From: Beale, William TRAN:EX

Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:52 PM

To: Pope, Danielle GCPE:EX

Cc: Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Robb, Katie GCPE:EX; Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX

Subject: Re: (RUSH) TRAN Media Request: George Massey

Approved

William Beale

Sr MA Transportation

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Thanks,

Danielle

Reporter

Megan Devlin, Reporter

CTV News (BC)

MegKDevlin@Gmail.com

Deadline Wednesday, August 29, 2018 5:00 PM

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Sent: Monday, September 10, 2018 4:58 PM **To:** Pope, Danielle GCPE:EX; Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

Cc: Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX

Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL - TRAN Media Request: Massey project

This is fine to send the same response

From: Pope, Danielle GCPE:EX

Sent: Monday, September 10, 2018 4:48 PM

To: Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

Cc: Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX

Subject: FOR APPROVAL - TRAN Media Request: Massey project

Katie and Lisanne,

For your approval, please. This was provided to CTV on Aug. 29.

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Reporter

Anita Bathe, Reporter CBC - Vancouver anita.bathe@cbc.ca

604-662-6910 c: 778-242-5915

Deadline ASAP

Request

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Cc: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX; Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX

Subject: FYI - TRAN Media Request: Massey project

FYI on the following previous approved response.

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Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:56 PM

To: 'MegKDevlin@Gmail.com'

Subject: George Massey

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ADVICE TO MINISTER

CONFIDENTIAL ISSUES NOTE

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Updated: August 29, 2018

Minister Responsible: Minister Claire

Trevena

Highway 99 George Massey Tunnel Replacement Project – Review

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Communications Contact: Leanne Flood – TRAN GCPE
Program Area Contact: Lisa Gow – Exec Dir. Infrastructure

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ADVICE TO MINISTER

CONFIDENTIAL ISSUES NOTE

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Updated: July 26, 2018

Minister Responsible: Minister Claire

Trevena

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Program Area Contact: Lisa Gow – Exec Dir. Infrastructure

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Sent: Monday, September 10, 2018 4:47 PM

To: Pope, Danielle GCPE:EX

Cc: Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

Subject: Re: TRAN Media Request: Massey project

Ok to go with previous response, thanks.

Leanne Flood | Senior Public Affairs Officer

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From: Pope, Danielle GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 4:29 PM

To: Zaharia, Sarah GCPE:EX

Cc: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX; Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX; GCPE Media Relations

Subject: TRAN: End of Day Media Request Report

Here is our TRAN: End of Day Media Request Report.

Thanks, Danielle

IN PROGRESS:

Monika Gul - News 1130 ISSUE: Port Mann tolls STATUS: With Program Area

Beth Audet - 100 Mile House Free Press

ISSUE: Greyhound update STATUS: With Program Area

Arthur Joyce - Valley Voice (New Denver): Arrow Lakes, Slocan & North Kootenay

ISSUE: Kootenay Lake Ferry Project

STATUS: With Program Area

Laura Brougham - CFAX 1070

ISSUE: McKenzie Interchange / Malahat

STATUS: With Program Area

Richard Zussman - Global TV | BC

ISSUE: Minister interview request - podcast - ride hailing

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Dana Filek-gibson - Rock to Road Magazine

ISSUE: CBA - key points STATUS: With Program Area

COMPLETED:

Derek Kilbourn - Gabriola Sounder (Gabriola Island)

ISSUE: Gabriola - historic road maintenance

STATUS: Provided Background

Megan Devlin - CTV News (BC)

ISSUE: George Massey

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Monika Gul - News 1130 ISSUE: Port Mann tolls

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Dave Biro - CHEK TV - Victoria ISSUE: Malahat - update STATUS: Provided Background

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From: Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:55 PM

To: Paton, Susan TRAN:EX

Cc: Writing Services, Transportation TRAN:EX; Robb, Katie GCPE:EX; Gow, Lisa A TRAN:EX

Subject: updated lines : George Massey

Please see updates messaging approved by the MO. We'll be revising our Issues Note to reflect. Thanks!

