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His Worship Simon Yu
Mayor
City of Prince George
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Dear Mayor Simon Yu:

I am writing to follow-up on our meeting at this year's Union of BC Municipalities Convention on September 19, 2024, as well as the meeting between our staff on September 16, 2024. Thank you for taking the opportunity to meet with the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness; it was good to hear first-hand the matters of importance to you and your community such as the suggestion of a dedicated, permanent emergency services facility as well as, developing host community agreements, and the bridge for the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation.

It is important to EMCR that communities, like yours, who host thousands of evacuees year after year are supported. EMCR looks forward to continuing to work with you and your team regarding improvements to the current summer rental Reception Centre model. EMCR will follow up with Lheidli T'enneh regarding discussions on the bridge to connect the Shelley Reserves and it's consideration as a secondary emergency egress route.

More information will be coming out about this work after the election interregnum. EMCR Senior Regional Manager, Tony Fiala, will be in contact with City of Prince George staff to discuss host community funding support options for 2025.

Again, thank you to you and your delegation for taking the time to meet.

Sincerely,



Tara Richards
Deputy Minister

CC: Tony Fiala, Senior Regional Manager
Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness

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Brian Skakun, Councillor
Ron Polillo, Councillor
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