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Subject: Invitation to Consult on ministerial orders for UWR u-7-001 and WHA 7-018

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Hello Regional District of Fraser Fort George

Please find attached two letters advising your government of the proposed ministerial orders to expand Ungulate Winter Range (#u-7-001) and create a new Wildlife Habitat Area (#7-018). Both of these ministerial orders relate to the herd of Southern Mountain Caribou known as the Kennedy Siding herd, which has a territory that is located approximately 25 km Northeast of Mackenzie, BC.

The letters provide links to two BC Box sites, both of which include background and details on the species, the ministerial orders and the spatial data for these sites. I have also attached a kmz file for each of proposed protected areas.

The BC Box links are below.

UWR u-7-001 https://coms.api.gov.bc.ca/api/v1/object/a238c668-edaa-4c35-b144-e8187a3c2475

WHA 7-018 https://coms.api.gov.bc.ca/api/v1/object/2c8d24e1-f1b9-4569-804b-91e163b9d10a

<u>Note</u>: BC Box is a secure on-line storage and retrieval platform supported by the Province. All data contained in these sites has been prepared by the project team and contains no restricted information. Clicking the link(s) will invite you to download the folder(s) to your computer and then you will be able to extract the documents as required. Accessing the documents through the BC Box link will ensure that you receive the most current version(s) if changes are made during the comment period. However, if you not wish to download the folder(s), please advise me and I will forward the latest version(s) to you directly.

Both of the proposed orders are being presented to the affected First Nations and to the affected tenure holders. The consultation phase for these two projects is expected to end on 2025-04-04.

If you are new to the consultation process or if you have general questions on what is occurring or what is required, I will be happy to discuss these issues and guide you through the process; please contact me as you feel is necessary.

I am also available to meet with you in person or on-line to discuss the details and intention of the proposed UWR and WHA.

Thank you for your attention in this matter, I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours respectfully,

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