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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 3, 2014 9:15 AM  
**To:** CSCD Minister's Correspondence Action Items CSCD:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Letter from Mayor McGuire of Granisle, BC  
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**From:** Bell, Jordan CSCD:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 2, 2014 10:18 AM  
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For filing, please.

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FYI – letter for MCO

**From:** Lisa Rees [mailto:lrees@villageofgranisle.ca]  
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**Subject:** Letter from Mayor McGuire of Granisle, BC

Attached please find a letter from Mayor McGuire of Granisle, BC

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August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Mr. Tim Draper  
Vice President – Enterprise Solutions  
Telus Communications Inc.  
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Dear Mr. Draper:

This letter is the Village of Granisle's response to our telecon with Aurora Sekela from Telus on Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> and receiving the disappointing news Highway 118 would not be receiving cellular coverage in 2014.

Not only the current council, but also the previous council have expended time and effort in numerous meetings and telephone dialogue to ensure a strong voice was heard on the necessity of bringing cell service to Highway 118.

We have been constant in expressing the seriousness of the safety along this highway, including wildlife, winter storms and medical emergencies. In our meetings with both Network BC and particularly Telus last year at UBCM we remained cautiously optimistic that our efforts were going to reach fruition in 2014.

Over the past several months, we have watched and listened as Telus has applied for crown land right of ways in our local newspaper, proceeded with their feasibility study on the merit of connecting Highway 118 and continued to move forward.

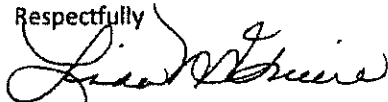
It was both frustrating and disappointing on Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> for Council to hear the dreaded words the Telus wireless team had put Highway 118 "on the shelf" and would not be included in the 2014 build. We have been told by Telus representatives it would be an easy build and comparably lower cost than other areas.

The Village of Granisle Council refuses to believe our efforts have been futile and has difficulty in accepting this as final with all the work Telus has completed to this point.

We will be escalating our efforts in the coming weeks and arranging meetings with Provincial Ministry staff, Network BC and Telus.

We, Mayor, Council and staff for the Village of Granisle respectfully request a meeting with you at the UBCM or at your earliest convenience to discuss this decision by the Telus wireless team.

Respectfully



Linda McGuire  
Mayor

c.c. Mr. Lance Macdonald – General Manager – Interior North

Ms. Aurora Sekela – Telus Ambassador

✓ Coralee Oakes – Minister for Community, Sport and Cultural Development

Wilf Bangert – Network BC

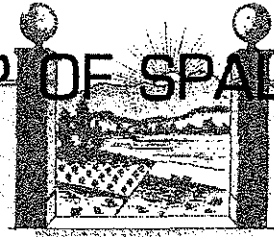
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Dear Minister Oakes,

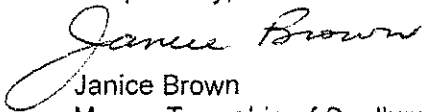
**Re: UBCM Meeting**

Thank you for taking the time to meet with the members of the Township of Spallumcheen Council and City of Armstrong Council at the recent UBCM Convention in Whistler. We appreciate the opportunity to discuss our Inter-municipal Water Agreement and Water District Dissolution Process.

As a reminder, we are seeking your commitment to favourably support infrastructure grant funding requests for water system upgrades identified as part of the Township of Spallumcheen Water District dissolution process. We believe that grant funding may provide the incentive for property owners to proceed to dissolve their Water District and transfer responsibility to the municipal water utility. For more information, please refer to the attached brief that we distributed at our meeting.

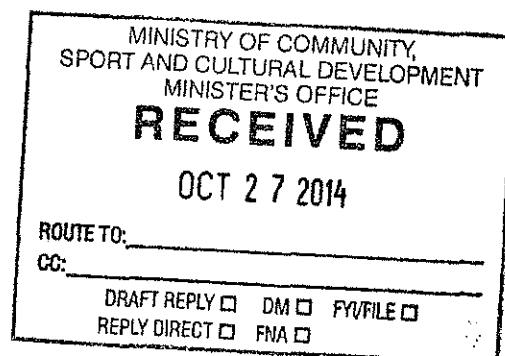
Once again, we thank you for your commitment to an ongoing working relationship. We look forward to your favourable response to our request. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions about the foregoing.

Respectfully,

  
Janice Brown  
Mayor, Township of Spallumcheen

cc: Greg Kylo

Attachment: Meeting Brief





**CITY OF ARMSTRONG  
TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN  
2014 UBCM**



**BRIEFING NOTES FOR MEETING WITH MINISTER OAKES**

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<b>Meeting with:</b>	Honourable Coralee Oakes – Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development	
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Monday September 22, 2014 8:30-8:45 am	
<b>Location:</b>	Crystal Room, Second Level, Westin Hotel	
<b>In Attendance:</b>	City of Armstrong	Township of Spallumcheen
	Mayor Chris Pieper	Mayor Janice Brown
	Councillor Shirley Fowler	Councillor Ed Hanoski
	Councillor John Trainor	Councillor Rachael Ganson
	Melinda Stickney, CAO	
<b>Subject:</b>	Inter-municipal Water Agreement - Dissolution of a Number of Water Improvement Districts – Status Report and Request for Commitment to Infrastructure Funding	

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**REQUESTED ACTION:**

That the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development commit to support infrastructure grant applications for water system upgrades identified as part of the Water District dissolution process and required as a condition of transfer to municipal water utilities.

**WINNERS:**

1. Province – transfers liabilities and current provincial responsibilities for existing Water Districts to local government.
2. Township Spallumcheen – assists its Water District residents by facilitating an agreement to secure a long term supply of potable water at an economic price and assumes water responsibilities and liabilities.
3. City of Armstrong – expands their water user base to achieve improved efficiencies and economies of scale, access to potential new water sources/supplies, and improves access to capital grants.
4. Water District Trustees – transfer all responsibilities and liabilities for governance and operation of the existing systems.
5. Property Owners/Water Users – receive a secure long term supply of potable water, and access to grants to upgrade system deficiencies, and may realize a long term reduction in water rates.

**BACKGROUND**

In 2013 the Township of Spallumcheen adopted a long term water strategy and commitment to enable the Council to comprehensively plan for and represent the interests their residents with respect to potable water matters. As a key element of implementing the strategy, the Township entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Armstrong to cooperatively

approach dissolution and transfer of Water Districts to the City of Armstrong water utility (where practical and feasible – an achievement that has eluded previous Councils.

#### **STATUS**

- Planning grant applications for engineering assessments were applied for and approved by the Ministry
- A first draft of the final inter-municipal water agreement has been prepared by the lawyer and is being reviewed by administration of the two communities
- Engineers have been engaged and are undertaking assessments of three water district systems to determine what if any capital upgrades are required to meet municipal standards which is a condition of dissolution and transfer to the City of Armstrong
- There has been communications with all Water Districts within the Township advising of the water strategy and their individual opportunity to participate
- Arising from these communications, there have been expressions of interest from four other Water Districts to be considered for participation in the program
- Township staff have also been including Ministry and Interior Health staff apprised of progress to date

Long term success of the program will require continuing cooperation and participation from all stakeholders. Key to final transition will be support from the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, in the form of planning and other grants.

Once the initial engineering assessments have been completed, the findings for system upgrades will be presented to the property owners of each Water District, including the cost apportionment to be paid by each property owner in the Water District for the water system to be brought up to the bylaw standards.

