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Dear Ms. Jack:

Re: Name Changes in the Chilcotin

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed name changes in the Chilcotin. Please accept our apologies for the tardiness of our reply.

The Cariboo Regional District is committed to improving our relationship with First Nation Communities and to the spirit of reconciliation. This change, in our view, moves in the direction that we need to go as a society and community.

The Board of Directors would request that the following be considered:

- 1) That there is an indefinite transition period, where both the current and Tsilhqot'in names are used on all signage;
- 2) That a communication plan be developed to ensure that there is <u>no miscommunication</u> during any emergency response; and
- 3) That there be a funding program for existing businesses, to assist them with the cost associated with rebranding due to the name change.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to share our thoughts.

Yours truly,

Margo A. Wagner

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