

## Hunt, Charlotte PSSG:EX

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 15, 2018 3:55 PM  
**To:** Takkar, Nimmi PSSG:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: s.22 - Save BC Forests from fires - suggestion to bring in Martin Mars - Case file 1808-C-2626

I guess we can get Forests to respond to this.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Button, Judy LASS:EX" <[Judy.Button@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Judy.Button@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** August 15, 2018 at 3:51:49 PM PDT  
**To:** "Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX" <[Mike.Farnworth@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Farnworth@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** "Donaldson, Doug FLNR:EX" <[Doug.Donaldson@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Donaldson@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** 's.22 - Save BC Forests from fires - suggestion to bring in Martin Mars - Case file 1808-C-2626

Good day Hon Mike Farnworth:

s.22 of s.22 telephone MLA Eric Foster earlier today with concerns regarding the ' forest fire issues in the Okanagan '. s.22 shared concerns relating to BC Government letting the forests burn and suggested the use of the Martin Mars aircraft to fight the fires with 7200 gallons of water per drop. s.22 shared his frustration of the affects the fires have on the people of the Okanagan both physically and health related illnesses (poor air quality). BC now issuing equivalent to ' state of emergency '.

Below copy of email s.22 has sent to Eric Foster MLA for Vernon Monashee with details in his own words. Please at your convenience able to respond to this inquiry and pass on the suggestion shared by s.22 to your colleagues.

Thank you,  
Judy Button, CA



Ms. Judy Button  
Constituency Assistant  
Eric Foster  
BC Liberal Official Opposition Whip  
MLA Vernon Monashee  
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**From:** Foster.MLA, Eric

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 15, 2018 2:30 PM

**To:** Button, Judy <[Judy.Button@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Judy.Button@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** FW: New submission from Contact Your Constituency

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**From:** Foster.MLA, Eric

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 15, 2018 2:29 PM

**To:** s.22

**Subject:** RE: New submission from Contact Your Constituency

Thank you for your email,

I appreciate you taking the time to write and for putting forth your comments. I will be sharing you views with my colleagues and forwarding your suggestions to the Ministry, thank you.

eric



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**From:** [eric.foster.mla@leg.bc.ca](mailto:eric.foster.mla@leg.bc.ca) [<mailto:eric.foster.mla@leg.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 15, 2018 2:05 PM

**To:** Foster.MLA, Eric <[Eric.Foster.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Eric.Foster.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** New submission from Contact Your Constituency

<b>Name</b>
s.22
<b>Email</b>

**Riding**

Vernon

**Comments & Feedback**

Sir,

I would like to express my frustration and concern to you regarding the forest fire issues in the Okanagan and in the whole of British Columbia especially over the last two years. It would appear that the Ministry is unable to deal with forest fires effectively with their present philosophy of persons on the ground put out fires and if it affects structures then with the support of aircraft dropping water on or near the fire. I keep hearing, if doesn't affect structures, let it burn. At present it is not working! Look at the state we are in !

This leads me into my biggest frustration of why the Martin Mars water bomber of Coulson Aviation is not being used for the last number of years because it is too expensive as per the Government of British Columbia, Liberal and NDP parties. It is indeed very very expensive to contract and operate that aircraft but it put out fires at 7200 gallons per drop and refilled skimming a body of water in less than 35 seconds and back in the air for another drop. I understand a firefighting helicopters bucket on a rope is 70 gallons. Helicopters are also not cheap to operate but no where near the cost of the Mars, but how many helicopter drops equal a Mars drop that actually put out the fire.

We keep hearing excuses that the Mars can not skim or land in every lake in British Columbia. Well it can land in a lot of them and put fires out and release smaller aircraft to areas where the Mars might not be able to fly and drop water. Right now the Province is stretched so thin in firefighting aircraft and persons on the ground, I firmly believe the early activation of the Mars this year would have improved the provinces situation this year and last year . Coulson aviation should be and should have been working alongside Con Air. The province wide health risk issues of burning out of control forest fires in British Columbia is completely unacceptable health risk to the citizens of British Columbia.

The present fire fighting philosophy of the Ministry of Forrests under both political parties is unacceptable.

I would respectfully ask you to please pressure the present provincial government to beg Coulson Aviation to reactivate the Martin Mars water bomber ASAP and investigate the use of Coulson's Fleet of fire fighting aircraft as well

Respectfully,

s.22

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 29, 2018 8:54 AM  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** Oslo Viking museum  
**Attachments:** IMG\_1308.jpg; ATT00001.txt

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 9, 2018 8:48 AM  
**To:** ted.field@globalnews.ca  
**Subject:** Another one also near burns lake  
**Attachments:** IMG\_1292.MOV; ATT00001.txt

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 26, 2018 1:40 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** Charlotte

You should watch Charlotte on Dogpatch at Instagram this morning. She was howling with her friend Willow! It is hilarious, btw we were in s.22 today, very scenic!

