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REGIONAL DISTRICT  
OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO



# AGENDA

MEETING NO. 11

AUGUST 18, 2016

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**STRATEGIC PRIORITIES 2015-2019**

**Now**

- 1. Fair Share**
- 2. Legacy Proposal**
- 3. Work Camp Strategy**
- 4. Waste Management Strategy—Board reading/reviewing**
- 5. Internet/Cell Phone Connectivity**

**Next**

- 6. Diversification Strategy - (Mid-Term Timber Supply)**
- 7. Health Services**

**Board Advocacy**

- 8. Nechako Watershed**
- 9. Wildfire Mitigation**
- 10. CN Emergency Meeting and Exercise**



## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako SUPPLEMENTARY Board of Directors August 18, 2016

To: Chair Miller and the Board of Directors  
 From: Nellie Davis, Proposal Writer  
 Date: August 17, 2016  
 Regarding: Request for Letter of Support - Nechako Valley Search and Rescue

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The Nechako-Valley Search and Rescue (NVSAR) has requested a Letter of Support from the RDBN Board in support of their Public Safety Community Gaming Grant requesting \$100,000 to replace their deteriorating Mobile Command Centre.

NVSAR has provided Emergency Ground and Water Search services as requested by the RCMP for 25 years. Services include search and rescue operations for lost or missing persons, as well as assisting the RCMP with evidence searches. They also provide support for evacuation alerts and orders, aid the BC Ambulance Service with rescuing injured persons, and assist the BC Coroner Service in the recovery of human remains as needed.

The program operates under the guidelines set out by the Provincial Emergency Preparedness Program and provides emergency services to a 79,000 square kilometer area surrounding the District of Vanderhoof. In 2015, NVSAR attended 22 call-outs, the highest number recorded in the organization's history.

The Mobile Command Center is used as a base of operations for call-outs in the remote area that NVSAR provides service for during both Ground and Water Search and Rescue operations. The current Mobile Command Centre is more than 25 years old, and repairs are draining NVSAR resources. Recent assessment of the current vehicle determined that the vehicle will likely not remain functional until the next fiscal year.

Emergency conditions, changes in weather, and the possibility of incomplete information available at call-out mean that transporting all equipment is a necessity. As the majority of call-outs involve travelling hundreds of kilometers and unreliable cell service, a reliable, well-equipped Mobile Command Centre is essential to the continued operation of NVSAR.

Does the Board wish to provide a letter of support?

<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	<b>(All/Directors/Majority)</b>
<p>That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors provide a Letter of Support for Nechako Valley Search and Rescue in support of their application for a Public Safety Community Gaming Grant of \$100,000 to replace their deteriorating Mobile Command Center</p>	



# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Supplemental Memo – Board Agenda August 18, 2016

**To:** Chair Miller and the Board of Directors  
**From:** Roxanne Shepherd, Acting Chief Financial Officer  
**Date:** August 15, 2016  
**Re:** Security Issuing Bylaw – Topley Fire Protection

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The following memo replaces the Security Issuing Bylaw – Topley Fire Protection memo in the regular board agenda.

Loan authorization bylaw 1744, which authorizes borrowing for up to \$383,639 was adopted by the Board on November 19, 2015 to facilitate the purchase of a new fire truck and new fire hall for the Topley Rural Fire Protection Service.

The cost of these capital expenditures was \$366,347.51 and was financed through temporary borrowing. The temporary borrowing will be repaid by the issuing of debentures in the fall MFA debenture issue. The fire hall and fire truck debt will be paid over 25 years.

Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1781 is included further in the agenda for your consideration.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

*R. Shepherd*

Recommendation:

(all/directors/majority)

1. That the memorandum from the Financial Administrator, dated August 15, 2016 regarding Topley Security Issuing Bylaw be received.
2. Consider giving three readings and adoption to Bylaw No. 1781 further in the agenda.



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Board- Direction  
(letter of support)

File: FEP

August 12, 2016

Chair Miller and Directors  
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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF  
BULKLEY NECHAKO

Dear Chair Miller and Directors:

I recently wrote you about formation of the Forest Enhancement Society of BC (FESBC). The purpose of this letter is to update you on this initiative, and garner your support for projects being considered by the Nadina Natural Resource District.

The Nadina District is submitting six projects for approval during this intake period, all of which are designed to aid in the management of wildfire risk and/or enhance wildlife habitat. The specifics are as follows:

**Block 1**

This project involves the creation of a fire break approximately 100 metres in width (retaining deciduous species). The primary purpose of this break is to protect the Babine Forest Products and Pinnacle Pellet mills and mill sites; the secondary purpose is to provide access to this area for fire suppression activities, including the deployment of firefighting resources.

**Blocks 2 & 3**

These two projects focus on building a fire break to protect the Eagle Creek subdivision immediately south of the Village of Burns Lake. Coniferous trees will be removed and deciduous trees will be maintained while establishing a 50-metre fire break adjacent private property. The establishment of fire-resistant trees in the area will be a priority after logging and clearing activities are complete. All logging debris is slated to be mulched; alternatively, small-scale slash burning will be attempted.

**Block 4**

This project will involve partial cut removal of dead pine trees. It is estimated that 40 per cent of the trees will be removed in this fire-proofing activity. As the target area is near the mountain bike trails in Burns Lake, trail protection will be the first priority. The ministry is still working with the Burns Lake Mountain Biking Association

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Ministry of Forests  
Lands and Natural Resource  
Operations

Nadina District

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Burns Lake, BC

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Tel: (250) 692-2200  
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(BLMBA) on this project, and will not proceed with it unless the association lends its full support.

**Block 5**

This project is similar to Block 2 and 3 in the scope of activity. The purpose here is to protect the northern boundary of the Village of Burns Lake.

**Block 6**

This project is located in the Ootsa Reservoir, specifically Tahtsa Reach. (The target area is shaded in red and identified as priority area 1 on the attached map.) The activities proposed include the establishment of a timber-free zone in the reservoir. This includes the removal of all submerged or partially submerged trees up to the reservoir high water mark, which will allow the region's endangered woodland caribou to successfully move from islands in the reservoir to the mainland. All natal activity associated with these caribou occurs on these islands, and the young calves swim across the reservoir to the mainland. At present, many of these young animals fall prey to obstacles created by submerged timber.

