# **INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE - AUGUST 13, 2018**

- 1. Building Department Building Statistics July 2018
- 2. Building Department Building Permits Yearly Statistics
- C. Bannister, Chief Administrative Officer, City of Salmon Arm letter dated July 24, 2018
   Proposed Ross Street Underpass
- 4. J. Wilson, City Engineer, City of Salmon Arm letter dated June 22, 2018 Highway 97B, Salmon Arm/South Canoe School
- 5. D. Gerow, Manager of Roads & Parks, City of Salmon Arm email dated August 3, 2018 to R. Hooper, Executive Director, Columbia Shuswap Invasive Species Society American Bullfrog Wanted Poster
- 6. D. Gray email dated July 20, 2018 Music on the Wharf...questions answered
- 7. J. Penner email dated July 16, 2018 Life after more than two decades on the streets
- 8. B. Howard emails dated July 23 and July 26, 2018 Rail Crossings
- 9. R. & K. Simpson email dated July 31, 2018 Salmon River Bridge
- 10. C.H. Dyke letter dated July 24, 2018 Bypass route for rail and highway
- 11. M. Mann letter dated August 2, 2018 Marine Park Gazebo
- 12. L. Whitehead email dated July 16, 2018 Request for Curb and Gutter
- 13. O. Bramble, President, Shuswap Lake Senior Citizens Society letter received July 30, 2018 First Annual Active Agers Open House
- 14. A. May, Sage Orienteering Club board member email dated August 2, 2018 Sage Orienteering Fall events
- 15. P. Wright, President, Salmon Arm and Shuswap Lake Agricultural Association letter dated July 17, 2018 RCMP Musical Ride
- 16. P. McIntyre-Paul, Shuswap Trail Alliance email dated July 17, 2018 Invitation to SHCC leadership to endorse Communities-on-the-Move Declaration
- 17. L. Schneider Wood, Executive Coordinator, Shuswap Trail Alliance email dated July 18, 2018 Letter of Support
- 18. R. Talbot, Director of Area "D", Columbia Shuswap Regional District email dated July 25, 2018 Letter of Support
- 19. The Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch email dated July 25, 2018 Applications for Cannabis Retail Store Applications Support and Involvement of Local Government
- 20. The Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch email dated July 23, 2018 LCLB name change
- 21. A. Gottfried, Senior Policy Specialist, Clean Communities, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy email dated July 19, 2018 Launch of Love Food Hate Waste Campaign
- 22. Health Canada email dated July 24, 2018 Government of Canada Recall: Pepperidge Farm brand Goldfish Flavour Blasted Xtreme Cheddar Crackers recalled due to Salmonella
- 23. Health Canada email dated July 20, 2018 Health Canada: Canadians invited to share their views with the Advisory Council on the Implementation of National Pharmacare
- 24. Health Canada email dated July 19, 2018 Health Canada Recall: Makita and Domar Chainsaws
- 25. W. Cobb, Mayor, City of Williams Lake letter dated July 17, 2018 Employer Health Tax Impact on Local Government
- 26. J. Becker, Mayor, City of Pitt Meadows letter dated July 17, 2018 Moratorium on Cannibas Cultivation on ALR Land
- 27. J. Van Barneveld, Acting Mayor, District of Houston letter dated July 23, 2018 Support of the Province of B.C.'s Caribou Recovery Program
- 28. H. Andrusak, President, BC Wildlife Federation letter dated August 2, 2018 Gun Control



# CITY OF SALMON ARM BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT JULY 2018

LAST YEAR (2017)
CURRENT MONTH YE

YEAR-TO-DATE

CURRENT YEAR (2018)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE

		NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE
1	New Single Family Dwellings	17	5,128,000	73	22,216,895	14	4,430,000	79	25,346,999
2	Misc. Additions etc. to SFD's	20	832,600	78	3,230,625	9	276,000	67	2,520,084
3	New Modulars/MH's (Factory Built)	2	369,000	14	2,425,000	-	-	6	1,270,000
4	Misc. Additions etc. to Modulars/MH's	3	39,315	11	142,335	-	<u> </u>	5	15,155
5	MFD's (# Units)			1 (4)	1,049,000	2 (7)	1,400,000	8 (27)	4,700,000
6	Misc. Additions etc. to MFD's	_		1	2,000	_	_	1	1,500
7	New Commercial	1	140,000	2	540,000	-			
8	Misc. Additions etc. to Commercial	3	370,000	15	857,900	2	670,000	9	831,800
9	New Industrial		-	2	150,433	1	245,000	5	545,000
10	Misc. Additions etc. to Industrial	-	<u>'-</u>	2	14,500	-	_	4	2,067,000
11	New Institutional		-					11	100,000
12	Misc. Additions etc. to Institutional		-	3	22,000	1	5,000	3	49,000
13_	Signs	4	5,752	25	57,555	6	25,665	23	93,874
14	Swimming Pools, Pool Buildings	2	85,000	2	85,000		-		_
15	Demolitions	4	-	11		_		5	-
16_	Temporary Trailers, A & B Permits		-	2		-		5	-
17	Misc. Special Inspections, etc.	1	-	16		2	_	8	-
	TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED	57	6,969,667	258	30,793,243	37	7,051,665	229	37,540,412

MFD's - Apartment, Row, Duplex, Strata (# of dwelling units created) Farm building values not included



BUILDING PERMITS - YEARLY												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
2001	585,500	11,938,550	12,265,250	12,842,790	13,534,790	14,712,550	16,330,650	17,717,625	19,031,075	19,895,255	21,318,855	21,458,195
2002	585,500	1,952,500	3,340,850	3,821,240	5,455,840	6,411,690	8,844,690	10,932,510	15,780,890	16,705,600	17,738,200	17,923,700
2003	130,110	920,780	2,974,020	4,486,120	5,993,320	13,294,120	15,555,250	17,937,005	20,318,920	22,000,340	24,005,740	24,782,360
2004	430,700	1,506,500	5,903,780	8,379,104	10,122,768	12,086,319	14,779,343	21,598,763	30,371,023	33,614,173	34,957,458	35,881,343
2005	1,072,000	2,269,650	4,344,750	6,806,152	12,110,482	28,031,457	29,985,585	34,743,645	37,600,445	42,915,856	45,525,611	47,576,746
2006	815,550	3,224,468	8,012,449	11,501,929	16,084,809	20,066,533	23,714,194	26,370,890	36,479,806	37,278,358	42,332,995	43,077,170
2007	1,531,087	3,901,669	16,148,674	22,413,118	27,232,134	32,401,472	35,657,297	42,829,750	51,945,799	55,703,387	65,885,802	66,289,555
2008	1,797,604	4,203,429	12,947,058	27,647,379	33,857,533	36,582,025	39,759,375	42,395,454	45,412,474	50,699,301	53,383,541	53,522,880
2009	409,369	864,839	2,039,460	5,207,311	6,763,615	7,800,085	9,677,455	11,579,746	18,882,737	20,713,554	23,523,664	24,337,664
2010	1,518,563	2,708,062	5,931,546	10,081,816	12,260,236	13,526,546	16,597,121	18,790,511	19,848,804	21,174,632	22,953,692	27,249,702
2011	568,645	2,003,976	5,063,837	7,449,773	9,471,416	11,761,850	12,794,028	14,222,970	18,194,801	19,682,061	30,563,013	31,934,415
2012	2,189,660	3,128,562	4,794,040	6,337,260	10,000,544	12,120,246	17,883,185	24,375,078	26,118,787	26,493,820	28,130,500	28,666,430
2013	881,740	1,440,110	13,907,060	15,814,195	17,433,454	20,194,778	23,204,628	24,180,485	26,567,302	29,195,224	30,890,086	31,231,349
2014	665,304	2,806,404	8,075,941	20,789,869	27,574,834	29,877,686	33,456,523	41,971,923	42,784,769	44,804,191	46,460,471	47,707,993
2015	1,172,285	1,853,539	3,894,754	6,750,389	8,575,425	18,388,180	20,475,407	26,442,225	29,143,303	31,248,595	35,417,465	37,368,595
2016	1,268,865	2,298,280	4,987,625	8,904,610	12,253,660	16,279,464	19,265,124	23,811,029	29,823,014	36,084,949	40,154,959	41,418,659
2017	1,183,280		7,219,495	11,761,657	18,136,656	23,823,576	30,793,243	36,066,891	52,130,226	59,858,542	63,366,686	
2018	1,970,104	3,943,104	10,028,787	14,363,122	20,252,322	30,488,747	37,540,412					



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July 24, 2018

Hugh Chalmers 4951 75 Avenue NE Canoe, BC V0E 1K0

Dear Mr. Chalmers:

Re: Proposed Ross Street Underpass

Thank you for your thoughtful letter, dated June 29, 2018, wherein you express concerns regarding the funding strategy for the proposed Ross Street Underpass and make suggestions for additional public engagement opportunities. Your letter was included in the Correspondence section of the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of July 23, 2018, and was discussed by Council.

While I certainly respect your opinion and perspective, please know that the funding plan for this project was decided by Council and based on a thorough financial analysis. Adding the additional \$2.1 million to Long Term Debt as you have suggested may serve to tip public opinion against the project and even decrease the chance of the project successfully moving ahead (of course this cannot be known at this point). Furthermore, the reserve funds that the City plans to utilize really have, for the most part, been set aside specifically for this purpose.

