



# REPORT

To: Chair and Directors

Report Number: ADM-BRD-170

From: Tab Young, Deputy Corporate Officer

Date: April 15, 2021

**Subject:** Tumbler Ridge Global Geopark Society and Museum Foundation Amalgamation

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## **RECOMMENDATION: [Corporate Unweighted]**

That the Regional Board receive the report titled "Tumbler Ridge Global Geopark Society and Museum Foundation Amalgamation – ADM-BRD-170", which provides the Regional Board with an update on the status of efforts to amalgamate the organizations for information.

## **BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

On February 17, 2021, the Regional Board passed the following resolution:

MOVED, SECONDED, and CARRIED

That the Regional Board receive a report on the status of the proposed amalgamation of the Tumbler Ridge Museum Foundation and the Tumbler Ridge Global Geopark Society.

On February 18, 2021, Manda Maggs, Executive Director from the Tumbler Ridge Global Geopark Society (TRGGS), attended an Electoral Area Directors Committee Meeting to present information on the Tumbler Ridge Global Geopark. During the presentation, Ms. Maggs noted that the TRGGS and the Tumbler Ridge Museum Foundation (TRMF) had both agreed to explore the potential of amalgamating, using the Hatlie Group, who were hired with funding provided to TRGGS from Heritage BC, to help develop a Terms of Reference for a Joint Task Force and to design a process for that Task Force to follow to undergo strategic exploration of amalgamation.

Staff reached out to Ms. Maggs for updated material on the amalgamation process and received the attached letter from the TRGGS and the TRMF Amalgamation Task Force Committee along with the final report produced by the consultants (Hatlie Group) titled: "Amalgamation Process Design: Final Report". The Amalgamation Task Force Committee, which includes representatives from both organizations, will select a facilitator to assist them to move through the next steps identified in the action plan; namely, research, and solution seeking for identified expected challenges. Implementation of the action plan, which is in the initial staged, is expected to take approximately eight (8) months.

## **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

1. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:**

☒ Not Applicable to Strategic Plan.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):**

None at this time.

**COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):**

The letter from Ms. Maggs, on behalf of the Amalgamation Committee, welcomes questions and feedback from the PRRD as they work through the action plan.

**OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):**

None at this time.

**Attachments:**

1. Amalgamation Committee Report
2. Hatlie Group - Amalgamation Process Design: Final Report

**External Links:**

1. Feb. 18, 2021 Tumbler Ridge Global Geopark Society Presentation to EADC – [See Item 7.1](#)