



October 17, 2024

Rob Gay, Chair
Regional District of East Kootenay
19 24th Avenue South
Cranbrook BC V1C 3H8

Reference: 328783

Dear Chair Gay:

Re: UBCM Meeting 2024

I am writing to thank you and your staff for taking the time to meet with the former Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure and me during the 2024 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Convention.

I am glad there was an opportunity to discuss progress on the realignment of Highway 3 in Creston, as well as the eastbound passing lanes near Morrissey, the Yahk river crossing, conditions along Highway 3 near Whipsaw Creek, your support for improvements along Highway 3 between Hope and Sparwood, your concerns about wildlife fencing along the highway around Corbin Road and your concerns about the speed limit at Sunday Summit.

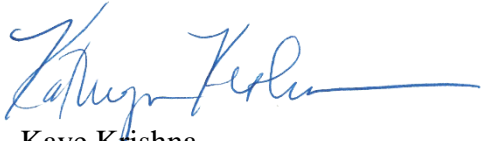
The ministry remains committed to working with the Regional District to address your area's transportation needs. Ministry staff will follow up with you directly to provide you with an update on the matters raised during the meeting. Please do not hesitate to contact District Manager Greg Kinnear directly if you have any questions in the meantime. He can be reached at 250 512-0096 or Greg.Kinnear@gov.bc.ca and would be pleased to assist you.

Each September, the UBCM gathering serves as an important opportunity to bring together our two levels of government so we can highlight and advance our communities' transportation priorities. Following the election, your thoughts and suggestions will be shared with the incoming Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure.

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Thank you for your hard work in supporting your community.

Sincerely,



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Deputy Minister

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