Please note that \$1,625,000.00 of the \$2,106,000.00 you have referenced is set to come from the Ross Street Underpass Reserve, which was established expressly for the purpose of constructing the Ross Street Underpass. Additionally, \$235,000.00 will be utilized from the Drainage Reserve, which will go towards significant and much needed drainage improvements in the downtown, which are associated with this project. The remainder (\$246,000.00) will come from the Debt Reserve (made possible by retirement of Shaw Centre debt) and the Surplus Reserve. Through foresight and fiscal prudence, Council has made this significant project possible with no envisioned tax increase.

Your suggestions regarding public information opportunities are well received and I am pleased to inform you that, in addition to the previously scheduled open house

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(which includes a full presentation) at the Prestige Harbourfront Resort on August 30, 2018 at 7:00 pm, we have added open houses at the Canoe Firehall on August 2 and the Gleneden Firehall on August 9, both commencing at 7:00 pm. Staff will be on hand to explain the project and answer questions (audio/visual requirements may preclude a presentation at these venues). Finally, you may be aware that the City has also had an information booth set up at the Mall at Piccadilly and an enhanced Social Media presence for this project over the last few months.

Again, thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts regarding this vital project. If you have any further questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at 250-803-4033 or via email at channister@salmonarm.ca.

Yours truly,

Carl Bannister, MCIP, RPP

Chief Administrative Officer

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Cc Council Informational Correspondence
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June 22, 2016

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Southern Interior Regional Office 447 Columbia St, Kamloops, BC V2C 2T3

For the attention of Grant Irvine

**Dear Grant** 

RE: Highway 97B, Salmon Arm / South Canoe School

The intersection of 10 Avenue SE and Highway 97B has been subject to several safety concerns in the past. The City has previously communicated concerns regarding the safety of this intersection to the Ministry. Specifically, the curve in Highway 97B south of the subject intersection provides minimal sightlines and decision making time for north and westbound traffic.

The priority of safety upgrades to this intersection was significantly decreased upon the closure of South Canoe School approximately 15 years ago; however, increases in student enrollment and a desire to develop alternative ways of educating have lead to School District 83 approving the re-opening of the school as an Elementary Outdoor Learning facility in September 2018. There are currently 111 students registered, 40-50 of which are within walking distance of the school.

South Canoe School is accessed from 10 Avenue SE which crosses Highway 97B approximately 800m to the west of the school. Hwy 97B also separates the school from the majority of the city, 10 Avenue SE being the principle route into town from the school. 10 Avenue SE also leads to Klahani Park and the South Canoe Trail network, both of which have become increasingly popular in recent years. There are several planned upgrades for Klahani Park which will continue to increase the park user rate in future years.

Due to the above noted amenities there have been and will continue to be significant increases to pedestrian, cycle and vehicular traffic movements at this intersection in potential conflict with the through movements on Highway 97B.

With the safety of their students in mind, the School District made a request to the City of Salmon Arm's Traffic Safety Committee (TSC) to review the safety of the intersection of



10 Avenue SE and HWY 97B and have requested that consideration be given to the installation of Pedestrian Activated Crossing Lights. During the recent TSC meeting the committee unanimously recommended requesting the following safety improvements:

- Reduction in the posted speed limit to 70km/h from south of 10 Avenue SE (exact extent to be determined by MOTI) to the existing 70 km/h zone at 10 Avenue NE.
- Installation of Pedestrian Activated Flashers on the existing crosswalk overhead signage and a coordinated advanced flashing crosswalk warning sign facing northbound traffic on Highway 97B.

For your information, minutes from the TSC meeting are also attached.

We hope that the Ministry will agree that this is a high priority issue that should be addressed as soon as possible. Ideally, the improvements will be implemented prior to the start of the school year in September.

The City of Salmon Arm does have \$20,000 budgeted annually for the installation of Pedestrian Activated Flashers and would be willing to utilize this budget towards lights in this location. We hope that the Ministry would be able to provide any additional funding required to complete this project.

Please also see attached plans and photos which provide further information on the location.

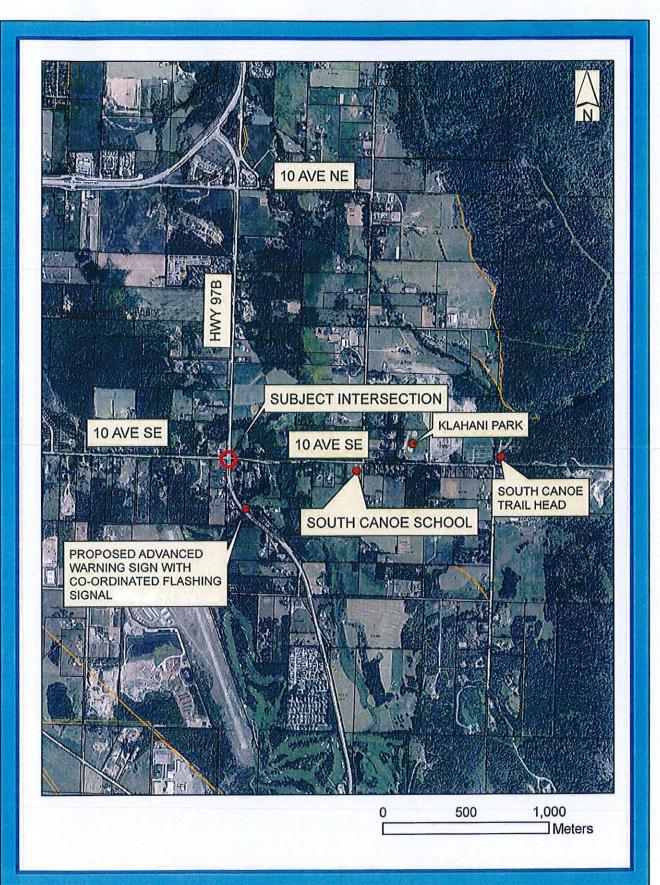
Please let me know if you require any further information or assistance.

Sincerely,

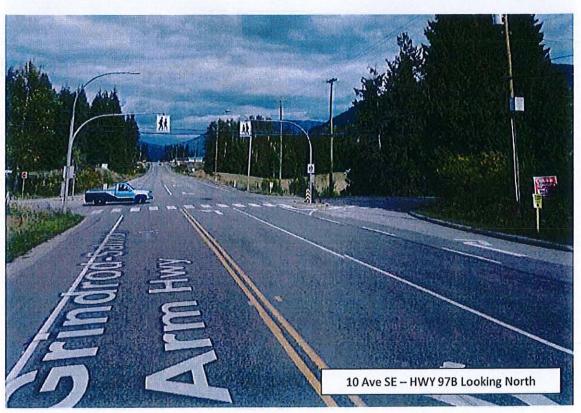
Jenn Wilson, P.Eng., LEED® AP

City Engineer

email: jwilson@salmonarm.ca







# c. 46 St NE & 70 Ave NE - Request for No Parking Signs

- Construction related; temporary issue
- low traffic roadway

Recommend: No action required

# d. Hwy 97B SE & 10 Ave SE - Intersection Improvements

- SD83 Request to limit speed limit to 70 km/h
  - Request to install signalized pedestrian crossing at existing crosswalk
- CoSA Recently prepared report to Council on history. MoTI did synopsis on Hwy 97B
  and City identified this intersection as one of top two priority issues. No
  formal response was received from MoTI and school was closed shortly afterwards
- ICBC notes 16 crashes in 6 years; 8 injuries
- RCMP speed reduction to 70 km/h should continue through the corridor to Driver's to the existing 70km/h zone; Should not put in crosswalk without speed reduction
- Cross walk signage is in place
- ICBC notes kids have trouble judging difference between 70 km/h & 90 km/h; need to ensure compliance
- ICBC supports corridor speed reduction
- RCMP notes there will be complaints as well as requests for more reductions
- ICBC notes Ministry would likely prefer constantly flashing advanced warning as opposed to tied in. TSC agrees preemption is better as drivers will know there is someone using crosswalk
- SD83 not likely to have funding for improvements

### Recommend:

 TSC Recommends: Reduction of speed to 70 km/h from south of crosswalk to existing 70 km/h zone at Drivers and installation of preemptive advanced crosswalk flashers.

Motion: TSC to write letter to MoTI requesting improvements outlined in the recommendation. SD#83 to send similar letter. TB/DD

Approved Unanimously

### e. 2500 Hwy 97B SE - Intersection safety concerns

- ICBC notes low collision history;
- TSC agrees collision details appear to be driver error

Recommend: No action required

# Erin Jackson

From:

Darin Gerow

Sent:

Friday, August 03, 2018 9:50 AM

To:

Robyn Hooper

Cc:

Sue Davies; Shuswap trail alliance; Jason Chernoff; Erin Jackson

Subject:

RE: American Bullfrog wanted posters

Attachments:

American Bullfrog Wanted Poster with QR Code.pdf

## Good Morning,

City of Salmon Arm is in support of CSISS installing the American Bullfrog posters at the proposed locations below with removal this fall. Please proceed. We thank you for taking the initiative on this matter.

We will be sending this information to our next council meeting for information August 13, 2018.

Any questions please let me know

Thank you,

Darin Gerow, AScT

From: Robyn Hooper [mailto:rhooper@columbiashuswapinvasives.org]

Sent: July-31-18 3:54 PM

**To:** Jason Chernoff; Darin Gerow **Cc:** Sue Davies; Shuswap trail alliance **Subject:** American Bullfrog wanted posters

Hello Jason and Darin,

The Columbia Shuswap Invasive Species Society (CSISS) is interested in raising awareness about American Bullfrogs and the importance of keeping them out of the Columbia Shuswap Region. Our Coordinator Sue Davies (cc'd) would like to put up temporary posters in locations where bullfrogs are most likely to be illegally released. The posters help the public to identify the animals, and ask residents to contact CSISS if they have seen or heard any bullfrogs.