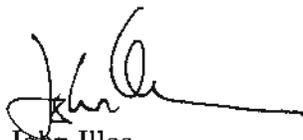
While these projects are tentative at this point, we hope to obtain your support for them **in the form of a letter**. The deadline to submit these projects is August 19, 2016, and it is our hope that you can provide the required letter of support before that date.

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These projects are just the first of many we hope to complete in this region. During the next intake period (November), we hope to work with the other municipalities in the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako on projects that will protect or enhance forest/wildlife resources in other areas of the Skeena region.

We hope you will provide your support to these worthwhile endeavours. If you require more information on these projects or FESBC, please feel free to contact me by telephone (250-692-2200) or email ([John.Illes@gov.bc.ca](mailto:John.Illes@gov.bc.ca)).

Yours truly,

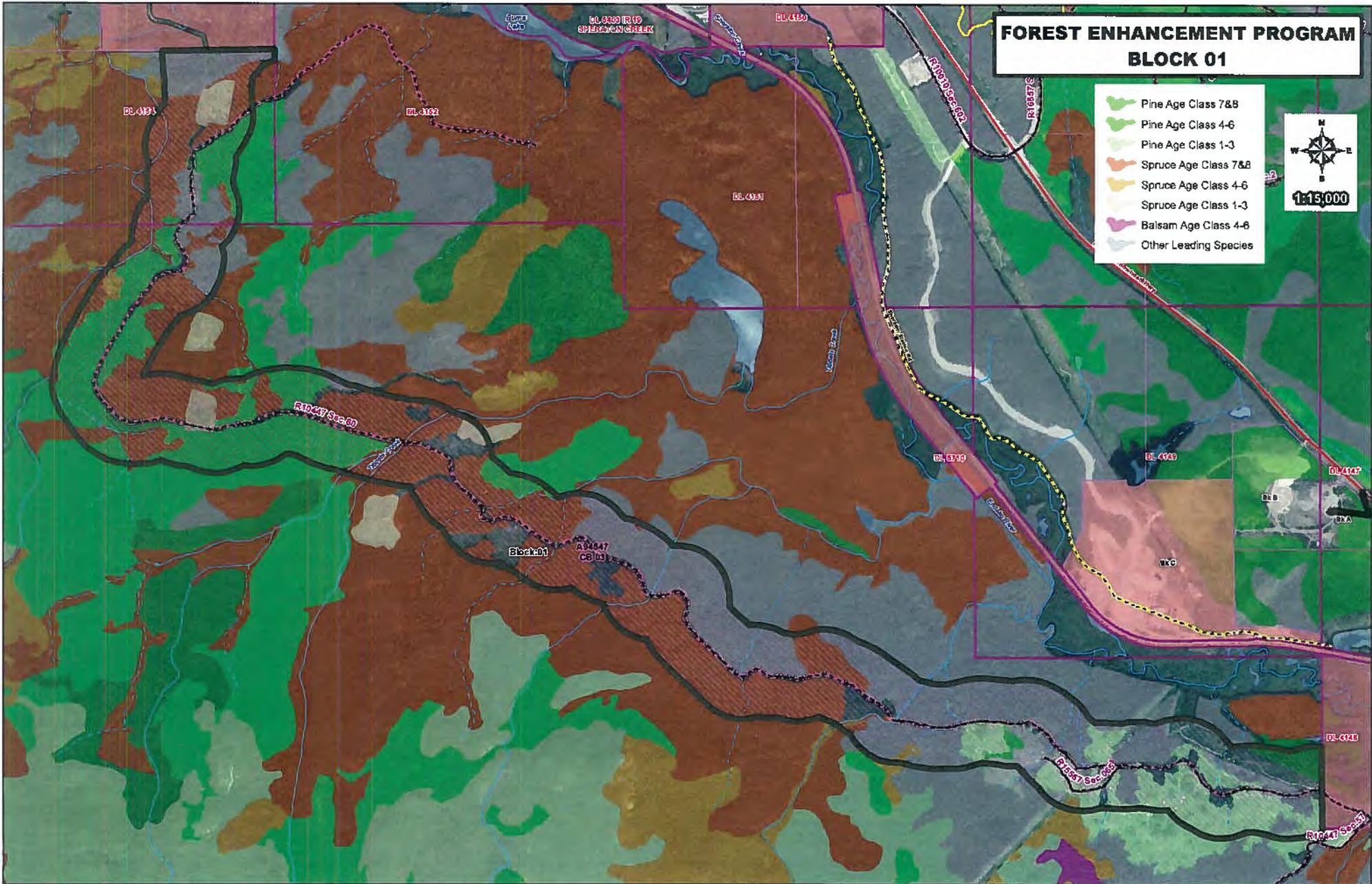


John Illes  
Resource Manager  
Nadina District

pc: Greg Anderson, Executive Director, Forest Enhancement Society

# FOREST ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM BLOCK 01

- Pine Age Class 7&8
- Pine Age Class 4-6
- Pine Age Class 1-3
- Spruce Age Class 7&8
- Spruce Age Class 4-6
- Spruce Age Class 1-3
- Balsam Age Class 4-6
- Other Leading Species



