

**MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BC
BRIEFING NOTE FOR INFORMATION**

TO: Honourable Mike Farnworth, Minister, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

ISSUE: Disaster Risk Reduction Funding - background for UBCM Advocacy Days

BACKGROUND:

- Emergency Management BC (EMBC) supports local authorities and First Nations in disaster risk reduction (DRR) through funding programs delivered by the Province, the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) and the federal government.
- Since 2017, the Province has contributed more than \$174 million towards 1040 DRR projects.
- Current mitigation and preparedness funding programs include:

Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (CEPF)

- CEPF is a suite of funding programs intended to enhance the resiliency of local governments and First Nations communities in responding to emergencies.
- Since program inception in 2017, the Province has provided \$77 million to the UBCM to coordinate the CEPF. To date, CEPF has disbursed over \$65.3 million towards 869 projects across the province.
- See Appendix 1 for further CEPF description and funding summary.

Adaptation, Resilience and Disaster Mitigation (ARDM) Program

- The ARDM program under the COVID19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream (CVRIS)
s.13; s.16; s.17

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National Disaster Mitigation Program (NDMP)

- Public Safety Canada launched the flood-focused NDMP in April 2015. The program was originally slated to end on March 31, 2020, but extensions to existing projects and a sixth intake have added two more years to the program.
- Project streams include flood risk assessments, mapping, mitigation planning, non-structural mitigation, and small-scale structural mitigation to improve flood resilience.
- 106 projects totaling s.12; s.13; s.16; s.17 have been funded.
See Appendix 3 for funding summary.

EMBC Disaster Mitigation Funding

- 38 projects with a total value of \$102.7 million since 2017, including flood mapping, structural flood mitigation (dikes, pump stations, etc.), seismic projects (microzonation mapping, and earthquake early warning), and avalanche risk assessments.
- See Appendix 4 for funding summary.
- Other programs that contribute towards disaster risk reduction include:
 - Municipal Affairs' Rural and Northern Communities (RNC) program;
 - UBCM's Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) program;
 - Indigenous Services Canada's First Nation Adapt and Emergency Management Assistance Program (EMAP), and
 - Infrastructure Canada's - Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF).
- Understanding and reducing flood risk is the primary focus of EMBC's DRR funding. Projects addressing geohazards, seismic and avalanche risk have also been funded.
- Interface wildfire risk reduction is led by BC Wildfire Service and supported by programs such as the CRI program, focusing on FireSmart Community Funding and Supports, Crown Land Wildfire Risk Reduction and Economic Recovery.
- DRR is closely related to climate preparedness and adaptation. Climate risk is included in funding program applications, technical evaluations and project reporting.
- EMBC continues to work closely with other provincial Ministries and the federal government to develop new funding programs to help communities understand and invest in DRR and adapt to a changing climate.
- The Province will make further announcements of new or expanded DRR funding programs as programs are confirmed.
- 2020 - 2021 UBCM resolutions relating to DRR funding have included:
 - Emergency Mitigation and Preparedness (NR14)
 - Provincial Funding for Dike Upgrades (EB14)
 - Regional Geohazards (EB13)
 - Flood Risk Mitigation through Green Infrastructure and Natural Assets (NR16)
 - Recovery through Infrastructure Stimulus Funding (SR5)

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CONSIDERATIONS:

- All EMBC DRR funding programs are open to First Nations. As of January 2021, EMBC funded 109 Indigenous communities since 2016 through the NDMP, CEPF and other mitigation funding programs.

OTHER MINISTRIES IMPACTED/CONSULTED:

- FLNRORD – Wildfire risk reduction funding programs; flood regulatory approvals.
- MUNI – Funding programs under Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP).
- ENV-CAS – Development of funding programs to support climate adaptation.

