

## **RE: Vaccine follow-up - Fur Commission USA, Annual Meeting | August 25, 2021 -**

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Attachments: UBCIC\_CC02\_24\_Resolution2021\_05\_HuntingPaper\_Mandate.pdf

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Sent: September 27, 2021 1:22:25 PM PDT

Hello Andrea,

In response to your question, the Ministry is continuing to review our policies and regulations regarding mink farming, and we are not currently working on a financial transition plan for mink farmers. Like all farms, mink farms are eligible for the AgriStability Program as the Canada Revenue Agency considers fur sales as farm revenue.

As you may be aware, AgriStability is an individualized program which compares a farm's program year margin to the Olympic average (excludes the highest and lowest) for that farm from the previous five years. Farms which experience more than a 30 percent drop in margin receive a payment. Lower market prices, production issues and/or higher expenses can all cause or contribute to an AgriStability payment.

AgriStability is designed to not mask market or production signals. Instead, individual farms experiencing multiple years of poor returns have a lower historic margin and therefore receive a lower level of support. This is currently occurring in the mink sector.

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Thanks Jennifer. We had another follow-up question. Can you provide any further info about the potential financial transition program you are working on for families involved in mink farming right now, and when that would be launched, and if that means the mink farms will be shut down as that is launched?

My best  
Andrea

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## E-App 4289 - Mink Farming

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Sent: December 6, 2021 1:59:01 PM PST  
Attachments: BC Mink Farm Closure, 639-2021.pdf, image001.jpg, 196676 Killey Draft.docx  
Hi Ellora,

Here is another e-App re: Concern and displeasure with the decision to end mink farming.

Thank you,  
Alyssa



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