~Leanne

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To: Pope, Danielle GCPE:EX
Cc: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

Subject: TRAN Media Request: George Massey

For MO approval on this one please (references future meetings between MCT and mayors), thanks!

Reporter

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Sent:Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:20 PMTo:Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX; Gow, Lisa A TRAN:EXSubject:RE: TRAN Media Request: George Massey

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From: Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:16 PM **To:** Robb, Katie GCPE:EX; Gow, Lisa A TRAN:EX **Subject:** RE: TRAN Media Request: George Massey

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From: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:14 PM **To:** Gow, Lisa A TRAN:EX; Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX **Subject:** RE: TRAN Media Request: George Massey

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To: Gow, Lisa A TRAN:EX <Lisa.Gow@gov.bc.ca>
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Leanne Flood | Senior Public Affairs Officer

<u>Leanne.Flood@gov.bc.ca</u> | @LeanneFlood

Government Communications and Public Engagement Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Telephone: 250 356-9048 | Mobile: 250 480-6765

From: Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX

Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2018 8:21 AM

To: Gow, Lisa A TRAN:EX

Subject: RE: Massey Tunnel Review Update

Mr. Lambert does not come up in our media database. Here is the approved current messaging from the Issues Note:

- We have received Mr. Cowdell's report on the independent technical review, and will s.13 analyze the report and consider next steps.
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From: Gow, Lisa A TRAN:EX

Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 6:25 PM

To: Flood, Leanne GCPE:EX

Subject: FW: Massey Tunnel Review Update

Hi what is the stock answer we are using, and is Mr. Lambert media?

From: Sawatsky, Kim TRAN:EX

Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 3:48 PM

To: Gow, Lisa A TRAN:EX

Subject: FW: Massey Tunnel Review Update

Hi Lisa,

Would this be most appropriately responded to by someone in your area, or shall I send it along to Geoff?

Cheers!

Kim Sawatsky

Executive Administrative Assistant Assistant Deputy Minister's Office – Infrastructure and Major Projects Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Telephone: 250-387-6742

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From: Waters, Leah TRAN:EX

Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 3:45 PM

To: Sawatsky, Kim TRAN:EX

Subject: Massey Tunnel Review Update

Hi Kim,

Please see below for details:

Bill Lambert @ s.22

He is wondering why the review hasn't been released yet, as he was under the impression it would be released in Spring..

Thanks!



Leah Waters

Administrative Coordinator to the **Honourable Claire Trevena** Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Main: 250 387 1978

Email: Leah.Waters@gov.bc.ca

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From: Pope, Danielle GCPE:EX Sent: Friday, June 8, 2018 1:38 PM To: 'sgyarmati@delta-optimist.com'

Subject: Ministry response

Hi Sandor,

Regarding your inquiry about the Massey project, the following can be attributed as background from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, please.

Government expects a report on the independent technical review of the George Massey Crossing to be delivered by the end of June. Government will take the time necessary to study the analysis before determining next steps.

Thanks, Danielle

Danielle Pope | Media Relations Government Communications and Public Engagement Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Telephone: 250-356-8241 | Mobile: 778-679-0133

Danielle.Pope@gov.bc.ca

From: <u>Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX</u>
To: <u>Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX</u>

Subject: Financing costs for Massey Tunnel replacement total \$8 billion on \$3.5-billion project – Vancouver Sun

Date: Wednesday, September 5, 2018 12:27:22 PM

 $\frac{https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/financing-costs-for-massey-tunnel-replacement-total-8-billion-on-3-5-billion-project/amp$

Sent from my iPhone

From: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

To: Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Stone, Lynne TRAN:EX

Cc: Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Zaharia, Sarah GCPE:EX; Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Subject: FOI Update June 20

Date: Wednesday, June 20, 2018 8:53:15 AM

Attachments: IN Ride Hailing - Investigation into Unlicensed Vehicles for Hire.docx

IN George Massey Crossing Review.docx

FOI Update June 20.docx

Heads up on these upcoming FOIs. Issues notes attached.

