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To: Central Cariboo Rural Directors Caucus

And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Beth Holden, Regional Economic & Community Development Officer

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Short Summary:

Horsefly Visitor Information Centre Roof Repair Emergency Contribution

Voting:

By Consensus

Memorandum:

For the Central Cariboo Directors' consideration, we have received a request for a one-time emergency contribution of \$5,000 to the Horsefly Board of Trade to contribute towards the materials for repairing a leaking roof at the Horsefly Visitor Information Centre. The labour for installation is planned to come mostly from volunteer time. The total estimated cost of the project is \$15,060, with about 50% of the expenses being for the necessary materials. Currently, the CRD has contribution agreements to support operations at the Horsefly, Likely, Williams Lake, 150 Mile, and Alexis Creek visitor centres through the Central Cariboo Economic Development function.

This funding request is above and beyond normal operations, and the funds for the emergency repair are available in the Central Cariboo Economic Development budget due to an infusion in 2021 through COVID Safe Restart Funding. The purpose of this increased funding is to provide relief for unforeseen costs to local government and aligns with Board's strategic objective to *Foster an environment to ensure the economic sustainability of CRD communities and the region.*

Attachments:

Horsefly Museum Roof Estimate

Financial Implications:

A \$5,000 contribution from the Central Cariboo Economic Development budget. Please note this budget has been increased in 2021 by \$60,000 of COVID Safe Restart Funding.

Policy Implications:

This contribution is consistent with the existing operational support agreement in place with these groups and aligns with the following goal included in each of the North, Central, and South Cariboo 2021 Economic Development Business Plans:

Goal: Continue to encourage partnerships for economic development projects and activities.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- Communication:** Facilitate communication strategies throughout the entire Cariboo Regional District that meet the needs of residents, community stakeholders, and other levels of government.
- Planning:** Intentionally plan services and activities of the CRD to prepare for future needs of residents and community stakeholders.
- Economic Sustainability:** Foster an environment to ensure the economic sustainability of CRD communities and the region.
- Governance:** Ensure that CRD governance policy and practices are intentional, transparent, and respectful.

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Options:

- 1) Endorsement of recommendation;
- 2) Receipt and other action at discretion of the Central Cariboo Rural Directors Caucus;
- 3) Defer.

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Beth Holden, Regional Economic & Community Development Officer, dated September 15, 2021, regarding a one-time \$5,000 contribution to the Horsefly Board of Trade to contribute to the \$15,060 roof repair at the Visitor Information Centre, be received. Further, that the \$5,000 contribution from the Central Cariboo Economic Development budget be approved.