

DATE:April 6, 2017TO:Donna Mikkelson, Acting CAOFROM:Tanis Shedden/Bridget Horel, Community Economic Development OfficerSUBJECT:Community Economic Development Report

Recommendation:

THAT the Community Economic Development Report date April 6, 2017 be received.

THAT Bridget Horel be appointed to the Bella Coola Resource Society as the CCRD representative.

Discussion:

Recording of Board Meetings

Board meetings have been recorded since May 2016. The first month that recordings were made public was June 2016. The below statistics outline the general usage characteristics.

Soundeloud Statistics rightights may 2010 - April 2017			
Total Plays	204		
Most Common Access Method	CCRD Website		
Top Three Listening Locations	Bella Coola, Vancouver, Hagensborg		
Monthly Average (plays)	17		

SoundCloud Statistics Highlights May 2016 - April 2017

In review of the function and with some community feedback the following should be noted:

- Audio files should be kept small to enable individuals and communities with limited access to connectivity to listen to the records. It is recommended that audio recordings be broken into 3-4 separate clips for ease of use.
- It is recommended that administration issue an information bulletin informing all Central Coast residents of the recording service pursuant to the Communications Plan.
- If the Board of Directors would like to explore more audio and/or visual options a review of the Broadcasting report dated January 28, 2016 could be performed.

Connectivity

Network BC will be making a presentation to the CCRD Board of Directors at the June meeting regarding next steps for supporting regional communities in acquiring more reliable and robust internet connectivity.

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CCRD ITEN	((i))



CityWest has requested a letter of support for their application to the federal Connect to Innovate Program. A recommendation regarding this can be found in a separate report.

New CEDO, Bridget Horel

Bridget Horel started April 3, 2017. She has been working with Tanis Shedden to ensure a successful transfer of information is achieved.

Bridget has connected with some of the local, regional, and provincial organizations to learn more about current economic development initiatives in the area and has met some members of the local business community.

The new CEDO is excited to support collaboration between local communities to assist in building a resilient regional economy and has reached out to members of the Economic Development Advisory Committee, the Heiltsuk Economic Development Corporation, the Nuxalk Nation Development Corporation, the Wuikinuxv Tribal Manager, Ocean Falls Improvement District, and the Central Coast Chamber of Commerce to identify herself as the new point of contact.

Some highlights of Bridget's 2017 work plan include -

- A Community Visioning exercise for the Denny Island Community (Ocean Falls is scheduled for 2018)
- Establishing the Community Economic Development Deliver Plan (which includes CCRD contribution agreements and the allocation of the CCRD Gant Writer's time)
- Maintaining Love Central Coast BC
- Working through the Community Economic Development Operating Plan 2016-2019 .

Appointment to the BCRS

Tanis Shedden was appointed to be the CCRD Representative to the Bella Coola Resource Society (BCRS) in May 2015. She was engaged with their Bella Coola Trails Alliance subcommittee to ensure that up-to-date information as being brought back to the Board of Directors regarding the Mountain Bike development initiative that is in the planning phase.

Given the mandate of the Bella Coola Resource Society and the economic linkages that exist with regards to the Mountain Bike development initiative and how these may influence the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan review and update process it is important that the CCRD continues to engage with this organizations. Bridget's continued engagement with BCRS will also ensure that the community is prepared to leverage the OCP planning process to support their community and economic development objectives.

Respectfully Submitted

Tanis Shedden



DATE:April 6, 2017TO:Donna Mikkelson, Acting CAOCC:Chair Alison Sayers and DirectorsFROM:Tanis Shedden, Community Economic Development OfficerSUBJECT:Official Community Plan Update

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan (OCP) update report dated April 6, 2017 be received.

BACKGROUND

The application to the BC Rural Dividend Program for funds to support the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan Update and Review was unsuccessful. There is still a budget to commence with the OCP Update and Review over the course of 2017 and into 2018.

Landworks Consultants Inc. will be providing the planning expertise for the completion of the Bella Coola Valley OCP Update and Review. This is covered within the scope of the Fee for Services Agreement that Landworks Consultation Inc. currently has with the CCRD.

