



Cariboo Regional District
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Margo A. Wagner, Chair
Cariboo Regional District
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Reference: 288982
Your File: 400-20

Dear Chair Wagner,

Re: Maple Drive

Thank you for your letter requesting the ministry install streetlights on Maple Drive in Quesnel.

Due to the re-opening of the Maple Drive School and the increased industrial traffic on Maple Drive due to the Johnson Bridge closure you mention, the ministry conducted traffic counts along the route in June, and regional traffic engineers assessed the route from a pedestrian perspective. The engineers recommended installing larger pedestrian advisory signs, adding new warning signs and repainting the existing crosswalks. These works were completed this past summer, and a third crosswalk with signs was also added across Maple Drive. To support compliance with the posted speeds, staff installed temporary speed reader boards near the school zones and will continue to monitor traffic operations in the area.

I understand the ministry's local District Manager, Todd Hubner, met with Cariboo Regional District Area A Director Mary Sjostrom this past spring to discuss street lights. As Mr. Hubner indicated at that meeting, local governments are responsible for funding, installing and maintaining street lights on side roads such as Maple Drive.

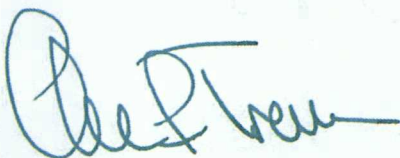
The safety of all road users is a ministry priority and we remain committed to continuing to work closely with regional district representatives to ensure the local transportation network functions safely and efficiently for all road users.

If you have any questions or want to discuss this or other transportation-related matters, please contact Mr. Hubner at 250 398-4519 or at Todd.Hubner@gov.bc.ca. He would be pleased to help you.

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Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Claire Trevena', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Claire Trevena
Minister

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Honourable Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General
Honourable Claire Trevena, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Dear Ministers:

Re: Maple Drive

Maple Drive is a main arterial road that travels between Highway 97 and the City of Quesnel.

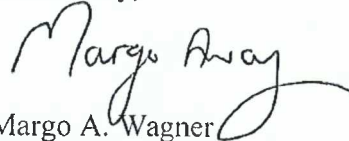
Recently the City of Quesnel was forced to limit traffic on a bridge that provided access to a local mill. This has led to an increase in industrial traffic along Maple Drive. The increase in traffic is of concern to the residents in the area. Earlier this year a traffic incident resulted in a fatality.

We are seeking Provincial support for the installation and operation of street lights along this busy corridor. It should not be left to the local taxpayer to pay for the ramifications of a traffic change that they did not ask for.

Also important in this discussion, is the construction of a new middle school on Maple Drive. This project, approved and proceeding, will also increase the pedestrian traffic.

We ask that the Province, through the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure install streetlights along Maple Drive to help ensure that our community remains safe.

Yours truly,



Margo A. Wagner
Chair

c: Coralee Oakes, MLA, Cariboo North
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Director Mary Sjostrom, Electoral Area A

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