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REVIEWED BY:

	Initials	Date
DM	TR	May 12, 2021
ADM	DP	May 12, 2021
ED	JI	May 12, 2021

Attachment(s)

Appendix 1: CEPF Funding Summary
Appendix 2: CVRIS-ARDM Funding Summary
Appendix 3: NDMP Funding Summary
Appendix 4: EMBC End of Year / Disaster Mitigation Funding Summary

Appendix 1 – CEPF Funding Summary

Funding Stream	No. of Approved Projects	Total Value
1. Flood Risk Assessment, Mapping, and Mitigation Planning To ensure communities have accurate knowledge of the flood hazards they face and to develop effective strategies to mitigate and prepare for those risks.	86	\$11.9M
2. Emergency Support Services To build local capacity to provide emergency support services through training, volunteer recruitment and retention, and the purchase of ESS equipment.	270	\$7.3M
3. Emergency Operations Centres & Training To build local capacity through the purchase of equipment and supplies required to maintain or improve EOCs and to enhance EOC capacity through training and exercises.	247	\$6.0M
4. Structural Flood Mitigation To prevent, eliminate or reduce the impact of flood and geological hazards through construction of structural mitigation projects (e.g. floodways, dikes, pump stations)	49	\$32.2M
5. Evacuation Route Planning To develop Evacuation Route Plans for communities that would otherwise be challenged to successfully undertake an evacuation operation during an emergency.	88	\$2.6M
6. Volunteer & Composite Fire Department Equipment & Training To build the resiliency of volunteer and composite fire departments through the purchase of new or replacement equipment, and to facilitate the delivery of training and exercises.	108	\$4.7M
7. Indigenous Cultural Safety & Cultural Humility Training To support eligible applicants to provide emergency management personnel with cultural safety and humility training to more effectively partner with, and provide assistance to, Indigenous communities during times of emergency.	21	\$689K
Total	869	\$65.4 million

Appendix 2 – Adaptation, Resilience and Disaster Mitigation (ARDM) Funding Summary (under the COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream)

ARDM Intake	No. of Approved Projects*	Total Value ¹	Approx. Prov. Portion
s.13; s.16; s.17			

s.13; s.16; s.17

Appendix 3 – NDMP Funding Summary

NDMP Intake	No. of Approved Projects	Total Value ¹	EMBC Portion
1	3	\$1.6M	\$775K
2	6	\$1.2M	\$559K
3	21	\$9.3M	\$3.5M
4	32	\$18.7M	\$5.7M
5	20	\$15.2M	\$5.8M
6*	24	s.12; s.13; s.16; s.17	
Extensions	12 (incl. above)	\$324K	\$157K
Total	106	s.12; s.13; s.16; s.17	

1 – Includes local government and in-kind contributions.

* Intake 6 not yet announced publicly, pending formalization of contribution agreements

Appendix 4 – EMBC End of Year / Disaster Mitigation Funding Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Approved Projects	Total Value ¹	Approx. EMBC Portion
2016/17	24	\$41.8M	\$35.5M
2017/18	10	\$6.6 M	\$6.6 M
2018/19	3	\$1.3M	\$1.3M
G. Forks 2019	1	\$52.9M	\$31.5M
Total	38	\$102.7 million	\$74.9 million

1 – Includes local government and in-kind contributions.



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Disaster Risk Reduction Funding Programs



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Disaster Risk Reduction Funding in BC

- **Mission:** EMBC DRR funding programs support local authorities and First Nations to reduce disaster risk, predominately from riverine/coastal flooding
- **Goal:** Coordinate stable and equitable funding programs that help to understand risk, invest in Disaster Risk Reduction, and adapt to climate change

DRR Funding in BC

Key Topics:

- Fabric of funding programs and timelines
- ARDM s.13; s.16; s.17
- CEPF intakes
- NDMP status
- EMBC-DMU funding approach
- Future opportunities



Fabric of BC Funding Programs

CURRENT DMU FUNDING PROGRAMS

	ARDM CVRIS	ARDM Regular	CEPF Structural	CEPF Flood Planning	CEPF Other Streams	NDMP 2020/21 Extensions	NDMP Intake 6	DMU Grants EMBC - DMU
	s.13; s.16; s.17	s.13; s.16; s.17					s.12; s.13; s.16; s.17	
Funding Breakdown			~\$10M	\$2.5M	\$77M (all streams)	\$2M (\$975K fed / \$291K prov / \$682K local)		\$6.94M DMU base budget Other EOY grants
Project Maximum (\$)			\$750K max	\$150K max	varies by stream	N/A		undetermined
Eligible Activities			Structural mitigation	Flood Risk Assessments, Flood Mapping and Mitigation Planning	Evacuation Routes; EOC; ESS	Existing project completion		Cost share NDMP flood projects and non-eligible s.13; s.16; s.17
Program Status			Final intake Nov 2020. 19 projects approved	Final intake closed Feb 26	EOC/ESS - Jan/Mar intakes No further Evacuation Routes / Fire Equipment / Indigenous intakes	12 project extensions approved.		Allocate DMU budget; s.13; s.16; s.17 for final CEPF intakes
Scheduled Intake			Nov 2020 - complete	Feb 2021 - complete	Nov 2020 - Mar 2021	N/A		N/A
Approvals				June 2021	Feb 2021 - Jun 2021	May 2021		ongoing
Sunset Date			Dec 2023	June 2022	Dec 2022	Mar 2021		ongoing

