

March 21, 2024

Ref: 274519

Shawn Dahlen Chief Administrative Officer Peace River Regional District Box 810 Dawson Creek BC V1G 4H8

Dear Shawn Dahlen:

On behalf of the Province of British Columbia, I am pleased to advise that a grant has been approved in the amount of \$150,000 as a contribution toward the development of a regional growth strategy by the Peace River Regional District (PRRD) in collaboration with all member municipalities and with Indigenous Nations.

Work under this grant can include: collaborating with member municipalities and Indigenous Nations on the rationale of developing a regional growth strategy and what it means for the region; creating a region-wide understanding of growth and how and where it should occur in the future; developing a shared regional vision and goals to guide service delivery; and agreeing on a regional growth strategy.

This grant funding is to be used for the described purpose between April 1, 2024, and March 31, 2029.

In the event that the funding cannot be used in its entirety for the intended purpose, please notify the ministry as soon as possible.

PRRD agrees to acknowledge the ministry's assistance on all written materials, where appropriate, relating to the project. The following acknowledgement may be used:

"We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs."

We are pleased to support this important work that will help the regional district, member Indigenous Nations, and the province move forward on reconciliation.

The ministry representative for PRRD is Kris Nichols, Manager, Land Use, Planning and Regional Impacts branch, 778 678-3450.

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Funds will be electronically deposited into PRRD's bank account.

Sincerely,

Tara Faganello Assistant Deputy Minister

pc: Ron Burleson, Director, Land Use, Planning and Regional Impacts Kris Nichols, Manager, Land Use, Planning and Regional Impacts Birgit Schmidt, Director, Operations and Client Relations Unit