

10/1/2017 Staff Conference Call.

Jimmy //

Param  
Preet  
Jessica  
Karl  
Kathleen  
Shannon.

Wed. immigration - casework. HHS

Lists: Done by 8 pm. →  
Thursday

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Sparrow: Here to listen. → where is new gov.  
going on accommodation. If 20% let  
us know.  
Premier said there will be a different  
way →  
When will the response be?

BC Housing  
ICBC

✓ Partnership with 3 pillars → build for all!  
✓ want to be responsible land.

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✓ all crown applications have similar policies  
✓ pivotal time for 1st Nations —  
✓

optics: s.16

- shared values / shared principles /

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**Fleurant, Kathleen CITZ:EX**

**Subject:** 11:00-12:00pm - Meeting with MST Nations and Deputy Minister Carole James  
**Location:** DP / Minister James' Office – Room 153  
**Start:** Fri 2018-01-19 11:00 AM  
**End:** Fri 2018-01-19 12:00 PM  
**Recurrence:** (none)  
**Organizer:** s.16 MINCAL, CITZ CITZ:EX  
**Categories:** External Meetings

**Draft Agenda sent from MST Nations:**

1. Welcome and Introductions
  2. Opening Statements:
    - Province of BC
    - Musqueam
    - Squamish
    - Tsleil-Waututh
  3. Background on the MST Partnership
    - Creation of the MST Protocol Agreement
    - Current Success with Provincial, Federal and Crown Corps/Agencies
  4. Current Negotiations between MST and the Province of BC
  5. MST Proposals to Advance the Provincial Mandate
  6. Discussion and Next Steps
  7. Adjournment
- Handwritten notes: Ministry, MST, MST, MST, MST, - Free for all*

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| <b>Meeting:</b>  | MST Nations w/Deputy Premier Carole James & Min. Sims                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Date:</b>     | Friday, January 19, 2018                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Time:</b>     | 11:00-12:00 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Location:</b> | DP / Minister James' Office – Room 153<br><br><i>The meeting is being held at the Legislature at 501 Belleville Street, Victoria.<br/><br/>Once you arrive, go to the main front doors of the Legislature. A Sergeant-At-Arms will be there to greet you and direct you to Security just inside the door. From there, Security will call up to Minister James' office and someone will meet the group and escort you to the meeting room.</i> |

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| <b>Meeting Material Due to MO by:</b> | Wednesday, January 19, 2018 by noon |
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Chief Wayne Sparrow

## 1. Welcome

## 2. Opening Statements

- I would like to acknowledge that we have come together on the traditional territories of the Lekwungen (Le-KWUNG-en) peoples, home of the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations. *+ Introductions*
- *Open State ment.* As you are aware, the Release of Assets for Economic Generation (RAEG) program was developed in 2012, and my Ministry has been in discussion with you since that time.
- My ministry's role through this program is to consult and negotiate benefits agreements and facilitate direct sales, where possible, for all agencies in the RAEG program. This includes other ministries, health authorities, ICBC and other public sector clients.
- *\* We have successfully negotiated several deals with your Nations and we look forward to building on this mutually beneficial relationship*
- As you are also aware, we are currently in the process of negotiating many important deals in the lower mainland, and look forward to working with you for successful outcomes for all of these

*\* Joined by DP → Finance Minister.*

### What we are trying to achieve from this meeting?

- We are here to listen to your concerns, and build on our established relationships
- The Province is encouraged by the tripartite Protocol Agreement between the MST Nations to collaborate on land acquisitions in your shared territories, and your success in working with the Province to acquire lands.
- *s.16* The Province is committed to the spirit of UNDRIP, and we planning a comprehensive engagement with MST and other First Nations in this year, to build on our past successes

**3. Background on the MST partnership- by MST**

**4. Current negotiations:**

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**5. MST proposals- To come from MST**

**6. Discussion and next steps**

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## January 19, 2018 MST Nations Meeting Attendee List

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| <b>Attending from CITZ:</b>                      | Minister Sims                                                                                          |
|                                                  | Shannon Russell - SMA                                                                                  |
|                                                  | Jill Kot – Deputy Minister                                                                             |
|                                                  | Sunny Dhaliwal – ADM, Real Properties Division                                                         |
|                                                  | Yvonne Deibert – Director, Real Estate & First Nations Engagement, Strategic Real Estate Services, RPD |
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| <b>Attending from FIN:</b>                       | Deputy Premier James                                                                                   |
|                                                  | Rob Gillezeau - MA                                                                                     |
|                                                  | (x2) Ministry Staff – <i>to be confirmed</i>                                                           |
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| <b>Calling into FIN Polycom</b> s.1<br>s.15,s.17 | Chief Wayne Sparrow, Musqueam                                                                          |
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| <b>Attending from MST Nations:</b>               | Kaitlan Lay, Musqueam                                                                                  |
|                                                  | + Chief Ian Campbell, Squamish                                                                         |
|                                                  | - Councillor Chris Lewis, Squamish                                                                     |
|                                                  | x Chief Bill Williams, Squamish                                                                        |
|                                                  | x Chief Maureen Thomas, Tsleil-Waututh                                                                 |
|                                                  | Matt Thomas, Tsleil-Waututh                                                                            |
|                                                  | Jason Forsyth, Tsleil-Waututh                                                                          |
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**Questions and Answers**  
**Connecting British Columbia for CityWest/Strathcona Regional District 'Connected Coast'**  
**project**  
**Jan. 17, 2018**

**1. What are you announcing today?**

- Today we are announcing that the Connecting British Columbia program, the federal government's Connect to Innovate program and Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada are teaming up to fund the installation of a sub-sea fibre-optic cable along the BC coastline.
- This \$45.4 million project will provide the capacity for coastal communities between Prince Rupert and Vancouver, and around Vancouver Island, to enjoy modern and reliable internet connectivity at speeds comparable to what customers in the city enjoy.
- This new fibre optic transport line is expected to benefit local businesses and citizens in 154 coastal communities, including 44 First Nations.
- Just as in the past, roads, railways and electrical grids are important to the economy and to accessing services. Today, high-speed internet connectivity is essential to giving us all access to services such as health care, education, emergency services and economic opportunities.
- Reliable, high-speed internet connectivity also helps us connect with those who matter in our lives, no matter where they live.