The posters would be laminated and would be installed for the summer and removed in the fall. The locations would include Turner Creek trails, Crest Creek trails, McGuire Lake, and SABNES trail head, 70th Ave Pond in Canoe. We have attached a copy of the poster to this email for your information. We brought this up at the most recent Shuswap trails roundtable meeting for comment and it was met as a successful idea. We would like City approval for these temporary awareness posters to go up. We also contacted the SABNES group regarding the foreshore trailhead.

Kind regards, Robyn and Sue

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Robyn Hooper, M.Sc. M.For. B.Sc.

**Executive Director** 

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Aquatics and Outreach Program Coordinator, Sue Davies, can be reached at <a href="mailto:sdavies@columbiashuswapinvasives.org">sdavies@columbiashuswapinvasives.org</a>
General Inquiries can be sent to <a href="mailto:info@columbiashuswapinvasives.org">info@columbiashuswapinvasives.org</a>

# WANTED



# FOR INVADING BC

AMERICAN BULLFROG

# REPORT SIGHTINGS

Contact the Columbia Shuswap Invasive Species Society to report

1-855-PUL-WEED (785-9333)



Scan code to hear what American Bullfrogs sound like!



From: Don and Lila Gray [mailto:donlila@telus.net]

**Sent:** July 20, 2018 2:10 PM **To:** Rob Niewenhuizen

Subject: music on the wharf..... questions answered

## Hi Rob

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During our last conversation you mentioned that Kevin Flynn would of liked some more information in regards to "Who's going to manage / oversee these performances" and was hoping to get it from the downtown association . I went and talked to Lindsay Wong from the Downtown Association few days later and she said because it is not in her boundaries, she could not take on any of the managerial responsibilities but, as you already know, is fully supportive of the project and is willing to advertising the events and supply me with the list of local musicians/bands that she is comfortable with playing for Wednesdays on the wharf. The concept was based on giving local talent exposure by the having chance to drop in and play without the hassle of setting up and tearing down at a location that's not easily accessed. I would like to think that being local musicians, they would understand and be considerate of the sacredness of the wharf environment and be inclined to follow the rules/guidelines that are set in place and explained to them to the "T". The printed copy of the strictly "Enforced Guidelines" on a one page policy, will be given to anyone wishing to play, would include...

- 1- The lyrical and musical content must be suitable for all ages and can not be suggestive or vulgar.
- 2- Everyone involved, must show respect and maintain a safe environment for the people utilizing the wharf.
- 3- The decibel level of the performance is set at a pre-determined level and not to be overridden by your own equipment at any time (Master volume has a mechanical stop in place not allowing it to exceed a certain decibel level)
- 4-You are required to clean up and dispose of all garbage, while not leaving anything behind.
- 5-Consequences of not adhering to policy. first infraction .. get a warning 2nd infraction get a "Time Out' 3rd infraction Asked to leave.

While being sensitive to this environment ,Let's Enhance it and not interfere or Destroy it!

This is what we expect , Now Let's All Have A Good Time Error! Filename not specified.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS DON GRAY 250-833-6175 KIM KARAMPELAS 250-804-



The cleanliness on the wharf is of a primary concern, so should for any reason garbage become an issue after these musical events, it will be personally dealt with immediately following the dispersal of the onlookers by Don Gray

Should aggressive Panhandlers become an issue, they will be diplomatically be asked and required to move along to somewhere else.

Don and Kim are fully prepared to commit and volunteer there time to manage these performances in there entirety, so that they are a successful addition to enhance and compliment the wharfs environment

With the support of the City Of Salmon Arm and our community we cant help but benefit the business community and the tourism market.

We are willing and fully prepared to attend a council meeting or Question and Answer period to address any concerns you may have.

On behalf of Kim and myself, I would like to thank-you in advance, for your time and consideration of this matter.

Don Gray

p.s. Please forward a copy to Kevin Flynn and please ask him to contact me directly with concerns / questions

From: Jos Penner [mailto:jos47derboss@gmail.com]

Sent: July-16-18 7:26 AM

To: Nancy Cooper

Subject: Fwd: Life after more than two decades on the streets: 'It blows me away just to see how far

I've come' - NZ Herald

Hi Nancy,

I was sorry to miss the meeting on Panhandling. I was away attending to a family crisis. I have heard about different approaches in New Zealand to deal with this problem.

It bothers me to see homelessness in Canada. I have approached panhandlers on our streets and listened to their problems. They need help not fines.

Forwarding this article FYI.

Keep cool! Jos (Penner)

Subject: Life after more than two decades on the streets: 'It blows me away just to see how far I've come' - NZ Herald



# Life after more than two decades on the streets: 'It blows me away just to see how far I've come'

16 Jul, 2018 5:47pm 3 minutes to read



Aroha, one of the first women to be housed by the Housing First programme, says she has come a long way since her days living on Auckland's streets. Photo / Fiona Goodall NZ Herald

By: Ben Leahy, Isaac Davison

How does it feel to spend a year in your own rental home after more than two decades living on the streets?

"It's a lot of work, now I know what it's like to have bills," Auckland resident Aroha jokes to an audience gathered at a recent fundraising dinner for Methodist Church support group Lifewise.

Then she pauses, and says it's amazing to watch her new home grow with her belongings.

"It blows me away just to see how far I've come," she said in explaining to the 160 dinner guests why a programme called Housing First Auckland works.

Aroha spent her first night on the streets aged 11 and had never had a place to call her own until June last year.

It was then she was given a quiet inner-city rental as one of the first 22 clients of Housing First.

Launched in March last year, the programme places homeless directly into houses before dealing with any mental health or addiction issues, and its success has led it to be quickly rolled out to more rough sleepers.

It has now found homes for 420 people, who had been living on the streets, including 193 children, and achieved its goal of keeping at least 85 per cent in permanent houses after one year.

Run by a series of support groups across the city, the initiative is also backed by Auckland Council, which puts in about \$500,000 a year.

Aroha accesses Housing First through Lifewise, which runs the programme in the inner city in partnership with Auckland City Mission.

She credits it with differing from other programmes in that it does more than just give people a roof over their heads.

It also helps them stay in their homes by providing support to manage their tenancies, address health needs and achieve goals.

This can include having property managers remind those in the programme to pay the rent on time annd keep their home clean, and social workers accompany them to doctors' appointments and help them connect to fun community events.

Aroha, one of the first women to be housed by the Housing First programme, has now spent one year in her home. Photo / Fiona Goodall

The rental homes are found by the Airedale Property Trust, a sister charity to Lifewise that manages the Methodist Church's properties.

Despite Auckland's housing market being tight, Airedale has been able to work with city real estate agents to find private landlords willing to rent their properties to Housing First tenants.

The trust guarantees to pay the rent on time, provide "intensive tenancy management and regular inspections" and to cover any damage to properties.

For Aroha, it is these wrap-around services that have helped her navigate the intricacies of renting and paying the bills, and left her with more time to get other parts of her life back on track.

Where as she once slept under a tree from where she could hear the Auckland Street Choir practice in a nearby church, she is now a member of the choir.

She also helps lead a women's group at the charity and has completed an Active Citizen social leadership course with the British Council.

This led her to declare to guests at Lifewise's recent dinner that she only plans to keep "going forward" from here.

"What's next for me is to help rest of my whanau that is still stuck on the streets," she said.

"I'm going to stay in there until I've got all my family off the street."

From: Brian Howard [mailto:brihowy981@hotmail.com]

**Sent:** July-23-18 2:21 PM

To: Chris Moore; Jennwilson@salmonarm.ca; Nancy Cooper; Chad Eliason; Kevin Flynn; Alan Harrison;

Ken Jamieson; Tim Lavery; Louise Wallace-Richmond

Subject: Re: Rail Crossings

Dear Madame mayor and council members. Below is an issue that I believe should be corrected for the safety of all Salmon Arm residents.

Sincerely Brian Howad

July 23, 2018

The Mayor and City councillors of Salmon Arm

I would like to bring to your attention a serious safety issue relating to the 3 train crossings in Salmon Arm. I refer to ; 1. Crossing at Canoe Beach. 2. Crossing at Marine Park Dr. 3. Crossing at Narcisse St.

On Sat. July 14<sup>th</sup> I was at Canoe Beach Rail crossing and witnessed a pickup truck with boat trailer drive across the railway crossing, exiting the boat launch area. The driver drove through a flashing red light and loud alarm at the crossing. Approximately 10 -15 sec. later a freight train going at a good clip (maybe 45-50 km/hr. Crossed the same railway crossing after loudly sounding its train whistle when seeing the truck cross the track just seconds before. That is the first time I was at the beach as I am a new resident of Salmon Arm and I was there only a brief time. I doubt therefore that this kind of reckless and illegal action is rare.

I also spoke with a friend of mine who lived on the West side of the tracks near the Prestige Inn and she said she often ignored the flashing red lights and clanging train alarm so she wouldn't have to wait a few minutes to pass over the tracks - This being at the MARINE PARK DRIVE crossing, even though , unlike the Canoe Beach crossing where there are no lift gate vehicle barriers, there are two lift gate barriers. She said she could easily drive around the two barriers because they are about 30 feet apart on opposite sides of the street. They are designed only to stop the traffic on one lane and the gates can easily be circumvented by driving around the down gate by going in the other lane on either side of the tracks.

