

File: Corcan Road

August 13, 2012

Corcan Meadowood Resident Association 1625 Meadowood Way Qualicum beach, BC V9K 2S3

RE: Proposed Highway 19 / Corcan Road Interchange - High Level Assessment

Dear Corcan Meadowood Resident Association (CMRA) members,

I am writing to follow up on the commitment made at our meeting on May 14, 2012 to complete an analysis of the proposed interchange in the area of Highway 19 and Corcan Road near Qualicum Beach.

To fulfill this commitment, the Ministry retained the services of McElhanney Consulting Services to conduct a high level review of the potential costs and benefits of an interchange at the location of Highway 19 and Corcan Road. More specifically, this report provides the following information: projected traffic volumes, construction cost ranges, projected travel time savings, potential staging options and warrant guidelines for constructing interchanges.

As you are aware from the information provided to Elaine Peligren on June 19, 2012, the Ministry also conducted traffic counts between May 29, 2012 and June 4, 2012 on Baylis Road and Corcan Road to better understand current traffic patterns. The traffic counts show that volumes on Corcan Road are approximately 15% less than counts done in July 2010. Based on this data, it is fair to conclude that the volumes have not increased in the past 2 years.

The overall results of the report and traffic counts reaffirm the Ministry's position that an interchange at this location is not currently warranted and, as such, the Ministry will not be contributing any funds to a proposed Corcan Road Interchange.

Should the CMRA wish to pursue the establishment of a privately funded highway access project at this location, the Ministry would be prepared to consider options presented by the CMRA. However, as a general principle, any private funding source that would financially impact the general public, or involve public funds, will not be considered.

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I understand we are meeting again on August 17, 2012 to discuss. I look forward to our upcoming meeting.

Sincerely,

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