It is anticipated that in most cases water system improvements will be required. The decision to dissolve and more particularly to approve borrowing for water system improvements rests with the property owners in each Water District who will have the opportunity to vote on whether to proceed. In some cases the costs of the water system improvements may not be significant, but in most instances we expect that costs may be substantial on a per property basis and may be an impediment to property owners voting to complete the dissolution process.

We are therefore seeking the Minister's commitment to favorably support infrastructure grant funding requests when the water system improvement costs are known for each Water District. Grant funding may provide the incentive or inducement to the property owners to proceed with the process to dissolve their Water District and transfer responsibility to the municipal water utility. We understand that the Ministry has, for similar reasons provided significant infrastructure grants to assist in funding a number of dissolutions in the Columbia Shuswap Regional District. We do however, understand that each grant funding application must be considered on its own merit and is subject to grant availability.

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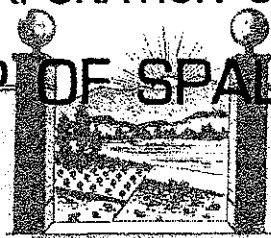
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Dear Minister Oakes,

**Re: UBCM Meeting**

Thank you for taking the time to meet with the members of the Township of Spallumcheen Council at the recent UBCM Convention in Whistler. We appreciate the opportunity to discuss our concerns regarding the impacts of Bill 8 on the Township of Spallumcheen.

As a reminder, we are requesting that the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development initiate and support the province providing the Township of Spallumcheen with a modification to Bill 8 that reduces the maximum exemption for the total assessed value of all farm improvements on a farm. The Township believes that this approach would enable Township Council to move forward with its goal of financial sustainability without causing further uncertainty about property taxation to farms and create equitable taxation among the different types of farms in the Township. For more information, please refer to the attached brief that we distributed at our meeting.

Once again, we thank you for your commitment to an ongoing working relationship. We look forward to your favorable response to our request. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions about the foregoing.

Respectfully,

*Janice Brown*  
Janice Brown  
Mayor, Township of Spallumcheen

cc: Greg Kylo

attachment: Meeting Brief

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## TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN



### 2014 UBCM BRIEFING NOTES FOR MEETING WITH MINISTER OAKES

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**Meeting with:** Honourable Coralee Oakes – Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development

**Date & Time:** Thursday September 25, 2014 9:55-10:10 am

**Location:** Crystal Room, Second Level, Westin Hotel

**In Attendance:** Mayor Janice Brown  
Councillor Joe Van Tienhoven  
Councillor Todd York  
Corey Paiement, CAO

**Subject:** Impacts of Bill 8 on the Township of Spallumcheen

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#### **REQUESTED ACTION**

That the Minister of Agriculture initiates and supports the Province providing the Township of Spallumcheen with a modification to Bill 8 (2011) that reduces the maximum exemption for the total assessed value of all farm improvements on a farm from 87.5% to 44%.

#### **CHANGES IN BILL 8 (2011) THAT HAVE RESULTED IN THIS REQUEST**

Bill 8 amended Section 220(1)(n) of the *Community Charter, S.B.C. 2003* to increase the exemption for the total assessed value of all farm improvements on a farm from a maximum assessed value of \$50,000 to a maximum exemption of the greater of \$50,000 or 87.5% of the assessed values.

#### **ISSUE**

The Township understands from the BC Assessment Authority that the anticipated average impact on local governments in BC from Bill 8 was a reduction in property tax assessment of 0.5%. In Spallumcheen, the impact was 4.17% or over eight times the anticipated average impact in BC.

The changes in Bill 8 resulted in Spallumcheen "losing" some \$33,000,000 in Class 01, Residential assessments in 2013 and beyond. This "loss" of assessment value is equivalent to municipal property tax revenue of about \$120,000.

This unanticipated "loss" had a significant impact on Council's intended policy directions which had been established in terms of its specific financial objectives as required under 165 (3.1) of the *Community Charter*. Essentially this "loss" of assessment value resulted in a property tax class shift. In order for the Township to meet its annual budget requirements necessary to operate the municipality, the burden of this taxation was transferred to the other eight property tax classifications in 2013. The \$120,000 shift is equivalent to an annual tax increase of 2.6%.

### **SITUATION**

The goal of the Township Council is to provide fair and equitable taxation to property owners in our community and ensure the financial stability of the Township, as well as the farm industry. Bill 8 disrupted Council's previously established financial objectives and policies that were implemented to ensure the Township's financial sustainability into the future. In 2014, the Township Council adjusted its financial objectives and policies again to redistribute the loss of tax revenue from Bill 8 back to the pre-Bill 8 levels.

The outcome of the redistribution in 2014 resulted in a shift of property taxation among the different types of farms in the Township which could not mirror the impacts of the Bill 8 exemption. Generally, farms with a relatively high value of farm improvements benefitted in 2013 and 2014 by paying less property taxes than 2012. Farms consisting of primarily farm land with little or no farm improvements paid about the same property taxes in 2013 as 2012 and more in 2014 than 2012. This has occurred because local governments are unable to apply different taxation rates within an assessment class, in this case Class 09, or farm.

### **SOLUTION**

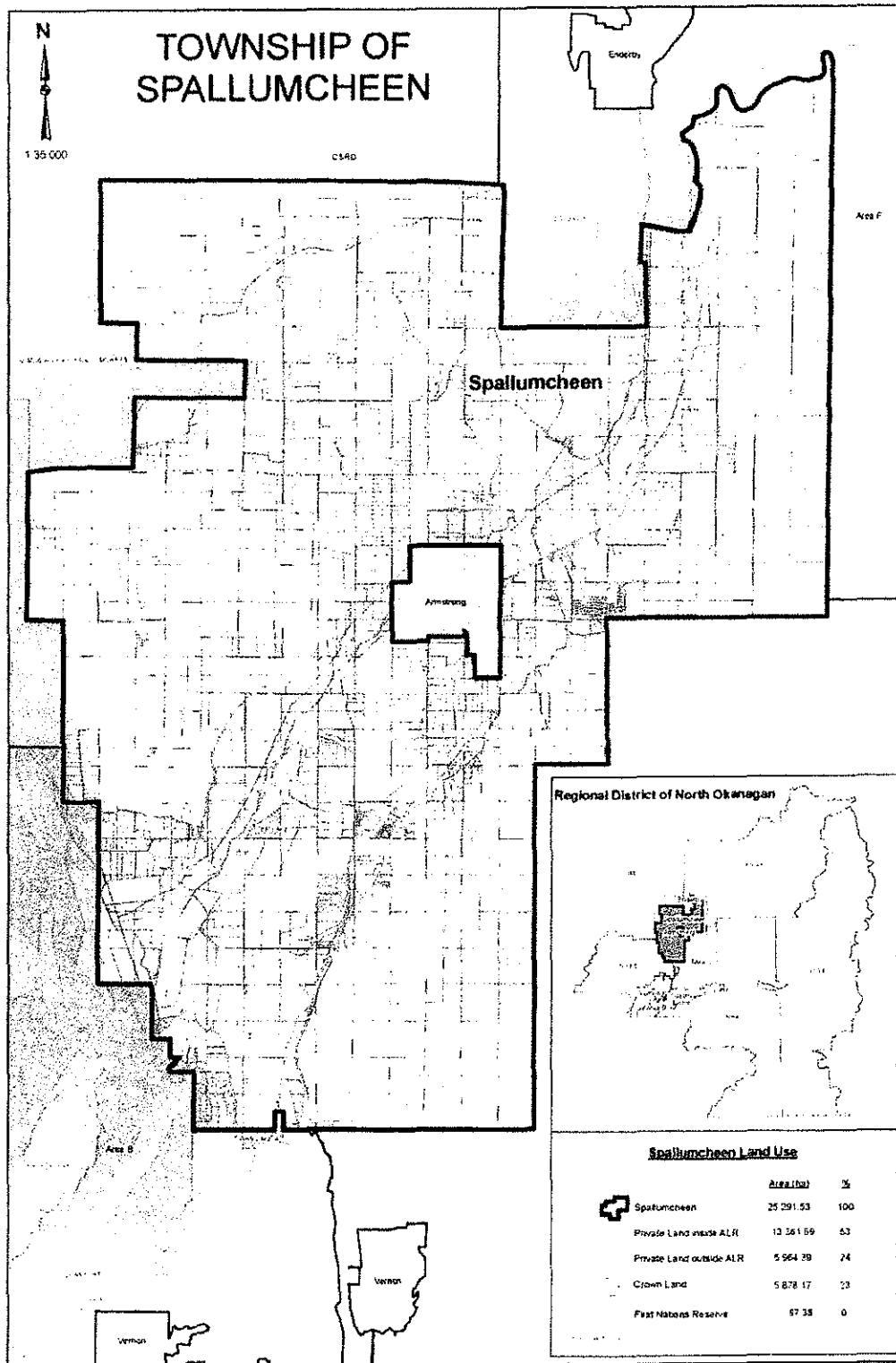
Rather than request that the Township return to the pre-Bill 8 exemptions, the Township prefers to have the Bill 8 exemption reduced for its jurisdiction as municipalities do not have the necessary legislative tools to do so. The Township believes that this approach would enable Township Council to move forward with its goal of financial sustainability without causing further uncertainty about property taxation to farmers and create equitable taxation among the different types of farms in the Township. The Township requests that the current Bill 8 exemption be reduced from 87.5% to 44% in Spallumcheen. It is understood that this could occur by way of an Order in Council.

