

Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board
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Bulkley Valley Centre for Natural Resources Research and Management
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Re: Expression of Interest – Forest Communities Program

Dear Mr. Reedy and Steering Committee

The Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (BVCRB) has reviewed the application to the Canadian Forest Service (CFS) Forest Communities Program and finds it compatible with our terms of reference.

The BVCRB supports initiatives that foster prudent and local management of regional forest resources. With the challenges dealing with forest management issues surrounding the Mountain Pine Beetle outbreak, all planning dealing with this issue is critical to the long term health and stability of our local economy. We also support the effort to integrate community values and principals of both aboriginal and non-aboriginal peoples and efforts to strengthen relationships with local, regional, provincial and national organizations to help build a sustainable future for our community.

The BVCRB endorses the efforts of the Bulkley Valley Centre for Natural Resources and Management in securing a place with the CFS – Forest Communities Program.

Sincerely

Adrian de Groot,
Chair,
Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board