The third Crossing at Narcisse St. I don't believe has any gates as well, like Canoe Beach.

All over the world commuter trains are crossing road ways through cities at high speed by the hundreds of thousands, every day, without danger or problems. I think of Tokyo where I lived for a year, but London, or any other major city one can use as an example. The reason is that all over the world they have the good sense to have 4 gate barriers at rail crossings. They have

two gates functioning directly opposite of each other, on either side of the tracks. This prevents any vehicle from going around a gate on either side of the track. In conjunction with flashing red lights and alarms, railroad crossings are therefore completely safe.

We in Canada seem to have a very lackadaisical attitude to safety issues related to railroad crossings even though the consequences of a derailment due to a collision could be and quite possibly would be catastrophic for a city like Salmon Arm. As we all know CP rail carries all kind of toxic and dangerous chemicals, and flammable products in their tanker cars.

I do not know whose responsibility it is to install proper gates, warning lights and alarms in railroad crossings but I think that if it is the City of Salmon Arms responsibility to do so then it is being highly negligent in not having effective, safe railroad crossings, regardless of transport Canada's regulations concerning gating requirements. The key word here is effective. If a railroad crossings current safety equipment is not effective and leaves open the possibility of basically ignoring the equipment, which it clearly currently does, then a proper system of gates must be installed post-haste, to ensure some irresponsible and foolish person cannot cause a tragedy either small or large. It may be that CP would be willing to contribute financially to having these 3 crossings properly and safely guarded. I believe this is an urgent and important situation that needs to be addressed. It should also be done regardless of any future plans for a Ross St. Underpass, if that comes to pass.

I would also like to suggest that as an interim preventive measure a CCTV camera could be installed to to record the license plates of vehicles breaking the law and running these lights or circumventing the barriers, and sign be posted to advise people of the presence of said camera and of a significant fine. Although I don't see why there needs to be any delay in these important safety improvements.

Sincerely Yours

**Brian Howard** 

650 6<sup>th</sup> St. SE

Salmon Arm

250-8039234

From: Brian Howard [mailto:brihowy981@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2018 12:24 PM

To: Louise Wallace-Richmond; Chris Moore; Jennwilson@salmonarm.ca

Cc: Erin Jackson

Subject: Re: Rail Crossings

Hi Louise, Thank you for your reply to my letter, and for putting the subject that I raised on the agenda for discussion.

I was in the import business for 20 years prior to retiring a few years ago and I specialized in imports from Ecuador. My biggest challenge in dealing with export shipments from

Ecuador was anticipating possible problems,- delays, issues related to documentation, packaging,

labelling, weight, and shipment timing issues. It was time and sometimes money well spent because the

costs associated with air freight and various shipping problems can be considerable.

It took some forethought and almost without exception I was able to avoid problems or crisis because I

was proactive and took preventative measures to pre-empt problems. I try diligently to maintain this attitude

in my life, to pre-empt problems which can develop into crisis very quickly. Council I believe should be taking

pre-emptive action to truly secure the railroad crossings.

Best Regards Brian Howard From: K and R Simpson [mailto:knrsimpson@shaw.ca]

Sent: July-31-18 12:38 PM

To: Nancy Cooper

Subject: Salmon River Bridge

**Greetings Nancy:** 

We were glad to read in the local newspaper, a week ago that you and council are looking into the slow progress by the provincial government on replacing our very tired and getting more worse – Salmon River bridge. Every day we drive over that bridge and hoping not to meet an oncoming tractor/trailer unit, and looking at the forlorn and uncared for landscape that provincial authorities have left in that area. Not to mention the bridge itself.

Have you driven over the Salmon River bridge since the high water levels that occurred this spring? Take a look on your next trip over it...

on the Trans Canada Highway, east bound lane, immediately after getting off the bridge concrete, there is a significant "dip" developing in the blacktop within 10' of the east end of the bridge. This "dip" started developing immediately after flooding occurred around the bridge in May. It has now developed into a significant "drop" after crossing the bridge eastbound. The "dip" is likely being caused by water saturation of the roadbed in that area during the spring flooding. So…now would be an excellent time to repair this fault, or how about finally getting started on building us a SAFER and more DURABLE replacement!

I hope you are able to get the ball rolling with the provincial government and that they can get started on the project while there are still a few days of good weather left this year.

Best Regards Rachel & Ken Simpson



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July 24

To: Our worthy Mayor Nancy Cooper
Once again some reminders she may have forgotten.

Our local newspaper has listed a number of options to remedy the ever tiresome isolation of the crowded northside residents of our fair town, who dwell with some peril with only limited access to their homes. This is caused by the CPR rail tracts which were well established in the 1880s. I noticed that with the possible changes mentioned, our crafty Mayor and Council failed to mention a new bypass route for both rail and #1 highway. Lets try again Madame Mayor.

- #1 Separate lanes for all Trucks and semi-trailers along with a few more traffic lights. This plan would hardly help anyone.
- #2 An over-head corridor for both trucks and rail to rise on East side, remain high over the city and gradually slope down on the west side. Quite expensive and I doubt that the south side, the CPR or the Feds #1 highway would ever accept to such an involved plan.
- #3 The planned design for an underpass would require the complete disruption of Ross St for the public and commercial outlets for up to one year.
- #4 Finally the southside with the much larger population may fear they will suffer extra taxation for a problem that they never created. Perhaps we should be checking back with the former mayor, Colin Mayes and Bates Construction who both made a few dollars when they opened up the Southside for development but left access only by way of two flat rail crossing and possibly a few empty promises. We'd all be impressed if they would help finance some of the costs for work that was not completed.

How ever in favour of a much grander design to overcome many of the above problems, I will take the risk of incurring the heated wrath of our well tempered mayor, and again record my personal views for the valued future of our very pleasant town. Namely a causeway construction for both vehicles and CPR rail complete with a sizeable bridge for double deck boating to cross our shallow bay at possibly Engineers Point, Mallard bay or even a location further south. That's big money for a small town but the 13 Km Confederaion bridge to PEI was built at a cost \$800,000 million. We should be able to cross our bay for half the price and I will now mention some of the many advantages that will reduce the costs of this most expensive plan.

- 1. With a clear run across the bay both CPR and all cargo trucks could barrel through at full speed. Great savings here in time and fuel. The Feds and CPR might even offer a much larger share of expenses for this fast and safer passage clear of the town.
- 2. The underpass under the tracks would not be necessary with a good saving in funds for the council.
- 3. Free of heavy traffic there might be a gain for the town in real estate and lake frontage that might lead to larger public parks on the water or improved public swimming.
- 4. The number of traffic lights in the town could now be reduced and main street Salmon Arm could again be a quiet and pleasant avenue for both shoppers and business. Stores that suffer business losses such as restaurants and gas stations, could be offered a special 5 year tax break to relocate on the new highway.

I should also mention that many other towns and cities in both B.C. and Alberta plagued by heavy traffic in their

town centres, have had to face a relocation of the #1 Highway. This would include big-town cities like Calgary and Winnipeg where they had to build outside ring highways to bypass their busy centers. Also the small towns like Okotoks. High River, Chilliwack, Hope, Kamloops, Banff, and Lake Louise just to name a few.

If you can come up with a real Bypass of Action for our failing city Madame Mayor, you and your council will go down in history as one assembly of fame for your fine foresight and fair administration in tending well for the future of out town.

Wishing you all well, I remain C.H. (Dave ) Dyke

P.S. One further thought now comes to mind. As the case now stands the main street in Salmon Arm.is hopelessly overcrowded with the hordes of heavy traffic mainly from Alberta and Vancouver. With some relief for SA the bypass would then handle the main volume of trucks and tracks. With the rebuilding of the Salmon River bridge the town could forgo for now the building of four lanes as proposed on the east and west sides as the crushing traffic would now be down to less than half its present volume. This could now mean a great saving of funds for the Feds who could now move the unused 4 lane sections directly on to the causeway bypass. This change would now favour all parties except as I have mentioned a number of food and gas outlets well established in SA. With the savings on the 4 lanes our Federal partner would be well able to provide some financial assistance to all effected stores for relocating to the new highway.

A big plan for a small town but one well worth considerating. and thanks for your reading.

Again regards Dave Dyke

Weeps.

August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

Mayor and Council City of Salmon Arm 500 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue N.E. Salmon Arm, B.C. V1E 4N2

Re: Marine Park Gazebo

Dear Mayor Cooper and Councillors:

On Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> I attended the weekly WOW concert at Marine Park. Just prior to the concert beginning a brief but intense rain storm came through our area. People stuck it out and the sun came out and we were all looking forward to a performance by This Way North, a band from Australia.

We were so disappointed to be told that the concert was cancelled due to water on the stage and possibly water in the electrical outlets. The rain had come pouring off the roof of the gazebo and onto the posts with the outlets and pooling on the stage. Far too dangerous for performers with electrical equipment. There seems to have been a lack of engineering foresight in the construction of the gazebo. No one in this area would ever think we would go through an entire summer without rain. I would like to know why gutters were not installed on this City-owned facility at the outset and I would also like to suggest that this situation be remedied immediately.

