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To: [Viney, Ursula E AGRI:EX](#)
Subject: FW: SPCA funding transfer
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2017 10:12:00 AM

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BRIEFING NOTE FOR INFORMATION FOR MINISTER'S MEETING
with Craig Daniell, Chief Executive Officer, BC Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
on April 23, 2015

Ref: 181892

Date: April 10, 2015

Issue: The BC Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (BC SPCA) wants to thank Minister Letnick for support, discuss their Facilities Development and Services Plan (Facilities Plan) as well as receive a progress update on the Dairy Cattle Code of Practice regulation.

Background: In February 2015, the B.C. Government provided \$5 million to the BC SPCA to support their Facilities Plan.

The Facilities Plan is an eight-year strategy to replace or renovate aging BC SPCA infrastructure in ten communities across British Columbia. Totalling over \$50 million, it is the largest capital plan in the organization's 120-year history.

Projects will include new community animal centres, facilities to house seized farm animals, storefront adoption centres and facilities to promote increased community access to spay/neuter services.

BC SPCA facilities scheduled to begin improvements through the first phase of the eight-year plan are:

- Central Vancouver Island (Nanaimo)
- Kelowna
- Surrey

The BC SPCA broke ground on March 27, 2015 at the new large animal seizure facility in Kelowna. It will include six indoor-outdoor stalls, a tack room and hay storage area. Construction is expected to be completed by June 2015. The Minister attended this ceremony, along with the Hon. Steve Thomson, MLA for Kelowna-Mission; BC SPCA chief executive officer, Craig Daniell; BC SPCA president Marylee Davies; members of the BC SPCA board of directors; Bruce Davies, executive director of the Central Okanagan Foundation; Kelowna Mayor Colin Basran and local councilors; and local SPCA donors, staff and volunteers.

Each year, the BC SPCA investigates nearly 8,000 animal abuse and neglect complaints.

In 2011, the Province proclaimed April 23 to be Animal Abuse Prevention Day. The first Animal Abuse Prevention Day was celebrated on April 23, 2012 as a memorial to the 56 sled dogs that lost their lives on April 23, 2010.

Discussion:

Animal welfare is a Ministry of Agriculture priority and staff has been working with the BCSPCA and other stakeholders to advance animal welfare in B.C. Some of the initiatives include:

- Referencing the nationally developed "Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Dairy Cattle" into the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act* (PCAA). Targeted for completion by spring 2015. (See BN 180347 -attached)
- The ministry supported the BC Milk Marketing Board (BCMMB) and the BC Dairy Association in developing and implementing educational training seminars and on-farm workshops on animal handling. These were presented in various locations throughout the province in January, February and March. The seminars provided an opportunity for dairy animal handlers to upgrade/improve their dairy stockmanship knowledge and skills.
- An on-farm animal welfare audit program is being developed for spring 2015. Ministry staff will provide input at the working group level and within the mandatory audited compliance with the Code of Practice as per the BCMMB's Consolidated Order.
- A review of the suite of livestock legislation which will include the *Livestock Act*, *Livestock Identification Act* and the *Livestock Lien Act* and related regulations, will take place over the next

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year. Consultation will include input from the BCSPCA and other stakeholders. (See BN 180347 – attached)

Suggested Response:
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From: Marcie Moriarty
To: Forsythe, LeeAnn AG; Giacomazzi, Terri AGRI:EX
Subject: RE: APO training
Date: Wednesday, January 6, 2016 12:15:41 PM

Hi LeeAnn,

The training requirements for our Special Provincial Constables actually falls under the Ministry of Justice as in order to enforce our provincial legislation (and the sections of the Criminal Code that have to do with animals) our officers need to be sworn in as Special Provincial Constables (SPC) pursuant to the Police Act. The BC SPCA no longer receives government funding for training of the SPCs. In the past, we did receive approximately \$70,000 per year for training from the Ministry of Agriculture. Currently, the Ministry does provide some training opportunities in the area of farm animal health and welfare that provides our SPCs with practical and hands on education in dealing with the cases that involve farm animals. This training is provided free to the BC SPCA and I am not sure of the exact cost per year for government.

As for the training requirements, they are currently under review but essentially, in order to be sworn in as an SPC the individual must have completed (or have at least 5 of the major courses) the Investigations Certificate from the Justice Institute or the equivalent (eg. previous police/rcmp.) These courses include search warrants, investigative interviewing, forensic photography, criminal law overview and basic investigation procedure. We also have internal training that is more specific to animal investigations and the use of the PCA Act as the JI courses are more general. In addition, there is a shadowing component to our internal training program and ongoing continuing education opportunities each year.

An individual who has not yet completed all of the JI requirements or internal courses can still do "preliminary investigations" with another SPC but in order for them to be able to utilize the powers of an authorized agent in our PCA Act (get search warrants, seize animals etc.), they must first be sworn in as an SPC pursuant to the Police Act.

I hope this helps! If you have further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

Marcie

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Subject: APO training

Hi Marcie and Terri

I am doing a jurisdictional scan to determine what training is provided for Animal Protection Officers/Peace Officers who investigate and enforce animal protection legislation in your province. This is training for new animal protection officers and ongoing training opportunities. Does your province pay for training? Do you know how much is budgeted? Is the training required when APO is hired?

Thank you for your help

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Ok Ursula will do.

From: Viney, Ursula E AGRI:EX
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Hi Lorie s.22

Please send me the list after your call. Thanks.

Cheers,
Ursula

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Subject: RE: Training of SPCA on Farm Animal Welfare SCAGF2-066
Date: Tuesday, May 1, 2018 11:01:43 AM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)
[Farm Animal Welfare Project Budget \(SCA-066\) - 2018 Query.pdf](#)

Rosemary/Terri, I've attached the final quarterly financial reports for the project as submitted to the Province. I'm not sure which type of costs or training years you're looking for but they should all be contained in these reports.

I believe there were four training sessions in total and the attendees broken down was:

- #1 – 2014 – 11 SPCA officers (100% of attendees)
- #2 – 2015 – 12 SPCA officers (100% of attendees)
- #3 – 2016 – 16 attendees; of which 10 were SPCA
- #4 – 2017 – 13 attendees – none from SPCA

Hope this helps you!

Thanks

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Subject: Training of SPCA on Farm Animal Welfare SCAGF2-066

Here is a copy of the final report for the farm animal welfare training project. Within the project, there was training of SPCA staff.

Jackie: Could you assist Terri with the cost that was involved in training the SPCA?

Thanks for your assistance.

Rosemary