

Partnership

This year there were two partners that did not attend the Calgary show but who contributed financially. This was discussed amongst the attending partners. The discussion was that partners should be encouraged to attend the show but if they are unable to attend, their financial contribution to the partnership is appreciated. By not sending a representative from their region these partners are missing the "expert" on their community/region. The attending partners were adequately able to represent Northern BC.

This year the RDBN did not attend the Vancouver Travel show. Staff did ship 500 of the Regional Tourism Brochure to the show to be distributed. The Vancouver show saw 17,800 guests with 1,284 of them stopping at the booth.

Calgary Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show Booth



Figure 3: Calgary Booth Staff Left to Right - Tourism Kitimat, Tourism Smithers, Kermodei Tourism, RDBN, two from Tourism Prince George

Vancouver Outdoor Adventure and Travel Show Booth



Figure 4: Vancouver Booth Staff Left to Right - Tourism Prince George, Tourism Smithers, Tourism Prince George, Regional District of Kitimat Stikine, Kermodei Tourism, Tourism Kitimat



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

MEMORANDUM

To: Chairperson Thiessen and Board of Directors (April 18, 2019)

From: Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services

Date: April 5, 2019

Subject: Extended Producer Responsibility Program Agreements for RDBN's Fort St. James Recycling Depot

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako staff would like to recommend that the Board of Directors direct staff to agree to the terms and conditions of additional EPR programs to be hosted at the RDBN's Fort St. James Recycling Depot.

Moving forward with the transition of the Fort St. James Recycling depot from the Nak'azdli Whut'en to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako, staff would like to continue to the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) programs to the community and area residents that are currently offered. The programs that are available to transfer to the Fort St. James Recycling Depot located at the Transfer Station are:

- Lightcycle – Light bulbs
- Call2Recycle – Household Batteries

Staff would also like to participate in the two new EPR programs at the depot that are currently not available to Fort St. James and area residents. These are as follows:

- Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA) – Electrical Powered Devices
- ElectroRecycle (CESA) – Small appliance & Power tools

Each of the EPR programs will be managed through a service agreement, providing the RDBN as the collector, return revenue based on the tonnage collected. This revenue will go back into the depot operations and maintenance budget. There will be additional work related to managing these EPR programs that will be required by the recycling attendant, such as; public education, contamination control, storage and shipping. This additional work will not over burden the attendant assigned this task. Storage for the collected material from these programs will be available in the proposed pole shed or sea-cans built for the Recycle BC program material.

Programs will begin started at the Fort St. James Recycling Depot in June 2019 when the RDBN opens the depot.

RECOMMENDATION**(All/Directors/Majority)**

1. That the Board of Directors receive the memorandum titled, "Stewardship Program Agreements for the RDBN Fort St. James Recycling Depot" dated April 5, 2019.

2. Further, that the Board of Directors direct staff to enter into service agreements, agreeing to the terms and conditions for the following future Extended Producer Responsibility programs at the RDBN Fort St. James Recycling Depot located at the Fort St. James Transfer Station.

- Lightcycle – Light bulbs
- Call2Recycle – Household Batteries
- Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA) – Electrical Powered Devices
- ElectroRecycle (CESA) – Small appliance & Power tools



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MEMORANDUM

To: Chair Thiessen and Regional District Board
From: Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning
Date: April 7, 2019
Re: **Coastal GasLink Pipeline Notice of Construction Activities Update**

TransCanada has sent the RDBN the attached notices of construction activities. A number of construction activities identified in the notices are associated with land uses that are not, or may not be, permitted pursuant to the RDBN's zoning bylaw. These uses include the Clear Creek Stockpile Site, Stockpile Site 10A and 11A, Laydown Area 26, and possibly the Huckleberry Camp.

The RDBN received Temporary Use Permit applications for the Clear Creek Stockpile Site, Stockpile Site 10A, and Laydown Area 26. The applications received were not complete, and did not contain the necessary owner authorizations and contaminated site questionnaires (required by Provincial legislation). The applications were received by the RDBN on February 7th, 2019, and the outstanding information was requested by the RDBN on February 13th, 2019. To date the required application information has not been received.

It is possible that Temporary Use Permit applications may not be necessary for stockpile sites, and Laydown Site 26 if the uses simply involve the temporary storage of pipe and construction equipment in close proximity to the pipeline route, as these uses would be considered to be an integral part of the construction process. Staff will make this determination once TransCanada provides the information necessary to make this determination.

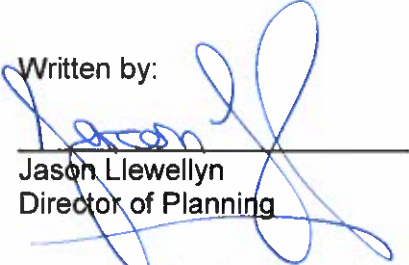
The location of the Huckleberry Camp is in close proximity to an area that is zoned and TransCanada has not provided confirmation of the exact location of this facility. Therefore, it is unknown if a Temporary Use Permit application is necessary for the camp.

Recommendation:

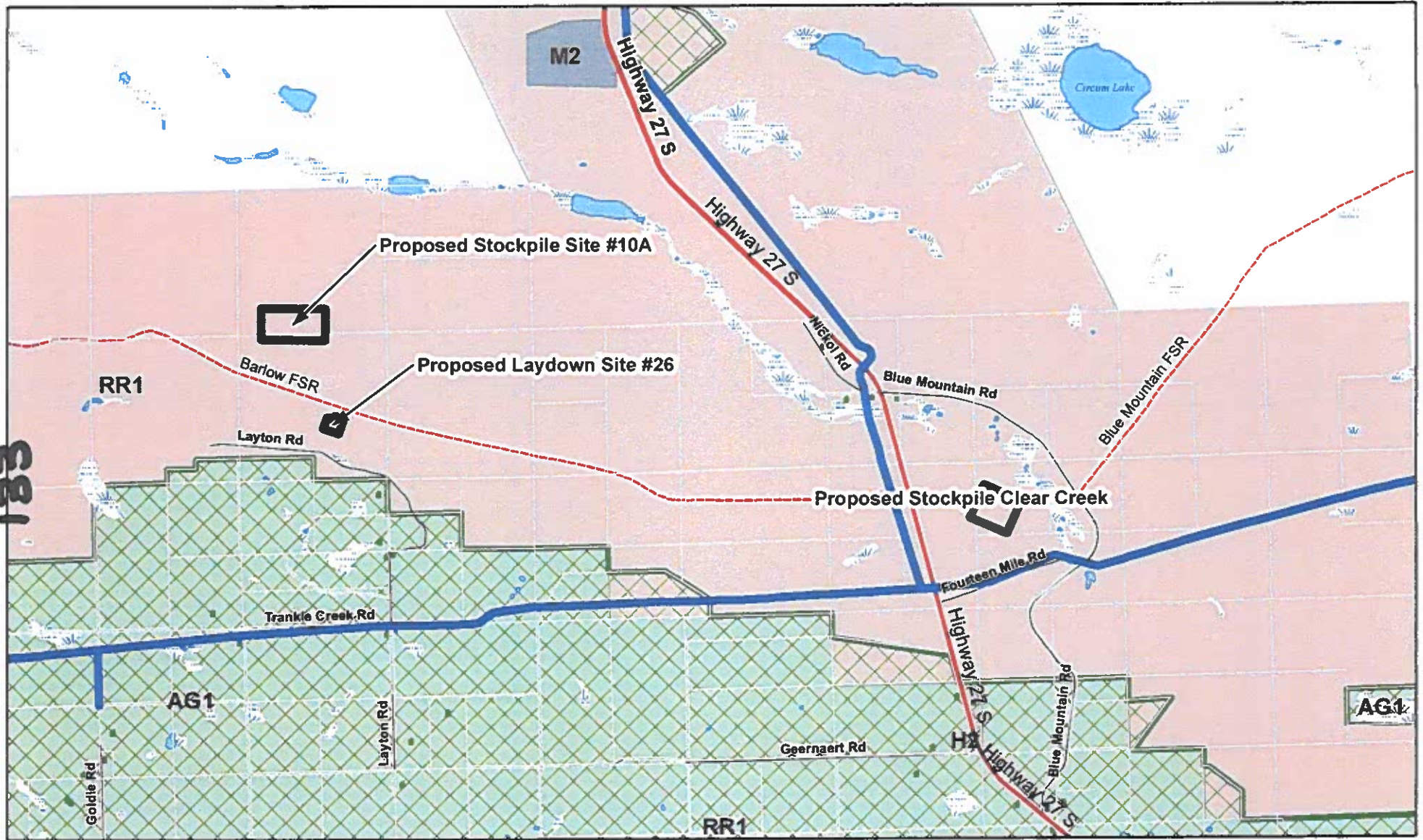
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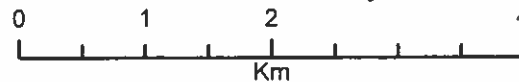
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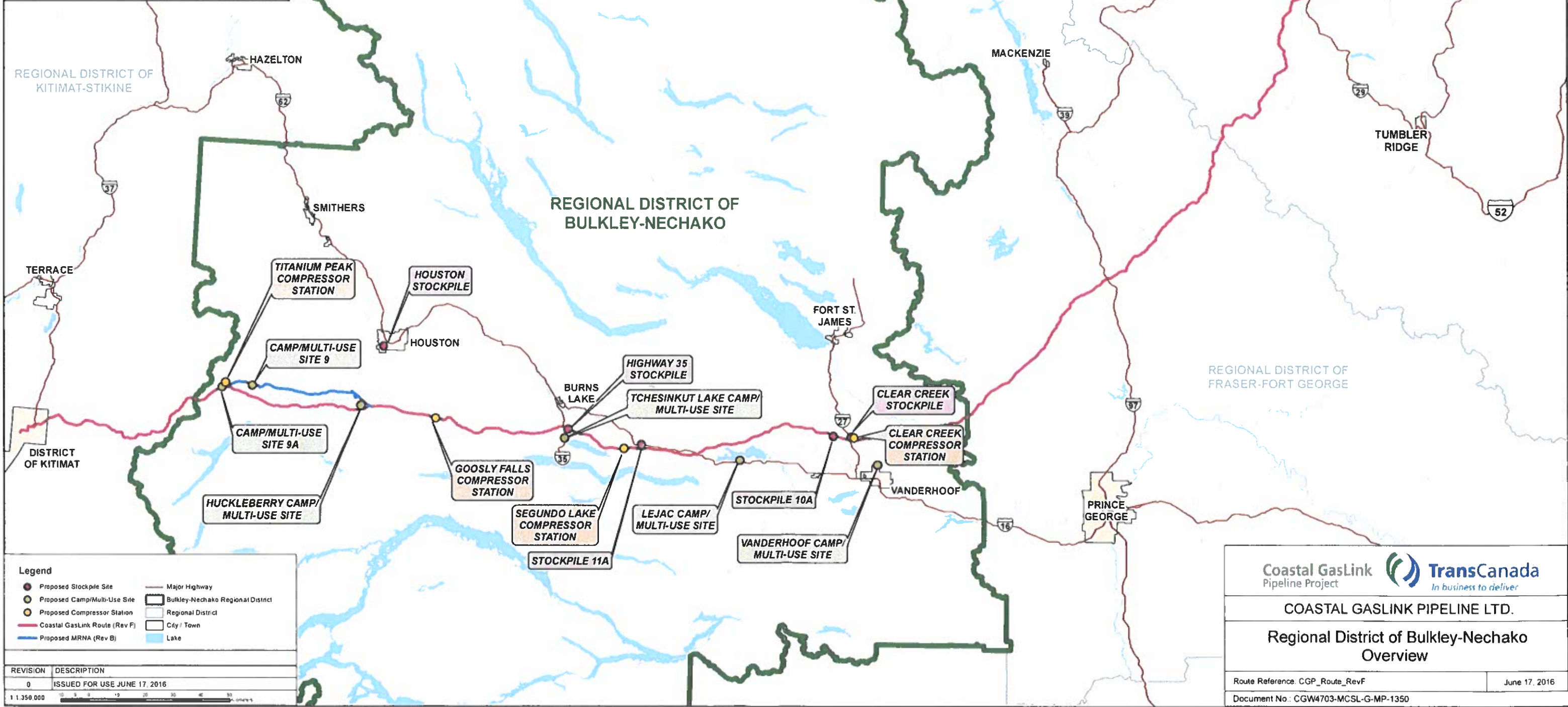
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| Ferry | ALR |
| Minor Road | Pipeline |
| Railways | |





Legend

- Proposed Stockpile Site
- Proposed Camp/Multi-Use Site
- Proposed Compressor Station
- Coastal GasLink Route (Rev F)
- Proposed MRNA (Rev B)
- Major Highway
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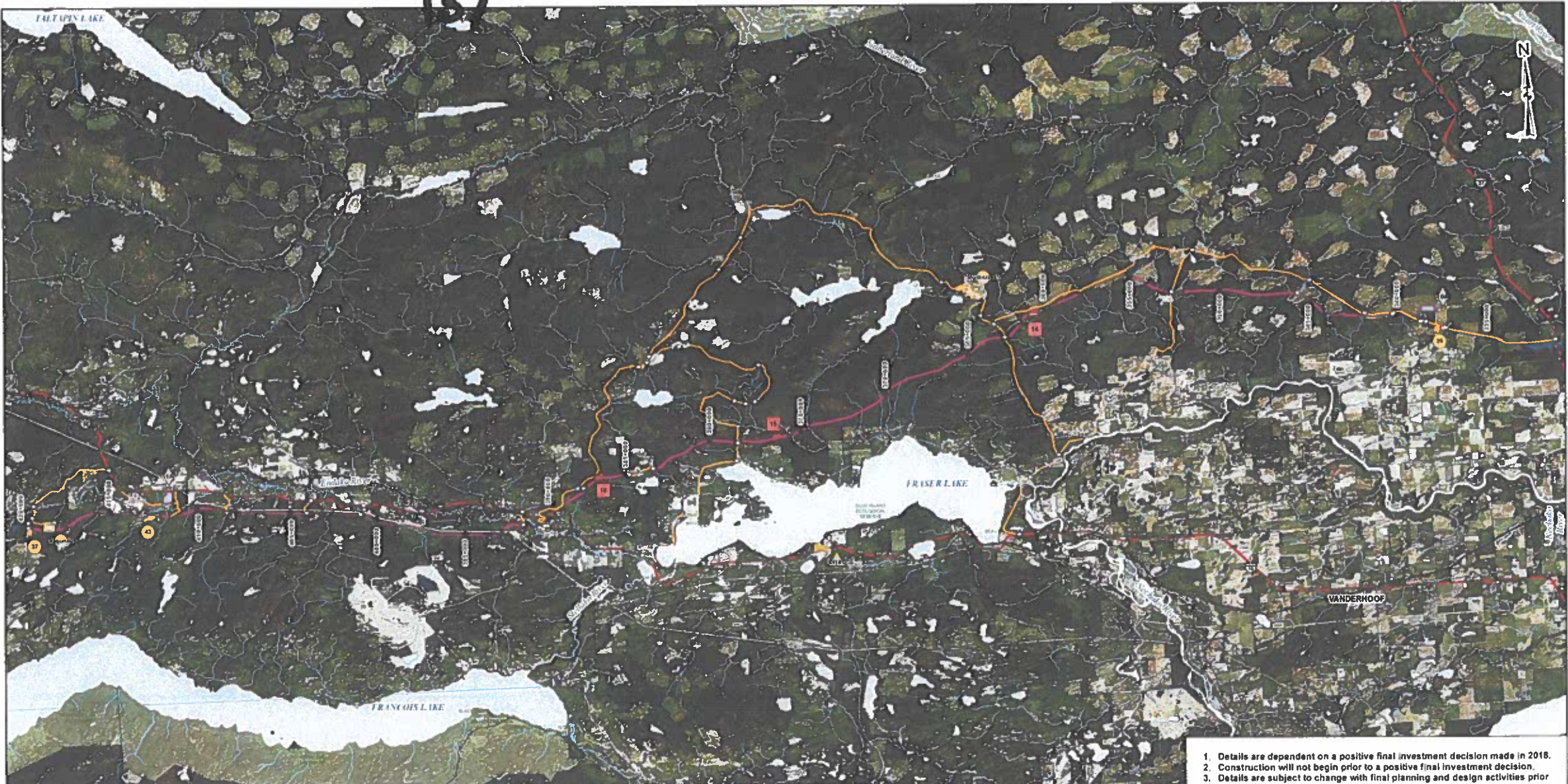
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Multi-Use/Camps	Section 7 - Ancillary Sites		
	Stockpile Site	Timber Decking Area	Laydown Area
Laydc	30A	14	16
	11A	15	27
		16	43
			Sagardo
			Multi-Use 7

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 - (ii) **Sitka Lodge Camp** - scheduled to begin as early as Q1 2019 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q3 2021.
 - (iii) **P2 Multi-Use** - scheduled to begin as early as Q2 2019 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q4 2021.
 - (iv) **P4 Multi-Use** - scheduled to begin as early as Q1 2019 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q4 2021.
 - (v) **Icy 1 Multi-Use** - scheduled to begin as early as Q3 2019 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q4 2021.
 - (vi) **Icy 2 Multi-Use** - scheduled to begin as early as Q3 2019 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q4 2021.

- (vii) **Houston Stockpile** - scheduled to begin as early as Q2 2019 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q2 2021.
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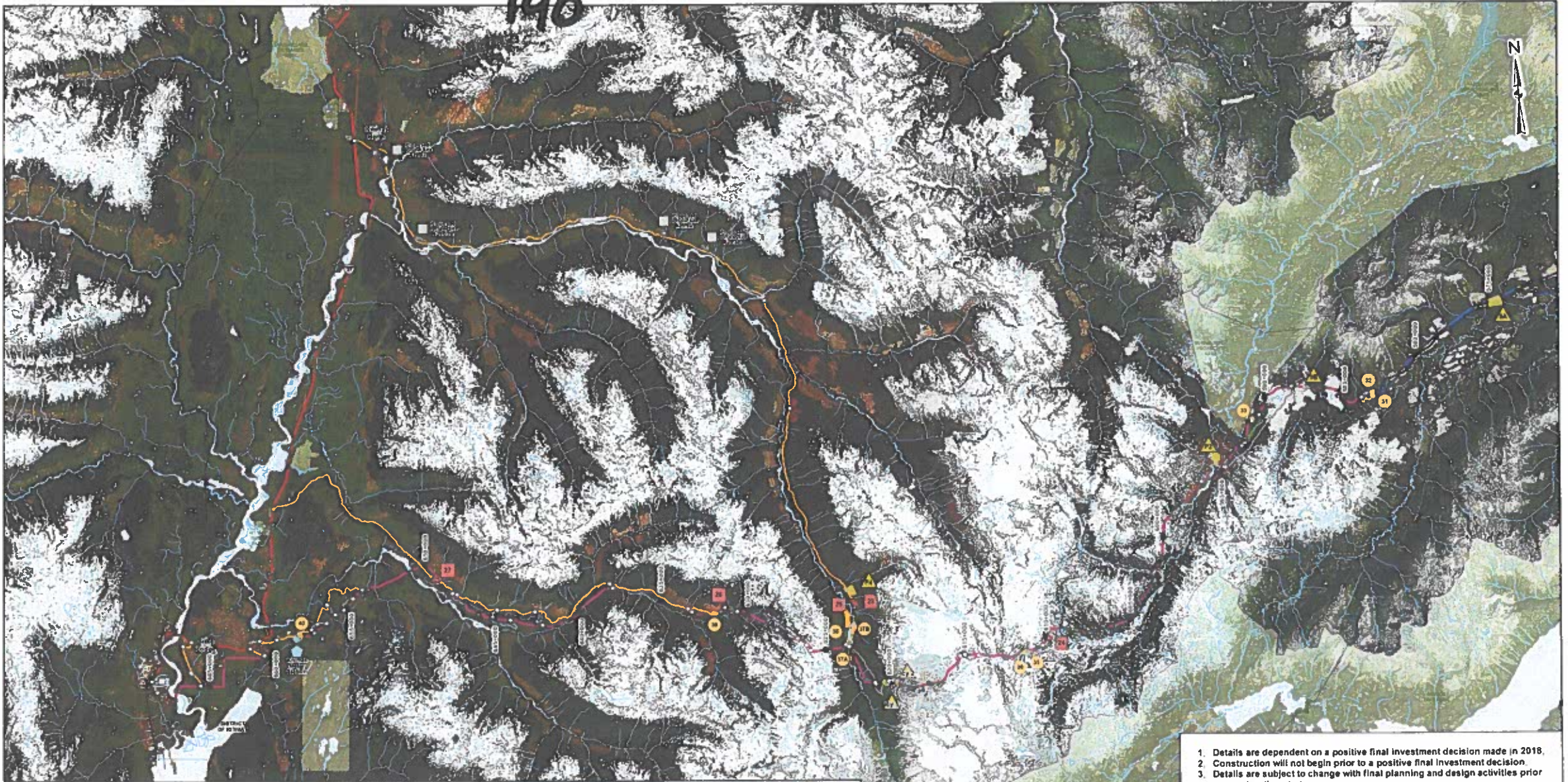
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Coastal GasLink Route (Rev F) Section 6	Laydown Area	Highway
Coastal GasLink Route (Rev F) Section 7	Multi-Use Site	Railway
Coastal GasLink KP	Timber Decking Site	River/Creek
	Stockpile Site	Lake / Water Body
	Facility Site	Parks, Ecological Reserves and Protected Area
	Additional Ancillary Site	Roads (Other Sectional)
		Existing Road
		New Road Construction
		Shoofly



Section 8 - Ancillary Sites

Multi-Use/Camps	Stockpile Site	Timber Decking Area	Laydown Area	Borrow Sites	Facility
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SA	Houston	25	30	A 29 9A	
P2		26	33	A 29 11B	
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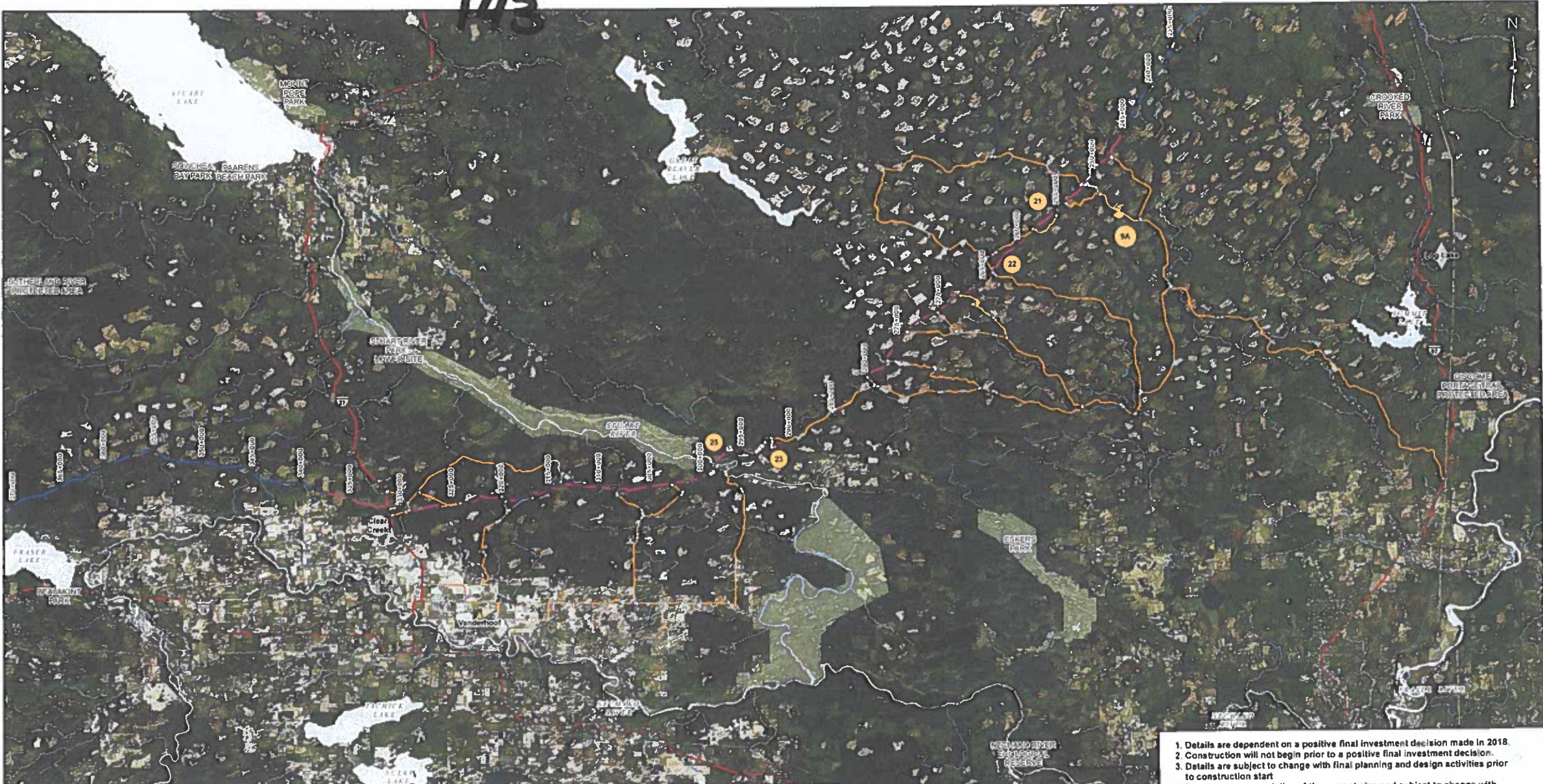
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Section 4 - Ancillary Sites

Multi-Use/Camps	Stockpile Site	Timber Decking Area	Laydown Area
	Lang Lake		21
			22
			23
			24
			Clear Creek
			9A

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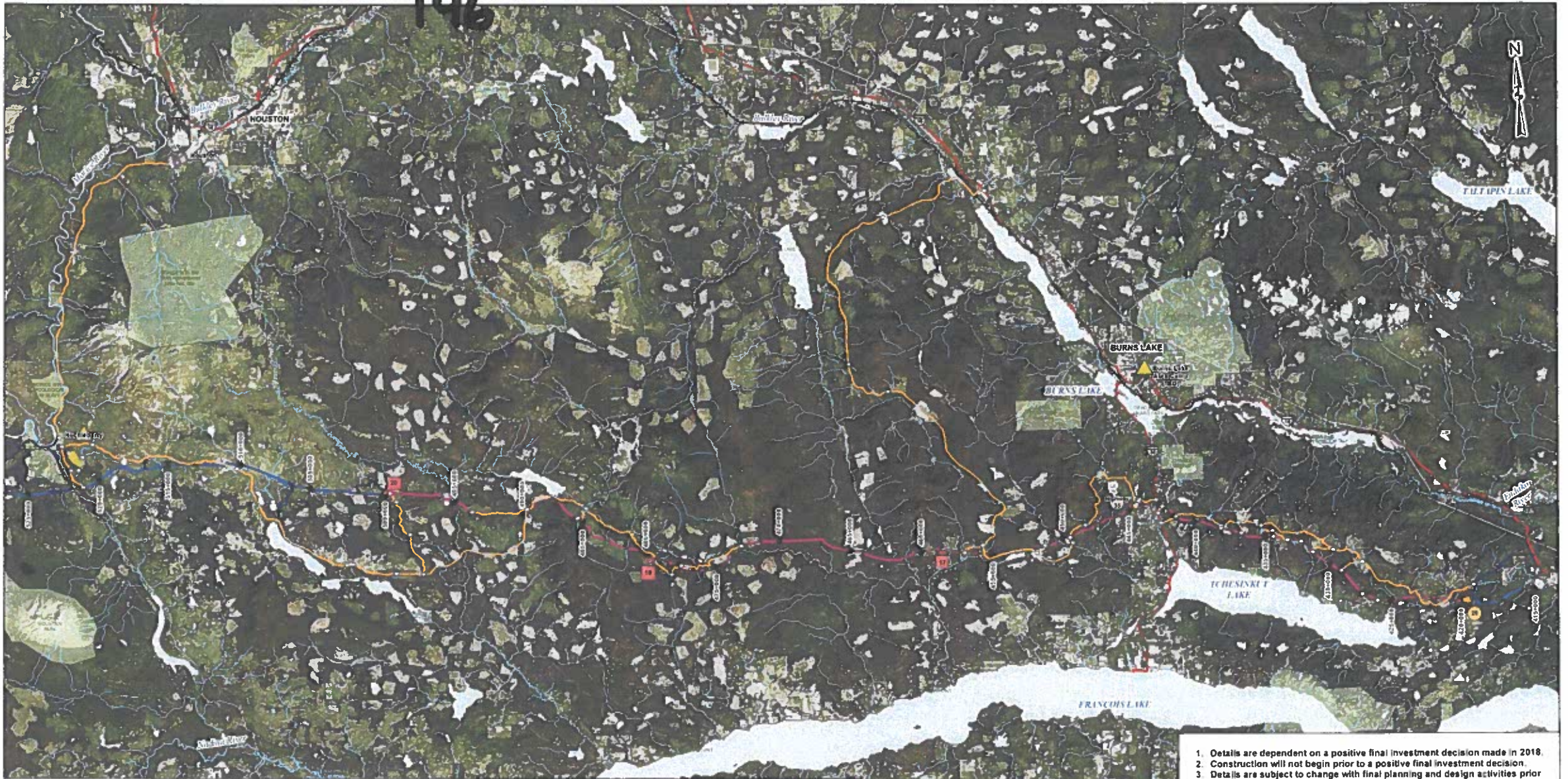
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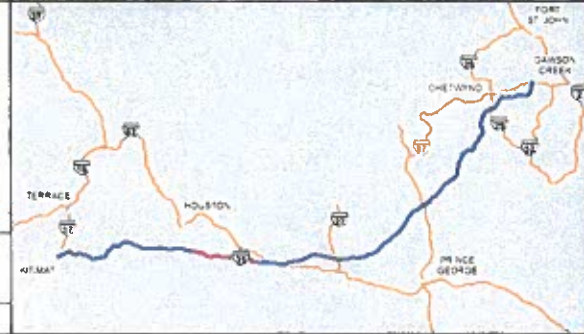


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Section 7 - Ancillary Sites

Multi-Use/Camps	Stockpile Site	Timber Decking Area	Laydown Area
Huckleberry	Houston	17	28
Burns Lake		19	Highway 95
		20	

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Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Dear Stakeholder,

**RE: Coastal GasLink Pipeline Limited Partnership ("Coastal GasLink")
Notice of Construction Activities Update**

As the holder of a registered tenure ("Tenure"), Coastal GasLink writes to notify you that it will be undertaking activities that may affect the use of your Tenure as part of the Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project ("Project") in or around those portions of the Tenure that overlap the Project corridor within Section 7 (shown in pink on the attached plan), and the following ancillary sites (also identified on the attached plan): These activities may affect your tenured rights:

- (a) **Construction access activities** - Coastal GasLink will be undertaking upgrading and maintenance work on existing roads (shown in orange and blue on the attached plan) and construction of new roads (shown in green and purple on the attached plan). These activities are scheduled to begin as early as Q3 2020 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q1 2021.
- (b) **Ancillary site preparation and use:** Coastal GasLink will be undertaking Project-related activities at the above-noted ancillary sites as follows:
 - (i) **Huckleberry Camp** - scheduled to begin as early as Q3 2020 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q1 2022.
 - (ii) **Houston Stockpile** - scheduled to begin as early as Q4 2020 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q2 2021.
 - (iii) **Other ancillary sites** - scheduled to begin as early as Q3 2020 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q2 2021.
- (c) **Clearing and grading within the Project corridor:** Coastal GasLink will be undertaking clearing of the Project corridor, with grading to follow shortly thereafter. This work is scheduled to begin as early as Q3 2020 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q1 2021.
- (d) **Mainline construction within Project corridor:** Coastal GasLink's mainline construction activities (trenching; pipeline stringing and bending; pipeline welding and

coating; lowering in of pipeline and tie-ins; and backfilling) are scheduled to begin as early as Q4 2020 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q1 2022.

- (e) **Pressure testing of pipeline, clean-up and reclamation:** These activities are scheduled to begin as early as Q3 2021 and anticipated to continue until approximately Q1 2022.

This notification is provided to you further to Coastal GasLink's previous correspondence to you in October 2018 notifying you of the commencement of Project activities in accordance with and in further satisfaction of Condition 23 of the Environmental Assessment Certificate E14-03. Please note that the above-noted scheduling details are representative of current plans and are subject to change on account of conditions encountered at the time of construction.

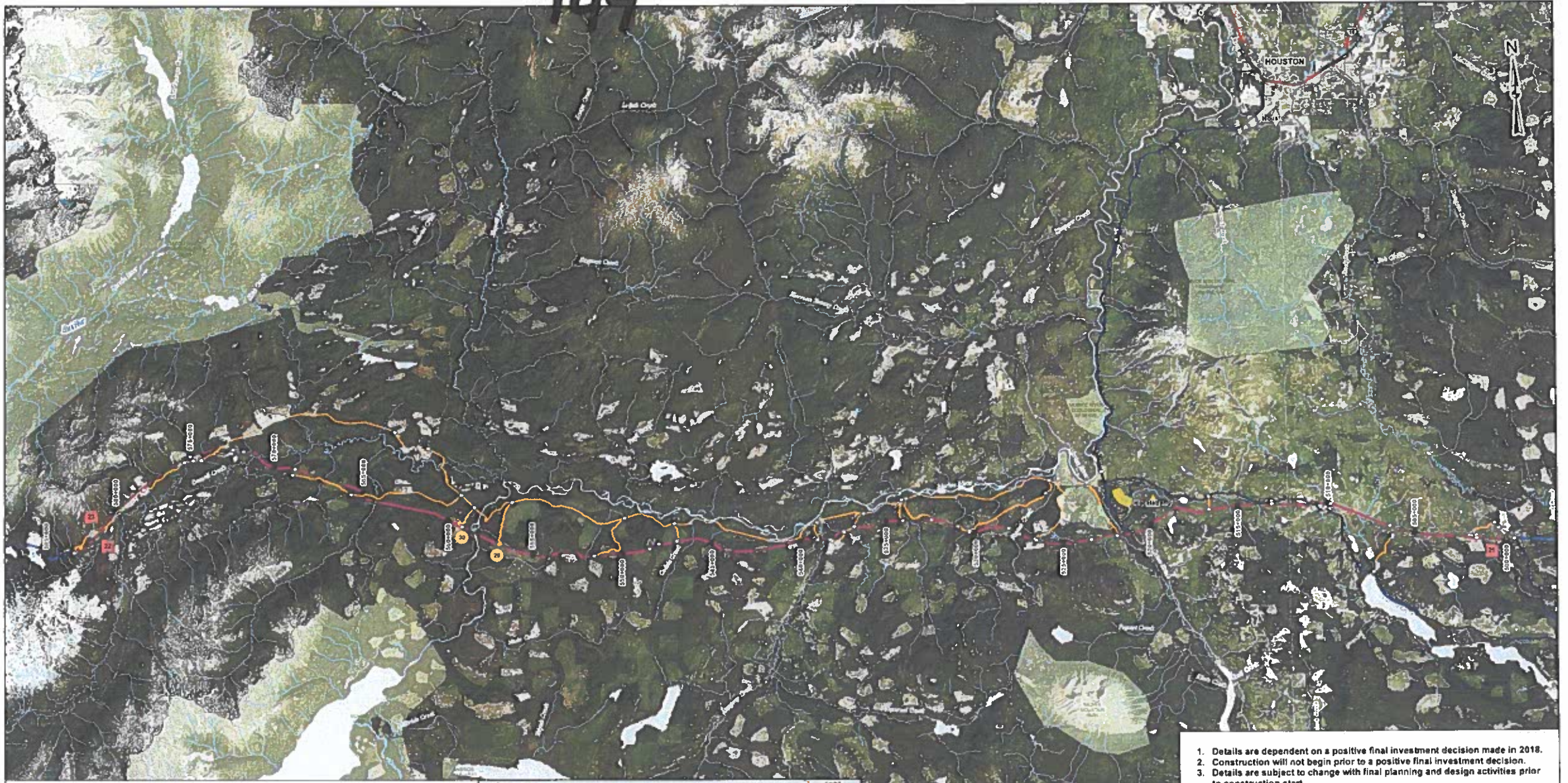
Coastal GasLink strives to engage stakeholders throughout the life of the Project. We believe engagement is a two-way process and invite tenure holders to share their questions and concerns with us so that we can provide information, follow up, and, where feasible, incorporate input into our plans.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you would like further information concerning the Project or the above noted activities, or if you wish to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,



Steve Campbell
Team Lead, Land Management
Coastal GasLink Pipeline



Legend

- Coastal GasLink Route (Rev F) Section 7
- Coastal GasLink Route (Rev F) Sections 6 and 8
- Coastal GasLink KP
- Laydown Area
- ▲ Multi-Use Site
- Timber Decking Site
- ◆ Stockpile Site

- Existing Road
- New Road Construction
- Shoofly
- Non-Status Road
- Unconstructed Road Permit
- Roads (Other Sections)

- Highway
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Section 7 - Ancillary Sites			
Multi-Use/Camps	Stockpile Site	Timber Decking Area	Laydown Area
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		22	30
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OVERVIEW MAP
SECTION 7

Route Reference: CGA_Route_Rev	August 14, 2018
Document No: CGA4703-MCSL-G-VP-1686	Rev 3



Regional District of Bulkley Nechako
 Planning Department Referral Report
Application No. 1211 – Non-Farm Use within the ALR
 March 26, 2019

Name of Owner:	Walter and Louise Neufeld
Name of Agent:	Heather Sadler Jenkins LLP
Electoral Area:	F
Subject Property:	Lot A, Section 22, Township 11, Range 5, Coast District, Plan 5106. This parcel is approximately 2.8 ha. (6.99 acres) in size.
O.C.P. Designation:	Agriculture (AG)
Zoning:	Agricultural (Ag1) pursuant to Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700, 1993.
Existing Land Use:	Illegal Light Industrial / Contracting Yard
Location:	The subject property is located at 2590 Northside Road, adjacent to the District of Vanderhoof.

Proposal

The purpose of this non-farm use application is to legalize the existing illegal use of the property for the storage of heavy equipment associated with Walter Neufeld Contracting Ltd. The applicants made the application after the property owner was advised by the ALC's Compliance and Enforcement Department that the use of the property for the parking and storage of equipment and vehicles is not allowed in the ALR. The application area is approximately 2.0 acres, which is 29% of the subject property. The average property size surrounding the subject property is 44 ha. The 2.8 ha. subject property is relatively undersized for the area.



Access to the industrial use area is from Northside Road and is secured by a gate at the driveway entrance. The industrial area is not fenced from the remainder of the property. The property perimeter is fenced.

The property owner, in their attached letter, indicate that the heavy equipment and vehicles located on the subject property are associated with their logging contracting business (Walter Neufeld Contracting Ltd.).

REFERRAL COMMENTS

Ministry of Agriculture - Regional Agrologist

Thank you for providing BC Ministry of Agriculture staff the opportunity to comment on the application for Non-Farm Use (NFU) in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) from Walter and Louise Neufeld. I have reviewed the documents you have provided as well as other reference materials relating to the application. From an agricultural perspective I can provide the following comments for your consideration:

- This parcel is in the ALR, a provincial zone in which agriculture is recognized as the priority use and where farming is encouraged, and non-agricultural uses are restricted.
- The parcel is in an area with an agricultural capability of 60% Class 4C, 40% 5X with management required for climate (c), and cumulative and minor adverse conditions (X). Soils in the area include Vanderhoof types. This combination indicated that with appropriate management a variety of crops can be produced.
- Note that not all agriculture is soil-based and the ALR is an appropriate location for other types of non-soil-based production systems to be established and operated.
- As noted in the referral document, surrounding land use is primarily agricultural.
- Weeds can greatly reduce the productivity of agricultural areas and under the *Weed Control Act* the land occupier has a legal obligation to control noxious weeds on the site. Control of both plants and seeds is required as the seeds from invasive plants can lay dormant and viable in the soil for many years and can be a serious long-term problem. Movement of vehicles (including truck traffic) between areas may introduce invasive species to the site. If NFU is approved, a weed prevention and control plan is recommended, and that special emphasis be placed on ensuring vehicles and other equipment is clean prior to being brought on site.
- If any NFU is approved, it is highly recommended that appropriate, lawful fences are established. This is an important step in agricultural areas and can be a key step in protecting both parcels and any owners/future owners from legal issues such as livestock being at large and reduces the potential for complaints and conflict.
- Maintaining agricultural parcels at a size and configuration that will allow for economically viable farm operations is in the interest of agriculture.
- Having non-agricultural commercial/industrial enterprises on farm land can raise the price of farm land beyond what most farmers can afford to pay and cause speculative pressure on surrounding parcels, this is not the interest of agriculture.
- Generally, the proposed NFU for this parcel does not appear to provide any tangible

benefit to agriculture.

RDBN Agriculture Coordinator

Approval Not Recommended due to the Reasons Outlined Below.

The ALC found the outlined property in non-compliance and the use of the property doesn't support agriculture. Concern about possible soil contamination and industrial use of agriculture land.

Area F Advisory Planning Commission

Recommendation to support application.

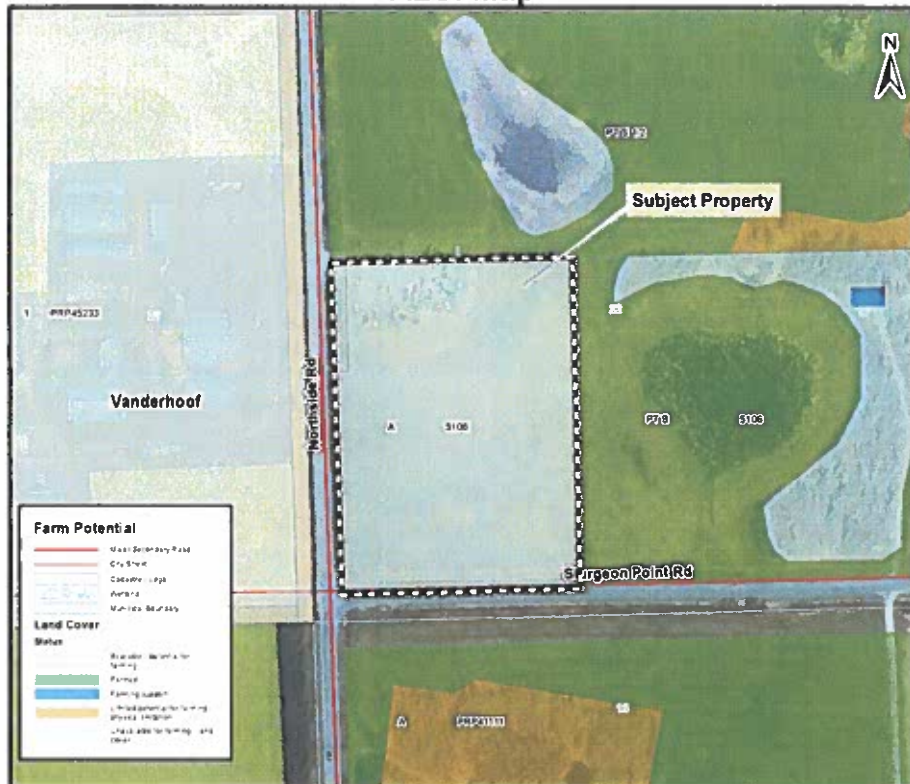
PLANNING DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

Land Use Inventory

In the summer of 2013, RDBN staff did an Agricultural Land Use Inventory (ALUI), which includes the subject property. According to the ALUI the subject property has the potential for farming activity, and the ground cover at that time consisted of unmanaged fields. The agricultural capability ratings show that the property is suitable for agriculture (see Appendix A for more details).

The surrounding area is used primarily for agriculture, including dairy operation, pasture, the growing of grains and forage crops, and the Nechako Valley Exhibition grounds.

ALUI Map



OCP & Zoning

The OCP designation is Agriculture (AG). This designation is intended to preserve these lands for the purposes of farming and other related activities. Section 3.1.2(6) of the OCP states that:

Applications for exclusions, subdivisions, and non-farm uses within the Agricultural Land Reserve may be supported if:

- a) There is limited agricultural potential within the proposed area;*
- b) Soil conditions are not suitable for agriculture;*
- c) Neighbouring uses will not be compromised;*
- d) Adequate provisions for fencing are provided, where necessary;*
- e) There is an adequate need for the proposed development; and,*
- f) The application is in the best interest of the community.*

The subject property is zoned Agricultural (Ag1). The Ag1 Zone does not allow contracting or storage yard uses. Therefore, a rezoning or temporary use permit application must be approved by the Board to accommodate the proposed use of the property (should they receive ALC approval).

Land Use Issues

The applicant, and the Advisory Planning Commission, have argued that this industrial use should be permitted in the Agricultural Land Reserve as this type of use is commonly carried on by farmers. The applicant indicates in their attached letter, that they own 320 acres in the area, that they lease land to farmers, that they use their equipment periodically to clear land, and that they have family members with a potential interest in agriculture. The applicant also notes that this business cannot be located at their home as the spring road bans do not allow their business to operate year-round from that location.

The RDBN Planning Department is typically supportive of non-farm uses which allow farmers to supplement their income without having a notable or long-term impact on the farm land or the surrounding area. However, this application is for the purpose of accommodating a relatively large-scale industrial operation on good quality ALR land, and the business is not operated for the purpose of supplementing a farmer's income.

In the Planning Department's opinion, it is not appropriate to set the precedent of allowing this type of industrial businesses to operate in the ALR as the principle use of the property. This will result in reduced farming activity in the long term as these uses will result in the contamination of farm land, increase invasive species infestations, and encourage the ownership of farmland by non-farmers interested in establishing industrial uses. Therefore, the Planning Department does not support the application.

RDBN Board Options

Should the Board wish to recommend that the ALC support this application staff suggest that the Board also recommend the following conditions to the ALC:

1. That the industrial use area be fenced to prohibit the continued expansion of the industrial use.
2. That access be developed to the area of the property available for agricultural use.
3. That the ALC require the implementation of an invasive species management plan.
4. That the ALC require the applicant to develop a site reclamation plan to return the land to a condition suitable for farming should the industrial use be discontinued (remove gravel, resolve any ground contamination, aerate compacted soils, remove fencing).
5. And, that the ALC require the applicant to register a Section 219 Covenant on the title of the property to restrict permanent structures from being built within the non-farm use area.

Recommendation:

That the Agricultural Land Reserve Non-Farm Use Application No. 1211 (Neufeld) be recommended to the Agricultural Land Commission for denial.

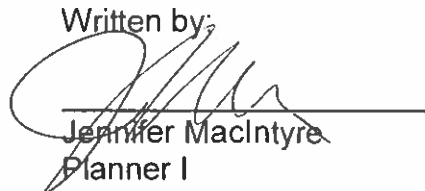
Development Services – All/Directors/Majority

Reviewed by:



Jason Lewellyn
Director of Planning

Written by:



Jennifer MacIntyre
Planner I

**APPENDIX A:
Agricultural Capability based on Canada Land Inventory mapping**

100% of the Subject Property is:

60% Class 4 land limited by climate

40% Class 5 land limited by cumulative and minor adverse conditions

Class 4 Land is capable of a restricted range of crops. Soil and climate conditions require special management considerations.

Class 5 Land is capable of production of cultivated perennial forage crops and specially adapted crops. Soil and or climate conditions severely limit capability.

Agricultural Capability Map



APPENDIX B: Surrounding Applications

No. 827 SE ¼, Section 29, Township 11, Range 5

Application for a homesite severance of 4.0 hectares from the subject property (1993).

Staff recommendation:	Approval
Regional Board recommendation:	Approval
A.L.C. Decision:	Approved

No. 1145 Section 27, Township 11, Range 5 Coast District

Application to subdivide a 16 ha. parcel from the 257.9 ha subject property (2013).

Staff recommendation:	Denial
Regional Board recommendation:	Denial
A.L.C. Decision:	Denied

No. 593 NW 1/4 Section 15, Township 11, Range 5, Coast District

Application to subdivide subject property (1984).

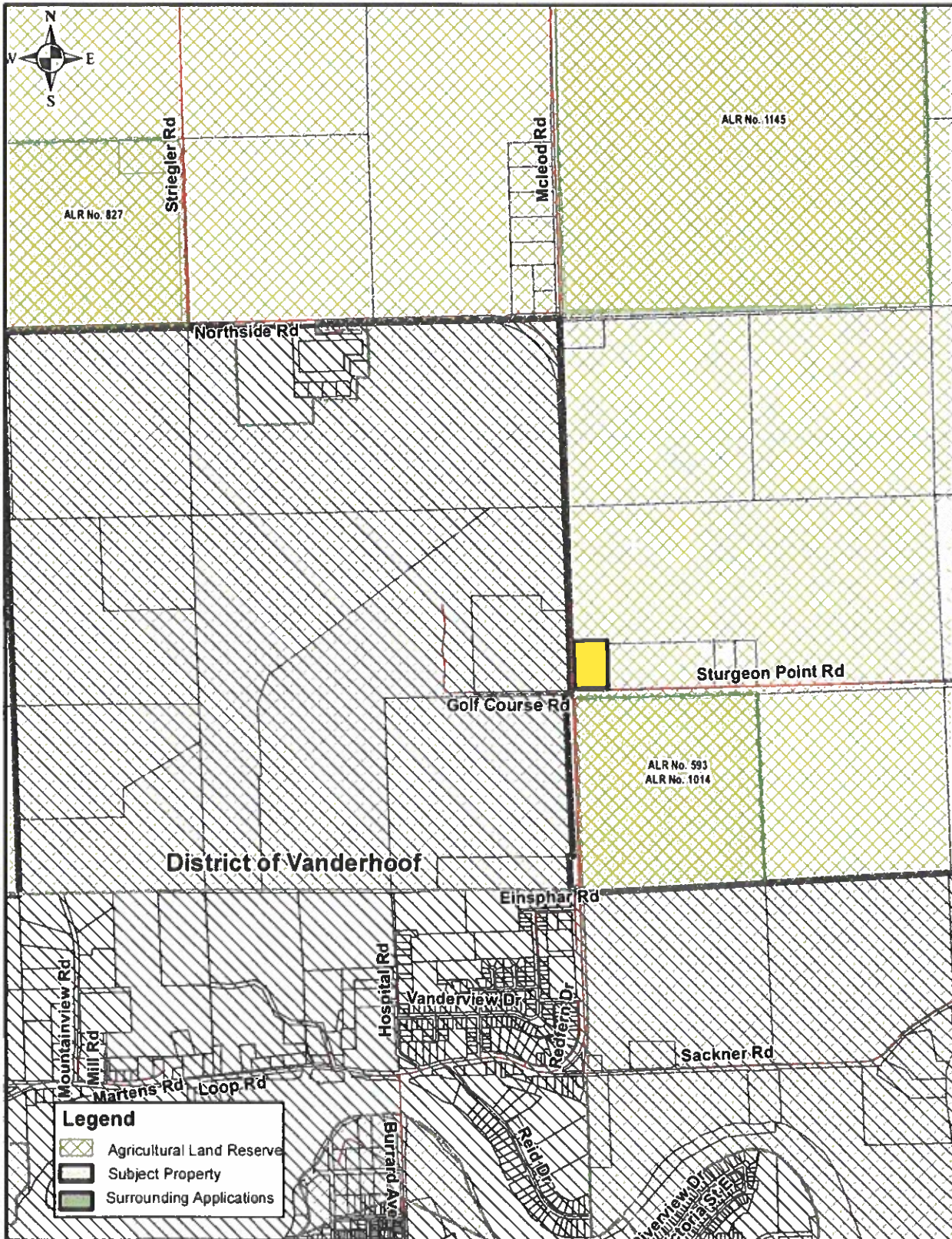
Staff recommendation:	Denial
Regional Board recommendation:	Approval
A.L.C. Decision:	Approved

No. 1014 Part NW ¼, that portion outside the District of Vanderhoof, Section 15, Township 11, Range 5 Coast District

The purpose of this application is to allow a barn on the subject property to be used for a heavy equipment repair business (2005).

Staff recommendation:	Approval
Regional Board recommendation:	Approval
A.L.C. Decision:	Approval subject to the activities being confined to the repair and maintenance of farm equipment and machinery.

Surrounding Applications Map



WALTER & LOUISE NEUFELD

March 12, 2019

Regional District of Bulkley Nechako
37 – 3rd Avenue, PO Box 820
Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

PO BOX 1952
VANDERHOOF, BC V0J 3A0
250-567-4577 (HOME)
250-567-4511 (FAX)
250-567-8512 (CELL)

**Re: Application No. 1211 – Non-Farm Use within the ALR
Property Lot A, Section 22, Township 11, range 5, Coast District, Plan 5106**

To whom it may concern:

We are asking that the existing use of the subject property, for the storage of heavy equipment and tractor trailers, be permitted.

My wife and I purchased this property to use a 2 acre corner portion of the 6.99 acres for storing the logging equipment for our company, Walter Neufeld Contracting Ltd. This parcel of land is on Northside Road and has no road restrictions and has 100% road access. We need an accessible equipment storage facility year round, and particularly, in spring for 'Spring Breakup' when 70% road bans are in place.

We also own 320 acres of agricultural land (South ½ Section 35, Township 11, Range 5 Coast District). We are continually improving this land by clearing, cross fencing, and seeding. The equipment that is stored at the subject property is used for some of these land improvements for agricultural use. Additionally, we lease this property to local farmers for their cattle to graze.

Our home property is 40 acres. We have fenced, cross fenced and installed a water supply system for grazing on this agricultural parcel of land. We purchase cattle from local farms every spring and graze them on the home site for our own use.

I feel it is important to note that our future plans for the subject property is for a greenhouse business. Our daughter operates Little Green Thumb Greenhouses, and is planning to move to this site in the next 12 to 24 months. This acreage will provide her with a home for her and her three children and she will operate her commercial greenhouses, selling bedding and vegetable plants, shrubs and trees from this site. She has been in business for 9 years and hopes to thrive in this new location in conjunction to my equipment storage facility.

We concur that the preservation of agricultural land is important. However, the local economy also depends on the forest industry. We feel that our use of our land is congruent with our local economy and can hopefully continue to be used as our equipment storage facility with shared use by the greenhouses.

Regards



Walter Neufeld

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March 11, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that Kevin and Teresa Bailey rented pasture land from Walter Neufeld in 2018. This land was the south ½ section 35, Township 11, Range 5 Coast District.

We had 30 cow calf pairs and one bull grazing on the above property.

Thank you,

Teresa Bailey

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March 7, 2019

New Text Document

To whom it may concern,

We Alden and Colleen Voth of Vanderhoof BC, currently lease pasture from Walter Neufeld, for approximatley 45 cow calf pairs per year for approx. 4-5 months.

We have leased this pasture for the last few years and plan to continue into the future.

Vanderhoof is a huge farming community with very little access to lease land and we feel this is something that is lacking in the community and we value Walter allowing us a place to be able to pasture our cattle and grow our heard.

Thank You

Alden and Colleen Voth



RESOLUTION TO THE NECHAKO VALLEY REGIONAL CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION – AGM

February 16, 2019

Agricultural Land Reserve – LAND USE PROPOSAL

Forwarded by: Henry Klassen, Ron Crosby, Ken Fawcett and Art Wiens

WHEREAS: Agriculture in the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako land base has depended on the logging and associated industries to finance the initial development to cultivated land,

AND WHEREAS: The agriculture developers, those involved in associated supportive industries, have historically been the same people who own and operate their farms along with two or more lines of equipment on the same land,

AND WHEREAS: These several industries are, to a degree, seasonal in the northern hemisphere requiring periods of time when equipment must be stored and maintained,

AND WHEREAS: Many farm landowners own parcels of land completely separated from their main homesite,

AND WHEREAS: Agricultural Land Commission regulations currently permit the parking, maintenance and repair of heavy equipment on ALR property parcels which have principal buildings and accessory buildings providing residential and equipment maintenance functions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Any ALR parcel owned by the landowner be assigned the same regulatory status regarding the parking, maintenance and repair of non-farm equipment without requiring the precondition of principal residence.

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Jason Llewellyn

To: Cheryl Anderson
Subject: RE: TransCanada CGL socio-economic benefits

From: <tom@forisr.com>

Date: March 26, 2019 at 9:52:22 AM PDT

To: <tom.euverman@houston.ca>, <gerry.thiessen@rdbn.bc.ca>, <brenna_hubert@transcanada.com>, <shane.brienen@houston.ca>, <hollyp@northerndevelopment.bc.ca>, <CITZ.Minister@gov.bc.ca>, <

Subject: TransCanada CGL socio-economic benefits

Good day, people:

This e-mail is sent to several people from a resident of a small community living alongside of the Morice River Forest Service Road (FSR) at 13.5 km. outside to the district of Houston, BC. Perhaps you are familiar with our approximate location due to the recent news regarding the TransCanada Coastal Gas Link construction and the Unistoten protest.

For the 18 people living here, we have seen many changes to our area: electric power, telephone, logs transported out of area, a high voltage power line installation to serve a now shuttered mine (Huckleberry), a surge in traffic, an increase in forest fires, etc. We are now witness to a new construction of a preliminary camp (rumoured to be for 300) to prepare a larger temporary camp for 800 to construct the coming natural gas pipeline.

I did share these concerns with a woman from TransCanada, Brenna Hubert, but I thought I would share them with you in the hope you might read through our concerns and perhaps help address one or more.

The reasons are many and they are listed below.

Road User Concerns

1. Surface is down to grade; there are lots of "big" rocks. There is no material left to work with without pulling the ditches.
2. Safety concerns in drier months: the dust is so thick that you can't see for several meters; windshields are damaged due to larger stones flying up; transfer cases are damaged by big rocks when non-commercial vehicles must cross over windrows.
3. Line of sight should be brushed back to see wildlife about to step onto the road.
4. When Hwy. 16 is closed due to accidents or fires, Morice River FSR and Morice Owen FSR are used as a detour route to Burns Lake
5. Many people from Southside and Francois Lake use this road to drive to Houston or the Smithers airport.
6. Tourist traffic is increasing: many choose to drive an alternate circle route. In addition, now that Morice Lake is a provincial park, more people are coming out this road. We also have users choosing to do the Kidd Price portage and visit Atna Lakes

Fish Habitat

7. Double ditching needs to be removed to allow for better drainage. Every stream turns brown after it rains due to the double ditching – water filled with road debris in the double ditch runs into the streams rather than run latterly off the road. This is not permitted on "highway" roads, why is it allowed on forestry roads?

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8. Calcium (salt) application for dust control in summer: Again due to double ditching, the water runs down the double ditch into stream beds rather than off the road. This not only affects fish but also our drinking water.
9. Most of the culverts are plugged or damaged: fish cannot reach the outlet end (river side) as they are too high or damaged.

Cell Phone Service / Internet

At present, cell phone service ends at 10 km on the Morice River FSR. Quite a few towers are already up on Morice Mtn.(RCMP, Tower Communication, Repeater towers for contractors). Given that a long term work camp, housing ~800 people will soon be established alongside the Morice River FSR at about 30 km and the number of road users, a TELUS tower should be up there as well.

Could one of you please apply for funding from the Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT)? We are not asking for fibre optic, just a TELUS Tower on the west side of Morice Mountain: perhaps we could have a provincial government sponsored tower?

I would appreciate someone listening and responding to our varied concerns.

Respectfully,

Ms. Bobby Seinen

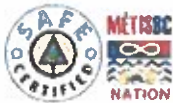
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Draft Section 11 Agreement and Draft Partnership Agreement

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The Government of B.C. is asking for your feedback on two draft caribou recovery agreements. You can provide feedback on both agreements from March 21 to April 26, 2019 at 4pm.

- **Draft Section 11 Agreement Between British Columbia and Canada**

B.C. and Canada have been developing a bilateral conservation agreement under Section 11 of the *Species at Risk Act* (referred to as the “Section 11 Agreement”). The draft Section 11 Agreement contains overarching commitments, measures and strategies for the recovery of Southern Mountain Caribou in B.C.

- **Draft Partnership Agreement Between B.C., Canada, West Moberly and Sauleau First Nations**

The B.C. government, the federal government, West Moberly and Sauleau First Nations have been negotiating an Inter-Governmental Partnership Agreement for the Conservation of the Central Group of the Southern Mountain Caribou (“Partnership Agreement”). The draft Partnership Agreement applies to the Central Group of Southern Mountain Caribou. This draft Partnership Agreement includes temporary protection of important caribou habitat while a long-term plan is developed through engagement with local communities, stakeholders and Indigenous peoples.

Where can I get more information and learn about the draft agreements?

The following documents provide important information to consider when providing your feedback on the draft Section 11 Agreement and the draft Partnership Agreement:

- [Map of draft Section 11 & Partnership Agreement Scope](#)
- [Overview of draft Section 11 Agreement](#)
- [Overview of draft Partnership Agreement](#)
- [Draft Section 11 & Draft Partnership Agreement FAQs](#)
- [Draft Section 11 Agreement](#)
- [Draft Partnership Agreement](#)
- [Overview of Provincial Caribou Recovery Program](#)
- [Summary Powerpoint Presentation](#)

How can I provide feedback?

There are several ways to provide your input:

1. Share your ideas through the [online feedback form](#) available until April 26, 2019 at 4pm.
2. Print a copy of the feedback form and return it to the address below:
Caribou Recovery Program
PO Box 9546
STN PROV GOVT
Victoria, B.C. V8W 9C5
3. Attend a meeting. Meetings are currently being scheduled in locations around the Province. Once dates and locations are confirmed, the schedule will be posted here.

How can my contribution make a difference?

All feedback received will be compiled into a “what we heard” document that will be made publicly available and all input will help inform all parties’ decision-making regarding the finalization and signing of the agreements.