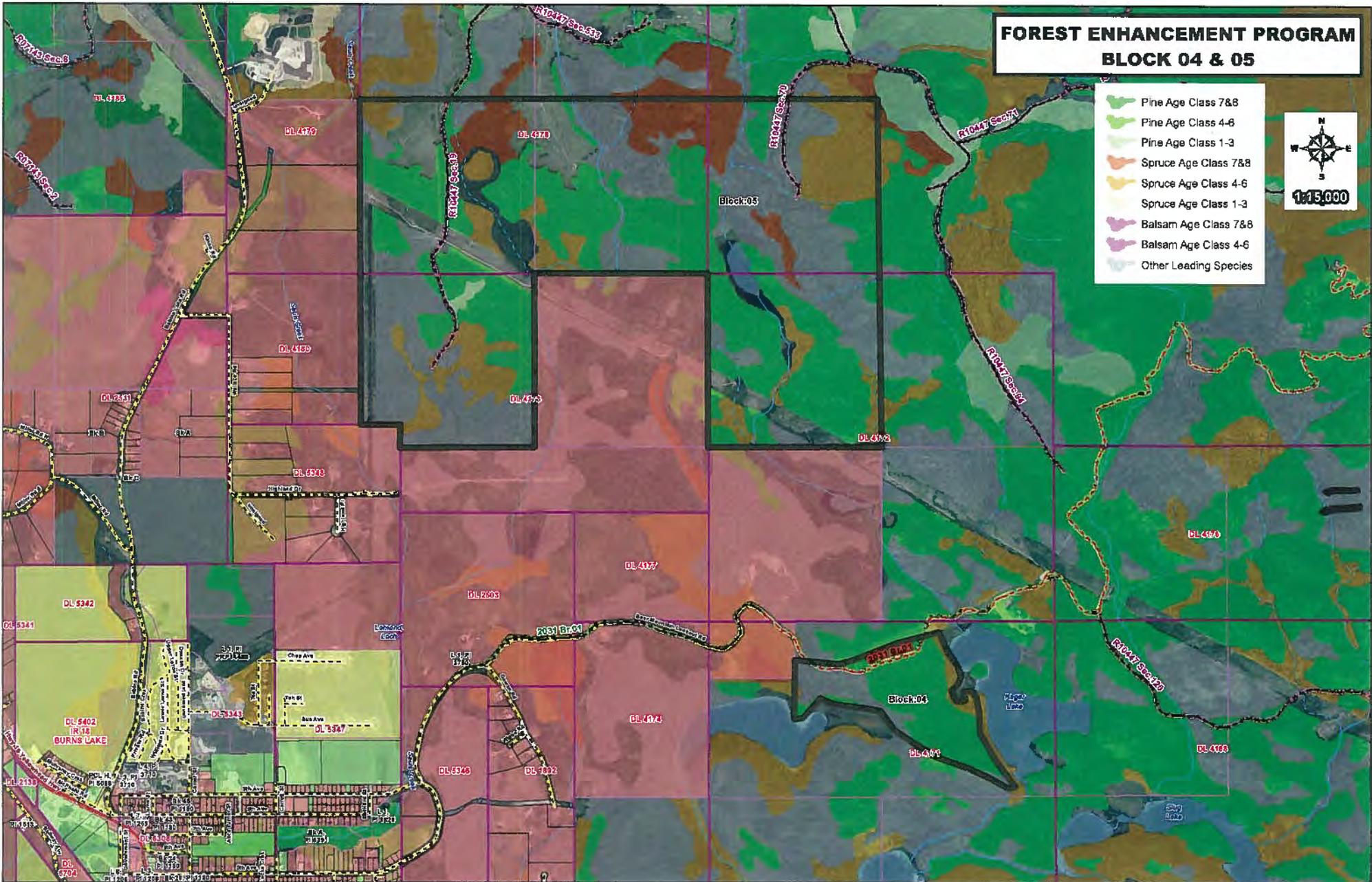






# FOREST ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM BLOCK 04 & 05

- Pine Age Class 7&8
- Pine Age Class 4-6
- Pine Age Class 1-3
- Spruce Age Class 7&8
- Spruce Age Class 4-6
- Spruce Age Class 1-3
- Balsam Age Class 7&8
- Balsam Age Class 4-6
- Other Leading Species







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Board- Direction  
(letter of support)

**From:** "Borth, Lori J FLNR:EX" <Lori.Borth@gov.bc.ca>

**Date:** August 16, 2016 at 5:33:03 PM PDT

**To:** 'Melany Deweerdt' <Melany.Deweerdt@rdbn.bc.ca>

**Cc:** "Goretzky, Shane M FLNR:EX" <Shane.Goretzky@gov.bc.ca>, "DeGagne, John M FLNR:EX" <John.DeGagne@gov.bc.ca>

**Subject:** RE: Projects for Aug 19 intake, Board support

Hi,

It was a pleasure to meet with you last week.

As per our conversation with regards to the Forest Enhancement Program the Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations is presently putting forward proposals that will further work preventing and mitigating the impact of wildfires; improve damaged and low value forests; improve wildlife habitat; support the use of fibre from damaged and low value forests; and treat forests to improve the management of greenhouse gases as well as advocate for the environmental and resource stewardship of British Columbia's Forests.

Ongoing work and communications have been occurring over the past several years locally with the Mayor and Councils of Vanderhoof, Fraser Lake and Fort St. James with regards to preventing and mitigating impact of wildfires. Further to this local work communication and facilitation with OBAC has also been held with the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako about the potential for additional prevention and mitigation.

Project proposals that are being forwarded within the Stuart Nechako District for the August 19 intake which we request a letter of support include:

Fuel mitigation west end of Cluculz Lake and Blackwater Road

Fuel mitigation Finmore Road Area

Fuel Mitigation Driftwood Road Right of Way in Fort St James area into Takla

Archaeological Impact Assessments in various rural areas which will allow further mitigation work for fire prevention to occur in the Stuart Nechako District.

We would be pleased to have the Regional District of Bulkely Nechako's continuing support in these initiatives. If you have any questions please let us know.

Thank you,

Lori Borth  
Resource Manager  
Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations  
Stuart Nechako Natural Resource District  
Lori.Borth@gov.bc.ca  
250 567 6386 – Vanderhoof  
250 996-5200 – Fort St. James

**Cheryl Anderson**

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**From:** Tom Greenaway <greenawayfarms@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** August-16-16 12:45 PM  
**To:** Cheryl Anderson  
**Subject:** Fwd: Trying to acquire a licence for a " Rural Agency Store" in Manson Creek  
**Attachments:** Petition for liquor store.pdf; ATT00001.htm; Liquor Rejection Letter.pdf; ATT00002.htm; Liquor Rejection Letter.pdf; ATT00003.htm