In addition to reviewing the recommendations of the Official Community Plan Advisory Committee (OCPAC) from March 1, 2016, the CEDO has reached out to Nuxalk Nation Administration and Nuxalk Nation Stewardship Department to determine the best engagement practices to follow to receive Nuxalk Nation input into the Bella Coola Valley Terms of Reference and overall update and review process.

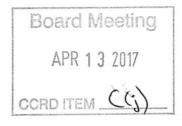
For the purposes of this report an early draft of the Terms of Reference is being provided for information purposes only. It is important to recognize that this fundamental governance document must accurately reflect the vision and goals of the residents of the Bella Coola Valley and that the process must be flexible in response to the evolving circumstances and needs of the community.

CONCLUSION

That the Terms of Reference be reviewed for information purposes.

Respectfully Submitted

Tanis Shedden



BELLA COOLA VALLEY OCP UPDATE AND REVIEW TERMS OF REFERENCE

(For discussion purposes only)

BACKGROUND

The Bella Coola Valley (Electoral Areas C, D, and E) currently has one Official Community Plan (OCP), "Official Community Plan for the Bella Coola Valley Bylaw No. 302, 1998". The OCP was subject to review by the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan Advisory Committee (OCPAC) in 2015. The purpose of the Advisory Committee was to provide advice to the CCRD board and staff on matters related to the Official Community Plan review process.

The final report of the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan Advisory Committee recommended that strong consideration be given to the readiness of the community to address the emerging needs of the changing economic and community landscape of the Bella Coola Valley. This has been considered and will be reflected in the following Terms of Reference.

This document provides the Terms of Reference for the OCP review and details the project's public consultation and proposed background research strategy. The Terms of Reference provides the work program and serves as a 'checklist' to ensure the project successfully achieves its goals. In addition, this document outlines an approach for involving the residents of the Bella Coola Valley in the review and drafting of a new official community plan (including information on the estimated sequencing of events as well as the roles and responsibilities of the participants).

The review process or time frames may require amendments to recognize emerging issues and/or allow for more in-depth discussion on specific issues. This flexibility is important to ensure that the planning process remains responsive to evolving circumstances, thereby meeting the needs of all communities in the planning area.

SCOPE

Given the age of the existing OCP and the changes to the demographics and economy of Bella Coola Valley the Official Community Plan Review will involve a complete rewrite of the "Official Community Plan for the Bella Coola Valley" to ensure that the new plan reflects the culture and vision the residents hold for the Bella Coola Valley community and economic interests.

CONTENT

Pursuant to the *Local Government Act*, an OCP is a statement of objectives and policies used to guide decisions on planning and land use management. The intent of an OCP is to set out the community vision and course of action for the designated plan area (Bella Coola Valley; Electoral Areas C, D, and E) through a document that outlines the areas foals the policies needed to achieve those goals.

The *Local Government Act* requires that an OCP include policy statements and land use map designations that address a number of issues, including;

- location, amount, type and density of residential development required to meet anticipated housing needs over a period of at least 5 years;
- location, amount and type of present and proposed commercial, industrial, institutional, agricultural, recreational and public utility land uses;
- location and area of sand and gravel deposits that are suitable for future sand and gravel extraction;
- restrictions on the use of land that is subject to hazardous conditions or that is environmentally sensitive to development;
- location and phasing of any major road, sewer and water systems;
- location and type of present and proposed public facilities, including schools, parks and waste treatment and disposal sites;
- housing policies respecting affordable housing, rental housing and special needs housing;
- targets for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and policies and actions to achieve those targets.

Additional consideration will be given to the following;

- Final Report of the Official Community Plan Advisory Committee March 1, 2016
- policies relating to location of business operations;
- policies relating to the preservation, protection, restoration, and enhancement of the natural environment and rural landscape of the planning area;
- updated information to improve the inventory of housing stock;
- existing and developing trail infrastructure needs.

The Central Coast Regional District is a signatory to the BC Climate Action Charter, the OCP review and update will take this commitment into consideration. The BC Climate Action Charter states that the CCRD will develop strategies and take actions to achieve the following;

- being carbon neutral in their corporate operations by 2012;
- measure and report on their community Green House Gas emissions profile; and,
- create complete, compact, energy-efficient rural and urban communities.

