

July 23rd, 2025

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To Ministers Farnworth and Freeland,

RE: Proposed Discontinuance of Portions of the Lillooet and Squamish Subdivisions

On behalf of the District of 100 Mile House Council, I am writing to you to express our disappointment in the CN proposal for the discontinuance of portions of the CN line. CN states in its press releases that all First Nations and communities have been consulted. Not so. The letter dated July 11, 2025 we received via email was our only notice.

We are not prepared to sit back and let this happen. Taking out this line takes away future opportunities for our region, both for the District and our First Nations. The line could be active now with passenger trains and there are, and have been, economic opportunities in the past. But when receiving rail cars is not stable, no one can rely on the service.

Ministers, we as a District, and many others who have been excluded from this consultation, need to be at the table.

It is now and the future of our rural communities that is at stake. I await your response.

Sincerely,



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On behalf of the District of 100 Mile House Council

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