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**From:** MacLaren, Les EMPR:EX  
**Sent:** November 30, 2020 12:22 PM  
**To:** Allan, John FLNR:EX  
**Cc:** Mihlar, Fazil EMPR:EX; Eichenberger, Kathy EMPR:EX; Rowe, Katherine EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Minister Responsible for All Things Columbia

Thanks John. This works for us. I asked Kathy to update the MOU so we should have something for you and Fazil to look at later this week.

I understand that MKC is on her way to Victoria today. Her CA Edena Brown, who provides political staff support for the Columbia files, is already arranging for us to brief her over the next week or so on two early items related to the Columbia Basin Trust.

Les

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**From:** Allan, John FLNR:EX <John.Allan@gov.bc.ca>  
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**Subject:** Re: Minister Responsible for All Things Columbia

Subject to the Ministers wishes i think we should update the MOU including the budget section and carry on as you did with MCFD. Let me know if ok.  
John

On Nov 26, 2020, at 4:54 PM, Allan, John FLNR:EX <[John.Allan@gov.bc.ca](mailto:John.Allan@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Sounds good Les. Can you send me the mou you had with MCFD.  
John.

On Nov 26, 2020, at 4:50 PM, MacLaren, Les EMPR:EX <[Les.MacLaren@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Les.MacLaren@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi John

We understand that Minister Conroy will retain her responsibilities for the Columbia River Treaty, Columbia Basin Trust, and Columbia Power Corp. For the past 3.5 years my group has supported her Treaty leadership and Crown corporation governance roles under a MOU between EMPR and MCFD. I am the Executive Sponsor for the Treaty, and Kathy Eichenberger is the ED of our Columbia River Treaty Branch. We are now recovering costs against Treaty Entitlement revenues (rather than accessing Contingencies) and our financial team has administrative procedures in place.

We would be happy to establish similar arrangements with your Ministry (one thing off your plate, but I know you have lots of history and interest in the Treaty!). Happy to discuss at your convenience.

*Les MacLaren*

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**Subject:** DM APPROVED: 2020\_MOU\_FLRNORD\_EMLCI\_Columbia  
**Attachments:** 2020\_MOU\_FLRNORD\_EMLCI\_Columbia.docx

Hi Meghan,

Can you apply esig and send to your counterpart and Morgan for John's sign off? Copy Les and myself please.

Thanks,

Monica.

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**From:** MacLaren, Les EMPR:EX <Les.MacLaren@gov.bc.ca>  
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**Subject:** 2020\_MOU\_FLRNORD\_EMLCI\_Columbia

Hi Fazil

Attached is an updated MOU with FLNRORD for EMLI to support MKC on her Columbia files. It has been reviewed by Ranbir and Trish Dohan, and reflects a conversation I had with John last week to retain his overall DM level responsibility although his intention is to delegate to us.

If you agree and sign, it can be routed via Morgan Kennah to bring to John for signature.

Les

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**From:** McCann, Meghan EMPR:EX  
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**Subject:** FW: signed MOU  
**Attachments:** 2020\_MOU\_FLNRORD\_EMLCI\_Columbia\_Deputy Ministers signed.pdf

Please see the attached final signed by both DMs, thank you.

***Meghan McCann***

***Senior Executive Assistant to Deputy Minister Fazil Mihar***

*Deputy Minister's Office | Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation*

***Direct:*** [250 952-0504](tel:250-952-0504)

# Memorandum of Understanding

Between

The Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource  
Operations and Rural Development

And

The Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon  
Innovation

(Collectively “the Parties”)

Regarding the Government of British Columbia’s  
Administration and Negotiation of the  
Columbia River Treaty and Ongoing Oversight of the  
Columbia Basin Trust and Columbia Power Corporation

December 2020

1. PURPOSE:

This memorandum sets out the terms and principles that will govern the relationship between the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD) and the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation (EMLCI), and identifies key accountabilities and responsibilities with respect to the Columbia River Treaty and the relationship between the government and the Columbia Power Corporation, and the Columbia Basin Trust.

2. KEY PRINCIPLES

It is recognized that essential to the success and effectiveness of this relationship is goodwill, openness and transparency, cooperation, and collaboration between the Parties. Specific objectives of this agreement for both Parties are to:

- a) describe the services to be delivered by EMLCI;
- b) define a governance and decision making framework;
- c) articulate accountabilities, roles, responsibilities and expectations; and
- d) define operational, administrative, and financial relationships and requirements.

3. ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND AUTHORITY TO SHARE INFORMATION:

The Parties acknowledge that each is subject to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 165, and that any exchange of information is subject to applicable legal obligations that require or prohibit the disclosure of information.

