From: Morel, David P ENV:EX

To: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX; Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Cc: Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX; Salkus, Beverley AG:EX; Graham, Tessa ENV:EX

Subject: Call with MLA Bowinn

Date: December 1, 2017 5:11:03 PM

As you may recall, you asked that we have a call with MLA Bowinn to discuss her concerns about air emissions from a North Vancouver. Ship yard. It was a relatively short call where we explained the responsibility to manage emissions is delegated to Metro. I offered to send a few points to follow-up on the call. (see below). Do you want me to send to her directly or come from MGH office.

Let me know if you have any questions.

David

MLA Bowinn

As requested, I am providing some further follow up bullets regarding your inquiry about the Vancouver Drydock – Air Emissions.

- Under Section 31 of the Environmental Management Act (EMA), MetroVancouver has delegated authority
 to manage air emissions within its boundaries. MetroVancouver has enacted Air Quality
 Management Bylaw No. 1082 to manage air emissions
 (http://www.metrovancouver.org/boards/Bylaws1/GVRD_Bylaw_1082.pdf).
- Below is the link to the Environmental Protection Notice. During the permitting process, concerned persons
 are entitled to an opportunity to be heard. Persons can share their concerns directly with
 MetroVancouver through the Public Notification process, within 30 days of the publication of the
 environmental protection notice http://www.metrovancouver_Drydock_Company_Limited_Partnership_1087-Environmental_Protection_Notice.pdf
- More information regarding MetroVancouver's permitting process is available at http://www.metrovancouver.org/services/Permits-regulationsenforcement/PermitRegulationEnforcementPublications/AirQualityPermittingProcess.pdf
- Under Section 100 of EMA, aggrieved persons may appeal a decision to Environmental Appeal Board within 30 days after the notice of decision is given.
- In summary, we encourage concerned persons to share their concerns with MetroVancouver: Ray Robb,
 District Director 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby BC V5H 0C6 Phone: (604) 432-6200 Fax: (604) 436-6707
 Email: vancouverdrydockcomments@metrovancouver.org

From: Karn, David GCPE:EX

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Cc: <u>Crebo, David GCPE:EX</u>; <u>Xia, Eveline ENV:EX</u>

Subject: Media request - Ha-Shilth-Sa Newspaper - fish plant effluent regs

Date: December 4, 2017 9:49:24 AM

Caelie.

Approved by ADM Morel.

Reporter

Eric Plummer, Reporter Ha-Shilth-Sa Newspaper temperedinthefire@hotmail.com 250-918-9800

Deadline Monday, December 4, 2017 4:00 PM

Request

reporter seeking details on investigation of fish processing plants - Brown Bay and Tofino. When will that occur? What does the investigation entail? What regulations are in place?

Background

Recommendation

- Fish Processing facilities are subject to the Waste Discharge Regulation (WDR) under the Environmental Management Act (EMA).
- Discharge requirements in fish processing plant permits are site specific, and depend on a number of factors including the volumes and types of effluent produced, and the receiving environment into which the discharge is released. The requirements are designed to ensure that the environment is protected and pollution does not occur.
- The province is currently working on some fish processing plant permits to update them to ensure they reflect modern-day standards. The permitting (and amendment process) requires completion of technical assessments studies (including in the environment), as well as public notification, in order to inform the permitting decision. One such example is for Browns Bay Packing Company (Permit PE 8124), which is undergoing an amendment that, if issued, will include new requirements for updated pollution control works and more extensive monitoring and reporting conditions (for both the discharge and the receiving environment).
- Modern day treatment standards for effluent from fish processing plants include a minimum of physical treatment (e.g. filtration) and disinfection prior to release into the environment, and in some instances more advanced chemical or biological treatment technologies may be required.
- The Ministry continues to share information and collaborate with federal agencies including

- Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) and Fisheries and Oceans Canada, to ensure science-based decisions that protect wild salmon and marine environments.
- The Ministry will continue conducting compliance inspections of facilities in the Province to ensure that provincial regulatory requirements are met and that the environment is protected. As well, the Ministry will be conducting a sector wide audit of fish processing plants in the Province to examine the current state of the industry, with respect to provincial regulatory requirements.
- Ministry compliance staff will be conducting visits soon to the Browns Bay and Tofino facilities.
- Fish processing plants that discharge to the marine environment may also need to meet federal requirements contact ECCC for details.

From: Karn, David GCPE:EX

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Cc: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX; Crebo, David GCPE:EX
Subject: Media request - APTN - fish farm effluent regs

Date: December 4, 2017 9:53:11 AM

Caelie,

Approved by ADM Morel and AGRI.

Same response a Ha-Slith-Sa but missing a bullet on when ENV staff are to attend the site and AGRI statement.

Reporter

Laurie Hamelin, Camera person APTN (Aboriginal Peoples Television Network) lhamelin@aptn.ca

888-278-8862 c: 604-724-6411

Deadline Monday, December 4, 2017 4:00 PM

Request

following the story on Fish Farms in BC for the last few months, from First Nations occupying farms, to the review of the Provincial lab. I would like to now know what regulations/standards are in place for effluent coming from fish processing plants? And, has a date for the meeting with all levels of Government and First Nations been set?