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** <[info@ominecageneralstore.ca](mailto:info@ominecageneralstore.ca)>  
**Subject:** Trying to acquire a licence for a " Rural Agency Store" in Manson Creek  
**Date:** August 11, 2016 at 12:37:24 PM PDT  
**To:** <[greenawayfarms@gmail.com](mailto:greenawayfarms@gmail.com)>, <[john.rustad.mla@leg.bc.ca](mailto:john.rustad.mla@leg.bc.ca)>, "Nathan Cullen" <[nathan.cullen@part.gc.ca](mailto:nathan.cullen@part.gc.ca)>  
**Cc:** "Anne McGauley" <[anne.mcgale@bcldb.com](mailto:anne.mcgale@bcldb.com)>, "Allan Haller" <[allan.haller@bcldb.com](mailto:allan.haller@bcldb.com)>

Dear: Mr. Greenaway, Mr. Rustad and Mr. Cullen

My name is Lucienne McKone, I am the owner and operator of the new General Store ,(OMINECA GENERAL STORE ), that recently open in Manson Creek, BC. We opened on June 3<sup>rd</sup> of 2016 and business is picking up everyday as people learn that we have opened. We have launched a web site where people can read about us, find us on google maps and to also contact us if needed,( [ominecageneralstore.ca](http://ominecageneralstore.ca) ). Please feel free to check out our web site, as it will give you an insight as to where we want the Store to be in the coming months and even years.

The community of Manson Creek and the surrounding areas, including Germanson Landing, and their surrounding area , have become accustomed to having a Rural Agency Store that enabled them to purchase there favorite social drinks for almost 30 years, from the Wolfridge Store. Well the Wolfridge Store has since closed there doors as of October 31<sup>st</sup> 2015 and the communities and surrounding areas have been wondering why I do not sell their favourite social drinks, because it is so far for them to drive to the nearest Liquor Store which is 185 km away. In the years that the Wolfridge Store sold Liquor, they have had no problems what so ever from the customers. I believe that I will not have any problems either from my customers, as they see it as having a luxury here in Manson and did not want to lose that luxury. Well I feel like I have let my community down, with not being able to achieve my goal of acquiring a RAS for the them.

I under stand from the rejection letter that I received, ( please find attached ), that the population is not big enough here in Manson. Well I know that it is not big enough if you just include the year round locals. But this community is so wide spread that it is a 5km drive just to get water for some people. So to say that the 200 population is not with in a 5km drive of the store, is correct. But like I have stated before, this community and surrounding areas well exceeds the 200 population. The roads to this community are all year round, maintained roads. So that in its self brings people from as far away as Takla Landing, just to shop in my store.The Manson Creek community is growing each year, as my Husband and I are in full force as to bring this community back to life and have it grow. Just in the last month alone I have filled up all my mail boxes with the new comers to this area. As it sits now the

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community is really disappointed that I was turned down for the RAS, because now they will have to drive 185 km to purchase their alcohol, when it could be sold here right here.

So I am asking for your help in achieving my goal to supply this community and surrounding areas with a RAS, which would be located in my General Store. I have allocated a location in my store for this purpose. I understand that there can be exceptions made regarding my situation and location. To be turned down because of our location is not right. If we could get someone here for a site visit, they could see that it is a special circumstances situation. So I am hoping for any help that I can acquire from you folks, and get an exception to the rule.

I have enclosed my letter of intent and 4 pages of signatures from the year round locals, the summer locals, and people who are here for work or pleasure in the summer, and others who work here year round but are not locals. And I am still acquiring more signatures. So what I am asking is that please take everything into consideration, before making a decision. I welcome you for a site visit of my store and to meet the community. So that you can see first hand what I see, and what is needed and wanted here by and for the community.

I thank you for your time regarding this matter. Please feel free to contact me by phone (250-277-1957) or by email at ( [info@ominecageneralstore.ca](mailto:info@ominecageneralstore.ca) ) or ( [lumik93@hotmail.com](mailto:lumik93@hotmail.com) ) I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Lucienne McKone

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Omineca General Store

[lumik93@hotmail.com](mailto:lumik93@hotmail.com)

[info@ominecageneralstore.ca](mailto:info@ominecageneralstore.ca)

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Apple & ment  
Mark Armet

Keith Williamson  
Jacqueline Ann Green  
ROBERT GREEN  
Popovenc Vladimir  
Popovenc Lyudmila

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Robert N. Green  
Popovenc Lyudmila  
NORMAN WIEBE

Curtis Johnson  
Walter  
John Miller  
Doreen  
Theodore

Lynn Turotte  
Eileen  
Kelly Kelly  
Matthew Dean Marshall

Mountain Lion  
Frank  
M. A.

Tyler Jorgensen  
Jonathan Hreywell & Therapell  
Riley Carner

Jamille Morrison  
Raymond LeFebvre  
Craig Anderson  
Sean Anderson  
Julie Leggatt

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Cambria Korolek  
Shen Bridgeman  
Mike Amyot  
Kim Amyot  
Brandon Lukay

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Sign for liquor store in Manson  
at the Omineca General store.

Daymond Peppard,

~~Edna Peppard~~

~~John Peppard~~

ROSENA & MALCOLM McLELLAN

Bron BARRON

Ben Som

Amance

Justin Chisholm

John Funder

Brittany McDougall

West O'Connell

Matthew Gardner

~~Charles~~ Lewis Canning

Grant McLeod

Valerie Wallace

Artho George

Shane Kruse

David Duchesne

Marta Helene F.

Michelle

Mike John

~~John~~

Bergy Lepta

Jule Greer

Jacoby Lee

Pet Andeson

Kane McNamara-Noel

Jessica Kinsley

Lupe

Mat Williams



Please sign if you wish to have a liquor store in Manson Creek at the store "OMINACA GENERAL STORE"

Joe Varley  
 Mer Linfen  
 Luciano McFore  
 Nick Dyck  
 Deanne Dyck  
 Robert Link  
 Wendy  
 Bob Szdluko  
 John Price  
 Dan Ripley  
 Shelley  
 Clara Jack  
 Steve Jack  
 CSW  
 Gary Hampton  
 Rudy M'Donnell  
 Chris Colbale  
 Gary  
 Vicki Hillis  
 Sadowick  
 Camille Cote  
 Sexton  
 Pomeroy  
 D. Thompson

Jeneta Thomas  
 Robert Harkion  
 Jeff  
 Mike McKone  
 John  
 Mark Odnberg  
 Ryan Jackalin  
 Aaron Antonik  
 Jammie McNally  
 Terrance McNally  
 Brandon LeBlond  
 Will Bennett  
 Karlin Porter  
 Rod Porter  
 Terry Gillis  
 Vicki Gillis  
 Frances Sadowick  
 Dustin Andrichuk  
 Josh Myatovic  
 George Tulle  
 Damian Poite  
 Brayden Kersy  
 Joe Michaud  
 Tim Bradley  
 Dwane Thompson  
 Suzanne Allan



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August 4, 2016

Lucienne McKone  
Omineca General Store  
Block K, Lot 3260 Cassiar District  
Manson Creek, British Columbia V0J 2H0

Dear Lucienne McKone:

Thank you very much for your interest in establishing a Rural Agency Store (RAS) in Manson Creek, British Columbia.