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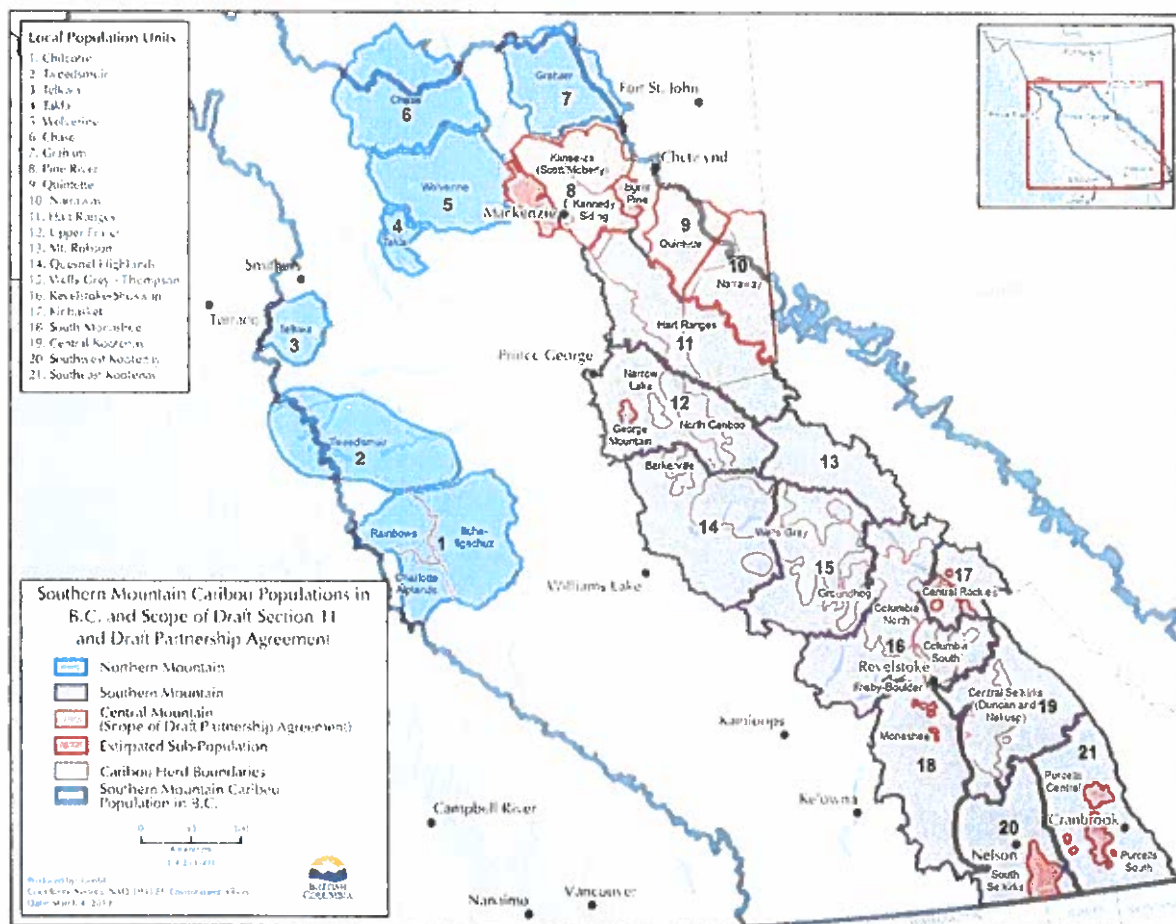
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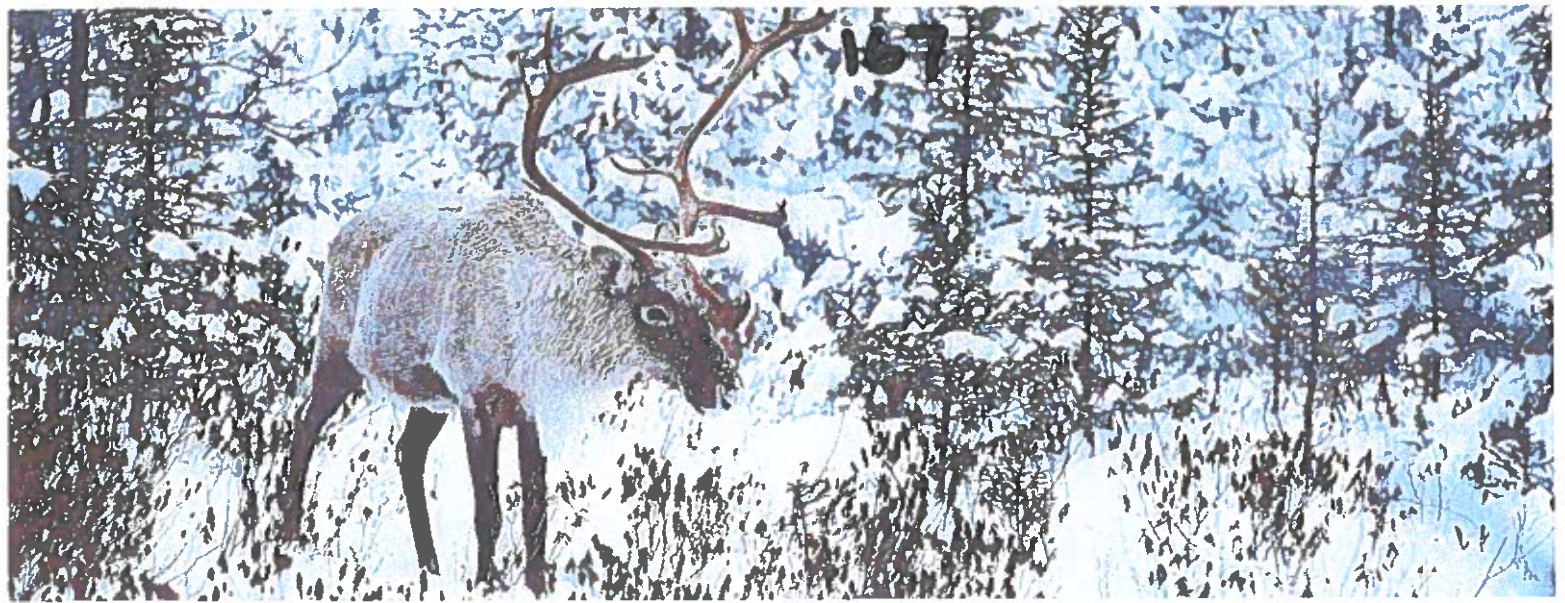
➔ Are the Section 11 Agreement and the Partnership Agreement the same thing?

No, they are separate agreements that British Columbia and Canada agreed to negotiate and release concurrently with each other. The draft Section 11 Agreement is a bilateral agreement between Canada and British Columbia, while the draft Partnership Agreement is between Canada, British Columbia, West Moberly First Nations and Saulneau First Nations (“the Parties”). The draft Section 11 Agreement applies to 21 Local Population Units of Southern Mountain Caribou (Northern, Central & Southern Groups) in British Columbia, whereas the draft Partnership Agreement applies to 3 local population units in the Central Group in British Columbia (**map below**).

The draft Section 11 Agreement is a framework agreement that describes processes and measures that the federal and provincial governments intend to take to support Southern Mountain Caribou recovery.

The draft Partnership Agreement is intended to stabilize and recover self-sustaining populations within the Central Group and includes habitat protection, restoration and direct recovery actions. This Agreement is based on the science and traditional knowledge shared by B.C., Canada, Saulneau and West Moberly First Nations. Together with the Section 11 Agreement, the Partnership Agreement will align recovery efforts between the Parties.





➔ **How do we provide feedback? How will feedback be used?**

Meetings will be hosted for Indigenous peoples, communities and key stakeholder groups. Dates and locations for public meetings and a feedback form will be available online at engage.gov.bc.ca/caribou. All feedback received will be summarized into a “what we heard” document that will be made publicly available and all input will help inform all parties’ decision-making regarding the finalization and signing of the Agreements.

➔ **What is the role of the federal government in managing caribou? Is it true that the federal Government can limit industrial development and access to the backcountry?**

The *Species at Risk Act* (SARA) is federal legislation designed to encourage and enable the conservation and protection of Canada’s species at risk, including caribou. Southern Mountain Caribou was listed as a threatened wildlife species on Schedule 1 of the SARA in 2003. The federal recovery strategy was posted on the Species at Risk Public Registry on June 3, 2014. The federal recovery strategy identifies unsustainable predation as the most significant, immediate, direct threat to Southern Mountain Caribou. Broadly, these unsustainable levels of predation are the result of habitat changes, which have led to changes to predator and prey communities and direct disturbance and displacement of individual caribou.

Under the *Species at Risk Act*, the federal Cabinet has the ability to enact orders that would protect caribou and their habitat from further development and disturbance. The federal government has received multiple submissions from private citizens, Indigenous peoples, and environmental organizations requesting that the federal government implement an order. In May 2018, the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change determined that Southern Mountain Caribou are facing imminent threats to their recovery. The Minister’s finding highlights that immediate actions are needed to allow for eventual recovery.

The *Species at Risk Act* also enables Canada to enter into agreements to benefit species at risk, such as Southern Mountain Caribou. Such agreements must include conservation measures, such as those contained in the draft Section 11 Agreement and draft Partnership Agreement. Such agreements can be considered by the federal government when making decisions related to federal orders.

The draft Section 11 Agreement and draft Partnership Agreement reflect Canada’s willingness to work collaboratively with B.C., Indigenous Nations, local communities and interested stakeholders to develop solutions grounded in the best available information on caribou recovery and carefully consider the economic context of the necessary recovery measures.

➡ What are the benefits of these agreements?

The draft Section 11 Agreement provides the framework for a positive, collaborative approach to caribou recovery that clearly articulates B.C. and Canada's commitments to caribou recovery. The Section 11 Agreement seeks to better align B.C.'s approach to caribou recovery and management with the outcomes of the federal *Species at Risk Act*. Both agreements seek to provide more information and certainty to stakeholders and Indigenous peoples who are concerned about caribou recovery efforts and possible socio-economic impacts.

The Partnership Agreement proposes measures to protect and restore important caribou habitat, while also introducing and continuing population management measures that will support caribou recovery. This Agreement represents a new approach to managing a species at risk through government to government collaboration and partnership. This agreement establishes a framework to support Indigenous peoples that play a leadership role in caribou recovery and provides opportunities for local jobs in the fields of restoration and stewardship. It also supports the cultural vitality of local Indigenous communities and can become a national, provincial and local point of pride as we work together to recover this iconic species.

➡ I have heard B.C. is closing all snowmobile trails and access to the backcountry? Is this true?

No, this is not true. The Province understands that, outdoor recreation is an important part of community identity and serves as an opportunity to diversify resource-based economies. However, recreational snowmobile use can pose a risk of displacing caribou which may discourage caribou from accessing their preferred habitats and may affect their fat reserves or exposure to predation.

As the Province moves forward with caribou recovery, we will be looking at the impacts of all land uses. Snowmobiling is one of the many land use activities that will be addressed. B.C. will be hosting open houses in the South Peace to start a dialogue about managing snowmobiling in critical caribou habitat. B.C. plans to host these open houses after the engagement on the draft Section 11 and draft Partnership Agreement are complete.

The purpose of the snowmobile management open houses is to begin a dialogue with recreation users in the South Peace to ensure that users understand the potential risks and impacts that snowmobiling within critical habitat can pose to caribou and also to help the Province understand how recreational management measures could impact communities before decisions are made. The open houses will focus on the latest caribou science, as well as on identifying key areas and trails that are important to snowmobilers and discussing what makes those place important to them. There will also be an opportunity to discuss areas where snowmobiling infrastructure could be enhanced or where snowmobiling could be re-directed in order to maintain and enhance recreational opportunities in areas that do not pose a risk to caribou.

➔ How many caribou are in the South Peace?

West Moberly and Saulteau Elders remember a time when caribou were so numerous that the Peace region was described as being covered by a “sea of caribou”. Populations have dramatically declined following the combined effect of industrial development and other human activities over the last 50 years. The South Peace (Central Group) region now includes six caribou herds (within three Local Population Units) that have declined from about 800 animals in the early 2000s to about 220 animals today. The B.C. government has implemented a predator management program in the Klinse-za, Burnt Pine, Kennedy-Siding and Quintette herds since 2013 and this program, in combination with West Moberly and Saulteau First Nations’ maternal pen, has resulted in recent increases in the Klinse-za, Kennedy-Siding and Quintette herds.

2018 Count: 66

Early 2000 Count: 212

Federal Status: Threatened

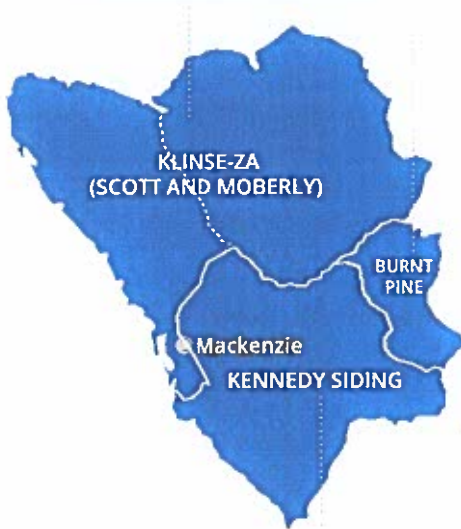
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2018 Count: 0

Early 2000 Count: 17

Federal Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Extirpated



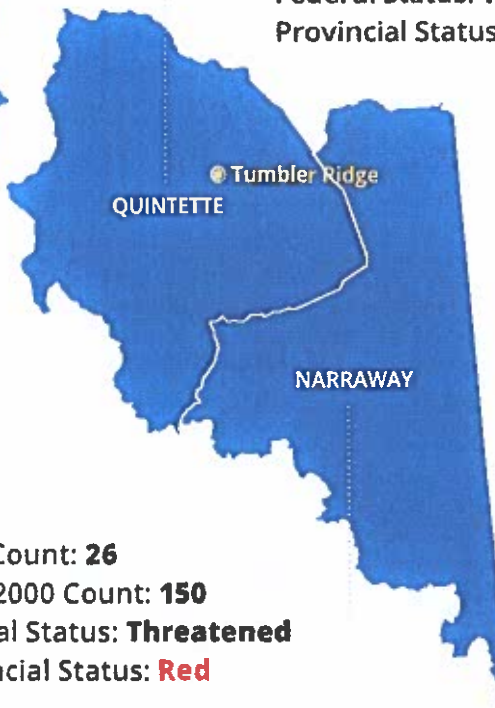
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2018 Count: 74

Early 2000 Count: 200

Federal Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Red



2018 Count: 63

Early 2000 Count: 120

Federal Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Red

2018 Count: 26

Early 2000 Count: 150

Federal Status: Threatened

Provincial Status: Red



➔ How will B.C. and Canada support collaborative projects to recover caribou?

The Parties are committing to support collaborative mechanisms and projects to recover Southern Mountain Caribou. These could include collaboration in activities in support of recovery planning and actions (e.g. planning, information sharing, delivery and monitoring) with directly affected Indigenous peoples, particularly where they have demonstrated prior leadership in Southern Mountain Caribou recovery, and expertise and ability to plan, deliver and monitor on-the-ground measures to conserve and recover Southern Mountain Caribou populations.

Enabling participation by Indigenous peoples, stakeholders and community groups in Southern Mountain Caribou recovery planning activities may take the shape of working groups, committees and the development of more formal mechanisms, such as memoranda of understanding.

➔ Have socio-economic impacts been considered in the development of the draft Section 11 Agreement and Partnership Agreement?

Changes must be made to reverse the population declines that caribou have undergone over the past 50 years largely as the result of human activity. Canada and B.C. believe that caribou recovery can be accomplished while also embracing sustainable economic development. Both governments are also committed to engagement with industry, local communities, Indigenous peoples, and the public in order to find solutions that optimize recovery efforts in the current socio-economic context

The implementation of the Partnership Agreement and the proposed measures may have some impacts on industry sectors such as forestry, energy and mining and the tourism and recreation sectors, but it will also provide greater long-term certainty for these sectors and support a strong investment climate. There are economic opportunities that are also expected to be realized, including through the work to be done restoring caribou habitat.

To fully understand the potential impacts and benefits, B.C. and Canada have been conducting impact analysis and will be undertaking focused engagement on the Partnership Agreement with industry, local communities, Indigenous peoples, other stakeholders and the public. The Parties are committed to sharing data and analyses on potential impacts and benefits of the Partnership Agreement, and to working with interested parties to review and improve these analyses. This includes an independent economic analysis of the impacts to jobs and communities that could result from the Partnership Agreement.

Provincial Caribou Recovery Program Overview

A Primer to Support a Conversation with British Columbians



**BRITISH
COLUMBIA**

Background

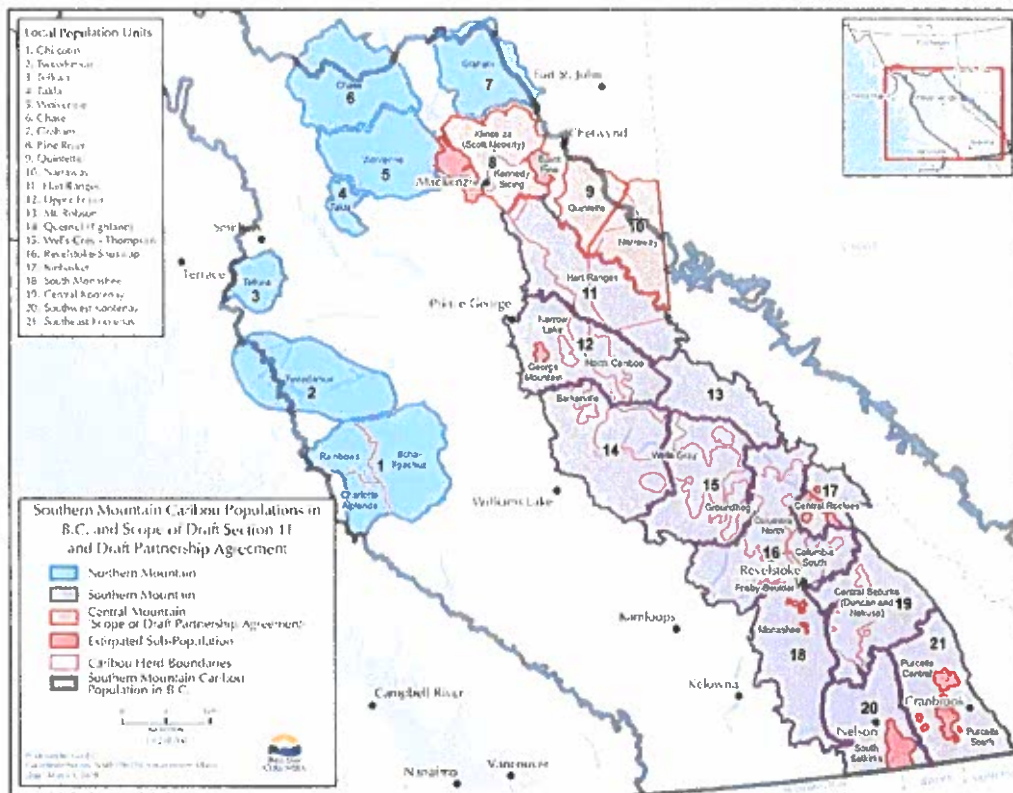
Caribou are a nationally iconic species, making hoof tracks across most provinces and territories in Canada. They are an important species for social, cultural and ceremonial interests of Indigenous peoples. Caribou may also be a gauge for ecosystem or forest health, as they have traditionally relied on large tracts of intact landscapes for survival. These landscapes are different across British Columbia, from old forest stands with arboreal lichen in B.C.'s Cariboo and Kootenay regions, to windswept ridges and subalpine forests in the South Peace and treed bogs in the boreal forest.

British Columbia is home to 54 herds of woodland caribou (*Rangifer tarandus caribou*). Despite significant investments in managing these herds, caribou populations have become threatened in the past three decades, going from 40,000 animals decades ago to about 15,500 today.

The reasons for caribou population declines are complex, and they differ across the province. The best available scientific evidence indicates that habitat alteration and loss, due to natural resource development and recreation and increases in predation, are the main factors. This view is supported by many Indigenous experts. Land clearing increases forage availability for animals such as moose, deer, and elk, allowing their numbers to grow, and in turn increasing numbers of predators such as wolf, cougar, and bear. Industrial, recreational and other human activities allow predators to hunt caribou more easily by improving predator sight lines and ease of movement through trails, roads, utility corridors and seismic lines.

Systems for classifying caribou can be confusing. The map below shows the three main systems that are used for classifying caribou in B.C.:

- Herds
- Local Population Units (LPUs)
- Groups or Designatable Units





The Provincial Caribou Recovery Program supports:

- Conserving and recovering Southern Mountain Caribou populations in the Province
- Engagement with stakeholders to understand impacts before making decisions
- Partnerships with Indigenous nations
- Continuing and expanding B.C.'s caribou monitoring and science program
- Predator management
- Future engagement and herd planning

➔ What's being done for B.C.'s Caribou?

There is a long history of caribou monitoring and engagement in B.C. The intensity and regularity of this work differs across the province but the intent is the same: we need to understand caribou to effectively manage this species. Provincial management actions that have focused on supporting caribou conservation and recovery over the past years 10 years include the protection of high elevation core habitat for mountain caribou from forest harvesting and road building, the establishment of area closures for snowmobile use, and best management practices for the heli-ski industry.

The province is working on an improved Provincial Caribou Recovery Program to restore and conserve caribou. With an initial investment of \$47 million over 5 years, this program aims to recover caribou populations by addressing or managing the causes of caribou decline.

B.C. hosted in-person sessions with over 40 stakeholders and 12 meetings with Indigenous peoples in spring and summer of 2018 to inform the development of the Program. Part of the Program involves developing detailed herd plans. This process will involve engagement with stakeholders and Indigenous peoples.

Activities that form part of the Program will align with the conservation and recovery measures being proposed as part of the Bilateral Conservation Section 11 Agreement between B.C. and Canada and the draft Partnership Agreement between B.C., Canada, West Moberly First Nations and Sauteau First Nations.

➔ Summary of Caribou Recovery Management Activities

MONITORING AND INVENTORY

GPS collars are used to track caribou on the landscape. These collars allow caribou biologists to track caribou movement and provide extensive information on population demographics, causes of adult mortality, caribou distribution and use of habitat types by caribou. This information is used to develop habitat mapping and confirm which areas are critical for caribou recovery and survival.



MATERNITY PENNING

In its simplest form, maternity (or maternal) penning involves capturing female caribou in late spring and transporting them to a secure enclosure. Pregnant females are able to give birth in a predator free environment. Once the youngest calves reach approximately 2-6 weeks old, they are released back into the wild with their mothers.

HABITAT PROTECTION

Caribou need large areas of undisturbed land in which to roam freely. Mining, forestry, oil and gas, renewable energy and road building activities have all impacted caribou habitats in the province.

The province can protect habitat from industry using various legislative and regulatory tools that prohibit and limit development on the landscape. High quality caribou habitat is being maintained in many areas across the province however more work is needed to support recovery.

HABITAT RESTORATION

Two methods of habitat restoration are being implemented in the province: functional and ecological. Functional restoration is aimed at reducing the use of linear features (roads, trails, rights-of-way, and seismic lines) by predators. Wolves, other large predators and people can move along these access routes more quickly than through dense bush, and easily travel to caribou habitats that were once difficult to reach. Restoration activities include replanting routes that are no longer in use, placing slash, trees and other debris across trails, disrupting sightlines, and putting up fences.

Ecological restoration refers to the regeneration of a disturbed ecosystem to an approximation of its pre-disturbed state. Tree replanting, enhanced site work, controlling herbaceous species such as willow, and the use of fertilizers all help speed up the ecological restoration of disturbed habitat.



PREDATOR MANAGEMENT

Wolves are caribou's principal predator in B.C. and high wolf numbers are associated with declining caribou populations. Managing wolf populations while implementing other caribou recovery actions is challenging. Both animals are part of a complex ecological and now human-influenced relationship. Wolf packs are dependent on their prey (moose, elk, caribou, deer). Prey populations are affected by forest practices and other human activities that affect their habitat. When resource development and recreation open up new roads, wolves use them for easy access to wintering caribou herds. Decisions on predator control must be approached with care, and with abundant and clear information on how they were made. It is important to note that wolf control is never carried out in isolation as a single solution.

PRIMARY PREY MANAGEMENT

Logging and forest fires have changed some of the woodland caribou's forest habitats. The resulting young forests support higher populations of moose, elk and deer. These primary prey species attract wolves, bears and cougars. Caribou are susceptible to the resulting higher predator density and become secondary prey.

Reducing other prey species in and around caribou habitat may help reduce the presence of predators, reducing predation on the caribou. The Provincial Caribou Recovery Program is actively exploring options for managing habitat in areas important to caribou in ways that will be less desirable for moose, deer, and elk.



RECREATION MANAGEMENT

Backcountry recreational activity can disturb or displace caribou from their preferred habitat which results in increased energy expenditure by the caribou.

Controlled and limited access to sensitive habitats in the backcountry is the most effective way to reduce disturbance to caribou from recreational activities in some areas. B.C. has a long history of working with recreation groups and provincial organizations to support this work. B.C. can enact motor vehicle closures that limit motor vehicle access into caribou habitat. Motor vehicle closures can apply to snowmobiles, ATVs, trucks and other motor vehicles.

Educating the public on the potential impacts of their activities on caribou herds and their habitats is essential, especially as more and more people want to visit the backcountry.

CARIBOU HEALTH & SCIENCE

Research to address knowledge gaps and provide land managers with evidence inform support decision-making and adaptive management is underway.

B.C. is collaborating with Canada and academic institutions to answer important research questions that will support the recovery of caribou (e.g., How will climate change affect caribou habitats and primary food?).

SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDING

Caribou herds may leave their preferred habitat because of predation, access roads or other human activities. Ongoing research projects suggest that focused supplemental feeding could offset or supplement the availability of easy high quality food in the wild, and may be a practical way to promote population growth. B.C. has a supplemental feeding pilot in the Kennedy-Siding herd.

CAPTIVE BREEDING

Captive breeding involves the rearing of caribou in a captive setting over many years. Surplus animals are released into the wild to augment an existing sub population or to initiate a new sub population. Captive breeding is a commonly used process in wildlife reserves, zoos, botanic gardens, and other conservation facilities.

ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT

The Provincial Caribou Recovery Program is committed to following the principles of adaptive management. This means that recovery efforts are being monitored closely to determine whether projects need to be modified or revised in order to meet recovery goals and objectives. Performance management and effectiveness monitoring is incorporated into all aspects of the Provincial Caribou Recovery Program.

MEMORANDUM



To: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors
From: Maria Sandberg, Planner
Date: April 8, 2019
Re: **Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Review**

PURPOSE

This report is to present the Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1865, 2019 to the Regional District Board for 1st and 2nd Readings and to receive direction regarding the Public Hearing.

The text of the Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan (Schedule "A") is provided under separate cover. The maps (Schedules "B" and "C") will be available at the Board meeting or can be obtained from staff. Also note that the text of the OCP (Schedule "A") and the maps (Schedules "B", and "C") are available on the Regional District's website.

OVERVIEW OF THE OCP DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

In May 2017, the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors directed staff to proceed with the review process for the Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan, and approved a consultation strategy. This process was undertaken in conjunction with the review of the Village of Fraser Lake Official Community Plan.

The review process began with preliminary consultation with the Advisory Planning Commission (APC) for Electoral Area D in June 2017. Letters with information about the start of the review process and requests for any preliminary comments were also sent to local First Nations, community groups, the Village of Fraser Lake, School District 91, and various Provincial Ministries.

Community meetings and an open house were held on July 25, 2017 in Fraser Lake and an open house was held in Fort Fraser on July 26, 2017. The purpose of these events was to introduce the municipal and rural OCP review processes and to provide an opportunity for the public to ask questions and provide input regarding land-use and community development related issues, and their visions for the area. The events were also an opportunity to solicit participation on a working group to assist in the review process and the drafting of a new Plan.

The Village of Fraser Lake, Community Futures Stuart-Nechako, the Fraser Lake Chamber of Commerce, the Nadleh Whut'en, the Stelat'en, the Cheslatta Carrier Nation, Northern Health, the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations were asked to provide a representative to participate on the working group.

Staff created a preliminary draft of the OCP to provide the working group with a format for discussion of issues. Working group meetings were held on February 27, March 12, April 9 and May 14, 2018. The focus was on reviewing the process and the mandate of the Plan, identifying and discussing key issues, helping define the community visions and goals for the plan area, and developing the policies contained in the Plan. A meeting to discuss the draft was also held in Fort Fraser on July 20, 2018 with the Fort Fraser Local Commission and the members of the working group living in Fort Fraser. Working group meeting notes are attached to this report.

Staff attended two Grade 4/5 classes at Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary School in April to obtain input from school age children. The students were asked to draw their community, to find out how the students interact with and view their community.

The APC reviewed and provided comments on the draft plan at a meeting on September 17, 2018. Letters with an invitation to review the draft plan and to attend December's open houses were sent to local First Nations, community groups, the Village of Fraser Lake, School District 91 and Provincial Ministries in November 2018. Two open houses were held, on December 10, 2018 in Fort Fraser and December 11, 2018 in Fraser Lake, to introduce the draft plan to the public and to obtain feedback on the draft.

In late December and early January, consultation letters and a copy of the plan were sent to the referral agencies that were identified in the consultation checklist approved by the Board in May 2017. This checklist is attached for the Board's consideration. If the Board considers additional consultation necessary, this should occur prior to 1st and 2nd reading.

Survey

As part of the process the Regional District also undertook a survey to obtain public input regarding land use planning issues in the area. A total of 24 surveys were filled out by area residents. Copies of the OCP survey results will be available at the Board meeting or can be obtained from staff.

Legislated Consultation

Section 475 of the *Local Government Act* states the following.

- (1) *During the development of an official community plan, or the repeal or amendment of an official community plan, the proposing local government must provide one or more opportunities it considers appropriate for consultations with persons, organizations and authorities it considers will be affected.*

- (2) *For the purposes of subsection (1), the local government must:*
- (a) *consider whether the opportunities for consultation with one or more of the persons, organizations and authorities should be early and ongoing; and*
 - (b) *specifically consider whether consultation is required with*
 - (i) *the board of a regional district in which the area covered by the plan is located, in the case of a municipal official community plan;*
 - (ii) *the board of any regional district that is adjacent to the area covered by the plan;*
 - (iii) *the council of any municipality that is adjacent to the area covered by the plan;*
 - (iv) *first nations;*
 - (v) *school district boards, greater boards and improvement district boards; and*
 - (iv) *the Provincial and Federal governments and their agencies.*
- (3) *Consultation under this section is in addition to the public hearing required under section 477 (3)(c).*
- (4) *If the development of an official community plan, or the repeal or amendment of an official community plan, might affect agricultural land, the proposing local government must consult with the Agricultural Land Commission.*

As previously noted, the Board considered and approved the consultation options identified on the attached consultation checklist at the beginning of the OCP review process in May of 2017. It is recommended that the Board re-consider the consultation options identified on the checklist and determine if further consultation is necessary.

Also, Section 476 of the *Local Government Act*, requires the Regional District to consult with boards of education with regards to the following:

- (a) *the actual and anticipated needs for school facilities and support services in the school districts;*
- (b) *the size, number and location of the sites anticipated to be required for the school facilities referred to in paragraph (a);*
- (c) *the type of school anticipated to be required on the sites referred to in paragraph (b);*
- (d) *when the school facilities and support services referred to in paragraph (a) are anticipated to be required;*
- (e) *how the existing and proposed school facilities relate to existing or proposed community facilities in the area.*

The entire Plan area is located within School District 91 (SD91). All referral responses received, including from SD91, are attached to this report. Responses were received from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, SD91, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Northern Health, and the Agricultural Land Commission. Also attached is a document summarizing the input and the changes made to the OCP, if any, based on the input.

OVERVIEW OF THE OCP ADOPTION PROCESS

Should the Board support the recommendations in this report the OCP adoption process would proceed as follows:

- 1st and 2nd Readings of OCP Adoption Bylaw No. 1865, 2019
- Public Hearing for the OCP Bylaw
- Board consideration of 3rd Reading
- Adoption of the OCP Bylaw

Following 1st and 2nd Readings of the OCP Bylaw, a Public Hearing on the Bylaw will be scheduled in consultation with the Electoral Area D Director. Following the Public Hearing, the OCP will again be presented to the Board along with the summary of the proceedings of the Public Hearing.

Should the Board wish to amend the Bylaw based upon Public Hearing input, the amended Bylaw could be re-approved at 2nd Reading. Depending upon the nature of the amendments a second Public Hearing may be required prior to 3rd Reading of the amended Bylaw.

DISCUSSION

The draft Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural OCP has undergone a notable public consultation process, and in staff's opinion the Plan reflects an appropriately balanced expression of the community's interest and vision for the future of the area. The focus of the process was to update the existing plan and not undertake an extensive review process.

Staff note that the "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1865, 2019" has been considered in conjunction with the Regional District's financial plan and solid waste management plan, and there are no apparent conflicts or issues between the plans.

The Board may approve the "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No.1865, 2019" as attached, amend the Bylaw and then approve the amended Bylaw, or refer the Bylaw back to staff with direction to make further amendments.

Should the Bylaw be acceptable to the Board, staff recommend that "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No.1865, 2019" be given 1st and 2nd Readings and that the Bylaw proceed to a Public Hearing. It is also recommended that the Public Hearing for "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No.1865, 2019" be delegated to Director Parker or his alternate.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Board further consider the consultation options identified on the consultation checklist for "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1865" and confirm that the consultation undertaken is adequate.
2. That the Board consider "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No 1865" in conjunction with the RDBN's financial plan and waste management plan.
3. That "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1865" be given 1st and 2nd Readings and proceed to a Public Hearing once the plan has been referred to the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission.
4. And, that the Public Hearing on "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No.1865" be delegated to Director Parker or his alternate.

Electoral Area Planning – Participants/Directors/Majority

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Official Community Plan (OCP) Consultation Checklist

OCP Bylaw No. 1865, 2019

Consideration of affected persons, organizations, and authorities

At the beginning of the OCP review process, during the stakeholder review phase and during the public review and referral phase, consideration has been given to consultation with the following organizations.

Consultation is recommended with:

- Cariboo Regional District
- Regional District of Peace River
- District of Vanderhoof
- Village of Fraser Lake
- District of Houston
- Village of Granisle
- Regional District of Fraser-Fort George
- Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine
- District of Fort St. James
- Village of Burns Lake
- Village of Telkwa
- Town of Smithers
- Federal / Provincial Ministries or Agencies**
 - Agricultural Land Commission
 - Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
 - Ministry of Agriculture
 - Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations
 - Ministry of Energy and Mines
 - Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development
 - Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation
 - Department of Fisheries and Oceans
 - Northern Health Authority
 - Other (specify) _____
- School District No. 54 Board
- School District No. 91 Board
- Improvement Districts
- First Nations**
 - Burns Lake Band (Ts'il Kaz Koh First Nation)
 - Cheslatta Carrier Nation
 - Carrier Sekani Tribal Council
 - Carrier Chilcotin Tribal Council
 - Gitxsan First Nation

- Kitselas First Nation
 - Lake Babine First Nation
 - Lhoosk'uz Dene Nation
 - Moricetown Band
 - Nadleh Whut'en First Nation
 - Nak'azdli First Nation
 - Nee Tahi Buhn Band
 - Nazko First Nation
 - Office of the Wet'suwet'en
 - Saik'uz First Nation
 - Skin Tyee First Nation
 - Stelat'en First Nation
 - Takla Lake First Nation
 - Tl'azt'en First Nation
 - Tsilqot'in National Government
 - Tl'etinqox-T'in Government Office (Anaheim Indian Band)
 - Toosey Indian Band
 - Ulkatcho First Nations
 - Wet'suwet'en First Nation
 - Yekooche First Nation
 - Other (specify) _____
- Community groups/Associations
 - Community Futures – Stuart Nechako
 - Fraser Lake Chamber of Commerce
 - Fort Fraser Local Commission
 - Fort Fraser Hall Society
 - Endako Hall Society
 - Endako Rod & Gun Club
 - Fort Fraser Livestock Association
 - Glenannan Community Association
- Public**
 - Immediate neighbours (within 30 metres of subject property)
 - Surrounding neighbourhood
 - Region wide
- Other (specify) see work plan

**ELECTORAL AREA D OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN
REFERRAL AGENCY COMMENT SUMMARY**

Referral agency	Section	Comment	Action	Page
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing	n/a	The Ministry has no concerns with the proposed OCP, subject to any provincial interests that may be raised through your broader referral process.	No change	
SD 91	n/a	At the current time we anticipate no significant adjustments or additions to the existing school district facilities.	No change	
Ministry of Agriculture	3.1	Although most of land within the Agriculture Land Reserve (ALR) is appropriately designed as Agriculture (AG) in the OCP, the RDBN is encouraged to designate all land within the ALR as AG. Notably, there are numerous parcels northeast of Fort Fraser within the ALR that are designated Parks and Recreation (P).	No change - our designation is the most appropriate use of this land	Schedule B
	3.1.2(6) should be 3.1.2(1)	Recommend adding the words "and Regulations" after the word "Act".	Changed	p.13
	3.1.2(6)	The word "arability" implies that the land under question is suited to grow crops and as such, does not consider non-soil based agriculture (ie greenhouses, chicken barns etc). Recommendation to remove the word arability and replace it with "agricultural capability and suitability".	Changed	p.13
	4.2.2(13)	Recommend adding a reference regarding Water Sustainability Act Section 11 approval requirements for changes in and about a stream.	Added "and to consult with the Ministry regarding any approvals required under the Water Sustainability Act."	p.30
	4.6.2(2)	Unclear of the definition of "non-polluting agriculture". Does this term refer to animal rearing? Further clarification with respect to this term is recommended.	Changed 4.6.2(2) to: "To protect against loss of life and property damage associated with flooding the Regional District will encourage park and recreational uses in designated floodplain areas or on flood susceptible lands. Farm uses which do not release chemical fertilizers or animal waste into the water source will also be encouraged on these lands."	p.33
	5.2	Guest cabins (referred to as "Seasonal cabins " in the ALR Regulations) are only permitted in the ALR as part of an agri-tourism operation on a farm that is classified as farm under the Assessment Act. If not, guest cabins require the submission of an application to the ALC.	No change	p.39
		Kennels and veterinary clinics; Kennels are a permitted non-farm use as per the ALR Regulations; veterinary clinics however are not, and thus, require the submission of an application to the ALC.	No change	p.39

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		Accessory buildings and structures; The intent of the term "Accessory buildings and structures" is unclear. Can these buildings and structures be accessory to the residential use of the land (ie a large garage) or are they intended to be accessory to the farm operation (ie hay barn). Recommend specifying that the buildings and structures be accessory to the farm operation only.	Removed all references to accessory buildings and structures in this section.	p.39
	6.1.2	When land is within the ALR and the criteria under Section 10 of the ALR Regulation with respect to subdivision approval by an approving officer are not applicable, subdivisions require the submission of an application to the ALC. Only when the criteria under Section 10 of the ALR regulation apply can an approving officer approve subdivision application on land within the ALR. Recommendation to approve additional clarification on this section.	No change, do not need to duplicate other agencies' regulation in OCP	p.40
	6.2(1)(f)	Recommend the addition of wording "through the approval of an application to the ALC" after the word "Commission"	Changed	p.40
	General comment	The ALC Act and Regulations are currently undergoing a comprehensive update and as a result, many of the farm and non-farm uses that are currently permitted may not be permitted when the Act and Regulations are formally amended in early 2019. Recommend RDBN ensure consistency with these legislative changes as it relates to the OCP review.	No change	whole document
Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure	2.5.1(3)	Any suggested improvements on specific locations (e.g. Highway 16 by installing a deceleration lane at the turnoff to Stella Road at Stellaquo 1) should not be included in the OCPs as Ministry has own performance evaluation methodologies and criteria, priority and programming.	No change	p.11
	3.2.2 (4)	The OCP encourages land use changes that have potential to impact highway infrastructure and may be within the controlled area as defined by the Transportation Act. In these cases we recommend adding that the Ministry will be consulted on any potential rezonings that fall within the controlled area. Section 3.2.2(4) Highway commercial areas may be designated in Fort Fraser and around the Village of Fraser Lake, in close consultation with the local commission and municipality. Limited highway commercial developments may be considered in the Endako town site.	No change - have to consult with MoTI as per legislation for rezonings so redundant.	p.15
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Northern Health	3.3 Industrial (I) Designation	Overall we support your plans to concentrate industrial development in certain designated areas. For example, "to limit the amount of future industrial uses within the town-site (Endako)" (page 9), "to develop a detailed land use plan for Fort Fraser" (page 10), and especially "to minimize land use incompatibility and conflicts between industry and surrounding land uses" (page 16). We caution that when light industrial development is encouraged in the more commercial or urban areas, that proximity to sensitive populations (schools, residential areas, health care facilities, etc) remains a principal consideration. Even small increases in air, noise and light pollution can have negative effects on health (including road dust). We recommend adding health to objective (4) on page 16	Added "public health" to 3.3.1(4)	p.16

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	3.7 Civic Institutional (CI) Designation	With the increasing prevalence of wildfires and the known health impacts of smoke, we encourage the Regional District (RD) to acknowledge air quality and climate change (in this context) and the potential benefits when new civic facilities (or existing retrofitted facilities) can serve as clean air shelters or heat shelters when severe weather or wildfire smoke events occur. Design considerations such as filtration, cooling, or vestibule doors should be encouraged where appropriate. A focus on vulnerable populations is also encouraged in this section. See BCCDC Air Quality – Wildfires and Smoke for resources.	No change	
	3.9 Resource (RE) Designation	We support the RD's aim to "minimize resource conflicts" (page 25). Where new or modified resource activities are approved, the RD should encourage developers or proponents to monitor, adaptively manage impacts, and respond to community concerns.	No change	p.25
	4.1 Mineral and Aggregate Resources	It may be worth adding a reference to the Environmental Assessment Act and the influence that the RD may have in the Environmental Assessment Process. A focus of the recent EA revitalization is "Enhancing public confidence by ensuring impacted First Nations, local communities and governments and the broader public can meaningfully participate in all stages of environmental assessment through a process that is robust, transparent, timely and predictable".	Added section 4.1.2(7) (7) "The Regional District is committed to participate in the Provincial Government's Environmental Assessment processes, at the Regional District Board of Directors' direction."	p.28
	4.1 Mineral and Aggregate Resources Objective (3) (page 26)	"To encourage the Province to require the appropriate rehabilitation of gravel pits." We suggest that the appropriate rehabilitation or management (for environmental, social, economic, health, and heritage effects) of any mineral or aggregate extraction project be required. Appropriate management and mitigations can be applied throughout the different stages of a project (e.g. exploration/planning, feasibility, construction, operation, reclamation and post-reclamation). See also NH's Standard Working Group Comments and Recommendations for Provincial Environmental Assessments in Northern British Columbia.	No change	p.28
	Policy (6) (page 27)	"The Regional District encourages the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources to require appropriate reclamation of gravel pits and mine sites and to ensure that adequate bonding is secured, and that the reclamation is undertaken in a timely manner." We are supportive of the RD working with regulatory agencies to ensure that resource development activities are sustainable and protective of longterm community health.	No change	p.28
	Section 4.1.1 (2)	The OCP assumes that the Endako molybdenum mine will not reopen during the life of the plan, and section 4.1.1 (2) encourages the further development of resources in the area, but the OCP does not mention contingencies for housing if the Endako mine reopens or another major resource development occurs in the area.	No change. Note, there is plenty of housing supply in the Village of Fraser Lake	
	4.2 Natural Environment	On page 28 we fully support policy (6) and encourage you to add air quality in policy (7) since good agricultural practices also include managing for air quality. See BC's Agriculture Air Management website.	Added "air" to 4.2.2(7)	p.29
		We recommend adding an objective regarding air quality in a broader sense with a focus on the risks most common in this area. Supporting and collaborating with the BVLD Air Management Society and their Clean Air Plan will help align with this objective. It is our experience that dust (from road dust, industry, or gravel quarries) and wood smoke (from slash burning, burning yard waste, and residential wood heat) pose challenges for maintaining good air quality in our smaller northern communities. See BC's Wood Burning Appliances website for information regarding best practices and the wood stove exchange program.	No change	

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		When considering growth and redevelopment in the RD, we encourage you to consider municipal bylaws that can manage for sources of air pollutants. Bylaws addressing anti-idling, open-burning, wood burning appliances, dust etc. will reduce smoke and other harmful contaminants in the community.	No change	
	4.4.2	In addition to the policies for water and sewerage systems there should also be mention of planning for landfill and other waste products.	No change, there is a separate RDBN plan for this.	p.31
	4.5 Transportation	We encourage you to add an objective or policy regarding the maintenance of the transportation network and its impacts on air quality. Traffic related air pollution (TRAP) includes contaminants in exhaust and inhalable particles from road dust and tire/brake wear. Air quality advisories related to road dust on busy corridors occur mostly in the spring when winter traction material is kicked up into the air. Prompt and efficient timing of road cleaning is highly recommended when the risks from ice and snow are lowered.	No change	p.32
	4.9 Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHGs)	We support objectives and policies that aim to reduce GHG emissions as long as other emissions such as particulate matter are not impacted in sensitive airsheds. Biomass burning is encouraged as a means to reduce GHGs (page 36), however, bioenergy projects should look at all air emissions changes and evaluate the overall benefits. Best technologies should be employed to keep harmful emissions as low as reasonably achievable.	Changed: 4.9.3(5) to "Renewable energy generation such as biomass, geothermal heating, solar power, and wind turbines, using best practises and technologies, are encouraged. "	p.37
		We also suggest an objective or policy that promotes working collaboratively with stakeholders or other government agencies on, not only climate change mitigation strategies, but also climate change risk and vulnerability assessments and adaptation strategies, where possible.	Added 6.7(7): "The Regional District encourages opportunities to undertake collaborative planning processes with other local governments, First Nations, Provincial Ministries, and other agencies and groups to develop climate change mitigation strategies, climate change risk and vulnerability assessments and adaptation strategies".	p.42
Agricultural Land Commission	Section 3.1 Agriculture (AG) designation	The ALC notes that not only does the Agriculture (AG) map designation include areas within the ALR, but goes beyond that to identify non-ALR areas where the Regional District clearly feels that agriculture should be the priority land use. The only area on the map which deviates from this is within the north-eastern portion of the map, along the Nechako River, where the provincial MoE has established a map reserve for fish and wildlife management covering both ALR and non-ALR areas. This area is designated Parks and Recreation by the RDBN, and while the uses contemplated by the map reserve (fish and wildlife management and winter range conservation) are consistent with the ALC Act and Regulations Sections 3(1) f and g, for the sake of clarity the ALC would prefer that all areas in the ALR be designated as Agriculture.	No change	Schedule B
	Section 3.1.2 Policies Sub 1	Please add "and Regulations" following "Act" as the ALC Regulations are more expansive regarding land uses permitted in the ALR.	Changed	p.13
	Section 3.1.2 Policies Sub 3	The ALC would encourage and support a larger MLS of 32 ha or greater in the ALR. This would be consistent with other ALR areas of the province in ALR Zone 2.	No change	p.13

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Section 3.1.2 Policies Sub 5	As viability changes with markets, time, commodity and land ownership, it is suggested that "...remain economically viable and..." be changed to "...are protected from potentially incompatible land uses and are..."	Changed to "Wherever possible contiguous areas of agricultural land will be preserved to ensure that agriculture and associated activities are protected from potentially incompatible land uses."	p.13
Section 3.1.2 Policies Sub 6	The ALC would question why the Regional District would only support inclusions into the ALR for proposals based "...solely on the arability of that land...". As you are aware, many types of agriculture across the province are non-soil based and may benefit from the land use protection and financial advantage afforded by ALR designation.	Changed to "The inclusion of land in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) is supported, provided the reason for inclusion is based solely on the agricultural capability and suitability of that land."	p.13
Section 3.2.1 Objectives	The ALC would like to suggest the addition of a fourth objective to re-inforce the focusing of commercial activity in village and town-site areas. A policy "...To limit non-farm commercial activities on lands within the ALR to those activities consistent with the ALC Act and Regulations..." may be helpful. The ALC appreciates that several policies in sections (2) and (3) of 3.2 are already consistent with this proposed policy.	No change	p.15
Section 3.3.2 Policies	(3) As there is ALR designated lands along the corridor between the Fort Fraser and Endako town-sites, as part of the Regional Board consideration of highway industrial designations in this area the ALC would appreciate consultation between the Regional District staff and ALC staff.	Changed to "Any proposal to designate highway industrial areas along the highway corridor in the Fort Fraser and Endako town-sites and around the Village of Fraser Lake must be done in close consultation with the local commission, the municipality and the Agricultural Land Commission if the land is within the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR).	p.17
Section 3.4.2 Policies	The ALC would appreciate the addition of a policy to the effect that where rural residential subdivision is contemplated on properties adjacent to ALR lands, subdivision design must include appropriate setbacks and buffering between residential and ALR lands.	Added 3.4.2(4) "To encourage the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to consider appropriate setbacks and buffering between residential and ALR lands for rural residential subdivision applications adjacent to lands within the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR)."	p.18
3.5.2 and 3.6.2 Policies	See comments above regarding buffering between ALR and adjacent non-farm development.	See above, added 3.5.2(11) and 3.6.2(4)	p.20 and 21
3.8 Parks and Recreation (P) Designation	See comments above (re:3.1 Agriculture Designation) regarding park designations in the ALR.	No change	Schedule B
5.2 Land Use Designation Explanations	Please replace "...the following uses..." with "...land uses consistent with the ALC Act and Regulations..." and remove reference to veterinary clinics as those are not allowed in the ALR without approval of an application to the ALC.	No change	p.39
5.2 Land Use Designation Explanations	As well, it is unclear why the ALR is referenced in the Industrial designation. No ALR land should be designated as Industrial unless the specific property has been the subject of an approved ALC application for non-farm use	Replaced with: "In areas so designated, zoning may consider permitting the following uses: heavy industrial, light industrial, manufacturing, equipment repair."	p.39

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From: [Schmidt, Heike MAH:EX](#)
To: [Maria Sandberg](#)
Cc: [Nicol, Lee A MAH:EX](#); [Mueller, Brent MAH:EX](#)
Subject: RE: RDBN Official Community Plan Review
Date: Wednesday, January 9, 2019 8:25:56 AM

Dear Ms. Sandberg: Thank you for your letter dated November 23, 2018 to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MAH) and the opportunity to provide feedback into the draft Endako, Fraser Lake, and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan (OCP) and the invitation to the OCP Open Houses, December 10 and 11, 2018.

It appears that your community engagement process related to the OCP review is now well underway. I understand that my colleague Kelly Sims provided a response on July 25, 2017 to your previous letter regarding the OCP review dated July 10, 2017 and that she shared guidance related to First Nations engagement, compact, complete communities, asset management and climate change mitigation and adaptation. I hope the guidance material proved useful to your ongoing work on the OCP review.

Please consider this email as the Ministry's response to your referral and ensure that you have also referred the proposed bylaw to the appropriate ministries, First Nations and other agencies that may have significant interests in the specific actions and policies identified in the proposed bylaw before entering into the final bylaw approval and adoption process.

The Province is committed to implementing the [United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples \(UNDRIP\)](#) and the [Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action](#). As part of this, the provincial government continues to encourage local governments to work with the First Nations whose traditional territory they are situated within.

The Ministry has no concerns with the proposed OCP, subject to any provincial interests that may be raised through your broader referral process. I trust this will help you with your ongoing work. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you again for referring the proposed bylaw to the Ministry.

Best regards,

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Dear Ms. Sandberg :

RE: Endako, Fraser Lake, and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Review

Thank you for the invitation to provide feedback regarding the Endako, Fraser Lake, and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan (OCP) review. At this time, we do not have any specific preliminary comments to add to the OCP review and update. We have provided some links below to various themes that may assist your review work on the proposed OCP update.

In keeping with OCP update best practices, please ensure that you have referred the OCP Bylaws to the appropriate ministries, other agencies and First Nations. The Provincial Consultative Areas Database will help you to identify First Nations' interests (<http://maps.gov.bc.ca/ess/sv/cadb/>). Keeping a detailed record of your engagement efforts will help to resolve any concerns that may arise.

We look forward to the next opportunity to review the draft plan in November 2017.

Should you have any questions please contact me at Kelly.Sims@gov.bc.ca or by phone at 778-698-3978.

Yours truly,

Kelly Sims
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LINKS:

First Nations:

The Guide to First Nations Engagement on Local Government Statutory Approvals 2014 (Interim)- for best practices, sample notification processes and engagement log
[http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/gov_structure/library/First Nations Engagement Guide.pdf](http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/gov_structure/library/First_Nations_Engagement_Guide.pdf)

Community to Community Forum grants
<http://www.ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/lgps/community-to-community-forum.html>

Compact, complete communities:

Affordable Housing Tools for Local Governments in BC
<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/housing-tenancy/local-governments>

Age-friendly and Disability-friendly Official Community Plans guide and grant program
[http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/intergov_relations/library/Age and Disability Friendly OCPs.pdf](http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/intergov_relations/library/Age_and_Disability_Friendly_OCPs.pdf)
<http://www.ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/lgps/age-friendly-communities.html>

Asset Management:

Community Lifecycle Infrastructure Costing (CLIC) Tool
[http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/library/Decision Support Tool User Guide.pdf](http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/library/Decision_Support_Tool_User_Guide.pdf)

Asset Management Planning Grant <http://www.ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/lgps/asset-management-planning.html>

Climate Change Mitigation (GHG reductions):

Climate Action Charter
http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/greencommunities/climate_action_charter.htm

BC Climate Action Toolkit www.toolkit.bc.ca

CARIP – Climate Action Incentive Revenue Program
<http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/greencommunities/carip.htm>

Climate Change Adaptation:

Plan2Adapt (climate scenarios and impacts) <https://www.pacificclimate.org/analysis-tools/plan2adapt>

Preparing for Climate Change, An Implementation Guide for Local Governments in BC.
<http://www.toolkit.bc.ca/Resource/Preparing-Climate-Change-Implementation-Guide-Local-Governments-British-Columbia>

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Dear Ms. Sandberg:

Re: Endako, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Review

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments with respect to the draft Official Community Plan document.

At the current time we anticipate no significant adjustments or additions to the existing school district facilities. As you are aware, we are working with the Ministry of Education on the disposal of Fraser Lake Adult Learning Centre building and the vacant lot.

Thank you once again for the ability to give input to your plan. Thank you, as well, for the invitation to attend your open houses on December 10, 2018, and December 11, 2018. I was unfortunately unavailable during those times.

Sincerely,



Manu Madhok
Superintendent of Schools

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cc: Mrs. Darlene Turner, Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. Rodney Holland, Chief Administrative Officer, Village of Fraser Lake
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December 11, 2018

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Via email: maria.sandberg@rdbn.bc.ca

RE: Endako, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser (Area D) Rural Official Community Draft Plan Review

Dear Maria,

Thank you for providing BC Ministry of Agriculture staff the opportunity to comment on the draft Official Community Plan (OCP) for Area D. I have reviewed the documents you have provided, and from an agricultural perspective I can provide the following comments for your consideration:

- Section 3.1: Although most of land within the Agriculture Land Reserve (ALR) is appropriately designated as Agriculture (AG) in the OCP, the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako (RDBN) is encouraged to designate all land within the ALR as AG. Notably, there are numerous parcels northeast of Fort Fraser within the ALR that are designated Parks and Recreation (P).
- Section 3.1.2(6): Recommend adding the words “and Regulations” after the word “Act”.
- Section 3.1.2(6): The word “arability” implies that the land under question is suited to grow crops and as such, does not consider non-soil based agriculture (i.e. greenhouses, chicken barns, etc.). Recommendation to remove the word arability and replace with “agricultural capability and suitability”.
- Section 4.2.2(13): Recommend adding a reference regarding *Water Sustainability Act* section 11 approval requirements for changes in and about a stream.
- Section 4.6.2(2): Unclear of the definition of “non-polluting agriculture”. Does this term refer to animal rearing? Further clarification with respect to this term is recommended.
- Section 5.2:
 - Guest cabins (referred to as “Seasonal Cabins” in the ALR Regulations) are only permitted in the ALR as part of an agri-tourism operation on a farm that is classified as farm under the *Assessment Act*. If not, guest cabins require the submission of an application to the Agriculture Land Commission (ALC).
 - Kennels and veterinary clinics: Kennels are a permitted non-farm use as per the ALR Regulations; veterinary clinics however are not, and thus, require the submission of an application to the ALC.
 - Accessory buildings and structures: The intent of the term “Accessory buildings and structures” is unclear. Can these buildings and structures be accessory to the residential use of the land (i.e. a large garage) or are they intended to be accessory to the farm operation

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(i.e. a hay barn). Recommend specifying that the buildings and structures be accessory to the farm operation only.

- Section 6.1(2): When land is within the ALR and the criteria under Section 10 of the ALR Regulation with respect to subdivision approval by an approving officer are not applicable, subdivisions require the submissino on an application to the ALC. Only when the criteria under Section 10 of the ALR Regulation apply can an approving officer approve subdivision application on land within the ALR. Recommend to provide additional clarification on this section.
- Section 6.2(1)(f): Recommend the addition of wording “through the approval of an application to the ALC” after the word “Commission”.
- General comment: The ALC Act and Regulations are currently undergoing a comprehensive update and as a result, many of the farm and non-farm uses that are currently permitted may not be permitted when the Act and Regulations are formally amended in early 2019. Recommend RDBN ensure consistency with these legislative changes as it relates to the OCP review.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me at either darren.deford@gov.bc.ca or 250-614-7438.

Regards,



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Date: January 31, 2019

Response To: **Maria Sandberg, Planner, Regional District of Bulkley Nechako**
Item Referred: **Endako, Fraser Lake, and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Review**
Application Reviewed By: **Jenn Elliot**

RESPONSE SUMMARY

The Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure (the Ministry) has received the above noted referral from the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako regarding the final draft of the Endako, Fraser Lake, and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan (OCP). The OCP has been reviewed and in follow up to our response to the first draft of the OCP on May 9, 2018, the Ministry has the following comments for your consideration:

- Any suggested improvements on specific locations (e.g. Highway 16 by installing a deceleration lane at the turnoff to Stella Road at Stellaquo 1) should not be included in the OCPs as Ministry has own performance evaluation methodologies and criteria, priority and programming; and
- The OCP encourages land use changes that have potential to impact highway infrastructure and may be within the controlled area as defined by the *Transportation Act*. In these cases we recommend adding that the Ministry will be consulted on any potential rezonings that fall within the controlled area.
 - Section 3.2.2 (4) Highway commercial areas may be designated in Fort Fraser and around the Village of Fraser Lake, in close consultation with the local commission and municipality. Limited highway commercial developments may be considered in the Endako town site (p. 15)
 - Section 3.3.2 (3) The Regional District Board may consider designating limited highway industrial developments along the highway corridor in the Fort Fraser and Endako town sites and around the Village of Fraser Lake, in close consultation with the municipality (p. 17).

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 250-565-4412, or by email at Jennifer.Elliot@gov.bc.ca.

Sincerely,



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February 04, 2019

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Re: Endako, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser Official Community Plan 2019 Review - Northern Health (NH)

Dear Maria

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako (RDBN) Official Community Plan (OCP) for Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser from a population health and healthy built environment (HBE) perspective. Through long range planning and the promotion of HBE principles, RDBN has a unique opportunity to positively influence the built environment and improve the future health status of the community.

Public health has a vested interest in promoting healthy communities for many reasons. Many chronic diseases are largely preventable, and are influenced by risk factors such as access to clean water, air quality, affordable healthy food, safe and affordable housing, recreational activities, social support networks, and appropriate health services. Considering how a community is designed, connected, and how elements of the natural environment can be preserved and integrated into the community can help to improve health and prevent disease.

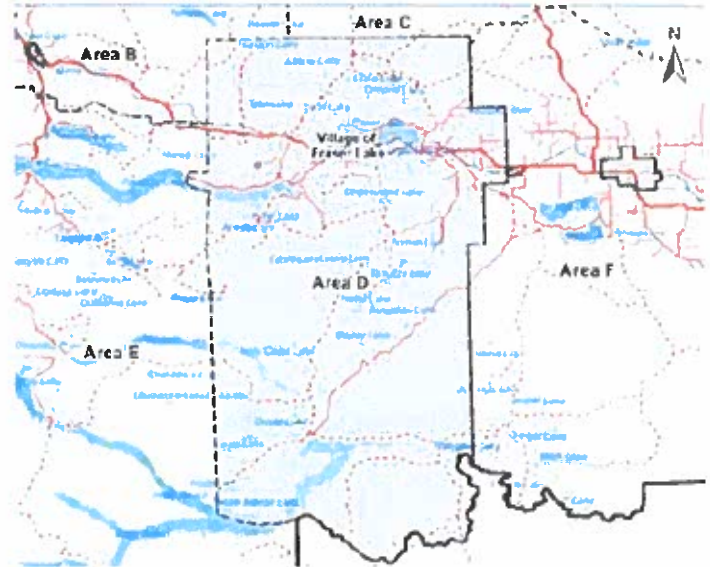
There are many components to an OCP and we welcome the opportunity to comment on the areas that are within our scope of expertise in order to support the health of your community. Two important documents are commonly referenced in our review, the [Healthy Built Environment Linkages](#) (Provincial Health Services Authority, 2014) and the [Healthy Rural Communities Tool Kit](#) (Public Health Ontario, 2015). Both are evidence based resources that link planning principles to community-wide health outcomes.

This is an amalgamated response from multiple departments at Northern Health including Population Health, Public Health Protection and the Office of Health and Resource Development.

BC Community Health Profile for the Region of Interest

When considering the incorporation of healthy built principles into an OCP, it is important to understand the unique health status of the population the OCP encompasses. Demographic and health data can be used to guide local governments in developing a long-term vision that will positively affect health outcomes and reduce chronic disease within that community.

The Endako, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser, or Electoral Area "D" is a resource rich area that has grown through the years. There are some recent challenges due to the closure of the Endako Mine and restructuring of work at the Fraser mill but the region has great growth potential. The current population estimate is around 1,500 people and the wealth of resources in the area bring potential for greater development in the future.



The Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA) has developed a [Community Health Database](#) which can be used to search health indicators specific in a particular location. For the geographical area this OCP covers, only aggregate data from the Nechako Health Area was available, and therefore must be interpreted from that context.

Planning Principles for a Healthy Built Environment in Small Communities

How communities are planned and built, and the services and resources provided within them, can directly impact people's physical, mental, and social health. The unique challenges and issues posed to small communities means that planning principles developed for larger urban centres may not be practical or applicable.

However, through thoughtful rural community design and land use planning, small communities can help to create a community that is a great place to live, work, learn, and play.

Implementing the use of Healthy Built Environment (HBE) principles in small communities can assist in developing connections amongst people, as well as with a variety of day-to-day services. Residents may be able to easily walk and/or cycle to daily amenities, such as schools, workplaces, recreational facilities and grocery stores on roads and pathways that are perceived to be safe, accessible, aesthetically appealing and well connected. Natural elements can also be preserved and integrated into the built environment in order to increase the community's access to nature. Incorporating these principles into community planning, it increases safety for residents as well as promotes physical and social activity, which can decrease stress and unintentional injury, and increase social cohesion and mental health.

OCP Review - Healthy Planning Principles and Linkages to Evidence

The OCP reviewed provides a vision for Electoral Area “D” that clearly seeks to maintain the character of the community, foster employment and promote a high quality of life. The OCP does very well in supporting the principles for a healthy built environment. The table below highlights several of the many examples that can be found in your OCP and their connection to key planning principles.

Healthy Planning Principle	Comments from Northern Health
Healthy Housing	Northern Health supports the objectives in sections 3.4 and 3.5 as it pertains to affordable housing and housing for those with special needs. With resource rich areas such as Electoral Area “D”, there can times of rapid increase or rapid decreases in population and affordable housing will allow for some flexibility for individuals and families.
Healthy Neighbourhood Design	Northern Health supports the objectives of section 3.4 and 3.6 “ensuring future development does not have significant negative impact on the natural environment” and policies that outline the different criteria of consideration before a subdivision is supported. These criteria encompasses areas that Environmental Health Officers look for including proper sewage disposal and maintenance, minimum lot size, lot locations, groundwater protection assessment, covenant and on-site water supply system. When subdivision is under consideration or home/land owners are looking to subdivide their land, Northern Health suggests resources that are available on the Northern Health’s Website: Northern Health’s Subdivision Guidelines.
Healthy Food Systems	<p>NH supports the goal of encouraging the production and consumption of local food in order to reduce the emissions that result from shipping food to markets in section 4.9.3 (6) a)</p> <p>Local food can contribute to a healthy balanced diet, involves minimal processing and has a reduced environmental impact. In addition to health benefits, local food also presents an economic opportunity.</p> <p>Community supported agriculture and farmer’s markets have been considered a viable option to provide a source of fresh, affordable and culturally appropriate food to those who would not otherwise have access. As such, NH supports the policies that promote and protect agricultural lands and practices (Section 3.1) and consideration should be given to operate within the existing regulatory framework for these industries.</p>

Healthy Transportation Networks	Healthy transportation is essential for any community to grow, and safe transportation is vital to the health of the community. Northern Health recognizes that there are limits to transportation due to the provincial jurisdiction but support the region's involvement, as much as possible, in the development of safe and efficient transportation in land use decisions.
Healthy Natural Environments	Protection of the natural surface and ground water sources is essential for the health of the individuals living in the region as outline in section 4.2.1. The Fraser lake is the drinking water source for the town of Fraser Lake and many other facilities and residences. Francois Lake is the drinking water source for the Francois Lake school, so any contamination of these water sources can have a detrimental effect on the citizens and especially the children of the region. Particular mention to point (7) of section 4.2.1 regarding safe farming practices in relation to water protection. Also for consideration is the effect fertilizers can have on surface water contributing to the growth of blue-green algae. Blue green algae can affect the recreational use of the water and the safety of the drinking water for any community/facility who source is the surface water.