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Government Communications & Public Engagement

O: 250.953.4865 | M: 250.920.8371

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure FOI Update June 20 – July 4, 2018 Two-Week Look Ahead

Approved for release:

1. TRA-2018-82985

Request: Regarding the Ministry Semi-Automated Roadway Corridor Asset Inventory Collection, which involved Tetra Tech Canada Inc.; All related briefing notes and the final report about the project (if a final report has not been provided, then the preliminary or draft report), and a summary of the costs by contractor, subcontractor and function. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2017 To 04/18/2018)

Applicant: Media

Due Date: May 31, 2018

Issue: GCPE reviewed, no issues.

s.13

Due by July 4, 2018:

2. TRA-2018-80563

Request: A project status list as well as briefing material and decision notes relating to the updating of the capital plans as referenced by the Minister of Finance in the Legislature. (Date Range for Record Search: From 09/01/2017 To 10/31/2017)

Applicant: Political Party **Due Date:** June 25, 2018

Issue: GCPE reviewed, no concerns.

Status: Redline in approvals.

Summary: Records are mainly withheld due to section 12 (Cabinet and local public body confidences), section 13 (Policy advice or recommendations) and section 16 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations or negotiations) under FOIPPA.

3. TRA-2018-82508

Request: All emails and attachments sent and received by Kristen Vanderkuip, Passenger Transportation Branch, that relate to the illegal operation of ride-share services/ride-sourcing apps, including all staff reports/briefing notes/memos/presentations that relate to the same topic (Date Range for record Search: From 06/01/2017 to 04/02/2018).

Applicant: Media

Due Date: June 27, 2018

Issue: IN available

Status: Redline in approvals.

Summary: Records include 138 pages of email correspondence between PT Branch, staff and GCPE regarding unlicensed vehicles for hire and messaging around GCPE public advisory/bulletin that was posted publically in January 2018. No concerns.

4. TRA-2018-83761

Request: Regarding the Minister's March 2, 2018 and March 28, 2018 tours of the Massey Tunnel: the agenda and minutes, list of invitees/attendees, briefing notes, presentations, photographs, recordings and transcripts and handwritten notes from the tours.

Applicant: Media

Due Date: June 28, 2018

Issue: IN available

Status: GCPE to review when redline available.

5. TRA-2018-83760

Request: A copy of the most recent inspection report for McIntyre Bridge on Highway 97 that spans McIntyre Creek in the Gallagher Lake area north of Oliver. (Date Range for Record Search: From 05/01/2017 To 05/16/2018)

Applicant: Media

Due Date: June 28, 2018

Issue: GCPE reviewed, no concerns.

Status: Redline in approvals.

Summary: Records contain a 2-page bridge inspection report that will be released in its

entirety.

 From:
 Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX

 To:
 Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

 Cc:
 Beale, William TRAN:EX

Subject: Fwd: (RUSH) TRAN Media Request: George Massey

Date: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:34:35 PM

Any thoughts on this?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Pope, Danielle GCPE:EX" < Danielle.Pope@gov.bc.ca>

Date: August 29, 2018 at 3:27:27 PM PDT

To: "Beale, William TRAN:EX" < William.Beale@gov.bc.ca >, "Papadopoulos,

James TRAN:EX" < <u>James.Papadopoulos@gov.bc.ca</u>>

Cc: "Robb, Katie GCPE:EX" < Katie.Robb@gov.bc.ca >, "Flood, Leanne

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Hi Will and James,

Please approve the following on George Massey – references future meeting between MCT and mayors.

Thanks, Danielle

Reporter

Megan Devlin, Reporter CTV News (BC) MegKDevlin@Gmail.com

Deadline Wednesday, August 29, 2018 5:00 PM

Request

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QUESTIONS:

- 1. Is the independent review on how to fix or replace the tunnel available to public yet? If not, when will it be?
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Background

Recommendation

Suggested response:

- <!--[if IsupportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->We've heard the concerns raised by Metro Vancouver and many residents about the idea of building a 10-lane bridge to replace the George Massey Tunnel, and the costs associated with such a large project.
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From: Harbord, Chris GCPE:EX
To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Subject: Fwd: Flagging: MJS - media articles
Date: Monday, August 13, 2018 8:08:45 AM

FYI on the Donna Barnett piece. Cheers, Chris

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: < Chris. Harbord@gov.bc.ca>