RESPONSE:

- Fish Processing facilities are subject to the Waste Discharge Regulation (WDR) under the Environmental Management Act (EMA)
- Discharge requirements in fish processing plant permits are site specific, and depend on a number of factors including the volumes and types of effluent produced, and the receiving environment into which the discharge is released. The requirements are designed to ensure that the environment is protected and pollution does not occur.
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- Fish processing plants that discharge to the marine environment may also need to meet federal requirements contact ECCC for details.

REQUEST: Has a date for the meeting with all levels of Government and First Nations been set? **RESPONSE:** (provided by AGRI)

• "We continue to work towards a meeting with all parties to engage in government to government to government discussions on aquaculture within the Broughton Archipelago. Our government is committed to working with First Nations, Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the industry to ensure B.C.'s aquaculture sector is environmentally sustainable and respects First Nations' rights while providing good jobs for British Columbians."

From: Today"s News Online GCPE:EX

Subject: TNO: Scientists recommend adding sockeye salmon to Species At Risk Act - Ivan Semeniuk - Globe and Mail

Date: December 5, 2017 4:15:51 AM

Scientists recommend adding sockeye salmon to Species At Risk Act

Globe and Mail 05-Dec-2017 Page A07 By Ivan Semeniuk

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From: Minister, ENV ENV:EX

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

Subject: FW: Urgent moratorium needed - Section 16 Land Act Reserve

Date: December 5, 2017 10:02:54 AM

FYI

Reamick

From: s.22 [mailto: s.22

Sent: Monday, December 4, 2017 9:35 PM

To: Simons.MLA, Nicholas LASS:EX

Cc: Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX; Minister, ENV ENV:EX; Milne@sechelt.ca; mark.lebbell@scrd.ca;s.22 jens@sierraclub.bc.ca; mark@sierraclub.bc.ca; hello@shishalh.com; wpaull@secheltnation.net

Subject: Urgent moratorium needed - Section 16 Land Act Reserve

To MLA Nicholas Simons,

We understand that the Province is currently negotiating with the shíshálh First Nation regarding resource use within their hereditary lands, and that could impact how the forests of the Sunshine Coast are managed in the future. We also understand that a long overdue land use planning process may also be initiated for the Sunshine Coast region soon.

While these are welcome developments, they are likely long term processes with results that come too late for protecting the integrity the proposed Mt Elphinstone Park expansion area. With a third of the area already logged, the Chanterelle Forest (EW28) on the western boundary slated to fall anytime, and now a new planned cut block in its center, the Clack Creek Gallery Forest, scheduled to be tendered Jan.1, 2018, we wonder if there will be anything left to salvage when these governmental processes conclude.

We need a moratorium on continued logging of the proposed park now, in the form of a Section 16 Land Act Reserve, which would temporally remove it from the Timber Supply Area while options for land use are discussed by all vested parties.

It requires an Order in Council to enact. A similar approach was used in the process that ultimately secured the preservation of the Stein Valley, now a Provincial Park with a Tribal Park layer, jointly managed by the Province and Lillooet First Nations. A moratorium would prevent further public outcry, protests, blockades and the arrests that are likely to take place over continued destruction of this remaining Elphinstone bluelisted forest, while taking time to consider the needs of the larger community and First Nations.

An expanded Elphinstone protected area is the Sunshine Coasts last and only opportunity to set aside an ecologically significant lower elevation natural forest for our future. The old "talk and log" approach is not acceptable. We ask that you act now, before more critical core area is lost, before BCTS tenders the Clack Creek Forest, and to please reconsider a deferral on logging the Chanterelle Forest.

We would like to schedule a short emergency meeting with you asap, wherever is most convenient for you, be it Victoria, Powell River or Davis Bay, but are open to a scheduled teleconference if that is easiest. Please view the link below for a better understanding of Land Act Reserves -

 $\frac{https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/farming-natural-resources-and-industry/natural-resource-use/land-water-use/crown-land/reserves.pdf$

Regards Elphinstone Logging Focus From: Bailey, Scott EAO:EX

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX; Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

Cc: Jardine, Kevin EAO:EX; Noble, Heather EAO:EX; Loiacono, Sabrina EAO:EX; Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX; Dakin, Ashley EAO:EX

Subject: EA Milestone Bullet: Big Silver Creek Hydropower Project

Date: December 6, 2017 2:49:17 PM Importance: High

Hi Caelie, Eveline and Reamick:

Below is a milestone bullet for Big Silver Creek Hydropower Project.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

Scott

Scott Bailey

Assistant Deputy Minister BC Environmental Assessment Office

Phone: 250/387.2307 Cell: 250/886.0853

Email: scott.bailey@gov.bc.ca
http://www.eao.gov.bc.ca/

<u>Big Silver Creek Hydropower Project (Honourable Michelle Mungall – Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources):</u>

On December 5, 2017, the EAO formally accepted an Application from Big Silver Creek Power Limited Partnership for an amendment to Environmental Assessment Certificate (EAC) #E12-03 for the Big Silver Creek Hydropower Project (Big Silver Creek).

