

SPEAKING NOTES FOR GLENN MACLEAN

Ministry of Agriculture

CENTURY FARM AWARD – FREDERICKSON FARM
Frederickson Farm
Dawson Creek

Saturday, August 12, 2017
Speaking Notes

- Century Farm Awards honour pioneers whose farms and ranches have been in families for 100 years or more.
- As well as agricultural organizations that have been active for a century or longer.
- Each one celebrates the rich heritage of farming and ranching families and organizations in the province.
- On behalf of the B.C. Government, I would like to present this Century Farm Award to Dale and Sharon Frederickson.
- Thank you and congratulations!

SPEAKING NOTES FOR
THE HONOURABLE LANA POPHAM
Minister of Agriculture

BC EGG 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Mt. Lehman Winery
5094 Mount Lehman Road
Abbotsford

WEDNESDAY, August 16, 2017
Speaking Notes
2 PM for approx 3 to 5 minutes

Audience:

The setting is the 50th Anniversary celebration luncheon for BC Egg (BC Egg Marketing Board). Minister Popham has been invited to bring greetings for approximately three to five minutes to the audience.

BC Egg Executive Director Katie Lowe will greet the minister when she arrives.

Itinerary:**50th Anniversary Schedule of Events****Program Part 1**

2 pm guests arrive, mingling, historic photos, photo booth, BOD Honour Roll sign, video, passed appies, bar open

2:30 pm Welcome from Brad Bond and Katie Lowe; introduce minister

2:40 Minister Popham speaks

2:45 Brad thanks Minister

Program Part 2

4 pm Brad and Katie present founding families with gift

4:20 ish Katie asks everyone to enjoy themselves, take photos etc., ensure you have a safe ride home

Mingling etc. until 6 pm

Background:

BC Egg is a non-profit organization that oversees and manages B.C.'s egg farming industry. BC Egg works with approximately 140 family-owned and operated egg farms. They oversee and manage the production, grading, packing, marketing and transportation of all regulated eggs in B.C.

The minister will be introduced by BC Egg Chair Brad Bond.

BC Egg has passed along that the Golden Anniversary Celebration will include:

- A photo booth with egg-themed props
- Viewing of the BC Egg 50th anniversary video
- Presentation of gifts to BC Egg's 20 founding families

Organizer Contacts:

Amanda Brittain, Manager Communications and Marketing, BC Egg, 778 386-1917.

Introductions/Acknowledgements

- Thank you for introduction.
- Pleasure to be here celebrating BC Egg's Golden Anniversary.
- Greetings from Premier.
- One of my first public appearances as the new Minister of Agriculture.
- Enjoying new role and responsibility it holds.
- Premier Horgan has made it clear.
- British Columbians can count on new government to work hard every day to get results for people.
- The Premier has given me a mandate letter, working hard to accomplish several priorities.

- Revitalizing Agricultural Land Reserve and Agricultural Land Commission.
- New B.C. Government to help young farmers by establishing Grow B.C.
- Program will help young farmers and small business owner's access land.
- Small businesses are the heart and soul of our rural communities - create jobs, support families, and grow local economies.
- Other ministry priorities include Feed BC/ Buy BC.
- Great respect for B.C.'s egg sector.
- In 2016, B.C. egg farmers produced nearly 80 million dozen eggs.
- Generated more than \$140 million in farm cash receipts.

- B.C. is a leader in specialty egg production in Canada and North America.
- Lead the nation with approximately 21% of producers farming specialty eggs – a higher proportion than any other province.
- Last year, BC Egg Marketing Board developed a BC Specialty Egg Production Manual utilizing GF2 Welfare funds.
- Means ensuring B.C.'s specialty eggs are produced to the highest standards of animal care
- As we celebrate your accomplishments today...
- Acknowledge ranchers/farmers dealing with wildfires.

- Join me in letting them know that we are thinking of them and the BC Government is continuing to help them in any way we can.
- Thank you again to BC Egg for the invite.
- Happy 50th anniversary!
- Enjoy the rest of your day. Thank you.

SPEAKING NOTES FOR
MINISTER MELANIE MARK
MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION, SKILLS AND
TRAINING

Okanagan College
Heavy Duty Mechanical Shop Room T150
1000 K.L.O. Road, Kelowna, BC V1Y 4X8

Aug. 18, 2017

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Speaking length: 2-3 mins.

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Contact at the event:

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Audience:

Media are invited.
Okanagan College faculty, staff and students.

Notable attendees:

Okanagan College president Jim Hamilton – remarks.
Chris Derickson Okanagan College board of governors chair – emcee.
Kevin McNichol, heavy duty mechanical apprentice – speaker.

ITA CEO Gary Herman will be in the audience but has no speaking role.

Event description:

The event is to announce \$196,000 for 48 additional trades training seats this year for sheet metal, plumbing and heavy duty mechanical seats at Okanagan College in 2017-18.

