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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA
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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO
Board of Directors
April 19, 2018

Memorandum

TO: Chair Miller and Board of Directors

FROM: Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: Caribou Recovery Program

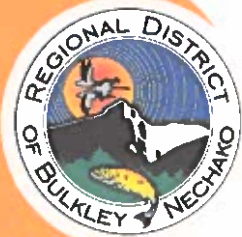
DATE: April 17, 2018

The main RDBN Board Agenda for April 19, 2018 includes a document entitled "Provincial Caribou Recovery Program Discussion Paper". While Caribou herds in northern British Columbia are under threat and action is required to protect the caribou herds, these actions can have a significant impact on forestry, mining and recreational use of land. The federal government's legislation seeks to protect the caribou herds and caribou habitat in isolation whereas the Province has stated that their caribou recovery efforts balance the socio-economic impacts and that they intend to collaborate with local interests.

The Province has indicated that it would be helpful to have a letter of support to the federal government from the RDBN and other local governments who would like to collaborate in the development and implementation of the Caribou Recovery Plan. A draft letter is attached for the RDBN Board's review and consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: (All/Directors/Majority)

- 1. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the report from the Chief Administrative Officer entitled "Caribou Recovery Program", and**
- 2. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve issuance of the attached letter to the Ministry of Environment Canada.**



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REGIONAL DISTRICT
OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

"A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN OUR REGION"

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Canada
200 Sacré-Coeur Boulevard
Gatineau, QC
K1A 0H3

Attention: The Honourable Catherine McKenna
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada

Dear Ms. McKenna,

RE: Support of the Province of B.C.'s Caribou Recovery Program

The Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (RDBN), would like to request that Ottawa support the Province, in collaboration with all relevant local interests and inclusive of local governments, to develop and implement Caribou Recovery Program to maintain and recover BC's caribou herds.

The RDBN agrees with Minister Donaldson, FLNRORD's opening remarks, in the *Provincial Caribou Recovery Program Discussion Paper*, that it is important to "reduce threats to caribou, while balancing the needs of all British Columbians, including Indigenous communities, industry and recreation enthusiasts."

We cannot understate the need to balance socioeconomic needs while developing plans to maintain and recover caribou. Forestry, mining, and recreation are important values that must be considered concurrently with the caribou recovery. The Province has advised that it aims to include local governments in developing predictable zonation and thresholds to provide certainty to affected natural resource users.

The RDBN is committed to work with the province to plan natural resource utilization that supports our local communities and minimizes impacts to local caribou herds. Minister Donaldson has committed to involving local governments in the caribou recovery to ensure that local knowledge and priorities are incorporated as we move forward.

MUNICIPALITIES:

SMITHERS FORT ST. JAMES
VANDERHOOF FRASER LAKE
HOUSTON TELKWA
BURNS LAKE GRANISLE

ELECTORAL AREAS:

A - SMITHERS RURAL E - FRANCOIS/OOTSA LAKE RURAL
B - BURNS LAKE RURAL F - VANDERHOOF RURAL
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We support the Province's ongoing efforts to compile current and accurate data reflecting caribou use as the most recent updated scientific information, including spatial representation of habitat, as an essential step to achieve the objectives of protecting caribou herds while balancing the socioeconomic impacts and the needs of other species, including moose habitat and predator management.

Thank you for your consideration,

Bill Miller
Chair
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

cc: The Honourable John Horgan, Premier, Province of B.C.
The Honourable George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
The Honourable Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development
North Central Local Government Association Members
Union of B.C. Municipalities Members

5 NCLGA RESOLUTION
SUBMITTED FOR 2018

B12: SOUTHERN MOUNTAIN CARIBOU

PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

WHEREAS the Southern Mountain Caribou has been identified as a species at risk and the Province has announced a draft conservation agreement under the federal Species at Risk Act regarding recovery measures for the Southern Mountain Caribou, the goal of which is to articulate the actions the Parties will take over the next five years to support the long term objective of achieving recovery of self-sustaining populations of the Southern Mountain Caribou in BC;

AND WHEREAS the initial focus includes the Pine, Narraway, and Quintette Local Population Units in in the Peace River Regional District in northeastern BC:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the NCLGA and UBCM request that the Provincial Government consider the impact of actions proposed to assist with the recovery of the Southern Mountain Caribou will have on back country access, which is integral to the success of Tourism in northeast BC;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Province be requested to commit to involve the Canadian Food Inspection Agency in the process as they have significant knowledge regarding health concerns specific to the Southern Mountain Caribou and potential impacts to other domestic and wild animal species in the region.

BACKGROUND: Draft Species at Risk Act Conservation Agreement for the conservation of the Southern Mountain Caribou:

http://registrelepararegistry.gc.ca/virtual_sara/files/agreements/Aa-SmcCaribouBc-v00-2017NovEng.pdf

Tumbler Ridge UNESCO Global Geopark: <http://tumbleridgegeopark.ca/>

UBCM COMMENTS:

The UBCM membership has not previously considered a resolution calling for the Province to consider the impact of South Caribou recovery actions on back country access, and for the involvement of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. However, the membership endorsed Resolution 2017-B114 that called for the Province to investigate and consider the socio-economic impacts of implementation plans for the conservation and regeneration of woodland caribou in BC. In response to the resolution, the Province acknowledged that a socio-economic assessment is developed to inform decisions on all species-at-risk implementation plans.