Big Silver Creek is located on a tributary on the east side of Harrison Lake, approximately 60 km north of Harrison Hot Springs in the Fraser Valley Regional District. The amendment request involves an increase in the water diversion rate from 42 cubic meters per second (m³/s) to 44 m³/s to augment the beneficial use of water for hydroelectric power, which would require an amendment to Condition #7 of Schedule B of EAC #E12-03.

Section of	Definition
the Act	
6	Minister's power to designate a project as reviewable
7	Application to executive director for reviewable project designation
10	Determination whether or not a reviewable project requires an Environmental Assessment Certificate
11	Issuance of an Order setting the scope, procedures and methods for the assessment
13	Issuance of a variation Order modifying the scope, procedures and methods for the assessment
16	Acceptance of an application into the 180-day review process following a determination that it contains the
	required information
18(4)	Extension of a Certificate
19	Amendment of a Certificate
24(2)	Time limit suspension
24(4)	Extensions of time limits by the minister or executive director
30	Issuance of a suspension Order

From: Neilson, Kirsten ENV:EX

To: <u>Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX</u>
Subject: Neigbhour contanimating farm"s water supply

Date: December 6, 2017 3:44:42 PM

Caller:s.22

Neighbour has dumped toxic soil on the neighbouring property and had contaminated this water supply. Has had to cut production on his farm, and has now been told to sell his property as it cannot be cleaned up.

Has been in touch with Jim Norlock, Environment BC (field officer Bard Bowan) regarding cleanup order. No action has been taken yet. There is some conflict also with Islands Trust.

Needs someone to come out / see lab samples/ see videos. Is having issues with CRD for 8 months Best Regards,

Kirsten Neilson

Administrative Coordinator to the **Honourable George Heyman**

Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Office: 250-387-3069 Mobile: 250-893-1647



Please consider the environment before printing this email.

From: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

To: Karn, David GCPE:EX; Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX
Cc: Crebo, David GCPE:EX; Cotton, Brian GCPE:EX

Subject: RE: Media request - Comox Valley Record - Strathcona Prk snowmobiliers

Date: December 7, 2017 10:11:00 AM

Approved.

From: Karn, David GCPE:EX

Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2017 10:09 AM

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Cc: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX; Crebo, David GCPE:EX; Cotton, Brian GCPE:EX Subject: Media request - Comox Valley Record - Strathcona Prk snowmobiliers

Caelie,

Approved by Jim Standen.

Reporter

Scott Strasser, Reporter
Comox Valley Record (Courtenay)
scott.strasser@comoxvalleyrecord.com
250-338-7816 x 2306 c: 403-998-4068

Deadline Thursday, December 7, 2017 4:30 PM

Request

Seeking comment about complaints from the Strathcona Mountaineering Club about Snowmobilers in the park. What policy or legislation can or is being used to protect park values from the machines.

Background

Recommendation (email)

- Visitors to Strathcona park are becoming increasingly frustrated by some snowmobiler's lack of
 respect for park regulations; there are many areas outside the park designated for snowmobile
 use. The public has shown support in assisting enforcement agencies through reporting alleged
 offences by snowmobilers recreating within park boundaries.
- BC Parks is requesting the public's assistance in controlling illegal snowmobile activity by recording and reporting all sightings, including required information (registration decal number, description of snowmobile and rider and/or photo, time, date and location), to the Strathcona Area Supervisor at 250-337-2405. Charges may be pursued after the fact.
- Information on snowmobile use, related regulations and boundary maps can be found on a
 printable brochure on the Strathcona Park Website at
 http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/strath/strathcona_webnote_snowmobile.pdf?v=1512600962882
- Strathcona Master Plan does not support any recreational snowmobile activity within the boundaries
 of the park (Mount Washington being the only exception having authorization under permit limited to setting & patrolling Nordic trails)
- Park, Conservancy and Protected Area Regulation, Section 24(3) states; No person shall use or operate a snowmobile in a park except in an area permitted by a sign or as authorized by a park officer the current potential fine is \$230.
- BC Parks, together with other agencies, i.e. RCMP, Conservation Officer Service and Natural Resource Officers, will pursue charges for anyone found in non-compliance of the regulations.

From: Maguire, Maeve LASS:EX
To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Subject: Re: CVRD rezoning and PR submissions
Date: December 7, 2017 11:11:17 AM

Hi Caelie,

Has there been any word from ministry staff about this? Thank you,

,

Maeve

From: "Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX"

Date: Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 1:27 PM

To: "Maguire, Maeve"

Subject: RE: CVRD rezoning and PR submissions

Hi Maeve,

There is a release coming tomorrow on the PR consultation piece ©

This is the first I've seen of the letter so thanks for flagging it. I've asked our Ministry to fast track the response.

Thanks, Caelie

From: Maguire, Maeve [mailto:Maeve.Maguire@leg.bc.ca]

Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 1:21 PM

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Subject: CVRD rezoning and PR submissions

Hello Caelie,

I have two questions for you.

The first is about the letter (attached) from CERCA below. Sonia is wondering if you have seen the letter, and she is looking for a status update from the ministry on this issue.

