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Dear Investment Agriculture Foundation,

Re: Endorsement of Grant Application for Cariboo Regional District Agricultural Area Plan

On behalf of Big Rock Ranch, we would like to offer our support for the Cariboo Regional District's application for Investment Agriculture Foundation funding to develop a stand alone, regional wide Agricultural Area Plan. This policy framework will provide guidance for sustaining, expanding, and strengthening agricultural development throughout the Cariboo Regional District (CRD) by ensuring effective utilization of sectoral capacity.

By developing a comprehensive agricultural area planning document we see that it will:

- help increase economic diversity
- help inform and guide regional, and municipal OCPs
- focus on climate change adaptation to develop policy to embed resiliency in the agricultural sector
- will investigate and inform current ALR boundaries
- strengthen the sector by guiding agricultural-related decision making within the CRD
- inform and guide stakeholders
- create a central location for policy

We support this application, and should it be successful we look forward to working with and supporting the planning process.

Sincerely,

Robin Hunt and Johan Bos, Big Rock Ranch