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Dear Mr. Forseth:

RE: Funding Assistance - Xats'ull Heritage Village Repairs

Further to our conversation, we are submitting this written request for the Cariboo Regional District's assistance in making some much needed repairs at our National Award Winning Xats'ull Heritage Village. As you noticed, our Welcome sign has fallen over; unfortunately, the lean-to and the summer hut both need to also be updated, and with the assistance of the CRD we will be able to also make some minor upgrades to the rest of the village.

We have had two poor tourism seasons in a row, first the local 2017 wildfires which forced us to evacuate the village and our workers, and then the more distant wildfires of 2018, which saw much of the Fraser River valley covered in smoke for almost the entire season. These along with the need to rebuild the regional reputation which has seen a decline in tourism due to wildfires, floods and a general fear of these natural happenings.

Thank you for your continued support of our efforts to welcome the world to our region, and share our rich, shared history.

Should you require additional information, please contact Cheryl Chapman, Economic Development & Employment Coordinator at (250) 989-2323 ext. 132; or by email at employment@xatsull.com.

Sincerely,

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Band Administrator



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