**2. How many people and businesses are getting connected?**

- The proposed fibre optic transport line will benefit approximately 175,000 people and 90,000 households.

**3. Why use an underwater cable? Don't these communities have existing infrastructure that can be upgraded?**

- British Columbia has difficult terrain that can make servicing coastal communities using land-based cables expensive.
- A sub-sea fibre optic cable is a cost effective alternative that can reach coastal areas, including those that are not accessible by land.



**6. Are there any other secondary benefits from this project?**

- Yes. This investment is expected to give northern communities west of Prince George increased reliability.
- Communities like Terrace and Smithers are currently serviced by a single land-based transport line that is not supported by an alternate fibre transport line in case of damage.
- A coastal connection will provide redundancy that could maintain service if outages affect the current network connection.

**7. What options do communities have for connecting to a transport line?**

- There are essentially two approaches that a community may take:
  - A community-based model where they act as their own service provider; or
  - Support a for-profit service provider to build and maintain the last-mile network for the community.
- There are various technologies that can be used for last-mile depending on the desired speed to the home and budget. Coaxial cable (or Cable TV), fibre optics and fixed wireless (LTE) are all potential solutions.

**8. How much is Ottawa contributing? How much will BC spend on this?**

- The total cost of this project is \$45.4 million.
- Costs will be shared by the Government of Canada's Connect to Innovate program (50%), Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (25%) and the Connecting British Columbia program (25%).
- BC's Connecting British Columbia program is administered by Northern Development Initiative Trust.

**9. This project benefits rural communities on the coast. Why are you announcing it here in Vancouver?**

- We chose Vancouver to make this announcement in order to share the stage with our First Nations partners, who are here for Joint Gathering 2018.
- Today presented a unique opportunity to have leaders from communities benefitting from this project assembled together.

**4. Internet access is important but so is cellular coverage, which many parts of the province currently lack. Why are we prioritizing getting these communities internet access before they can use a cellphone?**

- Cellular service is one way to connect communities and we will continue to work with our partners to find ways to improve cell service along highways and into communities.
- This investment lays the foundation for our coastal communities to fully access digital services that give them access to broadband internet.
- By investing in a fibre optic line that communities can connect to for fast and reliable network access, we are creating the opportunity for service providers to connect B.C.'s coastal regions with modern internet access and cellular coverage.
- The network's existence is also expected to make it easier for local internet service providers to obtain grant funding to connect homes and achieve internet speeds available today in large cities.

**5. So you're not actually connecting these communities – they still have to build their own networks?**

- This is an essential step in helping communities connect their own networks.
- A cost effective connection to a high-speed fibre transport line, such as the one we are announcing today, is a necessary piece in each rural community to being able to upgrade or build a network in a given community.
- To use roads as an analogy, a transport line is like a highway. Once it is built, the community has a major incentive to connect to that highway with a road of their own.
- Some communities already have last-mile infrastructure to the home that will benefit from the affordable high-speed transport that this project will deliver
- Where there is currently no internet service available to the home, there is an opportunity for communities to choose the type and ownership of local network that best services their interests. For example, some might prefer a community-based open network while others may prefer a for-profit service provider.
- In the case of Haida Gwaii, the islands already have a mix of fibre optic, cellular and fixed wireless networks. However, the islands currently have a microwave links from Prince Rupert with limited capacity. While this technology works for short distances, microwave internet access from Prince Rupert to Haida Gwaii is slow and affected by the terrain, the weather and the distance. This 'bottleneck' will be eliminated by connecting the island's existing network to the fibre optic transport line.

**10. How much money has BC spent on connectivity so far?**

- Communities across this province need access to affordable and high-speed internet for their businesses, health care and emergency services. They need it for their daily lives.
- As part of the first phase of the Connecting British Columbia program, \$10 million was invested, benefitting more than 40,000 households in more than 200 communities.

**11. Is more funding being made available for other communities?**

- A newly expanded Connecting British Columbia program has been launched to expand rural high-speed internet access.
- An additional \$40 million has been committed as part of the expansion.
- We are waiting on the federal government to make decisions regarding its Connect to Innovate Program, which may benefit communities in British Columbia.
- Once the recipients of federal funding are announced, we will be better able to invest provincial dollars where they are most needed.

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- In December 2016, the CRTC set a new target for 90% of Canadians to be connected at 50 Mbps download, 10 Mbps upload.
- In November 2017, the CRTC indicated that BC has 92% broadband service availability to households at 50 Mbps or higher. However, comparing urban versus rural shows there is still work to be done.
- We are reviewing this national target and considering how BC might meet this goal for rural households.
- The project we are announcing today will make connections available to coastal communities that meet or exceed the newest CRTC standard.

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