REQUEST FOR INPUT AND REFERALS

Engagement with Nuxalk Nation will be determined through the pre-engagement process and the process will be outlined in a Bella Coola Valley OCP Terms of Engagement agreement.

The following agencies and organizations will receive formal referrals from the Central Coast Regional District with respect to the Bella Coola Valley OCP review.

Regional District of Mount Waddington Cariboo Regional District Fisheries and Oceans Canada Transport Canada School District 49 Vancouver Coastal Health Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Ministry of Environment Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations Ministry of Agriculture Agriculture Land Commission

WORK PLAN

ESTIMATED START DATE	PROCESS DESCRIPTION	
April – October 2017	 Pre-engagement with Nuxalk Nation and Community (<i>Per internal engagement plan</i> <i>in development and to be determined</i> <i>Terms of Engagement with Nuxalk Nation</i>). Preliminary referrals introducing the Bella Coola Valley review process will be sent to the above mentioned organizations. Adoption of Terms of Reference. Background Research and Review 	
October 2017	Open House 1	
December 2017	 Compilation and input summary Preliminary Draft of the OCP 	
January – May 2018	Continued implementation of the Internal Engagement Plan	
April 2018	Draft OCP Referral Process	
May 2018	1 st and 2 nd Reading	
May/June 2018	 Open House 2 Public Hearing Re-draft of OCP 	
July 2018	3 rd Reading and Adoption	

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The role of Electoral Area C, D, and E Directors is to provide leadership throughout the community planning process by chairing, facilitating, and/or presenting at public events, and reporting to the CCRD Board on the process as required.

The role of Landworks Consultants Inc. is to organize, provide technical support, ensure legislated and Board requirements are captured, and present the final updated product to the CCRD. This includes gathering and collating data, consulting with the public, producing and designing documents/consultation materials, and drafting the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan.

The role of the Nuxalk Nation is to be determined through the pre-engagement process.

The role of the CCRD Administration is to share information about the OCP review and update process, identify issues and questions to be addressed during the process, respond to ideas and proposals from individuals prior to presenting them to the community, and make recommendations to the CCRD Board of Directors on requested components of the draft Bella Coola Valley OCP throughout the review process.

RESOURCES AND BUDGET

All of the work to gather and collate data, consult with the public, produce, and design documents/consultation materials, and draft the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan will be completed by Landworks Consultants Inc. pursuant to the deliverables in this Terms of Reference, the Fee for Services Agreement between the CCRD and Landworks Consultants Inc., and the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan Budget as outlined in the 2017 and 2018 annual budgets.

The cost of hiring the Cariboo Regional District for the purposes of meeting the legislated and CCRD priority mapping and GIS objectives will be allocated in the 2018 budget.

The equivalent of one part-time CCRD staff person will be assigned to this project through to completion. The land-use planning budget for 2017 and 2018 will incorporate the costs associated with the public consultation process, mailings, advertising, and room rentals.

FINAL PRODUCT AND MONITORING

The final product will be an adopted Bella Coola Valley Official Community Plan which covers a plan area of Electoral Areas C, D, and E of the Central Coast Regional District. The adopted OCP will reflect the vision the residents of the Bella Coola Valley hold for themselves and support the community as it strives to achieve its economic, social, and environmental goals.

Engagement with the Nuxalk Nation will be evaluated based on the parameters established by the CCRD and Nuxalk Nation prior to the adoption of these Terms of Reference. The terms of engagement for the Bella Coola Valley Official Community Planning process will be discussed and established outside of these Terms of Reference.

The process will be evaluated pursuant to the successful completion of the consultation requirements as specified by the *Local Government Act*, these Terms of Reference, and the CCRD Communications and Engagement Plan.



DATE:	April 6, 2017
TO:	Donna Mikkelson, Acting CAO
CC:	Board Chair Alison Sayers and Directors
FROM:	Tanis Shedden, Community Economic Development Officer
SUBJECT:	City West Request for Letter of Support

Background

CCRD Community Economic Development Operating Plan 2016-2019 5.1 Continue engaging with relevant stakeholders (the Province/Federal Governments, BC Ferries,TELUS/Rogers, etc.) to advocate for increased service provision/infrastructure development in the Central Coast region.