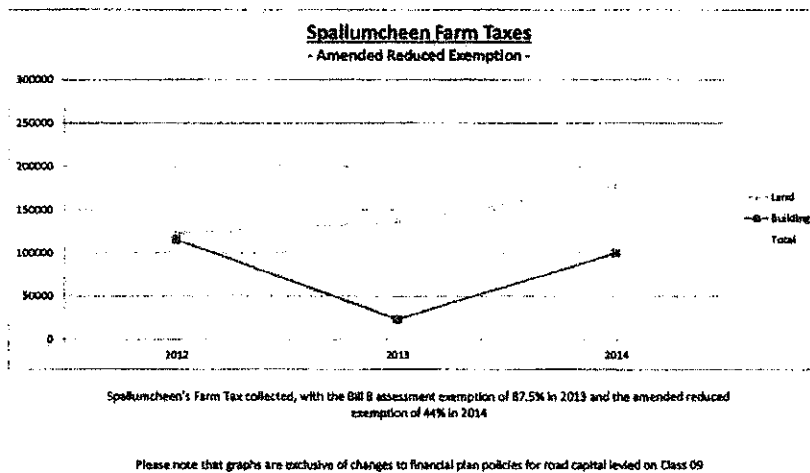
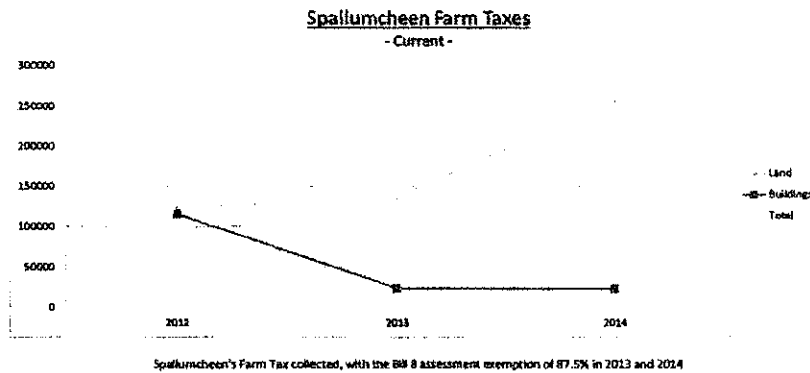
The Township is interested in receiving from the Minister details about any other solutions that may reduce the impact of Bill 8 on the Township Spallumcheen.

### **PREVIOUS MEETING WITH THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE**

Township representatives had the opportunity to meet with the Minister of Agriculture at his constituency office on July 30, 2014 to discuss the foregoing. At that time, the Minister committed to discuss the Township's situation with the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development as her Ministry includes the BC Assessment Authority. He also indicated he would request that Minister Oakes have the BC Assessment Authority review and report on the magnitude of Bill 8 impacts on each local government in BC.

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## ANALYSIS OF BILL 8 (2011): RANK DEPICTED TAXABLE VALUE LOSS TO GENERAL NET TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

Rank	Area	Jur	Jur Name	Occurrences Count	Taxable Value Loss	Net General Assessment (2013 Completed Roll)	Table Value Loss to Net General
1	20	323	Township of Spallumcheen	409	-\$1,743,788	\$ 777,355,649	-4.0836%
2	15	310	District of Kent	155	-\$14,697,863	\$ 760,972,632	-1.9315%
3	23	212	City of Kamloops	69	-\$2,323,325	\$ 151,724,065	-1.5313%
4	15	313	City of Abbotsford	1,659	-\$187,662,713	\$ 17,907,361,567	-1.0480%
5	15	303	City of Chilliwack	1,042	-\$97,130,975	\$ 10,317,732,774	-0.9414%
6	15	319	City of Pitt Meadows	222	-\$18,740,213	\$ 3,017,241,536	-0.6211%
7	4	207	City of Duncan	1	-\$2,757,000	\$ 606,572,119	-0.4545%
8	15	311	Township of Langley	1,434	-\$82,612,950	\$ 22,735,958,662	-0.3634%
9	11	306	Corporation of Delta	236	-\$54,021,225	\$ 22,043,685,229	-0.2451%
10	19	364	District of West Kelowna	420	-\$12,679,875	\$ 6,103,537,609	-0.2077%
11	24	557	District of 100 Mile House	5	-\$52,775	\$ 29,182,875	-0.1808%
12	1	302	District of Central Saanich	247	-\$6,487,925	\$ 3,632,973,260	-0.1786%
13	20	322	City of Salmon Arm	206	-\$4,196,525	\$ 2,508,453,409	-0.1673%
14	4	315	District of North Cowichan	220	-\$4,901,350	\$ 4,444,371,091	-0.1103%
15	1	344	District of Metchosin	92	-\$1,079,325	\$ 1,023,816,209	-0.1054%
16	24	470	City of Quesnel	6	-\$1,005,250	\$ 1,036,845,483	-0.0970%
17	17	325	District of Summerland	197	-\$1,865,863	\$ 2,006,492,973	-0.0930%
18	20	304	District of Coldstream	129	-\$1,675,950	\$ 1,878,691,490	-0.0892%
19	20	348	District of Sicamous	5	-\$614,275	\$ 722,775,477	-0.0850%
20	1	332	District of North Saanich	81	-\$2,611,463	\$ 3,706,912,826	-0.0704%
21	27	333	District of Hudson's Hope	21	-\$108,175	\$ 170,744,475	-0.0634%
22	26	226	City of Prince George	49	-\$4,163,138	\$ 7,664,257,515	-0.0543%
23	19	331	District of Lake Country	206	-\$1,252,013	\$ 2,632,601,809	-0.0476%
24	19	217	City of Kelowna	532	-\$7,201,688	\$ 17,681,282,123	-0.0407%
25	14	326	City of Surrey	500	-\$33,220,850	\$ 83,562,349,079	-0.0398%
26	1	362	District of Highlands (SD62)	16	-\$152,000	\$ 441,801,177	-0.0344%
27	25	341	District of Houston	25	-\$75,700	\$ 221,189,093	-0.0342%
28	20	233	City of Vernon	35	-\$2,103,475	\$ 6,637,924,808	-0.0317%
29	23	352	District of Clearwater	13	-\$16,675	\$ 56,028,142	-0.0298%
30	1	309	District of Saanich (SD63)	182	-\$1,695,188	\$ 5,722,193,943	-0.0296%
31	15	312	District of Maple Ridge	223	-\$2,775,163	\$ 12,583,095,635	-0.0221%
32	4	350	District of Lantzville (SD68)	9	-\$148,625	\$ 673,927,171	-0.0221%
33	23	540	District of Lillooet	9	-\$217,500	\$ 1,027,761,904	-0.0212%