Date: August 13, 2018 at 7:20:27 AM PDT

To: Shannon Russell <shannon.russell@gov.bc.ca>,

Amanda.vanBaarsen@gov.bc.ca

Cc: <Jill.Kot@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Flagging: MJS - media articles

Hi there - just wanted to make sure you saw these two pieces today. Chris

A year later, Horgan the star of NDP team

Vancouver Sun Monday, August 13, 2018 Page A01 By Rob Shaw 2

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Gaping loophole in lobbyist rules Williams Lake Tribune

Williams Lake Tribune Sunday, August 12, 2018

By Donna Barnett -3
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To: Beale, William TRAN:EX; Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX;

Stone, Lynne TRAN:EX; Trevena, Claire TRAN:EX; Zaharia, Sarah GCPE:EX

Subject: Issues report

Date: Monday, June 18, 2018 9:19:26 AM Attachments: WIR MOTI June 18 2018.docx

Good morning, here's our issues report for the week ahead.

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Government Communications & Public Engagement

To: Beale, William TRAN:EX; Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX;

Stone, Lynne TRAN:EX; Trevena, Claire TRAN:EX; Zaharia, Sarah GCPE:EX

Subject: Issues

Date: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 3:37:11 PM Attachments: WIR MOTI July 3 2018.docx

Hi all – here is our issues report for the day. Don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions.

Cheers,

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Government Communications & Public Engagement

To: Beale, William TRAN:EX; Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX;

Stone, Lynne TRAN:EX; Trevena, Claire TRAN:EX; Zaharia, Sarah GCPE:EX

Subject: Issues

Date: Monday, August 27, 2018 9:25:50 AM Attachments: WIR MOTI August 27 2018.docx

Morning – here is our issues run down for the week.

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Government Communications & Public Engagement

From: <u>Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX</u>
To: <u>Beale, William TRAN:EX</u>

Subject: Messages

Date: Thursday, May 31, 2018 12:37:34 PM

Message:

- Tens of thousands of people use this tunnel and are stuck in traffic as a result of the congestion.
- We need to fix this the right way, which is why we are having an independent review done on the options.
- We expect a report on the independent technical review of the George Massey Crossing to be delivered later this spring.
- We will take the time necessary to look at that analysis before
 determining next steps to ensure the best choice for the people who live
 and travel in the region.

Why are you moving ahead with Pattullo right now and does this affect the Massey?

- The Pattullo bridge is one of the oldest bridges in Metro Vancouver, and it's replacement has been on the Mayors' list for 10 years.
- Despite the clear, pressing need to replace the aging Pattullo Bridge, the old government failed to move the project forward.
- We're working to solve Metro Vancouver's transportation issues and we're starting with replacing the Pattullo bridge.
- On the Massey Tunnel, we're working choose the project that's in the best interest of people who live and commute in the region.

Aileen Machell Issues Manager 778.584.0257 From: Beale, William TRAN:EX

To: Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX Subject: RE: (RUSH) TRAN Media Request: George Massey

Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:34:58 PM Date:

We're working on it

From: Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:35 PM

To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX Cc: Beale, William TRAN:EX

Subject: Fwd: (RUSH) TRAN Media Request: George Massey

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James TRAN:EX" < James.Papadopoulos@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: "Robb, Katie GCPE:EX" < Katie.Robb@gov.bc.ca>, "Flood, Leanne

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From: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX
To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Cc: Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX

Subject: Re: CHAN: Wilkinson/Gardner - Community Benefits Agreement

Date: Friday, July 27, 2018 8:04:13 AM

Will do.

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Government Communications & Public Engagement

M: 250.920.8371

On Jul 27, 2018, at 8:02 AM, Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX < Aileen.Machell@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Katie,

A couple major inaccuracies in the Global report. Can you follow up with Ted on this?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: <tno@gov.bc.ca>

Date: July 26, 2018 at 6:32:52 PM PDT

To: Undisclosed recipients:;

Subject: CHAN: Wilkinson/Gardner - Community Benefits

Agreement

CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) Global BC News Hour 26-Jul-2018 18:09

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From: Hannah, Matt GCPE:EX
To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Subject: Re: CHAN: Wilkinson/Gardner - Community Benefits Agreement

Date: Friday, July 27, 2018 7:58:20 AM

Yeah. A couple major inaccuracies.