4. TERM:

This memorandum is effective the date that it is signed by both parties. It should be reviewed at regular intervals by both Parties to ensure effectiveness and to make any necessary adjustments.

5. AMENDING THE MEMORANDUM:

When an amendment to the memorandum is requested by either of the Parties, the designated signatories will negotiate, amend, and accept the terms and conditions of the amendments with their signatures. The effective date of the amendments will be mutually agreed upon to meet service delivery needs and to facilitate any financial and human resource implications.

6. LIMITS TO THIS MEMORANDUM

Nothing contained in this memorandum limits or abrogates the responsibilities or duties assigned to individual Ministries, or the officials or staff thereof, under provincial legislation, nor is this MOU

intended to limit interactions or engagement with other relevant agencies as part of the administration of the parties' respective mandates.

This memorandum is not legally binding, does not impose legal obligations on either FLNRORD or EMLCI, and has no legal effect.

This memorandum may be cancelled at any time by either party by providing thirty (30) days written notice to the other party.

A successor to a Party to this memorandum becomes a Party to this memorandum.

#### 7. SERVICES:

EMLCI will develop policies, strategies, recommendations and advice to support the review of, and negotiations with respect to, the Columbia River Treaty (CRT), and support FLNRORD's governance roles in respect of the Columbia Basin Trust (CBT) and Columbia Power Corporation (CPC).

The EMLCI Corporate Initiatives Branch will work with EMLCI Program staff and the Crown Agencies and Board Resourcing Office at the Ministry of Finance to guide preparation of the service plans, Mandate Letters to, and annual reports for the CBT and CPC.

##### Key EMLCI Accountabilities/Deliverables:

- oversee legal, economic, and technical assessments of potential CRT negotiation options;
- partner with the federal government on all aspects of CRT negotiations with the United States of America (U.S.);
- undertake engagement and collaboration with Columbia Basin Indigenous Nations on all matters, domestic and transboundary, related to the CRT consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- consult local governments, stakeholders and the public on potential changes to the CRT;
- provide outreach and advocacy of British Columbia's positions and interests in the U.S.;
- develop negotiation strategies and options to protect and enhance CRT benefits to British Columbia;
- participate in negotiations with Canada and the U.S. on the CRT;
- prepare and submit Columbia Power Corporation and Columbia Basin Trust service plans, annual reports and mandate letters;
- prepare briefing materials regarding the CRT, CBT and CPC for the Minister of FLNRORD;
- attend with the Minister of FLNRORD at Treasury Board meetings, Cabinet meetings, Estimates debates and, as requested by the Minister, any other meetings or events where the CRT, CBT and CPC are to be discussed; and
- receive and track monthly CRT Downstream Power Benefits Power Sales information, and forecast CRT revenues for the Ministry of Finance and FLNRORD; and

- evaluate annual financial and dividend information from CBT and CPC and provide it to FLNRORD key contacts.

#### 8. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS:

The financial arrangements made in regard to work undertaken to support the negotiation of the CRT, and any ongoing CRT-related activities post-negotiations, are funded through cost recovery from CRT revenues, namely the Canadian Entitlement.

Ongoing work related to the Columbia Power Corporation and Columbia Basin Trust will continue in EMLCI funded through EMLCI appropriations.

FLNRORD will delegate expense authority to EMLCI to enable the execution of contracts. EMLCI will exercise expenditure authority on all related contracts and will act as qualified receiver.

EMLCI will make direct payments on all contracts and third-party invoices according to government policies and standards. A journal voucher for reimbursement of contract and invoice expenditures incurred by MEMPR will be provided to FLNRORD quarterly through December 31 and monthly thereafter.

Salaries and benefits, as well as operating expenditures associated with EMLCI employees supporting all services included in Section 7 will be paid by EMLCI. A journal voucher for reimbursement of all such employee costs paid by EMLCI will be provided to FLNRORD quarterly through December 31 and monthly thereafter.

EMLCI will provide its forecast for expenditures monthly to a contact person identified by the Chief Financial Officer FLNRORD.

FLNRORD will provide detailed forecasts and explanations of year to date expenditures to the FLNRORD Executive, Treasury Board Staff and the Office of the Comptroller General as required.

EMLCI will transfer to FLNRORD details of all accounting transactions for the 2020/21 fiscal year and going forward.

#### 9. CUSTODY OF RECORDS

All provincial government records relating to the Columbia River Treaty, the Columbia Basin Trust and Columbia Power Corporation are the property of FLNRORD.

FLNRORD hereby delegates responsibility for the retention and safekeeping of those records, in accordance with the Information Management Act, SBC 2015, c. 27, to EMLCI.