Recommendations

THAT the CityWest letter dated April 5, 2017 be received.

THAT the following statement be approved outlining CCRD's invested interest in seeing the development of connectivity infrastructure along the Central Coast;

"The Central Coast Regional District recognizes that access to reliable and robust internet and communication connections is vital to the economic and social well-being of its residents. To that effect, the Central Coast Regional District is in support of investment and development in communications and connectivity infrastructure along the Central Coast for the benefit of residents in all Central Coast communities."

THAT a copy of this statement be provided to City West for their April 2017 application to the federal Connect to Innovate Program.

Discussion

The attached letter is a request for support for CityWest's application to the Connect to Innovate Program. CityWest is owned by the City of Prince Rupert and is looking to improve the regional network for its residents. By pursuing this project there is an opportunity for there to be direct benefit to CCRD communities that are currently underserved with regards to their connectivity service.

Understanding that this is one project proposal and that there is potential for other applications and development initiatives to be pursued, the CCRD can support any initiative that brings connectivity benefits to its communities.

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Conclusion

A statement will ensure that the CCRD is not supporting one project over another without having the technical expertise to review and make specific recommendations. CCRD administration recommends that this statement be supplied to organizations looking to make investments in connectivity infrastructure that will give CCRD communities' access to reliable and robust connectivity.

Respectfully Submitted

Tanis Shedden Community Economic Development Officer

April 5, 2017

Central Coast (Regional District) PO Box 186 Bella Coola, BC V0T 1C0

Attention: Donna Mikkelson, Chief Financial Officer

Re: Connect to Innovate Program – Sub-Sea Fibre Project connecting northern and coastal communities to southern Canada

Dear Ms. Mikkelson,

I am writing to you to request support for an important opportunity to connect northern communities to southern Canada with a subsea fibre network.

CityWest, an entity owned by the City of Prince Rupert, has been exploring options to improve internet services in our region, in cooperation and collaboration with First Nations, other carriers, Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and governmental agencies – federal, provincial and municipal. We believe there is a great need and opportunity for a subsea fibre-optic network to connect northern and coastal communities, contingent on support from the Province, First Nations and the Canadian government. Federal funding could cover all project capital costs.

Communities with access to this new network would have gigabit fiber-optic internet connectivity, with services that meet and exceed the latest recommendations from CRTC, ready to meet further demands in the future. As recently stated by the *Pathways to Technology Steering Committee*, *"This will benefit First Nations in BC exponentially through more affordable, equitable access to the knowledge economy".* This applies equally to all underserved communities. It would also greatly advance efforts to improve healthcare and education, other public services, economic development, social benefits, environmental stewardship and emergency preparedness. Furthermore, this project will provide a redundant communications path to the South that ensures business continuity in the event of a fibre cut on a terrestrial-based route.

CityWest is requesting a letter of support from the Central Coast (Regional District). Timing is urgent and a response is requested prior to April 10th, as project funding depends on the federal



Connect to Innovate (CTI) Program, which requires applications to be submitted by April 20, 2017.

Thank you again for your interest and time. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Donovan Dias, VP Sales and Project Management, at 250-627-0917 or email: <u>Donovan Dias@cwct.ca</u>

Thank you and best regards,

Chris Marett, Chief Executive Officer City West Cable & Telephone Corp. Email: <u>chris.marett@cwct.ca</u> Phone: 250-627-0925



TO:Donna Mikkelson, Acting Chief Administrative OfficerFROM:Cheryl Waugh, Transportation and Land Use CoordinatorDATE:April 6, 2017SUBJECT:Land Use Planning Report

Recommendation:

1. That the Land Use Planning Report dated April 6, 2017 be received.

	Zoning	Subdivision	Maps & Plans	Other Related* (specify)	Province of BC Land Referrals & Updates
Number of Enquiries	2		3	4	2
Method of Inquiry					
Email/I-Net Phone	1	1	2	2	2
In-Person Hard Copy	1		1	1	
Number of Applications	0	1			

Zoning

-A local realtor asked if a Highway 20 waterfront property could be subdivided and asked for clarity on permitted uses. A copy of the CCRD's Subdivision Servicing Bylaw was also provided.