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Fabric of BC Funding Programs: CEPF

- Preparedness/mitigation support
- \$65.3M of \$77M spent
- Flood Planning: \$8.8M applied
- EOC: \$1.8M applied
- 100% funding helps small / remote communities and FN's
- Finalizing UBCM budget – likely no further intakes

CEPF	CEPF	CEPF
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Fabric of BC Funding Programs: NDMP

- NDMP extension
 - 12 projects – complete original scope in 2020-21
- NDMP Intake 6
 - s.12; s.13; s.16; s.17
 - No new intakes
- DMU Grants
 - Other non-eligible projects

NDMP	NDMP	DMU Grants
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May 2021		ongoing
Mar 2021		ongoing

Other Mitigation Funding Programs

	DMAF	FN Adapt/ EMAP	ICIP - Rural & Northern Communities
	Managed by INFC	Managed by ISC	Managed by MUNI
Funding Breakdown	\$2B	varies annually	\$153.7M
Project Maximum (\$)	minimum \$20M	varies	average \$2M
Eligible Activities	Structural / Natural flood mitigation	wide variety of adaptation projects	Incl. ARDM outcomes for communities <25,000 pop'n
Program Status	INFC approved additional project for Cowichan Tribes in fall 2020. Funding fully allocated.	ongoing collaboration between EMBC and ISC	ongoing collaboration between EMBC and MUNI
Scheduled Intake	none announced	ongoing	Oct 2020
Approvals			Summer 2021
Sunset Date			Mar 2026

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Other programs: Gas Tax; BC Rural Dividend Fund; Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program

Future Mitigation Funding Opportunities

EOY Grants EMBC - DMU	CPAS Implementation	LMFMS Funding and Governance directions	EPA Modernization Implementation
s.12; s.13; s.17	s.12; s.13; s.17	Undetermined	s.12; s.13; s.17
		Undetermined	
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		Under development by Leadership Committee Draft Strategy - 2021	
		ongoing	

Next Steps / Discussion

- Project announcements:
 - CVRIS – ARDM; NDMP; CEPF
- s.13; s.16; s.17
- CEPF – final intakes and determine future
- Next generation DRR funding programs
 - s.12; s.13; s.17
 - LMFMS; federal programs



Disaster Risk Reduction Funding Programs in BC

Provincial Snapshot - May 2021

Prepared by DMU



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Police Model Transition Project (Surrey Transition)

Speaking Notes for Lower Mainland Mayors Forum – April 21, 2021

- The City of Surrey's transition from an RCMP Municipal Police Unit to its own municipal police department is well underway, and several key milestones have been achieved:
 - In February 2020, Ministerial approval was provided to the City to establish a police board;
 - The Surrey Police Board was established effective July 2020;
 - The Board hired its first Chief Constable, Norm Lipinski, who assumed office in December 2020;
 - Since this time, the SPS has also filled all three of its Deputy Chief Constable positions and its senior leadership positions.
- In addition, in the Fall of 2020, the Surrey Policing Transition Trilateral Committee (SPTTC) comprised of senior executives from the City of Surrey, Public Safety Canada, the Province, was established to collaboratively develop, support, negotiate and implement a phased transition.
- There is much work to do, not only in terms of the Board's responsibilities towards establishing Surrey Police Service, but also amongst the City, Province, and Public Safety Canada for affecting the transition – this includes determining the appropriate legal mechanisms which will govern the transition.
- s.13; s.16
- The detailed planning now underway will ultimately determine anticipated timelines for the implementation phase of the transition and ultimately, for SPS operationalization as a police service.
- The Province continues to work collaboratively with partners to ensure a smooth transition.
- The Province is cognizant of potential impacts to municipalities and police agencies. PSB staff are actively engaged with the RCMP, and through the work of the Trilateral Committee, working to identify and mitigate potential impacts including changes in items of shared costs, for example - Division Administration costs.
- It is too soon to predict what those impacts may be; however, this work is on-going and will be informed by the detailed planning, and the transition implementation, as well as the future staffing and establishment of the SPS. We will ensure municipalities are engaged as more information is developed, through forums like the LMD Mayor's and the Local Government Contract Management Committee (LGCMC).
- We appreciate and understand the questions and concerns you, as mayors for your communities, raise. It is important for us to hear these, which we will take back for further discussion and ensure it informs our work with our partners.

