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VILLAGE OF LYTTON

Enid Keir  
Village of Lytton  
100 - 380 Main Street  
Lytton, BC, VoK 1Z0

Subject: Drinking Water Source-to-Tap Assessment

Dear Enid Keir,

The Fraser Basin Council would like to offer our services to assist your local government with drinking water source protection assessment and planning, according to Ministry of Health's *Comprehensive Drinking Water Source-to-Tap Assessment Guidelines*.

The Fraser Basin Council is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing sustainability, or addressing the integration of environmental, economic and social issues. Entering its 17<sup>th</sup> year, the Council has a track record of being a trusted, impartial facilitator. The Council brings together disparate interests to solve complex inter-jurisdictional issues through relationship building, seeking consensus, promoting collaboration, and addressing complex issues. Three of the twenty-six staff members are based in the Thompson Regional office in Kamloops.

The Council's **vision** is *social well-being supported by a vibrant economy and sustained by a healthy environment*. The Council's **mission** is to *advance social well-being, vibrant economies and healthy environments in the Fraser Basin and beyond*. The Council's **mandate** is to *advance sustainability in British Columbia with a core focus on the Fraser River Basin*.

The Council is well positioned to complete drinking water source protection assessment and planning based on the following:

- Thompson Region staff are completing an assessment and plan for the City of Kamloops this year;
- In our current strategic plan for 2011-16, healthy watersheds and water resources is one of our three strategic priorities;
- Human health, watershed integrity and watershed health have been recurring indicators in four sustainability indicator reports produced in the past 17 years
- Integrated watershed planning addressing multiple issues has been a key focus of the work of the Council since its inception. This includes but is not limited to Shuswap Lake Integrated Planning Process (SLIPP), Nicola Lake Action Plan, flood hazard mapping and mitigation throughout BC, and many networking and educational events promoting watershed planning and stewardship;
- Publication of *Rethinking Our Water Ways: a guide to water and watershed planning for BC communities in the face of climate change and other challenges* in 2011 and hosting 5 regional workshops in fall 2011. This guide contains a chapter on source water protection;
- The Council's Executive Director David Marshall was the chair of the Drinking Water Review Panel in the early 2000s, which drafted legislation that called for source water protection planning and assessment.

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We are able to take on all aspects of the assessment and planning, or we can work with your staff and complete portions of the work. We can work collectively with a number of small local governments in a geographic area and share efficiencies. In short, we are flexible to meet your needs and budgets.

For more information about our services in the area of drinking water source protection assessment and planning, please contact Tracy Thomas, P.Ag., Assistant Regional Manager at 250-314-9660 or [tthomas@fraserbasin.bc.ca](mailto:tthomas@fraserbasin.bc.ca) or myself.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MS', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Mike Simpson, MA, RPF  
Senior Regional Manager