As much as the crowd of several hundred people were disappointed I am certain it was also a blow to the Arts Council's limited budget as they count on donations from these concerts in order to operate this program. The performers and staff still have to be paid so in fact the Arts Council suffered a double loss of income. WOW contributes greatly to downtown businesses in that one can look around at any given WOW and see pizza boxes, noodle boxes, Canadian Tire lawn chairs and so on. The exposure the City of Salmon Arm receives is beyond measure as I have heard many visitors express their appreciation for the City and the concert. Residents appreciate the City's contribution as well as many other businesses as season and performance sponsors. As a taxpayer I would not object if the City were to make up some of that loss to the Arts Council.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Miki Mann

2021 12th Avenue N.E.

Salmon Arm, B.C.

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(250) 803-0048

From: La Whitehead [mailto:malwhitehead@yahoo.ca]

Sent: July-16-18 8:28 PM

To: Nancy Cooper

Subject: Fw: Request for Curb and Gutter

Dear Mayor and Council

Attached please find photographs and a letter that I sent to Mr Gerow requesting curb and gutter installation on 9th St SE. I spoke to him towards the end of July and these photos were taken shortly afterwards.

Thanking you in advance for considering this request.

Many thanks

Ken and La Whitehead

Dear Mr Gerow,

After our recent discussion I am writing to you to request the installation of curb and gutter adjacent to our property, 2061 9th St SE.

Attached please find some photographs showing the flooding problem on our cul de sac. We have lived there since 2000 and have never had flooding like this until the last couple of years. Your works department hydrovaced the drain on our property last April as it was so silted up and it was mentioned at the time that they would clear the other drains on 9th St SE, but this was never done. The drain that was hydrovaced is silted up again and this is purely from all the run off that comes into our property off the road. The first picture shows the silt remaining once I cleared the gutter. The second photo shows the water build up around the gutter and the third photo is of the water running down 9th St SE. Once the gutter is blocked, the water flows over into my horses paddocks and causes erosion.

If you require more photos please do not hesitate to ask. These photos have all been taken since I spoke to you 10 days ago.

I look forward to hearing from you and the council with regards to this matter.

Many thanks for your help.

Ken and La Whitehead









# **Shuswap Lake Senior Citizens Society**

31 Hudson Avenue NE PO Box 1552 Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4M6 Phone: 250-832-3015 Email: drop31@telus.net

drop31.wixsite.com/seniorsdropincentre



You are invited to attend the **First Annual Active Agers Open House** to be held August 24 at the Shuswap Lake Senior Citizens Society located at 31 Hudson Avenue NE. The Open House will run from 9 am to 4 pm and will showcase a variety of activities that take place in this heritage building.

Representatives from the painting groups and a carving group who use our facility will be demonstrating their skills. Both the painters and carvers will have displays of their works to view and to sell.

Salmon Arm Bulldogs Boxing Club will lead fitness demonstrations to show that anyone can benefit from their programs regardless of age or physical limitation.

91.5 EZ Rock Salmon Arm will be on site to cover this event.

We would love to see you there. Admission is free but donations will be welcomed.

Kindest regards,

Olena Bramble
President, Shuswap Lake Senior Citizens Society

Phone: 250-803-9688

Email: olenabrambleb@gmail.com

# FIRST ANNUAL ACTIVE AGERS OPEN HOUSE



Shuswap Lake Senior Citizens Society
31 Hudson Ave NE

Come find out what goes on in this heritage building.

Meet our volunteers.

Food
Beverages
Music
Bake Sale
Painting Demonstrations
Carving Demonstrations
Boxing Demonstrations
Art and Carving Displays & Sale

Admission is free, but donations are welcome

# **Barb Puddifant**

From:

Abbigail May [abbimay71@yahoo.com]

Sent:

August-02-18 2:04 PM

To:

Barb Puddifant

Subject:

Sage Orienteering fall events

Attachments:

Downtown August 3 (Full-Updated).pdf

Dear Barb,

The Sage Orienteering club would like to request holding the following fall orienteering series events on city property. You should already have a copy of Sage Orienteering Club's current insurance certificate from our spring events. The city is named as an additional insured as is SD 83, Okanagan College and NORD. The events will happen on Thursday evenings between 5:30 and 7pm.

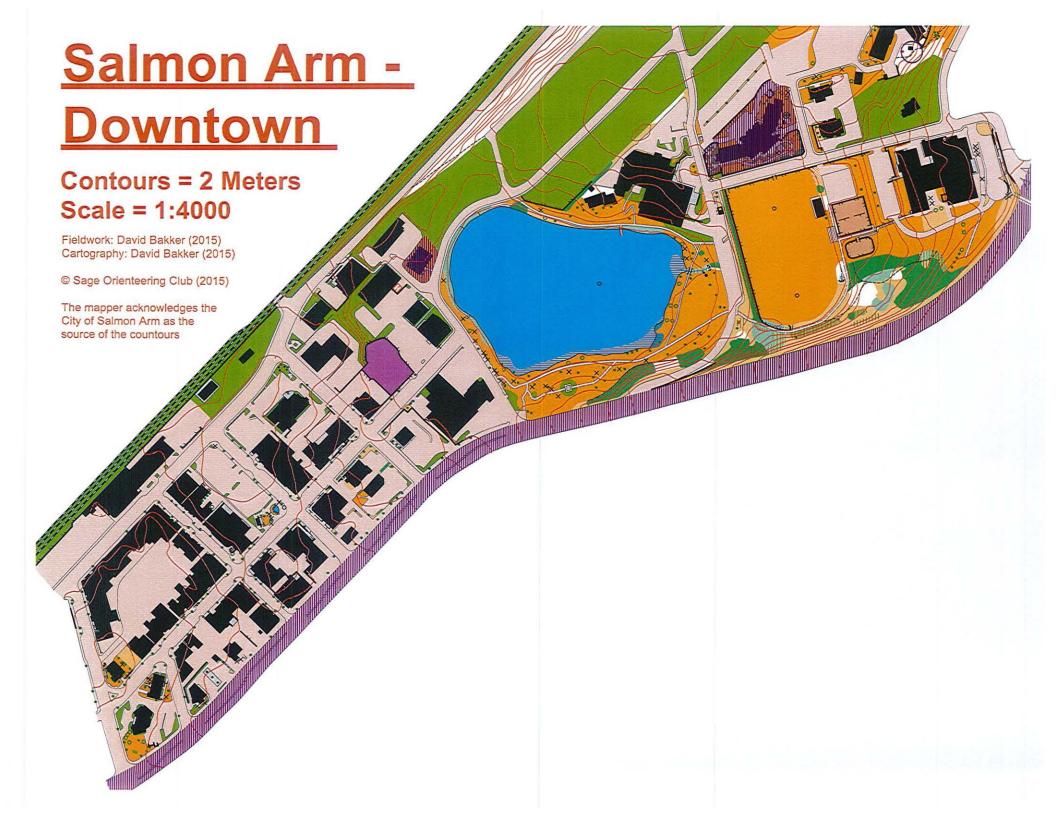
Thursday, Sept 13. - Little Mountain Park

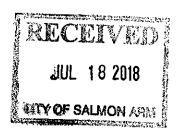
Thursday, Sept 20. - South Canoe

Thursday, Sept 27. - Downtown Salmon Arm (Shuswap Street to Jackson School, Highway to Railroad Tracks – map attached)

Thanks so much,
Abbigail May
Sage Orienteering Club board member







# THE ROTARY CLUB OF SALMON ARM SALMON ARM AND SHUSWAP LAKE AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

July 17 2018

To Mayor, Council and Staff

Please accept thanks and appreciation from The Rotary Club of Salmon Arm and the Salmon Arm and Shuswap Lake Agricultural Association for your help in presenting the RCMP Musical Ride.

This event was very successful in a number of ways as it required a high level of cooperation and dedication from the organizing groups but also the support of many sponsors both individual and corporate. Our community contributed energy, talent, expertise and dollars towards this fundraising project.

In particular the barbeque and the water truck, two unlikely pairings, was mentioned by many of the visiting riders!

We were pleased and happy that the so many members of Salmon Arm supported the initiative generating funds that support projects involving both of our organizations.

Yours truly,

Phil Wright, SASLAA

Warne Lynd, Rotary Club.

From: philmcintyrepaul@gmail.com [mailto:philmcintyrepaul@gmail.com] On Behalf Of Phil McIntyre-

Paul

Sent: July 17, 2018 3:36 PM

To: Rimell, Janelle

**Cc:** Chris Larson; Corey Paiement; Cornwallis-Bate, Charlene; dawn dunlop; Dianne Ballance; Mayor - Enderby [External Email]; Greg McCune (<a href="mayor@cityofenderby.com">mayor@cityofenderby.com</a>); Helgeson, Donna; Irene Laboucane; Kevin Pearson; Laura Paiement (<a href="mayor@cityofenderby.com">lpaiemen@sd83.bc.ca</a>); Malcolm Makayev (<a href="makayev@sicamous.ca">mmakayev@sicamous.ca</a>); Melissa Hemphill (<a href="mayor@cmmunity-connections.ca">mhemphill@community-connections.ca</a>); Patti Larson (<a href="mayor@cmmunity-connections.ca">mayor@cmmunity-connections.ca</a>); Patti Larson (

(<u>plarson@community-connections.ca</u>); Randy Williams (<u>randy\_williams@splatsin.ca</u>); Rhona Martin; Sandra Rhodes (<u>srhodes@sd83.bc.ca</u>); Ely, Anita; Pollock, Dr. Sue; Grady, Rosalyn;

canerserena@gmail.com; Louise Wallace-Richmond

Subject: Invitation to SHCC leadership to endorse Communities-on-the-Move Declaration

Dear Shuswap Healthy Communities Coalition leadership,

The Shuswap Trail Alliance has taken on championing endorsement of the Communities-on-the-Move Declaration being circulated by the BC Alliance for Healthy Living.

