

Fernandes, Ruth FLNR:EX

From: Reid, Heidi FIN:EX
Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 10:28 AM
To: LP Administrative Coordinators; LP Legislative Assistants; LP Support Staff
Cc: Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Parkinson, Elizabeth PREM:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Subject: Reminder...BUDGET SPEECH - Tuesday, Feb 20th
Importance: High
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Hi everyone,

Just a reminder that tomorrow, Wednesday, February 7th is the deadline for names of the guest that your Minister/MLA would like to invite to the Budget Speech.

Thanks to those of you who have already submitted names.

Original email is below for information you may need.

Any questions, please let me know.

Thanks...Heidi

Heidi Reid
Administrative Coordinator to the
Honourable Carole James
Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier
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Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2018 3:02 PM
To: LP Administrative Coordinators; LP Legislative Assistants; LP Support Staff
Cc: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX
Subject: Budget Day MLA Invites (Not Throne Speech)

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From: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2018 4:54 PM
To: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Subject: CA messaging re: Salmon farms

Kenn,

CAs are asking Susan for messaging regarding fish farms – staff are working on something but won't have anything back from them until end of the month. Can any of this messaging from October be used for now?

Tristan

From: Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 12:26 PM
To: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
Subject: RE: Salmon farms

Here is the messaging from last October. Can you review and make any needed changes and send it back to me so at least CAs can respond with something?

Thanks Tristian.

s.13,s.16

From: s.22 [mailto:campaigns@good.do]
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2018 10:09 AM
To: Leonard.MLA, Ronna-Rae <Ronna-Rae.Leonard.MLA@leg.bc.ca>
Cc: premier@gov.bc.ca; Minister, AGRI AGRI:EX <AGR.Minister@gov.bc.ca>; Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX <FLNR.Minister@gov.bc.ca>; Minister, JTT JTT:EX <JTT.Minister@gov.bc.ca>; Minister, FIN I FIN:EX <FIN.Minister@gov.bc.ca>; Trevena.MLA, Claire <Claire.Trevena.MLA@leg.bc.ca>; abr.minister@gov.bc.ca; rebecca.reid@dfo-mpo.gc.ca; min@dfo-mpo.gc.ca; hbood@porthardy.ca; mayor.adams@campbellriver.ca; mayorackland@portmcneill.ca; s.22
Subject: Salmon farms mean our jobs

Dear Ronna-Rae Leonard MLA,

I am writing to voice my support for the salmon farming industry.

I feel the industry is sustainable, well-regulated, and contributes greatly to the Province's overall economy.

Please be mindful that any further restrictions to the industry will have real impacts on real people's jobs, their families, and their communities. We employ^{s.22} and contribute more than \$500,000 in wages for the local economy.

Can you tell me what your government's policy is on fin fish aquaculture? Can you tell me if my family and I can plan my future based on my employment and investment in salmon farming?

Thank you very much for answering these important questions and keeping these very real considerations in mind.

Yours sincerely,^{s.22}

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Fernandes, Ruth FLNR:EX

From: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2018 1:08 PM
To: Hiltner, Clementine FLNR:EX
Subject: FW: Salmon farms

Importance: High

CAs need some interim messaging. What can we use from below.

Thanks,
Tristan

From: Vasilev, Susan [mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2018 10:44 AM
To: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
Subject: Salmon farms

Hi Tristan – please let me know if our constit offices can use some of this messaging for response to recent fish farm correspondence?

From: Vasilev, Susan
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 12:26 PM
To: 'Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX' <Tristan.Jones@gov.bc.ca>
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From: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 8:51 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Cc: Renneberg, Tim FLNR:EX; Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX; Thomas, Vivian P GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

Hi Sue;

I talked with Kat about this yesterday. s.22 sent the following email (below) to MLA offices. This is a s.22 from the s.22 who is running the website and placing ads in local s.22 papers. FLNRORD staff responded (also included). s.22 know of this person and do not support his claims. While his message is false and anti-hunting he is unlikely to gain much traction locally. I am not sure how useful it is to engage this s.22

On a broader scale we should be ready to provide evidence of what we do; operate a well-managed ecosystem with special attention to healthy habitat and wildlife. It would appear staff has already done this.

