



DIRECTOR REPORT

To: Chair and Directors

Report Number: DR-BRD-003

From: Director Goodings

Date: July 30, 2020

Subject: Farmers' Information Service

PURPOSE / ISSUE:

The decision on awarding the contract to the applicant whose application was vetted through the committee is long overdue. This is now under the Ministry of Agriculture who have had a change of DM recently. While the Farmers' Information Service falls far short of what the agriculture sector needs, it would likely be better than nothing. Several of our producers were left hanging when the previous contract was finished.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION: *[Corporate Unweighted]*

Time to put some pressure on the Province to make a decision on the applicant and either award the contract or come up with a solution. It is unfair to leave the producers with no place to get answers to their issues. Writing a letter seems a bit futile so I am suggesting that the Chair take action and contact the Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Finance and the Minister of Natural Resources to request a decision.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

As above.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

☒ Not Applicable to Strategic Plan.