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34	26	585	District of Vanderhoof	16	-\$86,463	\$ 426,339,618	-0.0203%
35	15	314	District of Mission	89	-\$937,413	\$ 5,088,536,336	-0.0184%
36	22	205	City of Cranbrook	6	-\$20,663	\$ 114,053,483	-0.0181%
37	1	349	District of Sooke	21	-\$312,350	\$ 2,013,708,562	-0.0155%
38	25	339	City of Terrace	15	-\$149,638	\$ 1,036,845,483	-0.0144%
39	23	451	City of Merritt	6	-\$29,975	\$ 222,729,022	-0.0135%
40	23	503	Village of Ashcroft	4	-\$99,625	\$ 918,604,346	-0.0108%
41	11	320	City of Richmond	166	-\$4,510,750	\$ 55,269,144,539	-0.0082%
42	20	202	City of Armstrong	7	-\$48,000	\$ 606,103,893	-0.0079%
43	17	556	Town of Osoyoos	10	-\$100,500	\$ 1,278,742,550	-0.0079%
44	17	555	Town of Oliver	21	-\$51,250	\$ 678,868,443	-0.0075%
45	8	570	District of Sechelt	17	-\$150,563	\$ 2,155,198,912	-0.0070%
46	8	560	Village of Pemberton	4	-\$25,225	\$ 416,224,247	-0.0061%
47	17	222	City of Penticton	112	-\$322,788	\$ 5,353,730,483	-0.0060%
48	17	547	Village of Midway	8	-\$4,338	\$ 79,887,868	-0.0054%
49	1	308	District of Saanich (SD61)	79	-\$900,438	\$ 17,567,555,517	-0.0051%
50	4	565	Town of Qualicum Beach	20	-\$65,638	\$ 1,896,311,358	-0.0035%
51	22	568	Village of Canal Flats	2	-\$22,363	\$ 794,488,577	-0.0028%
52	19	318	District of Peachland	19	-\$30,725	\$ 1,180,780,885	-0.0026%
53	15	432	District of Hope	18	-\$19,563	\$ 772,978,995	-0.0025%
54	27	255	Northern Rockies Regional Mun	14	-\$46,490	\$ 2,255,722,860	-0.0021%
55	6	330	City of Powell River	9	-\$24,463	\$ 1,497,755,406	-0.0016%
56	4	250	City of Nanaimo	30	-\$168,813	\$ 12,754,608,256	-0.0013%
57	8	524	Town of Gibsons	1	-\$9,325	\$ 877,385,584	-0.0011%
58	10	301	City of Burnaby	27	-\$595,500	\$ 56,906,112,949	-0.0010%
59	6	336	City of Campbell River	17	-\$37,238	\$ 3,872,667,771	-0.0010%
60	9	200	City of Vancouver	8	-\$1,292,313	\$ 217,273,739,716	-0.0006%
61	10	224	City of Port Coquitlam	30	-\$55,000	\$ 10,129,525,760	-0.0005%
62	8	321	Bowen Island Municipality	10	-\$6,438	\$ 1,472,994,105	-0.0004%
63	6	204	City of Courtenay	8	-\$13,550	\$ 3,721,747,689	-0.0004%
64	20	208	City of Enderby	3	\$0	\$ 320,281,863	0.0000%
65	17	210	City of Grand Forks	1	\$0	\$ 475,075,988	0.0000%
66	1	213	City of Colwood	1	\$0	\$ 2,719,753,694	0.0000%

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## ANALYSIS OF BILL 8 (2011): RANK DEPICTED TAXABLE VALUE LOSS TO GENERAL NET TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

Rank	Area	Jur	Jur Name	Occurrence Count	Taxable Value Loss	Net General Assessment (2013 Completed Roll)	Table Value Loss to Net General
67	10	220	City of New Westminster	3	\$0 \$	12,205,147,592	0.0000%
68	4	223	City of Port Alberni	4	\$0 \$	1,661,151,876	0.0000%
69	21	229	City of Rossland	3	\$0 \$	2,363,172,727	0.0000%
70	10	305	City of Coquitlam	10	\$0 \$	27,218,739,752	0.0000%
71	1	317	District of Oak Bay	1	\$0 \$	5,741,629,101	0.0000%
72	1	327	City of Langford	22	\$0 \$	6,002,150,541	0.0000%
73	25	329	District of Kitimat	1	\$0 \$	1,027,761,904	0.0000%
74	22	337	District of Sparwood	4	\$0 \$	12,421,596,199	0.0000%
75	8	338	District of Squamish	1	\$0 \$	3,401,767,259	0.0000%
76	25	342	District of New Hazelton	1	\$0 \$	29,182,875	0.0000%
77	27	343	District of Tumbler Ridge	1	\$0 \$	510,979,868	0.0000%
78	23	345	District of Barriere	8	\$0 \$	308,356,199	0.0000%
79	15	353	City of Abbotsford - Extended	3	\$0 \$	114,016,868	0.0000%
80	1	361	District of Highlands (SD61)	4	\$0 \$	86,048,803	0.0000%
81	1	401	Town of View Royal (SD61)	1	\$0 \$	1,855,002,778	0.0000%
82	1	402	Town of View Royal (SD62)	1	\$0 \$	11,297,143	0.0000%
83	11	403	Tsawwassen First Nation	4	\$0 \$	165,487,187	0.0000%
84	6	412	Town of Comox	2	\$0 \$	2,008,913,164	0.0000%
85	21	413	Town of Creston	5	\$0 \$	592,557,353	0.0000%
86	4	445	Town of Ladysmith	1	\$0 \$	1,123,781,204	0.0000%
87	24	492	City of Williams Lake	1	\$0 \$	221,189,093	0.0000%
88	23	512	Village of Chase	4	\$0 \$	1,075,384,343	0.0000%
89	23	515	Village of Clinton	2	\$0 \$	230,594,687	0.0000%
90	22	517	District of Elkford	4	\$0 \$	173,392,497	0.0000%
91	21	521	Village of Fruitvale	2	\$0 \$	395,959,244	0.0000%
92	22	532	District of Invermere	1	\$0 \$	263,677,266	0.0000%
93	17	535	Village of Keremeos	5	\$0 \$	179,797,858	0.0000%
94	21	553	Village of Nakusp	3	\$0 \$	859,298,961	0.0000%
95	4	559	City of Parksville	2	\$0 \$	2,155,910,139	0.0000%
96	27	577	District of Taylor	2	\$0 \$	209,589,154	0.0000%



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October 10, 2014

File No.: 3020-20  
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Honourable Coralee Oakes  
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Honourable Todd Stone  
Minister  
Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure and  
Deputy House Leader  
P.O. Box 9055, Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Premier Christy Clark, Ministers Thomson and Stone:


**Re: Sponsored Crown Grant 2515 Bartley Road, West Kelowna**

On behalf of West Kelowna Council I would like to extend heartfelt thank you for granting and securing the Sponsored Crown Grant at 2515 Bartley Road for the District of West Kelowna.

