

February 27, 2020

Chair Brad Sperling Peace River Regional District Box 810 Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4H8

Via email: prrd.dc@prrd.bc.ca and shawn.dahlen@prrd.bc.ca

RE: Referred Resolution 2019-B200 – Increase Investment in BC Parks Boat Launches

Dear Chair Sperling:

The above referenced resolution sponsored by your community was included in the 2019 Resolutions Book for consideration at the annual UBCM Convention.

Due to a lack of time at the Convention, delegates did not have an opportunity to consider B200. UBCM Policies provide that all resolutions not considered at Convention are referred automatically to the UBCM Executive for their consideration and action.

At the recent February Executive meeting, the Executive considered all of the resolutions referred to them from the 2019 Convention, including B200. The Executive were provided with the Resolutions Committee comments and recommendations, as outlined within the Resolutions Book, to assist them in their deliberations.

Upon review, the Executive have decided to endorse resolution B200. As such, it will be conveyed to the provincial government.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst, at 604-270-8226 Ext. 100 or jiustason@ubcm.ca

Yours truly,

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UBCM President

Enclosure

2019 B200 Increase Investment in BC Parks Boat Launches

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Whereas outdoor recreation on rivers and lakes is important to the lifestyles of residents in the North;

And whereas boat launches operated by BC Parks are vitally important outdoor recreation amenities;

And whereas the Province of British Columbia spends roughly \$2.80 per hectare on BC Parks, while the Province of Alberta spends approximately \$36 per hectare, making it difficult to adequately repair and maintain BC Parks boat launches:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia increase their investment into the repair and maintenance of BC Parks' boat launches in the province.

Convention Decision: Referred to UBCM Executive

Executive Decision: Endorsed

Resolutions Committee Comments

The Resolutions Committee advises that the UBCM membership has not previously considered a resolution asking the Province to increase investments in repair and maintenance of boat launches in BC parks.

However, the Committee notes that the membership has endorsed resolutions calling on the Province to increase funding for BC's provincial parks and backcountry areas (2018-B45, 2018-B72, 2011-B49).