It is a very positive, solutions-focused declaration that echoes the recent motions and letters from our regional/municipal leadership to Provincial Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure.

We see this as another positive message of encouragement for Provincial level policy reform supporting healthy active transportation infrastructure particularly in our rural communities. For more info visit: https://www.bchealthyliving.ca/

We are particularly inviting all Secwepemc, Regional, and Municipal governments to join the other governments around BC who are endorsing the declaration.

We understand the Mayor and Councils of Revelstoke and Golden have endorsed it, and are thinking it would be great to have all the governments along the highway corridor endorsing it.)

I have attached the Declaration, and a copy of the Shuswap Trail Alliance letter to the Hon. Claire Trevena, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure.

Please consider bringing this to your respective organizations and governments for endorsement.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration,

Phil McIntyre-Paul for the Shuswap Trail Alliance 250-804-1964 phil@shuswaptrails.com





The Shuswap Trail Alliance

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July 11, 2018

Attn: Honourable Claire Trevena Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure PO Box 9055 Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Re: The Shuswap Trail Alliance Support for Communities on the Move

Dear Minister Trevena,

I am pleased to present this letter in support of the BC Alliance for Healthy Living Communities on the Move declaration (See Attached). On behalf of the leadership and regional partners of the Shuswap Trail Alliance, the board of the Shuswap Trail Alliance is pleased to join the growing number of organizations and local governments throughout BC in endorsing the declaration.

The Shuswap Trail Alliance was created in 2005 as the collaborative body through which Secwepemc, regional, municipal, and community leadership might work together to improve opportunities for active transportation and recreation for the rural communities throughout the Shuswap lakes region and watershed. It has resulted in the development of improved collaboration between Secwepemc First Nations and regional/municipal leadership, the formation of the Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy and Roundtable through which strategic planning priorities are being identified and addressed, and the completion of over 300 active transportation and recreational trail initiatives.

The Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy identifies active transportation development as a priority for the over 50 rural communities throughout the region including the Secwepemc communities of Adams Lake, Little Shuswap, Neskonlith, and Splatsin, and the regional/municipal Shuswap communities within the Columbia Shuswap, North Okanagan, and Thompson Nicola Regional Districts, including the municipalities of Chase, Salmon Arm, Sicamous, and Enderby. All are working to build Active Transportation goals and objectives into their community strategic planning.

As well, leadership from all the communities have been working together through the Shuswap Healthy Communities Coalition to further educate, advocate, and affect policy toward improving healthy community strategies and actions.

Secwepemc, Regional and municipal leadership continue to request improved separation for pedestrian and bicycle travel safety on all rural roads throughout the Shuswap, including improved pedestrian/bicycle design options for twinning of both Highway 1 and Highway 97. In particular, these





requests have highlighted the unsafe separation between Secwepemc First Nations communities and neighbouring towns along highway corridors.

Most recently, regional and municipal leadership from the CSRD, Salmon Arm, Sicamous, and Chase all unanimously moved motions forward through the Southern Interior Local Government Association requesting the Province of British Columbia review and develop more progressive road designs that incorporate healthy active transportation standards on all roads including those throughout rural communities. In particular, the motion calls for consideration of safer pedestrian and bicycle travel separation within all Ministry of Transportation Rights-of-Way.

To this end, the Shuswap Trail Alliance is pleased to join the BC Alliance for Healthy Living and all the provincial organizations and local governments endorsing the Communities on the Move declaration's vision, values, and actions calling on the Provincial Government to make progressive investments that support active, connected, and healthy communities throughout British Columbia.

If implemented, the Communities on the Move recommendations would significantly support the efforts of the Shuswap Secwepemc, Regional, and Municipal governments achieve their goals for increased healthy active transportation and recreation options for all.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Phil McIntyre-Paul Executive Director

for the Shuswap Trail Alliance

Phone: 250-804-1964 /email: phil@shuswaptrails.com

cc: MLA Greg Kyllo

Minister of Housing & Municipal Affairs

BC Healthy Living Alliance (info@bchealthyliving.ca)

Adams Lake Chief and Council Little Shuswap Chief and Council Neskonlith Chief and Council Splatsin Chief and Council

Splatsin Chief and Council
City of Salmon Arm Mayor and Council
Village of Chase Mayor and Council
District of Sicamous Mayor and Council
City of Enderby Mayor and Council
Columbia Shuswap Regional District
Regional District of North Okanagan

**Thompson Nicola Regional District** 







# COMMUNITIES ON THE MOVE DECLARATION: CREATING SMART, FAIR AND HEALTHY TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FOR ALL BC COMMUNITIES

#### VISION

We envision that in 10 years, across BC - in communities small and large, it will be easy, safe and enjoyable to get around, whether by walking, biking, ride-sharing, by public transit or in a wheelchair. We want to see the provincial government making progressive investments that support active, connected and healthy communities.

#### This vision is guided by the following VALUES:

- Healthy Communities: Safe biking and walking routes, good street design and regular transit should be
  available to all British Columbians so that it's easy to be active and healthy. This can also make it easier
  for people to be socially connected which is important for good mental health.
- Mobility for All: A range of transportation options should be available to all British Columbians –
  including those who live in smaller communities, and vulnerable groups such as children, older adults
  and those with disabilities or low incomes, as well as non-drivers so that everyone can have access to
  education, employment, shopping, healthcare, recreation, cultural events and social connections.
- <u>Clean Air and Environment</u>: Public transit and active modes of transportation should be available to all British Columbians as these can reduce local air pollution and carbon emissions that contribute to climate change.
- <u>Economic Opportunities and Cost Savings:</u> Active and public transportation facilities are smart investments as they can stimulate local business and tourism in communities of all sizes. These investments can also control rising healthcare costs because regular physical activity keeps people healthier and out of the healthcare system.
- <u>Consideration of Community Needs:</u> All BC communities should have a range of convenient, affordable transportation options that are tailored to their context – whether urban or remote, dense or dispersed, small or suburban.
- <u>Safety for All Road Users</u>: The design and rules of the road should ensure that all British Columbians can arrive at their destination safely.

## How do we get there?

### A Provincial Active Transportation Strategy

- Invest \$100M per year over the next 10 years to support the development of local cycling and walking infrastructure within a larger provincial network. Prioritize the completion of connected cycling and walking transportation networks.
- Develop an Active Transportation unit within the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to provide professional planning and policy expertise at the provincial level.
- Invest in Active School Travel Planning and standardized cycling education for healthy, active children.

#### Investment in Transit

- Invest in the full implementation of the BC Transit Strategic Plan 2030 and local governments'
   'Transit Future Plans' to grow transit service and meet local needs.
- Ensure a fair share of capital funding and secure, predictable revenue tools for the full implementation of the TransLink Mayors' Council 10-Year Vision.
- Continue and expand the universal bus pass (UPASS) program to students and employees of post-secondary institutions.
- Invest in public transportation systems that serve small, rural, remote and isolated communities such as the use of school buses and bus services that feed into regional centres.

#### Commitment to Equity

- Ensure transit accessibility for people on disability assistance by increasing the affordability of transit passes.
- Improve handyDART service to meet demand and to expand accessibility to evenings, Sundays and holidays.
- Ensure funding is allocated geographically and equitably across the province. Recognize
  infrastructure deficits for pedestrian, cycling and transit modes as well as limitations faced by
  rural, remote, geographically isolated and small communities as part of funding criteria.

#### Consideration of Regional Needs

- Work with local governments to establish a Rural Transportation Strategy. Develop and invest in innovative community transportation systems, ride-sharing, tele-services and telecommuting options that can serve rural and remote British Columbians.
- Develop and support the implementation of Winter City Guidelines that give residents the opportunity to be active all year long. This should include operational measures such as snowclearing for active transportation networks and improved winter road maintenance.
- Support the Metro Vancouver Mayor's Council to pursue alternative funding mechanisms.

#### Commitment to Safety

- Support the BC Road Safety Strategy Vision Zero: work with partners to create safer streets and to eliminate fatalities and serious injuries on the roads of BC. Speed limits should be reduced and strictly enforced, including through the use of cameras and other proven safety measures.
- Prioritize safety measures for vulnerable road users such as pedestrians, cyclists and those in wheelchairs and mobility devices.

From: Admin at Shuswap Trails <admin@shuswaptrails.com>

Date: Wed, Jul 18, 2018 at 1:48 PM

Subject: Letter of Support

To: Mayor Nancy Cooper < ncooper@salmonarm.ca>

Hello Nancy,

Please find attached your letter of support sent in December 2017 for our BC Rural Dividend Program (BCRDP) Grant application that we unfortunately did not receive in the winter, but we had been asked to resubmit it to the current intake this month.

We are resubmitting an application for the BCRDP grant, which has been revised; removing several trails that will be completed this season and continue to target those trails ready for approval and development in the coming year including Rocky Road in Chase, Cedar Creek in White Lake with BC Parks, new additions in the South Canoe trail systems, a portion of Larch Hills Traverse from South Canoe to North Hub, and the final addition to the North Fork Wild Historical Pack Trail.