Also, we have received more input for the professional reliance review. You mentioned it would be available at the end of this month. Please let me know if it's ready for submissions. Thank you,

Maeve

From: Andrews, Sarah ENV:EX on behalf of Standen, Jim ENV:EX

To: Throness.MLA, Laurie LASS:EX

Cc: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX; Salkus, Beverley AG:EX; Aikman, Jennie S ENV:EX; Andrews,

Sarah ENV:EX; Kelso, Dylan LASS:EX

 Subject:
 313099 MLA Throness

 Date:
 December 7, 2017 12:03:42 PM

Attachments: Maple Bay Campground Expansion Fact Sheet.pdf

Reference: 313099 December 7, 2017 Laurie Throness, MLA Chilliwack-Kent

10 - 7300 Vedder Road Chilliwack BC V2R 4G6 Dear MLA Throness:

Over the past number of years, BC Parks has been making efforts towards expanding camping opportunities available to our visitors. In order to meet the growing demand for camping opportunities, and as part of the Province's commitment to address that demand, a new camping area will be constructed at Maple Bay in Cultus Lake Provincial Park.

There is a unique opportunity to provide a different camping experience. BC Parks will be constructing a "fixed roof" camping environment at this location. Twenty-five simple, rustic cabins will take the place of tents and recreational vehicles, to serve those who do not have access to RVs and who do not wish to camp in tents. This is a pilot project for BC Parks, and while there are some smaller examples of fixed-roof accommodation in the system, this is the first larger project that BC Parks has undertaken to bring fixed-roof accommodation to park visitors looking for a different camping experience in BC Parks.

The cabins will be for sleeping accommodation only, much like tents. Each cabin will be provided with heating and lights and a covered outdoor space for cooking and meals, while washroom facilities are provided within a short walk of any cabin.

In order for people living with disabilities have access to outdoor recreation, the cabins will be equipped with level entries, and washrooms will be free from mobility barriers.

The design of the development of this site avoids conflict with sensitive habitat and riparian areas and minimizes large tree removal to that necessary for infrastructure. The project plans will include measures to protect and enhance critical habitat for Oregon Forest Snail, which reside adjacent to the development area.

This project was designed to expand camping inventory and does not reduce any of the current Cultus Lake campsites which remain at 301 sites within the four campgrounds. BC Parks undertook a business case and have confirmed that the project will not directly impact or compete with other private and commercial business providing fixed-roof accommodation in the local area, as the project is of a more rustic nature and does not have the same amenities as what is offered in the existing market.

Attached is a fact sheet for your reference. The sheet includes a map indicating the location of the cabins and supporting facilities. You will also see a rendition of what the exterior of each cabin will look like upon completion.

Starting December 13, 2017, contractors will be arriving to prepare the Maple Bay site for construction of the cabins and are targeted for opening in summer 2018.

BC Parks staff have installed signage at the site and posted brochures so local residents and visitors are aware of the purpose of the project. BC Parks have also informed the Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD), including Taryn Dixon, Electoral Area Director, and the FVRD is in support. The local First Nations through the People of the River Referral Office has been engaged, and BC Parks is collaborating with the Ts'elxwéyeqw Tribe on a number of aspects

related to this project.

I apologize for the late notice but wanted to make sure that you are aware of this exciting endeavour. Please contact Jennie Aikman at Jennie.Aikman@gov.bc.ca to answer any questions you may have in this regard.

Sincerely,

Jim Standen

Assistant Deputy Minister

Attachment

cc: Caelie Frampton, Ministerial Assistant, Office of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Eveline Xia, Ministerial Assistant, Office of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Beverley Salkus, A/ Manager, Deputy Minister's Office, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Jennie Aikman, Regional Director, BC Parks South Coast Region

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 From:
 Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

 To:
 Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

 Cc:
 Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Subject: RE: BC"s Transportation Sectoral Climate Action Plan

Date: December 7, 2017 6:44:20 PM

Reamick, please send their office this information:

- As you know, the Honourable John Horgan, Premier, has requested, in the government's mandate letter for the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, for the ministry to make progress on establishing separate sectoral reduction targets and plans.
- We have recently appointed a Climate Solutions and Clean Growth Advisory Council, comprising of a diverse group of 22 provincial leaders, to provide strategic advice to government as we implement climate action and determine approaches to developing sectoral targets and plans.
- The appointment of the Council is part of BC's commitment to address climate change, set targets for the near future and meet them, and deal with important sources of emissions from buildings, homes, transportation and industry.

From: Olsen.MLA, Adam [mailto:Adam.Olsen.MLA@leg.bc.ca]

Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 2:11 PM

To: Minister, ENV ENV:EX

Subject: BC's Transportation Sectoral Climate Action Plan

Hello Minister's office,

I've had a constituent reach out to our office to inquire about the status of BC's Transportation Sectoral Climate Action Plan. I believe the intent of this plan was a reduction in carbon pollution specific to transportation by 2030.

Any insight you can provide on the status of this plan would be helpful!

All the best, Ryan Clayton

Constituency Assistant | Office of Adam Olsen, MLA

250-655-5600

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From: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX
To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX
Subject: FW: Mount Erskine Park
Date: December 7, 2017 6:45:05 PM

Forgot to cc' you.