NPF/information source, if asked or opportunity:

- We appreciate that the NPF has a perspective on this topic, and their efforts to raise awareness or questions for your consideration.
- The Province will ensure that RCMP policed municipalities are engaged and have appropriate informational resources available, such as at this forum as well as the LGCMC.

MPUA termination, if needed:

- The City's *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* is currently in effect, the RCMP is still the agency of jurisdiction – this will continue until the Surrey Police Service is capable and receives provincial approval to operationalize.
- Before the Surrey Police Service can assume policing functions on behalf of the City, the Director of Police Services must be satisfied that the Surrey Police Service has fulfilled all the practical and statutory requirements to operate as a police service in compliance with the *Police Act*, related legislation, and the Provincial Policing Standards – the Branch will be conducting a provincial evaluation to inform the Director's decision.

Staffing and attrition, if asked:

- As you know, SPS hiring is underway and it is reasonable to expect that experienced officers or those with specialized skillsets may view the Surrey Police Service as an attractive employment opportunity. While the extent of officer attrition is unknown, it is important that the RCMP and BC's police agencies have robust strategies to assist with succession planning, retention, and future recruitment.
- Policing and Security Branch staff and ADM Rideout are actively connected to E-Division RCMP, including the RCMP/PSB Policy, Finance, and Operations Steering Committee and will be looking to these forums as an opportunity to learn more from the RCMP's strategies.

Police Boards, if asked:

- The Surrey Police Board is subject to the oversight of the Director of Police Services, I understand a written submission was distributed in advance of this meeting, providing information regarding the Police Board appointments process.

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April 20, 2021

To: All Lower Mainland Mayors

Re: Surrey Police Transition Unknown Impacts to Municipal Counterparts

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Brian Sauvé
President

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RE: New direction regarding the travel order

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Sent: April 22, 2021 8:39:31 AM PDT
Attachments: Staying the Course Apr 21 - For Technical Briefing - 1800 hr (jml edits).pptx
Good morning Cameron – updated slide included in the attached. Have taken into consideration the latest direction. Aside from perhaps timing of an enforcement order (which MMF will be able to speak to readily) – nothing really changes from a policy/technical perspective.

Thanks,

Jamie

From: Lewis, Cameron F EMBC:EX <Cameron.Lewis@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, April 21, 2021 9:32 PM
To: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: New direction regarding the travel order

Hello Jamie and Wayne,

I understand from Tara that they are now splitting the Order into two. One order for the travel restriction, and then one order for the enforcement authorization and the tickets. Is that consistent with your understanding? That will change the C&E slide(s) of course.

I've tried to frame things up in the first couple slides of the attached, but it hasn't been reviewed by Tara yet, and we'd still need to put in your C&E slides of course. I can edit the intro language on those first couple slides to make sure it lines up with how you characterize the C&E order in your slides too of course.

Let me know if we need to connect by phone at all in the morning.

Thanks!

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Intra-provincial Travel Restrictions

Technical Briefing

April 23, 2021

Intra-provincial Travel Restrictions

- Provincial advisory against non-essential travel remains.
- New travel restrictions order against non-essential travel into and out of the following regions:
 - Combined area of Fraser Health Authority and Vancouver Coastal Health Authority,
 - Vancouver Island Health Authority, and,
 - Combined area of Northern Health Authority and Interior Health Authority.
- Supported by Provincial Health Officer.
- As with other COVID-19 response measures, the focus will be on education and awareness to promote a voluntary compliance approach (Keep?)
- In effect April 23rd through May long-weekend.

Emergency Program Act Order

- Travel order authorized under the Emergency Program Act
- Under section 10(1) the Minister may do all acts and implement all procedures, considered necessary to prevent, respond to, or alleviate the effects of an emergency or disaster.
- Section 10(1)(f) enables the Minister to control or prohibit travel to or from any area of British Columbia.
- Based on public health advice and data.
- Protects public health and safety.