-The Liquor Distribution Branch requested confirmation that a Hagensborg business is compliant with local bylaws and regulations.

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Subdivision

-One subdivision application was received through the Agricultural Land Commission web portal for a Highway 20 property within the Hagensborg Waterworks District. The applicant was assisted with some preliminary information collected by this office from the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority and the Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure relating to the CCRD's Subdivision Servicing Bylaw and potable water requirements. The applicant is considering options before proceeding further with the process.

Maps & Plans

-An individual requesting a copy of a covenant on a Highway 20 property was informed no such document was found on file.

-Answers to questions were provided to an out-of-valley enquiry about two parcels above the waterfront on Highway 20, including a copy of the hazard land map for the property.

-A local resident requested a copy of a property plan. The main plan was not on file but an Exception Plan was provided and proved helpful.

Other Related*

-A company conducting an environmental assessment on a townsite property requested information regarding any issues we might have pertaining to building permits, oil, gas or septic. There are no known issues.

-With the assistance of BC Assessment, an internal investigation is ongoing regarding CCRD property at Walker Island being within the taxation authority of the Hagensborg Waterworks District.

-I received and distributed the February BC Assessment property sales report to the CFO/CEDO.

-Telus requested confirmation of a Denny Island address and was informed there is no official civic address system established there. The Telus planned to allow the service installation without a formal address.

Province of BC Land Referrals/Updates

-Pacific International Log Trading Inc, Part of Dean Channel, 5-year Licence of Occupation for log handling, storage and heli-drop operations.

-School District 49, Shearwater School, Crown Land application to locate water storage tanks to supply domestic water and fire protection to the school. CCRD responded as '*interests unaffected*'.

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Transportation and Land Use Coordinator



CENTRAL COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT MARCH 2017 REPORT

TO:Donna Mikkelson, Interim CAOCC:Board Chair Alison Sayers and Board MembersDATE:April 6, 2017FROM:Ken McIlwain, Operations ManagerSUBJECT:Operations Monthly Report

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT the March 2017 Operations Report be received.
- 2. THAT the CCRD Board of Directors support the application to the Strategic Priority Fund for rehabilitation and upgrade of the Bella Coola Centennial Pool in general accordance with Concept Option 2 of the Bella Coola Recreation Feasibility Study.

CCRD OPERATIONS MARCH 2017 HIGHLIGHTS

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

- 1. Recycling levels continue to climb. This trend is expected to continue through 2017, in part due to promotion activities planned in conjunction with the opening of the new recycle depot at Thorsen Creek.
- Final negotiations for purchase of a used roll-off truck are underway at this time. A
 comprehensive pre-purchase inspection was completed by a third party shop. No serious
 deficiencies were identified. Some minor issues are being corrected prior to purchase
 completion. The acquisition price is within the approved budget.

RECREATION FACILITIES

- 1. CCRD staff are preparing a Request for Expressions of Interest from parties qualified to operate the concession building at Walker Island Park over summer months.
- 2. Chain fencing at Walker Island Park sustained damage following a wind event that blew over a spruce tree in the vicinity of the new outhouse building. Clean-up and repair costs are expected to be minimal.

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3. Centennial Pool: Contractors experienced with installation of epoxy liner systems were contacted for discussion around viability of replacing the existing liner with epoxy. They informed us that they have not yet found an epoxy product that can withstand the chemical environment associated with pool water. They are typically only getting 1-2 years of service from liners they have installed. They have however had good success with epoxy on pool decks and change rooms.

Further investigations are required to ascertain the best way forward with liner replacement. With pool opening currently scheduled for June, time lines are tight.

