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November 12, 2020

**VIA EMAIL:** [Crystal.Brown@prrd.bc.ca](mailto:Crystal.Brown@prrd.bc.ca)

Brad Sperling, Chair  
Peace River Regional District  
PO Box 810  
Dawson Creek, British Columbia  
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Dear Brad Sperling:

Thank you for your letter of November 5, 2020, regarding the Peace River Regional District's request that Provincial Caribou Recovery Program calls be held regionally to allow more opportunity for discussions within specific areas.

The Provincial Caribou Recovery Program is committed to meaningful involvement of communities. This is achieved through herd planning tables and discussions, regionally based stakeholder discussions such as the ones related to the Partnership Agreement in your region, as well as the monthly general update calls referenced in your letter.

These calls provide updates on a provincial scale to ensure communities and other stakeholders are well informed of the caribou recovery actions and discussions taking place across the province. As you note, the scope of these discussions does not allow much time for deep regionally based conversations.

We appreciate this concern and continued interest in caribou recovery. I have asked Russell Laroche, acting Executive Director of the Species at Risk Recovery Branch, to contact your office, following the interregnum period, to schedule regular briefings on caribou recovery and implementation of the Partnership Agreement for the Peace River Regional District and other stakeholders.

Brad Sperling, Chair

In the meantime, please email Darcy Peel, Director of the Caribou Recovery Program, at [Darcy.Peel@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Darcy.Peel@gov.bc.ca) if you have any other questions or concerns related to caribou recovery.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'John Allan', with a stylized circular flourish at the beginning and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

John Allan  
Deputy Minister

pc: Russell Laroche, A/Executive Director, Species at Risk Recovery Branch  
Darcy Peel, Director, Caribou Recovery Program



## PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

November 5, 2020

John Allan  
Deputy Minister  
Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations  
and Rural Development

Via Email: [John.Allan@gov.bc.ca](mailto:John.Allan@gov.bc.ca)

Dear John Allan;

RE: Provincial Caribou Recovery Updates

On behalf on the Peace River Regional District (PRRD) Board, I would like to request that Provincial Caribou Recovery calls be held regionally so that each District has the opportunity to discuss issues specific to their area.

The Regional Board is appreciative of the opportunity to be involved and participate in updates for Caribou Recovery, however, due to the large volume of people on the phone, and the various agreements throughout the province, the Board feels that most regions do not get to engage as meaningfully as they could if the calls were smaller and region focused.

We look forward to your response.

Yours truly,

Brad Sperling  
Chair

cc. Russ Laroche, A/Executive Director Species at Risk Recovery Branch, [Russ.Laroche@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Russ.Laroche@gov.bc.ca)  
Darcy Peel, Director, Provincial Caribou Recovery Program, [Darcy.Peel@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Darcy.Peel@gov.bc.ca)

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