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2017 UBCM
RESOLUTION

B114 Woodland Caribou Implementation Plan Consultation

Northern Rockies RM

Whereas the Province, in compliance with the federal Species at Risk Act, is currently in the process of developing implementation plans for the conservation and regeneration of woodland caribou in BC;

And whereas such plans, by restricting the harvesting of timber in specified areas can have a significant negative impact on forest industry investment operations, and local economies:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM request that the provincial government immediately commit to meaningful consultation with local governments potentially affected by woodland caribou implementation plans, such consultation to involve thorough investigation and consideration of socio-economic impacts.

On motion, was Endorsed

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO****SUPPLEMENTARY MEMORANDUM**

TO: Chair Miller and Board of Directors

**FROM: Cheryl Anderson
Manager of Administrative Services**

DATE: April 19, 2018

**SUBJECT: Houston Christian School Society – Request for Grant in Aid –
Electoral Area “G” (Houston Rural)**

Attached is a request for Grant in Aid monies from the Houston Christian School.

The School is seeking monies from Electoral Area “G” (Houston Rural) grant in aid to cover registration fees for 7 students to attend the AME BC Health and Safety Workshop offered at the Minerals North Conference.

Director Newell has indicated that he is supportive of this application.

RECOMMENDATION: (All/Directors/Majority)

“That the Houston Christian School be given \$441 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “G” (Houston Rural) to cover registration fees for 7 students to attend the AME BC Health and Safety Workshop offered at the Minerals North Conference.”

Cheryl Anderson

From: Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako <inquiries@rdbn.bc.ca>
Sent: April 17, 2018 11:04 AM
To: Cheryl Anderson
Subject: New submission from "Grant in Aid Application"!



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO
ELECTORAL AREA GRANT IN AID APPLICATION**

APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY:

Houston Christian School

Mailing Address:
Box 237 Hillside Drive, Houston B.C. V0J-1Z0

Email: *wendall.ewald@houstonchristianschool.ca*
Contact Person: *Wendall Ewald 250-845-7736*

APPLICATION SUMMARY

Project or purpose for which you require assistance:

Registration Fees for the AME BC Health and Safety Workshop offered at the Minerals North Conference

Amount Requested: *7 students at \$63 each for \$441 total*

To the best of my knowledge, all of the information that is provided in this application is true and correct. Furthermore, I hereby certify that this application for assistance is NOT being made on behalf of an individual, industry, commercial or business undertaking.

Yes

(signature of authorized signatory) (title) _____
Signature of Electoral Area Director
Amount Approved: _____
Date: _____

APPLICATION PROFILE

Is your organization voluntary and non-profit?: **Yes**

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Please describe the services/benefits that your organization provides to the community. Are these services/benefits available to the community from another organization or agency?

Educating students for successful life after high school

Describe the geographic area that receives services or benefits from your organization.

Houston Area

Please detail any remuneration paid, or funds otherwise made available to members, officers, etc. of your organization.:

None

Please comment on the number of members/volunteers in your organization and how long your organization has been in operation.:

PROJECT PROPOSAL PROFILE

RDBN Assistance Requested:

other purpose

Other Assistance Requested:

Coverage of the cost of registration fees for 7 student to take a health and safety course

Please describe the proposal for which you are requesting assistance. If you are applying for an exemption from fees and/or charges or other consideration, please provide details or your request here. Attach additional information if required:

Rob Newell did a classroom presentation on the RDBN to the grade 11/12 class. As part of the presentation he offered to cover the tuition for this course for anyone who was interested through a grant-in-aid so we have 7 students who are hoping this grant will be approved.

Describe how this proposal will benefit the community:

Health and Safety training as well as high school student involvement in the greater community are both extremely important in the maturing and development of students to be productive citizens.

FUNDING AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

files Submitted:

Have you applied for a grant/funding from other source(s)?:

No

If not, please comment.:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency1:

Amount Applied for 1:

Status of Grant Application1:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency2:

Amount Applied for2:

Status of Grant Application2:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency3:

Amount Applied for3:

Status of Grant Application3:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency4:

Amount Applied for4:

Status of Grant Application4:

Have you received assistance before from us.

No

Year, Amount and Purpose for assistance

Year, Amount and Purpose for assistance

Does your organization:

Offer direct financial assistance to individuals or families?:

Duplicate services that fall within the mandate of either:

a senior government or a local service agency?:

Provide an opportunity for individuals to make direct contributions?:

OR, is your organization: Part of a provincial or national fund raising campaign?:

Cheryl Anderson

Subject: FW: APRIL 30th Deadline to Register for May 7th Northern Healthy Communities Forum

From: Christian, Holly <Holly.Christian@northernhealth.ca>

Sent: April 16, 2018 11:29 AM

Subject: APRIL 30th Deadline to Register for May 7th Northern Healthy Communities Forum

Hello Healthy Community Partner,

We are less than a month away from our event!

More than ever, we recognize the valuable role that local governments and community partners play in supporting communities to be healthy. To continue conversations on strategies to support communities to be healthy, Northern Health is again hosting a pre-NCLGA Convention forum aimed at bringing together members and staff of northern local governments, Northern Health leaders, and community partners. The day will provide opportunity to share knowledge, highlight the successes and challenges of addressing health at the community level, and education opportunities aimed at supporting current and emerging health issues.

Please save the date and join us in Fort Nelson for the **Northern Healthy Communities Forum**

Theme: Healthy, Sustainable, & Thriving Communities

Date: Monday May 7th, 2018

Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm

Location: Fort Nelson, BC

Click [here](#) to register by April 30th!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Holly Christian
NW Lead, Healthy Community Development

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