The tireless and personalized attention each of you afforded to secure this Sponsored Crown Grant is greatly appreciated. Residents of West Kelowna will benefit for years to come with the many municipal operations that can be accommodated on this parcel.

Accomplishing the goal of securing crown land for municipal purposes is very satisfying. The collaborative approach was very successful and West Kelowna looks forward to continuing with this positive relationship with the Provincial Government and Westbank First Nation.

Yours truly,

  
Doug Findlater  
Mayor

cc West Kelowna Council  
Jim Zaffino, Chief Administrative Officer  
West Kelowna Senior Managers  
Front Counter BC, Susan Engemoan  
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**From:** Gwen Johansson <mayor@hudsonshope.ca>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 24, 2014 5:11 PM  
**To:** Minister, CSCD CSCD:EX  
**Subject:** Request for Meeting

**Categories:** Meeting Request

Dear Minister Oakes:

I am writing to request a meeting for Hudson's Hope with Minister Oakes. Our primary topic is the Northeast BC Resource Municipalities Coalition. We spoke on the same topic at UBCM. We are seeking some clarification on the province's approach and ideas as to how Hudson's Hope could fit into your thinking. If possible, we would like to meet between October 29<sup>th</sup> and November 11<sup>th</sup>. I have contacted Karen Goodings, Peace River Regional District Chair, to see if she would be interested in accompanying us. We have issues in common.

I look forward to your response.  
Thank you.

**Gwen Johansson, Mayor**  
District of Hudson's Hope

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*City of Pitt Meadows*

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

July 2, 2014

Honourable Coralee Oakes  
Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development  
PO Box 9056  
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Victoria, BC V8W 982

Dear Minister Oakes,

Re: Unified Building Code Effect on Local Governments Provision of Public Safety

The recent Ministerial release of the Province's intent to implement a Unified Building Code within the next 24 months is of significant concern to many, if not all, local governments. The removal of local ability to introduce concurrent authority in regard to aspects of construction, especially related to public safety, can only occur if it is replaced by significantly enhanced legislation from the Province to fill the void.

The decision to institute a Unified Building Code (UBC) currently rests with the Ministry of Natural Gas Development, Minister Responsible for Housing and Deputy Premier. However, the Ministry of Communities, Sport and Cultural Development must be involved as the impacts of the UBC, as described currently, are likely to directly and negatively impact community safety. Public Safety is a primary role of all levels of government and must take priority over all other considerations. Reducing levels of safety through legislation designed to enhance business is unacceptable.

The City of Pitt Meadows has a highly successful fire sprinkler component to our Building Bylaw that has enhanced public safety, reduced fire service costs, and dramatically reduced fire losses (both human and structural). It has never experienced negative "push back" from home-owners, builders or developers for over 19 years! The positive results of the local fire sprinkler requirements above those contained within the current Building code are irrefutable. Removal of the ability for the City to continue to ensure such efficient and effective service is unacceptable without an alternative solution that, at minimum, provides the City with equal or better results to those obtained by the current system.

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The Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) has responded to the Province by agreeing to engage in open, consultative discussion related to acceptable alternatives that address these types of concerns for a number of different Code areas. At least one smaller Working Group, discussing fire sprinklers, is also underway and includes representatives from local government, the Provincial Building Safety and Standards Branch, the Office of the Fire Commissioner, fire services, building and sprinkler trades, engineering and architectural professionals, and others.

The Fire Chiefs Assoc of BC has also taken the position whereby any legislative changes to the Building Code which reduce the level of public safety related to fire protection in any community is unacceptable. There are approximately 30 local jurisdictions with local legislation similar to that utilized in Pitt Meadows, including the City of Vancouver. There is simply no evidence that has been presented which suggests that reducing public safety, through elimination of local concurrent regulation, can be justified in order to improve construction practices. In fact, the evidence indisputably points to the contrary and jurisdictions all across Canada and the USA are recognizing that increased requirements for safety are needed and desired by the public at large.

The decision to institute a Unified Building Code (UBC) currently rests with the Ministry of Natural Gas Development and Minister Responsible for Housing and Deputy Premier. However, the Ministry of Communities, Sport and Cultural Development, as well as the Ministry of Justice, through EMBC and the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC), must be involved as the impacts of this proposed change are sweeping and directly affect public safety and community development.

Separate letters addressed to these Ministries will be sent describing the position of the City of Pitt Meadows related to introduction of a Unified Building Code and its apparent negative impact on our ability to provide highly efficient, effective and safe local government services.

Mr. Minister, please understand that the City recognizes the challenges for business related to multiple, and oftentimes, conflicting local regulation. However, there are solutions that do not result in a reduction of public safety, such as increased Code requirements for things such as fire sprinkler use and building standards in interface locations. It is incumbent on the Province to work with local government on this issue, not to dictate standards which will negatively impact public safety and local government service delivery.

Respectfully,



Deb Walter  
Mayor

cc: Minister of Natural Gas Development and Responsible for Housing  
Minister of Justice and Attorney General  
Union of British Columbia Member Municipalities  
Doug Bing, MLA  
Pitt Meadows Council  
Don Jolley, Fire Chief

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City of Parksville  
Office of the Mayor

October 8, 2014

Honorable Rich Coleman,  
Minister Responsible for Housing and Deputy Premier  
PO Box 9052, Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Coleman:

**Re: Proposed Uniform BC Building Code**

The City of Parksville would like to thank you and your staff for the efforts to modernize the BC Building Code. Parksville's Council is appreciative of the ability to provide input on the proposed changes.

Like you, our provincial partners, we are supportive of a vibrant local economy and strive to conduct municipal business in an efficient and effective manner. Council is supportive of a uniform code to achieve greater consistency and compliance across the province, resulting in enhanced public safety.

Council places a high priority on the health, safety and well-being of our community, which is largely comprised of aging seniors and retirees. Parksville is a small municipality and relies upon the services of a dedicated volunteer Fire Department. In 2003, City Council adopted a fire suppression provision in its building bylaw to enhance the safety of our residents and business owners. The bylaw process included extensive public consultation and has received broad support in our city. The existence of this requirement has definitely saved lives and has reduced financial and economic losses due to fire and water damage when an emergency situation occurs.

Council urges the province to consider the critical importance of fire suppression devices in rural and small communities where it is simply not feasible to fund a full time fire department. Council strongly recommends that the proposed uniform code include a requirement for sprinkler systems in all commercial/industrial buildings that exceed 100m<sup>2</sup> and in all multi-family residential buildings in order to maintain the City's current level of safety, and ideally be expanded to include all residential buildings.

Information from the BC Association of Fire Chiefs indicates that the costs to install sprinkler systems is less than \$1.00 per square foot, and this cost is more than offset by other benefits to the developer in terms of reduced fire separation, lower insurance premiums and larger building allowances. Given the effectiveness of fire suppression systems in saving lives and protecting the investments of land owners, the City of Parksville's Council strongly believes that inclusion of a sprinkler provision in the new Code makes sense and should be adopted by the Province.

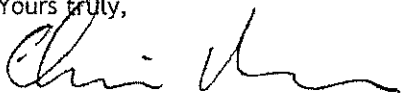
Removing the ability of the City of Parksville to require the installation of fire suppression devices will result in significant unnecessary risks to our population and it is Council's opinion that it would only be a matter of time before a devastating tragedy will occur.

