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Dear Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board,

On behalf of Recreation Sites and Trails Branch of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations, we want to thank and commend all those involved on the extensive work undertaken in the preparation of the Bulkley Valley Summer Recreation Access Management Plan (RAMP).

The final Summer RAMP document was received at this office on June 9, 2013. This is very important work, and represents active collaborative community planning as recommended within the Provincial Trail Strategy.

A completed RAMP offers: (1) better certainty to recreation users; (2) reduced conflict amongst recreation users; (3) tourism promotion; and (4) will better enable and support organized recreation groups (our Partners) in the stewardship, maintenance, and development of recreational features and amenities in the Bulkley Valley.

To this end, the RAMP Plan will be reviewed by this Branch with the intention of implementing as much of the content as seen feasible and appropriate. This review and implementation will occur as resources permit, with the goal being to legally establish the Trails and Management Intent under the Forest and Range Practices Act.

Thank you again for your support and efforts of this initiative. This work is seen as a progressive example of provincial Trail Strategy planning, which is valued highly by the Ministry. It is our intention to endeavor towards implementation to provide the aforementioned benefits to the community and region.

Yours truly,

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