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 9, 2018 8:22 AM  
**To:** ted.field@globalnews.ca  
**Subject:** Fire video  
**Attachments:** IMG\_1297.MOV; ATT00001.txt

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 13, 2018 5:15 PM  
**To:** Hunt, Charlotte PSSG:EX; Takkar, Nimmi PSSG:EX  
**Cc:** Lawson, Liam FIN:EX  
**Subject:** for the foi request for MMF April 1-April 30  
**Attachments:** Re: Response to cannabis ; Fwd: You're Invited-JIBC President's Reception May 23rd, 2018 11:30 - 12:30 (Prior to the 40th Anniversary official opening); Fwd: You're Invited-JIBC 40th Anniversary - May 23rd, 2018; My street in Victoria ; Re: 548040 - AG SG DN-LG requirements RUSH decision; Re: Cannabis LRC BN for signing; Re: 543152 FNLC Draft.docx



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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 9, 2018 8:32 AM  
**To:** ted.field@globalnews.ca  
**Subject:** This one is pretty good  
**Attachments:** IMG\_1289.MOV; ATT00001.txt

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 9, 2018 8:30 AM  
**To:** ted.field@globalnews.ca  
**Attachments:** IMG\_1296.jpg; ATT00001.txt

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 28, 2018 10:32 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** Your Medical License

Hi s.22

I got your email, I'm back on the 7th of Sept. I've asked my staff to keep me updated on what's happening. I'm informed that they are working on a solution to your problem. I've also told them that it is a priority for me. I'll keep you posted.

Mike

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 26, 2018 11:01 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** Phone not working

This has happened before, the phone line from the wall has been disconnected from the Shaw router. Usually happens if you move things behind the computer. Get the flashlight from the basement and use it to find the phone cable and plug it back into the router.

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 26, 2018 1:22 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** Pin is

s.22

I sent you two emails with Mike's account pin.

Not sure why you are not getting them?

So I am trying Mike's email account.

Let us know if you get this email?

s.22

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 9, 2018 10:03 AM  
**To:** Ted Field  
**Subject:** Re: RE:

Burns lake

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> On Aug 9, 2018, at 8:32 AM, Ted Field <Ted.Field@globalnews.ca> wrote:

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> Thanks!

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> This is the Telegraph Creek fire correct?

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX [mailto:Mike.Farnworth@gov.bc.ca]

> Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2018 8:30 AM

> To: Ted Field <Ted.Field@globalnews.ca>

> Subject:

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**From:** Farnworth, Mike PSSG:EX  
**Sent:** August 13, 2018 9:29 PM  
**To:** Takkar, Nimmi PSSG:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: AeroMedical/Rescue for BC Wildfire Firefighters

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Miles Randell <[miles.randell@teaam.ca](mailto:miles.randell@teaam.ca)>  
**Date:** August 13, 2018 at 9:16:22 PM PDT  
**To:** [mike.farnworth@gov.bc.ca](mailto:mike.farnworth@gov.bc.ca)  
**Cc:** [Jordan.lawrence@teaam.ca](mailto:Jordan.lawrence@teaam.ca)  
**Subject:** AeroMedical/Rescue for BC Wildfire Firefighters

Hello Minister Farnworth,

My name is Miles Randell, president of TEAAM AeroMedical Society, a non profit group of paramedics and doctors that are dedicated to providing advanced life support medical care in austere settings.

We are happy to assist BC Wildfire efforts by providing helicopter hoist AeroMedical/rescue service where needed.

TEAAM is based out of Squamish, has access to numerous helicopters and medical aircrew and can offer helicopter hoist rescue, auto extrication, swift water rescue as well as qualified mountain guides.

Our medical aircrew are top notch paramedics and doctors and absolutely provide the best level of medical care available.

Please feel free to peruse our website at [www.teaam.ca](http://www.teaam.ca) as well as on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

We are motivated to help the community and are happy to be involved in helping take the best possible care of BC's Wildfire firefighters.

s.22

I'm happy to answer any questions and can be reached via cell at \_\_\_\_\_ or via email at [miles.randell@teaam.ca](mailto:miles.randell@teaam.ca)

Respectfully,

Miles Randell  
President  
TEAAM AeroMedical Society