The Liquor Distribution Branch (LDB) has reviewed your expression of interest for the operation of a RAS in Manson Creek. Throughout the RAS application process, we remain committed to fairness and consistency – seeking to ensure our decisions align with the intent of the RAS program, while balancing the interests of local businesses, stakeholders and community residents.

The RAS program criteria states the population being served by the trading area in which a rural agency store is located must have a minimum of 200 persons within a five kilometer driving distance. The LDB conducted a comprehensive investigation of the Manson Creek population, and after careful analysis from multiple government agencies, we have concluded that this location does not meet the population criterion. While we greatly appreciate your interest in the RAS program, the LDB will not be continuing with the application for the Omineca General Store at this time.

We wish to acknowledge the time and effort that is invested by all parties interested in the Rural Agency Store Program. Thank you again for your interest, and we wish your business continued success.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anne McGauley".

Anne McGauley  
Manager, Store Operations – Corporate

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## Letter of Intent for Rural Agency Store Program

From: **Lu McKone** (lumik93@hotmail.com)  
 Sent: April-29-16 9:07:41 AM  
 To: ras@bcliquorstores.com (ras@bcliquorstores.com); allan.haller@bcldb.com  
 (allan.haller@bcldb.com)

Dear Sir or Madam:

My Name is Lucienne McKone. I am sending you this letter of Intent in regards to establishing a liquor distribution center out of my General Store. I live in Manson Creek BC, Canada. The legal site location is ....Block "k" Lot 3260 Cassiar District, Manson Creek BC. I am in the process of opening a General Store here in Manson Creek, " OMINECA GENERAL STORE ", as the old store ( Wolfridge), have closed their doors since October of 2015. I am aiming to have my doors open on June 1st,2016.

I have been awarded the Postmaster Position for the Post office here in Manson Creek, so the Post Office is now located in my store and is in operation at this time . I would like to provide the community with the same services as Wolfridge Store did in the past, which would include:

- \*Dairy products.
- \*fresh/frozen fruit and veggies.
- \*Grain Product , bread, rice, pasta, baked good.
- \*Canned goods , soups and stews.
- \*Household Items , cleaning supplies, toiletries, pet food.
- \*frozen products.
- \*Convenient products, chips, pop, chocolate bars
- \*tobacco products ( in progress)
- \*hardware items.
- \*mining items.
- \*automotive items.
- \*fuels, gas and diesel.
- \*propane, ( cylinders only ).
- \*supply internet services so customers can get hunting and fishing licence on line.
- \* and then if all goes well I would like supply them with a Liquor Store.

So basically my General Store will be a one stop shopping facility for my community and surrounding area including Germanson Landing.

The nearest LBS is 185 km away from my store, one in Fort Saint James and then in the other direction to Mackenzie. I worked in the Wolfridge store when it was open and I noticed that people where coming form everywhere in the area to shop in the store, not only for Liquor but for food, gas and propane. In the summer it is real busy around hear, with mining, canipers, hunters, logging and the locals. The population here is about 200, but grows in the months from April to the end of October to approx. 300 every year. So needless to say that the store is busy all year but more so in the afore mentioned months.

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We have all year, all weather roads to our community, so that make for large draw of population to this area. We get Mail and Groceries brought in once a week, 12 months of the year.

My store is set up so that all the different products that I will be supplying will have there own sections, the liquor would be on shelves behind the service counter, which is 8 feet long by 8 feet high by 2 feet deep , along with a locked 8ft x 8ft storage room.

I am hoping that I have provided the information that you require to consider myself and my general store as a liquor distribution facility for our community.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me at PH: 250-277-1957 or by email : [lunik93@hotmail.com](mailto:lunik93@hotmail.com) .

Thank you for your time regarding this matter, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Lucienne McKone

AKA ( Lu )

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Board - Receive



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August 8, 2016

Chair Bill Miller  
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako  
Box 820  
Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

Dear Chair Miller:

It is my pleasure to invite you to the first ever *Northern Mayors & Regional District Chairs Roundtable* taking place on Friday, September 9, 2016 in Prince George.

This meeting will be co-hosted by myself and the President of the NCLGA, Laurey Roodenburg, and is intended to identify and focus on the priorities and perspectives of all local governments in the region. The specific goals for this meeting include:

- To identify common challenges and highlight opportunities where information sharing and/or cooperation within the region would be mutually beneficial.
- To decide future roundtable formatting, content and timing to make best use of your schedules and resources.

Our communities and regional electoral areas account for nearly 70% of BC's landmass; 80% of agricultural lands; 60% of BC's aboriginal population; provides 80% of Provincial exports; and includes some of the largest resource development projects in North America. While we each have our own priorities, it is clear that our communities share unique circumstances and common goals and that there would be benefit for us to work toward our mutual interests jointly.

Invitations have been sent to the Mayors and Chairs of all NCLGA member communities. This is a large group (with the possibility of 42 active participants) and we are only scheduling one day, therefore, we are not able to accommodate additional representatives from each community. If you are not able to attend we encourage you to ask one of your colleagues to attend in your place.

Registration information and a draft agenda are attached, for additional information please contact Tanya Spooner, Executive Coordinator at [tanya.spooner@princegeorge.ca](mailto:tanya.spooner@princegeorge.ca) or 250-561-7610.