#### 10. GOVERNANCE:

To support FLNRORD as the Ministry responsible for CBT and CPC and as the lead ministry on negotiations for the Columbia River Treaty, provide to the Deputy Minister of FLNRORD (or a delegate) the following support:

Deputy Minister, FLNRORD: To be accountable for oversight of provincial government actions respecting the Columbia River Treaty, CBT, and CPC. To ensure high level business goals are met and expected value is delivered. To provide information and support to the minister and deputy minister, FLNRORD, as required.

Executive Director, Columbia River Treaty Team, EMLCI: To be B.C. lead on the Canadian CRT negotiating delegation, and to lead and direct related programs, initiatives, engagements and projects. To manage day to day operations, provide oversight and direction to staff, negotiate contracts and oversee contracted services providers, provide confirmation of work accomplished as a Qualified Receiver, provide complete monthly forecasts of expenditures and financial obligations to the Chief Financial Officer, FLNRORD. To advise, in advance of monthly reporting, of any significant change to the overall budget.

Executive Director, Strategic Planning and Reporting, Strategic and Indigenous Affairs Division, EMLCI: To manage operations, provide oversight and direction to staff regarding the development of the Columbia Basin Trust and Columbia Power Corporation service plans, Mandate Letters and annual reports, to be submitted to FLNRORD for approval.

Chief Financial Officer (CFO), EMLCI: To ensure payments on all contracts and third-party invoices are made in compliance with government policy and standards. To ensure journal vouchers for reimbursement of costs by FLNRORD are accurate and complete.

Executive Financial Officer (EFO), FLNRORD: To reimburse EMLCI for costs incurred as described in Section 8 in a timely manner. To provide detailed forecasts and explanations of year to date expenditures to the FLNRORD Executive, Treasury Board Staff and the Office of the Comptroller General as required and manage access to the Cost Recovery. To ensure financial accountability is maintained and to provide financial information and support to the Minister and Deputy Minister, FLNRORD.

#### 11. KEY CONTACTS:

FLNRORD and EMLCI have identified the EFO and CFO respectively as the key contacts for all financial information and correspondence related to the CRT, Columbia Basin Trust and Columbia Power Corporation. Key contacts may identify delegates as appropriate.

#### 12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS:

Disputes arising from operational decision making including interpretation of policy, procedures, and legislation, and other fundamental program considerations should be resolved at the ADM/EFO

level. If no resolution can mutually agreed upon, it can be escalated to the Deputy Minister level as the authority for decision-making.

13. STAKEHOLDER RELATIONSHIP:

Both Parties agree that EMLCI will continue to maintain relationships with internal/external stakeholders, Indigenous Nations, other agencies, and the Government of Canada which are fundamental to achieving positive outcomes and objectives.

14. SECURITY:

Both Parties will make every reasonable effort and arrangements to maintain the security and confidentiality of all personal or sensitive information.

15. DESIGNATED SIGNATORIES:

The designated signatories are accountable for the implementation and for the operation of this MOU. By signing below, the designated signatories indicate their acceptance of all terms and conditions outlined in this memorandum.

Agreed by the undersigned:



Fazil Mihar  
Deputy Minister  
Ministry of Energy, Mines and  
Low Carbon Innovation

December 14, 2020

Date



John Allan  
Deputy Minister  
Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural  
Resource Operations and Rural  
Development

December 14, 2020

Date

**MINISTRY OF ENERGY, MINES AND LOW CARBON INNOVATION**

**BRIEFING NOTE FOR INFORMATION**

**PREPARED FOR:** The Honourable Katrine Conroy, Minister Responsible for Columbia River Treaty

**ISSUE:** Minister Conroy virtual meeting with U.S. Consul General Brent Hardt about the Columbia River Treaty

**BACKGROUND:**

The United States (U.S.) Consul General D. Brent Hardt was officially appointed to his position in August 2020. He is a career Senior Foreign Service Officer with more than 30 years' experience in the Western Hemisphere, Europe, and Political-Military assignments. He has published numerous articles on U.S. foreign policy, and speaks Italian, Dutch, German and French. Consul General Hardt is married, and he and wife, Saskia, have three sons. He is based in Vancouver.