The event is with the heavy duty mechanical class that received funding.

Additional funding and seats will be announced over the coming weeks for a total of 13 public post-secondary institutions.

Acknowledgements:

- I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the traditional territory of the Okanagan Nation.
- I would also like to recognize my fellow speakers:
 - Okanagan College board of governors chair Chris Derickson.
 - College president Jim Hamilton.
 - Heavy duty mechanical student Kevin McNichol.

Okanagan College:

- I am really excited to be here today.
- For the past couple of weeks, I have been privileged to tour a number of colleges, institutes and universities.
- And today's visit brings me to the beautiful Okanagan.
- A highlight has been hearing directly from students.
- I keep being told about the transformative impact of education and training.
- Okanagan College offers thousands of students the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential at home, in their community or in the workplace.

[Minister, this is an opportunity to speak about your tour at the campus today and meeting Okanagan College students.]

Announcement: Funding for trades training seats

- Our new government is committed to supporting students at Okanagan College.
- I am pleased to announce \$196,000 for 48 additional trades seats in sheet metal, plumbing and heavy duty mechanics.
- We know that trade students that graduate from the college support local employers in growing industries such as construction, mining and forestry.
- It's very apparent that the trades offer good-paying jobs, and that they play an essential role in building our roads, hospitals and schools.
- Our government will continue to work with post-secondary institutions like Okanagan College and the Industry Training Authority to support trades training.

Conclusion:

- We are committed to ensuring that every British Columbian has access to the education and training they need to succeed and thrive.
- On August 1st, we reduced the interest rate for students loans by 2.5% to the Prime rate.
- On August 8th, we delivered on our promise to make adult basic education and English Language Learning programs tuition free starting September 1st.
- In the coming weeks and months, Premier John Horgan and I will continue to remove barriers to affordable education and training.
- You are the builders of our economy.
- You are the people who will build our homes, our roads, our hospitals and our schools.
- We want you to keep building, crushing, rolling and hammering to grow our economy.

SPEAKING NOTES FOR
MINISTER MELANIE MARK
MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION, SKILLS AND
TRAINING

College of the Rockies
2700 College Way, Cranbrook, BC V1C 5L7

Aug. 22, 2017

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Speaking length: 2-3 mins.

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Contact at the event:

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Heather Jackson. College of the Rockies, communications manager
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Audience:

Media are invited.
College of the Rockies faculty, staff and students.

Notable attendees:

College of the Rockies president David Walls – remarks.
Dean of Trades and Technology Jack Moes – remarks.
Heavy mechanical student Destyni Basil – speaker.

ITA CEO Gary Herman is expected to attend. He has no speaking role.

Event description:

The event is to announce: \$109,440 for 16 additional heavy duty mechanical trades training seats this year for the College of the Rockies in 2017-18. This funding is part of \$1.67 million for a total of 562 additional trade seats at 13 public post-secondary institutions throughout B.C.

Acknowledgements:

- Good morning. I would like to recognize the traditional territory of the Ktunaxa **[Tun-ah-hah]** and Kinbasket **[KIN – basket]** peoples.
- I would also like to acknowledge:
 - College of the Rockies president, David Walls.
 - Dean of Trades and Technology, Jack Moes.
 - Heavy duty mechanical student, Destyni Basil.
 - As well as our key stakeholder, Industry Training Authority Chief Executive Officer, Gary Herman.

College of the Rockies:

- I am very excited to be here today.
- Over the last several weeks, I've had the privilege to tour colleges, universities and institutes throughout our province.
- Today's visit brings me to the Kootenays.
- A highlight of each visit is the opportunity to meet with students and hear from them about the transformative impact education and training has had on their lives.
- The College of the Rockies offers thousands of students the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential at home, in their community and in the workplace.

Announcement #1 : Funding for trades training seats

- Our new government is committed to supporting students at College of the Rockies and throughout B.C.
- I am pleased to announce \$1.67 million for over 550 trades training seats at 13 public post-secondary institutions the length and breadth of our province.
- That includes \$109,000 for 16 additional trades seats in heavy duty mechanics here at the College of the Rockies.
- We know that trades students that graduate from the college support local employers in high demand industries such as construction, forestry and automotive services.
- Trades lifts us all. It builds our roads, homes, businesses and schools.
- Our government will continue to work with post-secondary institutions like the College of the Rockies to deliver programs that meet the needs of employers.

Conclusion:

- Our government is committed to opening the door to opportunity for all students.
- On August 1st, we reduced the interest rate for student loans by 2.5%.
- On August 8th, we delivered on our promise to make Adult Basic Education and English Language Learning programs tuition free starting September 1st.
- In the weeks and months head, Premier John Horgan and I will be working hard to continue removing barriers to affordable education and training.
- We want every British Columbian to be part of a strong, sustainable and innovative economy.
- To the trades students here today, please keep on crushing, building, rolling, repairing and hammering.
- Thank you so much for being here today.