From: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2017 6:37 PM

To: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

Subject: RE: Mount Erskine Park

Reamick, please break down this letter to bullets and send to their office:

As I am sure you are aware, ministry staff must work within established governmental procedures respecting capital budgets and land acquisitions and, at times, these procedures may appear to cause delays and can frustrate partners wishing to assist BC Parks. However, I am pleased to be able to advise that the ministry recently received the necessary approvals and funding for 2017/18 to proceed with this project. Ministry staff can now proceed with the necessary steps to work with the Salt Spring Island Trail and Nature Club to make this acquisition a reality.

Thank you again for your offer of assistance to support the Salt Spring Island Trail and Nature Club in its endeavours to acquire this land in partnership with BC Parks.

From: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2017 3:33 PM

To: Olsen.MLA, Adam LASS:EX

Cc: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

Subject: RE: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Ryan,

Will get back to you as soon as I hear.

Warmly, Reamick Lo

Executive Assistant to the **Honourable George Heyman**

Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

P: 250-812-8642

From: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2017 3:31 PM

To: Olsen.MLA, Adam LASS:EX Cc: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

Subject: FW: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Ryan,

Thanks for this, and sorry for the delay.

I'm cc'ing the Executive Assistant to Minister Heyman who will work with ministry staff and get some information for you.

Cheers.

Eveline

Eveline Xia

Ministerial Assistant to the Honourable George Heyman

Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Room 112, Parliament Buildings

Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4 P: 250-952-7288 F: 250-387-1356

From: Olsen.MLA, Adam [mailto:Adam.Olsen.MLA@leg.bc.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 3:36 PM

To: Minister, ENV ENV:EX Subject: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Minister's office,

I'm writing to enquire about Mount Erskine Park. For several years one of our constituents has been working with BC Parks \$.22 to add to the park. There

has been support for his efforts, and progress has been made. s.22

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Recently he was informed due to BC Park's procedures the process has been delayed^{s.22}
s.22

He was told that then BC Parks needs to

work with their lawyers before the Islands Trust can be engaged for the next steps. In the meanwhile, \$.22 is becoming frustrated and wants to sell his land.

Is there anything we can do to support this constituent's efforts?

Ryan Clayton

Constituency Assistant | Office of Adam Olsen, MLA 250-655-5600

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From: <u>BC News On Demand GCPE:EX</u>
To: <u>Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX</u>

Subject: BC Gov News - Wood stove exchange program provides greater incentives for gas, electric

Date: December 8, 2017 11:02:24 AM

For Immediate Release 2017ENV0068-002026 Dec. 8, 2017

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

NEWS RELEASE

Wood stove exchange program provides greater incentives for gas, electric

VICTORIA - Exchanging an old wood stove for a cleaner-burning model is good, but exchanging it for electric, gas, propane, or pellet-heating is even better under the wood stove exchange program.

This winter, the program will provide a total of \$195,500 to 15 British Columbia communities.

In the past, the program provided the same incentive to anyone switching, regardless of fuel source. This year, the provincial government has changed the incentive structure to:

- * a \$250 incentive for changing to a cleaner-burning wood stove; and
- * a \$400 incentive for changing to a qualifying electric heat pump, gas or propane stove, or pellet-fuelled stove.

"It is clear that First Nations and local governments around the province are committed to reducing particulate emissions in their communities," said Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy George Heyman. "The higher incentive level recognizes the greater air-quality benefit of the non-wood-burning options, and is our government's first step in improving this worthwhile program. I look forward to continuing to work with First Nations and local governments to improve air quality right across B.C."

Thirteen of the local communities that have been approved for funding are continuing their programs from previous years, and two new communities have joined this year.

The British Columbia Lung Association administers the wood stove exchange program on behalf of the Province and provides educational materials and support to participating communities.

"In the 11 years of this program, we've raised awareness of the effects of burning wood and have removed tonnes of particulates from the air," said Scott McDonald, CEO of the B.C. Lung Association. "Many people are now aware wood smoke contains many small

particulates that can cause harm. We hope the exchange program is extended in the years to come."

Since 2008, communities have received almost \$2.9 million in provincial funding and more than 7,000 wood-burning stoves and inserts have been replaced by newer, cleaner burning models or other cleaner heat sources, resulting in significant reductions of particulate matter emissions entering the air each year.

Learn More:

Provincial Wood Stove Exchange Program:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/air-land-water/air/air-pollution/smoke-burning/exchange

A backgrounder follows.