Additional Comments from a Health Perspective

The following points reference a specific section in the draft OCP and present some comments from a health development perspective.

Section 2 - Plan Vision and Goals: We agree that “a more diversified economy is becoming increasingly important in order to ensure that the area remains vibrant and residents enjoy economic and employment stability” and “economic diversification beyond reliance on the mining and forest products industries” (page 7) are important considerations. These principles align well with our understanding of how communities can take proactive approaches to manage and mitigate potential impacts associated with the boom/bust phenomenon. Income and job security plays an important part in determining health outcomes and proactive planning for a healthy economy can lead to better health outcomes. UNBC's [Community Development Institute](#) may be a good source of additional information on this topic. We also encourage you to visit our [Office of Health and Resource Development](#) website for additional resources such as:

- [Health Considerations of Resource Development Projects for Proponents and Municipalities](#)
- [Summary Report on Community Toolkits Addressing Socio-Economic and Health Impacts from Natural Resource Development Relevant to Northern BC](#)

The social determinants of health impacts of resource extraction and development in rural and northern communities: A summary of impacts and promising practices for assessment and monitoring.

3.3 Industrial (I) Designation: Overall we support your plans to concentrate industrial development in certain designated areas. For example, “to limit the amount of future industrial uses within the town-site (Endako)” (page 9), “to develop a detailed land use plan for Fort Fraser” (page 10), and especially “to minimize land use incompatibility and conflicts between industry and surrounding land uses” (page 16). We caution that when light industrial development is encouraged in the more commercial or urban areas, that proximity to sensitive populations (schools, residential areas, health care facilities, etc) remains a principal consideration. Even small increases in air, noise and light pollution can have negative effects on health (including road dust). We recommend adding health to objective (4) on page 16.

3.7 Civic Institutional (CI) Designation: With the increasing prevalence of wildfires and the known health impacts of smoke, we encourage the Regional District (RD) to acknowledge air quality and climate change (in this context) and the potential benefits when new civic facilities (or existing retrofitted facilities) can serve as clean air shelters or heat shelters when severe weather or wildfire smoke events occur. Design considerations such as filtration, cooling, or vestibule doors should be encouraged where appropriate. A focus on vulnerable populations is also encouraged in this section. See [BCCDC Air Quality - Wildfires and Smoke](#) for resources.

3.9 Resource (RE) Designation: We support the RD’s aim to “minimize resource conflicts” (page 25). Where new or modified resource activities are approved, the RD should encourage developers or proponents to monitor, adaptively manage impacts, and respond to community concerns.

4.1 Mineral and Aggregate Resources: Overall, this section highlights that the appropriate management of mineral and aggregate resources is complex with many different stakeholders and jurisdictions. It may be worth adding a reference to the Environmental Assessment Act and the influence that the RD may have in the [Environmental Assessment Process](#). A focus of the recent [EA Revitalization](#) is “Enhancing public confidence by ensuring impacted First Nations, local communities and governments and the broader public can meaningfully participate in all stages of environmental assessment through a process that is robust, transparent, timely and predictable”.

- Objective (3) (page 26) “To encourage the Province to require the appropriate rehabilitation of gravel pits.” We suggest that the appropriate rehabilitation or management (for environmental, social, economic, health, and heritage effects) of any mineral or aggregate extraction project be required. Appropriate management and mitigations can be applied throughout the different stages of a project (e.g. exploration/planning, feasibility, construction, operation, reclamation and post-reclamation). See also NH’s [Standard Working Group Comments and Recommendations for Provincial Environmental Assessments in Northern British Columbia](#)
- Policy (6) (page 27) “The Regional District encourages the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources to require appropriate reclamation of gravel pits and mine sites and to ensure that adequate bonding is secured, and that the reclamation is undertaken in a timely manner.” We are supportive of the RD working with regulatory agencies to

ensure that resource development activities are sustainable and protective of longterm community health.

- The OCP assumes that the Endako molybdenum mine will not reopen during the life of the plan, and section 4.1.1 (2) encourages the further development of resources in the area, but the OCP does not mention contingencies for housing if the Endako mine reopens or another major resource development occurs in the area.

4.2 Natural Environment: Overall, we support the objectives and policies in this section and any connections made to air quality, water quality, social, economic, and health outcomes.

- On page 28 we fully support policy (6) and encourage you to add air quality in policy (7) since good agricultural practices also include managing for air quality. See BC's [Agriculture Air Management](#) website.
- We recommend adding an objective regarding air quality in a broader sense with a focus on the risks most common in this area. Supporting and collaborating with the [BVLD Air Management Society](#) and their [Clean Air Plan](#) will help align with this objective. It is our experience that dust (from road dust, industry, or gravel quarries) and wood smoke (from slash burning, burning yard waste, and residential wood heat) pose challenges for maintaining good air quality in our smaller northern communities. See BC's [Wood Burning Appliances](#) website for information regarding best practices and the wood stove exchange program.
- When considering growth and redevelopment in the RD, we encourage you to consider municipal bylaws that can manage for sources of air pollutants. Bylaws addressing anti-idling, open-burning, wood burning appliances, dust, etc. will reduce smoke and other harmful contaminants in the community. The BC Air Quality web page has resources like [Status of Air Quality Bylaws in B.C.](#) and [Inventory of Air Quality Bylaws in British Columbia for: Anti-Idling, Open-Burning, and Wood-Burning-Appliances](#) that contain helpful information. The Ministry of Environment can also provide support for [Airshed Management Planning](#).

4.4.2 In addition to the policies for water and sewerage systems there should also be mention of planning for landfill and other waste products.

4.5 Transportation: We encourage you to add an objective or policy regarding the maintenance of the transportation network and its impacts on air quality. Traffic related air pollution (TRAP) includes contaminants in exhaust and inhalable particles from road dust and tire/brake wear. Air quality advisories related to road dust on busy corridors occur mostly in the spring when winter traction material is kicked up into the air. Prompt and efficient timing of road cleaning is highly recommended when the risks from ice and snow are lowered

4.9 Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHGs): We support objectives and policies that aim to reduce GHG emissions as long as other emissions such as [particulate matter](#) are not impacted in sensitive airsheds. Biomass burning is encouraged as a means to reduce GHGs (page 36), however, bioenergy projects should look at all air emissions changes and evaluate the overall benefits. Best technologies should be employed to keep harmful emissions as low as reasonably achievable.

We also suggest an objective or policy that promotes working collaboratively with stakeholders or other government agencies on, not only climate change mitigation strategies, but also climate change risk and vulnerability assessments and adaptation strategies, where possible.

Northern Health's Role

Northern Health welcomes the opportunity to work with the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako to provide health information and research to assist in creating an even healthier community.

To explain further, we can present HBE principles, participate in stakeholder working groups, provide comments on policy documents and land development proposals, and provide specific health knowledge and expertise in the areas of drinking water, onsite sewerage systems, healthy neighbourhood and transportation design, and natural environments. We can also connect you with other community health experts and resources, as appropriate for your area. For example, Northern Health provides [grants to support healthy community](#) initiatives, and also has expertise in the areas of healthy eating, active living, injury prevention, mental wellness, and prevention of substance harm.

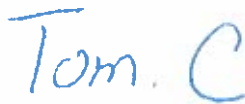
Enclosed are some resources that include links to documents which have been referred to in this letter. If you have any questions, comments or require more resources please feel free to contact us. We also encourage you to refer development proposals and policy documents to our team for comment through the following email address:
publichealth.protection@northernhealth.ca.

On behalf of Northern Health, we appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Endako, Fraser Lake, and Fort Fraser OCP and to help cultivate the future and health of the community.

Sincerely,



Doug Gordon



Tom Chen



David Creighton

Environmental Health Officers

Key Resource Documents

Provincial Health Services Authority. (2014). *Healthy Built Environment Linkages - A Toolkit for Design, Planning, Health*.

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Northern Health. (2009). *Guidelines for Subdivision*.

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University of Northern British Columbia: *Community Development Institute*

<http://www.unbc.ca/community-development-institute>

Northern Health: *Office of Health and Resource Development*

<https://www.northernhealth.ca/services/programs/office-health-and-resource-development>

Northern Health. *Healthy considerations of Resource Development Projects for Proponents and Municipalities*

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<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/health-your-environment/air-quality>

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Government of British Columbia. *Agriculture Air Management*

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/agricultural-land-and-environment/air-management>

Bulkley Valley Lakes District. *Airshed Management Society* <http://cleanairplan.ca/>

Bulkley Valley Lakes District. *Clean Air Plan* <http://cleanairplan.ca/cleanairplan2012.pdf>

Government of British Columbia. *Wood Burning appliances*

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/air-land-water/air/air-pollution/smoke-burning/wood-burning-appliances>

Government of British Columbia. *Status of Air Quality Bylaws in B.C.*

<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/soe/indicators/air/air-quality-bylaws.html>

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Ministry of Environment. *Airshed Management Planning*.

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/air-land-water/air/air-quality-management/airsheds>

Ministry of Health. (2014) *Particulate Matter and Outdoor Air Pollution*.

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Northern Health: *IMAGINE Community Grants*.

<https://www.northernhealth.ca/services/healthy-living-in-communities/imagine-grants>



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Reply to the attention of Gordon Bednard
ALC Planning Review: # 46662
Local Government File: Area "D" OCP

Maria Sandberg
Planner
Regional District of Bulkley Nechako

Delivered Electronically

Re: Endako, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser (Area D) Rural Draft OCP Review

Thank you for forwarding a draft copy of the above OCP for review and comment by the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC). The following comments are provided to help ensure that the OCP is consistent with the purposes of the Agricultural Land Commission Act (ALCA), the Agricultural Land Reserve Use, Subdivision and Procedure Regulation (the "Regulation"), and any decisions of the ALC, as required by the Local Government Act.

According to ALC mapping, the Area D OCP affects approximately 35,600 ha of Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR).

The ALC has the following comments, suggestions and requirements regarding its review of the OCP:

Section 2.2 Planning Vision and Goals

The ALC appreciates that the Regional District lists the protection and preservation of farm land as a goal, as well as targets growth and development away from agricultural areas and towards municipal and townsite areas.

Section 3.1 Agriculture (AG) designation

The ALC notes that not only does the Agriculture (AG) map designation include areas within the ALR, but goes beyond that to identify non-ALR areas where the Regional District clearly feels that agriculture should be the priority land use. The only area on the map which deviates from this is within the north-eastern portion of the map, along the Nechako River, where the provincial MoE has established a map reserve for fish and wildlife management covering both ALR and non-ALR areas. This area is designated Parks and Recreation by the RDBN, and while the uses contemplated by the map reserve (fish and wildlife management and winter range conservation) are consistent with the ALC Act and Regulations Sections 3(1) f and g, for the sake of clarity the ALC would prefer that all areas in the ALR be designated as Agriculture.

Section 3.1.1 Objectives

The ALC fully supports all the objectives in this section.

Section 3.1.2 Policies

Sub 1 - Please add "and Regulations" following "Act" as the ALC Regulations are more expansive regarding land uses permitted in the ALR.

Sub 3 - The ALC would encourage and support a larger MLS of 32 ha or greater in the ALR. This would be consistent with other ALR areas of the province in ALR Zone 2.

Sub 5 - As viability changes with markets, time, commodity and land ownership, it is suggested that "...remain economically viable and.." be changed to "...are protected from potentially incompatible land uses and are..."

Sub 6 - The ALC would question why the Regional District would only support inclusions into the ALR for proposals based "...solely on the arability of that land...". As you are aware, many types of agriculture across the province are non-soil based and may benefit from the land use protection and financial advantage afforded by ALR designation.

Section 3.2 Commercial (C) Designation

Section 3.2.1 Objectives

The ALC would like to suggest the addition of a fourth objective to re-inforce the focusing of commercial activity in village and town-site areas. A policy "...To limit non-farm commercial activities on lands within the ALR to those activities consistent with the ALC Act and Regulations..." may be helpful. The ALC appreciates that several policies in sections (2) and (3) of 3.2 are already consistent with this proposed policy.

Section 3.3 Industrial (I) Designation

Section (3.3.2) Policies

(3) As there is ALR designated lands along the corridor between the Fort Fraser and Endako town-sites, as part of the Regional Board consideration of highway industrial designations in this area the ALC would appreciate consultation between the Regional District staff and ALC staff.

Section 3.4 Rural Residential (RR) Designation

Section 3.4.2 Policies

The ALC would appreciate the addition of a policy to the effect that where rural residential subdivision is contemplated on properties adjacent to ALR lands, subdivision design must include appropriate setbacks and buffering between residential and ALR lands.

Section 3.5 and 3.6 Community Centre (CC) and Lakeshore Designations

3.5.2 and 3.6.2 Policies

See comments above regarding buffering between ALR and adjacent non-farm development.

3.8 Parks and Recreation (P) Designation

See comments above (re:3.1 Agriculture Designation) regarding park designations in the ALR.

Section 5 Associated Maps

5.2 Land Use Designation Explanations

Please replace "...the following uses..." with "...land uses consistent with the ALC Act and Regulations:..." and remove reference to veterinary clinics as those are not allowed in the ALR without approval of an application to the ALC.

As well, it is unclear why the ALR is referenced in the Industrial designation. No ALR land should be designated as Industrial unless the specific property has been the subject of an approved ALC application for non-farm use.

Notwithstanding the above comments, the Agricultural Land Commission is very pleased with the draft OCP and encouraged by the recognition and support for the ALR as demonstrated in the OCP and the ALC's continuing interactions with the Regional District.

The ALC strives to provide a detailed response to all bylaw referrals affecting the ALR; however, you are advised that the lack of a specific response by the ALC to any draft bylaw provisions cannot in any way be construed as confirmation regarding the consistency of the submission with the ALCA, the Regulation, or any Orders of the Commission.

If you have any questions about the above comments, please contact the undersigned at 604-660-7011 or by e-mail (Gordon.Bednard@gov.bc.ca).

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION



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File:38598/45528

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SEP 28 2017
REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY NECHAKO

Attention: Maria Sandberg

Re: Endako, Fraser Lake, and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan – 2017/8

The Agricultural Land Commission (the "ALC") is in receipt of your correspondence dated July 10, 2017 regarding the initiation of the above plan update.

The ALC looks forward to reviewing an initial draft of the proposed updated plan. As you are aware, under Section 46 of the Agricultural Land Commission Act, a local government is responsible to ensure consistency of its bylaws with the ALC Act, Regulations and Orders of the Commission. A local government bylaw which is inconsistent with the ALC Act, Regulations and Orders of the Commission, is to the extent of the inconsistency, of no force or effect.

I have taken this opportunity to review the existing OCP in order to advise you of items which may require your attention in the pending update:

- 1) Mapping 1. – There are two areas on the present OCP map which are within the ALR and are not designated as such. Both DL 2014A and adjacent lot DL 4343 along the south shore of Fraser Lake are either undesignated and within the Village of Fraser Lake, or are designated Industrial (difficult to tell due to map scale). As the Regional District is working with the community of Fort Fraser in the present OCP update, please ensure that the OCP designation for these properties reflects their provincial ALR designation.
- 2) Mapping 2. – Two properties which were considered under ALC application # 53285 (PID 015-138-534 and PID 015-146-464) were included into the ALR. The present OCP designation is RE – Resource. The OCP designation on these lands must be changed to Ag to reflect their ALR status.
- 3) Under Section 3.1.2 (3) of the existing OCP the minimum parcel size for lands in the Agriculture (Ag) designation is given as 16 ha. The ALC encourages a larger MLS in ALR areas (32-64 ha). This larger MLS has been adopted by several Regional Districts in ALR Zone 2 including the Peace and Caribou RD's and the ALC would appreciate the cooperation of the RDBN in following suit.

- 4) Section 3.1.2 (5) mentions economic viability in the context of the preservation of agricultural land. As the viability of any economic activity relies on a large number of variables, including the knowledge, desire and abilities of the operator, the ALC does not generally consider this as criteria in decision making. The ALC asks that you replace "...remain economically viable and environmentally sound..." with " ...will not be negatively affected by additional non-farm activities which may seek to locate in rural areas..."
- 5) Section 3.1.2 (10) To be more accurate "Reserve" should be replaced with "...Commission Act and Regulations"...
- 6) In Section 4.2 Agriculture (AG) it should be noted that on lands designated as ALR veterinary clinics and kennels require specific approval of the ALC through the application process. It may be best to simply state that "...land use in the ALR (which forms the majority of the AG land use designation) is subject to the ALC Act, Regulations and Orders of the ALC..."

With the above in mind, it would assist in focusing the ALC in its review of the upcoming proposed OCP update if you could highlight (both text and on mapping) where bylaw amendments are proposed which might affect the ALR.

Finally, please note that the lack of a specific response by the ALC with regard to the above pending plan/bylaw referral cannot in any way be construed as confirmation regarding the consistency of your proposed Bylaw with the ALC Act and/or Regulations.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Per: 

Frank Leonard, Chair

cc: Ministry of Ag – Regional Agrologist - Smithers

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural OCP Working Group – Meeting #1

5:00 pm, Tuesday February 27, 2018 at the Village of Fraser Lake office, 210 Carrier Crescent

MEETING NOTES

In attendance

- Dave Melo
- Colleen Defong
- Eileen Hutson
- Graham Stanley
- Gene Roshier
- Doris Ray
- Rod Holland, Village of Fraser Lake
- Shellie Gleave
- Doug Gordon, Northern Health
- Steve Lee
- Lynn Clark

Introductions

- Jason Llewellyn thanked everyone for attending, introduced himself, and asked others to introduce themselves.
- The RDBN Planning Department's role in the OCP review process, and the associated Village of Fraser Lake OCP Review process, was explained. The purpose of this meeting is to introduce the draft which has been prepared by staff to provide a starting point for the working group discussions. At the next meeting there will be more detailed discussions and maps will be brought out at a later date.

OCP Explained

- Maria Sandberg explained the mandate of an OCP and the legislative framework that the OCP works within. The brochure titled "What is an OCP?" was distributed.

The OCP Review Process

- The proposed OCP work plan was reviewed. Four to five working group meetings are estimated until a draft is ready to present to stakeholders, First Nations and the public. The public consultation is anticipated to be finished up by the end of summer, followed by the formal approval process.



- It was noted that the role of an OCP is to establish a community vision, and the land use and development related goals and policies to implement that vision.

Overview of the Draft OCP

- The draft OCP was distributed and Jason walked the working group through the draft briefly section by section.
 - Staff noted that the Section 2 - Plan vision and goals is arguably the most important section of the plan.
- There was general discussion about:
 - economic development and the value of attracting new residents with quality of life improvements as well as the significant potential for innovation in the area;
 - internet connectivity is a challenge;
 - the highway turnoff to the Stellaquo is dangerous;
 - there is no natural gas connections between Fort Fraser and Fraser Lake; and
 - opportunities to engage First Nations in the OCP review process.
- Working group members were asked to contact staff any time with any further thoughts on land use or planning issues that should be further researched.

OCP Survey

- The lack of survey results was noted. Working Group members were asked to help distribute the survey throughout the community.

Next Working Group Meeting

- It was agreed that members read over the draft plan until the next meeting.
- The next meeting date was set to Monday March 12, 2018 at 5:00 pm in the Village Chambers.

The meeting ended at 6:25 pm.



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural OCP Working Group – Meeting #2

5:00 pm, Tuesday March 12, 2018 at the Village of Fraser Lake office, 210 Carrier Crescent

MEETING NOTES

In attendance

- Ron Adair
- Dave Melo
- Gene Roshier
- Colleen DeLong
- Lynn Clark
- Steve Lee
- Eileen Hutson

Introductions

Jason Llewellyn thanked everyone for attending, and explained that the working group will work through the draft, then staff will make the changes in the document and the changes will be reviewed by the group at the following meeting.

Draft OCP review

- It was noted that the role of an OCP is to establish a community vision, and the land use and development related goals and policies to implement that vision.

There was discussion about:

- population statistics , agreement that there is a general undercount in the area;
- some changes will be required to the section about Nadleh, should mention new building, no more seasonal staff;
- section 2 containing the vision and goals has not been changed, working group will think it over and provide further input; if the community does not identify itself with a mine or sawmill but something else, rural communities competing against one another for workers that can live anywhere, what to do to attract new residents;
- Fort Fraser (FF) is affordable, but there is no health care and no ambulance, nothing for sale;
- positive that FF townhouses has two new tenants, much less expensive than Vanderhoof;

- housing stock in the region is not getting updated, the demand is not high enough, can't break even, builds a house, loose 10-30% for what you can sell it for. Also changing provincial rules regarding owner builder exams;
- need to further discuss what to do about several unsightly properties and lane ways in Fort Fraser;
- page 10, #4 could be worded better;
- the lots in the town-site are too small to develop property so what if there was a possibility of regulating that lots can only be developed if you have two lots side by side, while respecting procedural fairness;
- the extent of the building permit area and that it does not extend to east Francois Lake, residents feel that the only enforcement needed in that area is for sewage systems;
- the residents are pleased that the Francois Lake Road was hard surfaced but now people drive faster;
- remove #3 from 2.6.1, as it is no longer required;
- putting a road through from East Francois Lake to Burns Lake, however the disadvantages may outweigh the benefits;
- some properties along the highway in Fort Fraser should be re-designated from commercial to residential, look further into issue when looking at maps;
- clearcutting lots down to the shoreline, the ineffectiveness of the development permits, enforcement is difficult, peer pressure and public education works better.

Working group members were asked to contact staff any time with any further thoughts on land use or planning issues that should be further researched.

Next Working Group Meeting

- It was agreed that members keep reading over the draft plan until the next meeting.
- The next meeting date was set to Monday April 9, 2018 at 5:00 pm in the Village Chambers.

The meeting ended at 6:25 pm.

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural OCP Working Group – Meeting #3

5:00 pm, Tuesday April 9, 2018 at the Village of Fraser Lake office, 210 Carrier Crescent

MEETING NOTES

In attendance

- Steve Lee
- Gene Roshier
- Ron Adair
- Dave Melo
- Colleen DeLong
- Lynn Clark
- Adam Patrick, Stellaten First Nation
- Doug Gordon, Northern Health
- Mike Robertson, Cheslatta Carrier Nation

Introductions

Quick introduction of everybody as there was some new faces present. Jason Llewellyn thanked everyone for attending, and quickly reviewed the first part of the OCP that was covered in the second working group meeting. A new and amended draft will be handed out at the next meeting when changes have been done in the document and the group will review the changes at the following meeting.

Draft OCP review

Review started on page 14, Section 3.

There was discussion about:

- Enforcement and control of weeds on private lands and the establishment of the Northwest Invasive Plant Council, and CN's recalcitrance to contribute to weed control;
- Recreational marijuana sales once it is legal and where it should be accommodated.
- Page 22, #1 is missing;
- The provision of fire protection services and will bring a map of the FPA to next meeting;
- The trail to the extinct volcano close to Stellaten Reserve, band may not want it to be designated Park as it has cultural significance, will need to discuss further;
- Ensure that Petersen campsite has Park protection;

- Maybe some trails should have heritage status, such as the Cheslatta Wagon trail.
- The Endako church has possibly changed ownership
- Will start next meeting on page 356, section 4.4 Public Services & Utilities.

Working group members were asked to contact staff any time with any further thoughts on land use or planning issues that should be further researched.

Next Working Group Meeting

- It was agreed that members keep reading over the draft plan until the next meeting.
- The next meeting date was set to Monday April 30, 2018 at 5:00 pm in the Village Chambers.

The meeting ended at 6:25 pm.



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural OCP Working Group – Meeting #4

5:00 pm, Monday May 14, 2018 at the Village of Fraser Lake office, 210 Carrier Crescent

MEETING NOTES

In attendance

- Steve Lee
- Ron Adair
- Dave Melo
- Colleen DeLong
- Eileen Hutson

Draft OCP review

Review started on page 35, section 4.4. No further changes suggested.

Land use designation map was reviewed and discussed. No further changes suggested.

There was discussion about:

- Small lots in Fort Fraser and the issue of requiring two lots to develop, or a 20 foot setback to force the use.
- How to get flooding information out to the public, how many people use facebook.

This was the final working group meeting so no new date was set. Staff will work on a meeting in Fort Fraser in approximately a month to discuss the issues specific to that community and mapping.

The meeting ended at 6:25 pm.



**ENDAKO, FRASER LAKE AND FORT FRASER RURAL OFFICIAL
COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW NO. 1865, 2019**

**A BYLAW TO ADOPT AN OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN
FOR ELECTORAL AREA D WITHIN THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**

WHEREAS under section 472 of the *Local Government Act* the Board may adopt a community plan by bylaw;

AND WHEREAS the Board of the Regional District has deemed it advisable to replace "Endako, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1487, 2008" and adopt a new Official Community Plan for Electoral Area D as provided for in the *Local Government Act*;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako in open meeting assembled **HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS.**

1. Title

This Bylaw may be cited as "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1865, 2019".

2. Application

This Bylaw is applicable to Electoral Area "D" as outlined in Map No. 1 of Schedule "A" of this Bylaw.

3. Official Community Plan

Schedules "A," "B" and "C", which are attached to and form an integral part of the Bylaw are the Official Community Plan for the area to which this Bylaw applies.

4. Severability

If any schedule, section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or map of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Bylaw.

5. Repeal

"Endako, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1487, 2008" and all amendments thereto are repealed.

6. Readings and Adoption

READ A FIRST TIME this day of , 2019

READ A SECOND TIME this day of , 2019

PUBLIC HEARING HELD this day of , 2019

READ A THIRD TIME this day of , 2019

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of "Endako, Fraser Lake and Fort Fraser Rural Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1865, 2019".

DATED AT BURNS LAKE this day of

Corporate Administrator

ADOPTED this day of

Chairperson

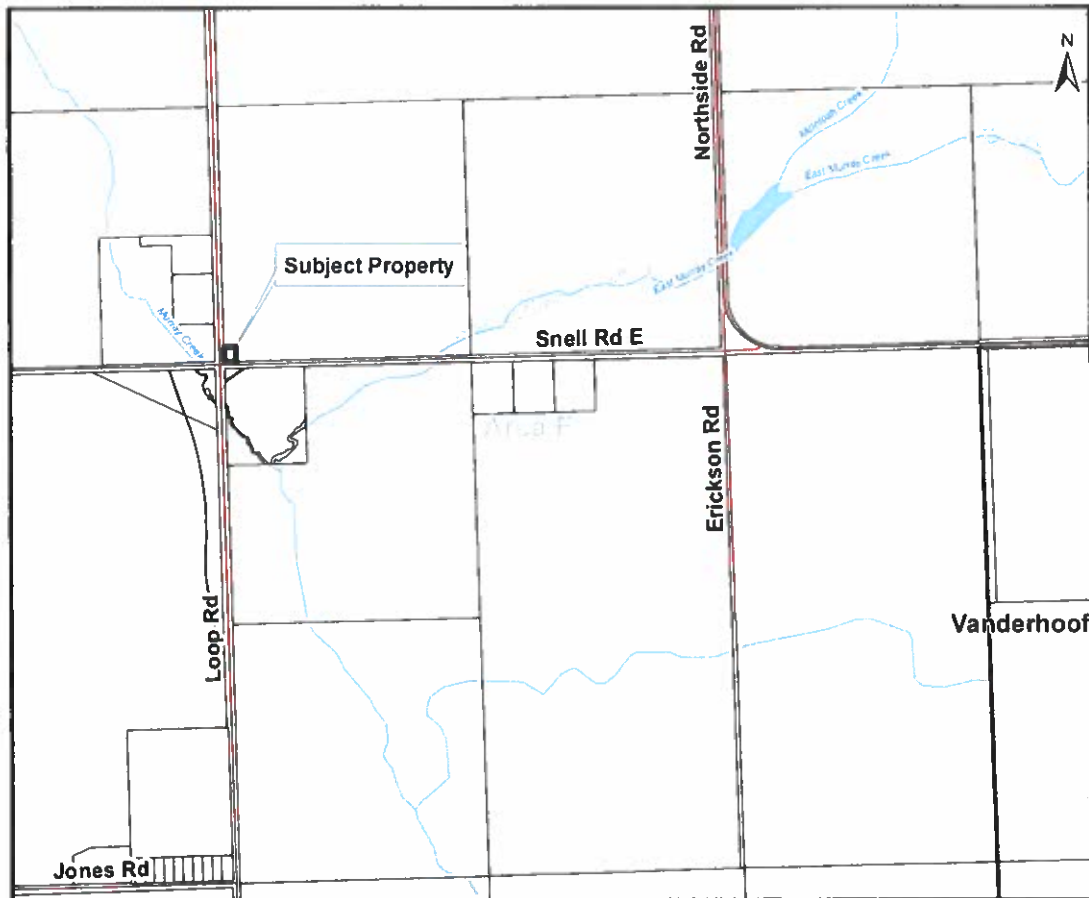
Corporate Administrator



Planning Department Report
Development Variance Permit Application F-01-19
March 26, 2019

APPLICATION SUMMARY

Name of Applicants:	Johannes and Joanne Alderliesten
Electoral Area:	F
Subject Property:	Block A, (Plan 1893) of Section 30, Township 11, Range 5, Coast District. The subject property is 2 ha (5 acres) in size.
OCP Designation:	Agriculture (AG) in the Vanderhoof Rural OCP Bylaw No. 1517, 2009.
Zoning:	Agricultural (Ag1) under RDBN Zoning Bylaw No. 700, 1993.
Existing Land Use:	Vacant
Location:	The subject property is located at 4100 Snell Road, 2 kilometers west of the District of Vanderhoof.



Proposal:

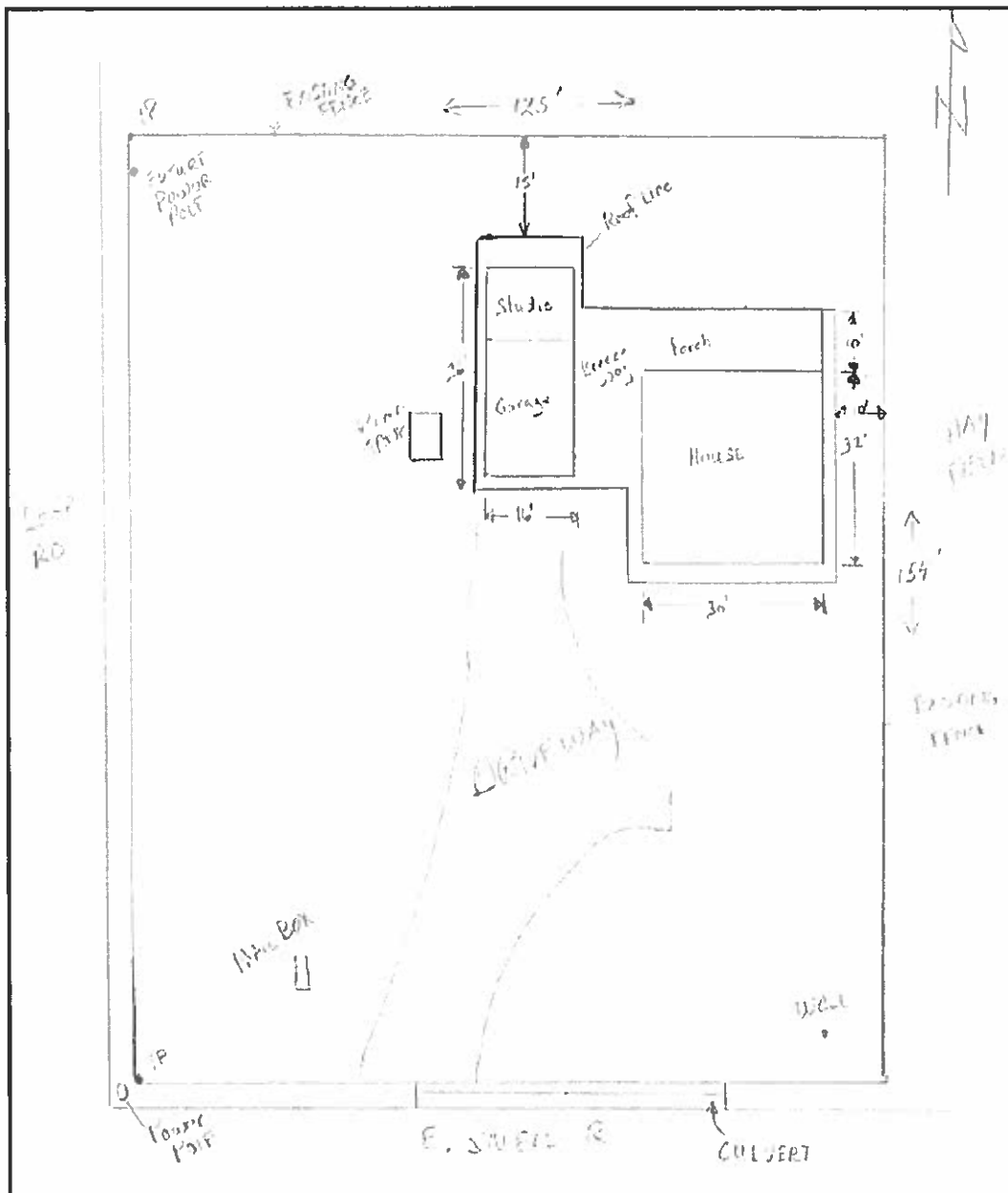
The applicants wish to build a residence and garage on the subject property.

The applicants wish to build the structure as proposed in the attached site plan to increase the setback from the roads and to improve site lines for the intersection. Therefore, they have made an application for a Development Variance Permit to vary Section 14.04 (1) of "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700, 1993" by:

- reducing the rear parcel line setback from 7.5 metres to 4.5 metres; and,
- reducing the eastern side parcel line setback from 7.5 metres to 3 metres

to allow for the construction of the proposed residence within the setback areas.

Site Plan



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PLANNING DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The RDBN Building Inspector has no Building Code related objections to the reduced setback.

The Planning Department believes that the proposed building site is reasonable and is not expected to have any notable impact on the area, including the lot to the north, which consists of a large hay field.

All property owners within 50 meters of the subject property have been provided notice of the application and will have an opportunity to comment on this application at the Board meeting on April 18, 2019 when the Board considers this application.

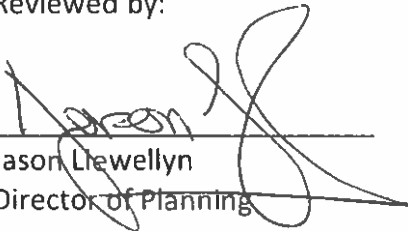
It is noted that Development Variance Permit F-01-19 requires that the construction be substantially completed within 2 years of the issuance of the permit.

Recommendation

That the Board approve Development Variance Permit F-01-19 for the property located at 4100 Snell Road to vary Section 14.04 (1) of "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700, 1993" to reduce the rear parcel line setback from 7.5 metres (24.61 ft.) to 4.5 metres (15 ft.) for the proposed residence developed in general compliance with Schedule A of the permit.

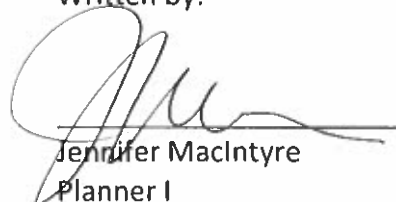
Electoral Area Planning – Participants/Directors/Majority

Reviewed by:



Jason Lewellyn
Director of Planning

Written by:



Jennifer MacIntyre
Planner I



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO
DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT NO. F-01-19**

ISSUED TO: Johannes and Joanne Alderliesten
PO Box 154
Vanderhoof, BC V0J 3A0

WITH RESPECT TO THE FOLLOWING LANDS:

Block A, (Plan 1893) of Section 30, Township 11, Range 5, Coast District

1. This Development Variance Permit varies Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700 as follows:

Section 14.04 (1) of "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700, 1993" is varied by:

- reducing the rear parcel line setback from 7.5 metres to 4.5 metres; and,
 - reducing the eastern side parcel line setback from 7.5 metres to 3 metres
- developed in general compliance with Schedule A.

2. This variance applies only to the structure shown on the plan attached as Schedule A, which forms part of this permit.
3. The lands shall be developed in accordance with the terms and provisions of this permit and the plans and specifications attached hereto as Schedule A, which forms part of this permit.
4. This permit is not a building permit, nor does it relieve the owner or occupier from compliance with all other bylaws of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako applicable thereto, except as specifically varied or supplemented by this permit.
5. If a building permit for the development that is the subject of this permit has not been issued, and the construction substantially commenced within 2 years after the date of this permit's issuance, this permit shall lapse.

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION passed by the Regional District Board this ___ day of _____, 2019

PERMIT ISSUED on the ___ day of _____, _____.

Corporate Administrator



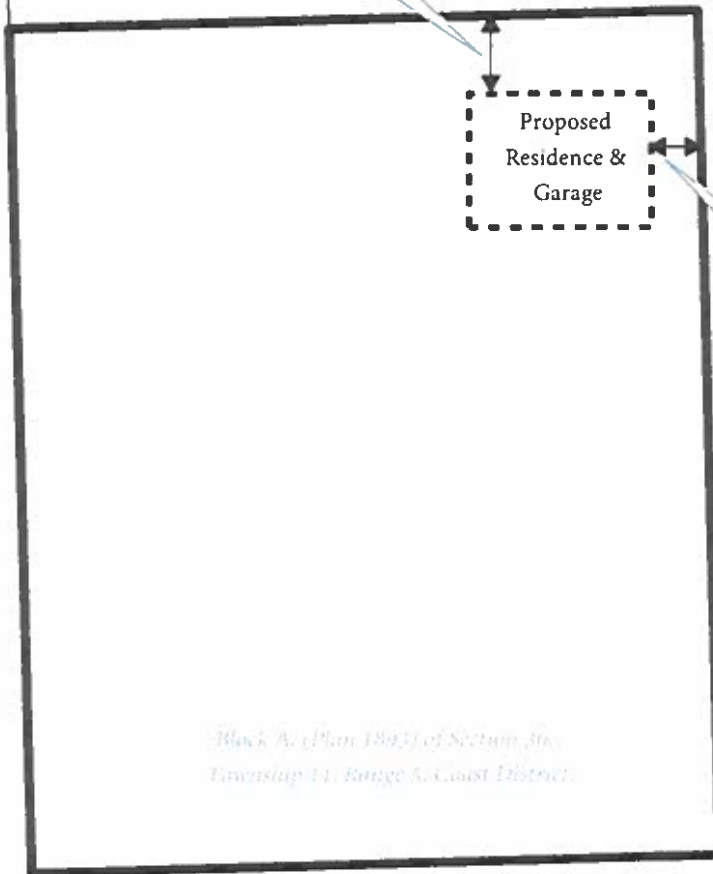
Schedule A: DVP F-01-19

Legend



Loop Rd

Rear Parcel Line Setback
varied from
7.5 metres to 4.5 metres





Proposed
Residence &
Garage

Side Parcel Line Setback
varied from
7.5 metres to 3 metres

*Block A (Plan B93) of Section 36,
Township 11, Range 6, Coast District*

Snell Rd E

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-  Secondary Road
-  Subject Property
-  Cadastre

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To Jennifer, RBDN

From John Alderliesten

March 17, 2019

Re Variance for 4100 E Snell Rd

Resubmitting a plot plan for the Variance application:


Please accept this application for a variance, along with the plot plan that shows one dwelling unit for this parcel, which includes a garage and studio.

This parcel has roads bordering the west and south, and hayfields to the east and north.

I am requesting a variance to allow the roof line to be 15 ft. from the north boundary instead of 25 ft.

This is to allow the house to be further from the roads, as this is in a non residential area. It will also improve the site lines for the intersection.

Sincerely, John Alderliesten

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Alderliesten", written over a faint, light-colored signature or stamp.



MEMORANDUM

To: Cheryl Anderson, Chief Administrative Officer
To: Regional District Board
From: Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning
Steve Davis, Building Inspector
Date: April 8, 2019
Re: Section 57 Notice on Title – Lot 2, Plan BCP34928, District Lot 1423,
Cariboo Land District (2294 Meier Rd)
Electoral Area F

INTRODUCTION:

There has been construction of 3 buildings, including 2 residences and 1 accessory building, without the benefit of the required building permit or inspections at Lot 2, Plan BCP34928, District Lot 1423, Cariboo Land District (2294 Meier Rd)

This report is recommending that the Regional District Board pass the attached resolution under Section 57 of the *Community Charter* instructing the Corporate Officer to file a notice in the Land Title Office on title of the subject property.



DISCUSSION:

The following is a summary of the situation.

March 18, 2016 – Building Inspectors became aware that 2 dwellings and an accessory building were being constructed without a required building permit, therefore a Stop Work Order was placed at the subject property pursuant to Building Bylaw No.1634, 2012.



April 11, 2016 – A Building Permit application was received. Several items were missing, including the permit fee, foundation plans, engineer's review of the previously built and concealed areas, and the Owner Builder certification from the Homeowner Protection Office of BC Housing.

April 28, 2016 – a site visit by a Building Inspector was conducted to review the current construction and attempt to get more of the information required for the building permit application. The requirements for the application were reviewed with the homeowner.

November 28, 2017 – A Stop Work Order reminder letter was mailed to the property owners after additional unpermitted construction continued on the property. No response was received.

November 26, 2018 – Another letter was mailed to the property owners as construction continued without the required building permit. An email response from one of the property owners was received indicating a desire to meet with a Building Inspector. Repeated attempts were made to call the supplied phone number, which were unsuccessful. Messages were left at the supplied number.

January 30, 2019 – An email was received from one of the property owners stating that no further communication should be expected until a personal matter was resolved. A reply email was sent by a Building Inspector asking that action be taken to obtain a building permit by March 1, 2019. No response was ever received.

NOTICE ON TITLE

"Regional District of Bulkley Nechako Building Bylaw 1634, 2012" states that:

- 6.1 No person shall commence or continue any work related to the construction, erection, replacement, reconstruction, alteration, repair, moving or demolition, of a building or change the occupancy of any building or structure unless a valid and subsisting building permit has been issued by a building official for the work.*
- 6.4. No person shall occupy or use any building, structure or part thereof without an occupancy permit issued by a building official.*
- 6.5. No person shall occupy or use a building, structure or part thereof contrary to the terms of any building permit, notice, order or certificate issued under this bylaw.*

Under section 57 of the *Community Charter*, which applies to regional districts, the Regional District Board may direct the Corporate Officer to file a notice on title of a property that serves to inform any interested persons that there are certain issues with a structure (or structures) on the property.

The *Community Charter* requires the following with respect to the filing of a notice on title:

- The Building Inspector for the Regional District must provide a recommendation in writing to the Corporate Officer that the Regional District Board consider a resolution directing the Corporate Officer to file a notice in the land title office stating that a resolution relating to the non compliance of the property to the BC Building Code and the Regional District's Building Bylaw has been made, and further information about it may be inspected at the Regional District offices. This report serves as the written recommendation from the Building Inspector to the Corporate Officer.
- The Corporate Officer must give notice to the registered owner of the land to which the recommendation relates that the Board will be considering a recommendation that notice be placed on title pursuant to Section 57 of the *Community Charter*, and subsequently place the matter before the

Regional District Board for consideration. This notice has been given to the property owner.

- Once the Regional District Board has provided the Building Inspector and the owner with an opportunity to be heard, the Board may confirm the recommendations of the Building Inspector and pass a resolution directing the Corporate Officer to file a notice in the land title office.
- The RDBN must then ensure that all public records relating to the resolution and the reason for the resolution are available for public view.

If the Building Inspector provides the Corporate Officer with a report that the reason for the filing of notice on title is rectified, the Corporate Officer must file a cancellation notice and, on receiving the notice, the Registrar of Land Titles must cancel the notice against the title.

PROPERTY OWNER REPRESENTATIONS:

Prior to the Regional District Board's consideration of the below recommendations this agenda item should be announced to the gallery, and the Chair should ask if the property owners, or persons with an interest in the property, are present and wish to make representations.

Recommendation

That the Regional District Board:

1. Announce the agenda item to the gallery, ask if the property owners, or persons with an interest in the property are present and wish to make representations, and allow any representations to be made;
2. Amend the wording of Section 3 of the attached resolution to confirm if the property owner attended the Board meeting and if the property owner or others provided submissions to the Board;
3. Confirm the recommendations of the Building Inspector and pass the attached resolution directing the Corporate Officer to file a notice in the Land Title Office for the property at 2294 Meier Road.

All / Directors / Majority

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Respectfully Submitted,



Jason Lewellyn,
Director of Planning



Steve Davis,
Building Inspector

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**RESOLUTION
REGARDING NOTICE ON TITLE**

WHEREAS:

1. The Building Inspector has submitted to this Board a report dated April 8th, 2019 (the "Report") regarding the building situated Lot 2, Plan BCP34928, District Lot 1423, Cariboo Land District (2294 Meier Rd), PID 027-395-618 (the "Land") and that:
 - a. he discovered that construction was made to buildings on the Land without a permit required under *Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Building Bylaw No. 1634, 2012*, section 6.1;
2. The Building Inspector has requested that the Board confirm his recommendations and pass a resolution directing the Corporate Officer to file a notice on title to the Land Title Office under Section 57 of the Community Charter; and
3. The Corporate Officer notified (Donna Revet and Joseph Hewitt), the registered owners of the Land in accordance with section 57 of the *Community Charter* and the owner *[attended, did not attend]* this meeting, and the Regional District Board received submissions from the Building Inspector *[and the owner] [and other interested parties, namely]*;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Report and the recommendations of the Building Inspector are accepted and confirmed by this Board, and;
2. The Corporate Officer shall file a notice in the Land Title Office stating that a Resolution has been passed under section 57 of the *Community Charter* by this Board relating to land legally described as Lot 2, Plan BCP34928, District Lot 1423, Cariboo Land District (2294 Meier Rd) and that further information respecting the resolution may be inspected at the offices of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako at 37 3rd Avenue, Burns Lake, BC, during office hours from 8:30 to 4:30.



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 BURNS LAKE, BC
 V0J 1E0

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BULKLEY-NECHAKO
 "A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN OUR REGION"

March 18, 2016

Donna Simone Revet and
 Joseph William Hewitt
 2294 Meier Rd
 Vanderhoof, BC
 V0J 3A2

ATTENTION: REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO BUILDING BYLAW NO. 1634, 2012, CONTRAVENTION ON LOT 2, DISTRICT LOT 1423, COAST DISTRICT, PLAN BCP34928, 2294 MEIER RD


It has come to our attention that the developments on the above noted property are in contravention of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Building Bylaw No. 1634, 2012. Specifically, the items in contravention are:

- 1) Construction of an accessory building without the benefit of required building permit; and
- 2) Construction of 2 dwellings without the benefit of required building permits.

The Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako has placed a **STOP WORK ORDER** on the above noted structures as per Building Bylaw No. 1634, 2012, Section 19 (enclosed). The Building Inspector shall not remove the stop work order until supplied with satisfactory evidence that the violation giving rise to the order has been corrected, or a proposal for correction of the violation is approved by the Building Inspector. If a building permit is not obtained within 30 days further action will be taken.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Yours truly,


 Jason Berlin,
 Chief Building Inspector.

copy: Jerry Peterson – Rural Director Electoral Area 'F',
 Gail Chapman – C.A.O.,
 Jason Llewellyn – Director of Planning.



MUNICIPALITIES:

SMITHERS FORT ST. JAMES
 VANDERHOOF FRASER LAKE
 HOUSTON TELKWA
 BURNS LAKE GRANVILLE

ELECTORAL AREAS:

A - SMITHERS RURAL E - FRANCOIS/OOTSALA LAKE RURAL
 B - BURNS LAKE RURAL F - VANDERHOOF RURAL
 C - FORT ST. JAMES RURAL G - HOUSTON RURAL
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REGIONAL DISTRICT
OF BULKLEY & NECHAKO

"A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN OUR REGION"

November 28, 2017

Joseph Hewitt
2294 Meier road
Vanderhoof BC
VOJ 3A3

ATTENTION:
REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO BUILDING BYLAW NO. 1634, 2012, CONTRAVENTION ON LOT 2 District Lot 1423, PlanBCP34928, 2294 Meier Road

Dear Mr. Hewitt,

The Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako has placed a **STOP WORK ORDER** on the new structures at the above address, as per Building Bylaw No. 1634, 2012, Section 19. See attached Letter dated March 18/ 2016. Due to the lack of response on your part in contacting our office for the necessary building permits as requested and more unauthorized construction, further action will now be necessary. In order to avoid this action, please contact our office immediately.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter. I look forward to hearing from you.
Please contact the undersigned at steve.buhr@rdbn.bc.ca or at 250-25101971 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Yours truly,

Steve Buhr
Building Inspector/ Bylaw Enforcement Officer

copy: Jerry Petersen – Rural Director Electoral Area 'F';
Jason Llewellyn – Director of Planning.

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BULKLEY-NECHAKO
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November 26, 2018

Joseph Hewitt
2294 Meier road
Vanderhoof BC
VOJ 3A3

ATTENTION:
REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO BUILDING BYLAW NO. 1634, 2012, CONTRAVENTION ON LOT 2 District Lot 1423, Plan BCP34928, 2294 Meier Road

Dear Mr. Hewitt,

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Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter. I look forward to hearing from you. Please contact the undersigned at steve.davis@rdbn.bc.ca or at 250-251-1071 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Yours truly,

Steve Davis
Building Inspector/ Bylaw Enforcement Officer

copy: Jerry Petersen - Rural Director Electoral Area 'F'
Jason Llewellyn - Director of Planning

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Steve Davis

From: Steve Davis
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 2:12 PM
To: 'donna revet'
Subject: RE: 2294 Meier Rd Stop Work Order

Dear Donna,

However, as mentioned in the Stop Work Order letter dated November 26, 2018, the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako has been waiting for a response about the unpermitted buildings on your property at 2294 Meier Rd since March 2016. More than 2 years of time to submit a completed permit application should be more than sufficient. I will expect to hear back from you or Joseph by March 1, 2019 with the required permit applications or I will move forward with the Notice on Title.

Sincerely,

Steve Davis, Building Inspector
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
PO Box 820 Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0
Tollfree: 1-800-320-3339
Phone: 250-692-3195
Fax: 250-692-1220

From: Steve Davis
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 1:22 PM
To: Steve Davis <steve.davis@rdbn.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: 2294 Meier Rd Stop Work Order

Hello Steve, I have many
questions for you about these permits, starting with what indemnify means to you. I will contact you when I've finished my business. sincerely Donna Hewitt.

From: Steve Davis <steve.davis@rdbn.bc.ca>
Sent: January 10, 2019 1:23 PM
To: donna revet
Subject: RE: 2294 Meier Rd Stop Work Order

Hello Joseph,
I have tried the phone number you gave me numerous times and left many messages, but have not heard back from you. I need to hear from you soon or I may have to proceed to the next step, which may include filing notice on title. Please call the office at 250-692-3195 or my cell at 250-251-1071.
I look forward to hearing from you.

Steve Davis, Building Inspector
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
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Building Inspector's Report For March 2019

1. Building Permit Summary for the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

There were 6 building permit applications submitted this reporting period. The fees collected this reporting period amount to \$3,163.21, with a total construction value of \$518,834. There have been 13 permits issued to date in 2019.

2. Building Permit Summary for the Village of Burns Lake

There was 1 building permit application submitted this reporting period, with a total construction value of \$635,000.00. There have been 3 permits issued to date in 2019.

3. Building Permit Summary for the Village of Fraser Lake

There were 2 building permit applications submitted this reporting period, with a total construction value of \$3,000.00. There have been 4 permits issued to date in 2019.

4. Building Permit Summary for the Village of Granisle

There were no building permit applications submitted this reporting period. There have been 2 permits issued to date in 2019.

5. Building Permit Summary for the District of Fort St. James

There were 2 building permit applications submitted this reporting period, with a total construction value of \$2,212,930.68. There have been 4 permits issued to date in 2019.

6. Building Permit Summary for the Village of Telkwa

There were no building permit applications submitted this reporting period. There has been 2 permits issued to date in 2019.

7. Building Permit Summary for the District of Houston

There were no building permit applications submitted this reporting period. There have been 0 permits issued to date in 2019.

Reviewed by:


Jason Llewellyn

Written by:


Steve Davis



City of Port Moody

Report/Recommendation to Council

Date: February 26, 2019 File No. 01-0360-20-55-00
Submitted by: Climate Action Committee
Subject: Union of BC Municipalities Resolution – Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings

Purpose / Introduction

To bring forward a Union of British Columbia Municipalities resolution regarding greenhouse gas limits for new buildings and seek Council endorsement to advance the resolution to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) for consideration, as recommended by the Climate Action Committee.

Recommended Resolutions

THAT the following resolution regarding Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings be submitted to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association, for subsequent submission to the Union of BC Municipalities, as recommended in the report dated February 26, 2019 from the Climate Action Committee regarding Union of BC Municipalities Resolution – Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings:

WHEREAS climate change is recognized to be an urgent concern requiring rapid decarbonization of energy across all sectors, including buildings, in order to achieve 45% GHG emissions reductions by 2030 and net-zero GHG emissions by mid-century, as noted by the IPCC Special Report on 1.5C;

AND WHEREAS the British Columbia Energy Step Code establishes targets for increasing energy efficiency of new construction, but these may not result in the necessary levels of GHG emissions reductions to support local government GHG reduction targets nor BC's legislated GHG emissions reduction targets;

AND WHEREAS new buildings can last for many decades and are difficult, expensive, and disruptive to retrofit for renewable energy after construction;

AND WHEREAS near-zero GHG emissions mechanical systems are well proven and can be cost-effectively incorporated in new buildings, while also improving efficiency;

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Union of BC Municipalities Resolution – Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings

February 26, 2019

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province include GHG limits for new construction as an enforceable element in Division B of the British Columbia Building Code, including a pathway to achieve zero GHG emissions for new construction in a timeline commensurate with the science of climate change and BC's reduction targets;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Province's goal in the CleanBC Plan to "make every new building constructed in BC "net-zero energy ready" by 2032" be revised to "make every new building constructed in BC "zero emissions" and "net-zero energy ready" by 2032";

AND THAT a request be sent to local governments in British Columbia for staff to advise their Councils to support the City of Port Moody's forthcoming resolution "Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings" at the Lower Mainland Local Government Association conference on May 8-10, 2019 and the Union of BC Municipalities conference on September 23-27, 2019.

Executive Summary

The Province of British Columbia (BC) has committed to reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by at least 40% below 2007 levels by 2030, 60% by 2040, and 80% by 2050. In BC, most GHG emissions come from creating and using energy. Major energy-related sources of GHG emissions include transportation, such as driving cars, and stationary combustion sources, such as heating buildings.

New buildings can last for many decades and are difficult, expensive, and disruptive to retrofit for renewable low-carbon energy solutions after construction. The sooner new buildings achieve near zero emissions, the fewer buildings there will be that require costly and challenging deep energy retrofits to achieve GHG reduction targets.

While the BC Energy Step Code establishes a provincial framework for reducing energy use in new buildings, it does not explicitly address GHG emissions from buildings. As buildings represent up to half of GHG emissions at the community level, there is a need to develop an effective policy framework to achieve emissions reductions.

The Climate Action Committee recommends advancing a resolution to the LMLGA and subsequently to the UBCM, calling on the Province to mandate GHG limits for new buildings as an enforceable element of Division B of the British Columbia Building Code (BCBC). The resolution also asks that the provincial goal in the CleanBC Plan "to make every new building constructed in BC net-zero energy ready by 2032" be revised to "make every new building constructed in BC net-zero energy ready and zero emissions by 2032".

As the proposed resolution will support other BC communities in achieving GHG emissions reductions, the Climate Action Committee further recommends that local government staff in BC be requested to advise their Councils to support the City of Port Moody's forthcoming resolution

Report/Recommendation to Council

Union of BC Municipalities Resolution – Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings
February 26, 2019

"Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings" at the LMLGA May 8-10, 2019 and UBCM
September 23-27, 2019 conferences.

Background

At the February 25, 2019 Climate Action Committee meeting, staff provided a presentation on the BC Energy Step Code (Step Code), including an overview of GHG emissions modelling in relation to the Step Code, how greenhouse gas intensity (GHGI) is calculated, the reasoning for focusing on GHGs in new buildings, and introduced the proposed UBCM resolution (**Attachment 1**).

After the staff presentation, the Climate Action Committee passed a resolution in support of the proposed UBCM resolution and seeking support from other municipalities. This resolution is included as the recommended resolution in this report.

Discussion

Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Emissions

In October of 2018, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) published a special report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5°C¹ above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways. The report states that human activities are estimated to have caused approximately 1.0°C of global warming above pre-industrial levels and that global warming is likely to reach 1.5°C between 2030 and 2052 if it continues to increase at the current rate. Global warming reflecting current nationally stated mitigation goals until 2030 is estimated to result in global warming of about 3°C by 2100, with warming continuing afterwards due to past and ongoing emissions.

Impacts on natural and human systems from global warming have already been observed as many land and ocean ecosystems and some of the services they provide have already changed due to global warming. In addition, climate-related risks to health, livelihoods, food security, water supply, and economic growth are projected to increase with global warming of 1.5°C and increase further with 2°C and 3°C (**Attachment 2**).

Warming from anthropogenic emissions from the pre-industrial period to the present will persist for centuries to millennia and will continue to cause further long-term changes in the climate system, such as sea level rise. The IPCC special report states that reaching and sustaining net zero global anthropogenic CO₂ emissions is necessary to halt anthropogenic global warming on multi-decadal time scales.

The IPCC advises that pathways limiting global warming to 1.5°C would require rapid and far-reaching transitions in energy, land, urban, and infrastructure, including transportation and buildings, and industrial systems in order to achieve 45% GHG emissions reductions by 2030 and net-zero GHG emissions by mid-century.

¹ https://www.ipcc.ch/site/assets/uploads/sites/2/2018/07/SR15_SPM_version_stand_alone_LR.pdf

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Union of BC Municipalities Resolution – Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings
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Provincial Goals

The Province has committed to reducing GHG emissions by at least 40% below 2007 levels by 2030, 60% by 2040, and 80% by 2050. In BC, most GHG emissions come from creating and using energy. Major energy-related sources of GHG emissions include transportation, such as driving cars, and stationary combustion sources, such as heating buildings.

Building-related emissions account for almost half of community GHG emissions in most of B.C. As such, reducing building-related emissions can have a significant impact on meeting provincial and community GHG emissions reduction targets.

New buildings can last for many decades and are difficult, expensive, and disruptive to retrofit for renewable low-carbon energy solutions after construction. The sooner new buildings achieve near zero emissions, the fewer buildings there will be that require costly and challenging deep energy retrofits to achieve GHG reduction targets. Low-carbon mechanical systems that provide space heating, cooling, and domestic hot water heating are available in the market today for all of BC's climate and building needs. Most low-carbon energy systems can be cost-effectively incorporated into new buildings.

The BC Energy Step Code

The BC Energy Step Code was introduced in April 2017 as a voluntary energy-efficiency standard in the *British Columbia Building Code (BCBC)*. As an optional compliance path within the *BCBC*, any builder can choose to build to the requirements of the Step Code, and local governments can implement bylaws or policies that require compliance with the Step Code. To comply, builders must use energy modelling software and on-site testing to demonstrate that both their design and the constructed building meet the energy efficiency requirements of the Step Code. The Step Code establishes targets for increasing energy efficiency of new construction, but does not explicitly address GHG emissions.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions in BC Buildings

Rapidly reducing GHG emissions is an important objective for BC and local governments to reach GHG emission reduction targets consistent with the science of climate change. While Step Code establishes a framework for reducing energy use in new buildings, it does not explicitly address GHG emissions from buildings.

There are many examples of buildings constructed throughout the region using a variety of low-carbon heating and cooling systems. These include air source heat pumps, ground source heat pumps, waste heat recovery systems, biomass systems, and solar collectors. There are multiple options for most building types including single-family, multi-family and commercial buildings, including building-scale and district energy systems. These systems are cost-competitive with more carbon-intensive systems, and can be reliably designed, installed, and operated.

The City of Vancouver has requirements to limit GHG emissions in new buildings, and a number of other local governments have introduced Step Code policies that include a low-carbon energy system option with a lower step (including Surrey, Richmond, Burnaby, New Westminster, and

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the Township of Langley), while others are considering a similar approach. This low-carbon system "option" approach may result in more low-carbon buildings, but GHG reduction is not guaranteed, and a more rigorous and standardized approach is needed.

In order to better understand the relationship between energy efficiency performance and GHG emissions, as well as policy options, the Provincial Ministry of Housing and Affairs is commissioning a study to explore the range of possible GHG emission reductions in new buildings at each step of the Step Code in relation to common and/or emerging energy systems in buildings, and to provide policy options on how to optimize GHG emission reductions from new buildings.

CleanBC Plan

CleanBC, released in December 2018, outlines the Province's plan for a more prosperous, balanced, and sustainable future. CleanBC includes a target for GHG reduction for buildings of 40% by 2030, and notes the need for further electrification of buildings and support of low-carbon approaches. The CleanBC plan also recognizes the benefits of living and working in greener buildings, like greater comfort, lower energy use, and better air quality – both indoors and in communities. The plan establishes a goal to make every new building constructed in BC net-zero energy ready by 2032.

However, CleanBC does not specifically outline a policy pathway to achieve the 40% target, nor state a long-term goal of zero-carbon buildings. Therefore, policies and regulations that achieve GHG reduction as well as energy efficiency are consistent with both provincial and local government interests.

Encouraging Zero-Carbon Buildings

Although population growth in Port Moody has been moderate in the past, the number of development applications has increased with the addition of the Evergreen Line extension in recent years, making Port Moody an attractive and accessible location. With minimal opportunity for new development, redevelopment has become the focus. As redevelopment in Port Moody continues to grow, an opportunity exists to reduce community GHG emissions by ensuring replacement buildings are equipped with low-carbon solutions.

There is no current governing plan or policy that outlines Port Moody's targets or commitments to building-related emissions reduction. Local governments in BC are required through the *Green Communities Statutes Amendment Act (Bill 27)* to include targets, policies, and actions for the reduction of GHG emissions in their Official Community Plans (OCP). Both the OCP and the Master Transportation Plan (MTP) refer to a community emissions database that is outdated, as well as an interim GHG reduction target of 10% below 2007 levels by 2017, that is past due.

The City has identified a number of climate action goals and initiatives in the OCP that signal Council's commitment to a low-carbon building stock, outlined in **Attachment 3**.

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Port Moody continues to show support for zero-carbon buildings by encouraging and prioritizing low-carbon development applications using the Sustainability Report Card, exploring early adoption of the Step Code, and leading by example through investments in energy efficient upgrades to civic facilities.

Clear direction and leadership in climate policy will strengthen Port Moody's local green economy, and contribute to reaching climate change goals.

Next Steps

The Climate Action Committee is recommending to advance a resolution to the LMLGA and subsequently to UBCM, calling on the Province to mandate GHG limits for new buildings as an enforceable element of Division B of the *British Columbia Building Code*. The resolution also asks that the provincial goal in the CleanBC Plan "to make every new building constructed in BC net-zero energy ready by 2032" be revised to "make every new building constructed in BC net-zero energy ready and zero emissions by 2032".

As the proposed resolution will support other BC communities in achieving GHG emissions reductions, the Climate Action Committee recommends that local government staff in BC be requested to advise their Councils to support the City of Port Moody's forthcoming resolution "Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings" at upcoming 2019 LMLGA and UBCM conferences.

Other Options

THAT the report dated February 26, 2019 from the Climate Action Committee regarding Union of BC Municipalities Resolution – Greenhouse Gas Limits for New Buildings be received for information.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the recommendations in this report.