Regional staff info:

- We have been actively monitoring our white-tail deer populations and tracking our hunter harvest over the past 8 years since the implementation of a white-tail doe GOS. We have government coordinated counts, independent volunteer counts and are actively watching the results of hunter effort/harvest surveys. In all of the counts and reviews done there has been no indication of a significant change to white-tail deer populations. There is a large body of literature and research speaking to how white-tail deer populations are largely regulated in response to winter severity and that they are one of the most robust species with the highest fecundity ungulate in north America.
- I've attached several of the white-tail deer inventory counts completed by both independent volunteer sportsman's groups and Government Biologist, and a recent provincial white-tail harvest review and FAQ that was completed by ministry staff.

I am sure Vivian is monitoring this.

Kenn

From: Vasilev, Susan [mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 6:04 PM
To: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Cc: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Subject: Re: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

Is there any direction I can give to katrine and Michelle's constit offices about this issue?

From: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX <Kenn.McLaren@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 8:43 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan
Cc: Renneberg, Tim FLNR:EX
Subject: RE: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

Looks like our staffer already gave it. To everyone.

kenn

From: McLean, Craig A FLNR:EX [mailto:Craig.A.McLean@gov.bc.ca]

Sent: Friday, January 12, 2018 10:59 AM

To: s.22; Stent, Patrick FLNR:EX <Patrick.Stent@gov.bc.ca>; Shypitka.MLA, Tom <Tom.Shypitka.MLA@leg.bc.ca>; Conroy.MLA, Katrine <Katrine.Conroy.MLA@leg.bc.ca>; Mungall.MLA, Michelle <Michelle.Mungall.MLA@leg.bc.ca>; Clovechok.MLA, Doug <Doug.Clovechok.MLA@leg.bc.ca>

Cc: s.22

s.22

Subject: RE: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

Thanks much, I greatly appreciate the input and response. I looked over the website and agree that there is misinformation being presented. We have been actively monitoring our white-tail deer populations and tracking our hunter harvest over the past 8 years since the implementation of a white-tail doe GOS. We have government coordinated counts, independent volunteer counts and are actively watching the results of hunter effort/harvest surveys. In all of the counts and reviews done there has been no indication of a significant change to white-tail deer populations. There is a large body of literature and research speaking to how white-tail deer populations are largely regulated in response to winter severity and that they are one of the most robust species with the highest fecundity ungulate in north America.

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Thanks again, if you have any questions don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Craig McLean

Wildlife Biologist, Okanagan Region

102 Industrial Place

Penticton BC, V2A 7C8

O: 250-490-8254

Craig.a.mclean@gov.bc.ca



From: s.22

Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2018 6:06 PM

To: Stent, Patrick FLNR:EX; Shypitka.MLA, Tom LASS:EX; McLean, Craig A FLNR:EX; Conroy.MLA, Katrine LASS:EX; Mungall.MLA, Michelle LASS:EX; Clovechok.MLA, Doug LASS:EX

Cc: s.22

s.22

Subject: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

I am concerned about the recent disinformation being propagated by an anonymously run organisation calling itself www.nomoredeaddoes.ca that recently published in the Fernie Free press on Jan 11th edition. (and likely other locations.)

I went to their very biased web site and filled in their poll stating I support the whitetail hunt, and told them this:

You, www.nomoredeaddoes.ca claim to represent "avid ethical hunters, farmers, outfitters, and members of multiple rod and gun clubs." yet show now link or any affiliation with your support base. An organisation that cannot substantiate it's membership cannot be believable.

Why not publish the names of the hunters, farmers, outfitters, and members of multiple rod and gun clubs that you consist of?

By the way, by the time a fawn is born in spring and reaches its legal hunting in the fall it is no longer the 'bambi' shown in your web site or news briefings. Also why are white tails becoming pests in many regions and communities, including becoming hazards along roads and highways ? Certainly not due to the decline and decimation you are claiming.

Where is the study to substantiate "white tail population decimated"? If it exists, who did it? What qualifications do they have that are superior to professional wildlife biologists?

Your organisation is not following facts and is presenting your cause in a unsubstantiated and misleading way.

Your organisation needs to become transparent before going public. Your organisation, likely a small group, or possibly even an individual, wish to impose your will to affect many people, perhaps this is the reason for needing anonymity, deceit and disinformation to present your cause.

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Fernie BC

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Please consider the above should you receive any lobbying for hunting closures originating through this organisation. (Your contacts are provided on their web site)

Sincerely

s.22

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s.22

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Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 11:34 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Cc: Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX
Subject: RE: Letter to the Editor/ Chasing cougars

Tristan is all over this. Thanks,
Kenn

From: Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 10:35 AM
To: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Subject: RE: Letter to the Editor/ Chasing cougars

Thanks for talking to Tristan – let me know what you both decide and if it's a go, I'll follow up with her.