Contact:

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy Media Relations 250 953-3834

BACKGROUNDER

Facts about the 2017-18 wood stove exchange program

- * In 2018, 15 communities will receive funding, including two new communities where the program has never been offered before District of Vanderhoof and City of Kamloops.
- * Funding for the 2017-18 wood stove exchange program:
- * Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District: \$14,750
- * Bulkley Valley and Lakes District Airshed Management Society: \$7,900
- * Comox Valley Regional District: \$19,000
- * Cowichan Valley Regional District: \$31,700
- * Fraser Valley Regional District: \$12,000
- * Golden and District Air Quality Committee: \$5,000
- * City of Kamloops: \$16,750
- * Metro Vancouver Regional District: \$17,750
- * Prince George Air Improvement Roundtable: \$2,900

- * Central Okanagan Regional District: \$12,100
- * Regional District of Kootenay Boundary: \$6,000
- * Regional District of Nanaimo: \$17,500
- * Sea to Sky Clean Air Society: \$10,950
- * Sunshine Coast Clean Air Society: \$12,700
- * District of Vanderhoof: \$8,500
- * In British Columbia, all new wood stoves and inserts sold must meet U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or Canadian Standards Association (CSA) emission standards.
- * Always use dry, well-seasoned wood cut into pieces that are 10 to 15 centimetres in diameter. Burning "green" or wet wood produces significantly more smoke.
- * Firewood should be seasoned for at least six months. Burning seasoned wood also saves money by reducing wood consumption by 25%.
- * By burning smaller, hotter fires to ensure complete combustion of the wood, there should be very little visible smoke coming from the chimney and no smell of smoke indoors.
- * Wood-burning appliances should be inspected and cleaned at least once a year by a certified technician.

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From: Clark, Layne PREM:EX

To: LP Ministerial Assistants; LP Executive Assistants
Cc: Kingston, Charlotte PREM:EX; Aaron, Sage PREM:EX

Subject: Style Guide

Date: December 13, 2017 12:45:53 PM
Attachments: Editing Hit List Revised Oct 2017.docx

Hi All,

Charlotte Kingston (the new Stakeholder Relations Manager in the Vancouver Cabinet Office!) was provided with a Style Guide that may be helpful for you all.

Thanks!

Layne

Layne Clark

Director of Liaison and Coordination Premier's Office

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From: Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX
To: Larkin, Brenda FLNR:EX

Cc: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX; Ethier, Tom FLNR:EX; McGuire, Jennifer ENV:EX

Subject: Re: Grizzly stakeholders
Date: December 14, 2017 2:13:28 PM

Thanks Brenda

Regards, Mark 250-415-6466

On Dec 14, 2017, at 1:58 PM, Larkin, Brenda FLNR:EX < Brenda.Larkin@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hello Mark,

Tom asked that I send the list of stakeholders that we will be contacting. I understand that s.22 and Eveline is currently taking over until Caelie returns.

The stakeholders that FLNR will be calling include:

BC Trappers Association

BC Wildlife Federation

Guide Outfitters Association of BC

Wildlife Stewardship Council

Grizzly Bear Foundation

Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation

United Bowhunters of BC

Wild Sheep Society of BC

Coastal First Nations

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From: Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 4:45 PM

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Cc: Ethier, Tom FLNR:EX; McGuire, Jennifer ENV:EX

Subject: Re: Grizzly stakeholders

Hi Tom: Do you have the stakeholder list you used for the first Grizzly announcement?

Can you send to Caelie Frampton our MA?

Thx, MZ

Sent from my iPad

On Dec 13, 2017, at 4:43 PM, Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX < Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Do we have a list in our ministry? Or would this live in FLNROD?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Oreck, Mira PREM:EX" < Mira.Oreck@gov.bc.ca>

Date: December 13, 2017 at 4:36:03 PM PST

To: "Renneberg, Tim FLNR:EX" < <u>Tim.Renneberg@gov.bc.ca</u>>, "Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX" < <u>Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca</u>>

Cc: "Kingston, Charlotte PREM:EX"

Subject: Grizzly stakeholders

<<u>Charlotte.Kingston@gov.bc.ca</u>>

Hi folks -

Charlotte and I are available to provide support on the Grizzly announcement – and want to make sure we connect with as many stakeholders as possible.

A few questions:

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Do you have stakeholder lists for this issue in either/both of your ministries?
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Have you set up validators?
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Was there a media scan done following the original announcement?

We'd like to create a list for an email following the announcement (rather than individual phone calls). Please let us know what you have!

Thank you,

Mira

Mira Oreck, Director of Stakeholder Relations Office of the Premier

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Vancouver, BC 604 775 2116

From: Williams, Chelsea S LASS:EX

Subject: Fw: BC Gov News - Ajax open-pit copper and gold mine not granted an environmental assessment certificate

Date: December 14, 2017 8:06:19 PM

In case you missed it earlier -

Contrast language:

The BC Liberals gutted our environmental assessment process leading to risky decisions and the undermining of public confidence in new projects. We believe we can create a sustainable economy while protecting the environment and respecting the rights of First Nations. We're doing things differently by choosing to develop our natural resources in a safe, responsible way.

From: noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca

Sent: 14 December 2017 14:00:51 (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)

Subject: BC Gov News - Ajax open-pit copper and gold mine not granted an environmental assessment certificate

For Immediate Release 2017ENV0072-002055

Dec. 14, 2017

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy Environmental Assessment Office

INFORMATION BULLETIN

Ajax open-pit copper and gold mine not granted an environmental assessment certificate

VICTORIA - Environment and Climate Change Strategy Minister George Heyman and Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources Minister Michelle Mungall have decided not to issue an environmental assessment certificate to KGHM Ajax Mining Inc. for the Ajax project.