We would so appreciate it, if you could resend your Letter of Support. I have attached a template for your convenience as well as have the text below, for ease of copy and paste.

The application is due next week so we hope it is possible to get your letter of support back by Monday the 23rd. Much appreciated.

Thank you.	
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(Date)	

To whom it may concern,

#### RE: Shuswap Trail Alliance application to the BC Rural Dividend Program Grant

The (name your organization) is pleased to support the Shuswap Trail Alliance's application to the BC Rural Dividend Program for the 2018-2019 Shuswap Trails Infrastructure Projects.

The 2018-2019 projects continue to build on the success of the past year's destination trail construction work leveraging additional funds to add 8 new four-season trails to our regional destination network for hiking, mountain biking, equestrian, and winter snowshoeing.

Destination trail development is a core pillar of our regional Tourism Strategy targeting greater economic resilience through expanded four season tourism experiences. It is an initiative that continues to strengthen collaboration between First Nations, Regional/Municipal, Community Stewardship, industry, business, economic development, environmental, and provincial land management leadership throughout the Shuswap. The Shuswap Trail Alliance acts as a focal point of facilitation on all our behalf in this effort.

If you require any further comment, please contact us at (phone number/email).

Sincerely,



## (Name Organization)

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Regards,

Lori Schneider Wood Executive Coordinator Shuswap Trail Alliance From: Director Talbot [mailto:RTalbot@csrd.bc.ca]

**Sent:** July-25-18 9:41 AM

To: Nancy Cooper

Subject: Letter of Support

Mrs. Cooper,

I am sending an email to request a letter of support for Falkland and surrounding Area. The reason for this letter of support is in hopes of having an Ambulance stationed in Falkland. As Falkland and the surrounding area do not have First Responders. There are several issues with receiving an Ambulance from Armstrong/Vernon/Kamloops/Salmon Arm, and the biggest one is time. It takes an average of 45 minutes just to drive here from Salmon Arm via Yankee Flats without any traffic delays. On top of the time it takes to have an Ambulance come from another jurisdiction is the length of the call. When Falkland receives an Ambulance from other Jurisdictions, they are down an Ambulance till the call is completed. Please feel free to call me or send an email if you have any more questions regarding my request.

Regards,

Rene Talbot | Director of Area "D"
Columbia Shuswap Regional District

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From: info@civicinfo.bc.ca [mailto:info@civicinfo.bc.ca]

**Sent:** July 25, 2018 3:38 PM

To: 'CivicInfo BC'

**Subject:** Message from the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch

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This message is being sent by CivicInfo BC to all Local Governments in British Columbia, on behalf of the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch.

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Subject: Applications for Cannabis Retail Store Applications – Support and Involvement of Local Gove

Intended Recipient(s): Chief Administrative Officers

Attachments: None. See message below.

If you have received this message in error, we ask that you forward it to the appropriate person in your office.

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MESSAGE:

To: Local Government Chief Administrative Officers

The Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) will soon be accepting applications for cannabis retail store applications. Local governments are a crucial part of the licensing process, as LCRB cannot issue a licence without the support and involvement of a local government (as per section 33 of the BC Cannabis Control and Licensing Act).

In order to best serve applicants and local governments during this process, we have several questions regarding how your jurisdiction will be treating applications for cannabis stores. We have also developed a guide for local governments which outlines the basic elements of the application process from a local government perspective - this can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. Attached you will also find a process map that illustrated how the LCRB will be processing the applications.

Please send the names of your local government staff contact(s), or any further inquiries on the role of local government, to <a href="Melanie.Golder@gov.bc.ca">Melanie.Golder@gov.bc.ca</a>.

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From: LCLB Liquor Policy LCLB:EX [LCLBLiquorPolicy@gov.bc.ca]

Sent: July-23-18 11:29 AM

To: LCLB Liquor Policy LCLB:EX

Subject: LCLB name change

The Liquor Control and Licensing Branch has been renamed to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) to represent our new additional responsibility of licensing and monitoring the private retail sale of non-medical cannabis in British Columbia.

The branch will continue to regulate British Columbia's liquor industry in addition to private non-medical cannabis retail sales. This includes:

- Restaurants, bars and pubs serving liquor
- Liquor manufacturers
- Liquor retail stores
- Special events involving liquor
- Private cannabis retail stores

Our <u>website address</u> remains the same. Our current email address (<u>lclb.lclb@gov.bc.ca</u>) will be changing soon, however any emails received after the change will be automatically forwarded to the new address.

We look forward to working with you under our new name!

Sincerely,

The Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch



From: Protection Division, Environmental [envprotdiv@Victoria1.gov.bc.ca]

**Sent:** July-19-18 1:12 PM

Subject: Launch of Love Food Hate Waste Campaign

#### Good Afternoon,

The BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, as well as a number of government and industry partners across Canada, have launched a national <u>Love Food Hate Waste</u> (LFHW) campaign. One-third of all food is lost or wasted in the world (including BC), and the social, environmental and economic impacts are enormous. More than 60% of the food Canadians throw away is edible, costing the average Canadian household more than \$1,100 per year. In all, 2.2 million tonnes of edible food is thrown out annually, contributing to Canada's greenhouse gas emissions as well as wasting the resources needed to produce and distribute food to consumers. The campaign aims to raise awareness on the impacts and top sources of food waste while providing concrete steps to decrease food waste at home.

As one of the campaign partners, our Ministry has access to a number of food waste prevention materials aimed at consumers and there will be opportunities for your local government to get involved. In the coming weeks, we will be scheduling a webinar to discuss the details of this opportunity and how these resources can positively influence wasted food reduction.

The campaign is complementary to the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy recently released <u>Foodservice Food Waste Prevention Toolkit</u> and a <u>Retail Food Waste Prevention Toolkit</u>. These toolkits have been developed to assist operators of retail, such as supermarkets and convenience stores, and food service providers, such as restaurants and drinking places, to prevent food waste in their sectors.

If this opportunity is of interest, please reply to this email and we will send you an invitation to the webinar in the coming weeks. If you believe there is a more appropriate staff member within your organization to receive this message, please forward on this email.

If you have any questions, please contact Avery Gottfried at Avery.Gottfried@gov.bc.ca or (778) 698-9403.

Sincerely,

Avery Gottfried, ME, P.Eng | Senior Policy Specialist, Clean Communities Environmental Standards Branch | Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/waste-management



From:

CPAB\_BC\_Communications\_CB [CPAB\_BC\_Communications\_CB@hc-sc.gc.ca]

Sent:

July-24-18 2:19 PM

Subject:

Government of Canada - Recall: Pepperidge Farm brand Goldfish Flavour Blasted Xtreme

Cheddar Crackers recalled due to Salmonella



Health Canada Santé Canada

## **Food Recall Warning**

<u>Pepperidge Farm brand Goldfish Flavour Blasted Xtreme Cheddar Crackers</u> recalled due to Salmonella



Goldfish Flavour Blasted Xtreme Cheddar Crackers - 180 grams

## What you should do

If you think you became sick from consuming a recalled product, call your doctor.

Check to see if you have recalled products in your home. Recalled products should be thrown out or returned to the store where they were purchased.

Food contaminated with Salmonella may not look or smell spoiled but can still make you sick. Young children, pregnant women, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems may contract

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serious and sometimes deadly infections. Healthy people may experience short-term symptoms such as fever, headache, vomiting, nausea, abdominal cramps and diarrhea. Long-term complications may include severe arthritis.

- Learn more about the health risks
- Sign up for recall notifications by email, follow us on Twitter, or join the CFIA community on Facebook
- View our detailed explanation of the food safety investigation and recall process

We hope this information and related link will be useful to you.

If you do not wish to receive these health-related messages, please let us know in your reply to this e-mail.

Thank you.

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From:

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Sent:

July-20-18 9:44 AM

Subject:

Health Canada: Canadians invited to share their views with the Advisory Council on the

Implementation of National Pharmacare



Health Canada Santé Canada

## **News Release**

<u>Canadians invited to share their views with the Advisory Council on the</u> <u>Implementation of National Pharmacare</u>



Canadians can provide their views on national pharmacare through an <u>online questionaire</u>, as well as by providing <u>written submissions</u> to the Council. They can also engage in the discussion through an online discussion forum.

Feedback from Canadians will help shape the Council's independent report to the Federal Government, to be presented in spring 2019. The report will provide the Government with recommendations and a plan on how to move forward on national pharmacare.

Canadians are also invited to read the accompanying <u>discussion paper</u>, which is a starting point for the Council's dialogue with Canadians about the implementation of national pharmacare.

The Council looks forward to hearing from Canadians on this important issue. The online consultations will close on **September 28, 2018**.

We hope this information and related link will be useful to you.

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## Thank you.

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From: CPAB\_BC\_Communications\_CB [CPAB\_BC\_Communications\_CB@hc-sc.gc.ca]

Sent: July-19-18 11:48 AM

Subject: Health Canada - Recall: Makita Canada Inc. recalls Makita and Dolmar Chainsaws

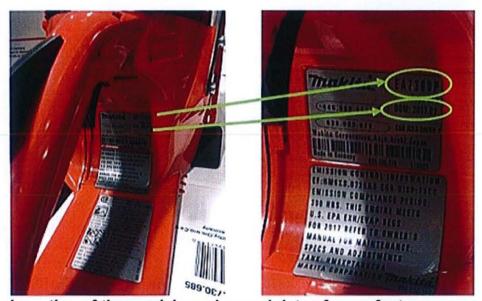
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Health Santé Canada Canada

## **Consumer Product Recall**

## Makita Canada Inc. recalls Makita and Dolmar Chainsaws

## Makita and Dolmar 64, 73 and 79 cc Gas Powered Chainsaws



Location of the model number and date of manufacture

## What you should do

Consumers should immediately stop using the affected chainsaws, and take the saw to the nearest <u>Makita Canada Factory Service Centre</u> to have the saw examined and repaired free of charge.