Exemptions from Travel Restrictions

Recognize that some travel is essential and should not be restricted, including:

- moving to a different principal residence or assisting a person to move for that purpose,
- carrying out a work-related purpose, including volunteer work,
- commercially transporting goods,
- receiving health care services or social services or assisting someone to receive those services,
- for court purposes
- for parole or probation purposes
- exercising child-custody rights or spending parenting time with a minor child,
- accessing childcare,
- attending classes or receiving training at a post-secondary institution or school,
- responding to an emergency or a critical incident, including incidents that involve search and rescue operations,

Exemptions from Travel Restrictions...cont.

Recognize that some travel is essential and should not be restricted, including:

- providing care or assistance to a person who requires care or assistance because of:
 - a psychological, behavioural or health condition, or
 - a physical, cognitive or mental impairment
- visiting a resident of one of the following by an essential visitor:
 - a community care facility licensed under the *Community Care and Assisted Living Act* that provides long term care within the meaning of section 2 of the Residential Care Regulation,
 - a private hospital licensed under the *Hospital Act*,
 - a non-profit institution that has been designated as a hospital under the *Hospital Act* and is operated primarily for the reception and treatment of persons requiring extended care at a higher level than that generally provided in a private hospital licensed under the *Hospital Act*.
- attending a funeral service, and
- returning to one's own principal residence.

Compliance and Enforcement

- Discussions with police in support of the new order are underway.
- During regular course of their duties, police will continue to have authority to issue violation tickets pertaining to COVID-19 enforcement including intra provincial travel
- Enforcement considerations:
 - ^{s.13} police checkpoints setup along key travel routes into and out of defined regions (i.e. highways).
 - Requirements for ^{s.13} to produce identification and identify purpose of travel at the request of an officer a check point.
 - Police will have the authority to tell non-essential travellers to turn around
- New authority to issue tickets for non-compliance:
 - \$575 (\$500 fine plus 15% Victim Surcharge Levy) fine for violation of travel order,
 - \$230 (\$200 fine plus 15% Victim Surcharge Levy) for refusal to provide required information at a road-check follow or for engaging in abusive or belligerent behaviour.

Highway Signs

- 118 DriveBC Dynamic Message Signs (DMS).
- Border and Ferries signs:
 - Covered by a combination of Dynamic Message Signs (DMS) and over forty Portable Changeable Message Signs (PCMS),
 - Locations prioritized by traffic volume.
- Essential travel messaging on web and social media.
- When fixed COVID-19 Essential Travel Signs are fabricated they will replace PCMS.

**COVID 19
STAY
LOCAL**

**ESSENTIAL
TRAVEL
ONLY**

**NO
RECREATION
TRAVEL**

PCMS (messages rotate)



Fixed message sign

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BC Ferries Actions to Limit Passage to Essential Only Travel

- BC Ferries will not provide passage for recreational vehicles and travelling for vacation, recreational and other non-essential purposes,
 - Recreational vehicles include RVs, campers, and vehicles hauling boats or other recreational gear.
- BC Ferries will suspend adding extra sailings on weekends, holidays and peak periods,
 - BC Ferries will continue to provide regular service to ensure commercial vehicle traffic and essential travel can be maintained.

Accommodation Measures

- TACS is working with Tourism and Accommodation Industry Associations to:
 - develop and launch communication materials to amplify messaging to tell people to avoid non-essential travel, and
 - build guidance materials and a webinar to support businesses and assist them in understanding how they can support the Order, by reducing and restricting out-of-area bookings.
- Destination BC will relaunch its #ExploreBCLater campaign materials.



May 9, 2021
Ref: 617388

His Worship Bill Dingwall
Mayor of the City of Pitt Meadows
12007 Harris Road
Pitt Meadows BC V3Y 2B5

Dear Mayor Dingwall:

Thank you for your letter of March 30, 2021, expressing your concerns regarding the Ministry's process for the de-integration of the Pitt Meadows Municipal Unit from the Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment and for the follow up discussion on May 3, 2021.

My Ministry respects the City of Pitt Meadows' desire to pursue de-integration and the establishment of an autonomous RCMP Detachment, articulated in your formal request to me dated March 11, 2020. Let me assure you that, since that time, my staff have been working with the RCMP, the City of Pitt Meadows, City of Maple Ridge, and Katzie First Nation towards achieving this outcome and I can confirm that all parties have received all relevant documentation from the Ministry and the RCMP.