Consul General Hardt has recently met with the Lieutenant Governor, Speaker and Ministers Ralston and Heyman as well as Minister Cullen and Minister Chow. On January 21, 2020, he also met with Premier John Horgan. <sup>s.16</sup>  
s.16

Treaty modernization negotiations started in May 2018 and there is no deadline to complete the negotiations. There have been 10 negotiation sessions to date. In March 2020, the U.S. presented a framework proposal for modernizing the CRT. Canada, including British Columbia (B.C.), responded in June 2020 with a Canadian proposal. The U.S. State Department has not responded to the Canadian proposal for a modernized CRT framework since that time. <sup>s.16</sup>  
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In December 2020, several U.S. Representatives tabled a resolution calling on the previous U.S. administration to issue a notice of intent to terminate the commercial and power co-ordination provisions of the Treaty. The resolution did not move forward. The Treaty has no expiration date. Either Canada or the U.S. can unilaterally terminate the CRT from September 2024 onward, provided at least 10 years notice is given.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Province is committed to working towards achieving a successful agreement in a timely manner. During negotiations, Treaty topics have included: flood risk management; hydropower; ecosystems; Libby dam coordination; and other benefits that the U.S. receives as a result of the CRT. Both B.C. and Canada have been committed to strengthening the Treaty for the benefit of both countries.

Canada and B.C. continue to work with the Ktunaxa, Secwepemc and *Syilx* Okanagan Nations on CRT domestic and negotiation-related topics. Both Canada and B.C. also continue to engage Canadian Columbia Basin local governments, residents and stakeholders.

**KEY MESSAGES FOR MEETING:**

- The Treaty has brought benefits for both Canada and the U.S., especially in terms of power production and flood protection.
- The Treaty is an example of the strong co-operation that exists between our two countries.
- The current discussions around the modernization of the Treaty give the U.S. and Canada a once-in-a-generation chance to look at the bigger picture.
- In terms of the Treaty's benefits and impacts to each of our countries, we now have an opportunity to look beyond just power generation and managing flood risk.
- For example, the Treaty has provided irrigation, navigation, recreation and fish population enhancement benefits in the U.S. portion of the Columbia Basin.
- Addressing ecosystems in a modernized Treaty is important to our government, and, related to this, we are collaborating with Indigenous Nations who are leading efforts to enhance ecosystem function and investigate the feasibility of restoring salmon to the B.C. portion of the Columbia Basin.

**If asked about upcoming negotiations:**

- Canada hosted the last round of negotiations June 29-30, 2020, through a virtual platform, providing the U.S. with our objectives for a renewed Treaty.
- The U.S. has not responded to the Canadian proposal and they have not scheduled upcoming negotiations at this time.

**If asked about other impacts of termination to the U.S.:**

- s.16

**If asked about other impacts of termination to Canada/B.C.:**

- If the Treaty were terminated, B.C. would lose the Canadian Entitlement, which returns between \$120-150 million to the provincial treasury annually.
- However, termination would also give B.C. more flexibility to manage Canadian dams to meet domestic values and interests.

**DRAFTED BY:**

TJ Schur, Director, CRT

**APPROVED BY:**

Kathy Eichenberger, ED, CRT ✓

Les MacLaren, ADM, EAED ✓

**From:** [Brown, Edena FLNR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Kennah, Morgan FLNR:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Tripp, Allison FLNR:EX](#); [MacLaren, Les EMLI:EX](#)  
**Subject:** TB SUB document - CBT  
**Date:** December 18, 2020 2:38:05 PM  
**Attachments:** [CBT Net Income Request TB Sub - 26-11-20 LM.docx](#)

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Hi Morgan,

ADM Les MacLaren (EMLCI) suggested I ask you about the attached TB Sub regarding Columbia Basin Trust that we understood MKC had signed. (She has read it and approved it and I understood also signed it)

We are trying to find the copy of this signed document.

I asked Alison as well in case she was able to access it.

Any help would be appreciated.

Thanks,

Edena

**Edena Brown**

**Ministerial Assistant to Hon. Katrine Conroy**

*Minister of Forest Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Minister Responsible for CBT, CPC and CRT*

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**Sent:** December 18, 2020 2:15 PM

**To:** Tripp, Allison FLNR:EX <[Allison.Tripp@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Allison.Tripp@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Here is the TB SUB document

Hi Alison,

Here is the document I am wondering if you can help me find the signed copy?

Thanks,

Edena

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s.12 ; s.13

**From:** [Johnny Strilaeff](#)  
**To:** [MacLaren, Les EMLI:EX](#); [Brown, Edena FLNR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: CPC  
**Date:** December 10, 2020 9:09:37 AM

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Hi (again) Edena,

I'll coordinate with Les to provide an indication of the percentage of Provincial generation attributable to CPC/CBT owned assets – please stay tuned!

Further to Les' suggestion below re: dividends from CPC to the Province:

- 2018/19 - \$70 million
- 2019/20 - \$61 million
- Forecast for current year - \$47 million

I should note that Dividends represent cash payments to the Province for a given period of time. While these are important, they are distinct from the Net Income figures I shared earlier. It is the Net Income values that are consolidated into Provincial revenue, not the dividends.