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Honorable Rich Coleman,  
Minister Responsible for Housing and Deputy Premier  
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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendments to the BC Building Code. We look forward to hearing that fire suppression devices will be incorporated into the new regulations.

Yours truly,



Mayor Chris Burger

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cc: UBCM President  
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September 29, 2014

Honourable Minister Steve Thomson  
Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations  
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### Rural Advisory Council Appointment

Minister Thomson:

I would like to put my name forward to sit on the Rural Advisory Council that is being established by the province. As the Mayor of a small rural community I would offer a strong voice for rural citizens of British Columbia and be able to provide meaningful input into government policy decisions on how to best support rural prosperity and thriving rural communities across B.C.

As Mayor for the Village of Lumby I provide valuable input into resource development in rural areas. The impacts of economic diversification are at the forefront of every rural community across B.C. In Lumby we have recently partnered with the Splatshin First Nation to create the Monashee Community Forest LLP. This venture will assist the Village in minimizing the impacts of taxation from a diminishing tax base being impacted by globalization and economic recession.

Rural community needs differ from those of large urban centers and require a collaborative approach through concentrated engagement including partnerships among governments, businesses, organizations and community members. The Monashee Community Forest is an example of this. I feel that I would be able to provide sound advice on avenues to support greater rural access to investment capital and viable ideas on how to promote stronger business development support for rural entrepreneurs and business owners.

I was part of the elected officials group that managed to process and finalize a Regional Growth Strategy without issues (i.e. first go around). I am fully committed to focusing on rural economic development and participating in raising awareness and understanding of rural communities. I truly recognize the need to support rural communities in developing strong economies and transitioning from dependency on traditional sectors to capitalizing on exciting new opportunities emerging in B.C.

Currently I am the Mayor of Lumby for a second term,

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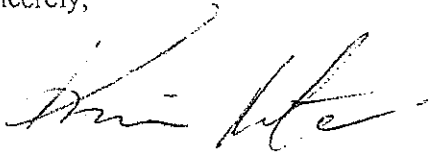
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I believe strongly that all three levels of government can work together to improve the benefits of living in rural British Columbia and feel that with my wealth of knowledge as a business owner, mayor and volunteer, I would be a great asset to this new endeavour. I would be able to provide firsthand knowledge on the importance of diversification in a rural community and the importance of a strong economic base in keeping these communities viable well into the future.

Thank you for considering my involvement on the Rural Advisory Council and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,



Mayor Kevin Acton

cc: Honourable Christy Clark, Premier  
Donna Barnett, Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Development  
Eric Foster, MLA Vernon-Monashee  
Honourable Minister Coralee Oakes

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September 29, 2014

Honourable Coralee Oakes  
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Minister Oakes:

Office of the Mayor

Thank you for taking the time to meet with the Village of Lumby delegation at the 2014 UBCM Convention to discuss our concerns with small local government funding and the need for further assistance to be granted towards small local governments under 5,000. As a small rural community, with a limited tax base, we are continually looking for government grants to assist in helping create sustainable projects and attractions within Lumby that will bring long term benefits of economic diversification. We also discussed the request for a new strategy from the BC government when providing grants to local governments, and that the definition for "small" local governments needs to be redefined or even a new category for Villages and Towns (under population of 5,000). Villages do not have the tax base or reserves built up to match even a 1/3 shared funding agreement. This puts the small local government with populations under 5,000 at risk in maintaining and upgrading its infrastructure and undermines the sense of community which your ministry values so dearly.

Lastly, we discussed the need for government to consider the alignment of goals and objectives of each Development Initiative Trust. Lumby is in SIDIT (Southern Interior Development Initiatives Trust). Ashcroft, Clinton, Burns Lake, Fraser Lake, Telkwa (to name a few for comparison) are in NDIT (Northern Development Initiatives Trust). NDIT, which we know you are well aware of, provides annual funding to any of its municipal members for a grant writer as well as economic development initiatives (among many other programs and initiatives to encourage economic development) to the amount of approximately \$65,000. This is annual non repayable funding which allows these small communities to continually investigate economic development opportunities focusing on job retention/creation, business retention/attraction and overall economic well-being of their community. Lumby competes directly with these communities for economic development opportunities and is at a clear disadvantage.

The Village of Lumby Council would like to thank you and your Ministry for the \$10,000 grant for our Water Utility 20 Year Financial Plan, which will be on the next regular Council meeting agenda for adoption. This document will assist the Village in applying for potential funding sources to manage our assets in a sustainable manner.

Again, thank you for the meeting as we appreciate that your time is extremely valuable. We hope you will visit us in Lumby to see the benefits of the spray park and outdoor exercise equipment which officially opened last spring. It truly is a remarkable feature for our beautiful community and one that could not be fully realized without the support from you and your Ministry.

Sincerely,

Mayor Kevin Acton

cc: Eric Foster – MLA Vernon-Monashee

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September 30, 2014

The Honourable Coralee Oakes  
Minister of Community, Sports and Cultural Development  
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Dear Minister Oakes:

**Re: Section 21 of the Powell River Incorporation Act**

On September 4, 2014, the Council of the City of Powell River passed the attached resolution to request the Lieutenant Governor in Council to amend Section 21 of the Powell River Incorporation Act.

Section 21 provides an exemption from City bylaws and regulations for the mill-site (now the Catalyst Mill) operating in certain lands of the City. Over the years, a significant portion of these lands have been transferred from the Mill to the City and others. Some of these lands are City parks and some are available for development. Notably, there is a portion of the lands that the City of Powell River owns or co-owns with our partners, the Sliammon First Nation and we would like to see these lands developed to facilitate economic progress of our region. The inclusion of these lands as part of the mill-site area pursuant to Section 21 has discouraged a number of business proposals interested in utilizing the lands for development.

The City of Powell River would appreciate your advice as to any additional information that may be required and the assistance of the Minister to bring this request to a prompt and successful conclusion.

Yours truly,  
CITY OF POWELL RIVER

David J. Formosa  
Mayor

DJF/mcs  
Attachments



## City of Powell River

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Copy of resolution 14-230 adopted by Powell River City Council at the Regular Council meeting held September 4, 2014:

Resolved:

WHEREAS the Interpretation Act and Local Government Act empower the Lieutenant Governor in Council to make regulations considered necessary and advisable and ancillary to an enactment;

AND WHEREAS a portion of land in the "Mill-site Area" as defined pursuant to Section 21 and the Fourth Schedule of the Powell River Incorporation Act are no longer under the ownership of the entity currently known as Catalyst Paper Corporation;

AND WHEREAS these lands are unoccupied;

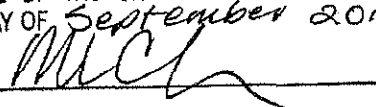
AND WHEREAS the City owns, or co-owns or otherwise has possession and control of these lands with the Sliammon Nation;

AND WHEREAS the City and the Sliammon Nation would like to see these lands develop for the economic progress of the City, the Region and the Province;

