



Reference: Rural Dividend Program – Approval of Funding

March 22, 2019

Dear Robyn Cyr,

On behalf of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), I am pleased to advise you that a grant of \$100,000 has been awarded from the Rural Dividend Program to Columbia Shuswap Regional District for your project (Secwepemc Landmarks and Trail Sign Project).

Please find attached the Grant Agreement for your project. Please review the Grant Agreement in full. If any changes need to be made, please contact the Program Office at 250-356-7950 or ruraldividend@gov.bc.ca.

The Province will be making public announcements about the successful projects in the near future. We require that you keep confidential the confirmation of your funding until it is announced publicly by the Province.

Please note that FLNRORD Regional Economic Operations staff are available to provide support for the successful implementation of your project. The Regional Manager for your area is Richard Toperczer and their contact information is 250.550.2204. Additionally, if you are completing a trail related project we ask that you engage with staff from the Recreation Sites and Trails BC (RSTBC) branch of FLNRORD. If you are not aware of the RSTBC staff for your region please contact the Program Office.

Please note that Grant funding provided by the Rural Dividend Program is project specific. Continued financial support for programs and/or staff positions created through this project should not be anticipated from the Program.

Direct Deposit will occur if you have previously received funding from the Province by direct deposit. Otherwise, the funding award will be administered by cheque.

We appreciate your application and wish you success in your efforts to strengthen your community's resiliency and economic viability. If you have any questions, please contact the Program Office at ruraldividend@gov.bc.ca or at 250-356-7950.

Congratulations, and I wish you every success with your project.

Sincerely,

Chris Stagg, Assistant Deputy Minister
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Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development