Matt Hannah 778.584.1249

On Jul 27, 2018, at 7:42 AM, Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX < Aileen.Machell@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Will need to follow up on this one

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Date: July 26, 2018 at 6:32:52 PM PDT

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From: Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX
To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Cc: Beale, William TRAN:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Lowe, Sonia GCPE:EX

Subject: RE: Issues scan

Date: Friday, August 17, 2018 9:24:55 AM
Attachments: IN Community Benefits Policy UPDATE.docx
IN Greyhound Service Elimination.docx

IN Highway 1 Kamloops to AB Border 4 Laning Program.docx

IN Ridesharing - General.docx

IN Ridesharing - Investigation into Unlicensed Vehicles for Hire.docx

IN George Massey Crossing Review.docx

IN BC Ferries Review.docx

IN Malahat Crashes and Closures Update.docx
IN EN line for proposed Victoria commuter service.docx

Hi Aileen - here are the INs for your issues scan. Please let Sonia & I know if you need anything further. Thanks!

- Community Benefits Agreement (CBA)
- Greyhound withdrawing from B.C.
- Trans-Canada Highway 4-laning (Kamloops to Alberta border)
- Ridesharing general
- · Ridesharing illegal operation of ridesharing companies
- · George Massey Tunnel Review
- Coastal Ferries Review
- Malahat Crashes & Closures
- E&N Rail

----Original Message----

From: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2018 12:24 PM

To: Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX

Subject: Issues scan

Hi! We are doing a province wide issues for the premier. Can you and your team flag any potential issues and provide suggested lines by end of day tomorrow?

Thanks and have a good day,

Aileen

Sent from my iPhone

From: Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX

To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX

Subject: RE: Issues scan

Date: Thursday, August 16, 2018 2:37:43 PM

My email may have re-formatted that list. If so, here it is re-formatted...to make it easier to read

- Community Benefits Agreement (CBA)
- Greyhound withdrawing from B.C.
- BC Bus North
- Trans-Canada Highway 4-laning (Kamloops to Alberta border)
- Ridesharing general
- Ridesharing illegal operation of ridesharing companies
- George Massey Tunnel Review
- Coastal Ferries Review
- Malahat Crashes & Closures
- E&N Rail

----Original Message----

From: Bowness, Lisanne GCPE:EX Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2018 2:34 PM

To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX

Subject: RE: Issues scan

Hi Aileen - not a problem.

Here are what I regard as the top issues for TRAN right now. Will - please let me know if you want me to add anything else to this list.

I have updated INs for all of these topics - I can send them to you today if you like.

Community Benefits Agreement (CBA)

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Sent from my iPhone

From: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Cc: Beale, William TRAN:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX

Subject: Re: Issues scan

Date: Thursday, May 24, 2018 2:27:27 PM

Yes. She was co hosting. They asked for an interview with MCT and in consultation with James/will minister declined. We gave NW written statement.

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Government Communications & Public Engagement

O: <u>250.953.4865</u> | M: <u>250.920.8371</u>

On May 24, 2018, at 14:26, Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX < Aileen.Machell@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Did you know Delta Mayor Lois Jackson was on CKNW the Lynda Steele show yesterday, and they discussed the Massey for about 15 minutes, including callers?

Aileen Machell Issues Manager 778.584.0257

From: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 1:10 PM

To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Cc: Beale, William TRAN:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX

Subject: Re: Issues scan

"Government expects a report on the independent technical review of the George Massey Crossing to be delivered later this spring. Government will take the time necessary to study the analysis before determining next steps."

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Government Communications & Public Engagement

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On May 23, 2018, at 13:07, Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX < Aileen. Machell@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

What is the current status of GMT review?

