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File: TRA-2018-86594

December 14, 2018

Sent via email:

**Re: Request for Access to Records**  
***Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)***

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure. Your request is for:

*All records related to ongoing consultations with Highway 16 Indigenous Communities over the impacts and effects of the First Nations driver education program and the subsidized highway 16 bus transit service ever since their implementation, particularly pertaining to security and safety improvements for highway 16 Indigenous women. (Date Range for Record Search: From 09/01/2017 To 08/31/2018)*

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. These records are provided to you in their entirety.

As you are aware, we did attempt to contact you several times for clarification on this request; unfortunately, we were not able to connect and discuss with you directly to further assist us over the past month. Please contact our Ministry Contact if you have any questions or require further information.

**Reg Faubert**  
Manager, Programs and Air Policy

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The Ministry has not engaged in any consultations with Indigenous communities along Highway 16 with respect to the inter-community transit service during the time specified in the Request. Local and regional governments have been in touch with First Nation communities in their areas. You may wish to contact with Regional District Bulkley-Nechako, Regional District Kitimat-Stikine and Smithers for further information. Although, we did not consult directly with respect to the inter-community transit service, based on the recommendations received through the Highway 16 Transportation Action Plan community consultations, the Ministry issued a Request for Proposals for the Driver Training Program Focused on First Nations Communities in the Highway 16 Corridor. We are providing this RFP as it relates implementation of the Highway 16 transit.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/transportation-reports-and-reference/reports-studies/planning-strategic-economic/highway16-action-plan/consultation>

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of five business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: [www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation](http://www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation)

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Katie Nieminen, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-5697. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604 660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1 800 663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 778 698-5697.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Katie Nieminen', with a stylized, flowing script.

Katie Nieminen, FOI Analyst  
On behalf of Ken Bejcek, Manager  
Business and Infrastructure Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>
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If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

**Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:**

Information and Privacy Commissioner  
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt  
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street  
Victoria BC V8W 9A4  
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If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

1. A copy of your original request;
2. A copy of our response; and
3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.