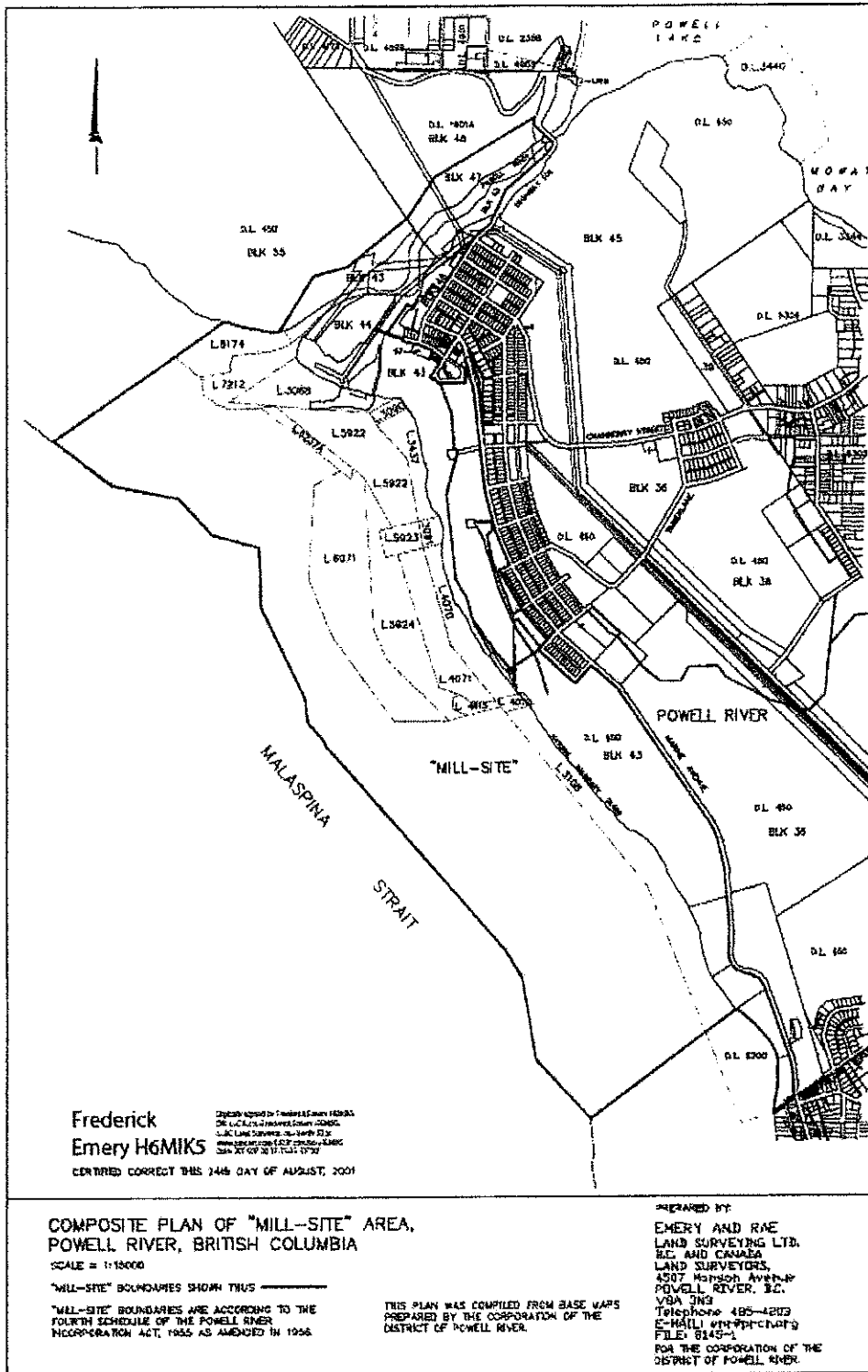
AND WHEREAS the continuous identification of these lands as part of the "Mill-site Area" has proven to be a disincentive to attract business and investors to utilize these lands;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the City request the Lieutenant Governor in Council to make regulations to amend the Fourth Schedule (section 21) of the Powell River District Incorporation Act to modify the "Description of the Proposed Boundaries of the Mill-site Area" from the current boundaries shown in Appendix I, attached hereto and forming part of this resolution, to the revised boundaries shown in Appendix II, attached hereto and forming part of this resolution, so that those lands no longer owned nor used by the entity currently known as "Catalyst Paper Corporation" are excluded from the Mill-site Area.

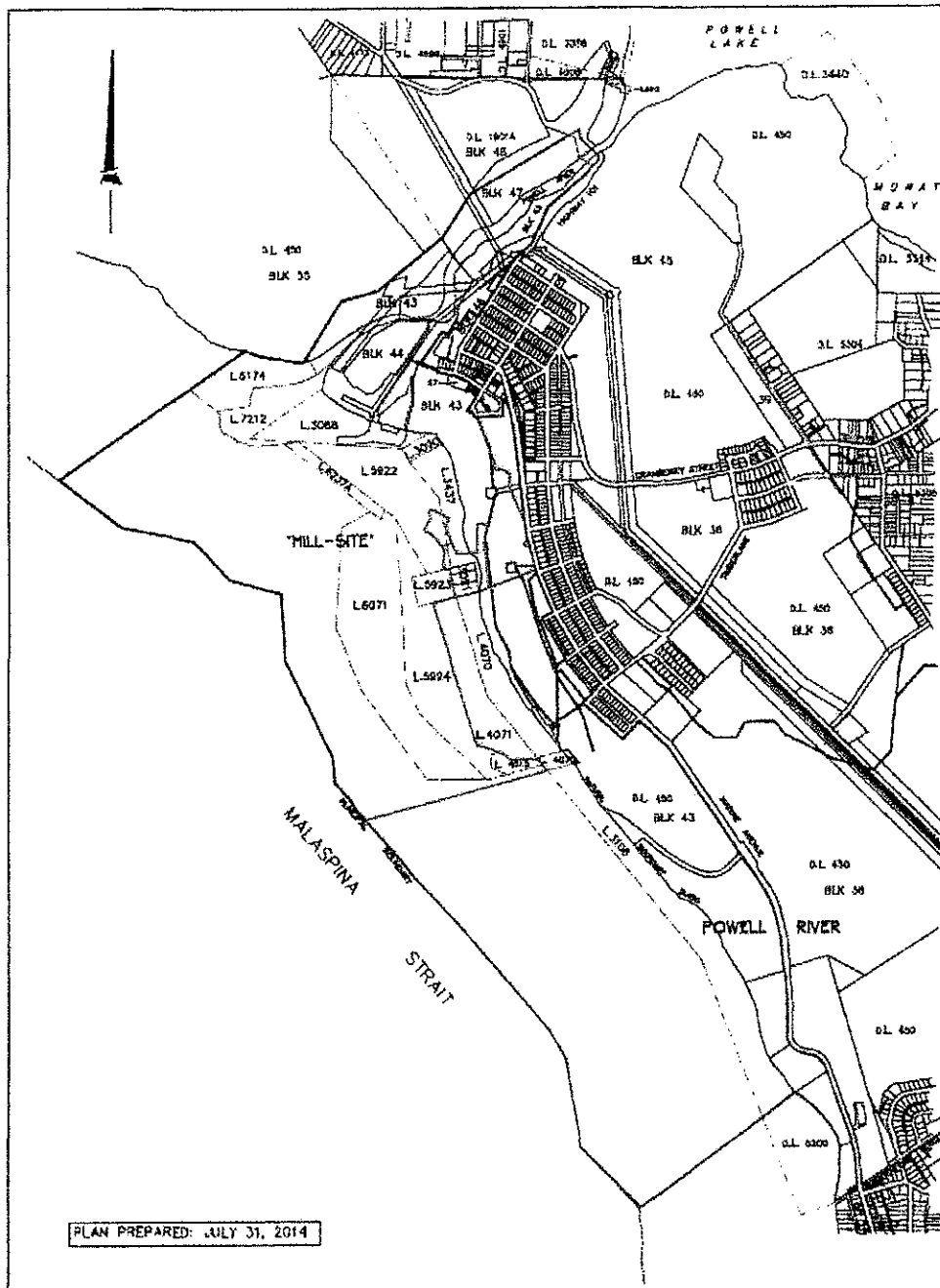
I HEREBY CERTIFY THE ABOVE TO BE A TRUE COPY  
OF A RESOLUTION WHICH WAS PASSED BY THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POWELL RIVER  
THE 4th DAY OF September 2014

  
CITY CLERK  
THE CITY OF POWELL RIVER

## APPENDIX I



## APPENDIX II



PROPOSED REDEFINITION OF SECTION 21 "MILL-SITE" AREAS,  
POWELL RIVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA  
SCALE = 1:15000

### LEGEND

EXISTING "MILL-SITE" BOUNDARIES TO REMAIN  
EXISTING "MILL-SITE" BOUNDARIES TO BE REMOVED  
PROPOSED NEW "MILL-SITE" BOUNDARIES

THE PLAN WAS COMPILED FROM BASE MAPS  
PREPARED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE  
DISTRICT OF POWELL RIVER.