Aileen Machell Issues Manager 778.584.0257

Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 11:00 AM

To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX; Papadopoulos, James

TRAN:EX

Subject: RE: Issues scan

Ferries fuel rebate, Greyhound, plus the usual Lower Mainland stuff (GMT). Also FYI the Mayors are meeting tomorrow and discussing mobility pricing around 10:30.

On Greyhound, we're saying:

- The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure is working hard to ensure northern communities will not be left stranded without access to transportation service once Greyhound ceases operations on June 1st.
- More details on government's next steps will be available soon.

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Government Communications & Public Engagement

O: <u>250.953.4865</u> | M: <u>250.920.8371</u>

From: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 10:58 AM

To: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX; Papadopoulos, James

TRAN:EX

Subject: RE: Issues scan

Vancouver – media avail with Premier. So really anything major could come up.

Aileen Machell Issues Manager 778.584.0257

From: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 10:56 AM

To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX; Papadopoulos, James

TRAN:EX

Subject: RE: Issues scan

Can you get any more specific? Location? Angles? Etc?

Katie Robb

Communications Director | Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Government Communications & Public Engagement

O: 250.953.4865 | M: 250.920.8371

From: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 10:56 AM

To: Robb, Katie GCPE:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX; Papadopoulos, James

TRAN:EX

Subject: Issues scan

Hello,

We're doing a province wide issues scan for a media event tomorrow morning. Hoping you can flag any big issues that could be raised, by 3 this afternoon.

Thank you!

Aileen Machell Issues Manager 778.584.0257

ISSUES REPORT – June 18, 2018

GMT Review

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ISSUES REPORT – June 25, 2018

UPDATED - GMT Review

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ISSUES REPORT – July 16, 2018

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ISSUES REPORT – June 11, 2018

NEW GMT Review

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George Massey Tunnel Review

Background:

- On August 29, the BC Liberal caucus issued a press release suggesting Minister Trevena has been sitting on the George Massey Tunnel review report for the entire summer.
- Stan Cowdell, a professional engineer with expertise in major infrastructure projects, led the independent technical review of the options available for the corridor.
- Mr. Cowdell submitted his report to the ministry in late June.
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Message:

- We know this is a bottleneck that's keeping people stuck in traffic, and we want to fix
 it.
- We've also heard the concerns raised by Metro Vancouver and many residents about the costs and impact of building a 10-lane bridge.
- Unfortunately the old government didn't properly look at options before plowing ahead. We want to make sure we're looking at options and making the best decision for this corridor.
- The ministry is thoroughly reviewing the report submitted by engineer Stan Cowdell to consider its findings and possible next steps.
- The Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure will also discuss the findings with Metro Vancouver and the region's mayors to ensure that any future direction on the tunnel crossing is supported by the people in the region.

ISSUES REPORT – July 3, 2018

UPDATED - GMT Review

- We are working to find a solution for the George Massey crossing, as congestion and issues with safety along this corridor must be addressed.
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- Before any more work is done, it's important to explore the options available for this corridor.
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ISSUES REPORT – July 9, 2018

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George Massey Tunnel

Background:

- The technical review of the George Massey Tunnel replacement options, being undertaken by engineer Stan Cowdell, is expected in late Spring.
- Reporters may ask for a status update given that the report is due to the Minister of Transportation in coming weeks.

Message:

- Tens of thousands of people use this tunnel and are stuck in traffic as a result of the congestion.
- We need to fix this the right way, which is why we are having an independent review done on the options.
- We expect a report on the independent technical review of the George Massey Crossing to be delivered later this spring.
- We will take the time necessary to study the analysis before determining next steps to ensure the best choice for the people who live and travel in the region.

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Background:

- Delta Mayor Lois Jackson was on the Lynda Steele Show on CKNW on May 23, and said she is going to Ottawa to ask for federal funding for the George Massey Tunnel replacement. She suggested there's no provincial money for the replacement.
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But you are funding the Pattullo completely, doesn't that mean you can't fund the Massey replacement?

- The Pattullo bridge is one of the oldest bridges in Metro Vancouver, and it's replacement has been on the Mayors' list for 10 years.
- Despite the clear, pressing need to replace the aging Pattullo Bridge, the old government failed to move the project forward.
- We're working to solve Metro Vancouver's transportation issues and we're starting with replacing the Pattullo bridge.
- On the Massey Tunnel, we're working choose the project that's in the best interest of people who live and commute in the region.