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From: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX [<mailto:Kenn.McLaren@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 8:25 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan <Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Letter to the Editor/ Chasing cougars

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From: Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 11:17 AM
To: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
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From: Simons.MLA, Nicholas
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 10:00 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan <Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Letter to the Editor/ Chasing cougars

Hi Susan,
Here is the letter to the editor (see attached) regarding hunting cougars with hounds.
There have been a surprising number of call s and email related to this so some advice or clarification would be helpful.
s.22 and many thanks for your help.
Michelle

From: s.22

Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 11:09 AM

To: s.22

Cc: Simons.MLA, Nicholas <Nicholas.Simons.MLA@leg.bc.ca>; s.22

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Mauro <frank.mauro@scrd.ca>

Subject: Letter to the Editor/ Chasing cougars

An important local issue, s.22

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From: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2018 1:39 PM
To: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Subject: RE: Please protect families by requiring trap warning signs

Yup.

From: Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2018 1:30 PM
To: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Subject: FW: Please protect families by requiring trap warning signs

Can y help me/the CAs out with messaging Kenn?

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From: Smith, Jessica C AGRI:EX [<mailto:Jessica.C.Smith@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: Monday, February 05, 2018 11:59 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan <Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: Please protect families by requiring trap warning signs

Hi Susan,

AGRI doesn't have any messaging on trapping devices to contribute; my understanding is this is primarily FLNRORD jurisdiction (possibly MoE as well?)

Best,
Jessica

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 5, 2018, at 11:54 AM, Vasilev, Susan <Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca> wrote:

It's the first I've seen of it, but it looks like a campaign by the writers email address so I am sure more offices will get this email over the coming weeks. I am copying two of the MAs for FLNRO and Agriculture to see if they have messaging on it that they can share.

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From: Lar-Son, Jessica
Sent: Monday, February 05, 2018 11:00 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan <Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Please protect families by requiring trap warning signs

This is the first email we have received on this topic and I am wondering if it has come up elsewhere and if there is an appropriate response.

<image001.png>

Jessica Lar-Son

Constituency Assistant to the Hon. Jinny Sims

MLA for Surrey-Panorama

204-14360 64th Ave Surrey, V3W 1Z1

778-593-2262

From: s.22 [mailto:info@thefurbearers.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 4, 2018 1:44 PM
To: Sims.MLA, Jinny <Jinny.Sims.MLA@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: Please protect families by requiring trap warning signs

Every year dogs and cats are injured and killed by legally placed traps across Canada. Leg-hold, Conibear-type, body-gripping, and snare traps are legal in every province and territory, yet there are no requirements for warning signs to be placed to advise pet owners and families.

These traps are inherently dangerous, and are unable to differentiate between target species, non-target species like domestic dogs or cats, or even children. As more non-consumptive users are visiting natural places for recreation, including hiking, dog walking, wildlife photography, and other activities, it is vital that common sense upgrades be made to provincial and territorial trapping policies.

I ask that you work with your counterparts in the appropriate environment and wildlife agencies to create a required warning sign policy for trappers that would advise all other users of natural spaces and abutting private property that traps are active and set in the area, and pose a risk to domestic animals as well as children.

More information on this issue can be found at TheFurBearers.com, and the team at The Association for the Protection of Fur-Bearing Animals (The Fur-Bearers) would be happy to discuss this with you further.

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From: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 11:38 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Subject: Fwd: Trapping warning signs
Attachments: Issues Scan Kelowna Feb 8_draft 2.docx; ATT00001.htm

Perhaps just cut and paste what you need .hope this helps.
Kenn

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Thomas, Vivian P GCPE:EX" <Vivian.Thomas@gov.bc.ca>
Date: February 8, 2018 at 9:54:48 AM PST
To: "McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX" <Kenn.McLaren@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Trapping warning signs

Hi! Re-sending the issues scan that Jeremy sent yesterday that includes info on deer and trapping.

From: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 9:54 AM
To: Thomas, Vivian P GCPE:EX
Subject: Trapping warning signs

Hi;
Some time today, could you please send an issue sheet on trapping warning signs on and off private lands.
Thanks

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Issues Scan: Kelowna

Minister's Tour – Feb. 8, 2018

Kelowna (Contact: Bob Warner 250-462 8887)

Okanagan Lake Levels/Potential for flooding

After historic levels of flooding in 2017, local media and residents are wondering what the outlook is for flooding for spring 2018.