Sincerely,

Mayor Lyn Hall

## Northern Mayors and Regional District Chairs Roundtable

Friday, September 9, 2016  
Prince George Civic Centre, Room 208

The roundtable will be divided into four main sessions: economic development, social responsibility, environmental stewardship and next steps. During each session, your local government representative will have an opportunity to discuss your specific priorities and perspectives as they relate to the session title.

Throughout the day, staff will facilitate discussions and record/ tabulate information. Themes will emerge and common challenges and opportunities will be identified. During the concluding session, you will discuss next steps to ensure this valuable information yields the best possible results for your community. As well, you will decide on a format/ timings for the next Northern Mayors & Regional District Chairs Roundtable based on lessons learned.

8:30 – 8:45am	Official Welcome and Introduction to Sessions
8:45 – 10:15am	<u>Economic Development</u>
10:15 – 10:30am	Networking Break
10:30 – 12:00pm	<u>Social Responsibility</u>
12:00 – 1:00pm	Lunch (special guest Q & A)
1:00 – 2:30pm	<u>Environmental Stewardship</u>
2:30 – 2:45pm	Networking Break
2:45 – 4:45pm	<u>Conclusion: Northern Priorities and Perspectives/ Next Steps</u>
5:30 – 8:30pm	Dinner (keynote and networking)

# Northern Mayors and Regional District Chairs Roundtable

Friday, September 9, 2016  
Prince George Civic Centre, Room 208

## Registration and Payment Authorization Form

**Registrant:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor    RD Chair    Other \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies/Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee:     **\$35.00**

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TO: Regional District of Bulkley Nechako

Re: T. U. P. Application A-01-16

Aug 11/16

Subject: Transport - Gravel Crushing.

I am O.K. with the application as per phone call with owner Staffan Appelbo on Aug 10/16.

As per our discussion, Maximum 8 weeks of crushing on Monday thru Saturday, excluding Sundays. 7am - 6pm.

The Application form from the R.D. B-N does not state times, days, or duration. That, I feel, should be stated for clarification for all of us being notified.

I would oppose operation on Sundays and operating before 7am and past 6pm. Anything beyond 8 weeks would require consultation.

I do appreciate Staffan's willingness to operate the crusher in a deeper area with more buffer for noise.

DOUG VEENSTRA -



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Jason.llewellyn

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**From:** J. Gilden  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 17, 2016 11:27 AM  
**To:** Mark Fisher; Jason.llewellyn  
**Subject:** Gravel Crushing TUP Hearing and Notice  
**Attachments:** August 10, 2016 Interior News Notice.pdf

Hi Mark and Jason:

Yesterday, I saw the attached Interior News Notice for the TUP application for authorization to conduct gravel crushing operations at the location near Raymond Road off Highway 16 between Telkwa and Smithers . As you are aware, the whole issue of industrial activities of this sort taking place in areas zoned for agriculture and close to residences, tourism related businesses and the Bulkley River has previously raised a good deal of public concern.

Under these circumstances, it seems surprising that the newspaper notice for a hearing on an application of this nature gives essentially 1 week's notice to the public in Smithers for comments and a hearing taking place in Burns Lake. I doubt this meets the minimum requirements of the Local Government Act, and in any event, raises serious issues of procedural fairness.

Under the circumstances, we suggest that you postpone the Hearing and extend the deadline for public comment so that it does not end today. If the hearing cannot be postponed at this late date, at the very least no action should be taken until a second hearing date is provided in Smithers with adequate notice to the public.

We will be contacting our network about this, so you will probably receive a good deal of additional comment.

Jay Gilden  
for the BVSC

**CONDITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR A TEMPORARY USE PERMIT  
TO COVER GRAVEL CRUSHING BY STETI CONSTRUCTION  
NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 16 AND RAYMOND ROAD**

**2016 August 17**

Ray Chipeniuk and Sonia Sawchuk

9483 Tatlow Avenue  
(250) 847-5758  
chipeniuk@xplornet.com

In general, we oppose the approval of a TUP (Temporary Use Permit) covering any gravel crushing operation in the Settlement Zone of the central Bulkley Valley, but especially when the operation would be (1) near the Bulkley River; (2) on the Bulkley floodplain or an adjacent glacial terrace; (3) within 4 km of any more than one or two rural residences; or (4) within 4 km of any other gravel crushing operation, legal or illegal. The research literature makes it plain that the noise from gravel crushing has harmful impacts on human health; residential property values; residents' enjoyment of their properties; fish habitat; and community development. Crushing at the Steti pit is about 1 km from the Bulkley River; on the Bulkley floodplain or an adjacent terrace; within 4 km of at least forty or fifty rural residences, some of them just 200 or 300 metres away; and within 2 km of two or three other actual or proposed or dormant or illegal gravel crushing operations.

This spring and early in the summer we ourselves were seriously disturbed by loud crushing and backup beeping noise apparently emanating from the Steti pit without benefit of coverage by a TUP. Our home is about 3.5 km distant from the pit.

If the RDBN Board of Directors decides to approve a TUP for gravel crushing at the Steti Construction pit, then we strongly urge the Board to include the following conditions:

**First Condition**

Gravel pits and crushing operations in the central Bulkley River have been used for all sorts of unrelated nuisance-generating activities, such as motocross driving and shooting. **Any TUP granted to Steti for gravel crushing in the location under consideration should explicitly forbid use of the site for motocross or other recreational vehicle driving, shooting, exploding of fireworks, or other uses unrelated to gravel extraction and crushing.**

**Second Condition**

Concerned residents, businesses, and recreational users of the Bulkley River and areas near it have urged in relation to previous gravel extraction and crushing permit applications that a Web

camera be installed at the proposed crushing site, in order to allow citizens to monitor illegal and environmentally offensive uses of the site. **The site of the proposed Steti crushing operation should include such a Web camera.**

### **Third Condition**

In most settled parts of British Columbia, crushing at any given site is normally permitted for just two or three weeks a year. ***The Steti TUP should limit crushing to no more than two weeks a year***, especially in view of the likelihood that other legal or illegal crushing will take place within two or three kilometres of the Steti operation. (The Province of British Columbia imposes no control whatsoever over the cumulative environmental effects of multiple gravel mining and crushing operations.) Without a very limited duration within which crushing may take place, some rural residents in the neighbourhood of the Steti operation may be subject to crushing noise and backup beeping for most of the non-winter months.