Communications and Civic Engagement

No communications or civic engagement initiatives are required by the recommendations in this report.

Council Strategic Plan Objectives

Advancing the UBCM resolution regarding GHG limits in new buildings is consistent with the strategic outcomes in the areas of Community Planning and Preserving the Environment identified in the 2015-2018 Council Strategic Plan.

Attachments:

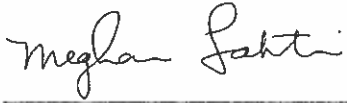
1. UBCM Resolution Regarding GHG Limits in New Buildings.
2. Global Warming Impacts Based on the IPCC Special Report.
3. OCP Policies to Support Zero-Emission New Buildings.

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Prepared by:



Councillor Meghan Lahti
Chair

UBCM Resolution

**Greenhouse Gas (GHG) limits in the
British Columbia Building Code**

City of Port Moody

WHEREAS climate change is recognized to be an urgent concern requiring rapid decarbonization of energy across all sectors, including buildings, in order to achieve 45% GHG emissions reductions by 2030 and net-zero GHG emissions by mid-century, as noted by the IPCC Special Report on 1.5C;

AND WHEREAS the *British Columbia Energy Step Code* establishes targets for increasing energy efficiency of new construction, but these may not result in the necessary levels of GHG emissions reductions to support local government GHG reduction targets nor BC's legislated GHG emissions reduction targets;

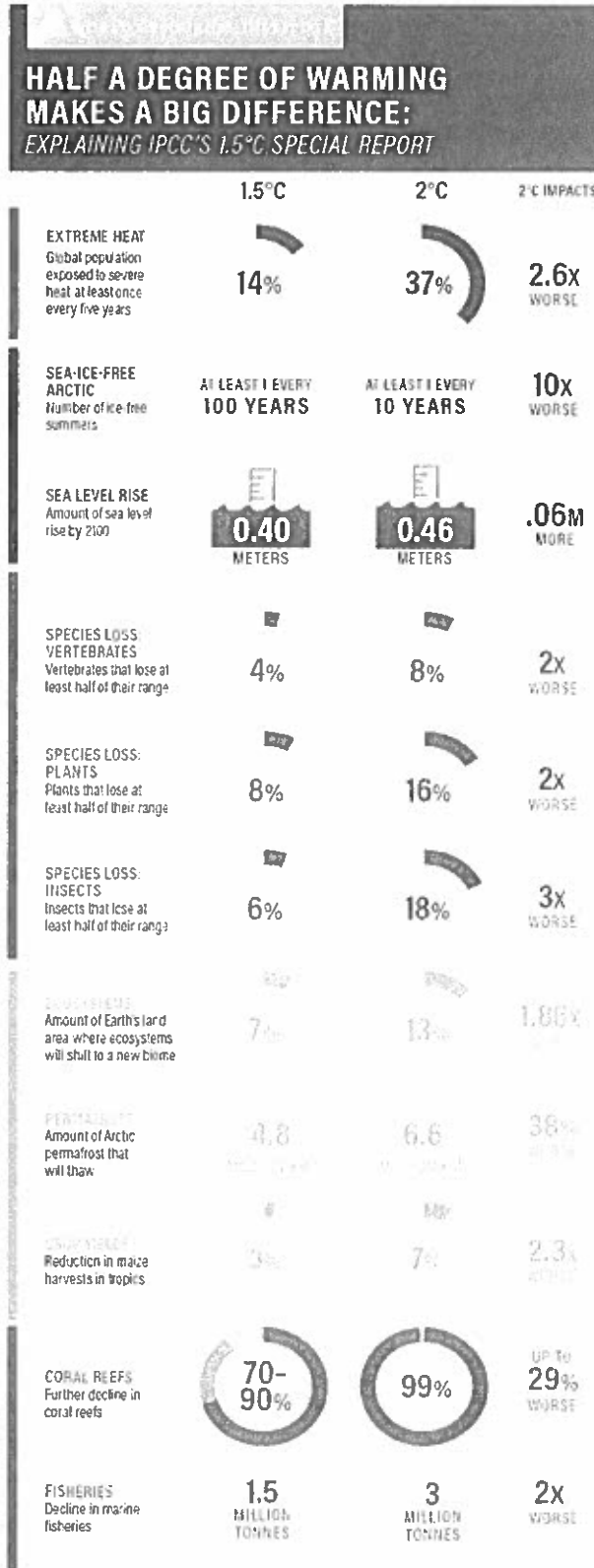
AND WHEREAS new buildings can last for many decades and are difficult, expensive, and disruptive to retrofit for renewable energy after construction;

AND WHEREAS near-zero GHG emissions mechanical systems are well proven and can be cost-effectively incorporated in new buildings, while also improving efficiency;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province include GHG limits for new construction as an enforceable element in Division B of the British Columbia Building Code, including a pathway to achieve zero GHG emissions for new construction in a timeline commensurate with the science of climate change and BC's reduction targets;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Province's goal in the CleanBC Plan to "make every new building constructed in BC "net-zero energy ready" by 2032" be revised to "make every new building constructed in BC "zero emissions" and "net-zero energy ready" by 2032".

Attachment 2 – Global Warming Impacts based on the IPCC Special Report



Attachment 3 – OCP Policies to Support Zero-Emission New BuildingsChapter 5 – Sustainable Resource Use and Climate Change Response

3. The City will develop a Community-wide Sustainable Building Policy to encourage the renovation of existing buildings and the creation of new development that meets a high standard of sustainable building performance with features that may include but are not limited to:

- (d) Passive building systems;
- (e) Energy efficiency technology;
- (f) On-site renewable energy technology;
- (g) District renewable energy systems;

5. The City will develop, implement and regularly update a community GHG and energy management plan as a means to plan for an energy-wise and low-carbon future where energy demand is reduced and needs are met through sustainable practices through the community and by sustainable energy systems (e.g., renewable, affordable, reliant, efficient, etc.).

10. The City will encourage the planning, design and construction of efficient neighbourhoods and buildings to minimize resource consumption, increase use of renewable resources, increase alternative modes of transportation, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and prepare for climate change.

11. The City will encourage local low carbon energy systems, including district energy, as part of larger developments and within areas expected to experience significant redevelopment.

12. The City will encourage sustainable project development by applying the Sustainability Checklist, including energy considerations, to assess the relative strengths of a development proposal from a sustainability perspective and encourage the most sustainable project possible.

14. To encourage strong energy performance, the City will consider incentives for developers including variances, density bonusing, modified/alternative development standards or other appropriate mechanisms available under the Local Government Act.

15. The City will work to provide information to local developers, builders and homeowners about energy efficient building practices and available incentives and funding programs.

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Memorandum

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
From: Jason Blackwell (Regional Fire Chief)
Date: April 6, 2019
Regarding: Road Rescue and Medical Response in the RDBN

PURPOSE:

To provide the Board with information regarding response to road rescue and medical response specific to each fire department, and recommendations moving forward.

ROAD RESCUE

Background

Emergency Management British Columbia (EMBC) currently issues task numbers and reimbursement at a rate of \$330.00/hour for fire departments that provide "out of jurisdiction response" for road rescue services. An "out of jurisdictional response" is defined as:

"The service is outside the established Municipal and/or fire protection area and is not covered under a contract, mutual aid agreement, automatic aid agreement, or extended service bylaw."

In late 2017 EMBC conducted a review of the RDBN's fire service bylaws and service agreements. It was determined that some departments had specific bylaws that spoke directly to road rescue services. The RDBN was informed that EMBC task numbers would no longer be issued to any fire department in the RDBN that had a Road Rescue Bylaw. This decision has a negative financial impact on each effected department, as they are no longer eligible for reimbursement, the bylaws do not provide a significant amount of funding, and there is no appeal process for decisions made by EMBC.

Road rescue is not a responsibility of local government. It appears that the intent in creating road rescue related bylaws was to assist fire departments in their efforts to support the RCMP and BC Ambulance Service. The intent was not to take responsibility for road rescue. The amount of money raised through taxation is small and is not adequate to cover the cost associated with providing the service.

The RDBN has, as a good will gesture, agreed to assist local fire departments by making limited financial contributions to help support their road rescue efforts. Unfortunately, this has resulted in the Province reducing their support for local fire departments providing this service.

In 2018 the Board directed staff to submit a resolution to UBCM regarding the governance and funding of road rescue services in the Province. This issue was discussed at the UBCM convention in September 2018 with M.L.A Jennifer Rice who is the Parliamentary Secretary for Emergency Preparedness. Through correspondence Ms. Rice has stated that she appreciated our concerns and challenges, and that they are currently working with the Fire Chiefs Association of British Columbia to develop a sustainable funding and governance model for road rescue.

Staff anticipate that the Fire Chief's Association will recommend to the Province that minimum training standards be developed for road rescue, and that the reimbursement at a rate of \$330.00/hour be notably increased.

In February 2018 the District of Vanderhoof requested that "Area F Emergency Extrication Contribution Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1113, 1999" be rescinded. The District of Vanderhoof Fire Department are now eligible to receive EMBC task numbers and reimbursement for road rescue within Electoral Area F.

RDBN Road Rescue Bylaws

The following is an overview of the fire departments that are partially funded by RDBN road rescue bylaws.

Topley Rural Fire Department - "Topley Rural Road Rescue and Medical First Responders Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1745, 2015" establishes road rescue and medical first responders service as an RDBN service. The service area includes large portions of electoral Areas G and B. The Topley Fire Department receives \$7,000 per year in taxation from the service area. As road rescue is provided as a RDBN taxpayer funded service EMBC will not issue task numbers and reimburse the Topley Rural Fire Department for road rescue within portions of Electoral Area's G and B.

District of Fort St. James - "RDBN Electoral Area C (Fort St. James Rural) Road Rescue Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1651, 2012" establishes road rescue as an RDBN service. The service area includes all of Electoral Area C. The Fort St. James Fire Department receives \$18,000 per year in taxation from the service area. As road rescue is provided as a RDBN taxpayer funded service EMBC will not issue task numbers and reimburse the District of Fort St. James Fire Department for road rescue within Electoral Area C.

Village of Fraser Lake - "RDBN Electoral Area D Emergency Extrication Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1516, 2009" establishes road rescue as an RDBN service. The service area includes all of Electoral Area D. The Village of Fraser Lake Fire Department can receive \$0.05 per \$1,000 applied to the net taxable value of land and improvements in the service area. In the past taxation has varied from \$5,000 to \$11,000. As road rescue is provided as a RDBN taxpayer funded service EMBC will not issue task numbers and reimburse the Village of Fraser Lake Fire Department for road rescue within Electoral Area D

Emergency Response Contribution Local Service Area Bylaws

The RDBN established, in 1995, "Electoral area "A" Emergency Response Contribution Local Service Amendment Bylaw No. 853, 1995." This bylaw establishes a local service for the purpose of contributing to the costs incurred by the Town of Smithers and the Village of Telkwa in providing emergency response services within Electoral Area A." The Town of Smithers is provided \$3,000 and the Village of Telkwa is provided \$2,000 annually.

This funding is not tied to any agreement or formal responsibility for the municipalities to provide any service in the rural area. The intent appears to be a contribution based on the understanding that the RDBN may call upon the Fire Department's for emergency assistance that is beyond their formal response obligations. For example, the Smithers Fire Department responded to residents stranded as a result of flash flooding associated with an ice jam. Another recent example is the assistance provided by the Fort St. James Fire Department in storing and transporting sandbags in support of rural residents impacted by flooding.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommend that the Regional District consider repealing "Topley Rural Road Rescue and Medical First Responders Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1745, 2015", "RDBN Electoral Area C (Fort St. James Rural) Road Rescue Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1651, 2012" and "RDBN Electoral Area D Emergency Extrication Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1516, 2009." Repealing these bylaws will make it clear that the RDBN and the RDBN's fire departments are not responsible for road rescue services. This will ensure that the fire departments are providing road rescue services at their discretion, on behalf of the Province, and with an EMBC task numbers and financial reimbursement. It is hoped that the anticipated Fire Chief's Association's recommendations regarding increased reimbursement rates assist fire departments in continued provision of road rescue services.

It is also recommended that the Board consider the directing staff to include in the Emergency Preparedness budget for 2020 funds to be contributed to all Fire departments in recognition that they may be called upon for emergency support that is outside of their formal responsibilities (\$5,000 - \$7,000 per fire department??). This budget item could also be used to replace "Electoral area "A" Emergency Response Contribution Local Service Amendment Bylaw No. 853, 1995."

It is proposed that staff work with Electoral Area Directors, municipalities, and fire departments with regard to the above recommendations and report back to the Board with further recommendations.

MEDICAL FIRST RESPONSE

Most Fire Departments in the RDBN do not respond to medical calls in the rural area as a formal service. They voluntarily respond at their discretion. However, "Topley Rural Road Rescue and Medical First Responders Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1745, 2015" and the service agreement between the RDBN and the Topley Fire Department identify response to medical calls as a service the Topley Fire Department provides. Staff recommend that this bylaw and service agreement be reviewed with respect to response to medical calls.

Fire department response to medical calls varies widely across the RDBN. Some departments respond only when requested by BCEHS for lift assists, or if crews are delayed, while others are automatically dispatched to the more serious calls such as cardiac arrest, respiratory distress, or trauma. Below is a quick summary of each fire departments response.

Burns Lake Fire Department - responds to medical calls only when requested by BCEHS. Lift assists, ambulance delays, or the more serious calls when they are short staffed. Will respond outside their FPA if staffing levels permits.

Cluculz Lake Fire Department - Does not respond to medical calls

Fort Fraser Fire Department - Will respond to medical calls when requested by BCEHS within their FPA.

Fort St. James Fire Department - Will respond when requested by BCEHS for lift assists.

Fraser Lake Fire Department - Automatically dispatched to all serious calls and lift assists within their FPA. (Fraser Lake used to provide this service within Electoral Area D, but has since withdrew that service to within their FPA)

Granisle Fire Department - Will respond to medical calls when requested by BCEHS within their FPA.

Houston Fire Department - Will respond to lift assists, or ambulance delays when requested, and is automatically dispatched to more serious calls. Will respond outside their FPA.

Smithers Fire Department - Will respond if requested by BCEHS due to ambulance delay, and is automatically dispatched to more serious calls.

Southside Fire Department - Will respond for lift assist when requested by BCEHS within their FPA.

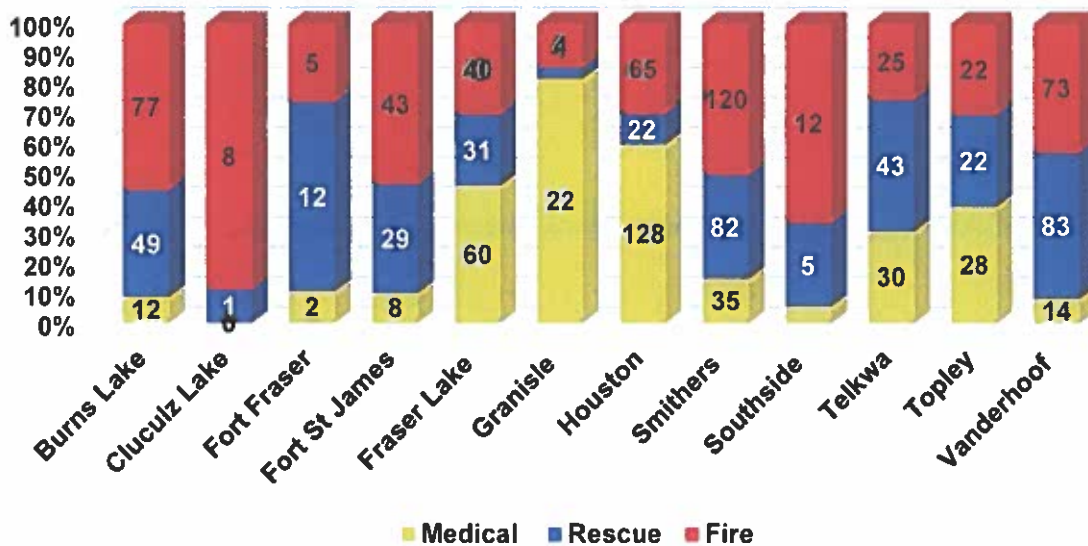
Telkwa Fire Department - Will respond to medical calls within their FPA.

Topley Fire Department - Will respond to medical calls within their FPA.

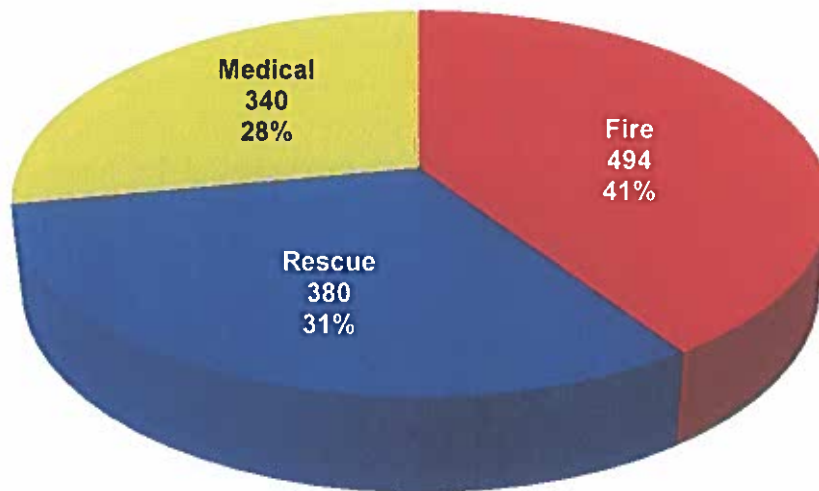
Vanderhoof Fire Department - Will respond to lift assists if requested by BCEHS within their FPA.

Below are call volumes from 2018, and as you can see rescue and medical calls volumes are significant for a number of departments. Fire departments do not receive any compensation from the Province for attending medical calls.

**January - December 2018
Fire Department Call Summary
By Area**



**January - December 2018
Fire Service Call Summary
By Activity**



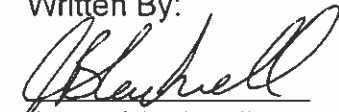
Recommendation

It is recommended that the RDBN Board direct staff to:

1. work with Electoral Area Directors, municipalities, and fire departments with regard to the repeal of road rescue bylaws and the provision of a financial contribution to fire departments for emergency response support, and report back to the Board with further recommendations; and,
2. work with the Director for Electoral Area G and the Topley Fire Department to evaluate the service agreement's inclusion of medical first responder service, and report back to the Board with further recommendations.

All/Directors/Majority

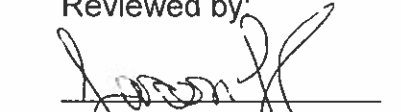
Written By:



Jason Blackwell

Regional Fire Chief

Reviewed by:



Jason Llewellyn

Director of Planning and
Protective Services



Memorandum

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
 From: Rebecca Rodriguez, Acting Manager of Emergency Services
 Date: April 8, 2019
 Regarding: Regional Emergency Support Services (ESS) with District of Vanderhoof

PURPOSE

This report is asking for the Board's authorization to enter into the attached amended Emergency Support Services Agreement with the District of Vanderhoof implementing the Regional ESS Model.

DISCUSSION:

At the February, 2019 Board meeting the Board gave authorization for the RDBN to enter into Emergency Support Services Agreements with member municipalities and proceed with implementing the Regional ESS Model as proposed.

It was noted in the February, 2019 staff report that the District of Vanderhoof had informed the RDBN that they could not accept the wording of the proposed agreement, and that staff would report back to the Board with updates regarding ongoing discussions with the District of Vanderhoof.

RDBN staff have completed discussions with District of Vanderhoof staff regarding their requested changes to the Emergency Support Services Agreement. The changes do not impact the operation or implementation of the agreement or Regional ESS Strategy in any notable way. The proposed changes are listed below.

Section 4

Replacement the word "necessary" with "agreed upon."

Section 9

Replacement of "must have successfully completed" with "will successfully complete."

Section 12

Removal of "Where there is the need to coordinate a coordinated ESS response the EOC Directors from the RDBN and the Municipality shall determine which EOC to which the ESSD and ESS Volunteers shall report" and replacing with "Where there is the need to coordinate the ESS response, the EOC Directors from the RDBN and the Municipality agree to cooperate in determining to which EOC the ESS Volunteers will report."

Section 16

Replacement of "Volunteer Recruitment" with "Volunteer Advertisement"

Section 17

Under ESSD – Team Mangement, removal of "and be prepared to report to the RDBN on the municipality's completion of responsibilities under this agreement" and "Undertake volunteer evaluations".

Under Director – Response, addition of "under direction of DoV Fire Chief" at the end of "Obtain a provincial task number before response"

Section 18

Removal of "Development of a Memorandum of Understanding for the operation of a joint EOC involving joint ESS response."

Section 25

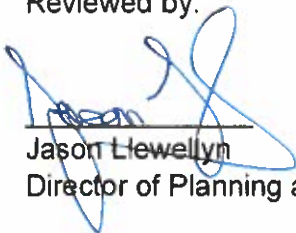
Reduction of notification time to cancel agreement reduced from "90 days" to "30 days."

Recommendation


That the Regional District Board authorize the RDBN entering into the proposed Emergency Support Services Agreement with the District of Vanderhoof.

All/Directors/Majority

Reviewed by:


Jason Llewellyn
Director of Planning and Protective Services

Written By:


Rebecca Rodriguez
Acting Manager of Emergency Services

Emergency Support Services Agreement

THIS AGREEMENT made this day of 2019.

BETWEEN:

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Box 820
37 3rd Avenue
Burns Lake, BC, V0J 1E0

(hereinafter called the "RDBN")

OF THE FIRST PART

AND:

District of Vanderhoof

Box 900
Vanderhoof, BC, V0J 3A0
(hereinafter called the "Municipality")

OF THE SECOND PART

WHEREAS pursuant to *Section 263(1)(b)* of the *Local Government Act* the RDBN may enter into agreements with another public authority respecting activities, works or services within the powers of a party to the agreement;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to section 8(2) of the Community Charter, the Municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person of full capacity and may thereby enter into agreements respecting activities, works or services within the powers of the Municipality;

AND WHEREAS the RDBN and the Municipality are each responsible under the *Emergency Program Act* to prepare a local emergency plan respecting preparation for, response to and recovery from emergencies and disasters within their respective jurisdictions;

AND WHEREAS the RDBN and the Municipality each consider that it is necessary and desirable to share resources for the purpose of emergency assistance or the formation of coordinated emergency preparedness, response or recovery;

AND WHEREAS the RDBN and Municipality wish to enter into an agreement as part of a regional Emergency Support Services network in support of residents evacuated from their homes due to an emergency or disaster;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto in consideration of the performance of the covenants hereinafter contained and for other valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledge, covenant and agree as follows.

DEFINITIONS

1. In this Agreement,

"Electoral Area" means Electoral Area F within the Regional District;

"ESS" means Emergency Social Services provided by the Municipality and the Regional District pursuant to their respective local emergency plans under the *Emergency Program Act*;

"ESS Response" means the provision of emergency social support in response to an emergency; and

"ESSD" means the Emergency Social Services Director appointed pursuant to section 7 of this Agreement.

PURPOSE

2. This agreement between the RDBN and the Municipality is for the development, maintenance, and management of a joint ESS team that shall operate and provide ESS within both the Electoral Area and the Municipality.
3. The intent is that the RDBN shall enter into agreements with all participating municipalities within the Regional District to create the following joint ESS teams, each of which may operate as contemplated under this Agreement:
 - a. Smithers/Telkwa/Area 'A' team
 - b. Houston/Granisle/Area 'G' team
 - c. Burns Lake/Area 'B'/Area 'E' team
 - d. Fraser Lake/Area 'D' team
 - e. Vanderhoof/Area 'F' team
 - f. Fort St James / Area 'C' team
4. The Municipality and the RDBN agree to support each other as well as the other joint ESS teams established under this agreement as necessary to coordinate the provision of ESS programs throughout the Regional District.
5. This Agreement remains valid in the event that one or more municipality does not enter into or maintain an agreement with the RDBN for the establishment of a joint ESS team, and decides to not formally participate in the regional ESS program.

ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT ESS TEAM

6. The RDBN and the Municipality agree to cooperate and share their resources as contemplated under, and in accordance with, this Agreement for the purpose of creating a joint ESS team that will be responsible for coordinating and providing emergency social services in the event that a state of local emergency is declared and a local emergency plan is activated within either or both of the Electoral Area or the Municipality.
7. Nothing in this Agreement limits, restricts or derogates from the authority of either the RDBN or the Municipality under the *Emergency Program Act* to:
 - a. prepare their local emergency plan; or
 - b. declare a state of local emergency within their area of jurisdiction.

EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT

8. The Municipality shall be responsible for recruiting and appointing an Emergency Social Support Director (ESSD) for the joint ESS Team established under this Agreement.
9. The appointed individual for the ESSD position will successfully complete the required training course, Emergency Support Services Director EMRG-1681, through the Justice Institute of BC.
10. The Municipality shall be responsible for providing the necessary office and clerical support for the ESSD.

EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES DIRECTOR REPORTING

11. During an ESS response within the boundary of the Municipality, the ESSD and ESS Volunteers shall report to the Municipality's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Operations Section Chief or the Municipality's Emergency Program Coordinator, in accordance with the Municipality's local emergency plan.
12. During an ESS response within the Electoral Area, the ESSD and ESS Volunteers shall report to the RDBN's EOC Operations Section Chief or the RDBN's Emergency Program Coordinator, in accordance with the RDBN's local emergency plan.
13. During an ESS response within both the Electoral Area and the Municipality, the ESSD and ESS Volunteers shall report to the RDBN EOC Operations Section Chief in respect of the ESS response within the RDBN and to the Municipality's EOC Operations Section Chief in respect of the ESS response within the Municipality. Where there is the need to coordinate ESS response, the EOC Directors from the RDBN and the Municipality agree to cooperate in determining to which EOC the ESS Volunteers shall report.
14. During an ESS response within both the Electoral Area and the Municipality, where the RDBN and the Municipality have established a joint EOC the ESSD and ESS Volunteers shall report to the Operations Section Chief for the joint EOC.

RDBN RESPONSIBILITY

15. The RDBN shall be responsible for the following tasks required for the establishment and operation of the joint ESS team:
- a. Volunteer Advertisement
 - Provision of advertisement templates
 - Provision of orientation packages
 - Provision of public information templates
 - b. Volunteer Management
 - Maintain volunteer management records provided by the municipality
 - Ensure proper worker care resources are provided and debriefs are facilitated
 - c. Training
 - Coordinate ESS training courses
 - Facilitate training exercises
 - Cover ESSD and volunteer training costs to a maximum of \$5,000.00 per year for the ESS team members and ESSD.
 - Participate on the Northern Emergency Support Services Training Conference (NESST) Organizing Committee
 - Provide interpretation of policy and process information
 - d. Supplier Engagement
 - Provision of supplier letter templates
 - Provision of thank you supplier letter templates
 - e. Administrative Duties
 - Purchase and provision of volunteer management software
 - Provide centralized records keeping
 - Coordinate ESS form ordering and distribution
 - Coordinate ordering reception centre kit material and distribution
 - Provide use of plotter and bulk printing
 - f. Regional ESS Strategy
 - Coordination of contracts, agreements, or memorandums of understandings between municipalities and RDBN
 - Facilitate processes to further develop and implement the ESS strategy
 - Facilitate regional meetings / communications
 - g. ESS Director - Team Management
 - Provide support to the ESSD
 - Facilitate training of ESSD
 - Coordinate regional ESSD coordination calls
 - h. ESS Director Response
 - Provide support and mentorship as necessary
 - i. Facility

- Provide storage space for surplus reception centre kits, associated paperwork and stationary supplies.
- Provide reception centre and group lodging facilities associated with a RDBN EOC event.

MUNICIPALITY RESPONSIBILITY

16. The Municipality shall be responsible for the following tasks for the establishment and operation of the joint ESS team:
- a. Volunteer Recruitment
 - Facilitate volunteer screening to determine volunteer placement
 - Ensure volunteer orientation package completion
 - Organize community outreach campaigns
 - Organize public education initiatives
 - Maintain a roster of at least 5 active ESS volunteers with appropriate training
 - b. Volunteer Management
 - Organize volunteer appreciation and recognition initiatives
 - Coordinate monthly team meetings
 - Utilize the Volunteer Records Management system provided by the RDBN
 - Register team members as Public Safety Lifeline Volunteers with EMBC and ensure they receive their identification cards
 - Ensure volunteers are aware of worker care resources and facilitate proper debriefing post response
 - c. Training
 - Encourage volunteers to attend RDBN provided ESS training
 - d. Supplier Engagement
 - Maintain an up-to-date supplier list
 - Distribute supplier thank you letters
 - Approach suppliers
 - Identify potential RC/GL and conduct RC/GL compatibility surveys and inspections
 - e. Administrative Duties
 - File response paperwork with province
 - Keep up-to-date reception centre kit inventory and inform RDBN if inventory is needed
 - Develop local partner relationships (Victim Services, Red Cross) if present in the community
 - Submit volunteer expense claims to the province and/or RDBN as appropriate
 - f. ESS Director - Team Management
 - The ESSD shall:
 - Act as the RDBN's contact for the ESS team.
 - Ensure that all volunteers comply with EMBC policy and standards of conduct.
 - Participate in regional ESSD conference calls.

- Fulfill role of primary contact between an ESS team and an EOC.
- g. ESS Director - Response
 - Obtain a provincial task number before response under the direction of the DoV Fire Chief.
 - Initiate call outs/activation as requested by an EOC or EPC.
 - Undertake volunteer scheduling.
 - Ensure paperwork completion and submission.
 - Ensure volunteers receive operational and emotional debriefing.
 - Request volunteer support from other ESS teams through the RDBN.
- h. Facility
 - Provide a safe place to meet with the public and from which ESS volunteers can provide ESS service 24 hrs a day 7 days a week.
 - The municipality is responsible to provide reception centre and group lodging facilities associated with a municipal EOC event.
 - Provide secure facilities for the storage of reception centre kits and associated paperwork.
 - Provide designated training areas for courses.

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

17. The RDBN and the Municipality shall work together to achieve the following:
- a. Development of a joint training schedule for ESS volunteers.
 - b. Ensure volunteers are offered proper debriefing and support following an emergency or disaster response.

MUTUAL AID

18. Where the ESSD has determined that an emergency event affecting either or both the Electoral Area and the Municipality is beyond the capabilities of the joint ESS team the ESSD may request that the RDBN obtain additional resources, including volunteer resources, from other joint ESS teams in the RDBN.
19. Where the ESSD requests additional resources under Section 18 the RDBN shall facilitate the acquisition of the resources requested, assist in the delivery of resources, and assist in scheduling and placement of volunteers as necessary.
20. When the RDBN contacts the ESSD requesting resources on behalf of another joint ESS team the ESSD shall contact the joint ESS team volunteers to determine their availability, and shall provide this information to the RDBN. Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted as requiring either Party to provide resources, including volunteers, to another joint ESS team in response to such a request.

21. The ESSD and ESS team volunteers may only respond to a resource request from another joint ESS team where the requesting ESSD has confirmed that their response is covered under the Provincial task number for the emergency.
22. When the Municipality provides resources to a receiving ESS team in response to a request under section 21 the Municipality shall replace and /or pay the responding party for those resources requested (not including volunteer time).
23. It is the responsibility of the local government directing the responding ESS team to confirm whether any associated costs shall be recovered under the applicable Provincial task number.

TERMINATION

24. Either the Municipality or the RDBN may terminate this Agreement at any time with 30 days prior notice by delivering the notice in writing to the other Party.
25. In the event that this agreement is terminated the individual volunteers shall be free to join either a RDBN and / or Municipality ESS team.

NOTICE

26. Any notice given under this Agreement shall be delivered to the Chief Administrative Officer at the above noted address, or by in-person delivery.

BINDING EFFECT

27. This Agreement shall ensure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

28. In the event of any dispute or disagreement arising from the interpretation or application of this Agreement, or in the event of any breach or alleged breach by either party first written notice may be provided by either party to the other party describing the nature of the breach or alleged breach, or the disagreement or dispute. In the event that such notice is given, the parties shall:
 - a. immediately proceed to negotiate in good faith to resolve the matter to the mutual satisfaction of both parties; and
 - b. serve a second written notice upon the other party that the matter is to be referred to binding arbitration if a resolution satisfactory to both parties is not achieved within 60 (sixty) days of the first written notice being delivered to either party, and
 - c. appoint a single arbitrator by Agreement of the parties within 90 (ninety) days of the second written notice being delivered, and failing such Agreement, the arbitrator shall be appointed pursuant to the *Arbitration Act* to hear both parties to the dispute and the

decision of that arbitrator shall be final, conclusive and binding on both parties, with costs payable in respect of the arbitration to be determined by the arbitrator.

LAW APPLICABLE

29. This Agreement is to be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws applicable in the Province of British Columbia. Nothing in this Agreement shall negate or fetter the legal authority of either party.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto affixed their seals on the day and year first above written.

The Corporate Seal of the
RDBN was affixed hereto in the
presence of:

Vice Chairperson

Chief Administrative Officer

The Corporate Seal of the
Municipality
was affixed hereto in the
presence of:

Deputy Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer



Memorandum

To: Chair Thiessen and the Board of Directors
From: Brittany Evans, Protective Services Assistant
Date: March 18, 2019
Regarding: March 1, 2019 Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin

Please see the attached *March 1, 2019 Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin* for your review.

The snow pack report is as follows:

- Nechako Basin is 79%;
- Skeena-Nass is 82%;
- Upper Fraser West is 106%.

<u>Recommendation</u>	All /DIRECTORS/MAJORITY
Receipt	

Written By:
 Brittany Evans
 Protective Services Assistant

Reviewed By:
 Jason Llewellyn
 Director of Planning and
 Protective Services

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A blue ink signature of Jason Llewellyn, written over a horizontal line.



Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin – March 1st, 2019

The March 1st snow survey is now complete. Data from 141 manual snow courses and 80 automated snow weather stations around the province (collected by the Ministry of Environment Snow Survey Program, BC Hydro and partners), and climate data from Environment and Climate Change Canada and the provincial Climate Related Monitoring Program have been used to form the basis of the following report¹.

Weather

February was very cold through the entire province as a stable arctic airmass remained in place for most of the month. Many cities recorded the coldest or second coldest average temperature for February. Temperature anomalies along the coast were -4 to -5°C below normal; anomalies in the southern interior were -6 to -9°C below normal, and weather stations in the north were up to -12.5°C below normal.

Precipitation was variable in February throughout Environment and Climate Change Canada's provincial climate stations. Some stations were dry (e.g. Terrace) and some had greater than normal precipitation (e.g. Williams Lake). However, higher elevation automated snow weather stations recorded very low precipitation relative to normal conditions. Many sites along the Coast and Vancouver Island also recorded much lower than normal precipitation amounts during February.

Snowpack

Snow basin indices for March 1st, 2019 range from a low of 59% of normal in the Stikine to a high of 106% in the Upper Fraser West (Table 1 and Figure 1). The province ranges from well below normal snowpack to normal snowpack for March 1st, with the average of all snow measurements across the province calculated to be 89% of normal. Well below normal snowpack (<60% of normal) is present in the Stikine, while below normal snowpack (60-80% of normal) exists in the Nechako, Similkameen, Skagit and Central Coast. The rest of the province has slightly below normal to normal snowpack (80-110% of normal). There are no regions of the province with exceptionally high snowpack. The March 1st snow basin index for the entire Fraser River is 91% of normal.

So far this season, snow accumulation has been dominated by persistent weather patterns. Most of this years' snowpack built up rapidly over a five to six-week period from early-December to early-January. Weather through February shifted into the dominance of Arctic air across the province, with extremely cold temperatures and limited snow accumulation. This pattern has continued into the beginning of March. Snowpack throughout the province remained relatively level through February. Most basins dropped by 5 to 15% relative to normal compared to February 1 due to the dry and cold conditions.

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Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin – March 1st, 2019

Table 1 - BC Snow Basin Indices – March 1, 2019

Basin	% of Normal	Basin	% of Normal
Upper Fraser West	106	Boundary	68
Upper Fraser East	96	Similkameen	72
Nechako	79	South Coast	89
Middle Fraser	100	Vancouver Island	85
Lower Fraser	86	Central Coast	78
North Thompson	100	Skagit	75
South Thompson	83	Peace	103
Upper Columbia	100	Skeena-Nass	82
West Kootenay	90	Stikine	59
East Kootenay	88	Liard	76
Okanagan	81	Northwest	71
Nicola	81	Fraser	91

Outlook

The Climate Prediction Centre (CPC) at the U.S. National Weather Service/NOAA has declared that El Niño conditions are present and is forecasting a high likelihood of El Niño continuing through spring 2019. Sea surface temperature anomalies in the equatorial Pacific Ocean have strengthened since the beginning of February. Typically, El Niño is linked to warmer winters across British Columbia, with a trend towards lower than normal snowpack. Warmer temperatures were present throughout the province in December and January. However, a strong arctic airmass significantly influenced British Columbia in February and offset these typical El Niño impacts. February temperatures through the province were much lower than normal, reaching record lows in several regions. The impact of El Niño on winter snowpack in BC is highly variable and does not always mean lower snowpack - for example, 2006-07 had significant snowpack across the province. Seasonal weather forecasts from Environment and Climate Change Canada show an increased likelihood of below normal temperatures for most of the province over March to May. NOAA seasonal forecasts for the contiguous United States indicate an increased likelihood of above normal temperatures across Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska.

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By early March, nearly 80% of the annual BC snowpack has typically accumulated. Currently, the snow accumulation ranges from well below normal to normal for March 1st across the province. However, seasonal snowpack can still change significantly with one to two more months of possible snow accumulation left in winter/spring 2019.

At this stage in the season there is no elevated flood risk present in the current snowpack across the province. For example, peak flows at the Fraser River at Hope during normal snowpack years range between 7,000 and 12,000 m³/s. While snow is one significant aspect to seasonal flooding in BC, weather during the freshet season also plays a key role, and flooding is possible in years with near normal snowpack.

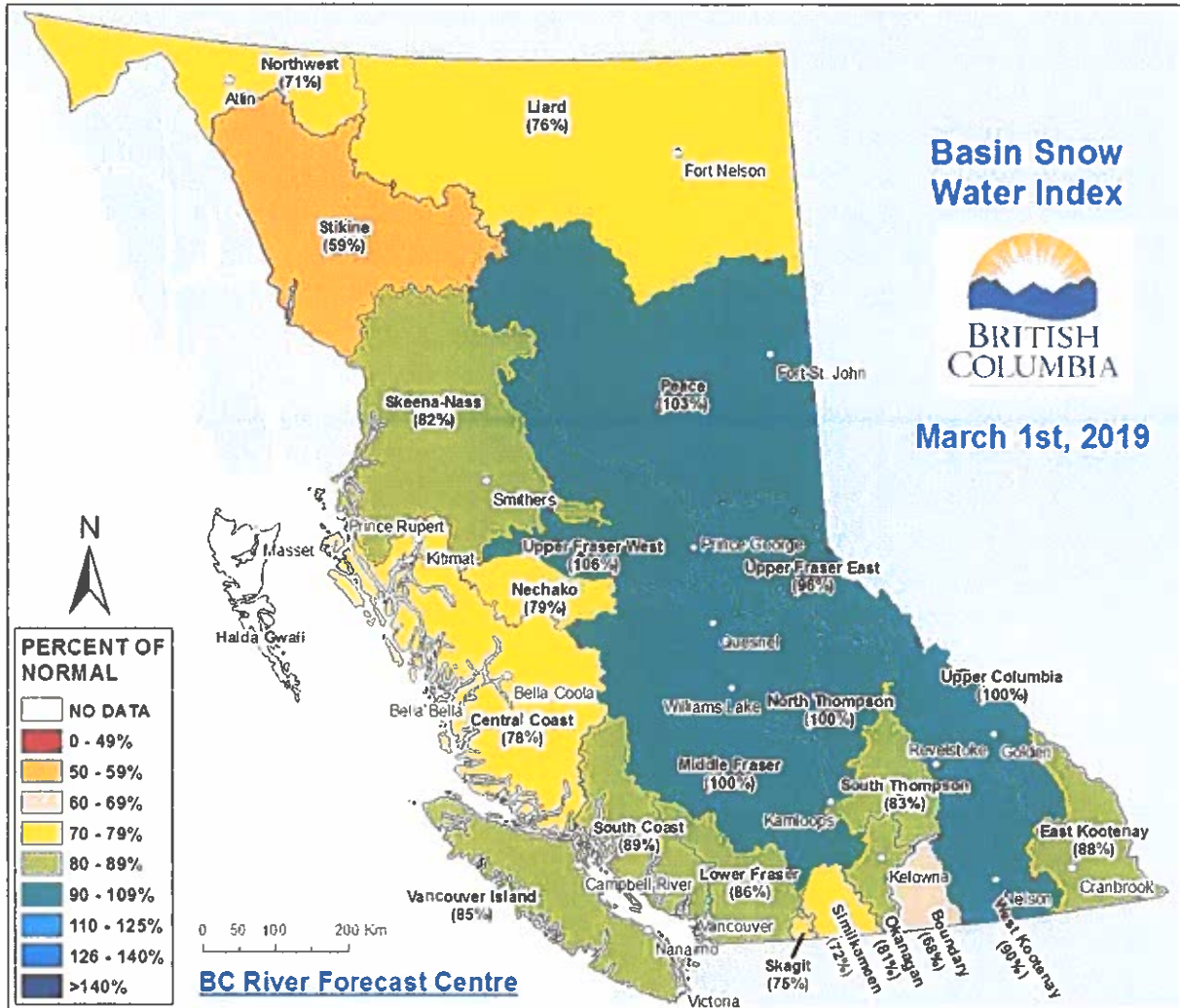
Seasonal volume runoff forecasts (see below) are near-normal (85-105%) for the Upper Fraser, Skeena/Bulkley, Middle Fraser Thompson, and Okanagan Lake basins, and below-normal (<85%) for the Similkameen, Nicola Lake and Kalamalka-Wood Lake. The snowmelt component of seasonal runoff for Vancouver Island, South Coast, and Lower Fraser is near normal. Well below normal snowpack in the Northwest and Stikine is an early indication of the potential for below normal seasonal runoff.

The River Forecast Centre will continue to monitor snowpack conditions and will provide an updated seasonal flood risk forecast in the April 1st, 2019 bulletin, which is scheduled for release on April 8th.

BC River Forecast Centre
March 8, 2019

Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin – March 1st, 2019

Figure 1: Basin Snow Water Index – March 1st, 2019



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River Forecast Centre
Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations
Volume Runoff Forecast March 2019

Location	Mar - Jun Runoff				Mar - Jul Runoff				Mar - Sep Runoff			
	Forecast (kdam ³)	Normal (1981-2010) (kdam ³)	% of Normal	Std. Error (kdam ³)	Forecast (kdam ³)	Normal (1981-2010) (kdam ³)	% of Normal	Std. Error (kdam ³)	Forecast (kdam ³)	Normal (1981-2010) (kdam ³)	% of Normal	Std. Error (kdam ³)
Upper Fraser Basin Fraser at McBride McGregor at Lower Canyon Fraser at Shelley					3721	3786	98	331	5290	5252	101	390
					3797	4087	93	490	4871	5132	95	639
					16021	16310	98	1494	20164	20369	99	1832
Middle Fraser Basin Quesnel River at Quesnel					5003	4747	105	510	6446	6078	106	670
Thompson Basin N. Thompson at McLure S. Thompson at Chase Thompson at Spences Bridge					8776	9190	95	536	10981	11359	97	826
					5123	6111	84	566	6435	7678	84	832
					13850	15775	88	1174	17481	19755	88	1814
Bulkley and Skeena Bulkley at Quick Skeena at Usk					2268	2709	84	1361	2822	3306	85	1939
					17646	19187	92	1335	21968	23531	93	1809
Nicola Lake Inflows	99	126	79	31	112	143	79	35				
Nicola River at Spences Bridge	408	523	78	82	453	591	77	103				
Similkameen River at Nighthawk at Hedley					1085	1342	81	158	1291	1652	78	184
					770	1045	74	134	869	1233	71	151
Okanagan and Kalamalka-Wood Lake Okanagan Lake Inflow Kalamalka-Wood Lake Inflow					432	470	92	89	455	497	92	110
					23	31	73	12	23	33	71	15

Note: 1 kdam³=1,000,000 m³

Note that missing values reflect that forecasts were not made for that time interval

Disclaimer: Seasonal forecasts were developed using a Principle Component Analysis of snow pack, climate and streamflow data.

There is inherent uncertainty in runoff forecasts including potential errors in data and the unpredictable nature of seasonal weather

Use at your own risk

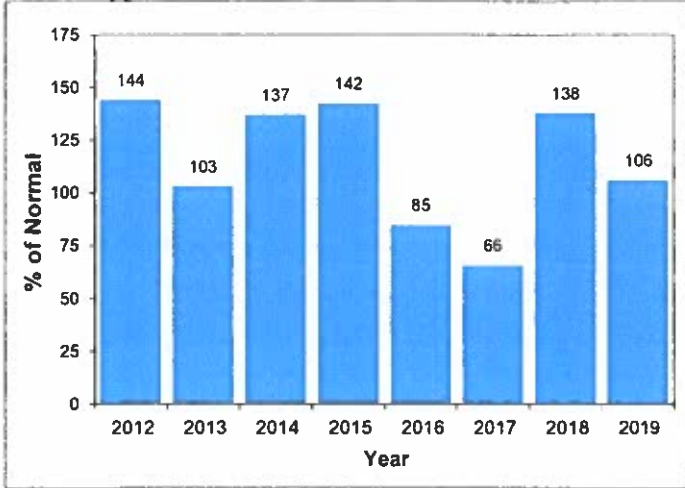
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2019 Automated Snow Weather Station/Manual Snow Survey Data				March				Historic Snow Water Equivalent (mm)						
Station ID	Name	Basin	Elevation (masl)	Survey Date YYYY-MM-DD	SD (cm)	SWE (mm)	Code	SWE % 1981-2010 Normal	2017 SWE (mm)	2016 SWE (mm)	Minimum (mm)	Maximum (mm)	1981-2010 Normal (mm)	Years of Record
1A12	KAZA LAKE	Upper Fraser West	1247	2019-02-26	104	300		102%	287	162	132	478	295	54
1A12P	Kaza Lake	Upper Fraser West	1248	2019-03-01	108	288			269	199	257	257		3
1A16	BURNS LAKE	Upper Fraser West	820	2019-02-28	58	116		89%	200	72	50	250	130	48
1A23	BIRD CREEK	Upper Fraser West	1196	2019-02-27	78	174		133%	296	98	72	296	131	28
1B01	MOUNT WELLS	Nechako	1489	2019-02-27	125	339		75%	531	426	244	954	452	66
1B01P	Mount Wells	Nechako	1489	2019-03-01		409		87%	533	475	227	739	470	26
1B02	TAHTSA LAKE	Nechako	1319	2019-02-27	226	780		75%	865	961	571	1777	1034	66
1B02P	Tahtsa Lake	Nechako	1319	2019-03-01		868		78%	1113	1076	464	1725	1108	26
1B05	SKINS LAKE	Nechako	877	2019-02-27	48	107		104%	176	75	53	226	103	53
1B06	MOUNT SWANNELL	Nechako	1596	2019-02-27	98	245		97%	314	222	132	446	252	29
1B07	NUTLI LAKE	Nechako	1502	2019-02-27	117	324		70%	444	483	229	779	460	27
1B08P	Mount Pondosy	Nechako	1413	2019-03-01		523		76%	692	699	363	995	686	26
4B01	KIDPRICE LAKE	Skeena-Nass	1415	2019-02-27	172	645		79%	697	807	429	1320	817	66
4B02	JOHANSON LAKE	Skeena-Nass	1480	2019-02-26	N	N	N		202	160	108	368	253	54
4B03A	HUDSON BAY MTN.	Skeena-Nass	1452	2019-02-28	135	419		95%	478	369	168	719	443	46
4B04	CHAPMAN LAKE	Skeena-Nass	1485	2019-02-27	134	421		103%	482	339	266	691	407	52
4B06	TACHEK CREEK	Skeena-Nass	1133	2019-02-28	82	196		101%	224	140	117	332	195	49
4B07	MCKENDRICK CREEK	Skeena-Nass	1048	2019-02-27	94	242		98%	326	158	155	391	246	48
4B08	MOUNT CRONIN	Skeena-Nass	1491	2019-02-27	147	486		98%	557	420	345	869	498	48
4B12P	Granduc Mine	Skeena-Nass	790							80	80	80		1
4B13A	TERRACE A	Skeena-Nass	219	2019-02-28	27	88		62%	194		0	407	141	36
4B14	EQUITY MINE	Skeena-Nass	1434						424	346	190	546	333	40
4B15	LU LAKE	Skeena-Nass	1296						322	214	122	412	254	40
4B15P	Lu Lake	Skeena-Nass	1308	2019-03-01	89	236		107%	374	235	116	405	221	20
4B16P	Shedin Creek	Skeena-Nass	1320	2019-03-01	158	502		69%	479	393	195	957	723	22
4B17P	Tsai Creek	Skeena-Nass	1360	2019-03-01	222	821		85%	850	732	302	1618	969	20
4B18P	Cedar-Kiteen	Skeena-Nass	912	2019-03-01	132	420		72%		360	178	956	582	16
Code	Description													
A	Sampling problems were encountered													
B	Early or late sampling													
C	Early or late sampling w/problems encountered													
E	Estimate													
N	Scheduled, but not sampled													
NA	Not available													
NS	Not scheduled													
SD	Snow Depth													
SWE	Snow Water Equivalent													
T	Trace Amount													

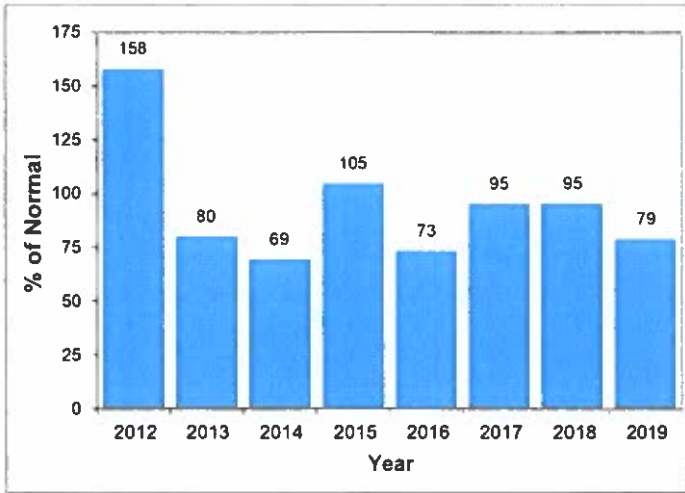
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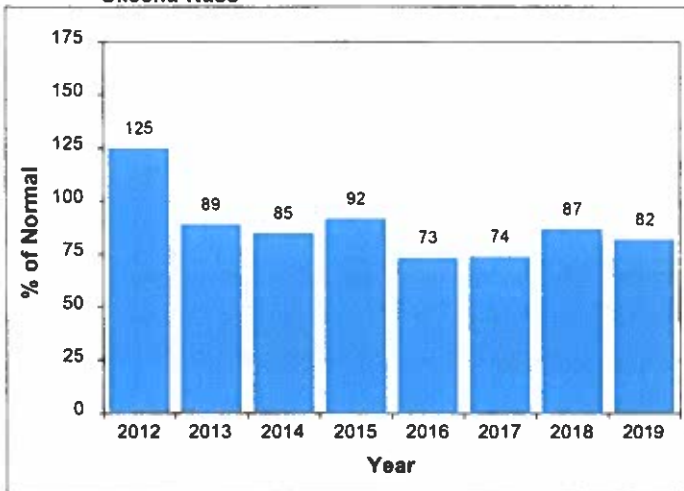
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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Dear Bulkley Valley Regional District and BC Wildfire Services

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On behalf of the Grassy Plains Community Hall Society and the Southside Community, we would like to thank you for the \$5000.00 donation after last summer's wildfire. The hall became an important staging area for the equipment and firefighting efforts.

With this donation as well as grants and fundraising the hall can continue to be used to support our community.

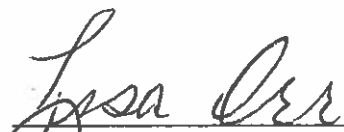
Sincerely



Monika Eriksen, GPHS Secretary



Cindy Doser, Treasurer



Lisa Orr, Director



Melisa Bigler, Director



Bob Dosen, Chairperson

April 5, 2019

2019-20 NCLGA Membership Dues

Dear Valued NCLGA Member,

The North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) is a non-profit, non-partisan association of elected officials representing local governments in North and Central British Columbia. We strive to enhance the social, economic and environmental well-being of communities by bringing people and ideas together to form relationships and advocate for positive solutions. In this way, the NCLGA is "The Elected Voice of North Central British Columbia".

This year, the NCLGA can count many successes, and you will have the opportunity to read more in our Annual Report, available at the Annual General Meeting in Williams Lake, May 7-10, 2019. Among our successes is the development of a new strategic plan. The new Strategic Plan 2019-2022 places the emphasis on building relationships. You are the NCLGA and engaging with members is a top priority. We want to hear from you about the issues affecting you, how the NCLGA can help, and about the solutions that you think will move you forward. The NCLGA will continue to work to advocate on on behalf of north and central BC. A copy of the Strategic Plan is attached to this letter.

Attached also is the 2019-20 NCLGA Membership Dues Invoice. Your prompt payment of the invoice is appreciated.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you very much and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,



Gordon Klassen
President

Copied: NCLGA Members

Attachment (1): 2019-20 NCLGA Membership Invoice

Attachment (2): NCLGA Strategic Plan 2019-2022



North Central Local Government Association
2019-2022 Strategic Plan

The North Central Local Government Association

Established in 1955, the North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) is a non-profit, non-partisan association of elected officials representing local governments – which comprise of approximately 70% of British Columbia’s landmass.

As the only democratically elected body representing North and Central British Columbia, we work to enhance the social, economic and environmental well-being of communities. On a day-to-day basis, we work to bring people and ideas together to form relationships and advocate for solutions by moving resolutions forward (passed at our Annual General Meeting each year), addressing emerging and shared issues in our member communities, and helping to articulate our members’ perspectives & priorities to a broader audience.

Our Values

- *Well-being* – environmental, social and economic.
- *Non-partisan* – exploring the risks, benefits and alternatives that lead to the best outcome or solution.
- *Regional focus* – collaborating on shared commitments for achieving positive impacts.
- *Transparency* – building trust and increasing access to information.

Our Strategic Plan 2019 – 2022

The priorities, goals and actions identified in Table 1.0 form the NCLGA 2019 to 2022 Strategic Plan. They are designed to provide the operational focus for the four-year period and will be reviewed annually by the Board of Directors.

Table 1.0 NCLGA Strategic Plan 2019 to 2022

Priorities	Goals	Actions
Advocacy	To provide member input into informed decision-making	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Develop NCLGA resolutions based on local government knowledge to inform decisions annually. ▪ Identify advocacy themes and priorities based on NCLGA resolutions annually. ▪ Work with members to develop and present advocacy information (e.g. Victoria delegation, NCLGA resolutions, support letters, briefing notes) to relevant parties. ▪ Follow up on advocacy activities. ▪ Track and report on advocacy activities and progress.
Communications	To communicate effectively	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Develop an Annual Communications Strategy. ▪ Share information (e.g. best practices, community profiles, resolution highlights). ▪ Support communications tools/resources (e.g. NCLGA website, media releases) that enhance NCLGA's profile. ▪ Ensure that all communication activities and materials comply with NCLGA policies, are objective, factual, explanatory and free from political party bias.
Relationships	To build productive relationships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Respond to general inquiries. ▪ Regularly connect with members, partners, other orders of government, the private sector and civil society to understand issues and inform solutions. ▪ Participate and support relationship-building activities (e.g. forums, workshops). ▪ Create memorandums of understanding, support letters and other tools to build relationships that form a robust network of committed organizations.
Resiliency	To operate a transparent and sustainable organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maintain and improve internal processes to ensure that the NCLGA continues to be a fiscally responsible and credible organization. ▪ Actively identify and pursue opportunities to gain efficiencies (e.g. cost savings) and increase capacity (e.g. funding opportunities). ▪ Provide transparency in reporting on operational and financial metrics. ▪ Develop a multi-year Financial Plan for annual review. ▪ Develop tools that ensure the Board of Directors is able to track and report progress on the Strategic Plan.

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CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

APRIL 2018

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**SOCIETIES ACT
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE
NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

The name of the Society is North Central Local Government Association.

- 1 The purposes of the Society are:
 - a. To secure united action among the members in dealing with all matters of individual or common local government interest.
 - b. To be an agency for cooperation with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities for the continued development of sound local government.

BYLAWS

Bylaws of the North Central Local Government Association

Part 1 – Interpretation

- 1 (1) In these bylaws, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. "directors" means the directors of the society for the time being;
- b. "*Societies Act*" means the *Societies Act* of British Columbia from time to time in force and all amendments to it;
- c. "registered address" of a member means the member's address as recorded in the register of members.

(2) The definitions in the *Societies Act* on the date these bylaws become effective apply to these bylaws.

2 Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa; and words importing a male person include a female person and a corporation.

Part 2 – Membership

3 The membership in the Association shall consist of all cities, districts, townships, towns, villages, regional districts and other local governments within the north area of British Columbia, that being the area north of, and including, the District of 100 Mile House, who have subsequently become members, in accordance with these bylaws and, in either case, have not ceased to be members, and that meet criteria established by the Executive and that make application to join the Association and pay the annual dues.

4 Cities, districts, townships, towns, villages, regional districts and other local governments in the north area of British Columbia as described above may apply to the directors for membership in the society and on acceptance by the directors will become members.

5 Every member must uphold the constitution and comply with these bylaws.

6 (1) Changes to membership dues will be recommended by the NCLGA Executive and subsequently approved by the membership at a general meeting.

(2) The annual membership dues cover the fiscal year of the society, that being April 1 – March 31 of any given year. The annual membership dues must be paid before the annual general meeting in order to be considered a member in good standing and to have voting privileges.

7 A municipality, regional district or other local government ceases to be a member of the society:

- a) by delivering its resignation in writing to the secretary of the society or by mailing or delivering it to the address of the society;
- b) on being expelled; or

- c) on having been a member not in good standing for 12 consecutive months.
- 8 (1) A member may be expelled by a special resolution of the members passed at a general meeting.
- (2) The notice of special resolution for expulsion must be accompanied by a brief statement of the reasons for the proposed expulsion.
- (3) The municipality, regional district or other local government which is the subject of the proposed resolution for expulsion must be given an opportunity to be heard at the general meeting before the special resolution is put to a vote.
- 9 All members are in good standing except a member who has failed to pay its current annual membership fee or any other subscription or debt due and owing by the member to the society and the member is not in good standing so long as the debt remains unpaid.

Part 3 – Meetings of Members

- 10 General meetings of the society must be held at the time and place, in accordance with the Societies Act, that the directors decide.
- 11 Every general meeting, other than an annual general meeting, is an extraordinary general meeting.
- 12 The directors may, when they think fit, convene an extraordinary general meeting by a three-fourths majority vote of all directors.
- 13 (1) Notice of a general meeting must specify the place, day and hour of the meeting, and, in case of special business, the general nature of that business.
- (2) The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to, or the non-receipt of a notice by, any of the members entitled to receive notice does not invalidate proceedings at that meeting.
- 14 The first annual general meeting of the society must be held not more than 15 months after the date of incorporation and after that an annual general meeting must be held at least once in every calendar year and the location of an annual general meeting other than the first annual general meeting must be determined by ordinary resolution at the preceding annual general meeting.

Part 4 – Proceedings at General Meetings

- 15 Special business is

- a) all business at an extraordinary general meeting except the adoption of rules of order; and
 - b) all business conducted at an annual general meeting, except the following:
 - i. the adoption of rules of order;
 - ii. the consideration of the financial statements;
 - iii. the report of the directors;
 - iv. the report of the auditor, if any;
 - v. the election of directors;
 - vi. the appointment of the auditor, if required; and
 - vii. the other business that, under these bylaws, ought to be conducted at an annual general meeting, or business that is brought under consideration by the report of the directors issued with the notice convening the meeting.
- 16 1. Business other than the election of a chair and the adjournment or termination of the meeting must not be conducted at a general meeting at a time when a quorum is not present.
2. If at any time during a general meeting there ceases to be a quorum present, business then in progress must be suspended until there is a quorum present or until the meeting is adjourned or terminated.
3. A quorum is 20 members present or a greater number that the members may determine at a general meeting.
- 17 If within 30 minutes from the time appointed for a general meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened on the requisition of members, must be terminated; but in any other case, it must stand adjourned to the same day in the next week, at the same time and place, and if, at the adjourned meeting, a quorum is not present within 30 minutes from the time appointed for the meeting, the members present constitute a quorum.
- 18 Subject to bylaw 19, the president of the society, the first or second vice president or in the absence of all three, one of the other directors present, must preside as chair of a general meeting.
- 19 If at a general meeting
- a) there is no president, first vice president or other director present within 15 minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting; or
 - b) the president and all the other directors present are unwilling to act as the chair, the members present must choose one of their number to be the chair.

- 20 (1) A general meeting may be adjourned from time to time and from place to place, but no business must be conducted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- (2) When a meeting is adjourned for 10 days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting must be given as in the case of the original meeting.
- (3) Except as provided in this bylaw, it is not necessary to give notice of an adjournment or of the business to be conducted at an adjourned general meeting.
- 21 (1) The chair of a meeting may move or propose a resolution.
- (2) In the case of a tie vote the chair does not have a casting or second vote in addition to the vote to which he or she may be entitled as a member and the proposed resolution does not pass.
- (3) Unless the Societies Act or these bylaws otherwise provide, any action to be taken by a resolution of the members of the Society may be taken by ordinary resolution.
- (4) Subject to clause (7) below, resolutions will be considered by the Society at the annual general meeting only if they are in the hands of the secretary/treasurer no later than 60 days prior to the annual general meeting.
- (5) Copies of the resolutions received by the secretary/treasurer must be distributed to the clerk or secretary of the members at least 14 days prior to the annual general meeting;
- (6) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the directors may submit any matter to any meeting for consideration or action at any time;
- (7) A resolution to amend the Constitution must be given in writing to the secretary/treasurer 60 days before an annual general meeting or special meeting.
- 22 (1) All elected officials of members in good standing present at a meeting of members of the society shall be delegates entitled to participate in debates and to vote on any matter at the meeting. Each such elected official present at a meeting is entitled to one vote. Any other delegates or representatives of members present at a meeting shall not be entitled to vote. Unless authorized in advance at the meeting, any other delegates or representatives of members shall not be entitled to the privilege of the



floor.

- (2) Voting is by show of hands unless otherwise agreed.
- (3) Voting by proxy is not permitted.
- (4) Notwithstanding subparagraph (1), an elected official who holds a position in the local government of more than one member of the society may vote as the delegate for only one member of the society.

Part 5 – Directors and Officers

- 23 (1) The directors may exercise all the powers and do all the acts and things that the society may exercise and do, and that are not by these bylaws or by statute or otherwise lawfully directed or required to be exercised or done by the society in a general meeting, but subject, nevertheless, to
 - a) all laws affecting the society;
 - b) these bylaws; and
 - c) rules, not being inconsistent with these bylaws, that are made from time to time by the society in a general meeting.
- (2) A rule made by the society in a general meeting does not invalidate a prior act of the directors that would have been valid if that rule had not been made.
- 24 (1) the president, vice president and one or more other persons are the directors of the society.
- (2) The number of directors must be nine (9) until after the first annual general meeting at which time the number of directors shall be fourteen (14) or a greater number determined from time to time at a general meeting.
- (3) A person is eligible to be a director if they are an elected official from an NCLGA local government member
- (4) The composition of the fourteen (14) directors shall be appointed or elected subject to the following:
 - I. the immediate past president shall be a director;
 - II. the president, vice-president and 2nd vice-president (to be elected from the members' delegates at large) shall each be a director;
 - III. one representative as appointed by each regional district area shall be a director; and;
 - IV. all remaining vacancies in the directorship shall be elected from the members' delegates at large.