The company proposed a 1,700-hectare open-pit copper and gold mine, located approximately 10 kilometres southwest of Kamloops and on the asserted traditional territories of the Stk'emlupseme te Secwépeme Nation (SSN), Ashcroft Indian Band, Lower Nicola Indian Band and Whispering Pines/Clinton Indian Band.

Having considered the Environmental Assessment Office's (EAO) summary assessment report, the EAO and Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's joint federal comprehensive study and assessment report, the recommendation of the executive director of the EAO not to issue a certificate; and submissions from the SSN, the City of Kamloops and the company, the ministers concluded that taken as a whole, the potential, and in many cases significant, adverse effects of the Ajax project outweighed the potential benefits.

Key findings from the environmental assessment noted by the ministers include:

* Fifty-three residual and cumulative adverse effects across the five pillars assessed by the EAO (environmental, economic, social, heritage and health) in areas such as air quality and human well-being, Jacko Lake and surrounding area, social and economic valued components, as well as grasslands and ecosystems;

- * The conclusion by the EAO that 21 of these adverse effects were of moderate-to-high magnitude;
- * In addressing the 21 high-to-moderate-magnitude adverse effects, the EAO had low-to-moderate confidence in its assessment of nine of the effects;
- * The compounding potential of the adverse effects; and
- * Significant adverse effects to Indigenous heritage and to the current use of lands and resources for traditional purposes.

Given these conclusions and the close proximity of Ajax to the City of Kamloops, particularly the neighbourhood of Aberdeen, including an elementary school, the ministers concluded the adverse effects would not likely be mitigated to an acceptable level and would therefore present an unacceptable risk.

The ministers acknowledged the high importance of the area to the culture of SSN and agreed that the Ajax project would result in significant adverse effects to Indigenous heritage and to the current use of lands and resources for traditional purposes. Notwithstanding the mitigation measures and EA certificate conditions proposed by the EAO, the project would also have adverse impacts on SSN's asserted Aboriginal rights and title, which in many cases, could not be avoided or minimized. The ministers concluded these effects were unacceptable in the circumstances.

The environmental assessment was co-ordinated between the EAO and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, and included the establishment of an intergovernmental advisory working group, consultation with Indigenous groups, extensive engagement with the public and the City of Kamloops, the creation of a community advisory group and the negotiation of a collaboration agreement with the SSN.

A graphical timeline of the project's environmental assessment and the information that informed the assessment can be found at the following link:

https://projects.eao.gov.bc.ca/api/document/598a1408832a6300190e451f/fetch

To view the Ministers' Reasons for Decision and other information on the project, please visit the project page on the EAO website: http://www.eao.gov.bc.ca/decision.html?

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From: Ma, Bowinn

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Harder, Derrick AG:EX

Cc: <u>Ashbourne, Craig MAH:EX</u>

Subject: FW: BC Parks - Seymour Parking Lot Trees

Date: December 15, 2017 6:08:52 PM

Attachments: Public Engagement Guidebook no draft.pdf

2016 Engagement Survey Results Summary Report.pdf

Caelie and Derrick.

Below is correspondence from the District of North Vancouver, who has expressed concern to me on a number of occasions around what they feel is a lack of proper public consultation by provincial agencies with community members. They cite recent examples regarding interactions with the Ministry of Transportation Infrastructure and with BC Parks so I am directing this to you. I am also copying MAH, given that this is a municipality formally lodging a complaint.

I think that this feedback from the District is legitimate and deserves a response that includes a commitment to improve as well as an outline of how that improvement will come from each Ministry.

In your service, Bowinn Ma, MLA

North Vancouver-Lonsdale

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From: Ma.MLA, Bowinn

Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2017 2:46 PM

To: Ma, Bowinn

Subject: FW: BC Parks - Seymour Parking Lot Trees

From: David Stuart [mailto:StuartD@dnv.org]

Sent: December 11, 2017 10:51 AM

To: Ma.MLA, Bowinn <<u>Bowinn.Ma.MLA@leg.bc.ca</u>>
Cc: Mayor and Council - DNV <<u>Council@dnv.org</u>>
Subject: FW: BC Parks - Seymour Parking Lot Trees

Dear MLA Ma;

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our perspective regarding interactions between Provincial Ministry staff and District of North Vancouver residents on recent projects. It has been our experience that, in recent years, Ministerial operations have drifted from previous methods of ensuring the public is well-informed about upcoming projects before work begins. And public consultation has been extremely limited. In previous governments Ministries had professional Communications resources assigned to assist with strategic advice on community relations. Those resources were all centralized some years ago and, more recently, have been focussed on media relations.

Two recent examples of this gap in strategic communications and community outreach are the Highway 1 interchange construction project, and the Mount Seymour parking lot expansion project.

• In the case of the Highway 1 project, there is no professional Communications resource assigned to this \$35 million project. Two poorly-attended open houses were held during the design phase of the project some years ago, and there has been no broad communications

to the community since that time. As a result, the Project Manager is dealing with complaints from individual residents and groups of residents who are being impacted by the project. Those residents are also writing to our Council and calling our staff. It is our understanding that the disruption and impact currently being experienced as a result of the Phase 1 work will pale in comparison to that which is expected in Phases 2 and 3. There is no Communication or Community Engagement Plan in place for the project.

