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Dear BC Municipalities

## RE: Designation of invasive Asian clams as Prohibitive Aquatic Invasive Species

Please be advised that at a District of Clearwater Regular Council meeting held on April 6, 2021, Mayor and Council expressed their support for correspondence received from the District of Sicamous regarding a species of clams, Corbicula fluminea, which threaten the natural biodiversity of lakes in the B.C. Interior. To echo the District of Sicamous Council passed the following resolution:

"THAT Council direct Administration to provide a letter of support for the District of Sicamous campaign against invasive Asian clams and forward to municipalities in B.C.."

Council understands the delicate nature of our inland aquatic ecosystems and the threat posed by introducing new species into such an environment. We would therefore call upon the B.C. Government to use its authority to designate Asian clams as an Aquatic Invasive Species under the Controlled Alien Species Regulation.

Yours truly,

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