- 25 (1) The directors must retire from office at each annual general meeting when their successors are elected.
- (2) Separate elections must be held for each office to be filled, except for the office of the secretary treasurer (if any) who shall be appointed pursuant to bylaw 43.
- (3) An election may be by acclamation; otherwise it must be by ballot.
- (4) If a successor is not elected the person previously elected or appointed continues to hold office.
- (5) A director may be nominated in writing in advance of the annual general meeting or may be nominated from the floor at the annual general meeting.
- 26 (1) The directors may at any time and from time to time appoint a delegate of a member as a director to fill a vacancy in the directors.
- (2) A director so appointed holds office only until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the society, but is eligible for re-election at the meeting.
- 27 (1) If a director resigns his or her office or otherwise ceases to hold office, the remaining directors must appoint a delegate of a member to take the place of the former director.
- (2) An act or proceeding of the directors is not invalid merely because there are less than the prescribed number of directors in office.
- (3) If a director ceases to be an elected official of an NCLGA local government member the director automatically ceases to hold office as a director of the Society.
- 28 (1) The members may by special resolution remove a director before the expiration of his or her term of office, and may elect a successor to complete the term of office.
- (2) The office of a director must be vacated if the director:
- a) delivers a resignation in writing to the secretary or mails or delivers it to the address of the Society;
 - b) is convicted of an indictable offence, and the directors must have resolved to remove him;

- c) fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the directors without good and sufficient reason in the opinion of the directors and the directors must have resolved to remove him;
 - d) if he or she is found by a court to be of unsound mind;
 - e) if he or she becomes bankrupt; or
 - f) on death;
- 29 A director must not be remunerated for being or acting as a director but a director must be reimbursed for all expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred by the director while engaged in the affairs of the society.

Part 6 – Proceedings of Directors

- 30 (1) The directors may meet at the places they think fit to conduct business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings and proceedings, as they see fit.
- (2) The directors may from time to time set the quorum necessary to conduct business, and unless so set, the quorum is seven (7) directors then in office.
- (3) The president is the chair of all meetings of the directors, but if at a meeting the president is not present within 30 minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the vice president must act as chair; but if neither is present the directors present may choose one of their number to be the chair at that meeting.
- (4) A director may at any time, and the secretary, on the request of a director, must, convene a meeting of the directors.
- (5) Without limiting the generality of bylaw 31(1), the directors of the Society must manage the affairs and the property of the Society, including, but not limited to, the power to:
- a) enter into contracts and agreements on behalf of the Society and to delegate in such terms and conditions it considers appropriate the entering into of contracts and agreements;
 - b) authorize expenditures on behalf of the Society from time to time;
 - c) delegate by unanimous resolution to an officer or officers of the Society the right to employ and pay salaries to employees.

- d) enter into trust arrangements with a trust company, bank or the Municipal Finance Authority for the purpose of creating a trust fund in which the capital interest may be made available for the benefit of promoting the interests of the Society in accordance with the terms as the directors may prescribe;
- e) take any steps it deems requisite to enable the Society to acquire, accept, solicit or receive legacies, gifts, grants, settlements, bequests, endowments and donations of any kind whatsoever for the purpose of furthering the objects of the Society; and
- f) subject to section 33 and 34 of the Societies Act, the directors may from time to time on behalf of the Society invest the funds of the Society in any investments whatsoever which in the directors' discretion it may consider advisable, and the directors may delegate on such terms and conditions as it considers appropriate the power to invest the funds of the Society.

Reasonable notice of a meeting must be given by specifying the place the date and the hour of such meeting by mail, postage prepaid, addressed to each of the directors at his or her address as it appears on the books of the Society or by leaving it at his or her usual business or residential address or by telephone, email or any method of transmitting legibly recorded messages or by personal service. Reasonable notice must be seven days or a lesser period if agreed to by all directors.

- 31 (1) The directors may delegate any, but not all, of their powers to committees consisting of the director or directors as they think fit.
- (2) A committee so formed in the exercise of the powers so delegated must conform to any rules imposed on it by the directors, and must report every act or thing done in exercise of those powers to the earliest meeting of the directors held after the act or thing has been done.
- 32 A committee must elect a chair of its meetings; but if no chair is elected, or if at a meeting the chair is not present within 30 minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the directors present who are members of the committee must choose one of their number to be chair of the meeting.
- 33 The members of a committee may meet and adjourn as they think proper.
- 34 For a first meeting of directors held immediately following the appointment or election of a director or directors at an annual or other general meeting of members, or for a meeting of the directors at which a director is appointed to fill a vacancy in the directors, it is not necessary to give notice of the meeting to the newly elected or appointed director or directors for the meeting to be constituted, if a quorum of the directors is present.

- 35 A director who may be absent temporarily from British Columbia may send or deliver to the address of the society a waiver of notice, which may be by letter or email, of any meeting of the directors and may at any time withdraw the waiver, and until the waiver is withdrawn,
- a) a notice of meeting of directors is not required to be sent to that director; and
 - b) any and all meetings of the directors of the society, notice of which has not been given to that director if a quorum of the directors is present are valid and effective.
- 36 (1) Questions arising at a meeting of the directors and committee of directors must be decided by a majority of votes.
- (2) In the case of a tie vote the chair does not have a second or casting vote.
- 37 The chair of a meeting may move or propose a resolution.
- 38 A resolution in writing, signed by all the directors and placed with the minutes of the directors is as valid and effective as if regularly passed at a meeting of directors.

Part 7 – Duties of Officers

- 39 (1) The president presides at all meetings of the society and of the directors.
- (2) The president is the chief executive officer of the society and must supervise the other officers in the execution of their duties.
- (3) The president must designate the bank with which the Society's accounts must be kept.
- (4) Either the president or a director authorized by resolution of the directors must co-sign with the secretary/treasurer banking resolutions and cheques drawn on the society's bank account.
- (5) The president must generally exercise such oversight of the affairs of the society as may best promote its prosperity and protects its interest.
- (6) The president may appoint two persons to audit the accounts of the secretary/treasurer if he or she deems it necessary.
- (7) The president may appoint such special committees as he or she deems necessary.

40 The secretary must do the following:

- a) conduct the correspondence of the society;
- b) issue notices of meetings of the society and directors;
- c) keep minutes of all meetings of the society and directors;
- d) have custody of all records and documents of the society except those required to be kept by the treasurer;
- e) have custody of the common seal of the society;
- f) maintain the register of members; and
- g) in January of each year advise all members in the Society the amount of their annual dues.

42 The treasurer must

- a) keep the financial records, including books of account, necessary to comply with the Society Act;
- b) render financial statements to the directors, members and others when required;
- c) deposit all monies to the credit of the Society's bank and pay all accounts due by the Society; and
- d) prepare for the annual general meeting a full and complete statement of the finances of the Society.

43 (1) The offices of the secretary and treasurer may be held by one person, who is to be known as the secretary treasurer.

(2) The secretary treasurer (if any) shall be appointed by unanimous resolution of the directors.

(3) The secretary treasurer (if any) may be an employee of the society, to be employed and paid a salary in an amount and on employment terms and conditions authorized by unanimous resolution of the directors.

44 In the absence of the secretary or the secretary treasurer, as the case may be, from a meeting, the directors must appoint another person to act as secretary at the meeting.

Part 8 – Indemnities to Directors and Officers

45 Subject to the provisions of the Societies Act, the directors may cause the Society to indemnify a director or former director of the Society and the heirs and personal representatives of any such person against all costs, charges and expenses, including an amount paid to settle an action or satisfy a judgment, actually and reasonably incurred by him, her or them including an amount paid to settle an action or satisfy a judgment in a civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding to which he or she or they are made a

party by reason of his or her being or having been a director of the Society, including any action brought by the Society. Each director of the Society on being elected or appointed must be deemed to have contracted with the Society on the term of the foregoing indemnity.

- 46 Subject to the provisions of the Societies Act, the directors may cause the Society to indemnify any officer or former officer of the Society and his or her heirs and personal representatives against all costs and expenses whatsoever incurred by him, her, or them and resulting from acting as an officer of the Society.
- 47 The directors may cause the Society to purchase and maintain insurance for the benefit of any person who is or was serving as a director or officer of the Society and his or her heirs or personal representatives against any liability incurred by him or her as such director or officer.

Part 9 – Execution of Documents

- 48 Contracts, documents or any instruments in writing requiring the signature of the Society, must be signed by any two directors, or one officer and one director, and all contracts, documents and instruments in writing so signed shall be binding upon the Society without any further authorization or formality. The directors have the power from time to time by unanimous agreement of the directors to designate an officer or officers on behalf of the Society to sign specific documents, contracts and instruments in writing. The directors may give the Society's power of attorney to any registered dealer in securities for the purposes of the transferring of and dealing with any stocks, bonds and other securities of the Society.

Part 10 – Seal

- 49 The directors may provide a common seal for the society and may destroy a seal and substitute a new seal in its place.
- 50 The common seal must be affixed only when authorized by a resolution of the directors and then only in the presence of the persons specified in the resolution, or if no persons are specified, in the presence of the president and secretary or president and secretary treasurer.

Part 11 – Borrowing

- 51 In order to carry out the purposes of the society the directors may, on behalf of and in the name of the society, raise or secure the payment or repayment of money in the manner they decide, and in particular but without limiting that power, by the issue of debentures.

- 52 The Society shall not borrow nor shall it issue a debenture without the authorization of a special resolution of the members.
- 53 The members may by special resolution restrict the borrowing powers of the directors, but a restriction imposed expires at the next annual general meeting.

Part 12 – Auditor

- 54 This Part applies only if the society is required or has resolved to have an auditor.
- 55 The first auditor must be appointed by the directors who must also fill all vacancies occurring in the office of auditor.
- 56 At each annual general meeting the society must appoint an auditor to hold office until the auditor is re-elected or a successor is elected at the next annual general meeting.
- 57 An auditor may be removed by ordinary resolution.
- 58 An auditor must be promptly informed in writing of the auditor's appointment or removal.
- 59 A director or employee of the society must not be its auditor.
- 60 The auditor may attend general meetings.

Part 13 – Notices to Members

- 61 A notice may be given to a member by hand delivery to the member's registered address, by mail to the member at the member's registered address, by facsimile (fax) to the member's fax number or by email to the member's email address.
- 62 Any notice given as aforesaid will, if delivered by hand be deemed to have been given and received on the day delivered, if sent by mail be deemed to have been given and received on the third day following the day on which the notice is mailed, if sent by facsimile (fax) or email be deemed to have been given and received upon receipt by the sender of electronic confirmation of completion of the fax transmission or email to the member at the correct fax number or email address.
- 63 (1) Notice of a general meeting must be given to
- a) every member shown on the register of members on the day notice is given; and
 - b) the auditor, if Part 12 applies.

(2) No other person is entitled to receive a notice of a general meeting.

Part 14 – Voting of Members

- 64 At all meetings of members of the Society every question must be determined by a majority of votes unless otherwise specifically provided by statute or by these bylaws.
- 65 A resolution in writing, signed by all the members and placed with the minutes of the members is as valid and effective as if regularly passed at a meeting of the members.

Part 15 – Financial Year

- 66 Unless otherwise ordered by the directors the fiscal year end of the society will be March 31st.

Part 16 – Rules and Regulations

- 67 The proceedings of the annual general meeting must be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, or such other rules or procedures as approved by the members at the meeting.
- 68 The board of directors may prescribe such rules and regulations not inconsistent with these bylaws relating to the management and operation of the society as they deem expedient, provided that such rules and regulations will have force and effect only until the next annual general meeting of the members of the society when they will be confirmed, and failing such confirmation at such annual general meeting of members, will at and from time to time cease to have any force and effect.

Part 17 – Bylaws

- 69 On being admitted to membership, each member is entitled to and the society must give the member, without charge, a copy of the constitution and bylaws of the society.
- 70 These bylaws must not be altered or added to except by special resolution of the delegates of the members of the society who, being entitled to do so, vote in person at a general meeting or unanimously in writing.

Part 18 – Dissolution

- 71 In the event that the Society should at any time be wound up or dissolved, the remaining assets after payment of all debts and liabilities shall be turned over to a recognized charitable organization in the Province of British Columbia or elsewhere in Canada. This provision is unalterable.

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NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Invoice

Date	Invoice #
3/31/2019	1858

Invoice To
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Box 820 Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
2019 NCLGA Annual Membership Dues	1	6,587.36	6,587.36

Please make cheque payable to:
North Local Government Association
 #206-155 George Street
 Prince George, BC V2L 1P8

Total	\$6,587.36
Payments/Credits	\$0.00
Balance Due	\$6,587.36



MEMORANDUM

To: Ms. Melany de Weerd
Chief Administrative Officer
Bulkley-Nechako, Reg. Dist. of
PO Box 820
Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

From: Claudia Chan, Office and Communications Assistant

Date: Friday, March 29, 2019

Subject: Claim Status Report

Congratulations, you currently have no open or recently closed liability claims with the Municipal Insurance Association. However, if you are aware of any open or potential claims, please report them to the MIABC office.

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

March 27, 2019

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
PO Box 820
Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

Attention: Chair Gerry Thiessen

Dear Chair Thiessen:

Subject: 2019 Local Government Internship Program
Northern Development Project Number 5893 70

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Thank you for your application to the 2019 Local Government Internship program. Northern Development is pleased to advise you that your application has been approved up to \$35,000 to support an intern in your community.

Please note that this approval is subject to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako and Northern Development entering into an agreement, as well as Northern Development receiving the signed employment agreement between the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako and the intern.

Funding under the 2019 Local Government Internship program is provided as a reimbursement upon Northern Development's receipt of reporting documents. Northern Development's reporting form can be found at www.northerndevlopment.bc.ca/funding-programs/capacity-building/local-government-internship/.

We wish you every success in mentoring an intern and look forward to seeing the results have a positive impact on local government succession in the region.

Sincerely,


Joel McKay
Chief Executive Officer

c: Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer, Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako



April 1, 2019

Dear Local Government Partner,

Transit continues to play an important role in the creation of healthy and livable communities, linking residents to key services while reducing congestion and the reliance on personal automobiles. As a result, provincial and federal investment continues to grow at an unprecedented rate.

The Federal government recently announced a one-time \$2.2 billion top-up to the federal Gas Tax Fund supporting municipal infrastructure, increasing the total funds available to 4.4 billion. This top-up is allotted for infrastructure projects that improve productivity and economic growth, strong cities and communities, and a cleaner environment.

This is an opportune time to consider using these funds to invest in additional transit infrastructure in your community. In addition to service hours and buses, effective transit systems require supportive infrastructure. Some examples of eligible categories include transit exchanges, park and rides, transit priority signals, queue jump lanes, and improved bus stop infrastructure such as wayfinding signage and shelters.

There is no ceiling on the federal cost share from the Gas Tax Fund, meaning projects can be 100 per cent funded by a community's Gas Tax Fund transfer. The Gas Tax Fund is administered by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities. To find more information on this initiative, please visit <https://www.ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/renewed-gas-tax-agreement.html> or reach out to your BC Transit representative.

Sincerely,

The Government Relations Team
BC Transit

cc: Director, Regional Transit Systems

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

April 2, 2019

Mr. Gerry Thiessen, Chair
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
PO Box 820, 37-3rd Avenue
Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

Dear Chair Thiessen and Bulkley-Nechako Regional District Board,

Your grant of \$25,000 to the Canadian Cancer Society's Peace of Mind campaign means guests can receive accommodation, care and support at the Kordyban Lodge at a reduced rate.

For many people, the financial burden of cancer can be overwhelming. When faced with the prospect of paying for accommodation during extended treatments, financial constraints can influence potentially life-saving treatment decisions. You stepped up to keep finances from getting in the way of receiving the best available care. By lowering the user fee at the Kordyban Lodge, your gift will help Northerners when they need it most.

Kordyban Lodge is more than a place to stay. The Lodge is a place where shared experiences can lead to lasting friendships and relieve some of the stress and anxiety of a cancer diagnosis. We often hear from guests that the relationships they form with other guests, staff and volunteers at the lodge are a lifeline at one of the most difficult times in their lives.

Your gift will be recognized on the video board located in the Kordyban Lodge and you will receive quarterly stewardship reports and an invitation to an appreciation event to be held this Fall. Thank you for helping make Kordyban Lodge a more affordable '*home away from home*' for Northerners facing cancer. You are touching lives and giving Peace of Mind.

Yours truly,

Margaret Jones-Bricker
Manager, Annual Giving
T: 250-645-2369 | E: margaret.jonesbricker@cancer.ca

P.S. If you'd like to see your gift at work, please contact me for a tour of the Kordyban Lodge at your convenience.



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Attention: To whom this may concern

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

I am writing this letter in regards to the 2019 Cheslatta Carrier Nation campout. As you may know every year our people, as well as the surrounding communities, gather at the Cheslatta IR # 7 for our annual campout. This year we will be celebrating the signing of the Settlement Agreement with the Province of British Columbia. The campout will be held on the week of the 8th – 12th of July. The 10th of July is our special day for service providers, special guests, donators and companies.

As this event grows each year, we are asking for donations of any kind to help out with the expenses that go along with it. If you would like to make a donation please contact the Cheslatta band office via phone (205)-694-3334, or Jessi Jack via email, jjack@cheslatta.com. We will accept donations as well as door prizes.

We greatly appreciate your time, and helping us in achieving a successful campout this year. We would like to thank you warmly in advance for any contribution; and please join our community members in going back to the land for a fun day with Businesses, Industry, and local care givers on July 10th.

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Chief Corrina Leween


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ON BEHALF OF EVERYONE
AT THE VANDERHOOF CAMPUS
OF CNC, WE WOULD LIKE
TO THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING
OUR BRAND LAUNCH EVENT
ON MARCH 1ST.

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
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CNC WAS EXCITED TO SHARE
THE RESULTS OF OUR NEW
BRAND WITH OUR HONOURED
GUESTS AND COMMUNITY
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MAR 15 2019

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Construction Activity Update #1 January – February 2019

On Oct. 2, 2018, Coastal GasLink (CGL) received a positive final investment decision from LNG Canada and their partners. The Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project has awarded \$2.8 billion of pipeline construction contracts, and \$620 million in contract work to northern British Columbia (B.C.) Indigenous businesses for the project's Right of Way clearing, medical, security and camp management needs. The Project anticipates another \$400 million in additional subcontracting opportunities for Indigenous and local B.C. communities during pipeline construction. Project activities are currently underway for preliminary work, including clearing, road work, and site preparation for lay down and camp building. Mechanical pipeline construction is anticipated to begin in 2020. All permitting is in place and extensive field work has been done, including field surveys, archeological surveys and environmental field work. As part of our ongoing communications with stakeholders, communities and Indigenous groups, Coastal GasLink will be providing construction updates on a regular basis.

1. Construction Update

Construction activities have commenced in Section 8, and begin in Section 1 and 2 in late February 2019. Construction activities have not yet started in Sections 3-7.

Section 8:

Construction activities have begun in Section 8 under Macro-Spiecapag Joint Venture (MSJV) as prime contractor. Initial groundwork started in early December 2018. This section has been the project's most significant focus over the past few months to facilitate our pipeline construction in the Coast Mountains during the Summer 2019 construction season. Work packages were developed (with the input of contractors) to ensure continuous work could be completed without having to de-mobilize work forces during the changing seasons.

Under the agreement with the road holder, Skeena Sawmills, preliminary work included road maintenance for the South Hirsch Mainline, North Hirsch Forest Service Road, Forest Avenue, North Kitimat Mainline and ongoing Right of Way and road reconnaissance for MSJV

Work that has commenced in Q1 of 2019 includes access road development and clearing. There will be approximately 51 km of Right of Way clearing performed by the clearing contractors, Haisla Brinkman and Kyah. Maintenance will be performed on another 81 km of existing roads that will include primarily existing forest service roads and reactivation of non-status roads. Coastal GasLink is anticipating another 26 km of new road construction to be started, as well as the clearing and grading for camps, lay down areas and for the future Kitimat Meter Station site.

Most current Section 8 workers are staying at the Civeo Sitka Lodge and occupancy will reach approximately 80 persons in Q1.

Sections 1 and 2:

All work in Sections 1 and 2 is situated in the Peace River Regional District and will be carried out by one contractor, Surerus-Murphy Joint Venture (SMJV). Early work for SMJV is scheduled to start on Feb. 25, 2019 and will consist of clearing and brushing for both the access roads and multi-use sites.

High-priority clearing work in Q1 will be done to prepare for the Sukunka Camp location and major access roads in Section 1. This will include prepping for a stockpile site 10 km west of Chetwynd, off Highway 97, as well as the Sukunka River stockpile site (in proximity to Sukunka Camp itself).

Section 2 early work activities will start in late June and mainline clearing will begin in July.



2. Construction Monitoring and Community Liaison Program

The Construction Monitoring and Community Liaison (CMCL) Program provides opportunities for Indigenous participation in construction activities within their traditional territory for the purposes of:

- observing, recording and reporting on the implementation of construction activities;
- reporting and engaging between the Project and Indigenous communities; and
- supporting the implementation of the Heritage Resource Discovery Contingency Plan and the Traditional Land Use Sites Discovery Contingency Plan.

In Fall 2018, CGL incorporated feedback from the First Nations and finalized the CMCL Program. The Program was then rolled out to 21 Indigenous communities.

Since its inception, the CMCL Program implementation discussions have occurred with 12 Indigenous communities. CGL is looking forward to having CMCL Advisors out observing construction activities shortly as candidates are identified within Indigenous communities. Moving forward, CGL will continue to engage Indigenous communities on executing the CMCL Program to ensure that contracting and employment plans meet the specific needs of Indigenous communities.

3. In the Community

Coastal GasLink has held its first series of Economic Summits with First Nations events and Regional events in Fort St. John, Dawson Creek, Prince George, Houston, and Terrace. The events have provided prospective sub-contractors and individuals seeking employment an opportunity to meet with Coastal GasLink prime contractors and their subcontractors. In total, over 3,000 meetings have been facilitated since November 2018. Coastal GasLink is working closely with Chambers and local economic development stakeholders to build our databases and local vendor information. Prime contractors on Coastal GasLink are obligated to make opportunities available where they can to local and Indigenous individuals and businesses.

In January, Coastal GasLink sponsored and attended the True North Business Development Forum, and the BC Natural Resources Forum, engaging with hundreds of businesses and community leaders. Coastal GasLink was very proud to be the Official Accessibility Sponsor of the 2019 World Para Nordic Skiing Championships in Prince George that took place from Feb. 15-24, 2019.

As our project progresses, we continue to gather input, share information and answer questions from potentially impacted landowners, local governments, Indigenous groups and the public.

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April 8, 2019

Re: Species at Risk – Local Government Petition for Action (British Columbia Caribou Recovery Program)

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Horgan,

Elected officials of member municipalities and regional districts throughout the North Central Local Government Association's (NCLGA) operating area (covering 70% of B.C.'s landmass) are very concerned with the environmental, social and economic well-being of their communities in the context of changing economies and the changing environment (e.g. wildfires, forest health outbreaks).

As communities strive to adapt and create new visions for their future, they are hampered by Federal and Provincial decision making that does not include them but that profoundly affects them. Of immediate concern are the processes and strategies to address species at risk, such as those developed under the Provincial Caribou Recovery Program. This represents an ongoing area of concern due to the potential significant environmental, social and economic impacts to our member communities. Thus, the NCLGA would like to petition the Federal and Provincial governments to immediately implement the following three (3) priority actions when addressing species at risk:

1. ***Bring local governments to the table in a meaningful way*** – All four orders of Canadian government must play a role in the development of the processes and plans in order to implement innovative and collaborative solutions for species at risk that reflect the communities directly and disproportionately impacted.
2. ***Collaboratively review, amend and release the timelines*** – For example, under the Provincial Caribou Recovery Program the current six-week (March 21st to May 3rd) feedback period for the Draft Section 11 Agreement (Canada and B.C.) and the Draft Partnership Agreement (Canada, B.C., West Moberly and Sauteau First Nation) is not adequate given the significant levels of concern, unique framework of the government-to-government agreements, and complexity of the potential solutions and impacts associated with the problem at hand. Once Local governments are brought to the table in a more meaningful way (Request 1), the current and future timelines may require additional adjustments. Taking a bit more time now to get it right is critical ensuring success moving forward.
3. ***Ensure that the process and scope of social and economic impact assessments are collaboratively developed*** – Given the significance natural resources play in the economies and lifestyles of NCLGA member communities, a collaboratively developed (all four orders of government), comprehensive, locally/regionally focused social and economic impacts assessment is required to adequately address species at risk and help create new visions for community well-being (that reflect local/regional needs and opportunities). For example, there is currently significant confusion and concern regarding the May 3rd 2019 feedback deadline for the Draft Section 11 and Partnership Agreements (Provincial Caribou Recovery Program) which will occur prior to understanding the potential social and economic impacts. Once a collaboratively developed timeline is released (Request 2), a clearer understanding of relationships between agreements/processes will help enhance local/regional buy-in.

Local governments stand to inherit and address a significant portion of the environmental, social and economic impacts of the decisions associated with addressing species at risk and are keen to further engage with First Nations, Provincial and Federal governments to create shared visions for a sustainable future. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns or would like to discuss the priority actions in more detail.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter. We look forward to your reply and to a collaborative and productive relationship moving forward.

Yours sincerely,



Gordon Klassen
President

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Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
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Chair of Waste Management Committee Mark Fisher and Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako,

Thank you for supporting Bill C-429, the Zero Waste Packaging Act. Municipalities pay billions in landfill costs and the aim of this bill was to reduce the waste – saving both the planet and the billions local governments pay. Your backing as key decision-makers at the municipal level means so much to me and the mobilization of this legislation.

The comments and potential improvements to the bill you bring up are very helpful. The immediate focus is to promote the bill in the leadup to its second reading in Parliament. If we can build enough momentum and have it studied in a committee, I may very well reach out to discuss these matters further. Thank you for your gracious offer.

By supporting Bill C-429, you are joining several other municipalities in Northwest BC, environmental groups, waste management organizations, and Canadians across the country who want a waste-free Canada.

The public support for a zero waste Canada is clearly there. Hundreds and thousands of Canadians across the country have signed official petitions to Parliament in support of action on plastic pollution. Bill C-429 translates this desire and necessity for action into a reality.

Thank you again for your support in pushing for a zero waste future.

Sincerely,

Nathan Cullen

Nathan Cullen MP
Skeena-Bulkley Valley



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Nathan Cullen on Zero Waste Packaging Act

In the House of Commons on February 20th, 2019. [See this statement in context \(/debates/2019/2/20/nathan-cullen-2/\)](#).

**Zero Waste
Packaging Act**
 Routine Proceedings
 February 20th, 2019 /
 3:35 p.m.
 NDP



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Nathan Cullen [\(/politicians/nathan-cullen/\)](#) Skeena—Bulkley Valley, BC

moved for leave to introduce Bill C-429, An Act to amend the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 (packaging) (/bills/42-1/C-429/)

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Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to introduce another winner of our Create Your Canada competition, for which people from across the northwest of British Columbia enter ideas that they think would make Canada a better place. An independent committee picks the winner, and this year, it is Ben Korving, from Terrace, B.C., who is here in Ottawa today with his son, Aidan.

Ben's idea was to have a zero-waste packaging act that would prescribe that all consumer packaging in Canada either be recyclable or compostable, by law, because as we know, right now, when we put things in the blue box, only about 11%, on average, actually is recycled. The rest ends up in landfills and in our oceans.

This is building on the work by my colleague from **Courtenay—Alberni** [\(/politicians/gord-johns/\)](#) and his Motion No. 151. More than 170,000 Canadians signed the petition asking us to do something about ocean plastics. This bill would move this to enforcement. This takes the promise into action.

Ben's idea, and it is a great one, is to make good on the promise Canada has made to the world that we will now recycle or compost all consumer packaging. I thank Ben and his son Aidan for coming all this way from the northwest of British Columbia, and especially for his idea to make Canada a better place.

(Motions deemed adopted, bill read the first time and printed)

See context [\(/debates/2019/2/20/nathan-cullen-2/\)](#) to find out what was said next.

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BILL C-429

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HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA

BILL C-429

An Act to amend the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999
(packaging)

FIRST READING, FEBRUARY 20, 2019

MR. CULLEN

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SUMMARY

This enactment amends the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*, to prohibit the use of consumer product packaging unless it is made of a material that is recyclable or compostable.

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Available on the House of Commons website at the following address:
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HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA

BILL C-429

An Act to amend the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 (packaging)

Preamble

Whereas severe environmental and ecological damage is caused by the 8 million tonnes of plastic waste that enters the oceans every year;

Whereas 40% of all plastics are produced for packaging and account for 50% of all plastic in landfills worldwide;

Whereas it is estimated that less than 11% of the plastics used in Canada are recycled;

Whereas the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals call on all countries to achieve a substantial reduction in waste generation by 2030 through the promotion of sustainable consumption and production;

Whereas, as part of the G7's Ocean Plastics Charter, the Government of Canada committed to reducing plastic waste by ensuring that all plastics used in Canada are designed for reuse and recycling and to working with industry towards a goal of 100% recyclable, reusable or recoverable plastics by 2030;

Whereas the excessive use of non-recyclable and non-compostable materials for packaging consumer products makes it increasingly difficult for consumers, municipalities and recycling agencies to reduce waste;

Whereas the annual cost of waste management to municipalities in Canada amounts to over \$3 billion;

And whereas the principle of extended producer responsibility has been identified by provinces and the federal government as an important tool to reduce waste and ensure a focus on recycling throughout all stages in the lifecycle of a product;

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:

Short Title

Short title

1 This Act may be cited as the *Zero Waste Packaging Act*.

Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999

2 Section 3 of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999* is amended by adding the following in alphabetical order:

consumer product means a product, including its components, parts or accessories, that may reasonably be expected to be obtained by an individual to be used for non-commercial purposes, including for domestic, recreational and sports purposes. (*produit de consommation*)

packaging material means, in relation to a consumer product, the material used to contain, identify and protect it, or to facilitate its use. It includes inner and outer containers and coverings, but does not include packaging used solely for the safe transportation of the product from the manufacturer to the seller. (*matériel d'emballage*)

3 The Act is amended by adding the following after section 137:

DIVISION 3.1

Non-recyclable and Non-compostable Packaging

Packaging Material

Prohibition

137.1 (1) No person shall sell, or offer for sale, a packaged consumer product unless its packaging material is

- (a) set out in Schedule 7; or
- (b) the subject of an exemption granted under subsection 137.1(2).

Exemption

(2) On application, the Minister may, in respect of a particular consumer product, exempt any of its packaging material from the application of this Act, if the Minister is of the opinion that

- (a) the consumer product is used for medical purposes and no suitable alternative packaging material exists;
- (b) the packaging material is essential to the proper delivery or functioning of the consumer product; or
- (c) no recyclable or compostable alternative packaging material could be used without compromising the integrity or quality of the consumer product.

Schedule of materials

137.2 (1) The Governor in Council may, on the recommendation of the Minister made under subsection (2), by regulation, add a packaging material other than a non-biodegradable plastic, to Schedule 7.

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Consultation

(2) After consulting with the provincial and municipal governments and stakeholders in the recycling industry, if the Minister is of the opinion that a sufficient number of communities and municipalities have access to facilities capable of recycling or composting a particular packaging material, he or she may recommend that it be added to Schedule 7.

4 The Act is amended by adding, after Schedule 6, the Schedule 7 set out in the schedule to this Act.

Coming into Force

Fixed date

5 This Act comes into force on the first anniversary of the day on which it receives royal assent.

SCHEDULE

(Section 4)

SCHEDULE 7

(Sections 137.1 and 137.2)

Recyclable and Compostable Materials

Paper

Glass

Corrugated fiberboard

Paperboard

Aluminum

Steel

Polyethylene Terephthalate

High-density Polyethylene

Bill C-429
(First Reading)
February 20, 2019



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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Dear Mr. Thiessen,

RE: Quarterly Report: October 1 – December 31, 2018

This package of documents details the complaint files the Office of the Ombudsperson closed for the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako between October 1 and December 31, 2018. This package does not include information about complaint files that are currently open with our office. As required by the *Ombudsperson Act*, this report provides information about the complaint files we closed regarding your organization within the last quarter, including both files we investigated and files we closed without investigation. No action is required on your part, however we hope that you will find this information useful and share it within your organization.

Enclosed you will find a detailed report containing the following:

- The number of files our office closed in the last quarter regarding your organization and the category under which these files were closed. The categories we use to close files are based on the sections of the *Ombudsperson Act*, which gives the Ombudsperson the authority to investigate complaints from the public regarding authorities under his or her jurisdiction. A more detailed description of our closing categories is available on our website at: <https://bcombudsperson.ca/gr-glossary>.
- If applicable, copies of all closing summaries from investigated files that were closed during the last quarter. Our office produces closing summaries for *investigated* files only, and not for enquiries or those we choose not to investigate. These summaries provide an overview of the complaint received, our investigation and the outcome.
- If applicable, a summary of the topics identified in all complaints that were closed in the last quarter for your organization. Our office tracks the topics of complaints we investigate and those we close without investigation (we do not track this information for enquiries). We track general complaint topics for all complaints we receive, and when applicable, we include authority-specific and/or sector-specific topics for your organization and/or sector. Because complaints are confidential, we do not share complaint topic information if we received too few complaints to preserve the complainants' anonymity.

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If you have questions about our quarterly reports, or if you would like to sign up for our mailing list to be notified of educational opportunities provided by our Prevention Initiatives Team, please contact us at 250-508-2950 or consult@bcombudsperson.ca.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jay Chalke', written in a cursive style.

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Quarterly report for Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako for October 1 – December 31, 2018

Type of complaint closure	# closed
Enquiries – Many people who contact us are not calling to make a complaint, but are seeking information or advice. These contacts are classified as <i>Enquiries</i> to distinguish them from <i>Complaints</i> , which are requests that our office conduct an investigation.	0
Complaints with No Investigation – Our office does not investigate every complaint it receives. First, we determine whether we have authority to investigate the complaint under the <i>Ombudsperson Act</i> . We also have discretion to decline to investigate for other reasons specified in the <i>Ombudsperson Act</i> .	2
Early Resolution Investigations – Early Resolution investigations provide an expedited process for dealing with complaints when it appears that an opportunity exists for the authority to take immediate action to resolve the issue. Typical issues that are addressed through Early Resolution include timeliness, communication, and opportunities for internal review.	0
Complaint Investigations – When we investigate a complaint we may conclude with a determination that a complaint is not substantiated, or with a negotiated settlement of the complaint, or with public findings and recommendations. We may also exercise discretion to cease investigation for a number of other reasons specified in the <i>Ombudsperson Act</i> .	Total: 0
Reason for closing an Investigation:	
Pre-empted by existing statutory right of appeal, objection or review.	0
Investigation ceased with no formal findings under the <i>Ombudsperson Act</i>.	
More than one year between event and complaint	0
Insufficient personal interest	0
Available remedy	0
Frivolous/vexatious/trivial matter	0
Can consider without further investigation	0
No benefit to complainant or person aggrieved	0
Complaint abandoned	0
Complaint withdrawn	0
Complaint settled in consultation with the authority - When an investigation leads us to conclude that action is required to resolve the complaint, we try to achieve that resolution by obtaining the voluntary agreement of the authority to settle the complaint. This allows matters to be resolved fairly for the complainant and authority without requiring a formal finding of maladministration.	0
Complaint substantiated with formal findings under the <i>Ombudsperson Act</i> .	0
Complaint not substantiated under the <i>Ombudsperson Act</i> .	0
Ombudsperson Initiated Investigations – The Ombudsperson has the authority to initiate investigations independently from our process for responding to complaints from the public. These investigations may be ceased at the discretion of the Ombudsperson or concluded with formal findings and recommendations.	0

For more detailed information about the complaint closing categories used by our office, please see our glossary of terms at: <https://www.bcombudsperson.ca/resources/information-public-bodies/fairness-quick-tips>. To obtain a more detailed breakdown of the complaints closed for your authority for the quarter, please contact us at consult@bcombudsperson.ca.

The tables below summarize the complaint topics we are tracking for your sector and/or authority and the number of times this topic was identified in the files (investigated and non-investigated complaints) that were closed in the most recent quarter.

If you would like more information on the types of complaints we receive, please contact our Prevention Initiatives Team: email us at consult@bcombudsperson.ca or call us at 250-508-2950.

Sector-Specific Complaint Topics - All Local Government

Business Licensing	5	3%
Bylaw Enforcement	50	34%
Council Member Conduct (incl. Conflict of Interest)	5	3%
Official Community Plan/Zoning/Development	24	17%
Fees/Charges (incl. Taxes)	13	9%
Open Meetings	1	1%
Procurement	2	1%
Services (incl. Garbage, Sewer, Water)	19	13%
Response to Damages Claim	2	1%
Other	24	17%

General Complaint Topics - All Local Government

Decision/Outcome - Disagreement with	68	35%
Accessibility	4	2%
Delay	8	4%
Administrative error	5	3%
Treatment by staff	13	7%
Communication	26	14%
Process/Procedure	34	18%
Complaint/Review/Appeals Process	16	8%
Employment/Labour Relations	2	1%
Other	16	8%

Jason Llewellyn

From: Rahul Ray <r-ray@edynamics.com>
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2019 10:56 AM
To: Jason Llewellyn; Melany de Weerd
Cc: Benckhuysen, Justus (RTA); Jason Collier
Subject: Rio Tinto Water Engagement Initiative information session presentation, meeting summaries, and next steps
Attachments: WEI_stakeholder_information_session_March_2019.pdf

Good morning,

I hope you are doing well.

As you are aware, three stakeholder information sessions were recently held to share information about Rio Tinto's Water Engagement Initiative. The presentation given at the sessions is attached.

The meeting summary from each of the three sessions are posted on the Water Engagement Initiative website <https://www.getinvolvednechako.ca/wei> in support of the process goal of "radical transparency".

In the coming weeks, the Multi-Party Decision Process (MPDP) as described in the presentation will be initiated. Based on our discussion and understanding of your organization's interests, you would be a logical and welcome participant. Please confirm your participation or get in touch with me if you would like to discuss this.

I look forward to connecting in the near future.

Thanks,

Rahul

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Memorandum

To: WEI participants
From: Rahul Ray and Jason Collier
Date: March 22, 2019
EDI Project No: 18P0173
Re: Wistaria WEI Information Session – March 12, 2019

An information session for Rio Tinto's Water Engagement Initiative (WEI) was held on March 12, 2019 at Wistaria Hall in Wistaria, BC. Community members were invited to this session, which ran from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

The organizers and presenters included:

Rio Tinto: Andrew Czornohalan (AC), Justus Benckhuysen (JB), and Danielle De Kay (DD)

EDI: Rahul Ray (RR) and Jason Collier (JC)

Ecofish: Jayson Kurtz (JK)

Approximately 20 community members were in attendance.

The following provides a summary of the main discussion points.

- During the introductions, some community members commented that what is needed in the community is cell phone service.
- Following the introductions, a community member wanted to know whom to connect with if they had questions in the future. AC replied that people can reach out to JB or DD for Rio Tinto related questions or to RR for WEI questions. AC is also available when needed.
- During the segment led by JK with respect to his experience with Water Use Plans, a community member wanted to know if, in the instance when professional opinion is needed due to a lack of scientific data, would those determinations be made public. JK replied that Ecofish will help compile the data, ensure it is scientifically defensible and in cases where professional opinion is needed, the rationale and determination will be made public.
- A community member wanted to know what assurances they have that Rio Tinto will be committed to implement results of the process. It has been approximately 70 years since Rio Tinto started their operations and there have been many challenges along the way. It would be good to have some certainty



that the results are going to be implemented. AC replied that Rio Tinto has had discussions with BC Hydro with respect to their Water Use Plans. Although the situation is different in that Rio Tinto is conducting the process voluntarily, AC believes that there are tangible outcomes that can occur from the WEI process. Rio Tinto is committed to the process and the outcomes. AC is also familiar with the past, but there is a willingness by Rio Tinto to make things work.

- Comment that making progress and implementing changes early in the process will help show Rio Tinto's commitment. The fact that Rio Tinto is conducting the WEI and are present at this information session also helps to show commitment.
- A community member asked AC what would happen if he was not here. Would the WEI and Rio Tinto continue the process? The WEI is not being conducted by AC alone. He has a team to support the process in BC and has support from Rio Tinto. The process would continue without his presence. RR stated that there are many interests to consider as part of the process and that having a strong contingent of participants would make the process stronger.
- In terms of barriers to participation, it was stated that many people do not have internet, making it difficult to communicate. At this point, using the postal service would be the best method to communicate WEI information to community members.
- A community member wanted to know where the main table discussion would be held. RR responded that he plans on rotating the venue locations. Having the main table in different location will help to understand communities in the Nechako and their interests.
- It was stated that the South Side has different interest from downstream communities. It would be helpful and show commitment if Rio Tinto conducted a survey and documented the issues of the community. AC responded that this was a good idea and a Rio Tinto contact would be identified.
- **Action Item: Rio Tinto to provide contact and conduct community survey to identify issues.**
- Erosion seems to be higher when the reservoir is closer to 2800 ft elevation, and wind appears to be a contributing factor. There was mention of siltation issues occurring in the lake and its effects on drinking water. In response, some members have had to dig-up their water lines and relocate them.
- Another interest includes recreation, and having access to boat launches for those not living on the lake, as well as having areas for boat storage.
- Fish are of interest to the community. Changes to spawning areas in creeks have been noticed during the last 20 years, and Kokanne are no longer found in certain creeks. It also appears that fish are getting smaller.



- For local ranchers, driftwood along the lake is an issue. When the driftwood accumulates, cattle can not get access to the lake. There have been reports of moose drowning.
- A community member asked if Rio Tinto had insight into the operations of Huckleberry mine and its impacts on the reservoir. AC responded that they have looked into the safety of their dam and that the mine has their own sampling program in accordance with the permit. AC said Rio Tinto could take a closer look at their water quality program.
- **Action Item: Rio Tinto to look into Huckleberry mine Water Quality program.**
- There were questions in terms of scheduling the main table sessions. JB said that the schedule can be flexible to accommodate participants needs and would not be a barrier to participate. What Rio Tinto would like is to have participants who are interested in participating, as the WEI is not just about water, but also includes other interests, such as vegetation clearing, and contracting.
- AC said that the WEI is not a cookie-cutter approach. There many ways that the WEI process can be accessible and successful.
- Two community members (Tim Plesko and Gary Blackwell) expressed interest in joining the main table.

Action Items

- **Action Item: Rio Tinto to provide contact and conduct community survey to identify issues.**
- **Action Item: Rio Tinto to look into Huckleberry mine Water Quality program.**

Memorandum



To: WEI participants
From: Rahul Ray and Jason Collier
Date: March 22, 2019
EDI Project No: 18P0173
Re: Vanderhoof Information Session (Morning) – March 14, 2019

An information session for Rio Tinto's Water Engagement Initiative (WEI) was held on March 14, 2019 at Scott's Grille in Vanderhoof, BC. The session was open to the public and ran from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

The organizers and presenters included:

Rio Tinto: Andrew Czornohalan (AC), Justus Benckhuysen (JB), and Danielle De Kay (DD)

EDI facilitators: Rahul Ray (RR) and Jason Collier (JC)

Avison: Trinda Elwert (TE)

Ecofish: Adam Lewis (AL) and Jayson Kurtz (JK)

Twelve community members were in attendance.

The following provides a summary of the main discussion points.

- A comment was made regarding one of the WEI Guiding Principles, which stated that the WEI would "Respect existing legal and constitutional rights and responsibilities". A community member felt that this would limit success and opportunities at this time, and effectively close the door on potential changes. The community member suggested the principle be reworded to include: "recognizing that in order to restore the Nechako, changes to legal rights may need to be made." [not verbatim]. AC responded that there may be the need to review existing Agreements. The intent of the WEI is to determine how to do things better by working through the process. Rio Tinto would need to discuss with the BC Water Comptroller when changes to existing agreements and flows are needed. The first step is to get an understanding of the interests.
- A community member wanted to know if changes are even possible if Rio Tinto is not willing to change their business model and make changes to operations. AC said that changes may be possible without affecting business operations. Rio Tinto is not in the same position as BC Hydro was with their Water Use Plans regarding available compensation. However, AC believes that positive changes can be made, for instance with flows, the Summer Temperature Management Program, and a water release facility where



win-wins can occur. Rio Tinto needs to understand the preferred options resulting from the WEI in order to understand the impacts to Rio Tinto's business.

- A community member commented that there may be a short-cut available with all the research that has been done and all the existing information on the Nechako.
- Comment was made on the history of Rio Tinto's operations in the Nechako resulting in only 35% of historical flows remaining in the Nechako River. This has led to significant changes in the flow regime. The location of the spillway has been problematic and has created erosion in the Cheslatta system. Kenney Dam would be a better location for a spillway. The result of insufficient flows has caused siltation on spawning beds leading to impacts on fish stocks resulting from unsuccessful spawning. This situation could be addressed with adequate flows to clear the spawning beds. Just tweaking the flows will not be successful. The flows needed would result in floods in Vanderhoof, and houses in the flood plain would need to be moved or flooding addressed. From all the research done on the Nechako, we know what the problems are, now we need to identify what is needed to fix them. Economics will be important to consider and balance in order to find the right approach, but there can be a better way of doing things. It is understood that this is not just Rio Tinto's responsibility, but also the Province's. AC commented that he realizes that there are many challenges and many reasons to not start working towards solutions and that it will take a lot of work, but we need to start the conversation. What is needed is a platform where all interests can be clearly understood.
- A question was asked about how long it would take between regulatory refinements and implementation? Could be another 10 years before changes can be implemented. AC responded that the regulators will be at the table and part of the process and that they will be aware of the discussion and the proposed changes. Communication with regulators will be ongoing throughout the process. As a result, the process will try to avoid regulatory surprises, so there it would not be something that holds the process up.
- A comment was made that participants should be prepared to work hard during the process as it will be time-consuming. Suggestion that to keep in mind that politics can play a role with the proposed changes, as was the experience for the Nechako Watershed Council (NWC) effort. All data derived from the NWC is available at UNBC. It was also noted that Kitimat should be consulted with if there are potential threats to operations.
- A comment was made that the WEI is needed and that there is still opportunity to make things better. Policy changes may also be needed at the provincial scale.
- Comment was made that the Land Resource Management Plan process took 10 years with many people involved. These types of initiatives take time and energy. Some people may be tainted with these initiatives, but there is still some excitement. It is still difficult to believe that Rio Tinto has changed their approach, given their history. First Nation participation is important and not all First Nations are onboard, which may make it difficult and is something to consider. UNDRIP will also be important to consider. RR



stated that the WEI is meant to be as inclusive as possible and that some First Nations are interested in participating. AC said that at this point, Rio Tinto has not specifically asked anyone to participate, and are currently providing information about the WEI, and that the process will take UNDRIP into account.

- A question was asked on when the next meeting will take place during the planning process to identify the scope and objectives. RR said the first main table meetings will identify and confirm the scope and objectives.
- A community member wanted to know if Rio Tinto already knows the minimum and maximum flows that are needed, given their extensive modeling capacity? AC responded that Rio Tinto has plenty of data, but there is a lot to consider in terms of flows, sedimentation, erosion, flooding, the Cheslatta system. Rio Tinto can provide a technical team to bring the potential data forward. Another thing to consider is the changing climate, which is making modeling difficult and raises questions with the data.
- A community member asked how is the WEI different from the Nechako Watershed Roundtable (NWR)? It appears that the NWR are 2-3 years ahead of the WEI. AC responded that industry is not part of the NWR. RR said that he has reached out to the NWR to be a part of the WEI process, and they are welcome to be participants.
- A community member commented that a good way to get started is to identify clear objectives in order to get some excitement going. For example: how do we stop erosion in the Cheslatta/Murray system? How do we rehabilitate spawning habitat? How do we make the Nechako River follow its natural flow regime? And, how do we afford to make all the changes? RR responded that the first series of meetings will be exactly about that. The WEI will be a step-wise process, having participants around the main table and discussing the objectives.
- RR said the next steps are to follow-up on these conversations to see if people want to participate in the WEI process. The first main table meeting is planned for late April.

Action Items

- **RR to follow-up with attendees to see who is wanting to participate.**

Memorandum

To: WEI participants
From: Rahul Ray and Jason Collier
Date: March 22, 2019
EDI Project No: 18P0173
Re: Vanderhoof Information Session (Evening) – March 14, 2019

An information session for Rio Tinto's Water Engagement Initiative (WEI) was held on March 14, 2019 at Scott's Grille in Vanderhoof, BC. The session was open to the public and ran from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

The organizers and presenters included:

Rio Tinto: Andrew Czornohalan (AC), Justus Benckhuysen (JB), and Danielle De Kay (DD)

EDI facilitators: Rahul Ray (RR) and Jason Collier (JC)

Avison: Trinda Elwert (TE)

Ecofish: Adam Lewis (AL) and Jayson Kurtz (JK)

Thirteen community members were in attendance.

The following provides a summary of the main discussion points.

- A community member said that they would like to see a commitment from Rio Tinto that they are serious about the WEI. It is a trust issue, given the history of Alcan and then Rio Tinto in the watershed. It may take a lot of meetings to get to a place of trust. AC acknowledged the history and believes that making progress with the WEI will help build the foundation to move forward.
- A community member said that the flows in the Nechako are usually good for a period of time, then are shut off completely and the river drops. When the water gets so low, seagulls start eating fish eggs. RR said that the WEI wants to hear about these kinds of interests and issues, as they will help shape the outcomes.
- A community member wanted to know where the main table meetings will be held. RR replied that the main table meetings will rotate through different communities in the watershed.
- Community members commented that a lot of work was done by the Nechako Watershed Council (NWC), which rolled out of the 1997 Agreement. A consensus was reached in 2009 to have the spillway moved to



- Kenney Dam, among other recommendations. The NWC thought the recommendations were legally binding, but stated they were never implemented because of political reasons.
- A comment was made that there has been a large amount of work done and information available on the Nechako that needs to be shared. There are many factors that contribute to the management of the Nechako. Sturgeon are the “canaries in the coal mine”, showing the state of the river, which cannot survive on 35% of historical flows. The health of the river depends on flow regime (volume and timing of releases). At it is now, the river does not behave like a natural watercourse should in this geographic area. There has not been political will from the federal or provincial governments to change the situation, as it would cost a lot of money.
 - A comment was made that there have been a series of good intentions and efforts to change the situation, but there is nothing to show for it. The WEI process will be difficult to do. However, if we continue down the path we are currently on for another 60 years, the impacts on the system will be devastating, so we need to give it another try and try to trust each other again. It is our obligation.
 - Comment that Rio Tinto should have discussions with the BC government to see how to go about fixing the issues and how much they are willing to give.
 - AC commented that these comments provide good food for thought. The question is how do we do this? Where will we end up? There are likely some small improvements that can be made now to improve the situations. The intent of the WEI is to “unpack” community interests and see where the opportunities are. We need to look at mitigation related to flooding; look at different flow release schedules; look at the First Nations Major Projects Coalition, perhaps there is a platform there that can be helpful. We need to get everyone on board. It is not going to be easy, but we need to do it together.
 - A question was asked if Rio Tinto has a bottom line to what they will give. AC commented that that is a big challenge. Rio Tinto will be at the main table representing their interests and commitments, for example Rio Tinto’s commitment to BC Hydro to supply electricity. Rio Tinto will not be compensated as BC Hydro was for the Water Use Plans for this initiative.
 - A question was asked about the quality and validity of the data that Rio Tinto has. For instance, there are questions about how water level is being presented by Rio Tinto. There can be different depths at different locations. There is also a believe that Rio Tinto will dictate what kind of data is collected by other agencies, such as Environment Canada. The data presented seems to be what puts Rio Tinto in a good light. AC said Rio Tinto wants people to know how the data is collected, the reasons why, and the quality control measures that are used, in order to build people’s confidence.
 - The District of Vanderhoof said that were present as observers only. They sent a letter signed by two levels of government (municipal and regional) to Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) and have not heard or been engaged by them. The District has been working hard on building relationships with First Nations and will not turn their backs on them. The District needs to be engaged by the provincial



government and the DFO if they are going to participate. AC commented that Rio Tinto is trying to engage with all interested First Nations and with the First Nations Major Project Coalition.

- A representative from the Ministry of Forest, Lands, Natural Resources Operations, and Rural Development (FLNRORD) said the Province cannot run this type of process. The WEI is different from the BC Hydro Water Use Plans, but in both cases, it has been and will be up to the proponent to lead. The Province's role in the WEI will be as a participant, and will also provide technical support, such as supplying data and weighing in on technical information. The representative was present in order to listen, evaluate the resources that may be needed, and report back to the Minister. RR stated that the Province will be a part of the WEI process and will help identify regulatory risks throughout the process.
- The District of Vanderhoof wanted to know if the FLNRORD representative had the authority to make decisions on behalf of the Province. The FLNRORD representative stated that he did. He is present to listen and will bring back the information to help identify the needed resources. The District wanted to confirm that the Province would be able to provide technical data, to which the FLNRORD representative responded that the Province will be a participant and provide technical data. The Provincial representative was hoping to have a letter confirming their participation, but it was not ready ahead of the meeting.
- A comment was made that policy change is needed in order to make the necessary changes for the river. The Provincial and DFO regulatory system needs to change.
- Comment was made regarding cattle ranching and river water levels. There have been instances when water levels rise so quickly that cattle are caught on the other side of the river, which creates numerous problems for cattlemen. It would be good to have communications from Rio Tinto before water levels change, not after the fact. A week's notice would be good. There are also issues with irrigation when the water gets too high if floods irrigation pumps, and when the water gets too low, the pumps need to be relocated to get water. There is also an issue with fences getting washed out when the water levels get too high.
- A comment was made that people in these communities have been lied to before by Alcan and Rio Tinto, and there is a big trust issue. AC understands and was here to speak honestly. We don't know how the WEI will turn out, but it is up to us to determine how it goes. We need to start the conversation and share our understandings and interests.

Action Items

- **RR to follow-up with attendees to see who is wanting to participate.**

Cheryl Anderson

Subject:

FW: Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Engagement Process

From: "Caribou Recovery FLNR:EX" <caribou.recovery@gov.bc.ca>
Date: March 21, 2019 at 3:58:38 PM PDT
To: "Caribou Recovery FLNR:EX" <caribou.recovery@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: "Caribou Recovery FLNR:EX" <caribou.recovery@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Engagement Process

Good Afternoon,

The purpose of this email is to notify you that the Government of British Columbia is launching a caribou recovery engagement process for the draft Bilateral Conservation Agreement under Section 11 of the federal *Species at Risk Act* ("Section 11 Agreement") and draft Inter-Governmental Partnership Agreement for the Conservation of the Central Group of the Southern Mountain Caribou ("Partnership Agreement").

The Governments of British Columbia and Canada are committed to caribou recovery while seeking to meet the social and economic needs of British Columbians. To help this iconic species recover, we need an approach grounded in the best available information, including science and traditional knowledge, partnerships with leaders in caribou recovery and engagement with all stakeholders and Indigenous peoples. To this end, B.C. has been working with the federal government and the West Moberly and Saulneau First Nations to develop a caribou recovery agreement focused on the Central Group of Southern Mountain Caribou.

The draft Section 11 Agreement ([Overview of draft Section 11 Agreement](#)) contains overarching commitments, measures and strategies for the recovery of Southern Mountain Caribou (SMC) in B.C. B.C., Canada and the West Moberly and Saulneau First Nations have also been negotiating a Partnership Agreement ([Overview of draft Partnership Agreement](#)) that sets out the specific measures and actions for conservation of the three Local Population Units in the Central Group of Southern Mountain Caribou, while maintaining support for local economies and industry.

B.C., Canada and the West Moberly and Saulneau First Nations are committed to full engagement with affected sectors, communities, Indigenous peoples and the public on this important issue and would like to engage all parties on these two draft agreements. There will be opportunities for in-person, online and telephone engagement. Please visit <https://engage.gov.bc.ca/caribou/section11agreement/> for detailed information about the draft

agreements, as well as maps, information bulletins and Frequently Asked Questions. You can provide feedback via the [online feedback form](#).

If you would like to set up a meeting with a Government representative or have a question not addressed on our website, please email caribou.recovery@gov.bc.ca and your inquiry will be directed to the appropriate person.

We look forward to hearing your feedback on these important caribou recovery initiatives.

Sincerely,

David Muter
Executive Director, Species at Risk Recovery

Geraldine Craven

From: Caribou Recovery FLNR:EX <caribou.recovery@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2019 8:26 AM
To: Caribou Recovery FLNR:EX
Subject: Caribou Engagement Update: Revision to Engagement Schedule and Shapefiles Posted
Attachments: Community Poster - Vanderhoof.pdf; Community Poster - Valemount.pdf

Good Morning,

We have a change to our engagement schedule.

VALEMOUNT has been added to the schedule for APRIL 24th.

VANDERHOOF has now been changed to APRIL 25th instead of April 24th.

Please find the revised posters for Vanderhoof and Valemount attached.

Remaining sessions are now as follows:

Quesnel – Thursday, April 11, 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Quesnel & District Seniors' Centre, 461 Carson Avenue

Revelstoke – Monday, April 15, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Revelstoke Community and Aquatic Centre (Rooms MP2 and MP3) 600 Campbell Ave.

Nelson – Tuesday, April 16, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Prestige Lakeside Resort and Convention Centre
701 Lakeside Dr.

Nakusp – Wednesday, April 17, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Nakusp and District Sports Complex Auditorium 200 – 8th Ave.
NW

McBride – Tuesday, April 23, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Robson Valley Community Centre
441 Columbia St.

Valemount – Wednesday, April 24, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Valemount Community Hall
101 Gorse St.

Vanderhoof – Thursday, April 25, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Nechako Valley Secondary School
2608 Bute Ave.

Clearwater – Monday, April 29, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Clearwater Secondary School 440 Murtle Cres.

Cranbrook – Tuesday, April 30, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Prestige Rocky Mountain Resort
209 Van Horne St.

Meetings may be scheduled in other communities. Once confirmed, the schedule will be updated.



Arc Shapefiles & Google Earth KMLs for Draft Partnership Agreement Zones are now available on the FTP Site (make 'FTP Site' link to this: <ftp://ftp.geobc.gov.bc.ca/pub/outgoing/Regional/Northeast/>). To download multiple files on the FTP site press 'Alt' and click 'View' (in the toolbar) and select 'open FTP site in File Explorer')

For more information on all methods of providing feedback on this topic, please visit the [Provincial Caribou Recovery Engagement Portal](#).

We look forward to hearing your feedback on these important caribou recovery initiatives.

Sincerely,

David Muter

Executive Director, Species at Risk Recovery

BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

Community Engagement Session

Caribou - Draft Section 11 Agreement and Partnership Agreement
Vanderhoof - Nechako Valley Secondary School (Auditorium)



April 25, 2019 | 5:30 - 9:30PM
2608 Bute Avenue, Vanderhoof BC

The B.C. Government is hosting engagement sessions to review two draft caribou recovery agreements. These engagement sessions will provide an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback on the *draft Section 11 Agreement* (between the Governments of Canada and B.C.) and the *draft Partnership Agreement* (between the Governments of Canada, B.C., West Moberly & Saulneau First Nations). These sessions are open to the public and no RSVP is required.

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March 14, 2019

Dear Mayor and Council,

Almost 60 per cent of wildlife populations in Canada are declining and the number of species at risk in Canada is growing rapidly. We need action now to protect the species who are not yet at risk and recover ones who are.

The South Okanagan-Similkameen is key to protecting over 65 federally listed species at risk who call this region home. This part of the country is unlike any other part of Canada with its distinct ecosystems hosting unique, rare and endangered plants and animals.

That is why the South Okanagan-Similkameen National Park Reserve must become a reality. Without protection through a national park reserve there will be more development, increased cattle grazing and vineyard expansion which may ultimately change the landscape beyond repair and the species living there could be lost forever.

The Okanagan Nation Alliance support the park reserve and will be co-managing the park along with the governments of B.C. and Canada. The South Okanagan-Similkameen is the Syilx/Okanagan Nation's traditional territory and this national park reserve is an important step towards reconciliation. We must support the Okanagan Nation Alliance by assisting them in the creation of a national park reserve.

Will you support the creation of the South Okanagan-Similkameen National Park Reserve?

Read our latest publication and contact me at 778-903-3992 or charlotte@wildernesscommittee.org to discuss these issues further.

Thank you for ensuring we're doing all we can, together, to protect species at risk and wilderness across the country.

For the wildlife,

Charlotte Dawe | Conservation & Policy Campaigner

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NATIONAL PARK RESERVE

THE CASE FOR A NATIONAL PARK RESERVE

Everyday forests are chopped down, wetlands are drained and grasslands are replaced with pavement. Climate change threatens grasslands with droughts, heat and raging wildfires.²² We must protect the little wilderness we have left for the benefit of wildlife and to ensure we have a future on Earth.

The reasons for a national park reserve here are numerous — protecting this area as a park is critical for conservation in the South Okanagan and in Canada.

A national park reserve would be off-limits to urban expansion, increased cattle grazing, motorized vehicle use, new vineyards and would not allow new industrial developments. Hunting would be off limits within the boundaries while First Nations could practice traditional, spiritual and cultural

uses on the land.²³

Unless a species at risk is a migratory bird, aquatic species or located on federal land like a national park, they receive no automatic protection from being harmed or having their habitat destroyed under the federal *Species at Risk Act*.²⁴ In a national park reserve species at risk would finally receive protection. There would be strong laws against harming them or their places of dwelling within the park reserve. Sadly, there are no such current protections.

Grasslands are incredible carbon stores. The proposed national park reserve has the potential to store 5.9 million tonnes of carbon over 50 years. That's the equivalent of taking 4.6 million cars off the road for a year.²⁵

Protecting natural vegetation and water bodies throughout the park reserve will help the soil hold more

water which prevents floods and droughts, decreases soil and debris run-off, and naturally filters water.²⁶

A national park reserve will help diversify the economies of local communities. It's expected to provide economic benefits to the area including investments, employment opportunities, expenditures from park visitors and millions in income opportunities. This economic diversification will stabilize communities and ensure they'll be able to withstand industry booms and busts.^{27 28}

Although some of the lands in this region currently receive different levels of provincial and private protection, a national park reserve comes with additional government resources for park rangers, conservation officers,



Photo: barn swallow (Robert McCaw).

interpretive centres, educational and cultural activities, and ongoing infrastructure upgrades and repairs.²⁹

Right now, private development and urban sprawl are quickly erasing natural spaces. Without a national park reserve there's no guarantee the wilderness enjoyed by local people will remain public land. Natural wilderness must be publically protected so local communities and visitors are able to continue enjoying the benefits of natural spaces in the South Okanagan.

The Syilx/Okanagan Nation has assessed and concluded there are potential benefits to their culture in forms of increased access to resources, research funding and increasing employment opportunities.³⁰



Photo: bitterroot herb (Gwen Barlee).



Photo: landscape in the Okanagan (Gwen Barlee).

THE PERFECT PLACE FOR A PARK RESERVE



Charlotte Dawe
Conservation and Policy Campaigner
@ClimateChar

Imagine riding on the back of a horse over five feet off the ground and yet the tips of bluebunch wheatgrass reach up high enough to brush your knees. The seeds stick to your legs — catching a ride to spread over the vast landscape.