### **Fourth Condition**

To prevent the compounding of crushing and backup noise in any particular area of the Settlement Zone, no crushing TUP should be approved or renewed by the RDBN if residents within a four-kilometre radius report that they are already suffering from noise emanating from other crushing operations, legal or illegal, in the area. Following this logic, **the Steti TUP, if it is granted, should include a provision to the effect that the Steti crusher will not operate when residents within a four-kilometre radius report that they are being affected by noise from one or more other crushing operations in their neighbourhood.**

### **Fifth Condition**

The draft RDBN TUP permit No. A-01-16 specifies that the “hours of operation” will be limited to 7:00 A.M. to 6 P.M. daily. This item, **4.e., should include the following phrase: (“...hours of operation”) “of either the crusher or vehicles loading or unloading the crusher” (“to...”)**. One of the most offensive sorts of noise produced by crushing operations is the backup beeping of loading vehicles.

### **Sixth Condition**

The draft RDBN TUP permit specifies that the crushing plant should operate for a maximum of 50 days per calendar year. This figure is entirely out of keeping with gravel crushing TUP requirements elsewhere in British Columbia. The normal figure for settled areas is two or three weeks. Hence **(a) item 4.f. should be rewritten to state “a maximum of 10 [or 15] days per calendar year.”** If the TUP permit includes any figure greater than 15 days per calendar year, then **(b), item 4.f. should be rewritten to state “a maximum of [say] three consecutive weeks per calendar year.”** Otherwise local residents and businesses will find themselves needing to track, and somehow verify, days of crusher operation all across the calendar.

**Advisory Planning Commission Meeting Minutes for Area A  
Monday, 8 August, 2016 ~ Location: Smithers Municipal Office**

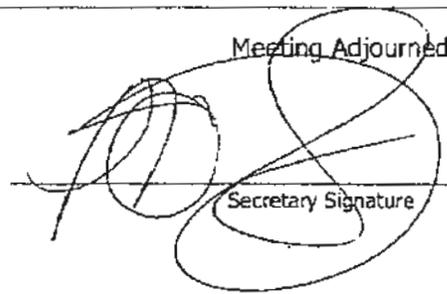
<b>Attendance</b>  <i>A</i>	APC Brian Atherton Janik Heer Alan Koopmans Natalie Trueit  Sandra Hinchliffe Bob Posthuma Andrew Watson Shelly Worthington  RDBN Mark Fisher Stoney Stoltenberg  APPLICANTS / AGENTS Steffan Apperloo – Steti Transport Andrew – HBH Land Surveying – Phil's Boxes
<b>Meeting called to order @:</b>	7:04pm
<b>Chairperson:</b>	Sandra Hinchliffe
<b>Secretary:</b>	Natalie Trueit
<b>Old Business / Updates:</b>	NONE
<b>New Business:</b>	Two applications
<b>Applications:</b>	TUP and OCP amendment and rezoning referral
<b>Application Number:</b>	A-01-16 (TUP)
<b>Resolution</b>	Recommend approval
<b>Comments</b>	Comments are not specific to this application, but to all applications for TUP re: crushing on gravel pits. APC asking if notice of expiring TUP is sent to the applicant to ensure continuity of regulations and ease of business for all parties. APC concerned that regulations are in place but enforcement does not seem to be proactive, but rather reactive.
<b>Application Number:</b>	A-01-16 (OCP and rezoning)

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<b>Resolution:</b>	Recommend consideration and approval
<b>Comments:</b>	<p>APC believes that this is a very good location for a small parcel subdivision, given its proximity to town, existing high density residential neighbourhood. APC did express some concerns regarding the possibility that its location could impede development of the airport if there are any changes in the NAV Canada regulations in the future.</p> <p>Additionally, the APC would like to participate in conversation between the T of S and RDBN to explore mutually beneficial growth and development considerations in the best interests of both jurisdictions. It would be advantageous for all parties to work together with some understanding of the benefits and detriments of growth and estimations of what might be suitable development while supporting same in all areas.</p>

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:30 pm



Secretary Signature

DRAFT emailed  
 - to APC - 9:21am  
 - to RDBN - 11:17am  
 9 Aug 2016

Signed emailed  
 to all @ 7:30pm  
 9 Aug 2016

## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

## Security Issuing Bylaw

Bylaw No. 1781

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A bylaw to authorize the entering into of an Agreement respecting financing between the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako and the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia.

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WHEREAS the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia (the "Authority") may provide financing of capital requirements for regional districts or for their member municipalities by the issue of debentures or other evidence of indebtedness of the Authority and lending the proceeds therefrom to the regional district on whose request the financing is undertaken;

AND WHEREAS the Regional District will finance from time to time on behalf of and at the sole cost of the member municipalities, under the provisions of Section 410 of the *Local Government Act*, the works financed pursuant to the herein mentioned loan authorization bylaws;

AND WHEREAS under the provisions of Section 411 of the *Local Government Act*, the amount of borrowing authorized by each of the following loan authorization bylaws, the amount already borrowed under the authority thereof, the amount of authorization to borrow remaining thereunder, and the amount being issued under the authority thereof by this bylaw;

AND WHEREAS the tables contained in this bylaw are to provide clarity and information for the purposes of this bylaw;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board, by this bylaw, hereby requests such financing shall be undertaken through the Authority.