Suggested Response:

- Maureen Chapman and George Abbott are co-leading a strategic review of 2017's historic wildfires and flooding.
- Their report is due April 30th, and we look forward to evaluating their recommendations.
- It's too early to tell what lake levels will look like this year. However, preliminary, water levels are closer to historic norms, but this may change over the remainder of the winter and spring months.
- Staff are monitoring the elevated snow levels and making adjustments to flows out of the lake as required.
- While the preliminary February 1 snowpack is at 131% of normal for that time of year, we have managed the system in the past with these levels without flooding. The key is the absence or presence of significant spring rains like we saw in 2017..

Dock Rebuilding as a result of 2017 Okanagan Lake flooding damage

The historically high lake levels mentioned above also caused significant damage to approximately 1500 structures along the Lake.

Suggested Response:

- A flood recovery team was put in place last June to work with dock builders, local governments and dock owners to facilitate the anticipated large number of applicants.
- Additional staff have been hired and a front counter staff person in Kelowna are helping get through the large number of applicants.
- Increased presence on the Lake by C&E staff has helped educate and ensure compliance.
- An estimated 400 applications have come in to rebuild or perform works in the lake.

“Take Back the Foreshore” Movement

A group of citizens walked the foreshore from Kelowna's City Park to Gyro Beach in Kelowna last August to draw attention to illegal structures that are preventing public access along the foreshore of Okanagan Lake

Suggested Response

- When building a dock or other structure along the foreshore, the owner must provide access along the foreshore

- C&E had 40 boat patrol days in 2017. The 2018 Okanagan lake patrol season will start this month with a focus on active operations and ensuring structures are built according to their plan.
- An additional boat will arrive in March to help increase the number of patrols.

Fruit Growers Association resolution on a deer cull at AGM next week

At their AGM next week, the BC Fruit Growers' Association have a resolution to seek support for a deer cull and other management options such as limited entry hunting for problem deer that are damaging orchards and damaging vehicles in collisions. The resolution claims that the urban deer population is a responsibility of the government but doesn't indicate what level of government.

Suggested Response:

General

- Culling remains a regular method to reduce urban deer populations and is considered to be "operational".
- Regional wildlife biologists will take part in planning exercises to guide communities through the permitting process if urban deer populations pose a longer-term safety or nuisance issue and once local governments have developed community-based planning groups to quantify the problem, consider solutions and gauge public opinion.
- A research trial on translocation is underway in the Kootenay Region. However, as the success of the project has not yet been evaluated, we can't comment on whether translocation will be an approved operational method to reduce urban deer populations.
- Last fall, the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development invited local governments and First Nations communities to apply for funding to assist with deer management programs under the 2017-18 Provincial Urban Deer Cost-share Program. (Kelowna did not apply. <https://news.gov.bc.ca/15707>).

Specific to the Okanagan

- Last year, the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development began issuing specific limited entry draws for rural, agricultural, antlerless mule deer in the Okanagan to help control deer populations.
- The ministry is monitoring the uptake of licences and will adjust future intakes accordingly.
- The ministry recommends that orchardists proactively manage attractants with temporary or permanent fencing.
- Property owners have been encouraged to contact First Nation members of the Okanagan Nation Alliance who, under food, social and ceremonial rights, are not required to follow licenced hunting seasons or bag limits. First Nation harvesters are still governed by federal firearm restrictions, however bows and crossbows can be used for hunting if property owners wish and have granted access permission.
- Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development staff will be meeting with the Tree Fruit Growers in Vernon on March 1 to discuss options.

Pets caught in leg-hold traps

The Conservation Officer Service receives approximately eight reports annually of pets being caught in traps. Recently, a cat was caught in a leg-hold trap in downtown Kelowna. In mid-December, a dog was caught in a snare near Penticton.

Suggested Response:

- **With respect to the legality of leg-hold traps in an urban environment, it is correct that if they are at least 200 metres from a residence, they can be used to control nuisance.**
- **It's currently an offence to trap within 200 metres of a residence. The 200-metre regulation has been sufficient in the past; however, we are open to review should there be emerging circumstances.**
- **All calls regarding suspected violations should go to the COS RAPP (Report All Poachers and Polluters) line: 1-877-952-7277 (RAPP)**

General trapping guidelines are as follows:

- During regular trapping seasons, individual permits are not required beyond the usual trapping licence.
- However, the municipality/landowner needs to give their permission. The ministry suggests contacting the municipality in question if trapping occurred inside their municipal limits.
- If the traps are set outside municipal boundaries (i.e., Crown land), then the trapper must be licensed by the Province and comply with all applicable regulations.
- In June 2016, the Province released the 2016-18 Hunting and Trapping Regulations Synopsis, detailing the most up-to-date rules and regulations for hunters throughout British Columbia: <http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/sports-culture/recreation/fishing-hunting/hunting/regulations-synopsis>
- The trapping regulations can be found on pages 90-96.