“Grasses were belly high to a horse back then,” said Len Marchand of the Okanagan Indian Band as he recites stories of the grasslands before European settlement. First Nation elders remember the grasslands as a place where people, elk, horses and sharp-tailed grouse roamed freely. Together they sought water, foods and daily needs. And nestled within the tall grasses hid many of the species now facing extinction.

South Okanagan-Similkameen has undergone extensive changes

since those days, including increased urban development, vineyard expansion and cattle grazing. Even so, scattered throughout houses, vineyards and highways are pockets of grasslands that could return, with a little love and bold conservation steps, to a healthier state. Although they face numerous threats, including habitat loss and degradation, many species of those days before still have a fighting chance.

Under the moonlit sky of the Okanagan you can find the highest diversity of bat species across

the country as they dart around for insects. Bats indulge on a diverse diet and 69 insect species have their Canadian or B.C. ranges restricted to this region. Seven insect species exist only here and nowhere else in the world. And they're not the only

ones who depend on the South Okanagan. Almost half of breeding bird species in the country use the rugged terrain for nesting habitat and eight vertebrate species in Canada are found only here.*

There's nowhere else in the world

...unique wild spaces are becoming more rare and in desperate need of protection

quite like the South Okanagan. In one day you can visit native bunchgrass grasslands, endangered antelope-brush ecosystems, rolling hills of ponderosa pines and mountain tops which offer views of a thousand summits.** These unique wild spaces are becoming more rare and in desperate need of protection.

Safeguarding this precious region permanently must be a priority. To decrease threats and ensure permanent protection for this endangered landscape, the governments of B.C., Canada and the Okanagan Nation Alliance have agreed to work together to establish the South Okanagan-Similkameen National Park Reserve. Read on to find out more about this exciting opportunity.



Photo top: near White Lake grasslands (Charlotte Dawe).



Photos above: yellow-breasted chat (Jared Hobbs), Kilpoola grasslands (Wayne Lynch).



A VISION WE CAN'T LET GO

After more than fifteen years of negotiations and planning, it's finally time to solidify the federal and provincial governments' commitment to creating a national park reserve.

A federal election in the fall of 2019 could change the political climate for this park and the B.C. provincial government could also change during the years needed to establish the park reserve. That's why it's crucial for the governments to sign a memorandum of understanding by this summer. A memorandum of understanding would ensure, despite changes to governments, the national park reserve moves ahead.

The idea of the South Okanagan-Similkameen National Park Reserve began in 2003. Since then there've been numerous economic studies, intention papers, polls to determine support and consultations.³⁷ The latest consultation on the proposed boundaries and impacts and benefits of the park was completed in February.

Parks Canada expects to have a memorandum of understanding ready by August.³⁸ We must ensure this happens. It's time to let both

the provincial and federal governments know creating a national park reserve is a top priority.

At a time when the current extinction rate around the world is 1,000 to 10,000 times the natural rate, alarms are ringing loud for humanity. Landscapes supporting wildlife are falling apart at the seams.³⁹ The same ecosystems supporting wildlife are the ones supporting us. We must hold onto all the wilderness spaces we have left as a way to safeguard against rapid climate change. Humanity's survival hinges on protecting at least 50 per cent of the planet as wild nature to halt species loss and slow climate change.⁴⁰

Next generations deserve to grow up in a world with wilderness to explore, wildlife to wonder about and a healthy stable planet. That's why we must protect more wildlands, starting with the creation of the National Park Reserve.



Photos: ponderosa pine (Adrian Dorst) western rattlesnake (Jacob Dulisse) hiking group near Okanagan Falls (Gwen Barlee).

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A REGION SCARRED BY HISTORY

Baskets made of paper birch, Saskatoon shrubs for healing and arrowleaf balsamroot for nourishment, the First Nations of the Southern Interior relied on grasslands for at least ten thousand years. A variety of native plants species are used for food, medicines, technology, and spiritual and ceremonial purposes.³

A history of colonialism and European settlement scars the region of the South Okanagan-Similkameen. The gold rush of the 1850s brought many settlers to the region, depriving Syilx/Okanagan people of their land and resources they relied on. When British Columbia joined confederation, settlers were given the right to own lands and First Nations were removed from their lands onto small reserves.⁴ The Syilx/Okanagan people still affirm the land is theirs as no treaty has been negotiated.⁷

This period also marked the beginning of intense cattle grazing which forever damaged the grasslands.⁸ According to Don Gayton, an ecosystem management specialist from the region, after European settlement, a "full-scale ecological conversion took place."⁹ Where bunchgrasses once dominated the grasslands, now they are replaced with low-growing, grazing-resistant shrubs, leafy forbs

and invasive plants.

A national park reserve in this region co-managed by the Syilx/Okanagan Nation is an important step towards reconciliation. The Nation will provide leadership to ensure conservation and economic goals can be reached, while participating in traditional land uses and spiritual activities.

There's no way we can change the past injustices of this land. However, we can support the Okanagan Nation Alliance in co-managing a national park reserve.



Photos: Chief Clarence Louie of the Osoyoos Indian Band. Formal announcement to establish a national park reserve with politicians from federal, provincial and First Nations

BROKEN HOME NEEDS PROTECTION

The burrowing owl, standing a staggering 25 cm tall (roughly the height of a loaf of bread), stealthily chases a beetle through scattered bunches of wheatgrass.¹⁰ A coyote hides behind a sagebrush shrub, watching the owl intently. A snap of a twig or a slight movement out of the corner of its eye causes the owl to abandon the hunt. It makes a break for it and the coyote lunges in pursuit. Just before teeth meet feathers, the owl burrows into a nearby hole dug up by an American badger. It has escaped the coyote and can thank the badger burrow for saving its life. This is just one example of life in the South Okanagan-Similkameen.

Species are intricately connected. American badgers are endangered from hunting, collisions with motorized vehicles and habitat loss.¹¹ Loss of burrows made from American badgers has contributed to the decline of the burrowing owl — now also endangered. When we lose one species, it threatens the ability of others to survive.

While the diversity of living

creatures in this region is awe-inspiring, many are at risk of extinction. The South Okanagan is home to 76 per cent of British Columbia's species at risk and one of the four most endangered ecosystems in Canada, the antelope brush grasslands.¹² The pallid bat, Lewis's woodpecker, western



Photos: burrowing owl (Jared Hobbs), American badger (Wayne Lynch).



screech-owl, western rattlesnake, northern leopard frog and grand coulee owl-clover are just six of the 65 federally listed species at risk found

in the region.¹³ Many of these species need specific habitats and their survival depends on them.

Sage thrashers need

large sagebrush shrubs for nesting.¹⁴

White-headed woodpeckers rely

on old and mature ponderosa pines for seeds and nests.¹⁵ Tiger salamanders need specific habitats like arid grassland and open forests.¹⁶

Destruction and degradation of natural wilderness in the South Okanagan are some of the main reasons for the high number of species at risk. Permanent protection of these habitats are critical to their future survival.

CRITICAL AREAS OVERLOOKED

There are a couple of South Okanagan treasures that must be included in the national park reserve. Vaseux Lake, White Lake and the lands surrounding these lakes are rich in diversity and are of high ecological importance. They must be protected.

North of the town Oliver is the picturesque Vaseux Lake. Thickets and wetlands border the lake and draw in many migratory birds. If you're an avid birder, spend some time here and you'll cross a fair number of bird species off your list.³¹ Looking out beyond the lake you'll see the vegetation transform from grasslands to hillsides, with exposed rock and ponderosa pine. These hills are perfect for mule deer, cougars and California bighorn sheep. Unfortunately, Vaseux Lake and the surrounding areas aren't included in the current proposed park reserve boundaries although many species at risk have critical habitat here.³²

To the west of Vaseux Lake

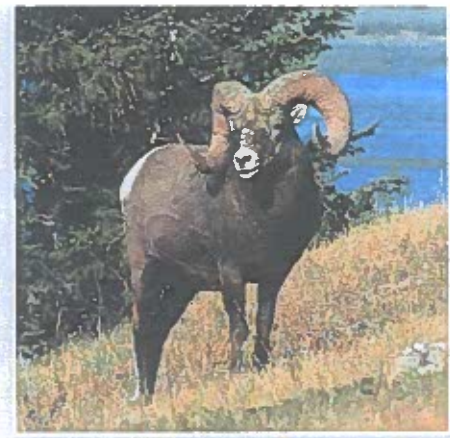


Photo: Vaseux Lake and Okanagan River (Joe Foy).

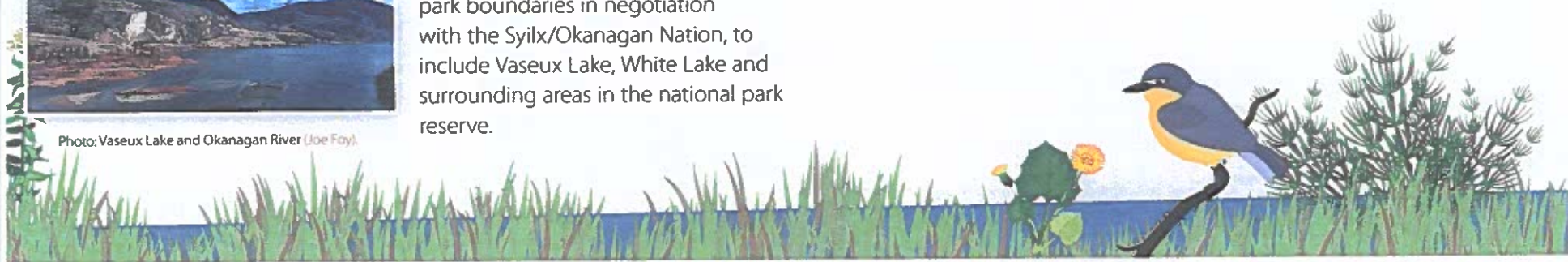
is White Lake. The lake and its surrounding lands are a top conservation priority.³³ It includes important mid-elevation grasslands and old-growth ponderosa pines. This region is overflowing with species at risk. It's home to the sage thrasher, tiger salamander and painted turtle and these are just some of the at-risk species living in the area. If the White Lake area is included in the national park reserve, the *Species at Risk Act* would automatically protect all these at-risk species and their homes.

Some of the area surrounding White Lake is provincially designated as the White Lake Grasslands Protected Area. However, there've been challenges in properly managing and protecting it. Off-road vehicle use has been difficult to manage.³⁴ ATVs damage the sensitive ecosystem and put further pressure on species at risk.³⁵ Some of these species even end up as roadkill. The national park reserve would ensure at-risk areas are protected and would have staff to monitor and enforce regulations.³⁶

We recommend increasing the park boundaries in negotiation with the Syilx/Okanagan Nation, to include Vaseux Lake, White Lake and surrounding areas in the national park reserve.



Photos: tiger salamander, big horn sheep (Jared Hobbs), Spotted Lake (Gwen Barlee)



GROWING THREATS, URGENT CONCERNS

The South Okanagan-Similkameen is a unique region as it combines jaw-dropping diversity from vast arid desert landscapes to towering mountain peaks. It draws visitors to the region each year who enjoy its many lakes, breathtaking hikes and hidden wild treasures. However, high-impact activities are severely destroying and degrading ecosystems throughout the region. Urban development has and is continuing to expand

Okanagan. Across the country grasslands are disappearing. Seventy per cent of prairie grasslands have already been lost and in 2016, grasslands in Canada were disappearing faster than the Amazon Rainforest. This is deeply concerning. Grasslands support rare species, bird migrations and are important carbon sinks. From 1940 to 2014,



Photo: Gwen Barlee (WC files)

grassland bird populations in Canada declined by 69 per cent.¹⁹

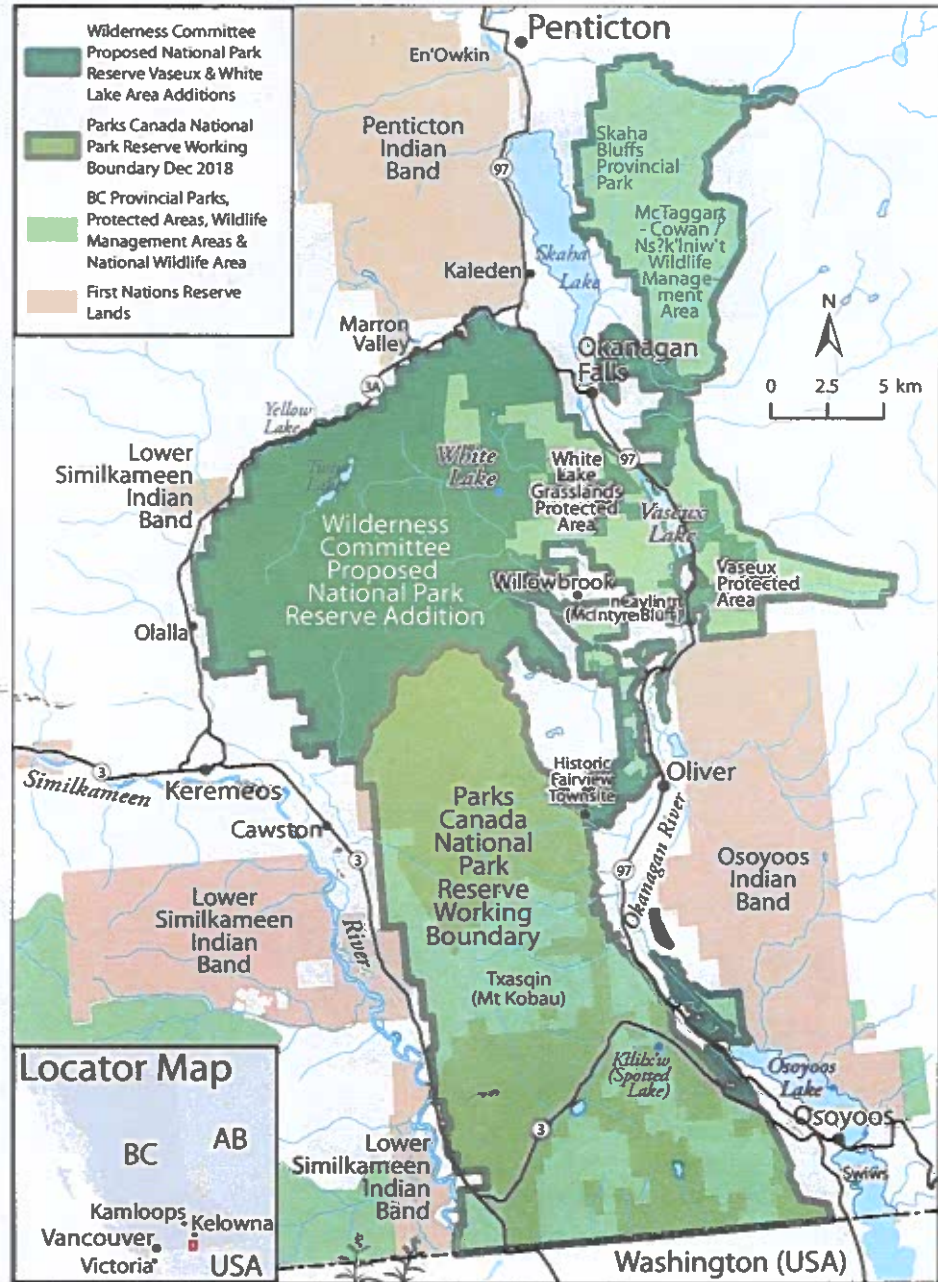
In the South Okanagan less than half of the grasslands and shrub-steppe habitats of the bunchgrass zone remain intact and only nine per cent are in a truly natural

state.²⁰ Remaining grasslands are at risk of degradation due to various threats, including overgrazing by cattle, motorized vehicles, extensive vineyards, expanding human settlements, invasive species and not allowing important grassland wildfires.²¹ A national park reserve is desperately needed to protect what's left of remaining ecosystems.



Photo: arrowleaf balsamroot (Gwen Barlee)

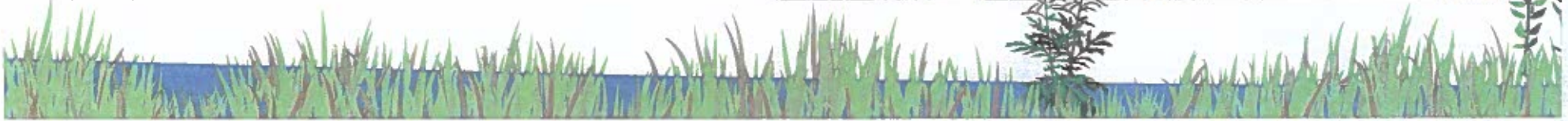
PROPOSED NATIONAL PARK RESERVE BOUNDARIES



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Many locals worry about the state of the Okanagan. Gwen Barlee, the Wilderness Committee's former national policy director grew up in the Okanagan and was instrumental in the vision for this national park reserve. She once said, "Every time I go back, I see another little piece has been lost. If we don't seize the moment, the opportunity to save it will be lost."¹⁸

An example of this loss are the endangered grasslands of the South



TAKE ACTION

Create the South Okanagan-Similkameen National Park Reserve!

Please contact federal minister of environment Catherine McKenna, B.C. minister of environment George Heyman and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. Ask them to:

- ▶ In collaboration with the Okanagan Nation Alliance sign a memorandum of understanding by August 2019 to ensure the South Okanagan-Similkameen National Park Reserve will proceed
- ▶ Create a park as big as possible — include areas like Vaseux and White lake
- ▶ Continue to work in partnership with the Okanagan Nation Alliance towards a park reserve



Photo: western screech owl chicks (Wayne Lynch).

Federal Environment Minister – email: ec.ministre-minister.ec@canada.ca or phone: 819-938-3813
BC Environment minister – email: ENV.Minister@gov.bc.ca or phone: 250-387-1187
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Good afternoon,

Attached are 6 resolutions passed by Victoria City Council that Council directed be forwarded to various local governments in British Columbia.

These resolutions are to be shared with all British Columbia Local Governments:

- Observed Inhalation Sites for Overdose Prevention
- Safer Drug Supply to Save Lives in British Columbia
- Shifting Investment to Low-Emission Transportation

These resolutions are to be shared with members of the Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities:

- Revitalizing Island Rail
- Promoting and Enabling GHG Reductions
- Old Growth Forests

Please distribute accordingly.

Best regards,

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THE CITY OF VICTORIA

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 13, 2019

Dear Premier Horgan,

I am writing on behalf of Victoria City Council to request favourable consideration and resolutions of support for observed inhalation sites for overdose prevention.

At the February 7, 2019 Council Meeting, Council approved the following resolution:

Resolution: Observed Inhalation Sites for Overdose Prevention

WHEREAS British Columbia is currently experiencing an unprecedented public health emergency due to an unpredictable and highly-toxic drug supply;

WHEREAS smoking or inhalation is the second most common mode of consumption among all people who have died from a suspected illicit drug overdose and the most common mode of consumption among men and those between the ages of 15 and 29;

WHEREAS observed consumption services (i.e. supervised consumption services and overdose prevention services) are evidence-based harm reduction approach shown to reduce overdose-related harm;

WHEREAS there is not adequate access to observed consumption services that provide space for inhalation where communities are facing crisis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT to ensure that people at risk of overdose across B.C. have access to observed consumption services that provide space for inhalation, that the Province of British Columbia work through local communities, Health Authorities across the Province, the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions and the Ministry of Health to fund and provide these services as part of a holistic response to the public-health emergency, including prevention, treatment, and recovery.

We look forward to your support on this matter.

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THE CITY OF VICTORIA



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'L. Helps'.

Lisa Helps
Victoria Mayor

- cc. Honourable Adrian Dix, Minister of Health
Honourable Judy Darcy, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
Honourable Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
The Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Annual Convention
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THE CITY OF VICTORIA



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 13, 2019

Dear Premier Horgan,

I am writing on behalf of Victoria City Council to request favourable consideration and resolutions of support for a safer drug supply to save lives in British Columbia.

At the February 7, 2019 Council Meeting, Council approved the following resolution:

Resolution: Safer Drug Supply to Save Lives British Columbia

WHEREAS It has been two years since BC declared a public-health emergency due to increased overdoses, yet the death toll for those consuming substances continues to rise due to an unpredictable and highly-toxic drug supply;

WHEREAS people with opioid use disorder, a chronic relapsing medical condition, are at high risk of overdose-related harms including death;

WHEREAS an estimated 42,200 people inject toxic substances in British Columbia;

WHEREAS it is not possible for the treatment system to rapidly increase services fast enough to manage this number of people as “patients” within a medical treatment model given the many challenges in achieving and retaining the people on opioid use disorder treatment;

WHEREAS people at risk of overdose in British Columbia do not have access to a safer alternative to the unpredictable, highly-toxic drug supply;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, in an effort to save lives and reduce harm due to an unpredictable and highly-toxic drug supply, and as part of a holistic response to the public-health emergency, including prevention, treatment, and recovery, that the Province of British Columbia work with local communities, Health Authorities across the Province, the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, and the Ministry of Health ensure that people at risk of overdose harm have access to safer alternatives.

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

We look forward to your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Lisa Helps
Victoria Mayor

- cc. Honourable Adrian Dix, Minister of Health
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THE CITY OF VICTORIA



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 13, 2019,

To Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Members,

I am writing on behalf of Victoria City Council, requesting favourable consideration and resolutions of support for the protection of old growth forests.

At the January 31, 2019 Council Meeting, Council approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS old-growth forest has significant economic, social and environmental value as wildlife habitat, tourism resource, carbon sink, drinking watersheds and much more;

AND WHEREAS old-growth forest is increasingly rare on Vancouver Island and current plans on provincial Crown land call for logging the last remaining old-growth forest, outside of protected areas, Old-Growth Management Areas, and similar reserves, over the next 10-20 years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the old-growth forest on provincial Crown Land on Vancouver Island be protected from logging, beginning with a moratorium and followed by amendments to the Vancouver Island Land Use Plan;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Provincial government work with First Nations, local communities, labour organizations and industry to pursue a just transition and expanded economic opportunities through sustainable management of second-growth forests and value-added production of forest products.

We eagerly look forward to your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Lisa Helps
Victoria Mayor

cc. The Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Annual Convention

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THE CITY OF VICTORIA



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 13, 2019

Dear Premier Horgan,

I am writing on behalf of Victoria City Council to request favourable consideration and resolutions of support to revitalize Island rail.

At the February 7, 2019 Council Meeting, Council approved the following resolution:

Resolution: Revitalizing Island Rail

WHEREAS one of the conditions of the original Order-in-Council establishing the Esquimalt and Nanaimo (E&N) now Island Corridor Foundation (ICF) railway corridor is that if the corridor is no longer needed or used for railway purposes, it goes back to the original owner;

AND WHEREAS assembling a similar multi-modal corridor connecting the Alberni Inlet to the Comox Valley to Greater Victoria in the context of current land values and land uses would be impossible to replicate;

AND WHEREAS repair of the railway infrastructure can only reasonably be accomplished by way of capital investment from senior levels of government, in co-operation with First Nations and local governments and respecting first nations interests

AND WHEREAS rail transport and a parallel trail system are integral sustainable transportation options for Indigenous and non-indigenous peoples in the context of climate change, including the option of electrified rail for the sustainable movement of people and goods on the island;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of British Columbia take immediate actions to provide sufficient funding in a timely manner to restore the railway infrastructure of Vancouver Island and ensure that the corridor remains intact and available to future generations of Indigenous and non-indigenous peoples.

We look forward to your support on this matter.

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THE CITY OF VICTORIA



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Sincerely,

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Lisa Helps
Victoria Mayor

- cc. Honourable Claire Trevena, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure
Vancouver Island MLA's
The Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Annual Convention
AVICC Member Local Governments

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THE CITY OF VICTORIA

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 13, 2019

Dear Member Local Government,

On behalf of Victoria City Council, I am requesting your favourable consideration and resolutions of support for shifting investment to low-emission transportation.

At the January 31, 2019 Council Meeting, Council approved the following:

Resolution: Shifting Investment to Low-Emission Transportation

WHEREAS the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premiers of BC and most provinces signed the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change in 2016, endorsing a policy shift that could substantially reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution from transportation while funding public transit improvements, including inter-city and commuter bus and rail service;

AND WHEREAS the transportation sector is the second-largest contributor of GHG pollution in Canada, representing 23% of total emissions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that local governments call on the Governments of Canada and British Columbia to fully implement their commitment in the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change, to shift investments "from higher to lower-emitting types of transportation".

We look forward to your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Lisa Helps
Victoria Mayor

cc. The Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Annual Convention
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THE CITY OF VICTORIA



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 13, 2019

Dear AVICC Member Government,

On behalf of Victoria City Council, I am requesting your favourable consideration and resolutions of support for promoting and enabling GHG reductions.

At the January 31, 2019 Council Meeting, Council approved the following:

Resolution: Promoting and Enabling GHG Reductions

WHEREAS the world's leading climate scientists have warned that we have less than 12 years to meet our climate targets, and early action is required to avoid significant costs and impacts to social and environmental well-being in our communities, and worldwide.

AND WHEREAS local governments are uniquely positioned to enable this mobilisation effort, in a coordinated and integrated fashion across sectors, enabling individual action with timely and accurate information, incentives, directions, coordination, tools, targets and scalable, impactful programs.

AND WHEREAS local governments GHG reduction plans will be effectively and expeditiously realised through a dedicated focus on cutting the most impactful GHG sources, including: retrofitting existing buildings to high-efficiency standards; renewable electricity; elimination of fossil fuel heating sources; shifting people to transit, active transportation, and renewably powered mobility options; and the electrification of commercial and passenger vehicle fleets.

AND WHEREAS the complexity and pace/progress of GHG reductions in both local governments and community require additional resources and planning to reduce risks of missing interim and longer GHG and renewable energy targets.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that local governments call on the Governments of Canada and British Columbia to pursue the following immediate sector actions to promote and enable GHG reductions and realize important social and economic co-benefits:

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THE CITY OF VICTORIA



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

1. Make available all ICBC municipal vehicle km/make/model/fuel economy information.
2. Continue the development and implementation of world-class low carbon fuel standards.
3. Fully invest in delivery of the zero-emission vehicles sales targets as established in the CleanBC Plan.
4. Continue progressive and direct funding programs and partnerships for municipal low-carbon initiatives, including building retrofit, transportation, waste management and other priority and shared GHG reduction programs.

We look forward to your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Lisa Helps
Victoria Mayor

- cc. The Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Annual Convention
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Geraldine Craven

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Subject: NWRBA historical report for review
Attachments: Resource Dependency The Spatial Origins of BCs Economic Base.pdf

Hello all,

As some of you may recall, I was working on statistical analyses regarding the NWRBA during my time as Mayor of Telkwa. A decision was made by the political committee (in late 2017) not to use these statistical comparisons between urban and rural BC in negotiations. As a result, I paused my research at that time.

I have now resumed that research for another project, and have uncovered a report that I believe may be of interest to you. I have reached out to Urban Futures this morning to enquire about the methodology used, as I believe it would be extremely valuable to update the report and utilize the current data in NWRBA negotiations.

If any of you are interested in learning more about my current research, feel free to contact me at any time.

The report is attached.

Best regards,
Darcy Repen
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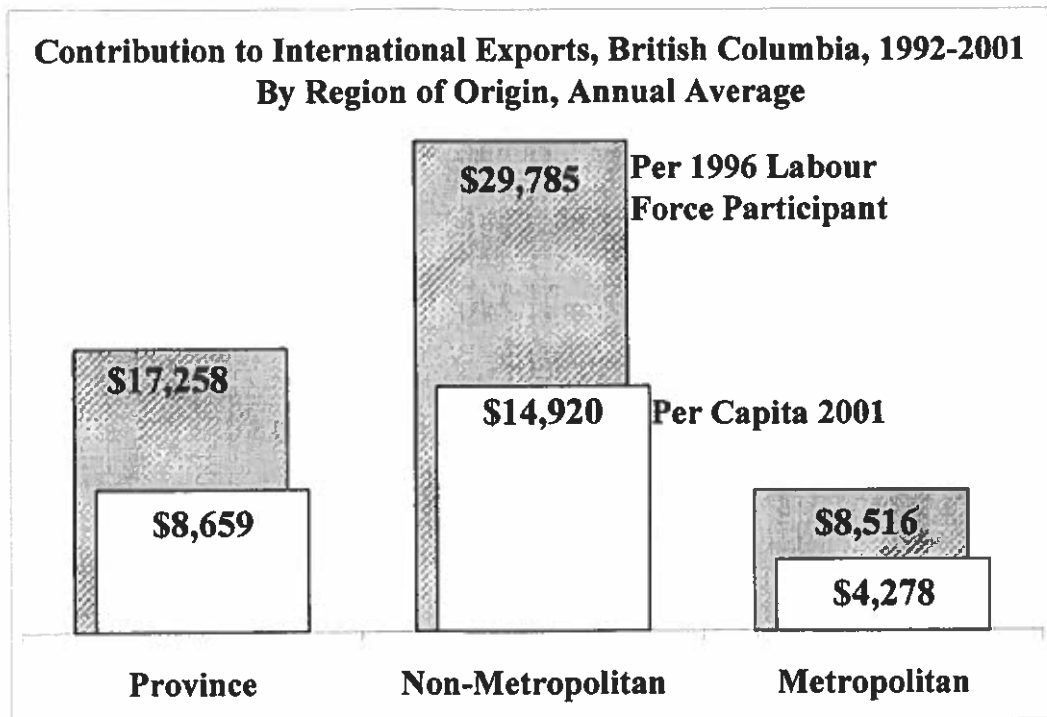
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Resource Dependency: The Spatial Origins of British Columbia's Economic Base

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2001 Census confirms that the population of British Columbia is predominantly metropolitan, with 1,986,965 people (51% of BC's population) living in the Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area and 311,902 (8%) living in the Victoria CMA, and that the metropolitan population is increasing faster than the rest of the province.

Accompanying metropolitan areas' increasing share of the province's population has been an increasing demand for a larger share of federal and provincial tax revenue for their governments. In the extreme, arguments are now made that these "cities states" and their "new economies" are the engines of economic growth.

Before accepting that they are either the engines of growth or deserving of a greater share of taxes, it is necessary to determine how much metropolitan regions actually contribute to the provincial and national economic base. Such analysis indicates that, in reality, metropolitan regions in British Columbia make a below average per capita contribution, and hence are dependent on international export revenue from commodities originating in non-metropolitan regions of the province.

Over the past decade, out of the total provincial annual average of \$33.8 billion in international exports, \$24.0 (71%) originated in non-metropolitan areas and \$9.8 billion (29%) originated in metropolitan areas. Of the average annual international exports of \$7.1 billion in services, \$4.4 billion (61%) originated in metropolitan areas and \$2.7 billion (39%) originated in non-metropolitan areas. Of the average annual international export of goods of \$26.7 billion, \$21.3 billion (80%) originated in non-metropolitan regions and \$5.5 billion (20%) originated in metropolitan regions.

Compared to the provincial average annual international exports of \$8,659 per capita, the average originating in non-metropolitan regions is \$14,290 per person, while that originating in metropolitan regions is only \$4,278 per person, half the provincial, and 30% of the non-metropolitan, averages. Non-metropolitan areas produce a \$6,261 per capita surplus from international exports while metropolitan areas have a \$4,176 per capita deficit.

In the "city state" context, if the metropolitan and non-metropolitan regions were "provinces", the non-metropolitan province would have \$14,920 in international

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export income per capita and the "city state" would have only \$4,278. The trading relationships between these two regions would acknowledge the reality that the non-metropolitan regions would start out having three times as much per capita to spend than the "city states".

In conclusion, given the dependency of the metropolitan regions on the international export income generated by the work done outside the metropolitan regions, while metropolitan regions should work diligently to build strong metropolitan international exports, until they do, it is in their best interests to ensure that the non-metropolitan regions can attract and retain the people and investments that these resource need to produce the income that is to be shared.

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I. PREFACE

Although often speculated about, little is actually known about the economic relationships between the metropolitan and non-metropolitan regions of the province of British Columbia. While there is much talk about the so-called "new" economy, generally equated with metropolitan areas, there is little evidence to indicate the extent to which it does and, more importantly, can support the provincial economy. Often in metropolitan regions issues such as US protectionism with respect to agricultural or forest products are given little attention, as they are seen as issues only affecting people living outside the Vancouver and Victoria telephone exchanges. In order to assess whether such indifference is warranted, it is necessary to first determine the extent to which metropolitan regions are economically independent of the province's resource regions.

The purpose of this report is to stimulate discussion and further research into the geographical and structural linkages between sectors and regions within the province. The report opens the discussion by focusing on the extent to which the province's international income originates in metropolitan and non-metropolitan regions of the province, thereby providing a preliminary estimate of the degree to which populations in metropolitan regions are dependent on export revenue originating in non-metropolitan regions. It is hoped that from this and other research, a better understanding of the extent to which metropolitan economies are linked to non-metropolitan economies will be developed. Through acknowledgement of the degree to which regions in the province are interdependent, British Columbians can articulate strategies that will be effective in responding to economic change that directly, and indirectly, affects them.

II. INTRODUCTION

The recent release of the 2001 Census population counts confirmed that Canada, and British Columbia, are urbanized. Eighty percent of Canada's population, and eighty-five percent of British Columbia's population, live in urban areas. More significantly, we are metropolitan, with two-thirds of Canada's and almost 60% of British Columbia's populations living in metropolitan areas. The Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area (CMA), with a 2001 census population of 1,986,965 (51% of BC's population) and the Victoria CMA, with a population of 311,902 region (8%), are home to 59% of the province's 2001 Census population of 3,907,738.

Accompanying the increasing dominance of metropolitan areas in the national and provincial landscape has been a re-evaluation of the role these regions play in their provincial and national economies, and an increasing demand for a larger share of federal and provincial tax revenue for the governments of metropolitan regions. In the extreme, arguments are now made that metropolitan regions have become the engines of economic growth, and that these "city states" and their "new economies" are the generators of income not only for themselves, but also for their provinces and country.

To this point, the extent of the economic engine argument has largely amounted to speculation. To move from hypothesis to evidence, it is necessary to determine what share of provincial and national income is produced by metropolitan regions before accepting that they are either the engines of growth or deserving of a greater share of tax revenue.

One way of doing this is through economic base analysis, as is done in this report for British Columbia and its metropolitan regions. While the specific circumstances for each province must be examined, for British Columbia at least economic base analysis indicates that its metropolitan regions are not carrying their per capita share of the provincial economy, and hence are, indirectly and directly, dependent on export revenue from commodities originating in non-metropolitan regions of the province.

The following pages present an initial analysis that attempts to measure these shares based on contributions to international export income. It indicates that people in the metropolitan areas should, at least in the current context, perhaps be more humble, and put aside the "city state" concept until they have made it a reality. While the province's metropolitan regions contribute to the provincial economy, they are not yet contributing their per capita share: they are engines of economic growth, but not the engines. The big engines of economic growth in the province remain its resource regions. The metropolitan regions would be well advised to be much more active in both developing their international exports and in supporting the province's resource regions which make a disproportionate contribution to the province's international export income.

III. THE ECONOMIC BASE

There are three components to a regional economy. The first, and most commonly experienced, component is the population serving sector, which includes all economic activity within the region that is directed towards meeting, directly or indirectly, the consumption demands of the region's residents. The second component is the importing sector, which includes all economic activities which drain money out of the region, whether as a result of the importing of goods (e.g., herbal teas) or of services (e.g., Vancouverites going to Maui for a week in the winter). The third component is the exporting or economic base sector, comprised of all economic activity which brings money into the region, including both the export of goods (e.g., softwood to the United States) and of services (e.g., tourists from the United States spending their money here). Exports are the economic base of economies because they are ultimately the only source of money a region has to pay for imports.

The analogy of a bathtub is useful in describing the economy in economic base terms. Our day to day experience in an economy is mainly with the transactions that make up the population serving component of the economy, as residents of the region buy and sell commodities amongst themselves. The volume of money used in these domestic transactions is analogous to the water level of the bathtub.

Population serving transactions within a region can continue indefinitely so long as nothing is imported from outside the economy. Imports mean money leaving the region in exchange for the imported goods or services. In the bathtub analogy, importing is the equivalent of pulling the plug out of the bath tub, as it drains money out of the economy – all other things equal, the longer and/or the more we import, the lower the water level in the tub.

To offset the loss of money from the economy that results from imports, there must be a source of income for the region, something which brings money into the economy to ensure, directly or indirectly, that there is sufficient money in the region to at least pay for imports, and at best to exceed them, thereby increasing the size of the economy. In the bathtub analogy, the tap (exports) must bring in the same amount of water as the drain (imports) takes out of it if the economy is to remain at a constant level. If the outflow (imports) exceeds the inflow (exports), the water level will fall (the economy will shrink) and at some point in the long run, the tub will be empty, which will mark the end of importing, and likely of inhabitation in the region. Conversely, if exports exceed imports, the water level will rise, and the economy will grow.

Imports define our standard of living: exports provide us with the ability to pay for them. The base of the economy is its ability to sell goods and services to residents of other regions, thereby providing the funds to support both population serving and import activities. All other economic activity, from brain surgery to day care, relies on the economic base as a source of revenue: both population serving and importing

activities are effectively parasites on the export sector. As parasites, they should have a strong interest in the health of their host, exporting.

It is important to note that in the short run, borrowing money from lenders outside the region (external debt) can be used to cover a deficit between imports and exports, as debt brings money into the economy. In the long run, however, external debt must be serviced, and ultimately, repaid. As the only source of money to make external debt payments is export income, borrowing outside the economy simply represents a claim (i.e., contracting to send money out of the region) against future export income.

3.1 The Province's Economic Base

In this report, the focus is on the economic base of the province of British Columbia, and the contribution of the province's two metropolitan regions to it. This level of analysis was selected for two reasons. First, the provincial level is where most of the redistribution of income between people and communities occurs, whether it is through direct and indirect taxation or through public sector spending on transfers such as education, welfare and health care. On a much more mundane level, the provincial level is also the finest level of detail for which import and export data are published. Data used in this section are all derived from Statistics Canada's Provincial Economic Accounts publications for the years indicated.

At the provincial level, there are two flows of imports and exports: the international flow, comprised of goods and services traded between British Columbia and foreign countries, and the inter-provincial flow between British Columbia and other provinces. These two flows have followed much different patterns over the past two decades.

Over the 1981 to 2001 period, British Columbia has always had a positive trade balance with foreign countries (Figure 1). Over the last decade (1992 to 2001), the dollar value of the province's international exports exceed the value of its international imports by an annual average of \$3.4 billion (current dollars); this compares to annual average surplus of exports over imports of \$5.0 billion in the preceding decade (1982 to 1991). The slower growth of exports compared to that of imports led to a decline in the ratio of international export to international imports to 11%, down from 39% during the 1982 to 1991 period.

Quite a different trade relationship exists between British Columbia and the rest of Canada (Figure 2). On an inter-provincial trade bases, the provincial economy has always run an enormous deficit, averaging \$6.9 billion per year in the 1982 to 1991 period and \$8.1 billion in the 1992 to 2001 period. In the early 1980s, imports from other provinces exceeded exports to them by a 90% margin; by the last half of the 1990s, this deficit margin had shrunk to 50%.

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Figure 1: British Columbia's International Trade, 1981 to 2001

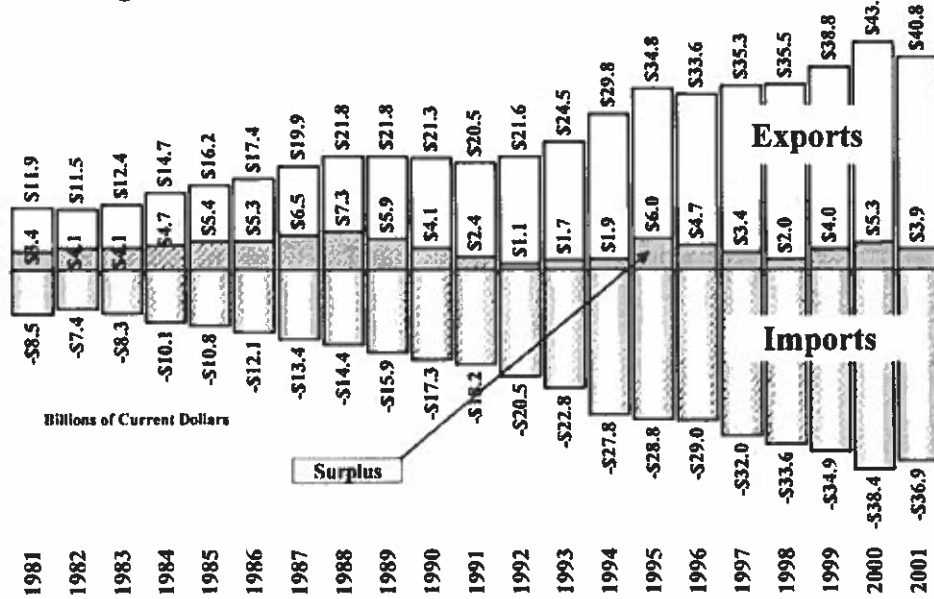
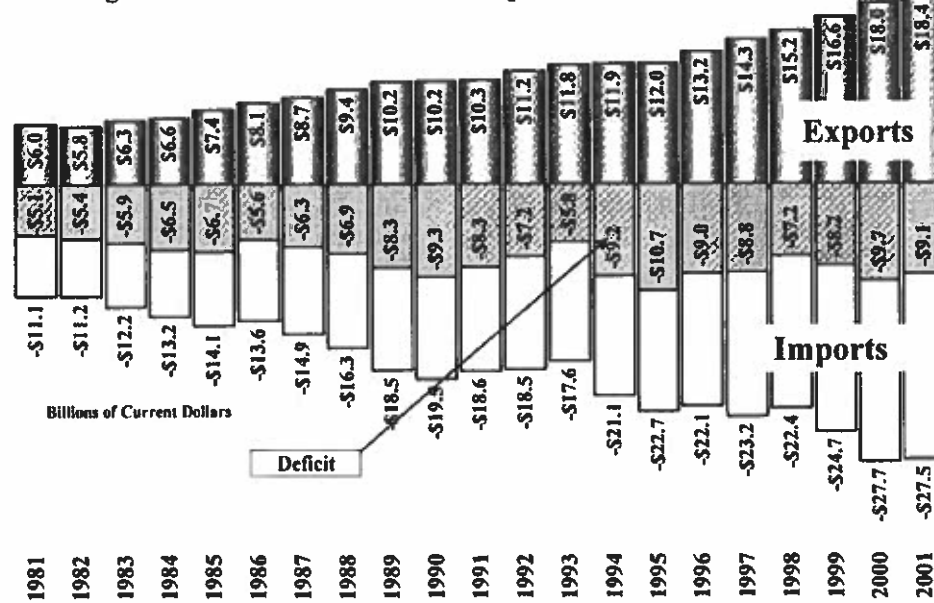


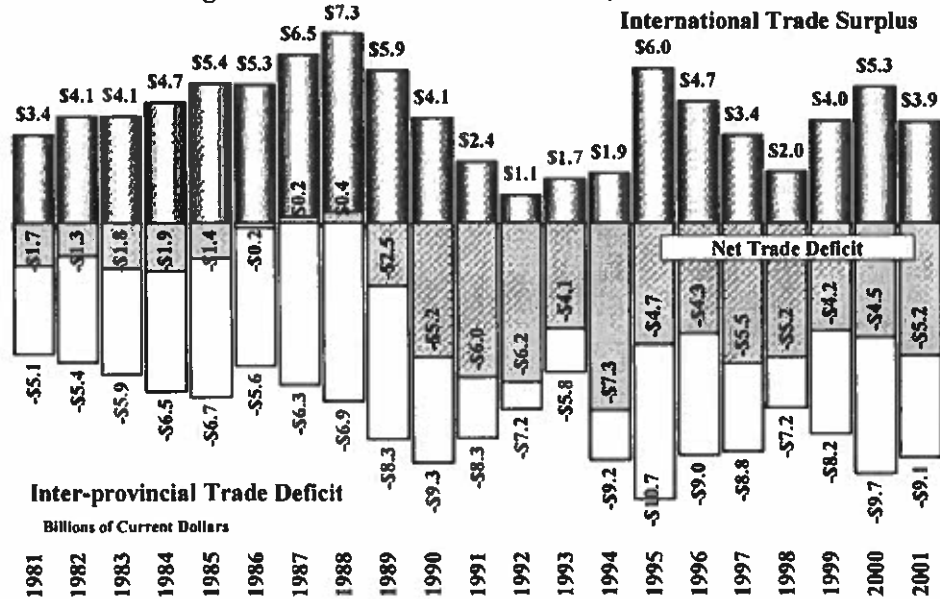
Figure 2: British Columbia's Inter-provincial Trade, 1981 to 2001



Since 1989 British Columbia's international trade surplus has not been sufficient to offset its inter-provincial trade deficit: a large overall trade deficit has been the result (Figure 3). With average annual total exports of \$48 Billion over the past decade, and average annual total imports of \$53 Billion, the province has averaged a net trade deficit of \$5 Billion per annum. Over this period, imports exceed exports by a margin of 10%, compared to the 7.5% margin that prevailed over the previous ten year period.

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Figure 3: British Columbia's Trade, 1980 to 2000



The consequences of imports exceeding exports was postponed by borrowing money from outside, which does not show up in import or export data (as these include only production activities, be they of goods or services, not debt transactions). Over the past decade, not only has a significant portion of government spending been debt financed (Figure 4, data from BC Government Ministry of Finance website), but so has a significant portion of household expenditures on taxes and consumption (Figure 5, data from Statistics Canada's Provincial Economic Accounts for referenced years).

Over the 1981 to 2001 period the provincial debt generally increased, with decreases recorded only in the 1988 to 1990 period and in 2001: over the past two decades, a total of \$25.7 billion in tax-payer supported debt was accumulated. In the early 1990s, following national trends, personal savings in British Columbia declined: however from 1996 on, while personal savings in Canada stabilized, those in British Columbia continued to decline, reaching the point in 1997 where consumption spending exceeded personal disposable income, and continuing to decline thereafter to set a record shortfall of \$4.3 billion dollars in 2001. After 5 years of liquidating assets and/or incurring debt, many British Columbians had reached the point of bankruptcy, with 2001 bankruptcy rates being almost twice their 1991 levels.

3.2 Composition of British Columbia's International Exports

Within the economic base framework, the focus of this report is on the role played by international exports (hereafter, unless otherwise stated, exports refers only to international exports) in British Columbia's economy. Given current data availability, analysis of the destinations of international and inter-provincial imports and of the origins of inter-provincial exports must be left for consideration elsewhere.

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Figure 4: Net Change In Provincial Debt, BC, 1980 to 2001

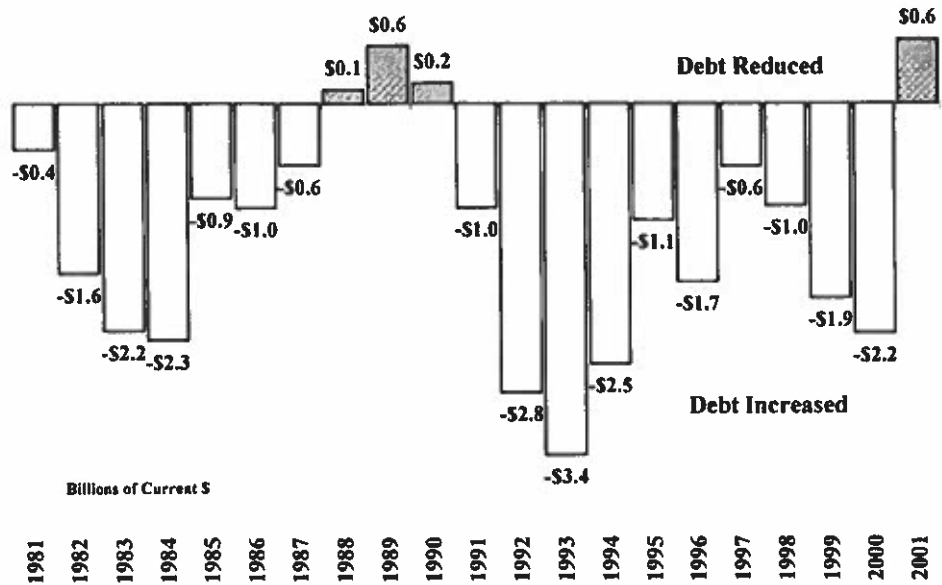
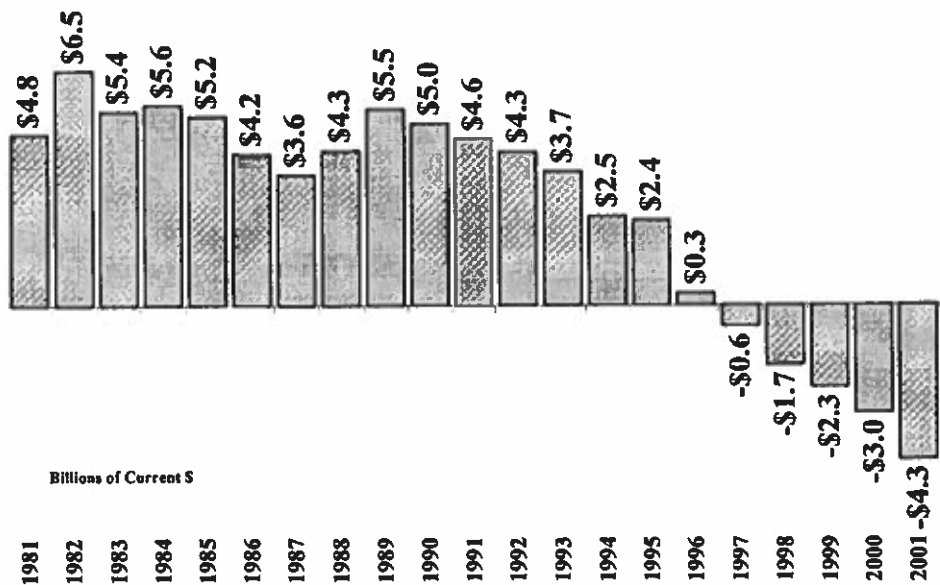


Figure 5: Personal Savings, British Columbia, 1981-2001

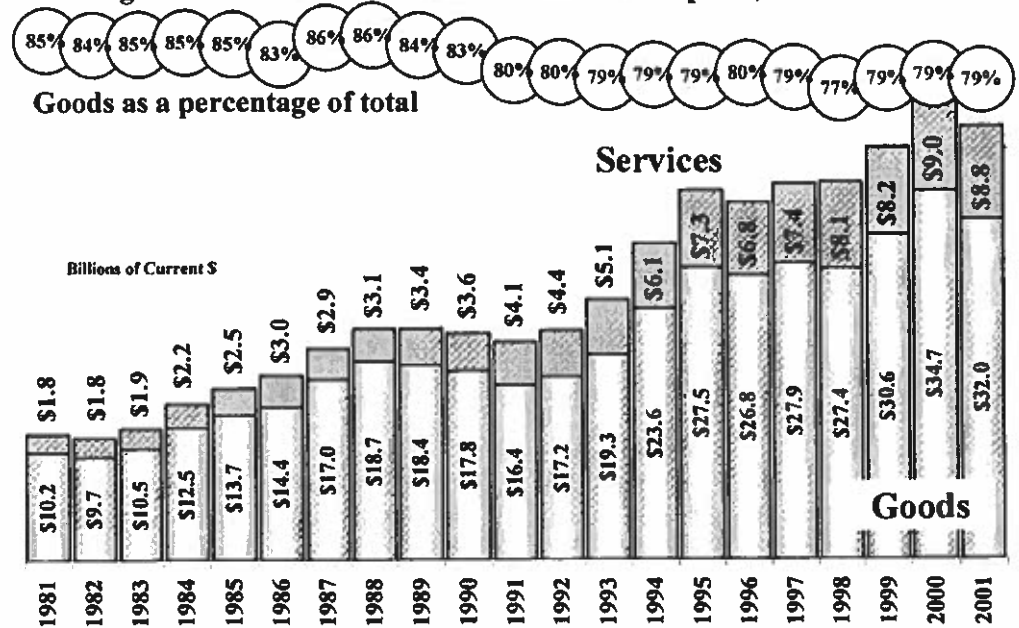


Regardless of either the growth or the attention focused on the service economy, the reality of international exporting for British Columbia is that the province is overwhelmingly an exporter of goods. During the past decade, 21% of the value of exports from this province to other countries came from the export of services, up from 16% in the previous decade; the remaining 79% of the province's international export

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income was derived from the export of goods (Figure 6). For every dollar in international export income earned from the sales of services (tourism, consulting, etc.) almost four dollars are earned from the export of merchandise and goods. Note also that the increase in the service sector's share of exports was not the result of a steady transition, but rather resulted from a single rapid shift during the 1987 to 1991 period, when services' share went from 14% to 20%. During the 1990s there was no appreciable change in services' share relative to goods as a source of international export income for the province.

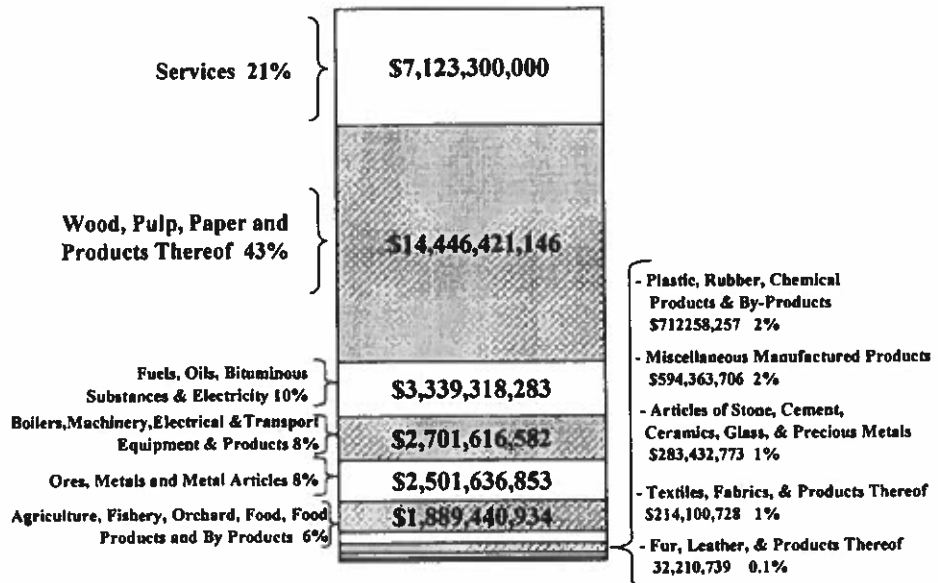
Figure 6: British Columbia's International Exports, 1981 to 2001



As a first step in the identification of the origins of British Columbia's exports, a more detailed breakdown of the components of the international export flow is required. The federal government's Industry Canada trade data website, www.strategis.ca, lists British Columbia's international merchandise exports over the past decade (1992 to 2001) by 99 major commodity classifications (no data is provided for the service sector). While the spatial allocation of exports presented in the following section was carried out at this detailed level, for purposes of presentation, exports have been aggregated to 11 major groups, shown with the average annual value of international exports on Figure 6. Note that the percentage distribution (rather than the dollar values) of exports by commodity type from this source is multiplied by the total export values from the Provincial Economic Accounts data discussed above, in order to maintain the balance between the export of goods and of services as listed in the Economic Accounts.

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**Figure 6: Average Annual International Exports
by Major Commodity Type, British Columbia, 1992 to 2001**



Over the past decade, British Columbia's international exports averaged \$33.8 billion current dollars per year, 21% of which were exports of services and 79% of which were exports of goods. The single largest export group was forest products (including wood, pulp, paper, and other wood products) which brought in an average of \$14.4 billion per year, and accounted for 43% of the export income of the province. The second largest component of the province's international exports was services, averaging \$7.1 billion per year and accounting for an average of 21% of the province's international exports over the past decade. The third largest component of exports are from the energy sector (fuels, oils, bituminous substances and electricity) which averaged \$3.3 billion per year, and accounted for 10% of the dollar value of the province's exports.

The broad category of machinery and equipment (boilers, machinery, electrical and transportation equipment and products) ranks fourth in importance as a source of foreign exports, accounting for 8% of provincial export earnings over the past decade with average annual earnings from this source of \$2.7 billion. Fifth place is held by the ores, metals and metal articles sector, which also accounted for 8% of the province's international export income with average annual exports valued at \$2.5 billion. Following in sixth place with a 6% share was the agricultural and food processing industry (agriculture, fishery, orchard, food, food products, and food by-products), with average annual exports of \$1.9 billion per year over the past decade.

The remaining four commodity export groups averaged less than \$1 billion per year in exports, with exports of plastic, rubber and chemical products and by-products averaging \$712 million (2% of the total); miscellaneous manufactured products (from

watches through to appliances and toy trains) averaging \$595 million (2%); articles of stone, cement, ceramics, glass and precious metals averaging \$283 million (1%); textiles, fabrics and products thereof averaging \$214 million (1%); and fur, leather and associated products averaging exports of \$32 million per year.

3.3 Methodology for Estimating the Origins of International Exports.

There is no data available that directly identifies the place of origin within the province of international exports, as the port of departure from the country is all that is recorded on customs forms. As a result, an indirect approach must be utilized to determine where in the province exports originate. In this context, the distribution of the labour force by occupation and place of residence provides a useful, if not perfect, source of information. The conceptual basis for this approach is the assumption that if the location of the people who produce the exports can be identified, then the origins of the exports will be identified as well. It would be more useful to have data on occupation by place of work, rather than place of residence, in order to avoid situations where someone lived in one region but worked in another, however such data require a custom tabulation of Census data, the cost of which is not warranted for this preliminary analysis.

A more important point to note is that it is the occupation of the worker (the kind of work people do), not the industry in which they work, that is the basis of the allocation procedure. The reason for using occupation is that it more closely approximates where export production occurs, as industry data includes not only the people who produce the export, but head office functions such as accounting, human resources, marketing, and legal services, which may not be located in the region where the export originates.

Note also that allocating the value of the export to the region of origin is not the same as allocating it to regions where value is added to the export. All of the head office functions contribute to the final value of the export: as such functions, as well as transportation and the like, often occur in regions other than those where the resources originate, the allocation methodology used here will not capture such contributions. Allocations of value added to the production process would require very detailed and very expensive producer surveys.

Having acknowledged the issue of value being added to exports between their origin and their departure from the provincial economy, it is also necessary to acknowledge that the opportunity for value added is wholly dependent on having the product or service to add value to. Thus, while allocation of the value of exports to regions of origin will omit the head office contribution, the head office contribution would not exist without the initial production of the export. By allocating exports to their region of origin, the fundamental sources of the province's international export income can be identified, which is the object of this research.

The analysis presented here focuses at the most aggregate level, that of the metropolitan regions (the Vancouver and Victoria Census Metropolitan Areas) compared to the

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remainder of the province. More detailed spatial analysis, perhaps using data on occupation by place of work by regional district from the 2001 Census results (when they become available), will permit a finer level of analysis than is presented here. As a first cut, the metropolitan/non-metropolitan dichotomy will suffice.

The first step in the allocation process was to identify the occupations involved in the production of each export commodity or service. The next step was to determine the percentage of the province's total labour force in each occupation that were in the metropolitan and in the non-metropolitan portions of the province: the most recently published data on detailed occupations by place of residence come from the 1996 Census and were used for this allocation. These proportions were then used to allocate the average annual provincial international exports by commodity type for the period 1992 to 2001 to metropolitan and non-metropolitan origins. These were then summed to major export categories to identify the total share of exports of each major type that originated in these two regions.

The methodology is demonstrated by consideration of two examples. The first is the export of wood and articles of wood (including wood charcoal), export category HS 44, which earned British Columbia an annual average of \$8.8 billion dollars over the past decade (Table 1).

Table 1: Allocation of Exports of Wood and Articles of Wood

	B.C. Total	Labour Force Metropolitan	Non-Metropolitan
I218(8816) Logging and forestry labourers	6,705	1,020	5,685
I151(8241) Logging machinery operators	4,870	190	4,480
I161(8421) Chain-saw and skidder operators	6,410	230	6,180
I162(8422) Silviculture and forestry workers	3,530	325	3,205
I11(821) Supervisors, logging and forestry	3,040	240	2,800
Total	24,355	2,005	22,350
		8%	92%
HS 44 - Wood and Articles of Wood (Incl. Wood Charcoal)			
Average Annual Exports	\$ 8,823,715,209	\$ 726,403,161	\$ 8,097,312,048
		8%	92%

Logging and forestry occupations were identified as most closely corresponding to those associated with the origins of wood, and hence of wood and wood products: the Census indicated that there were 24,355 persons with these occupations resident in British Columbia in 1996 (the mid-point of the 1992 to 2001 export period), 2,005 (8%) of whom resided in the province's two metropolitan regions, and 22,350 (92%) of whom resided outside of these regions. On this basis, the non-metropolitan regions were the origins of 92% of the value of these exports, or an annual average of \$8.1 billion, while the metropolitan regions were the origin of \$726 million per annum.

There are two major comments that may be raised with respect to this methodology. The first might be that the contribution of metropolitan areas as origins of these exports is overstated: 8% of British Columbia's wood and articles of wood international exports do not originate in the forest of Vancouver and Victoria. While this is true, there is no empirical way to acknowledge this with the available data: the place of residence data will always involve some situations where people reside in one community and produce export output in another.

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The other comment relates to the concept of value added discussed earlier. The occupations listed as being involved in the origin of wood and articles of wood exports do not include those value adding activities (such as saw mills and wood working establishments) which have a larger (albeit still minor) share of their labour force in metropolitan regions (23% of the labour force in wood working, wood product assembly, and wood processing occupations are in metropolitan areas). As discussed earlier, these labour force participants are not included, as the objective of this research is to identify the origins of the exports, which in this case are the forests in the non-metropolitan regions of the province: wood working, sawmill, and wood processing activities, while adding value to forest products, are nonetheless dependant on the forest resources outside of the metropolitan regions.

The second example of the use of labour force by occupation and place of residence data is the spatial allocation of the origins of international exports of services. The diversity of the services sector is both deep and wide, ranging from tourism (which includes everything from tour guides to hotel and restaurant employees to airline personnel) to consulting services, education, health care, the film industry, and the performing arts. As noted earlier, there are no published data on the composition of service exports from the province (Appendix I to this report lists all of the activities that may be involved in production of both merchandise and service exports).

For the purposes of this research, the labour force in the occupations that most closely correspond to the service exports listed were tabulated for the metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas, and the spatial totals were used to allocate the services exports to their origins within the province (Table 2). This methodology indicates that 62% of the international exports of services originate in metropolitan regions with the remaining 38% originating in non-metropolitan regions. Of the average annual exports of services during the 1992 to 2001 period of services of \$7.1 billion, \$4.4 billion is allocated to metropolitan areas, and \$2.7 billion to non-metropolitan areas.

Again it must be noted that this spatial allocation approach is indicative rather than exact. For example, the spending in Vancouver of a traveler passing through on their way to Alaska or the Okanagan, or of a Vancouver-bound tourist overnighing in Kamloops, should be allocated the region that generates the travel, not one that merely benefits from it. No data currently exist to carry out this level of analysis, and hence the existence of such situations can only be noted.

Figure 7 shows the percentage allocations for each of the 11 major export groupings. These values are built up from the individual sub-groups of these major groups (Appendix II shows the values for the 99 individual sub categories within these major groups). The range of geographical differences indicated is dramatic, from an estimate of 93% of the value of international energy exports originating in non-metropolitan areas and 7% in metropolitan areas, to an estimate of 84% of the value of all international exports of textiles, fabrics, and products thereof originating in metropolitan areas and 16% in non-metropolitan areas.