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**Marquis, Yvette CSCD:EX**

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**From:** Marquis, Yvette CSCD:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 1, 2014 11:10 AM  
**To:** 'Teunis Westbroek'  
**Subject:** RE:

Good morning Mayor Westbroek,  
Thanks so much for following up on this. We are working on the Minister's fall schedule and I have added this request to the mix.  
I will be in touch as soon as possible.  
Thank you and have a great day!

*Yvette Marquis  
Administrative Coordinator to the  
Honourable Coralee Oakes  
Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development  
Room 124, Parliament Bldgs  
Victoria, BC V8V 1X4  
250-387-0896*

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**From:** Teunis Westbroek [<mailto:mayor@qualicumbeach.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 1, 2014 10:58 AM  
**To:** Marquis, Yvette CSCD:EX  
**Subject:**

Bonjour Yvette,

During the UBCM Conference last week, I had the honour of introducing the Honourable Minister Oakes at the AGM of the Municipal Insurance Association of B.C. The Minister was very well received and encouraged me to arrange a meeting to discuss some of the opportunities for the Government and MIABC to work together on.

Would you be able to provide me with some dates that are convenient for the Minister to have that discussion?

Kind regards;

Teunis Westbroek  
Mayor, and Chair of MIABC  
Town of Qualicum Beach  
P: 250.752.6921  
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**From:** Minister, CSCD CSCD:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 30, 2014 2:17 PM  
**To:** CSCD Minister's Correspondence Action Items CSCD:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Letter from the City of Quesnel  
**Attachments:** doc02250020140930125204.pdf

FYI/Cliff

**From:** Rhya Hartley [mailto:rhartley@quesnel.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 30, 2014 2:12 PM  
**To:** Transportation, Minister TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** coralee.oakes.mla@leg.bc.ca; Minister, CSCD CSCD:EX; Webb, April LASS:EX; Minister, ABR ABR:EX  
**Subject:** Letter from the City of Quesnel

**Re: Transportation Plan for the North Cariboo - Quesnel**

Please see attached correspondence from the City of Quesnel.

Rhya Hartley  
Executive Assistant, City of Quesnel  
[t] 250-991-7477

-----Original Message-----

**From:** cityhall@quesnel.ca [mailto:cityhall@quesnel.ca]  
**Sent:** September 30, 2014 1:52 PM  
**To:** Rhya Hartley  
**Subject:**

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September 29, 2014

Via email: [Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca)

Office of the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

**Attention:** Minister Todd Stone

**RE:** Transportation Plan for the Quesnel Region

Dear Minister Stone;

Thank you for meeting with our delegation representing the City of Quesnel and the Cariboo Regional District at the UBCM Convention in Whistler.

Further to those discussions and, on behalf of Quesnel City Council, I urge the Province to undertake development of a Transportation Plan for the North Cariboo. There are significant traffic and safety issues which need to be addressed, including a severe bottle neck at Carson Avenue and Front Street, within the City.

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Additionally, connectivity between Quesnel and the Nechako Basin via a route over the Blackwater River is an integral part of our economic future. Not only will such a passage allow future opportunities with the New Gold Blackwater Project for Quesnel and area residents but, will ensure that the remote Aboriginal communities of Nazko and Kluskus [Lhoosk'uz Dene Nation] are also in a position to take advantage of employment options. At present, these communities lie less

*The City of Quesnel is proud to be a part of the Cariboo Regional District and the Cariboo Regional District is proud to be a part of the City of Quesnel. We are committed to working together to improve the quality of life for all residents and to ensure that the Cariboo Regional District is a place where everyone can thrive.*





## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

than 100 kilometers away from the proposed job site, however, as the only access is currently through Vanderhoof; commute time is in excess of 8 hours.

An access point to the Nechako Basin would have a significant impact on economic gains for our remote Aboriginal communities and, would also allow better access to timber for our local mills.

I respectfully ask that you review our request to ensure access to the Nechako Basin via Quesnel is included in the Transportation Plan for Quesnel and Area. I understand that alternate routes are under consideration and the City trusts the Ministry will determine the best access point.

I invite you to visit Quesnel in the near future to see our challenges and opportunities for yourself and your Ministry.

Sincerely,

Mayor Mary Sjöström  
City of Quesnel

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cc Minister Coralee Oakes, Community, Sport and Cultural Development  
Minister John Rustad, Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation

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The City of Quesnel is a community of people who are proud to be part of the Nechako Basin. We are committed to providing a high quality of life for our residents and to ensuring that our community is a welcoming and inclusive place for all.

**From:** Cher Wyers <CWyers@grandforks.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 23, 2014 1:10 PM  
**To:** Minister, CSCD CSCD:EX  
**Subject:** Head Start-Project Project Conference Media Release for Immediate Release  
**Attachments:** 23-09-14 Project Progress News Release .pdf; Head Start Conference Package\_2014.pdf  
**Categories:** Invitation

# PROJECT PROGRESS

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Your assistance in delivery a strong message that this conference is an opportunity to engage with local women in politics, youth and professional women from around the province.

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Thank you.

Cher

Councillor Cher Wyers

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**McCann, Meghan CSCD:EX**

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**From:** McCann, Meghan CSCD:EX on behalf of Minister, CSCD CSCD:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 1, 2014 10:27 AM  
**To:** 'Cher Wyers'  
**Subject:** RE: Head Start-Project Project Conference Media Release for Immediate Release

Good morning Cher,

Thank you very much for the email and invitation for Minister Oakes to attend this weekend's Project Progress Conference in Grand Forks. Unfortunately as we are preparing for the house to be in session again next week her schedule is quite hectic and she is unable to attend. Please accept my regrets on her behalf, thank you.

*Meghan McCann  
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September 23, 2014

## **FCM Head Start for Young Women – Project Progress Conference**

### **Conference Information**

FCM's Head Start for Young Women in Grand Forks extends an invitation to women who are interested in local government to attend Project progress, a conference offering the opportunity for women to build skills, strategic relationships and increase youth participation in politics.

The conference is designed to increase awareness and interest in local politics, specifically by young women. The UN has declared that for a council to be accurately making decisions that reflect women's needs it must be 30% women. In Canada, only 24% of elected municipal officials are women. The FCM is aiming to change that to 30% by 2026 and by participating in this conference and using the knowledge, you'll help make this goal a reality.

The conference will be held **October 3-5, 2014** in Grand Forks BC. The registration deadline is September 26th.

To register contact:  
Roxanne Shepherd  
E: [rshepherd@grandforks.ca](mailto:rshepherd@grandforks.ca) P: 250.442.8266



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