NOW THEREFORE the Regional Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

**Regional District Loan Authorization Bylaws**

Regional District Loan Authorization Bylaw Number	Purpose	Amount of Borrowing Authorized	Amount Already Borrowed	Borrowing Authority Remaining	Term of Issue	Amount of Issue
1744	Capital Expenditure for a fire hall and a fire truck	\$383,639	Nil	\$383,639	25 Years	\$366,347.51
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$383,639</b>	<b>Nil</b>	<b>\$383,639</b>		<b>\$366,347.51</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>						<b>\$366,347.51</b>

1. The Authority is hereby requested and authorized to finance from time to time the above noted undertakings, and further described in the Regional District Loan Authorization Bylaws table, at the sole cost and on behalf of the Regional District and its member municipalities up to, but not exceeding Three Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand, Three Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$366,347.51) in lawful money of Canada (provided that the Regional District may borrow all or part of such amount in such currency as the Trustees of the Authority shall determine but the aggregate amount in lawful money of Canada and in Canadian Dollar equivalents so borrowed shall not exceed \$366,347.51 in Canadian Dollars) at such interest and with such discounts or premiums and expenses as the Authority may deem appropriate in consideration of the market and economic conditions pertaining.
2. Upon completion by the Authority of financing undertaken pursuant hereto, the Chair and officer assigned the responsibility of financial administration of the Regional District, on behalf of the Regional District and under its seal shall, at such time or times as the Trustees of the Authority may request, enter into and deliver to the Authority one or more agreements, which said agreement or agreements shall be substantially in the form annexed hereto as Schedule "A" and made part of this bylaw (such Agreement or Agreements as may be entered into, delivered or substituted hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") providing for payment by the Regional District to the Authority of the amounts required to meet the obligations of the Authority with respect to its borrowings undertaken pursuant hereto, which Agreement shall rank as debenture debt of the Regional District.
3. The Agreement in the form of Schedule "A" shall be dated and payable in the principal amount or amounts of monies and in Canadian dollars or as the Authority shall determine and subject to the *Local Government Act*, in such currency or currencies as shall be borrowed by the Authority under section 1 and shall set out the schedule of repayment of the principal amount together with interest on unpaid amounts as shall be determined by the Treasurer of the Authority.
4. The obligation incurred under the said Agreement shall bear interest from a date specified therein, which date shall be determined by the Treasurer of the Authority, and shall bear interest at a rate to be determined by the Treasurer of the Authority.
5. The Agreement shall be sealed with the seal of the Regional District and shall bear the signature of the Chair and the officer assigned the responsibility of financial administration of the Regional District.
6. The obligations incurred under the said Agreement as to both principal and interest shall be payable at the Head Office of the Authority in Victoria and at such time or times as shall be determined by the Treasurer of the Authority.
7. During the currency of the obligations incurred under the said Agreement to secure borrowings in respect of Bylaw No. 1744 the anticipated revenues accruing to the Regional District from the operation of the Topley Rural Fire Protection Service are at any time insufficient to meet the annual payment of interest and the repayment of principal in any year, there shall be requisitioned an amount sufficient to meet such insufficiency.

- 8. The Regional District shall provide and pay over to the Authority such sums as are required to discharge its obligations in accordance with the terms of the Agreement, provided, however, that if the sums provided for in the Agreement are not sufficient to meet the obligations of the Authority, any deficiency in meeting such obligations shall be a liability of the Regional District to the Authority and the Regional Board of the Regional District shall make due provision to discharge such liability.
- 9. The Regional District shall pay over to the Authority at such time or times as the Treasurer of the Authority so directs such sums as are required pursuant to Section 15 of the *Municipal Finance Authority Act* to be paid into the Debt Reserve Fund established by the Authority in connection with the financing undertaken by the Authority on behalf of the Regional District pursuant to the Agreement.
- 10. This bylaw may be cited as "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Security Issuing – Topley Rural Fire Protection Service Bylaw No. 1781, 2016".

READ A FIRST TIME this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

READ A SECOND TIME this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

READ A THIRD TIME this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

RECONSIDERED and FINALLY PASSED and ADOPTED this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporate Administrator

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No. 1781 as adopted.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporate Administrator

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SCHEDULE "A" to Bylaw No. 1781

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AGREEMENT

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

The Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (the "Regional District") hereby promises to pay to the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia at its Head Office in Victoria, British Columbia, (the "Authority") the sum of dollars (\$\_\_\_\_\_) in lawful money of Canada, together with interest calculated semi-annually in each and every year during the currency of this Agreement; and payments shall be as specified in the table appearing on the reverse hereof commencing on the day of \_\_\_\_\_, provided that in the event the payments of principal and interest hereunder are insufficient to satisfy the obligations of the Authority undertaken on behalf of the Regional District, the Regional District shall pay over to the Authority further sums as are sufficient to discharge the obligations of the Regional District to the Authority.

DATED at \_\_\_\_\_, British Columbia, this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF and under the authority of Bylaw No. \_\_\_\_\_ cited as "\_\_\_\_\_". This Agreement is sealed with the Corporate Seal of the Regional District of \_\_\_\_\_ and signed by the Chair and the officer assigned the responsibility of financial administration thereof.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Financial Administration Officer)

Pursuant to the Local Government Act, I certify that this Agreement has been lawfully and validly made and issued and that its validity is not open to question on any ground whatever in any Court of the Province of British Columbia.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ (month, day) 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Inspector of Municipalities

(Reverse Side)

PRINCIPAL AND/ OR SINKING FUND DEPOSIT AND INTEREST PAYMENTS

Date of Payment	Principal and/or Sinking Fund Deposit	Interest	Total
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO****BYLAW NO. 1777**

A Bylaw to amend the Fort Fraser Fire Protection Local Service by including options for cost recovery

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**WHEREAS** the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako has established by Bylaw No. 624, the "Fort Fraser Fire Protection Local Service";

**AND WHEREAS** the Regional Board wishes to clarify the options for cost recovery;

**AND WHEREAS** the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities has been obtained under Section 349 of the *Local Government Act*.

**AND WHEREAS** under Section 349(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act*, the participant has consented to the adoption of this bylaw.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Regional Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Section 6 of Bylaw No. 624 is hereby repealed and replaced with the following:
  6. The annual cost of providing this service shall be recovered by one or more of the following:
    - a. Property value taxes imposed on land and improvements in accordance with Division 3 of Part 11 of the *Local Government Act*;
    - b. Revenues received by way of agreement, enterprise, gift, grant or otherwise.
2. This bylaw may be cited as "Fort Fraser Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1777, 2016."

READ A FIRST TIME this 26 day of May, 2016.

READ A SECOND TIME this 26 day of May, 2016.

READ A THIRD TIME this 26 day of May, 2016.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. 1777.

Anderson  
Corporate Administrator

APPROVED BY THE INSPECTOR OF MUNICIPALITIES this 4<sup>th</sup>  
day of August, 2016

ADOPTED this            day of            , 2016

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporate Administrator