

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

REGIONAL TRANSIT COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2016

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Purpose:

To serve as an advisory body to the local government and first nations funding partners of the Highway 16 Regional Transit Service (Burns Lake to Smithers pod and Burns Lake to Prince George pod) regarding the transit service.

Specifically:

- 1. To advise on extensions or changes to the existing service
- 2. To advise on fares and fare changes
- 3. To receive and review the service budget in a Closed meeting
- 4. To advise on infrastructure needs
- 5. To serve as a communications vehicle with the service provider

Authority:

Local Governments

- Regional District of Bulkley Nechako (RDBN)
- Town of Smithers
- Village of Telkwa
- District of Houston
- Village of Granisle
- Village of Burns Lake
- Village of Fraser Lake
- District of Fort St. James
- District of Vanderhoof
- City of Prince George (by way of agreement)
- Regional District of Fraser-Fort George (by way of agreement)

First Nations

- Office of the Wet'suwet'en
- Burns Lake Band
- Binche Keyoh
- Cheslatta Carrier Nation
- Lake Babine Nation
- Nadleh Whut'en Band
- Nak'azdli Band
- Nee Tahi Buhn Band
- Saik'uz First Nation Band

- Skin Tyee Band
- Stellat'en First Nation
- Takla Lake First Nation
- Tl'azt'en Nation
- Wet'suwet'en First Nation
- Yekooche First Nation
- Carrier Sekani Tribal Council
- Moricetown Band

Legislation

Local Government Act Sections 218 and 263

Mandate:

The Bulkley-Nechako Regional Transit Service Gommittee is established under the Local Government Act Sections 218 and 263 to provide advice and assist BC Transit and the local government and first nation funding partners regarding transit service changes, fares, improvements, marketing, ridership, efficiencies, long term funding and governance.

Membership:

The Committee shall consist of:

- a) One (1) voting member from each of the local government funding partners Councils, excluding RDBN
- b) One (1) voting members from each electoral area of the RDBN Board of Directors,
- c) One (1) voting member from each of the First Nations partners
- d) Staff from the local governments, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI), BC Transit and the Transit Service Provider, who will attend meetings as required as non-voting members.

Procedure:

- 1. All appointments to the Bulkley-Nechako Regional Transit Service Committee must be made annually by the local governments and First Nations identified above.
- 2. The Committee will nominate and appoint a Chair.
- 3. The Committee will nominate and appoint a Vice Chair.
- 4. The RDBN Procedure Bylaw, as amended from time to time, applies to all meetings of the Bulkley-Nechako Regional Transit Service Committee.
- 5. A quorum shall be a majority of the total voting membership.
- 6. The Committee will meet as required, but not less than once per year, with meetings to be held at a location determined by the Bulkley-Nechako Regional Transit Service Committee.

- 7. Minutes of each Committee meeting shall be kept by RDBN and forwarded to the local governments and First Nations identified above, and to MOTI and BC Transit staff for information.
- 8. The Bulkley-Nechako Regional Transit Service Committee is not a budgetary decision making body. It forwards recommendations for consideration to the local government which is signatory to the agreement.
- 9. No direct budget is given to this committee. All recommendations from the committee that involve budgetary expenditures will be approved by the local government which is signatory to the agreement.
- 10. The Committee will endeavour to seek public input when appropriate.
- 11. The responsibility for coordinating the meetings, taking the minutes and providing a teleconference line if required will be assumed by RDBN.
- 12. The mandate of the Committee shall be reviewed upon each agreement renewal or change.
- 13. Any funding partner may opt out of participation in the Bulkley-Nechako Regional Transit Service Committee by giving one year notice in writing to the Committee.



Highway 16 Action Plan: Inter-Community Transit DRAFT Detailed Route and Stop Locations



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Version: August 16, 2016











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Highway 16 Community Vehicle Grant Program Engagement Sessions October 3- 7, 2016

Please join us for interactive and informative sessions about the Highway 16 Community Vehicle Grant Program! The sessions are open for all community members along the Highway 16 corridor to attend and ask any questions they have about the program.

Note: Additional sessions can be requested, if groups or individuals would prefer to schedule at a later time. Instructions for travel reimbursement will be provided at the sessions. All 9 sessions are open to any individuals that reside along the Highway 16 Corridor.

Who: Individuals from First Nations, local governments, community organizations or non-profit societies in eligible communities along the Highway 16 corridor intending to apply for funding to create community transportation solutions are invited to participate.

What: Sessions that will assist you in developing an application for Community Vehicle funding. The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure will host morning and afternoon sessions along the corridor to talk about the Community Vehicle Grant Program and instructions on how to complete an application. **Deadline for applications is October 28, 2016**.

Why: The sessions will provide attendees with an opportunity to learn more about the program, as well as ask any questions. The Community Vehicle Grant Program can assist communities with:

- Improving access to community-based transportation
- Improving safety along corridor
- Funding for the purchase and/ or operation of community vehicles
- Flexibility to identify and meet local needs

For any questions, or more information please contact:

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Where/When:

Date	Location	Address	
October 3 rd , 2016 9:00 a.m. to noon	Prince George	Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Plaza 400, 1011 4th Avenue, Prince George, B.C. Aleza Room, 4 th Floor	
October 4 th , 2016 9:00 to 11:4S a.m.	Fort St. James	Community Centre 190 Stuart Drive East, Fort St James, B.C. Large Meeting Room	
October 4 th , 2016 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.	Saik'uz	Saik'uz First Nation Band Office 135 Joseph Street, Vanderhoof, B.C. Large Meeting Room	
October 5 th , 2016 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Burns Lake	Lake Babine Nation 225 Sus Avenue, Burns Lake, B.C. Council Chambers	
October 5 th , 2016 2:30 to 5:00 p.m.	Smithers	Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure: 2nd Floor, 3726 Alfred Avenue, Smithers, BC	
October 6 th , 2016 9:00 a.m. to noon	Gitanyow	Gitanyow Health Centre 5506 New Subdivision Road, Kitwanga, B.C.	
October 6 th , 2016 3:00 to \$:30 p.m.	Webinar – on-line	Advance registration: e-mail <u>reg.faubert@gov.bc.ca</u> with subject line " Thursday webinar registration ". You will receive a confirmation e-mail in reply with the necessary link and information.*	
October 7 th , 2016 9:00am- 12:00 pm	Terrace	Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure 4825 Keith Avenue Terrace, BC V8G 1K7**	
October 11 th , 2016 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.	Webinar – on-line	Advance registration: e-mail <u>reg.faubert@gov.bc.ca</u> with subject line " Tuesday webinar registration ". You will receive a confirmation e-mail in reply with the necessary link and information.*	

*Webinars of the recorded engagement sessions will be available via an online link on the Ministry webpage, as recorded on the above dates.

**This session was previously booked in Kitsumkalum and has now been moved to the MoTI District office in Terrace.

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