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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Alice Johnston, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CAO

Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board_Feb08_2019

File: 400-50-02

Short Summary:

Request from Director Forseth - NCLGA Resolution regarding Lack of Pilots

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

Director Forseth has provided the following background information pertaining to his request for submission of a resolution to the 2019 NCLGA Conference:

At the urging of Directors Campsall/Cobb – I had the opportunity to talk with Kevin Boothroyd, who is Pacific Coastal Airlines' Director of Business Development, in regard to the depleting pool of pilots available to small airlines like Pacific Coastal and Central Mountain Air at the recently held 2019 BC Natural Resources Forum in Prince George.

In the next couple of years – Air Canada will be looking at a sizeable number of their pilots retiring, thereby adding to the already challenging situation for Pacific Coastal/Central Mountain Air to hold on to the small number of pilots they do have.

Moreover, due to a lack of capacity for training of pilots and recent changes to federal aviation regulations – this is causing small airlines to stress over maintaining their current airline schedule and could cause them to revisit their operating schedules throughout BC which would, in turn, have economic and socio-economic impacts on our Region, including efforts to rebuild tourism after the 2017 and 2018 wildfires.

According to the NCLGA website – there have been no resolutions since the 2010 NCLGA Convention in regard to lack of pilot training. However, there have been 2 NCLGA Resolutions on transportation. 1 in 2011 from the City of Prince George on the general topic of transportation and one in 2015 from the District of Vanderhoof in regard to transit bus transportation but neither reference lack of trained pilots in the airline industry.

Attachments:

n/a

Financial Implications:

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Policy Implications:

n/a

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☐ Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Funding
- ☐ Building on our Relationships
- ☐ Providing Cost Effective High Quality Services
- ☐ Focusing on Being Well Governed

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CAO Comments:

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Options:

- 1) Receipt;
- 2) Receipt and request that staff draft a resolution;
- 3) Defer.

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Alice Johnston, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CAO, dated January 29, 2019, regarding Director Forseth's request for a resolution to be drafted and submitted to the North Central Local Government Association's 2019 Convention regarding the lack of pilots in the small airline market, be received. *Further action at the discretion of the Board.*