The City of Pitt Meadows' request to establish an autonomous detachment within its municipal boundary is supported under Article 3(2) of the BC Police Act.

With the RCMP having completed their review and communicated their findings and recommendations to all parties. I was pleased to hear that work on the Transition Plan has begun and I support continued efforts amongst all stakeholders to develop this plan, as identified within the Project Charter.

The Transition Plan is the foundational document required for ensuring that adequate and effective policing will be maintained during all stages of the de-integration process and documenting how the future state of an autonomous Pitt Meadows Municipal Unit will be achieved. The plan is the key document upon which Ministerial approval will be formalized and I anticipate some of the issues that you have raised in both your letter and our meeting, will be resolved through its development.

His Worship Bill Dingwall
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The Transition Plan should address all findings and recommendations of the RCMP's De-Integration Review, be developed in consultation with the RCMP, City of Maple Ridge, and Katzie First Nation and will include details of any shared agreements amongst partners.

I can assure you that any municipality's requests of the Province are reviewed with consideration given to the unique circumstances relevant to their area and, as we know, no two municipalities are the same.

In relation to any comparisons with Surrey, where Pitt Meadows has requested to restructure and relocate its police service while retaining the RCMP, the City of Surrey has requested to terminate its MPUA to pursue establishing a municipal police service. These situations differ significantly, and the Ministry's actions for each situation are driven by the specific circumstances of each.

I recognize that there is no established precedent or process upon which the Province can rely with regards to de-integration, however, can assure you that Ministry staff remain committed to working with the City of Pitt Meadows, City of Maple Ridge, and Katzie First Nation towards achieving a positive outcome regarding the City's de-integration request to be policed by an autonomous Pitt Meadows RCMP Municipal Unit.

I have asked my staff to respond to the remaining substance of the concerns you raised by way of a separate follow-up letter.

Sincerely,

Mike Farnworth
Minister of Public Safety
and Solicitor General

cc: Hon. Lisa Beare, Member of the Legislative Assembly for
Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows and Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture
Wayne Rideout, Assistant Deputy Minister and Director of Police Services
Ward Lymburner, Executive Director, Policing and Security Branch



May 9, 2021
Ref: 614144

His Worship Bill Dingwall
Mayor of the City of Pitt Meadows
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Dear Mayor Dingwall:

Thank you for your letter of March 30, 2021, outlining your concerns with the process for the City of Pitt Meadows' request to De-Integrate from the Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment, as well as your specific comments regarding the RCMP's De-Integration Review. I appreciate your fulsome engagement with the RCMP's findings and my letter of March 16, 2021 and taking time to share your thoughts both in your recent letter, and at the May 3, 2021 meeting with Minister Farnworth.

I trust you have received the Minister's response to your letter following our meeting, and I reiterate his comments here. Ministry staff remain committed to working with the City of Pitt Meadows, City of Maple Ridge, and Katzie First Nation towards achieving a positive outcome regarding the City's de-integration request to be policed by an autonomous Pitt Meadows RCMP Municipal Unit.

Now that the RCMP De-Integration Review has been completed, the next stage is the completion of the comprehensive Transition Plan, based upon the RCMP Review, which includes recommendations and requirements of a de-integrated future state.

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**MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL
POLICING AND SECURITY BRANCH
INFORMATION BRIEFING NOTE**

PURPOSE: For **INFORMATION** for Mike Farnworth,
Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

ISSUE:

Preliminary response to letter (March 30, 2021) from Mayor Bill Dingwall (City of Pitt Meadows) regarding the RCMP's Ridge Meadows De-Integration Review. Formal response for Mayor Dingwall forthcoming.

SUMMARY:

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Process regarding Pitt Meadows Request to De-Integrate

- The Ministry respects a municipality's desire to explore alternative policing models, per the Act, and acknowledges the City of Pitt Meadows' formal request to de-

integrate from Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment via a letter to the Minister dated March 11, 2020.

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 - to ensure "adequate and effective" level of policing per the Act; and,
 - to reach agreement with the RCMP regarding organizational structure changes including the location and number of detachments per the terms of the Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA) — as this pertains to the Ridge Meadows Provincial Unit.
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Requirement of a Transition Plan

- The Transition Plan is intended to document how the future state of an autonomous Pitt Meadows Municipal Unit will be achieved by addressing the findings and recommendations of the RCMP's De-Integration Review, and the items identified as requiring decisions by the municipalities in collaboration with the RCMP.
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- The Transition Plan is critical towards ensuring a smooth transition which satisfies Ministerial and RCMP responsibilities and ensures public safety.