For more information, consumers may contact the nearest <u>Makita Factory Service Centre</u>, by <u>email</u> or by visiting the company's <u>website</u>.

Please note that the Canada Consumer Product Safety Act prohibits recalled products from being redistributed, sold or even given away in Canada.

Health Canada would like to remind Canadians to report any health or safety incidents related to the use of this product or any other consumer product or cosmetic by filling out the Consumer Product Incident Report Form.

This recall is also posted on the <u>OECD Global Portal on Product Recalls website</u>. You can visit this site for more information on other international consumer product recalls.

We hope this information and related link will be useful to you.

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Thank you.

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## CITY OF WILLIAMS LAKE

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July 17, 2018

The Honourable Carole James Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier PO BOX 9048 STN PROV GOVT Victoria BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister / Deputy Premier James:

#### Re: Employer Heath Tax Impact on Local Government

This is to advise that the City of Williams Lake Council passed the following resolution at its regular meeting held Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018:

"That pursuant to the report of the Chief Financial Officer dated May 17, 2018, Council support the resolution of the Council for the City of Langley and request the Province of BC to exempt local governments, regional districts and school boards from the imposition of the EHT to lessen the financial burden on local taxpayers, especially those that are on fixed incomes and further that correspondence to that effect be sent to the Province of BC."

The City of Williams Lake, like many local governments have a limited revenue base that relies heavily on property taxation. The new Employer Heath Tax will put additional cost pressure on the City of Williams Lake (and other BC local governments) that would have to be passed to municipal taxpayers, placing an undue share on lower and middle income British Columbians.

If you have any questions in this regard, please contact the undersigned.

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Mayor Walt Cobb

cc: UBCM Member Municipalities

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July 17, 2018

File: 01-0230-20 / 4844-099

The Hon. John Horgan
Premier of BC
West Annex Parliament Buildings
Victoria, BC V8V 1X4
Sent via email: premier@gov.bc.ca

Dear Premier Horgan,

Re: Moratorium on Cannabis Cultivation on ALR Land

On behalf of Pitt Meadows City Council, I am writing to you today with respect to cannabis cultivation on ALR Land within our municipality. At the Tuesday, July 10, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council, the following resolution was passed:

THAT a letter requesting a moratorium of cannabis production on Agricultural Land Reserve Lands until such time as farmers, municipalities, industry, and the public are consulted, be forwarded to Premier John Horgan.

CARRIED.

We have received numerous concerns and complaints from our citizens regarding cannabis cultivation in our community, including odour complaints, safety concerns, crime-related activity, bylaw infractions, noise offences, and a real sense of fear for the future of our farming community. As a Council, we feel compelled to respond to these concerns and beseech you to place a moratorium on cannabis production on ALR land until such time as a fulsome, multi-stakeholder consultation process led by the province is complete.

Thank you for your assistance with this urgent matter. Should you wish to discuss it



further, please do not hesitate to contact me at 604.465.2410 or jbecker@pittmeadows.bc.ca

Yours Truly,

John Becker

Mayor

cc: The Hon. Lana Popham, Minister of Agriculture

The Hon. Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General

Lower Mainland Local Government Association

Union of British Columbia Municipalities



July 17, 2018

File: 01-0230-20 / 4844-099

Mayor Jack Froese Township of Langley 20338 65 Avenue Langley, BC V2Y 3J1 Sent via email: jfroese@tol.ca

Dear Mayor Froese,

Re: Letter of Support for Moratorium on Cannabis Cultivation

Thank you for your letter dated July 10, 2018 regarding cannabis production in the Township of Langley. Pitt Meadows City Council voted to add your letter as a late addition to their regular council meeting that same evening. After a fulsome discussion, the following resolution was passed:

THAT Council direct a letter of support be forwarded to the Township of Langley regarding their demand for a moratorium of cannabis production on Agricultural Land Reserve lands; AND THAT a letter requesting a moratorium of cannabis production on Agricultural Land Reserve Lands until such time as farmers, municipalities, industry, and the public are consulted, be forwarded to Premier John Horgan.

CARRIED.

The City of Pitt Meadows is experiencing challenges and concerns very similar to your community and is in full support of a moratorium until such time as a full consultative process is complete. Thank you for bringing this matter forward to the provincial level.

Yours Truly,

John Becker Mayor

cc:

**UBCM Municipalities** 





#### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

July 23, 2018

Ministry of Environmental Climate Change Canada 200 Sacré-Coeur Boulevard Gatineau, QC K1A 0H3

Attention: The Honourable Catherine McKenna

Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada

Dear Ms. McKenna,

#### RE: Support of the Province of B.C.'s Caribou Recovery Program

At the Regular Meeting on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 the District of Houston received the attached correspondence from Bill Miller, Chair of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako.

At that meeting Council passed the following resolution:

"That Council resolves to issue a letter of support to the Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada, regarding support of the Province of B.C.'s Caribou Recovery Program."

The District of Houston supports the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako's request for Ottawa to support the Province, in collaboration with all relevant local interests and inclusive of local governments, to develop and implement Caribou Recovery Program to maintain and recover B.C.'s caribou herds.

The District of Houston also agrees with Minister Donaldson, FLNRORD's opening remarks, in the *Provincial Caribou Recovery Program Discussion Paper*, that it is important to "reduce threats to caribou, while balancing the needs of all British Columbians, including Indigenous communities, industry and recreation enthusiasts."

The District of Houston supports the Province's ongoing efforts to compile current and accurate data reflecting caribou use as the most recent updated scientific information, including spatial representation of habitat, as an essential step to achieve the objective in protecting caribou herds while balancing the socioeconomic impacts and the needs of other species, including moose habitat and predator management.



Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jonathan VanBarneveld

**Acting Mayor** 

Attach: Correspondence from the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Re: Support of the Province of B.C.'s Caribou Recovery Program

cc: The Honourable John Horgan, Premier, Province of B.C.

The Honourable George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

The Honourable Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

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Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Canada 200 Sacré-Coeur Boulevard Gatineau, QC K1A 0H3

Attention: The Honourable Catherine McKenna

Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada

Dear Ms. McKenna,

## RE: Support of the Province of B.C.'s Caribou Recovery Program

The Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (RDBN), would like to request that Ottawa support the Province, in collaboration with all relevant local interests and inclusive of local governments, to develop and implement Caribou Recovery Program to maintain and recover BC's caribou herds.

The RDBN agrees with Minister Donaldson, FLNRORD's opening remarks, in the Provincial Caribou Recovery Program Discussion Paper, that it is important to "reduce threats to caribou, while balancing the needs of all British Columbians, including Indigenous communities, industry and recreation enthusiasts."

We cannot understate the need to balance socioeconomic needs while developing plans to maintain and recover carlbou. Forestry, mining, and recreation are important values that must be considered concurrently with the caribou recovery. The Province has advised that it aims to include local governments in developing predictable zonation and thresholds to provide certainty to affected natural resource users.

The RDBN is committed to work with the province to plan natural resource utilization that supports our local communities and minimizes impacts to local caribou herds. Minister Donaldson has committed to involving local governments in the caribou recovery to ensure that local knowledge and priorities are incorporated as we move forward.

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We support the Province's ongoing efforts to compile current and accurate data reflecting caribou use as the most recent updated scientific information, including spatial representation of habitat, as an essential step to achieve the objectives of protecting caribou herds while balancing the socioeconomic impacts and the needs of other species, including moose habitat and predator management.

Thank you for your consideration,

∕Bill Miller Chair

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

cc: The Honourable John Horgan, Premier, Province of B.C.

The Honourable George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

The Honourable Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

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August 2, 2018

The Rt. Hon. Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P., Prime Minister of Canada House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Prime Minister,

As President of the BC Wildlife Federation, representing over 40,000 hunters and anglers, I am writing to say we are appalled by the senseless murder of two people and the wounding of other helpless individuals in Toronto by a deranged young man. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to the victims of the Danforth attack and to their families.

BCWF members are alarmed by the Toronto Mayor's irrational criticism of law-abiding firearms owners, whose comments were echoed by Public Safety Minister Goodale. Even though the police have yet to issue an official report about the murder weapon or how the killer obtained it, somehow these politicians believe that more restrictions on law-abiding firearms owners are needed. Unsurprisingly, Statistics Canada data do not support the claim that law-abiding gun owners are a major source of "crime guns."

We believe that calls for gun control are nothing more than a "red herring" intended to divert attention away from police failure to deal with criminals. News reports, citing "anonymous police sources," claim the killer had stolen the gun used in the unprovoked attacks from his brother. His brother, who was "known to police" as a gang member with a serious criminal record, could not have possessed any gun legally.

We are dismayed that the Toronto Mayor and your Minister would make the Toronto shooting a "gun control" issue. Instead of calling for more laws, perhaps a better approach would be to enforce the current laws. I respectfully request that the government focus on gangsters, not responsible firearm owners.

Thank you for considering my comments and my request. I would appreciate a response to this letter.

Yours in Conservation.

Harvey Andrusak

President

**BC** Wildlife Federation



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