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Table 2: Allocation of Exports of Services

	B.C. Total	Labour Force Metropolitan	Non-Metropolitan
A2 Managers in retail trade, food and accommodation services	63525	36330	27195
A12(021) Managers in engineering, architecture, science and information systems	5440	4365	1075
A30(012) Managers in financial and business services	16085	11705	4380
A34(051) Managers in art, culture, recreation and sport	2675	1850	825
B318(1226) Conference and event planners	1080	840	240
B01(111) Auditors, accountants and investment professionals	27185	20435	6750
B11(123) Finance and insurance administrative occupations	30385	16000	14385
C0 Professional occupations in natural and applied sciences	43765	33125	10640
C1 Technical occupations related to natural and applied sciences	47545	27755	19790
D012(3112) General practitioners and family physicians	5000	3230	1770
E1 Teachers and professors	71360	43585	27775
E031(4161) Natural & applied science policy researchers, consultants & program officers	1380	970	410
F02(512) Writing, translating and public relations professionals	8985	6845	2140
F03(513) Creative and performing artists	12685	9510	3175
F12(522) Photographers, graphic arts technicians and technical occupations in motion pictures, broadcasting and the performing arts	6590	5200	1390
F15(525) Athletes, coaches, referees and related occupations	9740	5750	3990
G01(621) Sales and service supervisors	11715	7335	4380
G71(643) Occupations in travel and accommodation	14180	10270	3910
G72(644) Tour and recreational guides and amusement occupations	2495	1235	1260
G73(867) Other attendants in travel, accommodation and recreation	4505	2480	2025
G93(666) Cleaners	60030	31170	28860
G96(664) Food counter attendants and kitchen helpers	43840	26275	17565
G2 Retail salespersons and sales clerks	80595	48705	31890
G4 Chefs and cooks	31975	17910	14065
G5 Occupations in food and beverage service	44475	25435	19040
H712(7412) Bus drivers and subway and other transit operators	6785	4200	2585
H713(7413) Taxi and limousine drivers and chauffeurs	4235	2890	1345
H832(7622) Railway and motor transport labourers	590	200	390
H73(743) Other transport equipment operators and related workers	6475	3640	2835
J183(9473) Binding and finishing machine operators	925	680	245
J184(9474) Photographic and film processors	1600	990	610
Total	667845	410910	256935
		62%	38%

Annual Average Export of Services \$ 7,123,300,000 \$ 4,382,806,195 \$ 2,740,493,805

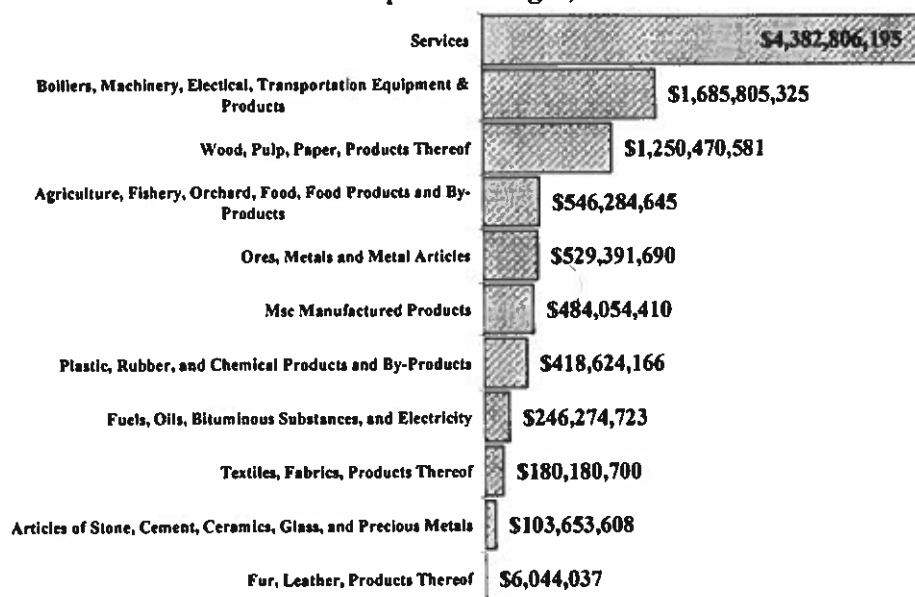
Figure 7: BC's International Exports, Region of Origin, 92-01 Average

Fuels, Oils, Bituminous Substances, and Electricity	7%	92.6%	Non-metro
Wood, Pulp, Paper and Products Thereof	8.7%	91.3%	
Fur, Leather, and Products Thereof	18.8%	81.2%	
Ores, Metals and Metal Articles	21.2%	78.8%	
Agriculture, Fishery, Orchard, Food, Food Products and By Products	28.9%	71.1%	
Articles of Stone, Cement, Ceramics, Glass, and Precious Metals	36.6%	63.4%	
Plastic, Rubber, and Chemical Products and By-Products	58.8%	41.2%	
Services	61.5%	38.5%	
Boilers, Machinery, Electrical, Transportation Equipment and Products	62.4%	37.6%	
Misc Manufactured Products	81.4%	18.6%	
Textiles, Fabrics, and Products Thereof	Metro	84.2%	15.8%

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The final step in the allocation process was multiplication (at the detailed sub-group commodity level) of the average annual value of exports by sector over the 1992 to 2001 period by the percentage estimated to originate in metropolitan and non-metropolitan regions based on the distribution of the labour force by place of residence and occupation. When aggregated to the eleven major commodity groups, the result is an estimate of the average annual dollar value of international exports by region of origin and major commodity group, shown on Figures 8 and 9.

**Figure 8: Value of Average Annual International Exports of
BC Metropolitan Origin, 1992 to 2001**



The single largest component of international exports that originate in metropolitan region are services, which contributed an average of \$4.4 billion to the province's economic base each year over the 1992 to 2001 period, 45% of the total estimated international exports of metropolitan regions (Figure 8). Second in importance was the machinery and equipment category (boilers, machinery, electrical, and transportation equipment and products), which averaged exports of \$1.7 billion per year, 17% of the metropolitan area's total of \$9.8 billion.

Third place is held by forest products (wood, pulp, paper, products thereof), averaging \$1.3 billion per year, 13% of metropolitan areas' total. In the strictest sense of the objectives of this research, these exports are of non-metropolitan origin. They are allocated to metropolitan regions as a result of using the place of residence of people in forestry occupations who live in metropolitan regions but work elsewhere, of people with forestry occupations living in metropolitan areas who add value to forest products with non-metropolitan origins, and, in a very minor sense, the limited forestry activities that occur in metropolitan areas. As the current methodology does not provide any way to adjust for these factors, these exports are left as being of metropolitan origin – as the

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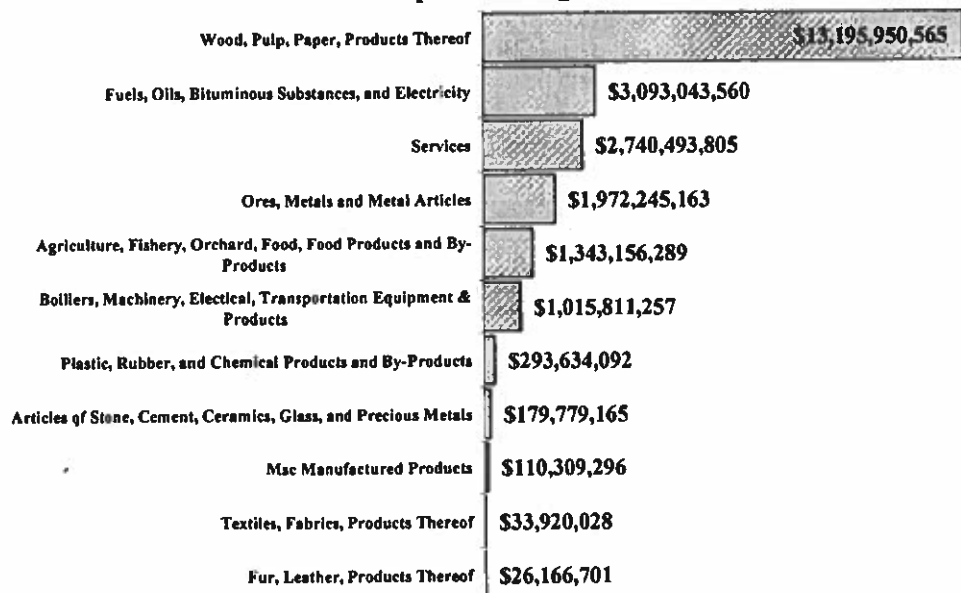
subsequent content of this report shows this overstatement of metropolitan exports does not change the conclusion of the analysis.

In the case of the food products group of international export (\$546 million average, 6% of metropolitan international exports), it is important to note that a significant portion of the province's agricultural exports come from metropolitan regions. For example, the 2001 Census of Agriculture indicated that 30% of the provincial farm revenue originated from farms in the Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area. Similarly, 33% of the people with occupations related to fisheries, aquaculture and marine harvest live in metropolitan regions: while their harvest may not occur in these regions, they are the only "places" that can be identified as the origin of their output.

The remaining 19% of international exports originating in metropolitan regions is comprised of various manufactured and processed products: again, it may be argued that all of the inputs to these processes do not originate in these regions. To be consistent with the occupation based methodology use here, these exports must be allocated to the metropolitan regions regardless of the source of their inputs.

The commodities which dominate non-metropolitan region's exports are quite different (Figure 9). The annual average value of exports of forest products originating outside of the province's two metropolitan regions, \$13.2 billion (55% of the total international exports from non-metropolitan areas of \$24.0 billion) is, in itself, 35% larger than the total exports of the province's metropolitan regions. The second largest component of non-metropolitan region's international exports are energy and fuels (\$3.1 billion, 13%), followed by services (\$2.8 billion, 11%) in third place.

**Figure 9: Value of Average Annual International Exports of
BC Non-metropolitan Origin, 1992 to 2001**



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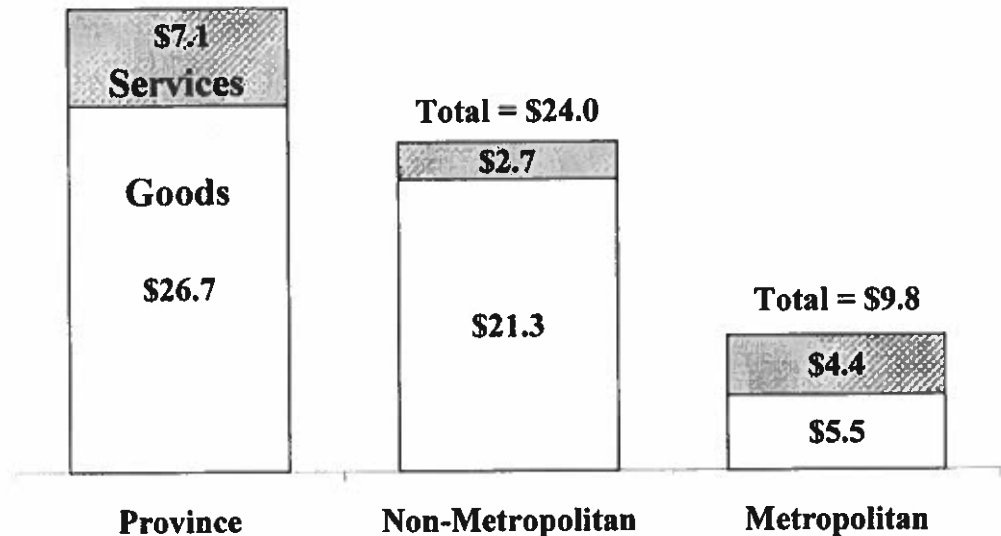
The fourth largest component of non-metropolitan international exports is the ores, metals and metal articles group (\$1.97 billion, 8%), followed by the food group (\$1.3 billion, 6%), and the machinery and equipment group (\$1.0 billion, 4%). These top six groups account for 97% of the value of international exports from non-metropolitan regions, with the remaining 3% accounted for by a range of other manufactured and processed products.

3.4 Conclusions

The preceding analysis indicates that, over the past decade, out of the total provincial annual average of \$33.8 billion in international exports, \$24.0 (71%) came from non-metropolitan areas and \$9.8 billion (29%) came from metropolitan areas (Figures 10). Of the average annual international exports of \$7.1 billion in services, \$4.4 billion (61%) came from metropolitan areas and \$2.7 billion (39%) came from non-metropolitan areas. Of the average annual international export of goods of \$26.7 billion, \$21.3 billion (80%) originated in non-metropolitan regions and \$5.5 billion (20%) came from metropolitan regions.

Figure 10: International Exports, British Columbia, 1992-2001
by Regional of Origin, Annual Average (Billion Current\$)

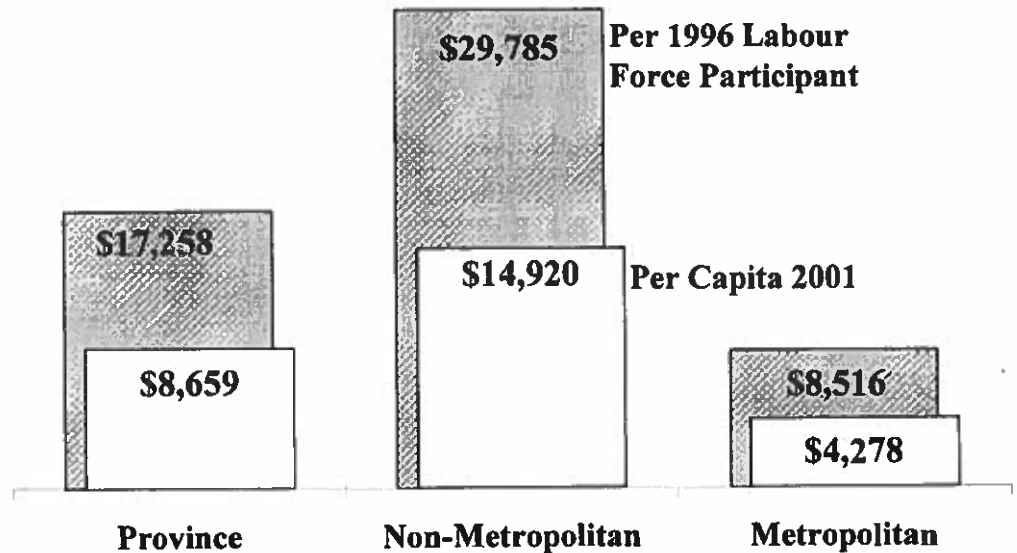
Total = \$33.8



Metropolitan regions are home to the majority of the province's population. Figure 11 shows that they do not contribute their proportionate share to the international export component of the economic base. With provincial average annual international exports of \$8,659 per capita (2001 population), the value of exports from non-metropolitan regions was \$14,290 per person, while that of the metropolitan regions was only \$4,278, half the provincial, and 30% of the non-metropolitan, average. The non-metropolitan area's contribution to the international exports was \$29,789 per (1996) labour force participant, compared to the metropolitan region's \$8,513 per labour force participant and the provincial average of \$17,258.

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**Figure 11: Contribution to Exports, British Columbia, 1992-2001
By Region of Origin, Annual Average**



Given the preceding analysis, it would appear that, relative to the provincial annual average of \$8,659 per capita in international export earnings, non-metropolitan areas produce a \$6,261 per capita surplus while metropolitan areas have a \$4,176 per capita deficit. While metropolitan regions most certainly contribute to the province's economic base, in order to match the contributions of non-metropolitan areas metropolitan regions would have to triple their per capita international exports.

It is useful to place the "city state" concept for metropolitan regions in the economic base context. If the metropolitan and non-metropolitan regions were "provinces", the non-metropolitan "province" would have \$14,920 in international export income per capita and the metropolitan "city states" would have only \$4,278 per capita. It would then be necessary to look at the trade between these two regions to determine the direction of the trade balance between them, as they sell both goods and services to each other. While this analysis would be interesting, fundamentally it would acknowledge the reality that the non-metropolitan regions would start out having three times as much per capita to spend than the "city states".

In conclusion, given the dependency of metropolitan regions on the income generated by the export-oriented work done outside these regions, at least until the reality of "city states" occurs, it is in the best interests of residents of metropolitan regions to ensure that the non-metropolitan regions can attract and retain the people and investment necessary to produce the export income that is shared amongst all British Columbians.

IV. FURTHER RESEARCH

The next major steps in the discussion of the origins of the province's economic base will involve consideration of international imports, inter-provincial exports and inter-provincial imports. While not prejudicing the conclusions of this future research, some brief consideration of these other aspects of the province's economic base is warranted.

The mirror image of international exports, international imports drain money out of the provincial economy. Matching data on international imports by commodity type are published: what they show is that the imports to the province are overwhelmingly of consumer products. The single largest component, accounting for 54% of the total value of international imports, is of machinery and equipment. Of this major category, the largest element is seen on the roads, rails, waterways, and skyways of the province: transportation equipment accounts for 19.1% of the province's international imports. These are overwhelmingly road based imports, with 17.2% of imports being in the category of motor vehicles, trailers, bicycles, motorcycles and other similar vehicles. There is a high correlation between population and the use of motor vehicles, whether it is transit or sports utility vehicles, and hence these imports can generally be allocated on a per capita basis to metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas.

A similar situation prevails with respect to the importation of food, which accounts for 9.1% of all of British Columbia's international imports. The same holds true of the remainder of imports to the province, from textiles and clothing (4.4% of international imports); the fuel to run those imported motor vehicles on (2.0%); boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances (12.6%); electrical or electronic equipment (8.6%); and on to the 18% of our imports that are made up of services. Considering the composition of the inflow of international imports, they are likely to have destinations in the province that follow a population distribution, and hence are not likely to significantly change the conclusions about the relative net contributions to international exports by regions within the province.

In terms of inter-provincial imports and exports, there are no published data on the commodity composition of flows beyond their breakdown into goods and services. Further research will be required to find data that will permit estimation of the allocation of these aspects of the provincial economic base. One may speculate that inter-provincial imports are also likely to be comprised of consumer goods and services, and hence allocated on a per capita basis, while exports are likely to involve forest products, agricultural goods, minerals, and tourism, and hence follow a pattern similar to that of international exports.

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Appendix I:

Description of Merchandise and Service Categories for Export Classification from Statistics Canada Provincial Economic Accounts.

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Code	Goods Commodity Title	Code	Goods Commodity Title	Code	Goods Commodity Title
1	Cattle & calves	75	Powder dairy products	149	Plastic film & sheet
2	Hogs	76	Other dairy products	150	Foamed & expanded plastics
3	Poultry	77	Mayonnaise, salad dressing & mustard	151	Other plastic products, incl caps
4	Other live animals	78	Fish & seafood prod. fresh, chilled, frozen	152	Plastic building supplies
5	Wheat, unmilled, excl. imputed feed	79	Other fish & seafood products	153	Other rubber end products
6	Wheat, unmilled, imputed feed	80	Frozen fruit & juice	154	Plastic containers & closures
7	Orain corn, excl. imputed feed	81	Other fruit juice	155	Plastic pipe & pipe fittings
8	Corn fodder, imputed feed	82	Other fruit products	156	Leather & other leather goods
9	Barley, excl. imputed feed	83	Fruit & jam in airtight containers	157	Footwear, excl. waterproof
10	Other grains, excl. imputed feed	84	Frozen potatoes	158	Leather gloves
11	Other grains & fodder, imputed feed	85	Other frozen vegetables	159	Luggage, briefcases, etc.
12	Fluid milk, unprocessed	86	Other preserved vegetables	160	Handbags, wallets, etc.
13	Eggs in the shell	87	Vegetables & juice in airtight containers	161	Cotton yarn
14	Honey & beeswax	88	Soups in airtight containers	162	Cotton woven fabric
15	Fresh fruit, excl. tropical	89	Infant & junior foods, in airtight containers	163	Tire cord fabric
16	Potatoes, fresh or chilled	90	Sauces, pickles, etc.	164	Bedding
17	Other vegetables, fresh or chilled	91	Vinegar	165	Wool & wool mix yarn & thread
18	Hay & straw, excl. imputed feed	92	Mineral water, fruit drinks & ice	166	Wool & wool mix woven fabric
19	Hay & straw, imputed feed	93	Pasta products, excl. dry pasta	167	Felt
20	Seeds, excl. oil seeds	94	Prepared meals	168	Man-made staple fibres
21	Nursery stock, flowers, etc.	95	Feed supplements & premixes	169	Polyamide resins, incl nylon
22	Canola	96	Complete foods	170	Filament yarn
23	Soybeans & other oil seeds	97	Foods from gram byproducts	171	Yarn of staple fibres
24	Raw tobacco	98	Foods from vegetable byproducts	172	Tire yarn
25	Raw wool and mink skins	99	Pet feeds	173	Man-made fabric for clothing
28	Logs	100	Wheat flour	174	Man-made fabric for industrial use
29	Poles, piling, bolts, etc.	101	Starches	175	Pile fabric
30	Pulpwood	102	Breakfast cereal products	176	Cotton thread
31	Fuelwood & other crude wood	103	Biscuits	177	Man-made thread
32	Custom forestry	104	Bread & rolls	178	Rope & twine
33	Fish & seafood, fresh, chilled	105	Other bakery products	179	Narrow fabrics, incl lace
34	Hunting & trapping products	106	Food snacks	180	Textile floor covering
35	Gold & alloys in primary forms	107	Cocoa & chocolate	182	Awnings, tarpaulins, etc.
36	Radioactive ores & concentrates	108	Nuts	183	Tents, sleeping bags, sails, etc.
37	Iron ores & concentrates	109	Chocolate confectionery	184	Other household textile products
38	Bauxite & alumina	110	Other confectionery	185	Textile medical products
39	Other metal ores & concentrates	111	Sugar	186	Other textile products
40	Coal	112	Oil-cake feeds	187	Hosiery
41	Crude mineral oils	113	Crude vegetable oils	188	Knitted fabrics
42	Natural gas, excl. liquefied	114	Nitrogen function compounds	189	Men's & boys' knitted clothing
43	Sulphur, crude & refined	115	Other flours & processed grains	190	Sweaters
44	Asbestos, crude & milled	116	Maple sugar & syrup	191	Women's knitted clothing
45	Gypsum	117	Other syrup	192	Children's knitted clothing
46	Salt	118	Prepared cake & other mixes	193	Men's & boys' clothing
47	Peat	119	Dehydrated soup mixes & bases	194	Women's underwear & sleepwear
48	Clays	120	Roasted coffee	195	Other women's clothing
49	Natural abrasives & industrial diamonds	121	Tea	196	Children's wear
50	Other crude minerals	122	Potato chips & flakes	197	Other clothing & accessories
51	Sand (excl. silica) & gravel	123	Spices	198	Dressed furs
52	Stone & silica sand for industrial use	124	Peanut butter	199	Fur apparel
53	Stone for construction	125	Food & drink powders	201	Wood chips
55	Beef, fresh, chilled, frozen	126	Other food products	202	Lumber
56	Pork, fresh, chilled, frozen	127	Infant & junior foods, excl. in airtight containers	203	Treated wood
57	Other meat, fresh, chilled, frozen	128	Dry pasta	204	Wood waste
58	Edible offal, fresh, chilled, frozen	129	Soft drink concentrates	206	Plywood & veneer
59	Cured meat	130	Carbonated soft drinks	207	Wooden doors & windows
60	Prepared meat products	131	Distilled alc. beverages, bought in stores	208	Kitchen cabinets
61	Animal fat & lard	133	Beer, incl coolers, bought in stores	209	Other millwork
62	Margarine & shortening	135	Wine, incl coolers, bought in stores	210	Wood structural products
63	Sausage casings	137	Unmanufactured tobacco	211	Wood prefabricated buildings
64	Foods from animal byproducts	138	Cigarettes	212	Wood containers & pallets
65	Raw animal hides & skins	139	Other tobacco products	213	Caskets & coffins
66	Animal byproducts for ind. use	140	Waterproof footwear	214	Shingles & shakes
67	Custom work, meat & food	141	Passenger car tires	215	Particle & wafer board
68	Poultry, fresh, chilled, frozen	142	Truck, bus & off-highway tires	216	Other wood end products
69	Fluid milk, processed	143	Other tires & tubes	217	Household furniture
70	Fresh cream	144	Tire repair material & retreaded tires	218	Furniture parts
71	Butter	145	Conveyor & transmission belting	219	Office furniture
72	Cheese	146	Self-adhesive tape	220	Commercial & institutional furniture
73	Evaporated & condensed dairy products	147	Other rubber products for industrial use	221	Mattresses & other furniture
74	Ice cream	148	Hose & tubing, mainly rubber	222	Portable lighting fixtures

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Wood pulp	296	Soldering rods & wire	368	Off-highway trucks	368
Newsprint paper	297	Fabricated steel plate	369	Military motor vehicles	370
Other paper, containing wood	298	Metal tanks	370	Motor homes, motorcycles & atvs	371
Other paper, woodfree	299	Power boilers	371	Mobile homes	372
Tissue & sanitary paper stock	300	Iron & steel structural materials	372	Non-commercial trailers	373
Wrapping & sack paper, bag stock	301	Prefabricated metal buildings	373	Commercial trailers & semi-trailers	374
Paperboard, incl boxboard	302	Prefabricated metal structures	374	Truck & bus bodies & cargo containers	375
Building board & paper	303	Metal doors and windows	375	Motor vehicle engines & parts	376
Asphalt building products	304	Other metal building products	376	Motor vehicle electric equipment	377
Toilet paper, paper towel, tissue, etc	305	Corrugated metal culvert pipe	377	Motor vehicle stampings	378
Paper waste & scrap	306	Iron & steel stampings	378	Motor vehicle steering & suspension	379
Vinyl floor & wall covering	307	Metal roofing, siding, ducts, etc	379	Motor vehicle wheels & brakes	380
Paper bags & sacks	308	Metal kitchen utensils	380	Motor vehicle plastic parts & trim	381
Paper boxes, cartons & drums	309	Other kitchen utensils	381	Motor vehicle fabric accessories	382
Plastic bags	310	Other metal containers & closures	382	Other motor vehicle parts & accessories	383
Corrugated paper & board	311	Food, beverage and other cans	383	Locomotive, railway & urban trans rolling stock	384
Wallpaper	312	Iron & steel wire & cable	384	Parts for loc, railway & urban trans rolling stock	385
Other coated paper & products	313	Iron & steel wire fencing & screen	385	Ships, boats & parts, excl pleasure	387
Aluminum foil	314	Chain, excl motor vehicle & power transmission	387	Snowmobiles	388
Paper diapers & sanitary napkins	315	Welding rods & wire electrodes	388	Pleasure boats & sporting craft	389
Toiletry hygiene products	316	Wire products, incl springs	389	Microwave ovens	390
Paper containers for commercial use	317	Fastener hardware	390	Small household appliances	391
Paper stationery	318	Builders' hardware	391	Electric furnaces & other electric heating equip	392
Other stationery supplies	319	Other hardware	392	Household refrigerators & freezers	393
Photographic paper	320	Machine tools	393	Household cooking equipment, excl microwave ovens	394
Other paper end products	321	Tool accessories	394	Radio, stereo, cassette & CD players, & access	395
Newspapers	322	Hand & measuring tools	395	TV, VCR, accessories, & unrecorded tape	396
Magazines & periodicals	323	Scissors, razor blades, industrial cutlery, etc	396	Telephone & related equipment, incl facsimile	397
Books	324	Household clothes washers & dryers	397	Broadcasting & radio communications equipment	398
Greeting & post cards, maps, etc	325	Household dishwashers	398	Radar & radio navigation equipment	399
Banknotes, cheques & stamps, etc	326	Mowers, snowblowers, sprinklers, etc	399	Semi-conductors	400
Printed business forms	327	Non-electric furnaces & heating equipment	400	Printed circuits	401
Advertising flyers, catalogues, directories	328	Commercial cooking equipment	401	Integrated circuits	402
Other printed matter	329	Custom metal working	402	Other electronic equipment components	403
Printing plates, type, etc	330	Iron & steel forgings	403	Electronic alarm & signal systems	404
Ferro-alloys	331	Valves	404	Welding machinery & equipment	405
Iron & steel ingots, billets, etc	332	Metal plumbing fixtures & fittings	405	Power generation & marine prop., non-electric	406
Steel castings	333	Plastic plumbing fixtures & fittings	406	Electrical generators & motors	407
Steel bars & rods, non-alloy, excl reinforced	334	Gas & water meters	407	Ballast	408
Reinforcing bars & rods	335	Fire fighting & traffic control equipment	408	Transformers & converters	409
Alloy steel bars & rods	336	Firearms & military hardware	409	Industrial electric equipment, incl safety	410
Flat iron & steel, not alloy, not coated	337	Bulldozers, farm & garden tractors	410	Batteries	411
Flat iron & steel, alloy, coated	338	Other agricultural machinery	411	Wire & cable, insulated, excl aluminum	412
Iron & steel railway construction material	339	Bearings	412	Aluminum wire & cable	413
Tar & pitch	340	Mechanical power transmission equipment	413	Wiring materials & electrical meters	414
Carbon & graphite products	341	Pumps, compressors, fans & blowers	414	Electric light bulbs & tubes	415
Oil & gas casing & drill pipe	342	Conveyors, elevators & hoisting machinery	415	Electric lighting fixtures, excl portable	416
Oil & gas line pipe	343	Industrial trucks & material handling equipment	416	Vehicle lighting equipment	417
Other iron & steel pipes & tubes	344	Fans & air circulation units, not industrial	417	Cement	418
Other cast iron products	345	Packaging & bottling machinery	418	Lime	419
Grinding balls & ingot moulds	346	Air purification equipment	419	Concrete products	420
Cast iron pipe & fittings	347	Other general purpose machinery	420	Ready-mix concrete	421
Other iron & steel pipe fittings	348	Industrial furnaces, kilns & ovens	421	Bricks & other clay building products	422
Nickel in primary forms	349	Construction & mining machinery	422	Porcelain insulators	423
Copper in primary forms	350	Logging, pulp & paper industry machinery	423	Ceramic household products	424
Lead in primary forms	351	Metal working machinery	424	Refractory products	425
Zinc in primary forms	352	Other industry specific machinery	425	Natural stone products	426
Aluminum & alloy ingots, billets, blocks & slabs	353	Service industry machinery	426	Gypsum building products	427
Aluminum & alloys, other primary forms	354	Power hand tools	427	Mineral wool building products	428
Precious metals in primary forms excl gold	355	Air conditioning equipment, wall & window	428	Asbestos products	429
Other non-ferrous base metals	356	Air cond & refrig equip, commercial & transport	429	Other non-metallic mineral base products	430
Other non-ferrous base & fabricated materials	357	Scales & balances	430	Glass and other glass products	431
Other inorganic bases & metallic oxides	358	Vending machines	431	Safety glass	432
Metal scrap, excl iron & steel	359	Computers, video units, printers, etc.	432	Optical fibre cables	433
Iron & steel scrap	360	Office equipment, excl photocopy & facsimile	433	Glass fibre batts, mats, etc	434
Aluminum & aluminum alloy fabricated materials	361	Aircraft	434	Glass containers	435
Copper fabricated materials	362	Aircraft engines	435	Mirrors & glass household products	436
Copper alloy fabricated materials	363	Aircraft parts & equipment	436	Abrasive products	437
Lead & lead alloy fabricated materials	364	Automobiles, incl passenger vans	437	Motor gasoline	438
Nickel & nickel alloy fabricated materials	365	Trucks, road tractors & chassis	438	Aviation fuel	439
Zinc & zinc alloy fabricated materials	366	Trucks, road tractors & chassis	439	Diesel oil	
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440	Light fuel oil	511	Metal working industrial chemicals
441	Heavy fuel oil	512	Printing & other inks
442	Lubricating oils & greases	513	Polish, cream & wax products
443	Benzene, toluene & xylene	514	Other oils, fats & waxes
444	Liquid petroleum gases, incl. natural gas	515	Aircraft & nautical navig. instruments, excl. radio
445	Naphtha	516	Lab & scientific instruments, & flight simulators
446	Asphalt compound, hot bulk	517	Measuring & controlling instruments
447	Other asphalt products	518	Medical & dental equipment & supplies
448	Petrochemical feed stock	519	Ophthalmic goods
449	Animal & vegetable fertilizers, imputed	520	Personal medical goods
450	Animal & vegetable fertilizers, excl. imputed	521	Industrial safety equipment
451	Potash	522	Watches, clocks, etc.
452	Chemical fertilizers	523	Optical & photo equipment
453	Ethylene polymers	524	Photocopy & microfilm equipment
454	Vinyl polymers	525	Photographic film & plate
455	Other polymers	527	Brooms, brushes, mops, etc.
456	Cellulosic plastic film & sheet	528	Bicycles
457	Monoethylene glycol	529	Recreational equipment
458	Pharmaceuticals	530	Toys & games, incl. electronic
459	Paints & related products	531	Impregnated & coated fabrics
460	Refined vegetable oils	532	Floor & wall covering, excl. vinyl
461	Oral care products	533	Advertising signs, displays, etc.
462	Soaps	534	Shades & blinds
463	Detergents	535	Custom work, refined petroleum and coal
464	Other cleaning products	536	Other custom work
465	Other industrial chemical preparations	537	Animal hair, fur dyeing, etc.
466	Cosmetic products	538	Other metal end products
467	Hair care products	539	Sewing needs
468	Other personal care products	540	Recordings, musical instr., artists' supplies, etc.
469	Bleach and fabric softeners	541	Smokers' supplies
470	Chlorine	579	Electric power
471	Oxygen	581	Coke
472	Phosphorous	664	Raw cotton
473	Other chemical elements	665	Natural rubber & gums
474	Sulphuric acid	666	Raw sugar
475	Other inorganic acids & oxygen compounds	667	Cocoa beans
476	Ammonia	668	Coffee, not roasted
477	Caustic soda	669	Tropical fruit
478	Sodium chlorate	672	Indirect taxes on products
479	Sodium phosphates	673	Subsidies on products
480	Sodium carbonate	674	Subsidies on production
481	Other metallic salts & peroxysalts	675	Indirect taxes on production
482	Deuterium oxide (heavy water)		
483	Radioactive chemicals		
484	Other inorganic chemicals		
485	Ethylene		
486	Butylenes		
487	Butadiene		
488	Styrene		
489	Vinyl chloride		
490	Other hydrocarbons & derivatives		
491	Methyl alcohol		
492	Other alcohols & derivatives		
493	Ethers, alcohol peroxides, etc.		
494	Other phenols, aldehydes & ketones		
495	Organic acids & derivatives		
496	Organo-inorganic compounds		
497	Other organic chemicals		
498	Titanium dioxide, excl. slag		
499	Carbon		
500	Pigments, lakes & dyes		
501	Synthetic rubber		
502	Antifreezing preparations		
503	Additives & automobile chemicals		
504	Rubber & plastic compounding agents		
505	Explosives & non-military ammunition		
506	Military ammunition & ordnance		
507	Crude vegetable materials & extracts		
508	Insecticides & herbicides		
509	Adhesives		
510	Catalysts		

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s 26	Services incidental to agriculture	600	Life insurance
s 27	Services incidental to forestry	601	Non-life insurance
s 54	Services incidental to mining	602	Trusteed pension funds
s 132	Distilled alc. beverages, consumed on lic. premises	603	Insurance commissions
s 134	Beer, incl. coolers, consumed on lic. premises	604	Gross imputed rent
s 136	Wine, incl. coolers, consumed on lic. premises	605	Gross paid residential rent
s 181	Textile dyeing & finishing service	606	Imputed lodging
s 200	Custom tailoring	607	Lodging in universities
s 205	Custom wood work & millwork	608	Other paid lodging, excl. universities
s 257	Advertising in print media	609	Non-residential rent
s 258	Specialized publishing service	610	Private education services
s 364	Aircraft service & repairs	611	Private hospital services
s 386	Ship repairs	612	Private residential care facilities
s 526	Jewelry, silverware, flatware, etc.	613	Child care, outside the home
s 542	Art & decorative goods, misc. end products	614	Other health & social services
s 543	Repair construction	615	Health practitioners & laboratory services
s 544	Residential construction	616	Motion picture, audio, & video prod. & distributor
s 545	Non-residential building construction	617	Motion picture exhibition
s 546	Road, highway & airport runway construction	618	Lottery and other gambling
s 547	Gas & oil facility construction	619	Race track services
s 548	Electric power, dams & irrigation construction	620	Other recreational services
s 549	Railway & telecommunications construction	621	Architect, engineering, & scientific services
s 550	Other engineering construction	622	Accounting & legal services
s 551	Air transport, passenger	623	Advertising services
s 552	Air transport, freight	624	Laundry and dry cleaning
s 553	Air transport, specialty	625	Accommodation services
s 554	Services incidental to air transport	626	Meals
s 555	School bus & other transportation	627	Barber & beauty services
s 556	Ambulance services	628	Funeral services
s 557	Travel agents, tour wholesaler & operator serv.	629	Child care, in the home
s 558	Parking services	630	Private household service
s 559	Other services incidental to transport	631	Other personal services
s 560	Water transport, passenger	632	Photographic services
s 561	Water transport, freight	633	Services to buildings & dwellings
s 562	Water transport, other	634	Software products development
s 563	Services incidental to water transport	635	Computer lease & rental (hardware)
s 564	Rail transport, passenger	636	Professional & processing computer service
s 565	Rail transport, freight	637	Other services to business & persons
s 566	Services incidental to rail transport	638	Courier service
s 567	Truck transportation	639	Rental of automobiles & trucks
s 568	Bus transport, interurban & rural, passenger	640	Membership organization dues (excl. religious)
s 569	Bus transport, interurban & rural, parcel express	641	Rental, video & recreation equipment
s 570	Urban transit	642	Rental, other machinery & equipment incl const
s 571	Taxicab transportation	643	Spare parts & maintenance supplies
s 572	Pipeline transportation	644	Office supplies
s 573	Highway and bridge maintenance	645	Cafeteria supplies
s 574	Grain storage	646	Transportation margins
s 575	Other storage and warehousing	647	Laboratory equipment & supplies
s 576	Radio & television broadcasting, incl cable	648	Travelling and entertainment
s 577	Telephone & other telecommunications	649	Advertising & promotion
s 578	Postal services	650	Religious organizations services
s 580	Gas distribution	651	Welfare organizations services
s 582	Water supply	652	Non-profit sports & recreation services
s 583	Other utilities	653	Non-profit educational services
s 584	Wholesaling margins	654	Other non-profit services
s 585	Repair service for machinery & equipment	655	Government funding of hospital
s 586	Rental of office equipment	656	Government funding of residential care
s 587	Retailing margins	657	Government funding of universities
s 588	Retailing service	658	Government funding of other education
s 589	Central bank	659	Defence services
s 590	Implicit charges, banks & oth. dep. acc. intermed.	660	Other municipal government services
s 591	Paid charges, banks & oth. dep. acc. intermed.	661	Other provincial government services
s 592	Implicit charges, credit unions & caisses pop.	662	Other federal government services
s 593	Paid charges, credit unions & caisses pop.	663	
s 594	Royalties & licence fees (excl. natural resource)	670	Unallocated imports & exports
s 595	Stock & bond commissions	671	Sales of other government services
s 596	Implicit charge, sales finance & consumer loan	676	Wages and salaries
s 597	Mutual funds	677	Supplementary labour income
s 598	Other financial intermediary services	678	Mixed income
s 599	Real estate commissions & management fees	679	Other operating surplus

**Resource Dependency:
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Appendix II:
**Allocation of International Exports
by Two Digit Export Codes.**

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Category	Labour Force		1992-2001 Average Annual Exports		
	Non-Metro	Metro	Provincial	Non-metro	Metro
HS 01 - Live Animals	77%	23%	\$ 68,227,055	\$ 52,786,772	\$ 15,440,283
HS 02 - Meat and Edible Meat Offal	77%	23%	\$ 51,775,740	\$ 40,058,510	\$ 11,717,230
HS 03 - Fish, Crustaceans, Molluscs and Other Aquatic Invertebrates	67%	33%	\$ 793,407,846	\$ 533,948,581	\$ 259,458,265
HS 04 - Dairy Produce, Eggs, Honey and Other Similar Edible Products of Animal Origin	77%	23%	\$ 7,882,554	\$ 6,098,874	\$ 1,783,680
HS 05 - Products of Animal Origin Not Elsewhere Classified	77%	23%	\$ 7,283,268	\$ 5,835,011	\$ 1,448,257
HS 06 - Live Trees and Other Plants (Incl. Cut Flowers and Ornamental Foliage)	55%	45%	\$ 47,168,509	\$ 25,784,087	\$ 21,384,422
HS 07 - Edible Vegetables and Certain Roots and Tubers	75%	25%	\$ 123,095,298	\$ 92,748,959	\$ 30,346,339
HS 08 - Edible Fruits and Nuts	75%	25%	\$ 111,195,283	\$ 83,782,822	\$ 27,412,461
HS 09 - Coffee, Tea, Maté and Spices	75%	25%	\$ 24,059,539	\$ 18,128,209	\$ 5,931,331
HS 10 - Cereals	75%	25%	\$ 29,723,647	\$ 22,395,980	\$ 7,327,667
HS 11 - Products of the Milling Industry; Malt, Straches, Inulin and Wheat Gluten	75%	25%	\$ 12,771,873	\$ 9,535,227	\$ 3,236,446
HS 12 - Oil Seeds, Oleaginous Fruits, Industrial or Medicinal Plants, Straw and Fodder	75%	25%	\$ 53,031,032	\$ 39,592,535	\$ 13,438,497
HS 13 - Lac, Gums, Resins and Other Vegetable Saps and Extracts	75%	25%	\$ 1,038,828	\$ 774,163	\$ 262,766
HS 14 - Vegetable Plaiting Material and Other Similar Vegetable Products	75%	25%	\$ 14,218	\$ 10,815	\$ 3,603
HS 15 - Fats, Oils, Their Cleavage Products and Waxes	75%	25%	\$ 78,595,638	\$ 59,203,943	\$ 19,391,696
HS 16 - Meat, Fish and Seafood Preparations	75%	25%	\$ 137,071,145	\$ 103,251,941	\$ 33,819,204
HS 17 - Sugars and Sugar Confectionery	34%	68%	\$ 3,833,898	\$ 1,311,528	\$ 2,522,170
HS 18 - Cocoa and Cocoa Preparations	34%	68%	\$ 9,526,198	\$ 3,258,983	\$ 6,267,236
HS 19 - Preparations of Cereals, Flour, Starch or Milk (Including Bread and Pastry)	75%	25%	\$ 62,289,970	\$ 48,505,182	\$ 15,784,788
HS 20 - Preparations of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts or Other Parts of Plants	75%	25%	\$ 37,927,788	\$ 28,318,576	\$ 9,611,212
HS 21 - Miscellaneous Edible Preparations	75%	25%	\$ 36,556,984	\$ 27,292,399	\$ 9,263,585
HS 22 - Beverages, Spirits and Vinegar	75%	25%	\$ 92,738,528	\$ 69,237,827	\$ 23,500,702
HS 23 - Residues and Waste from the Food Industries, and Prepared Animal Fodder	75%	25%	\$ 95,613,572	\$ 72,130,902	\$ 24,482,669
HS 24 - Tobacco and Manufactured Tobacco Substitutes	38%	62%	\$ 3,615,819	\$ 1,368,123	\$ 2,248,696
Agriculture, Fishery, Orchard, Food, Food Products and By-Products	71%	29%	\$ 1,889,440,934	\$ 1,343,158,289	\$ 546,284,645
HS 27 - Mineral Fuels, Mineral Oils, Bituminous Substances and Mineral Waxes	93%	7%	\$ 3,339,318,283	\$ 3,083,043,560	\$ 246,274,723
Fuels, Oils, Bituminous Substances, and Electricity	93%	7%	\$ 3,339,318,283	\$ 3,083,043,560	\$ 246,274,723
HS 72 - Iron and Steel	35%	65%	\$ 128,219,281	\$ 44,383,597	\$ 83,835,684
HS 73 - Articles of Iron or Steel	35%	65%	\$ 285,307,959	\$ 91,837,370	\$ 173,470,588
HS 74 - Copper and Articles Thereof	93%	7%	\$ 20,408,882	\$ 18,980,778	\$ 1,428,105
HS 75 - Nickel and Articles Thereof	93%	7%	\$ 1,147,748	\$ 1,067,539	\$ 80,209
HS 76 - Aluminum and Articles Thereof	93%	7%	\$ 604,325,887	\$ 582,093,258	\$ 42,232,409
HS 78 - Lead and Articles Thereof	93%	7%	\$ 61,252,064	\$ 58,971,554	\$ 4,280,510
HS 79 - Zinc and Articles Thereof	93%	7%	\$ 330,229,547	\$ 307,151,941	\$ 23,077,606
HS 80 - Tin and Articles Thereof	93%	7%	\$ 275,998	\$ 258,708	\$ 19,288
HS 81 - Other Base Metals, Cermet and Articles Thereof	60%	40%	\$ 12,583,363	\$ 7,535,883	\$ 5,027,480
HS 82 - Tools, Implements, Cutlery, Spoons and Forks of Base Metals	60%	40%	\$ 22,841,887	\$ 13,581,285	\$ 9,060,602
HS 83 - Miscellaneous Articles of Base Metal	60%	40%	\$ 32,312,531	\$ 19,382,028	\$ 12,930,503
HS 25 - Salt, Sulfur, Earths, Lime, Stone, Cement and Plastering Materials	79%	21%	\$ 144,680,047	\$ 114,577,851	\$ 30,112,196
HS 26 - Ores, Slag and Ash	93%	7%	\$ 887,786,418	\$ 639,702,875	\$ 48,083,543
HS 28 - Inorganic Chemicals and Compounds of Precious Metals and Radioactive Elements	50%	50%	\$ 190,497,463	\$ 94,722,495	\$ 95,774,968
Ores, Metals and Metal Articles	76%	21%	\$ 2,501,836,853	\$ 1,972,245,163	\$ 529,391,690
HS 29 - Organic Chemicals (Including Vitamins, Alkaloids and Antibiotics)	50%	50%	\$ 307,895,651	\$ 153,097,285	\$ 154,798,366
HS 30 - Pharmaceutical Products	50%	50%	\$ 9,238,201	\$ 4,593,581	\$ 4,644,620
HS 31 - Fertilizers	50%	50%	\$ 38,651,799	\$ 19,219,127	\$ 19,432,673
HS 32 - Tannins, Dyes, Pigments, Paints, Varnishes, Inks, Putty and Other Similar Substances	50%	50%	\$ 18,929,889	\$ 9,412,553	\$ 9,517,137
HS 33 - Essential Oils and Resinoids, Perfumes, Cosmetics and Toilet Preparations	50%	50%	\$ 12,788,556	\$ 6,349,008	\$ 6,419,550
HS 34 - Soap, Washing and Lubricating Preparations, Waxes and Related Articles	50%	50%	\$ 11,322,507	\$ 5,629,976	\$ 5,692,531
HS 35 - Albuminoid Substances, Modified Starches, Glues and Enzymes	50%	50%	\$ 8,561,607	\$ 4,257,153	\$ 4,304,454
HS 36 - Explosives, Matches and Other Miscellaneous Combustible Preparations	50%	50%	\$ 1,901,845	\$ 945,569	\$ 956,075
HS 37 - Photographic or Cinematographic Goods	50%	50%	\$ 19,320,855	\$ 9,607,055	\$ 9,713,800
HS 38 - Miscellaneous Chemical Products	50%	50%	\$ 25,842,159	\$ 12,750,245	\$ 12,891,914
HS 39 - Plastics and Articles Thereof	26%	74%	\$ 238,364,096	\$ 82,808,291	\$ 175,755,805
HS 40 - Rubber and Articles Thereof	26%	74%	\$ 19,861,492	\$ 5,164,253	\$ 14,497,240
Plastic, Rubber, and Chemical Products and By-Products	41%	59%	\$ 712,258,257	\$ 293,634,092	\$ 418,624,166

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HS 41 - Raw Hides, Skins (Other than Furskins) and Leather	81%	19%	\$ 10,358,345	\$ 8,414,700	\$ 1,943,644
HS 42 - Articles of Leather, Saddlery and Harness, Travel Goods, Handbags and Similar Containers	81%	19%	\$ 11,086,809	\$ 9,014,599	\$ 2,082,210
HS 43 - Furskins, Artificial Fur and Related Articles of Apparel or Clothing Accessories	81%	19%	\$ 10,755,584	\$ 8,737,402	\$ 2,018,183
Fur, Leather, and Products Thereof	81%	19%	\$ 32,210,739	\$ 26,166,701	\$ 6,044,037
HS 44 - Wood and Articles of Wood (Incl. Wood Charcoal)	82%	8%	\$ 8,823,715,209	\$ 8,097,312,048	\$ 726,403,161
HS 47 - Pulp of Wood and The Like; Waste and Scrap of Paper or Paperboard	82%	8%	\$ 3,430,155,780	\$ 3,159,353,989	\$ 270,801,771
HS 48 - Paper, Paperboard and Articles Made From These Materials	82%	8%	\$ 2,067,888,325	\$ 1,904,615,552	\$ 163,252,762
HS 45 - Cork and Articles of Cork	63%	36%	\$ 48,702	\$ 30,439	\$ 18,263
HS 46 - Straw and Other Plaiting Materials; Basketware and Wickerwork	63%	36%	\$ 328,963	\$ 205,602	\$ 123,361
HS 49 - Printed Books, Newspapers, Pictures, Manuscripts and The Like	28%	72%	\$ 124,304,186	\$ 34,432,924	\$ 89,871,262
Wood, Pulp, Paper and Products Thereof	81%	9%	\$14,448,421,146	\$13,195,950,565	\$ 1,250,470,581
HS 50 - Silk	16%	84%	\$ 473,013	\$ 74,940	\$ 398,074
HS 51 - Wool, Wool Yarns and Wool Fabrics	16%	84%	\$ 109,034	\$ 17,274	\$ 91,759
HS 52 - Cotton, Cotton Yarns and Cotton Fabrics	16%	84%	\$ 704,358	\$ 111,592	\$ 592,767
HS 53 - Other Vegetable Textile Fibers, Yarns and Fabrics	16%	84%	\$ 157,720	\$ 24,968	\$ 132,732
HS 54 - Man-Made Filaments, Filament Yarns and Fabrics	16%	84%	\$ 1,563,645	\$ 250,897	\$ 1,332,748
HS 55 - Man-Made Staple Fibers, Staple Fiber Yarns and Fabrics	16%	84%	\$ 497,486	\$ 78,814	\$ 418,653
HS 56 - Wadding, Felt, Nonwovens, Twine, Cordage, Rope, Cables and Related Articles	16%	84%	\$ 3,147,136	\$ 498,602	\$ 2,648,535
HS 57 - Carpets and Other Textile Floor Coverings	16%	84%	\$ 2,088,091	\$ 330,817	\$ 1,757,274
HS 58 - Special Woven or Tufted Fabrics, Lace, Trimmings, Embroidery and Tapestries	16%	84%	\$ 244,889	\$ 38,798	\$ 206,091
HS 59 - Coated, Impregnated, Covered or Laminated Fabrics and Industrial Textiles	16%	84%	\$ 5,684,180	\$ 897,377	\$ 4,786,803
HS 60 - Knitted or Crocheted Fabrics	16%	84%	\$ 686,200	\$ 105,546	\$ 580,654
HS 61 - Knitted or Crocheted Clothing and Articles of Apparel	16%	84%	\$ 132,295,592	\$ 20,959,621	\$ 111,335,970
HS 62 - Woven Clothing and Articles of Apparel	16%	84%	\$ 48,730,955	\$ 7,720,456	\$ 41,010,498
HS 63 - Other Made-Up Textile Articles and Worn Clothing	16%	84%	\$ 12,567,370	\$ 1,891,051	\$ 10,576,319
HS 64 - Footwear	16%	84%	\$ 2,281,324	\$ 381,431	\$ 1,919,894
HS 65 - Headwear	16%	84%	\$ 1,492,590	\$ 236,471	\$ 1,256,119
HS 66 - Umbrellas, Whips, Walking-Sticks and Similar Articles	16%	84%	\$ 1,007,883	\$ 159,679	\$ 848,204
HS 67 - Prepared Feathers and Down, Artificial Flowers and the Like	16%	84%	\$ 389,279	\$ 61,874	\$ 327,806
Textiles, Fabrics, and Products Thereof	16%	84%	\$ 214,100,726	\$ 33,920,028	\$ 180,180,700
HS 68 - Articles of Stone, Plaster, Cement, Asbestos, Mica or Similar Materials	65%	35%	\$ 50,811,219	\$ 33,067,619	\$ 17,743,600
HS 69 - Ceramic Products	65%	35%	\$ 5,898,903	\$ 3,819,445	\$ 2,049,458
HS 70 - Glass and Glassware	65%	35%	\$ 70,216,665	\$ 45,696,580	\$ 24,520,105
HS 71 - Pearls, Precious Stones or Metals, Coins and Jewellery	65%	35%	\$ 134,221,137	\$ 87,350,264	\$ 46,870,873
HS 97 - Works of Art, Collector's Pieces and Antiques	44%	56%	\$ 22,314,848	\$ 9,845,278	\$ 12,469,571
Articles of Stone, Cement, Ceramics, Glass, and Precious Metals	63%	37%	\$ 283,432,773	\$ 179,779,185	\$ 103,653,608
HS 84 - Nuclear Reactors, Boilers, Machinery and Mechanical Appliances	39%	61%	\$ 1,080,366,739	\$ 424,393,356	\$ 655,973,384
HS 85 - Electrical or Electronic Machinery and Equipment	19%	81%	\$ 772,733,916	\$ 142,969,413	\$ 629,734,504
HS 86 - Rail Transportation (Incl. Tramways and Traffic Signalling Equipment)	33%	67%	\$ 3,871,965	\$ 1,289,003	\$ 2,582,963
HS 87 - Motor Vehicles, Trailers, Bicycles, Motorcycles and Other Similar Vehicles	59%	41%	\$ 688,182,191	\$ 402,884,222	\$ 283,277,969
HS 88 - Aircrafts and Spacecrafts	14%	86%	\$ 87,170,025	\$ 9,595,718	\$ 57,574,307
HS 89 - Ships, Boats and Floating Structures	38%	62%	\$ 91,311,745	\$ 34,649,548	\$ 56,662,199
Boilers, Machinery, Electrical, Transportation Equipment and Products	36%	62%	\$ 2,701,816,582	\$ 1,015,811,257	\$ 1,685,805,325
HS 90 - Optical, Medical, Photographic, Scientific and Technical Instrumentation	35%	65%	\$ 278,536,163	\$ 97,284,511	\$ 181,251,652
HS 91 - Clock and Watches and Parts Thereof	35%	65%	\$ 1,980,557	\$ 684,765	\$ 1,275,792
HS 92 - Musical Instruments	35%	65%	\$ 5,838,678	\$ 2,039,279	\$ 3,799,399
HS 93 - Arms and Ammunitions and Parts Thereof	35%	65%	\$ 1,581,011	\$ 552,201	\$ 1,028,810
HS 94 - Furniture, and Stuffed Furnishings; Lamps and Illuminated Signs; Prefabricated Buildings	35%	65%	\$ 258,407,099	\$ 89,555,478	\$ 168,851,621
HS 95 - Toys, Games, Sporting Goods and Other Goods for Amusement	35%	65%	\$ 48,387,411	\$ 16,900,303	\$ 31,487,108
HS 96 - Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	35%	65%	\$ 1,852,785	\$ 577,270	\$ 1,075,516
Misc Manufactured Products	19%	81%	\$ 594,363,706	\$ 110,309,286	\$ 484,054,410

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Dear Chair and Bulkley-Nechako regional District Council,

My name is Cathy Peters and I raise public awareness to the issue of Human Sex trafficking/sexual exploitation.

Valiant Richey who is the Acting Special Representative to the Organization of Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) on trafficking in Human Beings and his panel recently **presented at the United Nations** (this is over an hour, but Valiant speaks in the first 6 minutes).

<http://webtv.un.org/meetings-events/watch/preventing-trafficking-of-women-and-girls-for-sexual-exploitation-understanding-states-obligations-to-address-demand-under-the-palermo-protocol-csw63-side-event/6013967790001/?term=#.XlvRCzJpk2A.email>

Valiant Richey, the **global anti sex trafficking expert** calls for law enforcement and politicians to focus on the **demand**; buyers of sex need to be charged.

The laws are in place, but implementation as well as prevention and education strategies are desperately needed globally.

The **Vancouver Police department and the BC RCMP CEU** team did timely work in the recent John Sting and the media coverage across Canada was extensive: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/vancouver-sexual-predators-sting-1.4989444>

The **Whistler Pique newspaper** printed this thorough piece on local Human Sex Trafficking in their January issue. I was interviewed along with Larissa Maxwell from NGO Deborah's Gate with the Salvation Army. It was a good coverage in one of Canada's largest papers. <https://www.piquenewsmagazine.com/whistler/the-cold-reality-of-global-human-trafficking/Content?oid=12941606>

Child abuse and pornography are the two "pipelines" towards prostitution/trafficking. With unregulated technology every community is vulnerable to sexual exploitation online.

I have attached a list of videos that can be useful for raising awareness to the issue.

Ending human trafficking, sex trafficking, sexual exploitation and prostitution in Canada is an important gender equality and human rights issue and it disproportionately affects Canada's indigenous peoples.

ASK: Please share this information with your local police detachment and OIC, your frontline service providers including educators, your local MLA and MP. Would you please write me if this issue is a concern to your Council.

Sincerely, Cathy Peters; BC anti-human trafficking educator, speaker, advocate

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Human trafficking/sexual exploitation VIDEOS:

Introduction:

Video: Red Light Green Light trailer by Michelle and Jay Brock:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=COIQGQUcBUc>

Video: 16 year old Tagen Marshall from Nanaimo interviewed on "World Changers":

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UyoxUiDkrj8>

What exploitation looks like (Senior High School videos):

Video: 40 second clip on the Joy Smith Foundation website: <http://www.joysmithfoundation.com/>

Video: Covenant House clip: www.covenanthousetoronto.ca/homeless-youth/Sex-Trafficking

Middle School videos:

Video: This is Kailey's Love Story: 5 minutes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WsbYHI-rZOE>

Video: Know the Signs-Emma's Story- a victim's perspective of child sexual exploitation from the UK: 4 minutes- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pnTYFeZNLkQ>

Harmful impacts of Pornography:

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wZpqUVnAVkk>

Full decriminalization of prostitution and what this would look like:

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EVYUMefUgVU>

Addressing Demand: the root cause of human sex trafficking:

Valiant Richey; Global expert and international panel addressing the cause of global sex trafficking (the demand) at the United Nations in March 2019:

Video: <http://webtv.un.org/meetings-events/watch/preventing-trafficking-of-women-and-girls-for-sexual-exploitation-understanding-states-obligations-to-address-demand-under-the-palermo-protocol-csw63-side-event/6013967790001/?term=#.XlyRCzJpk2A.email>

Overview summaries from Canada and the USA:

Video: "Break the Silence" Canadian version: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9aJS0lcjByM>

Video: "I Am Jane Doe" trailer from the USA; true story of backpage.com court case:

<https://www.iamjanedofilm.com/>

Website: impactful overview of the issue: BuyingSexIsACrime.org- 4 videos (30-45 seconds each)-

<https://buyingsexisacrime.org/> or Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/album/5483715>

WIRED TO DELIVER:

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
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New Site Promotes Community Fiber not Industry-Driven 5G

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – March 23, 2019

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While last week's launch of the federal spectrum auction gave the green light to 5G in Canada, many communities across North America are choosing to build and operate their own fiber-to-the-premises networks. An innovative new Canadian website – [Connected Communities](#) – explains the many benefits of community-owned fiber, and provides a blueprint for how towns and cities can make it happen.

Why Community-owned Wired Fiber?

- Wired fiber is faster, safer, cheaper, greener, more reliable, and more data secure than wireless 5G – the 5th generation of cellular technology. [This in-depth report](#) explains why.
- Community owned fiber keeps telecommunications infrastructure in local hands and keeps it responsive to local needs. From improved emergency services and economic opportunities to resource monitoring and distributing locally generated renewable energy – the manifold benefits of community-owned fiber make it the truly smart choice.

A Smarter Choice than Wireless 5G

As Senator Blumenthal uncovered in [this Senate hearing](#), 5G is being unleashed with no pre-market safety testing. Wired fiber can essentially fill the same functions as wireless 5G, without the risks.

- The Globe and Mail's European Bureau Chief Eric Reguly discusses the health risks of 5G [here](#).
- In the wake of the Huawei scandal, [this article](#) reveals the sinister cyber and national security risks of 5G.

Beneath the marketing hype, it is unlikely wireless 5G will fulfill its promises. (Learn more [here](#).) Rather than heralding the future, 5G is shaping it to telecom's advantage.

Success Stories

Cities like [Chattanooga](#) Tennessee, [Portland](#) Oregon, [Olds](#) Alberta, [San Francisco](#) and [Seattle](#) - cities that value data privacy, autonomy, local prosperity and wellbeing - have chosen or are choosing community-owned fiber. The telecommunications highway today fulfills the same function that roads and railways once filled for trade and commerce. It is essential that this infrastructure be not for meeting corporate interests, but for the public good.

To learn more, visit [Connected Communities](#) and spread the word – wired networks offer safe, net neutral, fast and reliable connectivity for years to come.

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Budget 2019: Turning point for cities and communities

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) President Vicki-May Hamm issued the following statement after today's release of the Government of Canada's 2019 federal budget.

"Today's budget delivers major results for Canadians directly through their local governments. We welcome this as a significant turning point for cities and communities across Canada.

"Municipalities are the order of government closest to Canadians' daily realities. From our unique position, we know what's needed on the ground and we deliver cost-effective solutions that work. That's why local governments are vital partners in achieving a wide range of federal objectives.

"Today's budget elevates this federal-municipal partnership as the way to build better lives for Canadians. It puts community-building tools directly in local hands by growing next year's core federal funding transfer to municipalities. It implements our urgent recommendations to close Canada's rural Internet gap. And by investing in FCM's programs, it builds on a federal-municipal collaboration that has been directly enriching the lives of Canadians for decades.

"The Gas Tax Fund is the long-term, predictable federal funding stream that local governments rely on to deliver thousands of infrastructure projects each year. For communities of all sizes, growing this transfer means better roads, bridges, transit, recreation centres and more. This is about empowering local governments to do what they do best: deliver cost-effective solutions that build better lives for Canadians.

"The national broadband strategy announced today is a major boost for Canada's rural, remote and northern communities. In 2019, high-speed Internet is an essential service—for businesses looking to compete and for our everyday quality of life. Today's announcement is a strong response to FCM's call to prioritize universal Internet access for two million Canadians who still can't access a reliable connection.

"This budget also builds on a proven federal-municipal collaboration that delivers directly for Canadians in their communities. Since 2000, FCM's Green Municipal Fund has directly financed more than 1,250 local sustainability initiatives while preserving every dollar of federal capital. These projects have cut 2.5 million tonnes of greenhouse gasses—the equivalent of taking 571,000 cars off the road—while creating good jobs and more livable communities. For families across Canada, delivering more investment through FCM will mean everything from more energy-efficient homes to sustainable new recreation centres.

"Today's federal budget doubles down on working directly with local governments to make life for Canadians more secure and affordable. It's a turning point that sets us on a path toward a more fully modernized federal-provincial relationship—one that empowers Canadians' local leaders to get even more done for the people we serve."

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BC Wildfire Service

Overwintering fires, hot spots may reappear this spring

KAMLOOPS – As warmer weather returns to parts of the province affected by last summer's wildfires, the BC Wildfire Service is advising British Columbians that some hot spots could re-emerge due to what are called "overwintering" fires.

An overwintering fire can occur when a wildfire that burned deep underground last year has continued to smoulder all winter long. Given the extent and intensity of many wildfires in the summer of 2018, some of these residual hot spots could flare up with the arrival of warmer and drier weather this spring.

Most overwintering fires will occur well within the original fire's perimeter. Many areas near communities where wildfires burned last year are being actively patrolled by firefighters and scanned using thermal imaging technology.

