

Boelens, Robert GCPE:EX

From: Boelens, Robert GCPE:EX
Sent: January 7, 2019 12:33 PM
To: 'David Schmidt'
Subject: RE: BCMA Abbotsford open house

About 30 people attended Dave, with 25 participating in the hour-long tours of the lab.

-----Original Message-----

From: David Schmidt [mailto:davidschmidt@shaw.ca]
Sent: Monday, January 7, 2019 12:08 PM
To: Boelens, Robert GCPE:EX
Subject: BCMA Abbotsford open house

Robert

I am doing a story on the Abb Ag Centre Open House, Dec. 11th, for our next issue. I need to submit it by Wednesday.

Please tell me approximately how many people attended. I would also like to know how many toured the health lab.

Please provide the info ASAP

thanx
david schmidt
Country Life in BC

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From: Boelens, Robert GCPE:EX
Sent: January 17, 2019 1:30 PM
To: Bilmer, Blake GCPE:EX; McRae, Meghan GCPE:EX; Milne, Jillian GCPE:EX; Townsend, Dave H GCPE:EX
Subject: FW: Distribution Codes

From Linda, for selecting where you'd like your NR to go. Regional, category and community breakdowns below

From: Stagg, Linda R GCPE:EX
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 1:17 PM
To: Boelens, Robert GCPE:EX
Subject: Distribution Codes - our secret sauce

PROVI	provincewide
LEGIS	legislative press gallery
ISLAN	Vancouver Island, incl. Victoria

MMVAN	major media in Van, Burnaby, excl. regionals in those areas
LMAIN	all Lower Mainland media, excl. those on MMVAN

OKANA	the Okanagan
KOOTE	the Kootenays

BUSIN	business media
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HITEC	high-tech media or reporters in the Lower Mainland
ENERG	Energy

HITEC2	high-tech media or reporters outside the Lower Mainland
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000	Victoria	022	Fort St. John	052.5	Peachla
000.1	Burnaby	023	Gibsons	053	Penticto
000.2	Vancouver	025	Golden	054	Port Alb
001	100 Mile House	026	Grand Forks	055	Port Co
001.5	Armstrong	026.5	Greenwood-DELETED	056	Port Ha
002	Abbotsford	027	Granisle-DELETED	057	Powell F
002.5	Ashcroft	028	Hope	058	Prince G
003	Agassiz	028.5	Houston	059	Prince R
003.5	Atlin	030	Invermere	060	Princeto
004	Barriere	031	Kamloops	061	Queen C
005	Bella Coola	032	Kaslo	062	Quesnel
006	Bowen Island	033	Kelowna	063	Revelst
006.5	Burns Lake	034	Keremeos	064	Richmor
007	Campbell River	035	Kitimat	065	Salmon
007.5	Cassiar	036	Ladysmith	065.5	Sechelt
008	Castlegar	036.5	Lake Cowichan	069	Smither
009	Gold River	037	Langley	072	Sparwo
010	Chetwynd	038	Lillooet	073	Squamis
011	Chilliwack	040	Mackenzie	074	Stewart
011.5	Clearwater	041	Maple Ridge	075	Summer
012	Courtenay/Comox	042	Merritt	076	Surrey
012.5	Clinton	044	Mission	077	Terrace
013	Cranbrook/Kimberley	045	Nakusp	080	Trail/Ro
014	Creston	046	Nanaimo	082	Ucluele
015	Dawson Creek	046.5	Naramata	083	Valemon
015.5	Dease Lake	047	Nelson	085	Vanderh
016	Delta	047.5	New Denver	086	Vernon
017	Duncan	048	New Westminster	088	Whistler
017.5	Gulf Islands	049	Okanagan Falls	089	White R
019	Fernie	050	Oliver	090	Williams
020	Fort Nelson	051	Osoyoos	091	Lake Co
021	Fort St. James	052	Parksville	087	Wells D

THE NORTH

Nechako

Atlin - 003.5
Burns Lake - 006.5
Dease Lake - 015.5
Fort St. James - 021
Houston - 028.5
Smithers - 069
Vanderhoof - 085