Isn't accounting fun?

J

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**From:** MacLaren, Les EMPR:EX <[Les.MacLaren@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Les.MacLaren@gov.bc.ca)>  
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Suggest adding prior and forecast dividends as well as net income.

Les

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MKC just asked if we could also provide the following:

% of energy in BC produced in the Basin.

Thank you Johnny for the info!!

Edena

Sent from my iPhone

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Terrific. Thank you Edena.

Now to the juicy financial "stuff" as requested for CPC:

- 2018/19 net income - \$55.5 million
- 2019/20 net income - \$53.4 million

These are the amounts consolidated into the Provincial books. For additional information, CPC is forecasting \$53.7 million for the current fiscal year and we feel relatively confident this will be achieved (although no guarantees of course....still 3.5 months of operations to go).

Please let me know if there is any further information required. Thanks Edena.

J

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Sorry Edena – I hit send on my last email too quickly.

Are there any changes to the contact information for you and the Minister as a result of the new portfolio?

J

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Hi Edena:

Based on BCH and StatsCan data we get:

Generators	TWh/yr	% of BC
CPC/CBT	3	4
Columbia	29	41
Province	70	100

Note: TWh/yr = terawatt-hours per year = 1,000 gigawatt-hours per year. Total generation includes FortisBC, IPPs and industrial self-generators.

Thanks to Jack for pulling this together!

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Hi All!

I hope this email finds you well.

I thought I'd send this quick email to bring folks onto the same page as we transition into the new structure and priorities of government. As you're likely all aware (and in the process of sorting out) – Columbia River related work that used to be with Energy and Mines (in its various titles as ministry) up until 2017 transferred to CFD; and has now transferred to FLNR with Minister Conroy. And while EMLCI will continue doing the work, I'm sure, it'll now be FLNRO's budget shop primarily involved in coordinating budget and other TB related items.

So this is why I wanted to bring all relevant parties in on this email from Colin – **s.13**

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I hope this is helpful and look forward to working with you through our upcoming budget process.

Cheers,

Selina

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**Subject:** CRT budget

Hi Adam and Ranbir –

I wanted to confirm for you both what funding has been approved as part of *Budget 2020* and what the next steps are as your ministries look to implement things this fiscal. I can confirm that the Ministry of Children and Family Development received approval to recover negotiation costs from CRT revenues beginning in 2020/21. The approved budget track is set out in the table below and was loaded into CFD's budget in the Executive and Support Services sub-vote. A more detailed breakdown of expenditures by STOB is reflected in the Supplement to the Estimates. In addition, as I understand it, the E&SS sub-vote was amended as part of *Budget 2020* to provide CFD with the authority to recover revenue from the sale of electricity related to the CRT and now includes language providing the ministry the legal authority to recover costs from revenues related to the CRT (see vote description below). I am of the view that this provides the ministry with the necessary authority to move forward and undertake this years' planned activities, and that there does not need to be a budget letter specific to these approvals.

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Please don't hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

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Hi Les,

Here's the PPT for tomorrow. There is still no EMLCI banner so we need to go with EMPR (I'm sure NMKC will understand).

I did not put anything for CBT and CPC at the end.

Thanks to Ingrid, Brooke and TJ for their contributions.

Kathy

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# Columbia River Treaty

Minister Katrine Conroy  
Negotiations Update  
December 3, 2020



# Agenda

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- Youth – engaging with Basin colleges & youth-based organizations; exploring grade-school curriculum options.
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## MINISTRY OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

## VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

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	Estimates 2019/20	Estimates 2020/21
<b>EXECUTIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICES</b>		
<b>Voted Appropriations</b>		
Ministers' Offices.....	990	991
Corporate Services.....	18,113	18,041
	<u>19,103</u>	<u>19,032</u>
<p><b>Voted Appropriations Description:</b> This sub-vote provides for the office of the Minister of Children and Family Development; the Minister of State for Child Care; program coordination and administration of services related to the Columbia River Treaty; overall direction, development, and corporate support for all ministry services; and for the administration of the <i>Human Resource Facility Act</i>. Costs may be recovered from the revenue raised from the proceeds of the sale of electricity related to the Columbia River Treaty. Costs may also be recovered from ministries, other entities within government, other levels of government, agencies, organizations, and individuals for activities described within this sub-vote.</p>		
<b>VOTE 19 — MINISTRY OPERATIONS</b>	<b>2,067,946</b>	<b>2,228,446</b>





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