BELLA COOLA TOWNSITE WATER SYSTEM AND FIRE PROTECTION

1. BCVFD responded to a fire call March 9th regarding a chimney fire at 914 Dean Ave. The fire was successfully extinguished.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

CENTENNIAL POOL UPGRADE

ACTION ITEM: In accordance with:

2017 CCRD Strategic Priorities and Goals: Centennial Swimming Pool Upgrade – Goal #5: Submit Strategic Priority Fund Grant Application (or alternative grant combination) if a suitable pool tank replacement option and funding formula are arrived at by Board and Commission

Union of BC Municipalities has announced the 2017 intake for the Strategic Priority Fund grant program. The deadline for applications is June 1, 2017.

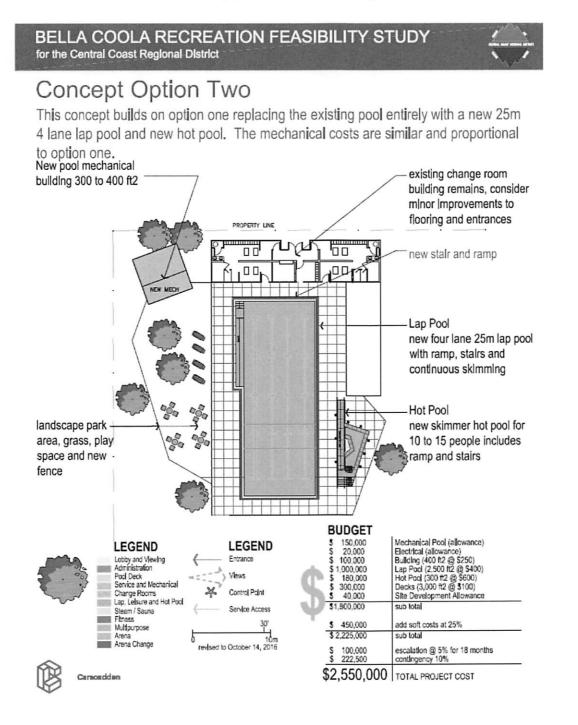
"The Strategic Priorities Fund is an application based program available to local governments and other recipients outside of the Greater Vancouver Regional District to support infrastructure and capacity building projects that are either large in scale, regional in impact or innovative, and align with the program objectives of productivity and economic growth, a clean environment and strong cities and communities... Each eligible applicant may submit up to two capital applications and one capacity building application."

(http://www.ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/renewed-gas-tax-agreement/strategic-priorities-fund.html)

Accessing government grant funding for sports and recreation facilities is challenging. Many of the grant programs are focused on hard infrastructure or green initiatives like water and waste water or solid waste reduction/diversion. The Strategic Priorities Fund is one of the few grant programs under which recreation infrastructure is eligible for funding.

The pool tank and mechanical system are nearing the end of their lifespan and we are in a situation of being unable to cover replacement cost from existing capital reserves. CCRD will require close to 100% grant funding to undertake the upgrade, unless funds are borrowed.

In 2016 a pool condition assessment was completed, along with upgrade options and costs. It is recommended CCRD and the Pool Commission takes the basic Option 2 upgrade plan from Carscadden and Associates Report (see next page) and through discussion and consultation refine it to form the basis of an application to the Strategic Priorities Fund.



DRAWING 1: Option 2 as presented by Carscadden and Associates. Note: Option 1 was the retrofit of the existing tank with a stainless steel liner or 'cast in place' concrete tank inside the existing.

The exact funding ratio to be proposed in the application is yet to be determined and will involve review of the 5 year financial plan, asset replacement fund and other available grant funds. We can assume that we would be applying for close to 100% funding.

Staff recommends the CCRD Board of Directors support the application to the Strategic Priority Fund for rehabilitation and upgrade of the Bella Coola Centennial Pool in general accordance with Concept Option 2 of the Bella Coola Recreation Feasibility Study.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN (SWMP) UPDATE

The Consultation Report for the Solid Waste Management Plan Update was provided by Solid Waste Planners Carey McIver and Associates (See Attached). It will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment in combination with the updated plan and associated appendices.

ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANNING

Initial discussions have taken place with Engineers of Record – Urban Systems to develop and undertake a work plan designed to address the next steps identified in the 2017 Asset Management Investment Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ken McIlwain, RPF Operations Manager