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Subject: TRAN - Weekly Issues Report

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Here is this week's issues report – thank you

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Good morning – here is the weekly issues report for Transportation & Infrastructure.

*Please note – we are expecting both the Coastal Ferries Review & the George Massey Tunnel (GMT) review in this week.

We have updated lines on both within this report.

Many thanks

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Hi all -

Here's our weekly issues scan (attached) along with a scan of Vancouver Island ahead of tomorrow's media event/availability.

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Issues Scan

Vancouver Island/July 9, 2018

Malahat - Construction / Crash issues

The ministry and Infrastructure Canada are investing \$34 million (Province \$20 million; Canada \$14 million) in the Malahat Village Safety Improvement Project.

- Overnight paving for the project starts July 10th (Tuesday Night). Commuters driving the Malahat at night will notice crews working Sunday through Friday starting at 8:00 PM. One northbound and one southbound lane will remain open during paving. The paving portion of the project should take 2 months.
- Work is on track to finish later this year --- then there will be an 11-kilometre-long section between
 Finlayson Arm Road and the Malahat Summit with safer intersections and median barrier to protect against crossover collisions.

If asked about the Aspen road intersection proposal to reconfigure design?

- My staff consulted with residents on the proposed adjustments that will be necessary for safe access when the highway becomes four lanes.
- When residents raised concerns and suggested a revised design with a protected T concept, the ministry agreed to have a third party perform an independent review of the design.
- This review supported the current design as the safer option compared to the protected T concept.

Malahat - Second route

After a few crashes and long delays last month – the concept of a second route by-passing the Malahat came up. On May 26, the Premier said the idea of building a bridge across Saanich Inlet should be discussed.

- Vancouver Island families, communities and visitors rely on the Malahat highway as a vital link. Anyone who has traveled on the Malahat understands the frustrations with congestion and delays.
- A review is underway to look at potential transportation alternatives including a bridge and other options that consider all modes of transportation, including both passenger-only and car ferry services.
- Ministry staff are currently determining the detailed scope and schedule of the review.
- The ministry has looked at alternative routes in the past, but none were deemed practical from an engineering or budget standpoint.

McKenzie Interchange

- The ministry recognizes there were some traffic congestion last month through this interchange during the morning commutes.
- The ministry added more "green time" for southbound Highway 1 traffic to help keep traffic flowing more
 efficiently, and since then the morning commutes have improved, with traffic clearing faster than other
 mornings.
- We are still working on further refinements and determining the best way to move traffic safely through the intersection.
- Work is still on track to open the interchange to traffic by summer 2019, with full project completion expected by end of 2019.

Highway 4/Tree Falling Incident

Tree clearing work above the highway near Kennedy Lake caused an incident last month (June 21) when a tree fell onto a vehicle.

• It was extremely unfortunate and we are all relieved no one was injured. Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure staff are still investigating and will be developing recommendations to ensure there will be no further incidents of this nature. Ministry expects to have more information on this very shortly

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- We need to get people moving in the CRD and we need to get them moving quickly.
- Bus lanes along the Trans-Canada Highway are both a more immediate and efficient solution to gridlock, and that's why we are accelerating our work in this area
- The key issue we're working through is that the province currently does not own the corridor –
 the land belongs to the Island Corridor Foundation and we're keen to work with them to look at
 how we can reinvigorate this asset.

If asked if the idea of rail is dead?

- Our goal is to get people in the CRD moving as quickly and efficiently as possible. Government
 has looked at the possibility of rail service through a number of studies over the years, and as the
 Premier indicated, the business case doesn't seem to be there.
- With that said, more work is needed given how complex this work is.

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Afternoon -

Here is our issues report with an eye to early next week – ahead of Monday's announcement and availability.

Don't hesitate to call with questions,

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Morning all – here's Tran's updated issues this week.

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Hi all – Katie sent this out Friday, but I am just re-sending so that it's at the top of your inboxes for today.

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Many thanks

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