THE NORTH in numerical order

001, 003.5, 005, 006.5, 010, 012.5, 015, 015.5, 020, 021, 022, 028.5, 035, 038, 040, 058, 059, 061, 062, 069, 074, 077, 085, 090

Cariboo	100 Mile House - 001 Clinton - 012.5 Lillooet - 038 Prince George - 058 ? Quesnel - 062 Wells - 087 - deleted Williams Lake - 090	001, 012.5, 038, 058, 062, 087, 090
Northeast (Peace)	Chetwynd - 010 Dawson Creek - 015 Fort Nelson - 020 Fort St. John - 022 Prince George - 058 Mackenzie - 040	010, 015, 020, 022, 040, 058
North Coast	Bella Coola - 005, Kitimat - 035 Prince Rupert - 059 Stewart - 074 Terrace - 077 ? Haida Gwaii/Charlottes - 061	005, 035, 059, 074, 077, 061
THE ISLAND	ISLAN, 000, 007, 009, 012, 017, 017.5, 036, 036.5, 046, 052, 054, 056, 082 Victoria - 000 Campbell River - 007 Gold River - 009 Courtenay/Comox - 012 Duncan - 017 Maybe Gulf Islands – 017.5 Ladysmith - 036 Lake Cowichan - 036.5 Nanaimo - 046 Parksville - 052 Port Alberni - 054 Port Hardy - 056 Ucluelet - 082	
ISLAND/COAST	ISLAN, 000, 005, 007, 009, 012, 017, 017.5, 023, 036, 036.5, 046, 052, 054, 056, 057, 059, 065.5, 082 Victoria - 000 Bella Coola - 005 Campbell River - 007 Courtenay/Comox - 012 Duncan - 017 Gibsons - 023 (Sunshine Coast) Gold River - 009 Gulf Islands - 017.5 Kitimat - 035 Ladysmith - 036 Lake Cowichan - 036.5 Nanaimo - 046 Parksville - 052	

Port Alberni - 054
 Port Hardy - 056
 Powell River - 057 (Sunshine Coast), Prince Rupert 059
 Haida Gwaii/Charlottes - 061
 Sechelt - 065.5 (Sunshine Coast)
 Ucluelet - 082
 ISLAN – Vancouver Island

TSUNAMI COAST LEGIS, ISLAN, LMAIN, MMVAN, All Ethnic, 000, 005, 007, 009, 012, 017, 017.5, 023, 035, 036, 036.5, 046, 052, 054, 056, 057, 059, 061, 065.5, 073, 074, 077, 082

THOMPSON/OKANAGAN OKANA, 001.5, 002.5, 004, 012.5, 031, 033, 042, 046.5, 049, 050, 051, 052.5, 053, 060, 065, 075, 086

Armstrong 001.5
 Ashcroft 002.5
 Barriere 004
 Clinton 012.5
 Kamloops 031
 Kelowna 033
 Merritt 042
 Naramata 046.5
 Okanagan Falls 049
 Oliver 050
 Osoyoos 051
 Peachland 052.5
 Penticton 053
 Princeton 060
 Salmon Arm 065
 Summerland 075
 Vernon 086
 Lake Country 091
 OKANA

OKANAGAN OKANA, 001.5, 033, 046.5, 049, 050, 051, 052.5, 053, 060, 065, 075, 086, 091

Armstrong 001.5
 Kelowna 033 Kelowna and Lake Country always go together
 Lake Country 091
 Naramata 046.5
 Okanagan Falls 049
 Oliver 050
 Osoyoos 051
 Peachland 052.5
 Penticton 053
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Fraser Valley	
Abbotsford - 002	
Agassiz - 003	
Chilliwack - 011	
Hope - 028	
Mission - 044	
Langley - 037	

LOWER MAINLAND

000.1, 000.2, 002, 003, 006, 011, 016, 028, 037, 041, 044, 048, 055, 064, 073, 076, 088, 089

000.1	Burnaby
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002	Abbotsford
003	Agassiz
006	Bowen Island
011	Chilliwack
016	Delta
028	Hope
037	Langley
041	Maple Ridge
044	Mission
048	New Westminster
055	Port Coquitlam/Coquitlam
064	Richmond
076	Surrey
089	White Rock
maybe	
073	Squamish
088	Whistler

COMMUNITY CULTURAL MEDIA – formerly ethnic

ETHSA	ETHFR	ETHJA	ETHSC
ETHCH	ETHGE	ETHJE	ETHID
ETHCR	ETHGR	ETHKO	
ETHFI	ETHIR		

For First Nations' names that don't work in email:

Please refer to (something, somewhere) for the correct presentation of the First Nations' proper names in this release.