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From: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 8:43 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Cc: Renneberg, Tim FLNR:EX
Subject: RE: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

Looks like our staffer already gave it. To everyone.
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From: Vasilev, Susan [mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Monday, January 15, 2018 4:15 PM
To: Renneberg, Tim FLNR:EX; McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Cc: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Subject: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

Hi Tim and Kenn,

Please have a look at this and let me know if there will be a response to this organization on behalf of government. If not, what direction shall I give Katrine Conroy's office in how to respond (if at all). This group has also purchased 1/4 page ads in the local newspapers.

thanks, Susan

From: Conroy.MLA, Katrine
Sent: Friday, January 12, 2018 11:15 AM
To: Vasilev, Susan <Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

This website <http://www.nomoredeaddoes.ca/> is promoting an email campaign to end open season on the white-tailed deer hunt. It provides contact info to several MLAs.

However, the premise of the campaign is problematic. I am including the email thread below that describes this. We haven't received any emails from the public via this web page yet, but I suppose we need a coordinated response of some sort?

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Katrine Conroy, MLA | Kootenay West | #2, 1006 3rd Street | Castlegar, BC | V1N 3A9 | T: [250-304-2783](tel:250-304-2783) | F: 250-304-2655

From: McLean, Craig A FLNR:EX [mailto:Craig.A.McLean@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: Friday, January 12, 2018 10:59 AM
To: s.22 Stent, Patrick FLNR:EX <Patrick.Stent@gov.bc.ca>; Shypitka.MLA, Tom

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Subject: RE: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

Thanks much, I greatly appreciate the input and response. I looked over the website and agree that there is misinformation being presented. We have been actively monitoring our white-tail deer populations and tracking our hunter harvest over the past 8 years since the implementation of a white-tail doe GOS. We have government coordinated counts, independent volunteer counts and are actively watching the results of hunter effort/harvest surveys. In all of the counts and reviews done there has been no indication of a significant change to white-tail deer populations. There is a large body of literature and research speaking to how white-tail deer populations are largely regulated in response to winter severity and that they are one of the most robust species with the highest fecundity ungulate in north America.

I've attached several of the white-tail deer inventory counts completed by both independent volunteer sportsman's groups and Government Biologist, and a recent provincial white-tail harvest review and FAQ that was completed by ministry staff.

Thanks again, if you have any questions don't hesitate to contact me directly.

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From: s.22

Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2018 6:06 PM

To: Stent, Patrick FLNR:EX; Shypitka.MLA, Tom LASS:EX; McLean, Craig A FLNR:EX; Conroy.MLA, Katrine LASS:EX; Mungall.MLA, Michelle LASS:EX; Clovechok.MLA, Doug LASS:EX

Cc: s.22

Subject: Disinformation being propagated by www.nomoredeaddoes.ca

I am concerned about the recent disinformation being propagated by an anonymously run organisation calling itself www.nomoredeaddoes.ca that recently published in the Fernie Free press on Jan 11th edition. (and likely other locations.)

I went to their very biased web site and filled in their poll stating I support the whitetail hunt, and told them this:

You, www.nomoredeaddoes.ca claim to represent "avid ethical hunters, farmers, outfitters, and members of multiple rod and gun clubs." yet show now link or any affiliation with your support base. An organisation that cannot substantiate it's membership cannot be believable.

Why not publish the names of the hunters, farmers, outfitters, and members of multiple rod and gun clubs that you consist of?

By the way, by the time a fawn is born in spring and reaches its legal hunting in the fall it is no longer the 'bambi' shown in your web site or news briefings. Also why are white tails becoming pests in many regions and communities, including becoming hazards along roads and highways ? Certainly not due to the decline and decimation you are claiming.

Where is the study to substantiate "white tail population decimated"? If it exists, who did it? What qualifications do they have that are superior to professional wildlife biologists?

Your organisation is not following facts and is presenting your cause in a unsubstantiated and misleading way.

Your organisation needs to become transparent before going public. Your organisation, likely a small group, or possibly even an individual, wish to impose your will to affect many people, perhaps this is the reason for needing anonymity, deceit and disinformation to present your cause.

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Please consider the above should you receive any lobbying for hunting closures originating through this organisation. (Your contacts are provided on their web site)

Sincerely

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