It is standard practice for the BC Wildfire Service to monitor previous wildfire sites to ensure that any flare-ups from overwintering fires are located and suppressed if necessary. However, members of the public are encouraged to report any wildfire or smoke they see, even if it is located within the perimeter of a previous fire.

To report a wildfire, unattended campfire or open burning violation, call 1 800 663-5555 toll-free or *5555 on a cellphone.

For the latest information on current wildfire activity, burning restrictions, road closures and air quality advisories, visit: <http://www.bcwildfire.ca>

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A FAQ backgrounder about overwintering fires follows.

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Frequently asked questions: overwintering fires

What is an overwintering fire? Why might it emerge with the arrival of warmer and drier weather?

- An overwintering fire is a remnant of previous wildfire activity that can burn deep into the ground and smoulder, even while showing no visible signs of activity above ground.
- Overwintering fires can remain dormant and undetected all winter long, but hot spots may re-emerge with a return to warm and dry weather conditions.

What are the visible signs of an overwintering fire?

- Given the large size of many wildfires in B.C. last year, some wildfires burned deep into organic soil layers, increasing the likelihood that overwintering fires will emerge in the spring.
- The most common visual signs are smoke, smouldering ground or open flame within the wildfire's original perimeter (the outer boundary of a fire).

What should be done if wildfire activity is seen?

- Any perceived wildfire activity should be reported, even if it is within a previous wildfire's perimeter. Call 1 800 663-5555 toll-free or *5555 on a cellphone.

What kind of suppression response will the BC Wildfire Service provide for overwintering fires?

- The BC Wildfire Service monitors former wildfire areas and any renewed activity will be assessed.
- In many cases, an overwintering fire will emerge deep within the original fire's perimeter and can be monitored by the BC Wildfire Service while it extinguishes itself naturally.
- If an overwintering fire emerges in an area containing unburned fuel or poses a potential threat to communities, infrastructure or natural resources, wildfire crews may be dispatched to extinguish the hot spot to ensure the fire does not spread.

Could an overwintering fire pose a threat to communities?

- The majority of overwintering fires will remain well within the original fire's perimeter.
- Overwintering fires present a limited risk to communities, since previous wildfire areas near communities have been scanned using thermal-imaging technology and were patrolled extensively by firefighters.
- However, any wildfire activity should be reported, even if it is within a previous wildfire

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Hello NCLGA Members,

We're getting so close to the 2019 NCLGA AGM in Williams Lake, we can almost taste it! It's going to be an exciting week filled with engaging sessions and interesting speakers. So, go to [CivicInfo](#) and get registered, if you haven't already!

What are the Community Leadership Awards? And how do I submit a nomination?

This is the 7 Year of the Community Leadership Awards, and we are excited to receive all of the Community Leadership Award nominations. Here's one example of one of the communities that won awards last year:

Economic Development - City of Prince Rupert, Watson Island Redevelopment

For the creative economic development model utilized to redevelop the former pulp mill site on Watson Island. This creative economic development model is a prime example of thinking outside of the box to repurpose a deteriorated industrial property into new tax and lease revenues. With extremely limited financial resources, the council and staff of the City of Prince Rupert were able to bring a new vision and new energy that will generate significant benefits for years to come.

To submit a nomination, go to our [website](#) for details. Simply submit a letter from your community detailing the project, event or activity you would like to nominate. These must be received by **March 15, 2019!**

How do I nominate someone for NCLGA Executive positions?

Your NCLGA Board of Directors forms the executive of the NCLGA. They are a group of people just like you who work to be the voice of northern BC elected officials in the province. If you or someone you know might be a great fit for the NCLGA Executive, please submit the attached nomination form to the NCLGA (admin@nclga.ca) no later than **March 22, 2019**.

Nominations procedures and more information can be found [here](#).

Where should I stay in Williams Lake?

Williams Lake offers several options for comfortable accommodations within walking distance of the venue, and some within a short drive. Check out the information about the event on our web site: www.nclga.ca

I have accessibility requirements. Who should I talk to about accommodations?

Be sure to indicate the requirements on the registration form. You may always contact the NCLGA for any clarifications.

Resolutions

The early resolutions deadline has now passed. Thank you to all of the communities that submitted their resolutions to the NCLGA by the friendly deadline! Resolutions can also be received from the convention floor. You can find more information [here](#).

If you have any further questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with us!

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Funding & Resources Update

Mar. 13, 2019

Each month we provide an update on UBCM funding programs and information on other programs, events and resources that may be of interest to local governments and First Nations.

Local Government Program Services

2019/20 Community to Community Forums: With the goal of increased understanding and improved overall relations between First Nations and local governments, C2C Forum events are intended to provide a time and place for dialogue to build on opportunities, support reconciliation efforts, resolve issues of common responsibility, interest or concern, and/or to advance tangible outcomes. The C2C program can contribute a maximum of 50% of the cost of eligible activities – to a maximum of \$5,000.00. The first of three application intakes for this fiscal year is March 15, 2019.

Structural Flood Mitigation: The intent of this Community Emergency Preparedness Fund stream is to support eligible applicants to prevent, eliminate or reduce the impacts of hazards through construction of structural flood mitigation projects. Ongoing operational costs are not eligible. The maximum eligible funding is \$750,000. The application deadline is October 25, 2019.

Other Funding

CBT Built Heritage Grants: This program supports the preservation, rehabilitation, and/or restoration of built heritage resources in the Columbia Basin Trust region. The deadline to apply is March 15, 2019 at 2:00 pm

CleanBC Communities Fund: The \$63 million CleanBC Communities Fund offers grants towards projects that support the management of renewable energy, access to clean energy transportation, improved energy efficiency of buildings and the generation of clean energy. The deadline for application submissions is March 27, 2019.

NDIT Strategic Initiatives Fund: Northern Development Initiative Trust is currently accepting grant applications for the Strategic Initiatives Fund, deadline July 31, 2019. Approximately \$600,000 is available for large-scale projects that will enhance a community's ability to overcome economic challenges and increase strategic economic infrastructure within a First Nation or local government. This funding is only available to local governments and First Nations within Northern Development's service region.

Indigenous Agriculture and Food Systems Initiative: The objective of this initiative is to increase economic development opportunities of Indigenous Peoples and communities in Canada by supporting Indigenous communities and entrepreneurs who are ready to launch agriculture and food systems projects and others who want to build their capacity to participate in the Canadian agriculture and agri-food sector.

First Nations Adapt Program: This federal program supports First Nation communities to assess and respond to climate change impacts on community infrastructure and emergency management. It prioritizes communities most impacted by sea level rise, flooding, forest fires, and winter road failures. Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis.

Events & Resources

Vancouver Island Symposium on Water Stewardship in a Changing Climate: Join delegates from the east coast of Vancouver Island and beyond, and attend a 'watershed moment' in Parksville. Learn why and how local government partnerships with stewardship groups can be transformational and 'make where we live better' to respond better to a changing climate. A field day on April 2 is followed by a 2-day symposium on April 3-4.

ALC Regional Seminars: Register by Friday March 15 for these seminars intended for local government staff and elected officials who are involved with applications, permits, bylaws, policies, enforcement, agricultural advisory committees and/or other related work that affects the Agricultural Land Reserve and/or requires consultation with the Agricultural Land Commission. Kootenay Region: Cranbrook, June 5; Northern/Interior Region: Prince George, June 12; North Region: Fort St. John, June 19.

Weathering the Storm - Developing a Canadian Standard for Flood-Resilient Existing Communities: This report from the Intact Centre on Climate Adaptation presents a flood hazard and vulnerability screening framework that can help identify areas in existing residential communities that require the most immediate attention for flood risk. Application of the framework will enable communities to make better-informed decisions when prioritizing areas for flood-resiliency programming.

Resources for Rural & Small Communities: BC Healthy Communities has launched a collection of resources related to PlanH action areas, with a rural and small community lens.

State of the North: The second annual State of the North economic report has been released and offers insight into the current fiscal state of Northern B.C. and what is trending for the future.

Asset management resources: Are you interested in learning more about asset management practices and infrastructure planning? The FCM's Municipal Asset Management Program's Technical Working Group has curated a selection of asset management resources, including a Beginner's Guide, from across the country.

Introduction to Reconciliation Webinar: This Reconciliation Canada webinar creates a safe place for participants to explore our shared Canadian history, examine the meaning of reconciliation, and their respective role to play. Join Charlene Seward in this recorded hour-long webinar and explore your values and beliefs as they relate to reconciliation.

CivicInfo BC: British Columbia's local government information hub offers comprehensive organizational and grant directories, events listings, tools for training, research and career development, bids & tenders, and other resources.

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Federal Budget: Gas Tax Fund Doubled for a Year

Mar. 20, 2019

Finance Minister Bill Morneau tabled the 2019 budget in the House of Commons yesterday. Local governments in British Columbia will see an immediate benefit from a top up transfer of \$2.2 billion to the Federal Gas Tax Fund for the coming year. This one-time transfer will provide an estimated \$280 million in additional funding to local governments in B.C. Other highlights of interest to local government include the following:

Housing Affordability & Tax Compliance

- The Government will extend the Rental Construction Financing Initiative with an additional \$10 billion in financing over 9 years. This is intended to help build 42,500 new housing units across Canada with a focus on areas of low rental supply.
- Municipalities and other stakeholder groups will be invited to apply for funding under a \$300 million Housing Supply Challenge, with the aim of proposing ways to break down barriers that limit the creation of new housing.
- The Federal Government, together with the Province, has established an Expert Panel on the Future of Housing Supply and Affordability. The Budget allocates \$4 million over 2 years to the work of the panel, with an additional \$5 million over two years for supply modelling and data collection.
- A new First-Time Home Buyer Incentive will offer a larger shared equity mortgage for newly constructed homes than for existing homes.
- The Government is creating four dedicated real estate audit teams at the Canada Revenue Agency to monitor real estate transactions, focusing on high-risk areas including British Columbia. It also plans to strengthen the enforcement framework to deter financial crime in real estate.
- Opportunities to improve data sharing between the Federal Government and British Columbia will be explored to improve enforcement on tax compliance and anti-money laundering. This will be supported by up to \$1 million in funding to Statistics Canada to conduct a data needs assessment, starting in 2019-20.

Energy Efficiency Financing

- \$1.01 billion to increase energy efficiency in residential, commercial and multi-unit buildings. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) will deliver these investments through the Green Municipal Fund. These funds will be delivered through three financing streams as follows:
 - Collaboration on Community Climate Action (\$350 million) to provide municipalities and non-profit community organizations with financing and grants to retrofit and improve the energy efficiency of large community buildings as well as community pilot and demonstration projects.
 - Community EcoEfficiency Acceleration (\$300 million) to provide financing for municipal initiatives to support home energy efficiency retrofits.
 - Sustainable Affordable Housing Innovation (\$300 million) to provide financing and support to affordable housing developments to improve energy efficiency in new and existing housing and support on-site energy generation.

Broadband Connectivity

- The Government set a commitment that 95 per cent of Canadian homes and businesses will have access to internet speeds of at least 50/10 Mbps by 2026 and 100 per cent by 2030. This commitment will be funded by up to \$1.7 billion over 13 years, starting in 2019–20, to establish a new national high-speed Internet program, the Universal Broadband Fund.

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Reconciliation

- 1.4 billion over seven years starting in 2018–19, to forgive all outstanding comprehensive claim negotiation loans and to reimburse Indigenous governments that have already repaid these loans.
- Renew funding for the Specific Claims Settlement Fund for a further three years, starting in 2019–20.
- Provide \$40.0 million over five years, starting in 2019–20, to First Nations to help research and develop their claims.
- \$48.0 million over two years, starting in 2019–20, to directly support communities in greatest need obtain the expertise, advice and tools required to govern their communities and deliver critical programs and services.

Asset Management

- \$60 million in 2018–19 to FCM's Municipal Asset Management Capacity Fund.

Opioid Crisis

- \$30.5 million over 5 years, starting in 2019–20, with \$1 million in ongoing funding, for targeted measures to address persistent gaps in harm reduction and treatment.

Policing

- \$68.9 million over five years and \$20 million ongoing for enhanced federal policing capacity, including to fight money laundering
- To support implementation of the Border Enforcement Strategy, invest \$1.18 billion over five years, starting in 2019–20, and \$55.0 million per year ongoing.

Tax Compliance

- To combat tax evasion and aggressive tax avoidance, invest \$150.8 million over five years, starting in 2019–20 so that the CRA may fund new initiatives and extend existing programs, including:
 - Hiring additional auditors, conducting outreach and building technical expertise to target non-compliance associated with cryptocurrency transactions and the digital economy.
 - Creating a new data quality examination team to ensure proper withholding, remitting and reporting of income earned by non-residents.
 - Extending programs aimed at combatting offshore non-compliance.

Disaster Management and Response

- \$151.23 million over five years, starting in 2019–20, and \$9.28 million per year ongoing, to improve emergency management in Canada, including in Indigenous communities.

Zero Emissions Vehicle Charging & Refueling

- Expand the network of zero-emission vehicle charging and refueling stations with \$130 million over five years, starting in 2019–20,

You can find the full federal Budget package on the Government of Canada's dedicated website.

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Asset Management Planning Program

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The Asset Management Planning program will continue in 2019 with application deadlines anticipated for May 3 and October 4 (funding permitting). The program supports activities that advance a local government's asset management planning or practices, and that facilitate better integration of asset management planning with long term financial planning.

The Program & Application Guide and Application Form are available on UBCM's website. For more information, contact Danyta Welch at 250 356-5193 or lgps@ubcm.ca.

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2019 Community Excellence Awards

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Applications are now being accepted for the 2019 Community Excellence Awards. The Awards recognize and celebrate UBCM members that have implemented projects or programs that demonstrate excellence in meeting the purposes of local government in B.C. The application deadline is May 10, 2019.

The profile promising practices and to encourage local governments to learn from the success of other members in order to implement changes in their own communities

The 2019 categories are:

- **Excellence in Governance.** Projects/programs that include processes or policies that are outcomes-based support and encourage citizen participation in civic decision-making, and that exemplify best practices in accountability, long-term thinking and transparency.
- **Excellence in Service Delivery.** Projects/programs that provide effective services in a proactive manner, demonstrate benefit to the community, and utilize performance measures, benchmarks and standards to ensure sustainable service delivery.
- **Excellence in Asset Management.** Projects/programs that demonstrate a comprehensive system of asset management policies and practices.
- **Excellence in Sustainability.** Projects/programs that incorporate a long-term sustainability lens by considering cultural, social, economic and environmental issues in planning, policy and practice.

Awards will be presented during UBCM's 2019 Convention. All delegates are invited to attend the awards ceremony.

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Toward Parity Initiative

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UBCM and FCM wish to thank participants who joined the Toward Parity webinar on March 5th. If you missed the webinar and want to learn more about the initiative, you can find all webinar materials on our website.

Webinar participants had an opportunity to provide feedback and comments on barriers to women participating in local government, and identify potential courses of action at the local, regional and national level to address those barriers.

Once regional consultations are completed, FCM will be reaching out with a follow up survey mid-March. UBCM will share the survey link with members as soon as it is available. Survey responses will then be compiled into a draft action plan that will be presented to delegates at the FCM AGM on May 30th.

Implementation of the action plan will begin in August 2019 and will include funding for demonstration projects over September 2019 to June 2020.

For further information on the Toward Parity Initiative please contact Stephanie Hoey, FCM Project Manager or Marie Crawford at the UBCM Office

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Rules for Reporting Minor Crashes Amended

Mar. 20, 2019

The provincial government has amended its rules around mandatory police reporting of minor collisions. This move responds to a resolution (B83) endorsed by the UBCM membership at the 2017 convention. The updated Motor Vehicle Act Regulations increase the mandatory reporting threshold for property-damage-only (PDO) collisions from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

The changes are intended to reduce congestion and delays resulting from minor collisions where there are no injuries. The increased threshold may also help improve the rate at which crashes are cleared, reducing the risk to workers at the scene. Police officers will still attend PDO collisions at their discretion.

The endorsed resolution, sponsored by the City of North Vancouver and District of North Vancouver, sought authority for local governments to choose to adopt three proposed changes to the *Motor Vehicle Act*:

- Allow the Province to delegate authority to maintenance contractors to remove vehicles that are stalled or involved in a minor accident;
- Increase the damage limit to \$10,000, allowing police officers to attend minor accidents without having to conduct mandatory reporting; and,
- Expand an ongoing pilot program, and work towards extending authority to fire rescue services to complete mandatory reporting requirements.

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New Funding to Support Reconciliation

Mar. 20, 2019

The Urban Communities Partnering for Reconciliation pilot program is now accepting applications from local governments and eligible Indigenous societies. The application deadline is May 24, 2019.

The UCPR pilot program is based on the recognition that relationships play an important part in reconciliation and that collaboration between Indigenous peoples, including Métis communities, and the public helps strengthen these relationships.

The funding will support reconciliation activities that support opportunities for dialogue and that explore, in safe spaces, learning and relationship building that considers the community's capacity, history and unique identities.

The Program & Application Guide and Application Form are available on UBCM's website. For more information, contact Danyta Welch at 250 356-5193 or lgps@ubcm.ca.

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Wood Frame Building Code Changes

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The Province has announced the early adoption of building code changes to enable the construction of 12 storey wood buildings, up from the current allowance of 6 storeys.

The changes are voluntary, with any local government currently regulated under the BC Building Code being eligible provided that:

- There is council support;
- The planning, building and fire departments support participation;
- The lead building official holds a Level 3 Certification from the Building Officials' Association of BC; and,
- Land-use bylaws support buildings greater than six storeys in height.

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing staff will contact local governments with a request for expressions of interest, and detailing next steps for interested local governments.

In making the announcement, the province cited a range of benefits including faster construction with off-site manufacturing and reduced carbon footprints. The announcement comes one year ahead of expected federal 2020 National Building code changes to increase the height limit for wood buildings to 12 storeys.

The program broadly aligns with a UBCM housing report recommendation that called for the promotion of wood-frame construction as an economical means of constructing new rental housing while showcasing BC wood products.

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Multi-Materials BC Advisory Committee

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UBCM is calling for expressions of interest from local government representatives who wish to sit on Multi-Materials BC's (MMBC) Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee serves as a forum for stakeholders impacted by the packaging and printed paper stewardship program to be kept informed of program developments and to provide feedback on core program elements.

The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to:

- provide feedback and advice on MMBC's program design and suggest modifications to meet program objectives and targets;
- identify issues that might concern stakeholders and suggest how they might be addressed;
- foster collaborative problem-solving on matters of joint-interest;
- foster better communication and understanding between MMBC and stakeholders impacted by MMBC's program; and
- ensure committee members are kept up to date on the performance of MMBC's program, and provide them with the information they need to keep their constituencies informed.

The Committee meets between two to four times a year, with meetings held either in person in Vancouver or via conference call depending on the availability of Committee members.

For those interested in sitting on the Committee, please send an expression of interest to Jared Wright, Director of Advocacy by April 10th, 2019.

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BC Poverty Reduction Strategy

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The Province has released its Poverty Reduction Strategy, Together BC. The strategy outlines policies to achieve the targets introduced in the 2018 *Poverty Reduction Strategy Act*: a 25% reduction in B.C.'s overall poverty rate and a 50% reduction in the child poverty rate by 2024.

TogetherBC is anchored around five foundational elements:

- the BC Child Opportunity Benefit announced in Budget 2019,
- increasing the minimum wage, following from the recommendations of the Fair Wages Commission,
- ChildCareBC, as announced in the 2018 Budget,
- Income assistance and disability rate increases, and
- Leveraging federal initiatives and supports such as the Canada Child Benefit and Guaranteed Income Supplement Top Up.

The plan also incorporates previously announced policies or investments made since July 2017 that address affordability, access to education and training, inclusive employment opportunities, social inclusion, and supports for family, children and youth.

Targets, timelines and accountability for TogetherBC are established in the *Poverty Reduction Strategy Act* passed in November, 2018. This legislation requires that the Province release annual progress reports by October 1 each year, and establishes an independent Advisory Committee. Past President Murry Krause is pleased to represent UBCM on the Advisory Committee.

UBCM membership has consistently supported resolutions calling for a provincial poverty reduction plan. UBCM supports the government's investment in BC's families, children and youth, which includes a commitment of \$1 billion over three years to bring down the costs of child care for more families and create new licensed child care spaces in BC. Membership has endorsed several resolutions over the years calling for more quality, affordable, and accessible child care.

TogetherBC also addresses several other issues that have been raised by UBCM membership, including the need for increased income assistance, bus passes for persons with disabilities, access to healthy food and investments in transit and active transportation. UBCM is also supportive of many of the previously announced housing initiatives that are addressed in the plan, including investments in new affordable housing over 10 years through the \$1.9 billion Building BC: Community Housing Fund.

UBCM will continue to monitor the implementation of the Strategy.

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Caribou Recovery Engagement

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The provincial government is seeking feedback on two draft agreements related to the caribou recovery: the Section 11 Agreement under the *Species at Risk Act*, and the draft inter-governmental partnership Agreement for the central group of the Southern Mountain Caribou.

The draft Section 11 Agreement is an agreement between the federal and provincial governments, which contain overarching commitments, measures and strategies for the recovery of Southern Mountain Caribou (SMC) in B.C. The federal and provincial governments have been developing this bilateral conservation agreement under Section 11 of the federal *Species at Risk Act* since 2017.

The draft Partnership Agreement is between the federal and provincial governments, and the West Moberly and Saulteau First Nations. This Agreement sets out the specific measures and actions for conservation of the three Local Population Units in the Central Group of Southern Mountain Caribou.

To manage the impacts of the Agreements and the proposed measures, the Province is commissioning an independent economic analysis in collaboration with communities and local businesses. UBCM members have previously endorsed resolutions that called for a consideration of the socio-economic impacts when developing conservation plans for caribou.

Local governments may also be involved as part of the proposed Technical Working Group (TWG), which will identify caribou recovery related land use objectives. The TWG proposes to invite representation from different organizations, including local governments, in May 2019.

Feedback on both Agreements can be submitted by April 26. The Province is currently organizing consultation meetings in locations around the province. UBCM will update members once the meeting details are available.

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Bylaw Adjudication Program

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The Tribunal Transformation and Supports Office (TTSO), within the Ministry of Attorney General, has been designated as the new roster organization for the Bylaw Adjudication Program. The TTSO will assume this role previously held by Mediate BC, starting on April 1, 2019.

Local governments seeking to schedule bylaw adjudication services on or after April 1, 2019 are asked to do so via email. When making a request, the following information is required:

- Date requested;
- Method of hearing (written, telephone, or in-person);
- Adjudicator time commitment (full day or half day).

Local government staff responsible for bylaw services that wish to receive future communications regarding bylaw adjudication are asked to provide their contact information to the province.

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Promoting Local Economic Development

Mar. 27, 2019

Are you a community with a population under 75,000 and interested in attracting foreign entrepreneurs? The new BC Provincial Nominee Program (BC PNP) Entrepreneur Immigration – Regional Pilot may be of interest to your community.

The pilot is focused on attracting entrepreneurs to establish businesses in smaller communities. Participating communities will refer immigrant entrepreneurs to the BC PNP whose business concept aligns with the community's economic priorities. To date, over 30 communities are enrolled in the two-year pilot.

The program is open to communities until **May 1, 2019**. Communities enrolled by this date will be invited to an in-person orientation/training workshop that will take place in May/June 2019. Communities who enrol, complete the workshop and confirm their enrolment will be added to the list of participating communities and be able to make referrals to the BC PNP.

If you have any questions about enrolment, please contact the BC PNP.

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[Accommodation Info](#)

The hold on rooms at the conference venue will be lifted on April 15th. Don't miss out. Book today!

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On the unceded, ancestral and shared territory of the Sto:lo People, the 16th annual BCCFA event will be hosted by the Mission Municipal Forest. The municipality is on Kwantlen, Leq'a:mel, Matsqui and Sq'ewlets territories.

Don't miss the chance to be part of this experience!

Registration is limited to 200 so register now and secure your accommodations. Join us, our members, colleagues, and our government, industry and academic partners, to learn together, and to celebrate the incredible success of our area-based tenures in Indigenous and rural communities. You can expect a rich 3 day experience filled with speakers and dynamic discussions, networking, workshops on key topics, and opportunities to shape the future priorities of the BCCFA. Special student rates are available.



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 12th

9:00-3:30 Field trip to the Mission Municipal Forest featuring their efforts to operate a working forest, and to collaborate with First Nation interests and the multiple recreational users and overlapping tenures on the land base.

6:00-10:00 Opening Reception and Local Craft Brew Sampling - Welcome from the BCCFA Board and Staff, sponsors and special guests.

Thursday, June 13th

8:30-4:30 The day will include sessions on First Nations partnerships, ecosystem resiliency, adapting to a changing climate, community wildfire protection, community investment cooperatives, news on key government initiatives and informal dialogue sessions for managers and community forest boards.

6:00-10:00 BCCFA Annual Banquet and Awards

Friday, June 14th

8:00-2:00 The day will begin with the BCCFA AGM, followed by a special session on Reconciliation through Education and Understanding where we will host the [The KAIROS Blanket Exercise™](#). The Blanket Exercise is a unique, participatory history lesson – developed in collaboration with Indigenous Elders, knowledge keepers and educators – that fosters truth, understanding, respect and reconciliation among Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.

Biking in the Fraser Valley

The Mission area is well known for its vast hiking and [mountain biking trails](#). From easy flow to technical there is a growing group of people who will be organizing rides around the conference sessions. Let us know on your registration form if you are interested.



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The [Mission Tree Farm Licence #26](#), also known as the [Mission Municipal Forest](#), has been a member of the BCCFA since inception in 2002.

It was formed in 1958 as an outcome of the report from Gordon Sloan and the Royal Commission on the Forest Resources of British Columbia of 1945, where there was a recommendation that municipalities manage the local forests.

Operating for over 60 years, Mission will share their experiences of addressing the challenges of managing their area based working forest in the lower mainland, access management, recreational interests, educational programming and deepening relations with their First Nations neighbours.



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Registration is Now Open for the 4th Indigenous Resource Opportunities Conference

Thursday, May 23, 2019
Vancouver Island Conference Centre
Nanaimo, BC

Join us at the 4th Indigenous Resource Opportunities Conference to learn about and discuss the sustainable economic development opportunities that exist for Indigenous communities and resource-based businesses.

Register before April 12, 2019 to take advantage of the early bird discount!

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Build Partnerships and Share Knowledge

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Be part of an event where we will explore success stories about proven partnerships between Indigenous communities and the resource development sector. Join leaders in a dialogue and sharing of knowledge that leads to future opportunities and successes. Attendees will also explore best practices in economic development between Indigenous Peoples, governments, and the resource sector.

Program Update

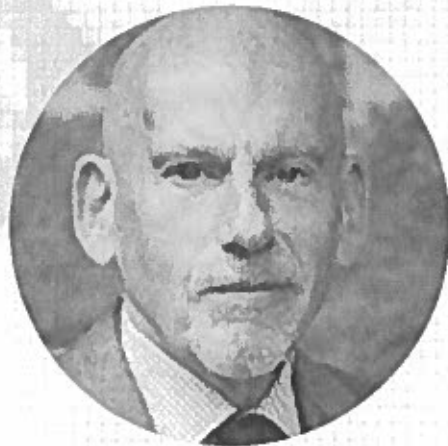
There is a great line up of speakers for the upcoming Indigenous Resource Opportunities Conference including BC Regional Chief Terry Teegee, Deputy Minister John Allan and many more! New additions to the program will be added to [website](#) as well as our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).



Regional Chief Terry Teegee
*British Columbia
Assembly of First Nations*



Line Robert
*Chief Executive Officer
Island Coastal Economic Trust*



John Allan
*Deputy Minister of Forests, Lands,
Natural Resource Operations &
Rural Development*



Chief Chris Roberts
*Wei Wai Kum
First Nation*

Who Should Attend?

Everyone interested in developing successful, respectful, and economically sound resource partnerships.

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Indigenous leaders, elders, economic development officers; resource companies; consultants and Government personnel involved in Indigenous relations and economic development from the following areas:

- Indigenous communities and businesses
- Post-Secondary and training institutes
- Power generation and transmission
- Energy
- LNG Development
- Forestry
- Agriculture
- Engineering and environmental services
- Minerals and mining
- Aquaculture
- Federal, Provincial, Regional and Municipal Governments
- Law and accounting firm representatives

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Subscribe to our mailing list to stay informed on the latest news concerning the 4th Indigenous Resource Opportunities Conference.

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ABC003	ABC COMMUNICATIONS								
PA	32159	03/13/19			32159	-2,211.72	0.00		
	Vendor (ABC003) totals:					-2,211.72	0.00		
ABE001	ABERDEEN BUSINESS CONSULTING								
PA	TP-439-001	03/01/19			TP-439-001	-1,430.24	0.00		
	Vendor (ABE001) totals:					-1,430.24	0.00		
ACE002	ACE HARDWARE								
PA	32191	03/20/19			32191	-76.09	0.00		
	Vendor (ACE002) totals:					-76.09	0.00		
ACI001	ACI COMPUTER SERVICE								
PA	32202	03/27/19			32202	-3,459.68	0.00		
	Vendor (ACI001) totals:					-3,459.68	0.00		
ACT002	ACTION SERVICES								
PA	TP-439-002	03/01/19			TP-439-002	-189.00	0.00		
	Vendor (ACT002) totals:					-189.00	0.00		
ADE001	AD ENTERPRISE								
PA	32160	03/13/19			32160	-708.75	0.00		
	Vendor (ADE001) totals:					-708.75	0.00		
ALL002	ALL WEST GLASS - BURNS LAKE								
PA	TP-439-003	03/01/19			TP-439-003	-231.61	0.00		
	Vendor (ALL002) totals:					-231.61	0.00		
ALT003	ALTERNATIVE GROUNDS								
PA	TP-441-001	03/15/19			TP-441-001	-515.08	0.00		
PA	TP-443-001	03/27/19			TP-443-001	-180.60	0.00		
	Vendor (ALT003) totals:					-695.68	0.00		
ARO001	ARO AUTOMOTIVE & INDUSTRIAL								
PA	TP-441-002	03/15/19			TP-441-002	-215.26	0.00		
	Vendor (ARO001) totals:					-215.26	0.00		
ASS004	ASSOC OF REG DIST PLANNING MGR								
PA	32161	03/13/19			32161	-450.00	0.00		
	Vendor (ASS004) totals:					-450.00	0.00		
BAC001	BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN SOCIETY								
PA	32162	03/13/19			32162	-1,000.00	0.00		
	Vendor (BAC001) totals:					-1,000.00	0.00		
BCH002	BC HYDRO								
PA	TP-441-003	03/15/19			TP-441-003	-6,069.97	0.00		
	Vendor (BCH002) totals:					-6,069.97	0.00		
BER007	DOMINIC BERNARDIN								
PA	32217	03/27/19			32217	-75.00	0.00		
	Vendor (BER007) totals:					-75.00	0.00		
BLA001	BLACK PRESS GROUP LTD								
PA	TP-439-004	03/01/19			TP-439-004	-843.75	0.00		
PA	TP-441-004	03/15/19			TP-441-004	-1,450.06	0.00		
PA	TP-443-002	03/27/19			TP-443-002	-2,938.71	0.00		
	Vendor (BLA001) totals:					-5,232.52	0.00		
BLR001	BL RETURN-IT RECYCLING DEPOT								
PA	32163	03/13/19			32163	-1,386.89	0.00		
	Vendor (BLR001) totals:					-1,386.89	0.00		

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BNS001 BNS TRANSPORT									
PA	32164	03/13/19			32164	-33.17	0.00		
	Vendor (BNS001) totals:					-33.17	0.00		
BRI010 BC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOC									
PA	32218	03/27/19			32218	-7,958.67	0.00		
	Vendor (BRI010) totals:					-7,958.67	0.00		
BUC003 BUCK CREEK ENTERPRISES									
PA	32165	03/13/19			32165	-62.57	0.00		
	Vendor (BUC003) totals:					-62.57	0.00		
BUL008 BULKLEY VALLEY HOME CENTRE LTD									
PA	TP-443-003	03/27/19			TP-443-003	-14.55	0.00		
	Vendor (BUL008) totals:					-14.55	0.00		
BUL010 BULKLEY VALLEY WATER SERVICES									
PA	TP-441-005	03/15/19			TP-441-005	-130.00	0.00		
	Vendor (BUL010) totals:					-130.00	0.00		
BUL026 BULKLEY VALLEY ENGINEERING SERV									
PA	32166	03/13/19			32166	-5,250.00	0.00		
	Vendor (BUL026) totals:					-5,250.00	0.00		
BUR001 BURNS LAKE AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLY									
PA	TP-441-006	03/15/19			TP-441-006	-4,101.26	0.00		
PA	TP-443-004	03/27/19			TP-443-004	-516.36	0.00		
	Vendor (BUR001) totals:					-4,617.62	0.00		
BUR012 BURNS LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY									
PA	TP-442-001	03/29/19			TP-442-001	-22,220.13	0.00		
	Vendor (BUR012) totals:					-22,220.13	0.00		
BUR014 BURNS LAKE REBROADCAST SOCIETY									
PA	TP-442-002	03/29/19			TP-442-002	-3,125.03	0.00		
	Vendor (BUR014) totals:					-3,125.03	0.00		
BUR028 BURNS LAKE HOME HARDWARE									
PA	TP-441-007	03/15/19			TP-441-007	-686.30	0.00		
	Vendor (BUR028) totals:					-686.30	0.00		
BVA001 B V AQUATIC CENTRE MANG. SOCIE									
PA	TP-442-003	03/29/19			TP-442-003	-61,668.81	0.00		
	Vendor (BVA001) totals:					-61,668.81	0.00		
CAN016 CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY									
PA	32219	03/27/19			32219	-25,000.00	0.00		
	Vendor (CAN016) totals:					-25,000.00	0.00		
CAR009 CARMEN CHARLIE									
PA	32192	03/20/19			32192	-776.00	0.00		
	Vendor (CAR009) totals:					-776.00	0.00		
CAR012 CAREY MCIVER & ASSOCIATES LTD									
PA	32193	03/20/19			32193	-2,100.00	0.00		
	Vendor (CAR012) totals:					-2,100.00	0.00		
CAS002 CASCADES RECOVERY INC.									
PA	TP-443-005	03/27/19			TP-443-005	-3,195.36	0.00		
	Vendor (CAS002) totals:					-3,195.36	0.00		
CER001 LIFEWORKS CANADA LTD									
PA	32167	03/13/19			32167	-1,821.33	0.00		

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CER001	LIFEWORCS CANADA LTD (Continued)								
	Vendor (CER001) totals:					-1,821.33	0.00		
CHA007	SAMANTHA CHARLTON								
PA	32194	03/20/19			32194	-473.82	0.00		
	Vendor (CHA007) totals:					-473.82	0.00		
CHE002	PARKLAND REFINING (BC) LTD.								
PA	TP-441-008	03/15/19			TP-441-008	-4,333.49	0.00		
	Vendor (CHE002) totals:					-4,333.49	0.00		
CHE004	CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES (ALBERTA) INC								
PA	32168	03/13/19			32168	-1,678.95	0.00		
	Vendor (CHE004) totals:					-1,678.95	0.00		
CIV002	CIVICINFO BC								
PA	32144	03/04/19			32144	-446.25	0.00		
	Vendor (CIV002) totals:					-446.25	0.00		
CLU003	CLUCULZ LAKE VOL. FIRE DEPT								
PA	TP-442-004	03/29/19			TP-442-004	-1,441.50	0.00		
	Vendor (CLU003) totals:					-1,441.50	0.00		
D&M001	D&M INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES								
PA	32169	03/13/19			32169	-432.53	0.00		
	Vendor (D&M001) totals:					-432.53	0.00		
DAV003	DAVERN ENTERPRISES								
PA	TP-441-009	03/15/19			TP-441-009	-530.25	0.00		
	Vendor (DAV003) totals:					-530.25	0.00		
EAG001	EAGLE AUTOMOTIVE CENTER								
PA	TP-441-010	03/15/19			TP-441-010	-262.66	0.00		
	Vendor (EAG001) totals:					-262.66	0.00		
ERI001	ERIN MARTENS								
PA	32145	03/04/19			32145	-600.00	0.00		
	Vendor (ERI001) totals:					-600.00	0.00		
EVA002	DEBBIE EVANS								
PA	32154	03/05/19			32154	-168.15	0.00		
	Vendor (EVA002) totals:					-168.15	0.00		
EVE002	EVERGREEN INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES								
PA	TP-441-011	03/15/19			TP-441-011	-28.73	0.00		
	Vendor (EVE002) totals:					-28.73	0.00		
FIS001	MARK FISHER								
PA	32220	03/27/19			32220	-1,757.28	0.00		
	Vendor (FIS001) totals:					-1,757.28	0.00		
FOR008	FORT FRASER VOL. FIRE DEP.								
PA	TP-442-005	03/29/19			TP-442-005	-1,866.69	0.00		
	Vendor (FOR008) totals:					-1,866.69	0.00		
FOR012	FORT ST JAMES SKI CLUB								
PA	32170	03/13/19			32170	-1,333.00	0.00		
	Vendor (FOR012) totals:					-1,333.00	0.00		
FOR015	FORT ST. JAMES LIBRARY								
PA	TP-442-006	03/29/19			TP-442-006	-2,005.37	0.00		
	Vendor (FOR015) totals:					-2,005.37	0.00		
FOR033	FORT SAINT JAMES TV SOCIETY								

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FOR033 FORT SAINT JAMES TV SOCIETY (Continued)									
PA	TP-442-007	03/29/19			TP-442-007	-14,539.69	0.00		
Vendor (FOR033) totals:						-14,539.69	0.00		
FOR048 FORT ST JAMES SECONDARY SCHOOL									
PA	32221	03/27/19			32221	-1,000.00	0.00		
Vendor (FOR048) totals:						-1,000.00	0.00		
FOU002 FOUR STAR COMMUNICATIONS INC									
PA	TP-443-006	03/27/19			TP-443-006	-123.64	0.00		
Vendor (FOU002) totals:						-123.64	0.00		
FRA014 FRASER LAKE LIBRARY BOARD									
PA	TP-442-008	03/29/19			TP-442-008	-3,522.75	0.00		
Vendor (FRA014) totals:						-3,522.75	0.00		
FRA016 FRASER LAKE REBROADCASTING SOC									
PA	TP-442-009	03/29/19			TP-442-009	-7,677.09	0.00		
Vendor (FRA016) totals:						-7,677.09	0.00		
FRA025 FRASER LAKE BOTTLE DEPOT									
PA	TP-441-012	03/15/19			TP-441-012	-9,749.51	0.00		
Vendor (FRA025) totals:						-9,749.51	0.00		
FRI005 FRIENDS OF THE SMITHERS LIBRARY									
PA	32222	03/27/19			32222	-2,000.00	0.00		
Vendor (FRI005) totals:						-2,000.00	0.00		
GAS001 HANI GASSER									
PA	32151	03/05/19			32151	-1,292.80	0.00		
Vendor (GAS001) totals:						-1,292.80	0.00		
GLA001 GLACIER ELECTRIC LTD.									
PA	TP-441-013	03/15/19			TP-441-013	-11,722.57	0.00		
Vendor (GLA001) totals:						-11,722.57	0.00		
GLE004 GLENWOOD HALL COMM. ASSOC									
RC	32143	03/14/19				150.00	0.00		
Vendor (GLE004) totals:						150.00	0.00		
GLO001 GLOBALSTAR CANADA									
PA	32146	03/04/19			32146	-179.18	0.00		
PA	32223	03/27/19			32223	-179.18	0.00		
Vendor (GLO001) totals:						-358.36	0.00		
GRA014 GRANITE EXCAVATING									
PA	32171	03/13/19			32171	-2,100.00	0.00		
Vendor (GRA014) totals:						-2,100.00	0.00		
HIL003 HILL STOP TRUCK WASH									
PA	32172	03/13/19			32172	-71.13	0.00		
Vendor (HIL003) totals:						-71.13	0.00		
HIP001 HI-PRO CORPORATE SPORTSWEAR									
PA	TP-439-005	03/01/19			TP-439-005	-1,531.95	0.00		
Vendor (HIP001) totals:						-1,531.95	0.00		
HOU018 HOUSTON BOTTLE DEPOT									
PA	TP-439-006	03/01/19			TP-439-006	-3,455.24	0.00		
PA	TP-443-007	03/27/19			TP-443-007	-3,455.24	0.00		
Vendor (HOU018) totals:						-6,910.48	0.00		
IAF001 IA FINANCIAL GROUP									

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IAF001 IA FINANCIAL GROUP (Continued)									
PA	32195	03/20/19			32195	-470.00	0.00		
PA	32231	03/28/19			32231	-470.00	0.00		
Vendor (IAF001) totals:						-940.00	0.00		
IGI001 IGI RESOURCES									
PA	TP-441-014	03/15/19			TP-441-014	-1,525.10	0.00		
Vendor (IGI001) totals:						-1,525.10	0.00		
IMM002 IMMERSIVE EXPLORERS									
PA	32173	03/13/19			32173	-23,278.50	0.00		
Vendor (IMM002) totals:						-23,278.50	0.00		
IND006 INDUSTRIAL TRANSFORMERS									
PA	TP-441-015	03/15/19			TP-441-015	-2,098.91	0.00		
PA	TP-443-008	03/27/19			TP-443-008	-875.65	0.00		
Vendor (IND006) totals:						-2,974.56	0.00		
INF001 INFOSAT COMMUNICATIONS									
PA	TP-443-009	03/27/19			TP-443-009	-61.49	0.00		
Vendor (INF001) totals:						-61.49	0.00		
JCW001 JCS WATERWORKS LTD.									
PA	32174	03/13/19			32174	-2,790.43	0.00		
Vendor (JCW001) totals:						-2,790.43	0.00		
KAL003 KAL TIRE - BURNS LAKE									
PA	TP-441-016	03/15/19			TP-441-016	-8,897.70	0.00		
Vendor (KAL003) totals:						-8,897.70	0.00		
KLE002 K. LEIGH PRECISION EARTHWORKS LT									
PA	32175	03/13/19			32175	-173.25	0.00		
Vendor (KLE002) totals:						-173.25	0.00		
LAK004 LAKES DISTRICT AIRPORT SOCIETY									
PA	TP-442-010	03/29/19			TP-442-010	-7,291.66	0.00		
Vendor (LAK004) totals:						-7,291.66	0.00		
LAK012 LAKES DISTRICT MUSEUM SOCIETY									
PA	TP-442-011	03/29/19			TP-442-011	-4,500.00	0.00		
Vendor (LAK012) totals:						-4,500.00	0.00		
LAK014 LAKES DISTRICT PRINTING									
PA	TP-439-007	03/01/19			TP-439-007	-220.64	0.00		
PA	TP-441-017	03/15/19			TP-441-017	-386.40	0.00		
Vendor (LAK014) totals:						-607.04	0.00		
LAK032 LAKES DISTRICT FILM									
PA	TP-442-012	03/29/19			TP-442-012	-150.00	0.00		
Vendor (LAK032) totals:						-150.00	0.00		
LAK037 LAKES DISTRICT EXPRESS									
PA	32176	03/13/19			32176	-366.66	0.00		
Vendor (LAK037) totals:						-366.66	0.00		
LDF001 LDFC PRINTING & STATIONARY									
PA	TP-441-018	03/15/19			TP-441-018	-606.24	0.00		
Vendor (LDF001) totals:						-606.24	0.00		
M4E001 M 4 ENTERPRISES									
PA	TP-441-019	03/15/19			TP-441-019	-4,536.00	0.00		
PA	TP-443-010	03/27/19			TP-443-010	-7,948.50	0.00		

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M4E001	M 4 ENTERPRISES (Continued)								
	Vendor (M4E001) totals:					-12,484.50	0.00		
MAX001	MAXXAM ANALYTICS INC								
	PA TP-443-011	03/27/19			TP-443-011	-176.09	0.00		
	Vendor (MAX001) totals:					-176.09	0.00		
MED001	MEDICAL SER. PLAN								
	PA 32155	03/06/19			32155	-2,400.00	0.00		
	Vendor (MED001) totals:					-2,400.00	0.00		
MOB001	MOBY CONCRETE LTD.								
	PA TP-441-020	03/15/19			TP-441-020	-672.00	0.00		
	PA TP-443-012	03/27/19			TP-443-012	-672.00	0.00		
	Vendor (MOB001) totals:					-1,344.00	0.00		
NAD002	NADINA TRUCK SERVICE LTD								
	PA 32177	03/13/19			32177	-208.49	0.00		
	Vendor (NAD002) totals:					-208.49	0.00		
NAP003	NAPA AUTO PARTS - HOUSTON								
	PA TP-441-021	03/15/19			TP-441-021	-40.06	0.00		
	Vendor (NAP003) totals:					-40.06	0.00		
NEC009	NECHAKO VALLEY RODEO ASSOC.								
	PA 32178	03/13/19			32178	-4,000.00	0.00		
	Vendor (NEC009) totals:					-4,000.00	0.00		
NOR006	N.C. RENTALS INC.								
	PA 32224	03/27/19			32224	-378.00	0.00		
	Vendor (NOR006) totals:					-378.00	0.00		
NOR019	NORTHLAND AUTOMOTIVE								
	PA 32225	03/27/19			32225	-39.45	0.00		
	Vendor (NOR019) totals:					-39.45	0.00		
OME002	Laura O'Meara								
	PA 32196	03/20/19			32196	-127.05	0.00		
	Vendor (OME002) totals:					-127.05	0.00		
OVE002	SAVE ON FOODS								
	PA 32179	03/13/19			32179	-402.86	0.00		
	PA 32197	03/20/19			32197	-3.79	0.00		
	Vendor (OVE002) totals:					-406.65	0.00		
PAC004	PACIFIC NORTHERN GAS LTD.								
	PA TP-441-022	03/15/19			TP-441-022	-4,614.54	0.00		
	Vendor (PAC004) totals:					-4,614.54	0.00		
PAC007	PACIFIC TRUCK & EQUIPMENT INC								
	PA TP-441-023	03/15/19			TP-441-023	-3,362.72	0.00		
	Vendor (PAC007) totals:					-3,362.72	0.00		
PIN001	PINE RIDGE MODULAR LTD								
	PA 32180	03/13/19			32180	-560.00	0.00		
	PA 32198	03/20/19			32198	-420.00	0.00		
	Vendor (PIN001) totals:					-980.00	0.00		
PLE001	PLEASANT VALLEY EXPRESS								
	PA 32147	03/04/19			32147	-366.66	0.00		
	PA 32181	03/13/19			32181	-366.66	0.00		
	Vendor (PLE001) totals:					-733.32	0.00		

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PRA002 PRAGMATIC CONFERENCING									
PA	TP-441-024	03/15/19			TP-441-024	-21.29	0.00		
Vendor (PRA002) totals:						-21.29	0.00		
PUB002 PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION									
PA	32148	03/04/19			32148	-150.00	0.00		
Vendor (PUB002) totals:						-150.00	0.00		
PUR001 PURELY H2O									
PA	TP-441-025	03/15/19			TP-441-025	-253.00	0.00		
Vendor (PUR001) totals:						-253.00	0.00		
PWC001 PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP									
PA	32182	03/13/19			32182	-2,310.00	0.00		
Vendor (PWC001) totals:						-2,310.00	0.00		
RED004 RED ROCKET SERVICES									
PA	TP-441-026	03/15/19			TP-441-026	-105.00	0.00		
Vendor (RED004) totals:						-105.00	0.00		
RED005 RED SPADE ENT LTD.									
PA	32183	03/13/19			32183	-18.27	0.00		
Vendor (RED005) totals:						-18.27	0.00		
REG001 REG.DIST.OF FRASER-FORT GEORGE									
PA	32199	03/20/19			32199	-5,984.51	0.00		
Vendor (REG001) totals:						-5,984.51	0.00		
ROG001 ROGERS									
PA	TP-443-013	03/27/19			TP-443-013	-1.35	0.00		
Vendor (ROG001) totals:						-1.35	0.00		
SHA007 SHADOW LEATHERS									
PA	TP-443-014	03/27/19			TP-443-014	-470.40	0.00		
Vendor (SHA007) totals:						-470.40	0.00		
SHE005 EVA SHERWOOD									
PA	32152	03/05/19			32152	-925.00	0.00		
PA	32226	03/27/19			32226	-400.00	0.00		
Vendor (SHE005) totals:						-1,325.00	0.00		
SMI003 SMITHERS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE									
PA	32184	03/13/19			32184	-918.95	0.00		
Vendor (SMI003) totals:						-918.95	0.00		
SMI005 SMITHERS PARTS LTD.									
PA	32200	03/20/19			32200	-125.05	0.00		
Vendor (SMI005) totals:						-125.05	0.00		
SMI007 SMITHERS PUBLIC LIBRARY									
PA	TP-442-013	03/29/19			TP-442-013	-6,940.64	0.00		
Vendor (SMI007) totals:						-6,940.64	0.00		
SMI020 SMITHERS FARMERS' INSTITUTE									
PA	32149	03/04/19			32149	-3,500.00	0.00		
Vendor (SMI020) totals:						-3,500.00	0.00		
SMS001 SMS EQUIPMENT INC.									
PA	TP-441-027	03/15/19			TP-441-027	-4,646.77	0.00		
Vendor (SMS001) totals:						-4,646.77	0.00		
SOU003 SOUTHSIDE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.									
PA	TP-442-014	03/29/19			TP-442-014	-2,242.03	0.00		

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SOU003 SOUTHSIDE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. (Continued)									
Vendor (SOU003) totals:						-2,242.03	0.00		
SPO001 SPOTLESS UNIFORM LTD.									
PA	TP-439-008	03/01/19			TP-439-008	-16.75	0.00		
PA	TP-441-028	03/15/19			TP-441-028	-16.75	0.00		
Vendor (SPO001) totals:						-33.50	0.00		
SSQ001 SSQ FINANCIAL									
PA	32156	03/06/19			32156	-1,430.51	0.00		
Vendor (SSQ001) totals:						-1,430.51	0.00		
STA008 STARLAND SUPPLY LTD									
PA	TP-441-029	03/15/19			TP-441-029	-50.34	0.00		
Vendor (STA008) totals:						-50.34	0.00		
SUD001 SUDS N' DUDS									
PA	TP-441-030	03/15/19			TP-441-030	-97.75	0.00		
Vendor (SUD001) totals:						-97.75	0.00		
SUN002 SUN LIFE FINANCIAL									
PA	32157	03/06/19			32157	-25,886.13	0.00		
Vendor (SUN002) totals:						-25,886.13	0.00		
SUR005 DR. LISA MCKINLEY SURBER-PHD									
PA	32153	03/05/19			32153	-1,869.56	0.00		
Vendor (SUR005) totals:						-1,869.56	0.00		
SWE001 SWEEPING BEAUTIES JANITORIAL									
PA	TP-439-009	03/01/19			TP-439-009	-302.40	0.00		
PA	TP-442-015	03/29/19			TP-442-015	-2,271.15	0.00		
Vendor (SWE001) totals:						-2,573.55	0.00		
TAY002 TAYLOR BROS HARDWARE									
PA	TP-441-031	03/15/19			TP-441-031	-44.79	0.00		
Vendor (TAY002) totals:						-44.79	0.00		
TEC003 TECHNICAL SAFETY BC									
PA	32227	03/27/19			32227	-262.00	0.00		
Vendor (TEC003) totals:						-262.00	0.00		
TEL002 TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.									
PA	TP-440-001	03/06/19			TP-440-001	-3,085.97	0.00		
Vendor (TEL002) totals:						-3,085.97	0.00		
TEL004 TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.									
PA	32185	03/13/19			32185	-2,240.00	0.00		
Vendor (TEL004) totals:						-2,240.00	0.00		
TEL007 TELUS MOBILITY									
PA	TP-441-032	03/15/19			TP-441-032	-1,696.34	0.00		
Vendor (TEL007) totals:						-1,696.34	0.00		
TIP001 TIP OF THE GLACIER WATER CO									
PA	32228	03/27/19			32228	-135.84	0.00		
Vendor (TIP001) totals:						-135.84	0.00		
TOP005 TOPLEY FIRE PROTECTION SOC.									
PA	TP-442-016	03/29/19			TP-442-016	-3,270.82	0.00		
Vendor (TOP005) totals:						-3,270.82	0.00		
TOW001 TOWN OF SMITHERS									
PA	32201	03/20/19			32201	-250.00	0.00		

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TOW001 TOWN OF SMITHERS (Continued)									
Vendor (TOW001) totals:						-250.00	0.00		
TOW003 TOWER COMMUNICATIONS									
PA	TP-441-033	03/15/19			TP-441-033	-2,548.57	0.00		
Vendor (TOW003) totals:						-2,548.57	0.00		
TRU002 TRUE CONSULTING									
PA	32186	03/13/19			32186	-2,614.50	0.00		
Vendor (TRU002) totals:						-2,614.50	0.00		
UNI006 UNION OF BC MUNICIPALITIES									
PA	32187	03/13/19			32187	-9,812.84	0.00		
Vendor (UNI006) totals:						-9,812.84	0.00		
UPT001 UP THE CREEK GARMENT CO CORP									
PA	32229	03/27/19			32229	-3,453.31	0.00		
Vendor (UPT001) totals:						-3,453.31	0.00		
VAL005 VALLEY DIESEL									
PA	32188	03/13/19			32188	-52.57	0.00		
Vendor (VAL005) totals:						-52.57	0.00		
VAN005 VANDERHOOF & DISTRICTS CO-OP									
PA	TP-441-034	03/15/19			TP-441-034	-17,240.08	0.00		
Vendor (VAN005) totals:						-17,240.08	0.00		
VAN007 VANDERHOOF CHILDREN'S THEATER									
PA	32189	03/13/19			32189	-5,000.00	0.00		
Vendor (VAN007) totals:						-5,000.00	0.00		
VIS001 VISTA RADIO LTD.									
PA	32150	03/04/19			32150	-258.30	0.00		
Vendor (VIS001) totals:						-258.30	0.00		
WAS001 WASTE MANAGEMENT OF CANADA CO									
PA	TP-443-015	03/27/19			TP-443-015	-5,472.43	0.00		
Vendor (WAS001) totals:						-5,472.43	0.00		
WEL002 WELLMAN'S CAR AND TRUCK WASH									
PA	TP-441-035	03/15/19			TP-441-035	-83.79	0.00		
Vendor (WEL002) totals:						-83.79	0.00		
WIE004 KEN WIEBE									
PA	TP-441-036	03/15/19			TP-441-036	-195.98	0.00		
PA	TP-443-016	03/27/19			TP-443-016	-293.97	0.00		
Vendor (WIE004) totals:						-489.95	0.00		
WIL004 WILLIAMS MACHINERY									
PA	TP-441-037	03/15/19			TP-441-037	-10,010.79	0.00		
Vendor (WIL004) totals:						-10,010.79	0.00		
XER001 XEROX CANADA LTD.									
PA	TP-441-038	03/15/19			TP-441-038	-14,003.49	0.00		
Vendor (XER001) totals:						-14,003.49	0.00		
Control account (1) totals:						-470,338.07	0.00		
REC002 RECEIVER GENERAL									
PA	32190	03/18/19			32190	-55,856.79	0.00		
Vendor (REC002) totals:						-55,856.79	0.00		
Control account (2) totals:						-55,856.79	0.00		

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Report Total						-526,194.86	0.00		

135 vendor(s) printed.

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1st, 2nd, 3rd Reading
& Adoption

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

Security Issuing Bylaw

Bylaw No. 1866

A bylaw to authorize the entering into of an Agreement respecting financing between the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako and the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia

WHEREAS the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia (the "Authority") may provide financing of capital requirements for Regional Districts or for their member municipalities by the issue of debentures or other evidence of indebtedness of the Authority and lending the proceeds therefrom to the Regional District on whose request the financing is undertaken;

AND WHEREAS the Village of Granisle is a member municipality of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (the "Regional District");

AND WHEREAS the Regional District is to finance from time to time on behalf of and at the sole cost of the member municipalities, under the provisions of Section 410 of the Local Government Act, the works to be financed pursuant to the herein mentioned loan authorization bylaw;

AND WHEREAS under the provisions of Section 411 of the *Local Government Act*, the amount of borrowing authorized by the following loan authorization bylaw, the amount already borrowed under the authority thereof, the amount of authorization to borrow remaining thereunder, the amount being issued under the authority thereof by this bylaw and the term of the debt are included in this bylaw;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board, by this bylaw, hereby requests such financing shall be undertaken through the Authority:

NOW THEREFORE the Regional Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

- 1. The Regional Board hereby consents to financing the debt of the Village of Granisle in the amount of TWO HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND Dollars (\$210,000) in accordance with the following terms.

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>L/A Bylaw Number</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount of Borrowing Authorized</u>	<u>Amount Already Borrowed</u>	<u>Borrowing Authority Remaining</u>	<u>Term of Issue</u>	<u>Amount of Issue</u>	<u>Date of Resolution</u>
Village of Granisle	496, 2018	Sander Dump Truck	\$210,000	0	\$210,000	10 Years	\$210,000	March 13, 2019

- 2. The Authority is hereby requested and authorized to finance from time to time the aforesaid undertakings at the sole cost and on behalf of the Village of Granisle up to, but not exceeding TWO HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND Dollars (\$210,000) in lawful money of Canada (provided that the Regional District may borrow all or part of such amount in such currency as the Trustees of the Authority shall determine but the aggregate amount in lawful money of Canada and in Canadian

Dollar equivalents so borrowed shall not exceed \$210,000 in Canadian Dollars) at such interest and with such discounts or premiums and expenses as the Authority may deem appropriate in consideration of the market and economic conditions pertaining.

3. Upon completion by the Authority of financing undertaken pursuant hereto, the Chair and officer assigned the responsibility of financial administration of the Regional District, on behalf of the Regional District and under its seal shall, at such time or times as the Trustees of the Authority may request, enter into and deliver to the Authority one or more agreements, which said agreement or agreements shall be substantially in the form annexed hereto as Schedule "A" and made part of this bylaw (such Agreement or Agreements as may be entered into, delivered or substituted hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") providing for payment by the Regional District to the Authority of the amounts required to meet the obligations of the Authority with respect to its borrowings undertaken pursuant hereto, which Agreement shall rank as debenture debt of the Regional District.
4. The Agreement in the form of Schedule "A" shall be dated and payable in the principal amount or amounts of monies and in Canadian dollars or as the Authority shall determine and subject to the *Local Government Act*, in such currency or currencies as shall be borrowed by the Authority under Section 1 and shall set out the schedule of repayment of the principal amount together with interest on unpaid amounts as shall be determined by the Treasurer of the Authority.
5. The obligation incurred under the said Agreement shall bear interest from a date specified therein, which date shall be determined by the Treasurer of the Authority and shall bear interest at a rate to be determined by the Treasurer of the Authority.
6. The Agreement shall be sealed with the seal of the Regional District and shall bear the signature of the Chair and the officer assigned the responsibility of financial administration of the Regional District.
7. The obligations incurred under the said Agreement as to both principal and interest shall be payable at the Head Office of the Authority in Victoria and at such time or times as shall be determined by the Treasurer of the Authority.
8. During the currency of the obligation incurred under the said Agreement to secure borrowings in respect of the Village of Granisle Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 496 there shall be requisitioned annually an amount sufficient to meet the annual payment of interest and the repayment of principal.
9. The Regional District shall provide and pay over to the Authority such sums as are required to discharge its obligations in accordance with the terms of the Agreement, provided, however, that if the sums provided for in the Agreement are not sufficient to meet the obligations of the Authority, any deficiency in meeting such obligations shall be a liability of the Regional District to the Authority and the Regional Board of the Regional District shall make due provision to discharge such liability.
10. The Regional District shall pay over to the Authority at such time or times as the Treasurer of the Authority so directs such sums as are required pursuant to section 15 of the *Municipal Finance Authority Act* to be paid into the Debt Reserve Fund established by the Authority in connection

with the financing undertaken by the Authority on behalf of the Regional District pursuant to the Agreement.

- 11. This bylaw may be cited as "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Security Issuing – Village of Granisle Sander-Dump Truck Bylaw No. 1866, 2019."

READ A FIRST TIME this day of , 2019

READ A SECOND TIME this day of , 2019

READ A THIRD TIME this day of , 2019

ADOPTED this day of , 2019

Chair

Corporate Administrator

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No. 1866 as adopted.

Corporate Administrator

SCHEDULE "A" to Bylaw No. _____

CANADA
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
AGREEMENT

Regional District of _____

The Regional District of _____ (the "Regional District") hereby promises to pay to the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia (the "Authority") at its Head Office in Victoria, British Columbia, the sum of _____ DOLLARS (\$_____) in lawful money of Canada, together with interest thereon from the ___ day of _____ 20___, at varying rates of interest, calculated semi-annually, in each and every year during the currency of this Agreement; and payments of principal and interest shall be as specified in the schedule attached commencing on the ___ day of _____ 20___, provided that in the event the payments of principal and interest hereunder are insufficient to satisfy the obligations of the Authority undertaken on behalf of the Regional District, the Regional District shall pay over to the Authority such further sums as are sufficient to discharge the obligations of the Regional District to the Authority.

DATED at _____, British Columbia, this ___ day of _____, 20___.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF and under the authority of
Bylaw # _____ cited as

"_____
_____", this Agreement is sealed with
the Corporate Seal of the Regional District of
_____ and signed
by the Chair and the officer assigned the responsibility
of financial administration thereof.

Chair

Financial Administrator

Pursuant to the *Local Government Act*, I certify that the within Agreement has been lawfully and validly made and issued and that its validity is not open to question on any ground whatsoever in any court of the Province of British Columbia.

Deputy Inspector of Municipalities of British Columbia

PRINCIPAL AND/OR SINKING FUND DEPOSIT AND INTEREST PAYMENTS

Date of Payment	Total Payment	Principal/Sinking Fund Deposit	Interest
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$

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1st, 2nd & 3rd
Reading

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

BYLAW NO. 1867

A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH THE ELECTORAL AREA "B" (BURNS LAKE RURAL)
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICE

WHEREAS:

- A. Under Section 332 of the *Local Government Act* a Regional District may operate any service the Board considers necessary or desirable for all or part of the Regional District;
- B. The Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako wishes to establish a service for the purpose of the promotion of economic development in electoral Area "B";
- C. The approval of the Inspector of Municipalities has been obtained under section 342 of the *Local Government Act*; and
- D. Participating area approval in the participating area has been obtained under Section 347 of the *Local Government Act*.

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1) **Service**

The Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural) Economic Development Service (the "**Service**") is established by this Bylaw for the purpose of the promotion of economic development in Electoral Area "B".

2) **Boundaries**

The boundaries of the Service Area are the boundaries of Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural) in the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (the "**Service Area**").

3) **Participating Areas**

The "Participating Area" is Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural).

4) **Cost Recovery**

As provided in Section 378 of the *Local Government Act*, the annual cost of

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

BYLAW NO. 1868

A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH THE ELECTORAL AREA "E" (FRANCOIS/OOTSA LAKE
RURAL) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICE

WHEREAS:

- A. Under Section 332 of the *Local Government Act* a Regional District may operate any service the Board considers necessary or desirable for all or part of the Regional District;
- B. The Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako wishes to establish a service for the purpose of the promotion of economic development in electoral Area "E";
- C. The approval of the Inspector of Municipalities has been obtained under section 342 of the *Local Government Act*; and
- D. Participating area approval in the participating area has been obtained under Section 347 of the *Local Government Act*.

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1) Service

The Electoral Area "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) Economic Development Service (the "**Service**") is established by this Bylaw for the purpose of the promotion of economic development in Electoral Area "E".

2) Boundaries

The boundaries of the Service Area are the boundaries of Electoral Area "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) in the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (the "**Service Area**").

3) Participating Areas

The "Participating Area" is Electoral Area "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural).

4) Cost Recovery

As provided in Section 378 of the *Local Government Act*, the annual cost of