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From: Boelens, Robert GCPE:EX
Sent: January 10, 2019 8:36 AM
To: Mack, James AGRI:EX; Shoemaker, Wes AGRI:EX
Cc: McRae, Meghan GCPE:EX
Subject: FW: Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea (PED) diagnosed in Alberta - KM for comments pls

Should media ask us about PED, or if more incidents are found, we have the below KM. Jane's comments are included, please let me know if you have any others to add as well.

Response to Alberta Finding

- B.C.'s Chief Veterinary Officer notified BC pork producers and processors following the confirmation of a PED finding in a commercial pig in Alberta on January 8.
- She also asked all pork producers and processors to apply and enforce strict biosecurity measures on all farms with any swine and at all plants where any swine are processed to prevent the entry of PED into BC.

Helping BC pork sector prepare

- In 2014 and 2015 B.C. pork producers and processors obtained biosecurity equipment and developed protocols to reduce the risk of PED entering their operations.
- As the disease is commonly spread by transport vehicles, the B.C. government supported the upgrading of truck-washing facilities at the two main hog processing plants in the province (both in the Fraser Valley) and invested in on-farm equipment for each registered producer in B.C. to disinfect their transport vehicles after each use. Funding also supported the development of response and containment plans at each pork farm in the province. (Background below)
- The B.C. Ministry of Agriculture will continue to work with national and provincial governments, and B.C. and Canadian industry groups to monitor and be prepared for any diagnosis of Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea
- the BC Ministry of Agriculture's Animal Health Centre is able to test for the disease's presence with a 24 hour turnaround time on diagnostic samples. (fee is \$35) Producers should contact the Ministry's Animal Health Centre In Abbotsford to arrange for samples to be tested.

PED

- Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea is a very contagious and serious disease of swine.
- PED is usually fatal to piglets, while older animals tend to survive with treatment.
- This disease can be carried on clothing, boots, transport vehicles, and hands as well as feed, manure and animals.
- No cases of PED have been diagnosed in B.C.
- It is important to remember that there is no risk to people or to the health of other species.

Background

Under the federal-provincially funded Growing Forward 2 framework, over \$600,000 was invested to implement controls at B.C.'s (two) pork processing facilities and the development of response and containment plans at each pork farm in the province. (2014)

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From: Boelens, Robert GCPE:EX
Sent: January 23, 2019 1:57 PM
To: s.22
Subject: Parasites and Disease in livestock

Hi Alex,

Colleagues of mine in the Animal Health Centre suggest the University of Calgary may be a better source for the type of information you're looking for. They suggested Professors John Gilleard or Susan Kutz may be able to offer some help. The Animal Health Centre operates as a diagnostic laboratory so doesn't gather the type of research data you are looking for. Hope you find the answers in Calgary.

Rob

From: Alex Robinson [mailto:s.22]
Sent: Wednesday, January 23, 2019 8:25 AM
To: AGRI PAHB AGRI:EX
Subject: Parasites and Disease in livestock

Hi there,

I'm a reporter with a new digital media project called Main St. North. I'm working on a story about B.C. farmer's experiencing an increase in parasites and disease in their livestock due to warming climate.

I was just wondering if the Animal Health Centre had experienced any spikes or increases in particular diseases/parasites in livestock in recent years. I don't know if the centre keeps this kind of information, but it would be great to get any statistics on the level of various parasites and diseases the centre has had to treat in livestock over the last decade or so, if possible.

And would it be possible to set up a phone interview with someone at the centre to talk about the issue? Maybe Jane Pritchard?

My deadline is tomorrow at noon.

Thank you,
Alex Robinson
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