• In the case of the parking lot expansion near Mt Seymour, neither District staff nor the public were informed ahead of time about the plans. As you're aware, the residents came to Council seeking information about the tree removal which came as a surprise to them. Again, no Communications resource is attached to the project, so there was no one to give advice to the operational staff about how to best approach the issue with the community.

Through our own experience in dealing with sometimes controversial projects, we have learned that it is always of benefit to ensure the public is not surprised or caught off guard by our actions and, that if there is an opportunity to consult the public, it is done in a way that is respectful, accessible and has meaning. In late 2016 we conducted a statistically relevant, demographically representative public opinion survey of District residents about public engagement and major issues, and as you will see from the summary (attached), transportation is a top issue and open houses are the least favoured outreach tactic.

The District's Communications team recently completed development of a Public Engagement Framework (attached) which provides guidance to our staff and council on how to consider, plan and execute public engagement. It is based on industry best practise from the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2), was developed to meet the self-identified needs of a wide range of our operational staff. It has been vetted by our colleagues at the SFU Centre for Dialogue. This booklet is easy to use, and helps staff who are not familiar with best practise to ensure their work meets our adopted standard.

We find that if expectations on communications and public engagement are clearly communicated to staff and the public, and enshrined in our standards of practise, our process is more consistent, which builds greater public trust, and the District is able to execute projects successfully with less delay or opposition.

I would he happy to discuss this in greater detail with you should you have any questions. Regards,

David Stuart

From: Ma, Bowinn [mailt s.17

Sent: November 30, 2017 4:04 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>
Cc: Ma.MLA, Bowinn < Bowinn.Ma.MLA@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: BC Parks - Seymour Parking Lot Trees

Mayor and Council,

I have been made aware of the challenges that the DoNV Council and residents have been facing in regards to the removal of trees by BC Parks from a parking lot at the base of Seymour Mountain. I'm grateful to Councillor Lisa Muri for reaching out to me this afternoon for help.

As was requested, I have worked with the Minister of Environment's office to ensure that the public community meeting being hosted by BC Parks tomorrow night has been rescheduled for next week instead so that residents have more notice and can plan to attend. I have also asked that BC Parks work with the DoNV to ensure that the information for the meeting is communicated to the right people.

Recognizing that there appears to be an ongoing concern regarding the way BC Parks is communicating with the

DoNV Council and residents, I'd also like to invite the DoNV to write to my office outlining your overall experience, concerns, and desire for an alternative process that works for the residents of North Vancouver so that I can pursue the matter further on your behalf.

In your service,

Bowinn Ma, MLA

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From: Bruce Passmore

To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX
Cc: Renneberg, Tim FLNR:EX; McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX

Subject: Copy of S.11 comments
Date: December 20, 2017 8:54:50 AM

Attachments: S.11 ENGO Comments 18.12.2017 FINAL.pdf

Good morning, Caelie and Eveline.

I can't remember if I sent you this already, but here are our comments on the S.11 (southern mountain caribou). Feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

I've also cc'd Tim and Kenn, whom I haven't met yet, but I thought it might be hand since I know Minister Donaldson will be involved in the process as well.

Feel free to forward to anyone else you feel should have this.

Wishing you all a wonderful holiday season, and I look forward to connecting in 2018.

Best,

Bruce

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From:Xia, Eveline ENV:EXTo:Heyman, George ENV:EXCc:Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Subject: FW: Joint letter regarding revitalization of environmental assessment

Date: December 21, 2017 10:29:29 AM

Attachments: BC EA revitalization process joint letter Dec 21 2017 final.pdf

ATT00001.htm

FYI this letter came in from West Coast Environmental Law re EA revitalization. A response will be ready for January.

From: Bailey, Scott EAO:EX

Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2017 10:23 AM

To: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

Subject: FW: Joint letter regarding revitalization of environmental assessment

As discussed, we will develop a response to this for January when MGH returns.

Thanks

Begin forwarded message:

From: Gavin Smith <gsmith@wcel.org>

Date: December 21, 2017 at 8:34:38 AM PST

To: "George.Heyman.MLA@leg.bc.ca" < George.Heyman.MLA@leg.bc.ca>, "CEM - Mary

Polak" <env.minister@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: "Jardine, Kevin EAO:EX" < Kevin.Jardine@gov.bc.ca, "Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca" < Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca, Lisa Matthaus < lisa@organizingforchange.org

Subject: Joint letter regarding revitalization of environmental assessment

Good morning Minister Heyman,

We understand that the process for environmental assessment revitalization is being collaboratively developed with First Nations in keeping with the Province's commitment to UNDRIP implementation, which we fully support. Please find attached a joint letter to inform that ongoing work.

Best regards,

Gavin Smith

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From: Bailey, Scott EAO:EX
To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

Subject: Link

Date: December 22, 2017 12:08:58 PM

Documents live: https://projects.eao.gov.bc.ca/p/trans-mountain-expansion/docs

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.