- s.16

RCMP's Minimum Resource Recommendation

- s.15

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- This feasibility study has been superseded by the RCMP's comprehensive and thorough De-Integration Review, which does not support some of the feasibility studies conclusions regarding resourcing.
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- PSB supports the RCMP's conclusions.
- Although the resource levels for a Municipal RCMP Unit is generally the purview of the local government in consultation with the RCMP Detachment Commander, there is a clear and specific role for the Minister.
- Article 4.2 of the MPUA specifies: "The Minister and the CEO will determine, in consultation with the Commissioner, the level of policing service to be provided by the Municipal Police Unit."
- With respect to the Minister's authorities under the Police Act and MPUA, the Province has authority to exercise due diligence in ensuring the adequacy of current authorized strength could be impacted by significant changes to service delivery, such as the loss of economies of scale and operational back-stopping of resource needs between jurisdictions as a result of transitioning out of an integrated detachment structure.

NEXT STEPS:

- Ministry staff have drafted formal responses for the Minister and ADM to be released prior to the Minister & ADM meeting with the Mayor on May 3, 2021.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CONSIDERATIONS:

- Katzie First Nations (KFN) has reserve lands within both the City of Pitt Meadows (Katzie 1, including the main population base), and the City of Maple Ridge (Graveyard 5, uninhabited) municipal boundaries and are the respective City's responsibility to police.
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Attachment 1 - City of Pitt Meadows March 30 Letter to Minister and ADM

**NATIONAL
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DE LA POLICE
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April 30, 2021

Mayor Bill Dingwall
City of Pitt Meadows
12007 Harris Rd
Pitt Meadows, BC V3Y 2B5

Dear Mayor Dingwall,

Re: Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment De-Integration

I first want to thank you for engaging the National Police Federation (NPF) at this early stage regarding the Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment de-integration to an independent Pitt Meadows RCMP Detachment. We appreciate being involved from the outset as a key stakeholder.

As you are aware, the NPF supports all improvements to policing in the Lower Mainland that helps to better support our Members and the communities they live and work within. At this juncture, we are satisfied with the cooperation and engagement with the Ridge Meadows RCMP De-Integration Committee, yourself and now the NPF.

We look forward to providing value added input on this transition as it evolves to ensure that impacts on our Members is minimal and to ensure that there are little to no impacts on public safety in the communities of Pitt Meadows or Maple Ridge as this transition moves forward.

Sincerely,

Brian Sauvé
President



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VIA EMAIL

May 25, 2021

His Worship Bill Dingwall
Mayor of the City of Pitt Meadows
12007 Harris Road
Pitt Meadows BC V3Y 2B5
Email: bdingwall@pittmeadows.ca

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My ministry respects the City of Pitt Meadows' desire to pursue de-integration and the establishment of an autonomous RCMP Detachment, articulated in your formal request to me dated March 11, 2020. Let me assure you that, since that time, my staff have been working with the RCMP, the City of Pitt Meadows, City of Maple Ridge, and Katzie First Nation towards achieving this outcome and I can confirm that all parties have received all relevant documentation from the Ministry and the RCMP.

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Sincerely,



Mike Farnworth
Minister of Public Safety
and Solicitor General

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Re: Request to Establish an Independent RCMP Detachment - 619989

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Good afternoon,

Please find attached a letter from Mr. Wayne Rideout, Assistant Deputy Minister and Director of Police Services, Ministry of Public Safety & Solicitor General.

Thank you,

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May 27, 2021
Ref: 614144

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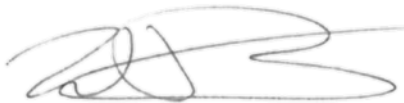
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SENT - ADM + SG - Request to Establish an Independent RCMP Detachment - 617388 & 619989

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Good afternoon,

Please be advised that both letters have been sent.

SG letter sent May 25. Final sent version is on the LAN here:

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ADM letter sent May 27. Final sent version is on the LAN here:

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Thanks

Tom Power (He/Him)

On behalf of the Correspondence Coordinator

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I acknowledge and respect the Lekwungen-speaking Peoples on whose traditional territories I live, work, and enjoy, and the Songhees, Esquimalt and WSANEC peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.